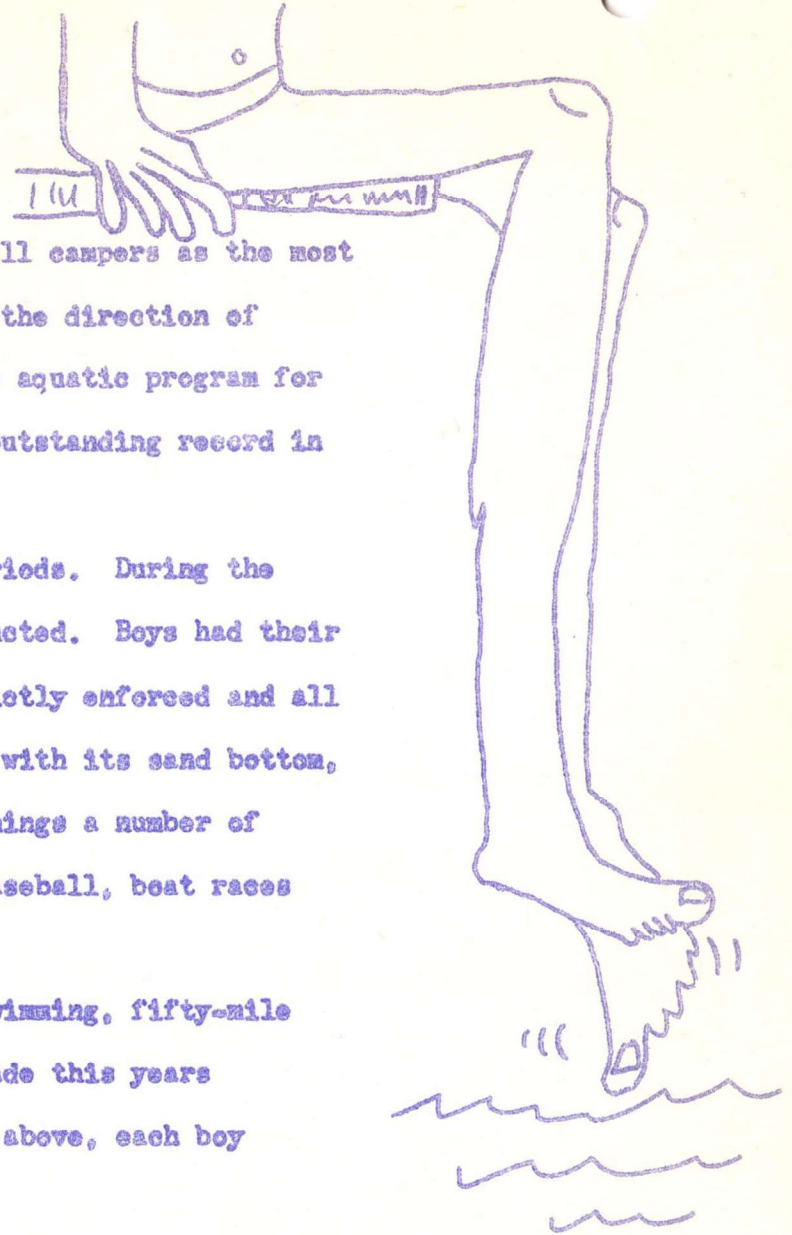


The aquatic program at Camp Waupaca rates tops with all campers as the most popular of all camp activities. The aquatic staff, under the direction of Mike Euer, had an enviable record in providing a live-wire aquatic program for all - non-swimmers, beginners and swimmers. They had an outstanding record in teaching non-swimmers to advance to beginner and swimmer.

The aquatic day was divided into four instruction periods. During the afternoon a boating and recreational swim period was conducted. Boys had their choice of attending either one. The buddy system was strictly enforced and all campers were instructed in safety skills. Lake Stratton, with its sand bottom, was ideal for instruction and recreation. During the evenings a number of optional events were offered, such as swim meets, water baseball, boat races and aquatic fun events.

Activities such as the Underwater Museum, survival swimming, fifty-mile swim award, skin diving and the Order of the Snail have made this years waterfront program truly outstanding. In addition to the above, each boy received a four page report evaluating his aquatic work.



