



2016



**Camp Sequassen Facilities
Accomplishments
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 many 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 what has to be a record breaking number of 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 Dan Cooley, VP of Camping Bill Hall and Director of Camping Myke Morrell who have also contributed directly to another successful camp year.

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; the restoration and 9 hole expansion of our Disc Golf course, the brand new entry level BMX course, a number of new and very attractive area signs, an awful lot of exterior staining of our buildings, the progress made in the restoration and expansion of our blazed trail system, the repair and restoration of the Hermit Shack, the rehab of the Polaris campsite and Cabin 1's complete interior rehab - - - Amazing!

Yours in Scouting,
Patrick Maxim

2016 Activities

- ❖ Cohan Right saw additions to furnishings in support of the Nature program.
- ❖ Cabin 4 interior was gutted in preparation of a planned rehab.
- ❖ Park benches (2) fabricated and installed at the rifle range ready line.
- ❖ Dining Hall Kitchen North interior wall cleaned scrapped and painted.
- ❖ Tunnel to Amphitheater Trail Rehab; widened, hazards removed and stone process spread as far as Laundry House.
- ❖ Fire Wood piles were re-stacked at the Trading Post and Friendship area.
- ❖ Volley Ball court maintenance was done.
- ❖ Hermit Shack where a new flu for the wood stove was installed.
- ❖ BMX course and area completed including a 12'x16' shed, signage, etc.
- ❖ Nathan Hale; it's second Lean-to was erected and metal roof was installed.
- ❖ Truckloads of donated wood chips were distributed throughout camp.
- ❖ Clark field was fertilized.
- ❖ Savino cabin interior was prepped and painted.
- ❖ Savino cabin exterior was prepped and stained.
- ❖ LED Re-lamp Project completed with (all appropriate) about 95% of the lamps throughout camp replaced. An annual electricity savings in the area of \$2,000 per year is expected not to mention reduced maintenance.
- ❖ Replaced Riffle Range target boards.
- ❖ Shotgun range building exterior was prepped and stained.
- ❖ Health Lodge exterior was painted after siding repairs and prep was performed.
- ❖ Alderman Center exterior was stained, and did it ever need it.
- ❖ Dining Hall – Dining room exterior (upper) gables scrapped, wire brushed and painted.
- ❖ Replaced 12 of the worst tent platforms in the campsites.
- ❖ Weeding, mulching and clean-up of chapel, main entrance and waterfront gardens.
- ❖ Replaced broken windows in Cohen, Loomis, Friendship and Alling Cabins.
- ❖ Constructed and painted 10 new PVC rope barricade stanchions.
- ❖ Leaf raking clean up around; Loomis, Bennet, Sargent and Alling cabins as well as the amphitheater.
- ❖ Roofs; 4 remaining lean-to roofs in Jerome campsite and 3 in Ledge campsite were stripped and metal roofing installed.
- ❖ Polaris Campsite Renovation Project completed including; rebuilt fire ring, removal of hazards and terraced landscaping to eliminate need for tent platform steps. The flag pole has also been replaced.
- ❖ Blazed Trails work includes;
 - Project plan development.
 - Draft Trails Map created.
 - Published interim map and trail descriptions for south trails.

