

REGION TEN  
WILDERNESS CANOE TRIPS  
RECORD OF PADDLE AWARDS

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DATE OF TRIP	August 20th to 26th, 1939
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PADDLE AWARDS : DATE	
BRONZE	Through Mattioli, 11/9/39
GOLD	
SILVER	

Names	Uses
1. Jack Pine.	Paper Pulp. - Rough Lumber
2. Norway Pine.	Spars, Piling and Sills.
3. White Pine.	Finishing lumber - Pattern making.
4. Arbor Vitae.	Poles, Fence Posts, shingles, tub-staves.
5. White Spruce.	General Construction, Paper Pulp.
6. Black Spruce.	Paper Pulp, Construction, Piling, Posts, Ships, and Spruce gum.
7. Tamarack.	Railroad ties, telegraph poles, fence posts.
8. Balsam Fir.	Used medically and in the arts.
9. Blue Spruce.	Landscaping, musical sounding boards.
10. Dwarf Juniper.	Landscaping.
11. Quaking Aspen.	Paper pulp and excelsior.
12. Paper Birch.	Spools, shoe-pegs and lasts, paper pulp and fuel.
13. Pin Cherry	Fruit.

Twenty-five trees - Reg. 1.  
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Names	Uses
14. June Berry.	Fruit - No commercial value.
15. Mt. Ash.	No commercial value.
16. Red Maple.	Chairs, woodenware, turning, Sugar.
17. Tag Alder.	No commercial value. (Tannin)
18. Silver Willow.	No commercial value. (Tannin)
19. Sand-Bar Willow.	No Commercial value.
20. Purple Osier	No commercial value.
21. Blue berry.	Fruit. Wood of no commercial value.
22. Raspberry.	Fruit. Wood of no commercial value.
23. Rose.	No commercial value.
24. Choke Cherry.	Fruit. No commercial value.
25. Hazel Brush.	Nut. No commercial value.
26. Arrow wood.	No commercial value.

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Fifteen Plants - Reg. 2.

Name	Uses.
1. Rock Fungi.	None.
2. Deer Moss.	Food for deer in winter
3. Pigeon-Wheat Moss	None.
4. Maiden-Hair Fern.	None.
5. Arbor-Vitae Moss	None.
6. Ground Pine.	Sometimes used in wreaths.
7. Sassaparilla.	None.
8. Broad-Leaf Aster	None.
9. Early Golden-rod	None
10. Lance-leaf Golden-Rod	None.
11. Pearly Ever- lasting	None.
12. Fire bush.	None.
13. Strawberry.	Fruit. to both humans and animals.
14. Bunch-berry	None.
15. Iris	Only beauty of flower.
16. Canadian Violet	Only beauty of flower.

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I had been out on the Region Ten Hilderness Canoe Trails the week previous to this. Before I left Saturday, those in charge asked me to return and go on a free trip as a swamper guide. I wasn't sure if I could go but after I spoke to my parents, who came to Ely to get me, I decided to go and left word at the Forest Hotel in Ely that I would go.

I left home on Sunday about 12:30 and arrived at Tibbard's Lodge about 2:45. I met all the guides, who treated me more like an old friend, and then threw my duffel on a bunk. It wasn't long until there were many of the boys all ready to go. I found I was to go as a swamper for Marty Kow, and, after we got our group organized, we had a meeting and talked over the trip we were about to take. He decided to go to Lake Iona, establish a base camp and make side trips from there. Soon after our meeting, we had our evening meal. He then had a lecture on safety,

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Courtesy, and history of the territory by Bob and Jack Leyton and Ray Dye. Soon afterward we held a song fest. Being tired and anxious for the coming day, every one turned in early.

On Monday we were up at 6 o'clock and got our packs ready. Breakfast was served in the bunkhouse and we received our final instructions on the care and handling of a canoe. Due to the delay caused by the inexperience of a group from Kansas City, we didn't leave Hibbard's Lodge until about 10 o'clock. Then our four canoes with their 11 occupants shoved off on Moose Lake -- shoving off on a new and exciting adventure.