WATER FRONT

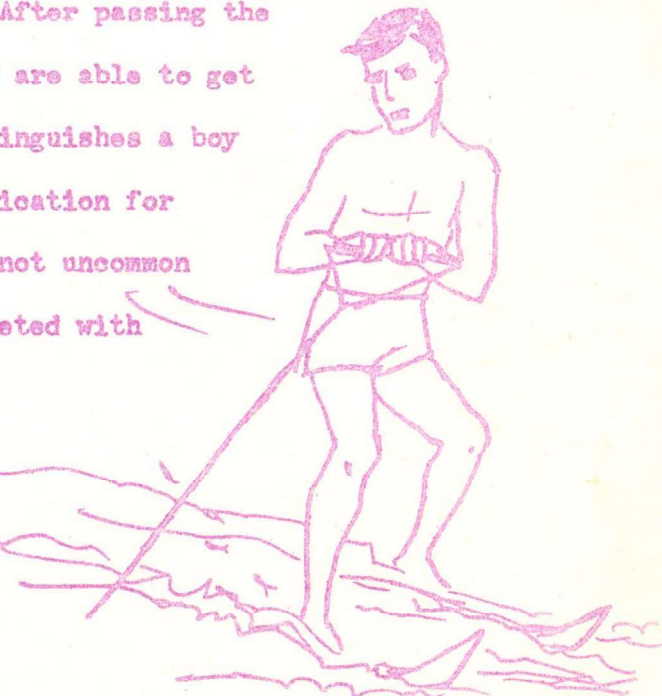
WATER

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Growing! That word best describes Camp Waupaca's skiing program this year. The welcomed addition of a new ski boat, new skis and equipment, a third instructor, and a 100% increase in the number of skiers this year, are some of the ways our program has "grown". This years classes were conducted by Jim Alverson, Gregg Jaehning, Steve Vest, Paul Ringle, and Steve Schwartz (Schwa) provided invaluable assistance. Camp Waupaca is a member of the National Waterski Association, and we have modeled our classes after their Program skiers; those who are advanced swimmers go through a week of instruction on water safety rules, lake skiing regulations, skiing signals, and dry land skiing. After passing the test in the above, campers are assisted in the water until they are able to get up on skis unassisted. One complete turn around the lake distinguishes a boy as a "camp skier". At this point boys begin to work on certification for third, second, and first, and expert ski class ratings. It is not uncommon for a boy to start the summer as a beginner and be nearly completed with expert by the end of camp.

Plans for next year include more "away-from-camp" ski trips, an experienced trip to Lake Wazeecha, a large lake

SKIING



about forty miles from camp which proved to be successful this year, and improved decking facilities. Skiing is undoubtedly the camps most popular activity. Although this sport may look difficult to the uninitiated, with proper instruction any boy who is already a good swimmer can easily become proficient in skiing. (Even falls are fun; ask Hal Jesser and Lee Becker.

SCUBA

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"Mystery is a challenge I cannot resist and the sea is filled with the unknown. I go beneath the water with the same sensation of wonder and anticipation an astronaut must feel when he goes into space. We have assembled now all the tools we need to properly explore the ocean. It is like beginning all over again and I cannot wait to start."

-Capt. Jacques-Yves Cousteau-

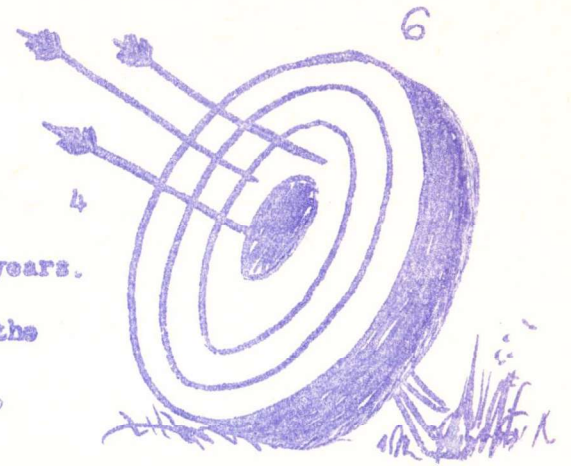
The skin and S.C.U.B.A. divers of Camp Waupaca are by no means trained scientists after they finish this course. The campers here dive for the fun and excitement of diving, not for the explicit purpose of discovering more about the world in which they live.

One cannot give a person a mask, fins, and snorkle and say, "Dive." The person must become acquainted with his new underwater environment. The Basic Snorkler program does exactly this. The pupil is acquainted with how his body reacts to water and pressure, how to equalize internal and external pressures, how to close a flooded facemask underwater, and, finally, how to move as gracefully as a fish underwater.

