



2015



Camp Sequassen

Facilities Activities Report

This report is compiled by the;

Camp Sequassen Maintenance Committee

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While it is not practical to record all activities, we have attempted in this report to record most of the physical improvements, some of the completed maintenance functions, as well as other related activities which have occurred at Sequassen during the facilities year which runs from; September 1st through August 31st.

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It is not one person, nor one group, that can be credited for the continuous improvement at Camp Sequassen. It is everyone working together with a common goal, to make;

*Camp Sequassen the Best
It Can Be!*

for the; Scouts, the Movement, our Nation and the World.

Since the last report Camp Sequassen has seen; many improvements that; I am sure have and will continue to enhance the experience and contribute to the enjoyment of scouts and scouters for years to come.

To all who contributed of themselves either as individuals or in groups to make this possible and especially to Ranger Dave Boyajian, and his family we should all be thankful!

I would also like to acknowledge the efforts made by Sequassen's Resident Camp Staff, Program Director Mike Migliore, Camp Director and Director of Camping Dan Cooley and VP of Camping Bill Hall who have also contributed directly to another successful year at camp.

A number of the projects tackled this year were selected due to a recently implemented NCAP requirement called the Camp Facilities Evaluation Tool, or CFET. It is a process of evaluation which is intended to take an objective view of camp facilities from the prospective of the campers, keeping in mind the protection and promotion of the BSA brand.

While the list of activities follows, here are some notable improvements for this year; a whole lot of tree work, a number of new and very attractive; gateways, area and campsite signs, an awful lot of exterior staining of our buildings, a new roof structure over the entire shotgun range building, a new ADA ramp for the West entrance to the Dining Hall, a second Gaga pit and the renovation of Loomis Left. - - - Impressive!

Yours in Scouting,
Patrick Maxim

2015 Activities

- ❖ Shotgun Range building renovation;
 - A new single roof structure over the entire building with metal roofing.
 - New deck railings.
 - Siding repairs.
 - Addition of a 12V interior light in the trap shed powered by existing solar power/battery system.
- ❖ A flag pole with a solar light system was installed as an addition to the new boat launch completed during the spring of 2014 at the Bogan Waterfront.
- ❖ Tree felling, limb cutting, brushing and log splitting work;
 - Trees and growth cut back from around the shotgun range building was cleaned up and transported.
 - Trees with issues were cut from; in front of Cohen lodge, Ledge campsite, Baden Powell campsite, along the West road, opposite the chapel entrance and near the amphitheater. For the most part the trees were limbed and the trunks were transported to the main parking area – this was a special tree cutting work event.
 - About 16 tree trunks at the main parking area were buck cut and split.
 - Some tree issues along the trail to Platt field were taken care of.
 - The Challenge area was cleared of any overgrowth.
 - The loan of a large wood chipper made a huge difference in cleaning up the copious amount of brush and trees throughout the camp.
 - A lot of bucked wood was transported to the wood piles adjacent to the Trading Post and Friendship Lodge areas.
 - All remaining bucked wood in the main parking area was split and then stacked on the pile by the Trading Post for the next season.
 - Additional bucked wood was split and stacked at the pile by Friendship.
 - Softwood trunks staged opposite Ledge were bucked and later split.
 - A softwood tree on the ground in front of Cohen was cleaned up.
 - A couple of trees were removed from Baden Powell campsite.
 - And more...
- ❖ Outlets for the coffee makers in the Dining Hall kitchen were upgraded to 20A devices.
- ❖ An ADA access ramp was constructed at the Dining Hall's West entry.
- ❖ Riffle Range Gate way Project; the two existing poles were replaced, a new Gateway sign was created and installed then railings were added to create a people gate. Lastly everything was stained.
- ❖ The "Laundry House" (now a storage building) concrete floor was replaced.
- ❖ Debris cleared off of all lean-to roofs as needed to get ready for snow.
- ❖ Lights were installed under the recently closed in middle deck roof area of Cohen Lodge.
- ❖ Challenge area gate was updated with a gateway sign; created and then installed on the existing poles; the poles and gate were finished with a new coat of stain.
- ❖ Handicrafts Area Sign project; a new sign was created and installed on the building.
- ❖ Loomis Left Interior Rehab;
 - Demolition of ceiling and installation of open celled foam insulation in rafters was sub-contracted.
 - A new drop ceiling was installed.

