



INTERMEDIATE NEWSLETTER

JULY 9, 2018



Greetings from the sunny shores of Camp IX! Intermediate Winona had a full week of activities, athletic contests, and trips. We had some very warm days, particularly early in the week, so we provided plenty of water-based activities to keep everyone nice and cool in Moose Pond. Despite those hot days, the campers have been working through requirements in all that we have to offer and still had time to plan and present the Intermediate Sunday Service. Our theme was "Staunch and True, and What it Means to You."

Our mountain trippers kicked off last week with a day-trip on Monday led by **Uncles Matt, Perry and Tucker** to Pleasant Mountain, which can be seen from our shoreline here at camp. **Nathan Monchik, Gus Kolva, Andrew Chen, Matthew Gasperini, Ramkel Luak, Pedro Angarita, Alexander Krauskopf and Thomas Gasperini** conquered Bald Peak via the Ledges Trail, which offers spectacular views of Moose Pond and Camp Wyonegonic below. The group took a small detour to Bear Pond to swim from a rope swing after their hike, and returned to camp all smiles and big stories!



The mountain trippers stayed busy, departing again the very next day to "The Horn" on Mount Cabot. Mount Cabot is the highest peak of the Pilot Range of the White Mountains and was summited by campers **Henry Sloss, Henry Hoffman, Finn Wentz, Hugh Devine, Ellis Thompson, Jack McGovern** led by **Uncles Decker and Matt**. This staunch crew set out along the Unknown Pond Trail and camped at a tent site of the same name. They had fantastic views for dinner of the White Mountains and followed with card games and stories under the tarp before bed. The next day they descended along the trail and stopped off at Sawyer

Swimming Hole on the way home to cool off.

Our kayak trippers were busy last week as well, getting out to their favorite whitewater training spots on the Saco River at Steep Falls and Limington. These rapids feature some small waterfalls, technical eddy lines and fantastic swimming pools to take a break during lunch. This is a classic Winona kayaking trip offering safe and challenging opportunities for campers **Elijah Nacht, Dash Lamphier, Ward Jenkins, Ryan Hays, Alexander Krauskopf and Andrew Chen** to practice on Tuesday with **Uncles Cody, Ned K.** and some Senior campers and staff. They were followed a couple of days later by **Donald Pimentel, Thomas Gasperini, Dante Luna Lugo, Celso Marranzini, Pedro Angarita and Nathan Monchik** who went to these great waters on Thursday. Both trips were a success and some of these boys hope to test their skills further on some overnight trips to the Kennebec River later this summer.

Intermediate canoe trippers set out on their first overnight trip this week to Umbagog Lake, which sits at the head of the Magalloway River, straddling the Maine/New Hampshire state line. **Uncles Drew, John and Tovic** led campers **Phelps Henry, Ben McVane, Eli Shifrin, Jack McGovern, Finn Wentz, Hugh Devine, Dash Lamphier and John Proulx** on this three-day trip down this picturesque lake. They had great weather for the entirety of their trip moving southward over the course of three days. Campers enjoyed delicious meals of BBQ chicken and corn on the cobb the first night followed by Pad Thai on the second. The highlight of the trip, though, was surely the multiple bald eagles that the boys saw while out on the water! We will have a number of great canoe trips coming up this week, including trips to Flagstaff Lake and Newt's Isle right here on Moose Pond. These are great opportunities to get out campers out in the wilderness and there will be plenty of more stories to tell!

Lastly, our Mountain Trippers managed to squeeze in one more day-trip on Saturday before the week was through, setting off for Carter Notch and "The Rampart" - a large boulder field caused by an old landslide which offers fun hiking as campers **Dante Luna Lugo, Graham Wilson, Thomas Gasperini, Elijah Nacht, Matthew Gasperini, Renzo Martinez and Mun Luak** scrambled safely over these large rocks. Led by **Uncles Matt, Decker and Cousin CIT Patrick**, the group continued along the Wildcat River Trail to the Carter Notch Hut before descending along the same route and returning back to camp.



Intermediate had a number of athletic contests this week, also, including a baseball game on Monday against Camp Wigwam. **Uncle Topher** coached a skilled and excited team made up of **Tom Spater, Ben McVane, Hugh Devine, Jose Gonzales, Dash Lamphier, Jordi Quirch, Jack McGovern, Koa Brown, Dante Luna Lugo, Henry Sloss and Donald Pimentel**. Tom was the slugger of the team with a two-run triple and was followed by a rocket of a single from Donald. Hugh pitched an excellent game, racking up 10 strikeouts and giving up only two runs. The final score was 7-2 in favor of Camp Winona and the boys were all smiles as they celebrated with a cool swim in the lake.