In the Intermediate Snorkler program, the beginner learns advanced skills. With a group of buddies, he must lift a flooded boat to the surface. He searches



an area as large as 1000 sq. feet for a number of sunken objects. The new intermediate diver learns to hold his breath longer and swim further underwater. He must drop his diving equipment to the bottom and retrieve it, clearing his mask before he reaches the surface. The highest grade of achievement in diving possible is that for S.C.U.B.A. certification. This is a gruelling two-week course which consists of one hour lecture work and two hours under water work. The applicants must be fourteen years old and a fine swimmer. The students learn about their equipment and its function. They discover that good judgement and common sense are a thin veil of protection which guards their lives. Having successfully completed the course, they become almost like fish. They can swim, work, breath, and remain completely at ease while diving. For those who get this for it is only the beginning of a wondrous new adventure.



This years archery program has been expanded in comparison to past years. Along with the annual tournament, an archery ladder was established for the camps best archers. The ladder is comprized of three divisions: Junior, (cabins 1-4) Senior, (cabins 5-9) and Advanced (cabins 10-CIT's).

Shooting at a regular bullseye target, campers challange various persons of their division to advance on the ladder. The shooters fire five arrows and the best round determines the position on the ladder.

Shooting at the regular target is not all the campers shoot at. Some archers pin up pictures to shoot at, or a standard deer target, etc. Cloud shooting is also a favorite.

Top archers worth noting are: Hal Jesser (#1 on the advanced ladder), Reid Davis (#1 on the senior ladder) and Steve Shyman (#1 on the junior ladder).

Congratulations to these and the others on the Archery Ladder.



ARCHERY

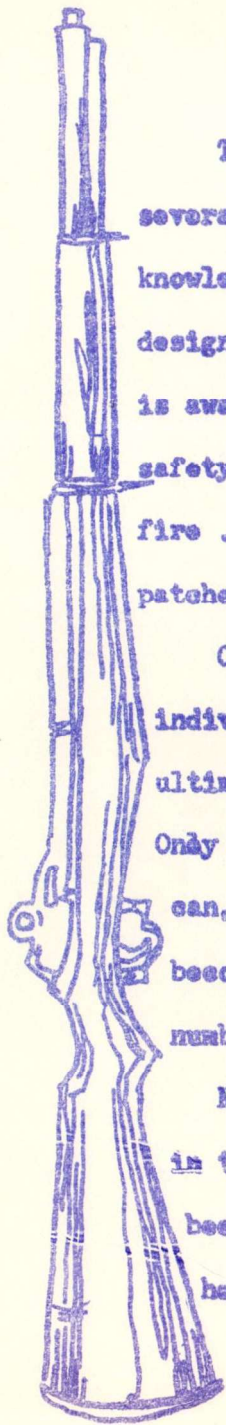
RIFLERY

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The rifle marksmanship program at Camp Waupaca has been designed to accomplish several different objectives. Campers are encouraged to develop the confidence, will, knowledge, and skills required to hit a predetermined target. The program is designed, not as a training program for the military, but to insure that each camper is aware and able to apply correct techniques of rifle marksmanship for his own personal safety and satisfaction. The program is set up along the N.R.A. guidelines. The boys fire .22 calibre rifles on a 50 foot range. There are ample opportunities to earn NRA patches and certificates, which indicate the degree of skill acquired.

Competition between individuals and teams is an effective means of motivating the individual and engendering team pride, but it is never fostered at the expense of the ultimate objective of the marksman program--to produce well-trained and SAFE riflemen. Only a person who is aiming at and hitting a target whether it be bulls eye, or tin can, can know the satisfaction and the sheer joy of the sport. Should the objective become secondary to obtaining high scores on the range, or qualifying the maximum number of campers, then it becomes only a matter of time before this pleasure is eliminated.

None of the marksmanship courses, techniques, requirements, or objectives outlined in this brief synopsis are beyond the capabilities of any individual camper who has been accepted into a class. If he is given good instruction and has the will to learn, he will improve in both knowledge and skill.



The riflery program at Waupaca is one of the most popular activities at camp with approximately 85% to 95% of the boys taking the course--either the first four or the last four weeks of camps. There is also ample time for non-class participants to come and try at the range. So eventaully 95% of the boys learn the proper and safe way to use a rifle. Safety is the chief concern, for once these fundamentals are learned at an early age, they will stick with a person all through life. In this way, he will not become a menace on the field, as so many of our older hunters are.