- Electrical (accessible) wiring was updated including new light fixtures and controls.
- The kitchenette counter and the separate work counter were replaced.
- Plumbing was updated with PEX.
- Much cleaning and miscellaneous repairs.
- The walls and floors were painted.
- ❖ Dining Hall Area Sign project; a sign was created and installed by the East entry ramp.
- ❖ Nature Area Sign project; a sign created and installed on Cohen's front railing.
- ❖ The cordless power tool shelf was replaced and other organizational improvements were made to shop.
- ❖ New "Bogan Waterfront" and "Early Boat Launch" area signs were created and installed on respective buddy boards.
- ❖ Materials for new campsite pavilions at Ledge and Hillside were cut and kitted.
- ❖ Picnic tables; 2, new 8' were constructed for Hillside.
- ❖ Hillside's Campsite Pavilion was erected after site prep work; clearing area and removing hazards was completed, metal roofing installed later.
- ❖ Cohen's front deck railings; the rotted sections were replaced and stained.
- ❖ Added road process to Service road effecting repair of some damaged sections.
- ❖ A "Graffiti" activity element was constructed and painted for Con-Jam 2015.
- ❖ Bogan waterfront Wi-Fi camera was installed on Loomis.
- ❖ Boat Building; replacement panels for (2) overhead door sized openings were constructed and installed.
- ❖ Gaga pit; a second pit was erected on the newly prepared site.
- ❖ Handicrafts building exterior was stained after repairs were made which included the replacement of ~3 sheets of T1-11 siding as well as normal prep work - it looks great!
- ❖ Campsite signs (14) were created and stained then each one was erected on 2, (4"x4") posts set in the ground, then trimmed and stained.
- ❖ Main entrance garden; weeding, trimming, raking and mulching.
- ❖ Main entrance power outlet replaced.
- ❖ Chapel; beds weeded and mulched, growth trimmed, grass raked and reseeded.
- ❖ Rifle Range restoration; - What a transformation!
 - Front entry steps were replaced.
 - A number of deck boards were replaced.
 - The target steps were repaired.
 - A few target boardwalk deck boards were replaced.
 - The structure was otherwise prepared for staining.
 - The exterior including; the deck, the railings and the posts were stained.
- ❖ Zimmermann Lodge interior walls were painted after repairs and prep was completed.
- ❖ Arrow Head plaques on display at the trading post were updated and more arrow head plaque blanks were painted.
- ❖ Wi-Fi service was extended to the Cohen lodge area.
- ❖ Dining Hall Kitchen floor was cleaned of a lot of built up grease along edges, 6 coats of polish were then applied (7+mandays).
- ❖ Lean-to roofs (Trail #s 1 & 2, Jerome # 2, Loyalty #'s 2, 3, 4, & 6) were stripped and tar papered before metal roofing was installed.
- ❖ Service equipment was installed on an adjacent power pole in preparation of bringing power to the main camp kiosk.

- ❖ North Shower saw minor repairs.
- ❖ Spars were cut for FYC while doing some clearing at Cedar campsite.
- ❖ Dining Hall chimneys were inspected as to condition which involved some power washing.
- ❖ Leaf raking and clean-up was done in Amphitheater and Friendship areas.
- ❖ A new fire pit area was created outside of Loomis Hall including 2, previously fabricated movable fire pits.
- ❖ Volley Ball court was raked and weeds pulled.
- ❖ Small garden by new ADA ramp at Dining Hall's west entrance was completed with plantings and mulch.
- ❖ Wood chips were spread;
 - Hillside campsite pavilion area
 - Ledge campsite pavilion area.
- ❖ Disk Golf course maintenance was done, pruning etc.
- ❖ Cedar Lean-tos;
 - Existing lean-to was demolished.
 - Site work for the replacement and a second, new lean-to was done.
 - Materials for two lean-tos were cut; kitted and 12 bunks were pre-assembled.
 - Two Lean-to platforms were constructed in place as well as entry steps for the one needing them.
 - Lean-tos were erected and metal roofing installed.
 - Lean-tos were later stained.
- ❖ Path from shop to dining hall was widened for UTV access.
- ❖ Rockies Pavilion;
 - Roof was stripped and some roof structure improvements were made.
 - Metal roofing was installed.
 - Structure was stained.
- ❖ Trading Post;
 - Exit ramp rails were straightened and some deck boards were replaced.
 - Screens removed, repaired and later replaced.
 - A gate of stockade fencing was installed to screen commercial bag ice chest from view.
 - Roof was swept to clear debris.
 - Front entry door exterior trim board was replaced.
 - Building was power washed and otherwise prepared for stain.
 - Exterior was stained after which things were all put back to rights.
- ❖ Baden Powell campsite's overhead gateway sign was taken down due to BSA policy against things being suspended long term using rope, sign was later mounted on site pavilion.
- ❖ Nature Center Improvements;
 - A second shelving unit was constructed, installed and stained for glass tanks.
 - The existing shelving unit was stained to match new unit.
 - Adjustable shelves were installed on wall by door left of chimney.
 - Sink faucet gasket was replaced.
 - An open; stepped shelf display unit for rock samples was constructed and installed.
- ❖ Low COPE picnic table; was washed and relocated within Low COPE.
- ❖ Rubber (Horse stall) floor matting was installed in Gaga pits.
- ❖ Alderman double door; left door latch was repaired.

- ❖ Disc Golf Course Expansion and Rehab project was started;
 - Planning and layout
 - 18 tee platforms constructed.
- ❖ Aquila Access Road project started; with the clearing of trees and other growth.
- ❖ Archery shed door replaced with 42" one, to accommodate archery trap machine.
- ❖ CSMC specific activities;
 - 8 mini work parties events.
 - Spring Major Work Party sponsorship.
 - Facilitation of Ordeal work day.
 - Facilitation of other projects and/or events.
 - 2014 Post Camp readiness (physical) review was conducted and a report was subsequently written.
 - Sequassen Action list was updated for 2015.
 - Facilities Accomplishments report for 2014 was compiled.
 - Lodging capacities list was updated.
 - Area Signs Project; conception and design of signs continue.
 - Final version of Camp Facilities Evaluation report with pictures submitted to council as part of NCAP application for Authorization to Operate submission (picture taking by non CSMC member).