- Installed 6 trail post signs.
- Coordinated with Camp Workcoeman with regard shared segment of our north boundary trail.
- Removed “all” of the obsolete trail blazes in south Sequassen.
- Re-blazed some of the established trails.
- Laid out some new trail/s.
- Worked to relocate boundary trail where it crosses Camp Workcoeman Road.
- ❖ About 8 benches were releveled in the Maxim Chapel.
- ❖ Savino cabin’s stove was replaced with a new wood fired cooking/heating stove.
- ❖ Materials were cut and kitted for 3 new campsite pavilions and 1 lean-to as well as construction of the lean-to deck in Nathan Hale.
- ❖ A major cleanup was completed of the Hermit Shack and immediate area. The Hermit Shack was damaged during a February storm, by the top of a very large (36”+ girth) pine tree trunk which broke off and crushed the porch and its roof shearing them from the main structure, at the same time racking the main structure to the back and to the right by a few inches.
- ❖ Hermit Shack Restoration Project; minor repairs to the main foundation and the porch piers were replaced by contractor. The main structure was straightened and the porch structure, deck, roof and railings were replaced. The main structure roof was stripped and new roofing was installed overall.
- ❖ Tent Platforms; 10 standard size (2-piece) were constructed with plywood decks.
- ❖ Picnic tables; 4, 10 ft. and 6, 8ft were constructed.
- ❖ Pavilion for Polaris campsite was erected and roofed.
- ❖ Pavilion for Cedar campsite was erected and roofed.
- ❖ Pavilion for Aquila campsite was erected and roofed.
- ❖ Cabin 1 interior was completely gutted and renovated.
- ❖ The frost free water valve at the main parking area was replaced.
- ❖ The abandoned dining hall underground heating oil tank was removed by contractor.
- ❖ A donated (homemade) log splitter was fixed up and is operational.
- ❖ Dining hall utility room; some unused electrical service equipment removed from exterior, painted exterior where it was repaired. ceiling and other Damaged sheetrock replaced, light fixtures replaced.
- ❖ Dining Hall Exhaust fans installed, one in each dining room gable including repairs to surrounding structure and siding
- ❖ An outside receptacle has been added to East porch of Dining Hall.
- ❖ Wood splitting and more wood splitting for cabin firewood.
- ❖ Mattress barn was demolished and site landscaped as if it was never there.
- ❖ Aquila access trail expanded into a road with site parking/turn around area.
- ❖ Alling Cabin’s underground water supply pipe leak was repaired.
- ❖ Disc Golf Expansion and Rehabilitation Project was completed, which included; a new layout with 9 additional holes, an area sign, a kiosk, a bench, tee platforms, custom signs and double chain target baskets.

- ❖ Disc Golf course additions; 3 previously constructed boardwalk sections were placed over wet area crossings, also some trail maintenance was completed.
- ❖ Cedar campsite Lean-to's; one replaced and a second new one was completed.
- ❖ Rocky's Pavilion was reroofed with metal roofing and the structure was stained.
- ❖ Area signs designed, created and installed;
 - Disc Golf Course
 - Alderman Center
 - BMX (2) Course Area
 - Sports (at Gaga pits) Area
 - Bogan Waterfront (Swim Buddy board)
 - Early Boat Launch (Boating Buddy board)
 - Archery (Rocky's Pavilion) Area
 - Gates Health Lodge
- ❖ Rifle range building roof was stripped and new metal roofing was installed.
- ❖ Tree work (tops chipped or hauled for burning, wood hauled and split) at;
 - Large dead oak north side of Loomis.
 - BMX area cleared.
 - Rocky's pavilion area cut back.
 - Rifle range area cut back.
 - Platt Field perimeter cut back.
 - Disc Golf course selective clearing.
 - And much more.
- ❖ Camp Sequassen Maintenance Committee (CSMC) specific activities;
 - 8 mini work parties.
 - Spring Major Work Party sponsorship.
 - Facilitation of Ordeal Work day.
 - Facilitation of other projects and/or events.
 - Chainsaw Operation Training and #20-136 Certification (Organized by Ranger Dave).
 - A CSMC planning meeting was held in November.
 - 2015 Post Camp readiness (physical) review was conducted with 11 participants, the report subsequently submitted.
 - 2016 Sequassen Action list was updated.
 - 2015 Facilities Activities Report was compiled.
 - Lodging capacities list was updated.
 - Fire extinguisher inventory was updated.
 - Smoke and CO detector inventory was updated.
 - Camp Map was revised in November and again in May to keep up with changes (with help).
 - Blazed Trail Restoration and Expansion; is now underway. Initial planning is completed; the project will be completed in phases over the next years which will include a brand new trail map with trail descriptions.
 - Area Signs; conception and design of area signs continue.
 - Picnic table inventory was updated and tables re-distributed incorporating the 10 new tables, also 4 tables were set aside for demolition.