Our Intermediate archers hosted a match against Camp Indian Acres on Monday, with **Uncle Oliver** guiding shooters **Evan Audette, Lucas Allsopp and Elijah Nacht** to some of the most outstanding marksmanship that this camp has seen. Outscoring opponents in every round, Lucas, Evan, and Elijah shot a 187, 178, and 165, respectively. Demonstrating both great sportsmanship and skill handling the bow, this was a fantastic showing, especially given how early in the camping season it is!

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Editors Note: Your son's unit's weekly Newsletter may also be accessed online: <http://winonacamps.com/welcome-parents/unit-newsletters>. Please note that in the weekly unit Newsletters, we focus primarily on out-of-camp trips and sporting competitions which are just a small part of the entire program here at Winona.

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We also had a soccer match against Camp Indian Acres on Tuesday. **Uncle Rafael** along with this assistant coach **Uncle Cameron** put together a staunch team of **Manuel Santelises, Pedro Angarita, Felix Saujet, Montgomery Dube, Matias Ferrucho Rave, Emilio Ferrucho Rave, Conrad Dube, Rafael Blanco, Victor Enebral Alonso, Liam Tobin, Devan Sarkar** and **Jordi Quirch**. Felix was the MVP on defense helping goalkeeper Liam all day long. Matias had two great chances at the net but our boys did not manage to score and unfortunately lost 4-0. Still, with great midfield performances from Jordi and Pedro the Winona soccer players were proud of their efforts and held their heads high on the way back to camp.



Our basketball team was busy this week with a game on Wednesday against Camp Wildwood and a tournament at Camp Indian Acres on Friday. In the first game, a team of **Ward Jenkins, Conrad Dube, Rowan Pedraza, Ben McVane, Theodore Yardley, Tom Spater, Leo Crawford** and **Henry Garnett** were coached by **Uncles Henry** and athletic director **Coach Z**. The boys played hard and displayed remarkable sportsmanship. Conrad led the team in scoring with 9 points, and Rowan had six to help the team get going on offense. "Two Point" Tom played amazing defense and was a key player in making the game close throughout. Both teams went on runs in the second half, and the Winona boys had a late lead in the final minutes of the game. Alas, a few bad bounces saw the opposing team take the lead and win the game 41-36.



In the second matchup of the week, the Inty basketball team laced them up again to play in the annual tournament. **Conrad Dube, Dakin Ebmeyer, Theodore Yardley, Leo Crawford, Devin Sarkar, Henry Sloss** and **Rowan Pedraza** set out to try and claim first place. Throughout the day Conrad paced the team on offense and great team defense led the team to a 1-1 record with one game to go. In the final game, Henry led the Winona team with six points. Unfortunately, the last game did not go our way and Winona was eliminated from the tournament. Coach **Uncle Henry** and his assistant coach **Uncle Blake** commented, "throughout the day they held their heads high and played like Winona men should." Congratulations to all of these athletes!

Lastly, on Saturday our tennis team hosted a match against Camp Wigwam on our home courts led by coach **Uncles Rafael** and **Dominic**. Campers **Tommy Soltanian, Jose Maria Grullon Gonzales, Pedro Angarita, Celso Marranzini, Rafael Blanco, Conrad Dube** and **Devan Sarkar** led the team to a victory. Jose Maria led the team with a dominant 8-1 singles win, with two very close singles matches also from Tommy and Pedro. Celso and Rafael Blanco had a very close win in their doubles match, but not as close as the win for Conrad and Devan which went to a tie break. These boys should be very proud of this match which was competitive and marked by the great sportsmanship that is so central to the "Winona Way."

As always, in Intermediate we had a number of "Men of Distinction" this week which are read aloud at campfire on Saturday.

- Tom Spater** for being a good friend and doing the right thing daily.
- Jordi Quirch** for an excellent display of strength in the Evening Program, "bombardment."
- Celso Marranzini** for a very strong performance, also, in bombardment.
- Ward Jenkins** for skippering like a champion at sailing.
- Ned Kolva** for being an excellent friend and reliable camper.
- Ryan Hays** for gracing tent 7 with a masterfully crafted sign.



And finally, all of the campers and counselors on the Umbagog trip for excellence in their canoeing and outdoor skills.

We certainly are well in our rhythm here in Intermediate Winona as Oscar showings continue, Evening Programs continue to be competitive and fun, and campers work toward their requirements. We awarded the first Full Chipmunk to **Eli Shifrin** this week and are sure to have many more in the Newsletter next week! Regular activities, several overnight canoe, mountain and kayaking trips will head out this week, along with Advanced Guard trip on Monday and plenty of athletic contests. We sure like to stay busy here, but constantly take moments to soak in the beautiful views of Moose Pond and Pleasant Mountain from the iconic Intermediate tent line.

Until next week,
Uncle Jeffrey Lamson (2002-2018)
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Intermediate Unit Director