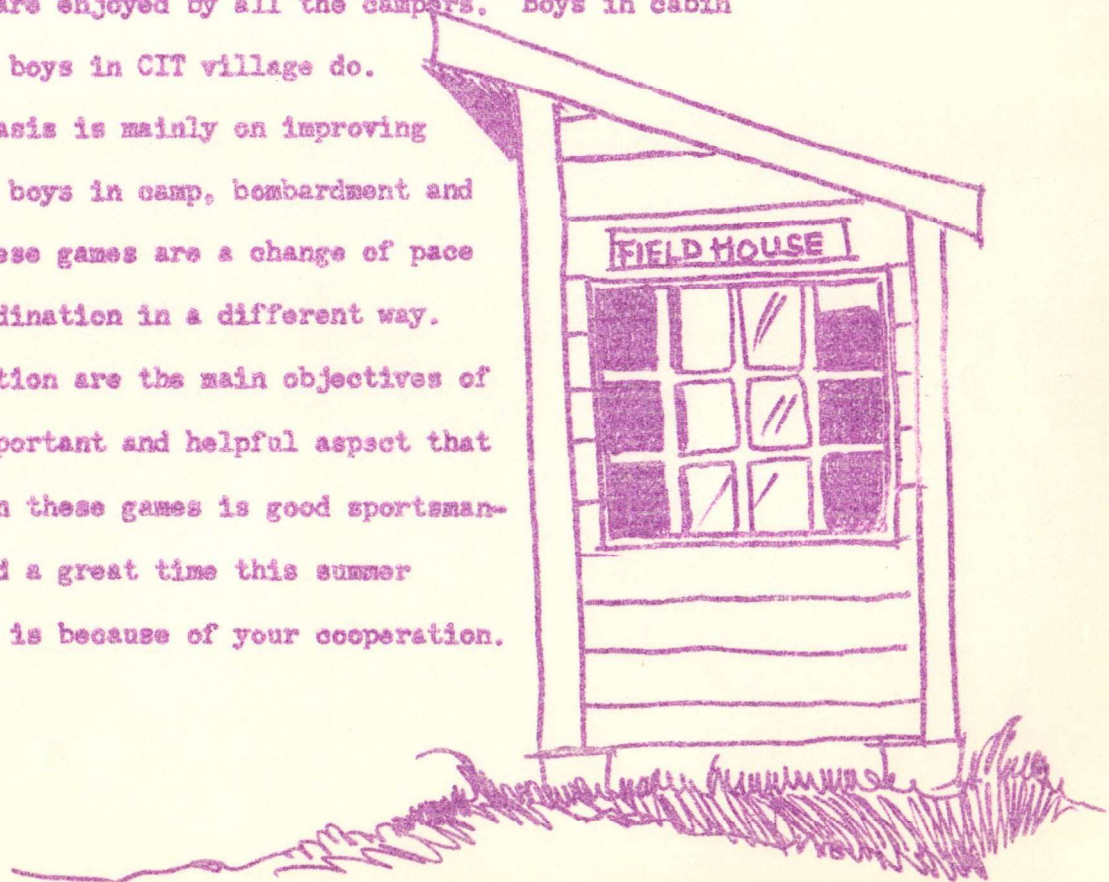
SAFE SHOOTING FOR ALL.

LAND SPORTS

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Land sports is a class for boys interested in active games. The main choice of games include: football, basketball, rugby, soccer, softball, bombardment, and "spud". Rugby and soccer are excellent for the older boys because of the continuous movement of the game. There are only brief moments when play is stopped; therefore, a boy must be in good condition to play the game in its entirety. Football and basketball are enjoyed by all the campers. Boys in cabin one enjoy this sport as much as the boys in CIT village do.

In basketball and football the emphasis is mainly on improving ones coordination. For the younger boys in camp, bombardment and "spud" are played occasionally. These games are a change of pace and also are played to improve coordination in a different way. Conditioning and of course coordination are the main objectives of Land Sports; but I feel the most important and helpful aspect that can be learned from participation in these games is good sportsmanship. I might add, boys, that I had a great time this summer teaching Land Sports, and only this is because of your cooperation. Thank you.



BASEBALL

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This year boys were instructed in all the important aspects of the great game of baseball. They were taught how to hold the bat properly, how to run, how to catch a ball, and how to show good sportsmanship.

One could always hear the familiar sound of, "Play ball," during the various classes each day.

We hope every boy learned something new about this game. Some boys did not know the rules and the proper way to play baseball. We are happy that a great number of our campers can now proudly talk about how enjoyable this game is to them since they have taken this class. We know that as our younger campers grow older, they will develop into good baseball players--maybe some will enter into the big league.

Boys, keep practicing after you get home and remember, always play fair and show good sportsmanship, because this is as important as being a good hitter, runner, or catcher.

See you next summer for more exciting ball games.