We went up Moose Lake, through a narrows into Newfoundland Lake. Then we had almost paddled the length of Newfoundland Lake, we made a portage over into Iron Lake. It was on this portage that we ate our noon lunch. After lunch, we crossed Iron Lake, through another narrows into Ensign Lake. After we paddled across Ensign Lake, we made a portage into Bass Lake. From Bass Lake we made a fairly long portage into Gibbon Lake. This portage was about

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118 rods long. After crossing Gibson Lake, we made a portage into Pot Hole Lake. This portage was only 10 rods long and seemed like a rest in comparison to the previous portage. There was a short portage from Pot Hole Lake into Jordan Lake. From Jordan Lake we went up the Jordan River from which we made a short portage into Inna Lake.

We had planned to camp on an island in Lake Inna with another group of Scouts, but the camping grounds was taken so we moved down the lake a little way and camped there. It was late when we got to our camping grounds and we still had to pitch tents, make a kitchen and prepare the evening meal. It was dark when supper was ready. After the dishes were washed and put away, we lit a council fire and had a campfire program.

Due to the long day we put in on Monday, we didn't get up until 8 o'clock Tuesday morning. As soon as breakfast was over, it began to rain and rained almost all morning, so nothing of importance was done. It let up just before dinner so we prepared dinner and ate. After dinner we

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went on a hike for the purpose of studying trees, shrubs, and plants so we could qualify for our bronze paddle awards. Right after supper we started to work on our nature study. We had our usual campfire program and turned in about 9:30.

We got up about 5:30 Wednesday morning. We ate breakfast, and, as soon as all the dishes were clean, I put them away in the camp kitchen. This job, by the way, was always mine. Another job that always seemed to be left to me was frying any fish we happened to have. After dinner we started to work on our nature study. Since we had to have 5 merit badge requirements, we worked our Lorestry merit badge right in to our nature study and killed two birds with one stone. Wednesday night after supper, we had a real song fest at our campfire and went to bed about 9:00.

On Thursday morning we got up about 6 o'clock and I had to help with breakfast. After breakfast four of us decided to work on our Pioneering Merit Badge. In the morning we built our bridge and in the afternoon we completed the rest of the requirement except for knot tying and rope splicing. We even hewed a table



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out of cedar for our camp kitchen. Two of the pictures are taken of this merit badge project, one while we were working, and one when it was completed. That evening we had another of our A-1 sleepers, and, after camp was in order, one of the men from Evansville, Indiana and I went casting along the shore but we caught nothing. After we returned to camp, I tied the twelve knots necessary for my Pioneering Merit Badge.

At 5:20 Friday morning, we got up in a very heavy fog and began to hustle because we were going to go to Canada on our way to Hubbard's Lodge. He managed to get everything together, and packed in the canoe by or shortly after 8 o'clock. He took the same route going back as we took coming up. He met one party on the portage between Gibson Lake and Pot-Hole Lake. He made all the portage with out any trouble except I twisted my ankle on the portage where we met the other party. This worried me a little because I had to carry the canoe over the next portage - the long one. I made it over the portage with out any difficulty, however. He proceeded toward Newfoundland Lake until we came to the portage between Iron Lake and Newfoundland Lake.

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We stopped here long enough to eat our noon lunch at about 2 o'clock. After we made the portage to Newfoundland Lake, we turned up Sucker Lake and went to Canada. We went, not because most of us wanted to go, but because one fellow wanted to go to Canada. He waited while Sam (the boy who wanted to go to Canada) looked over Canada. After he returned we went down Sucker into Newfoundland. He had planned to camp on Newfoundland Lake but due to the fact that all the camping spots were taken, we had to go on to Moose Lake and finally ended up by camping on the camp site on Kind Lake Portage. We arrived there about 6:40 and hurriedly made supper and put up tents. We were through eating at 7:30 and ready to go to bed. Because we were all very tired, we were soon off to bed.

We got up at 5:30 Saturday morning and started in on the camp work. We took down the tents and laid them in the sun to dry. We cleaned all the carbon off the kettles. Then, after they were cleaned, we packed them away. We also had to prepare the noon lunch. We finally got out of camp about 8:55. We had a fairly strong

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head-wind and had to paddle hard. We reached Hibbard's Lodge about 10 O'clock. We put away the canoes and checked in what equipment had been issued to us. By that time, it was noon and we ate lunch. Right after lunch we began to bid "adieu" and were soon on our way. I got a ride with the four from Evansville, Indiana, who were in our group. I got home about 4 O'clock, a lot more experienced and intelligent in the ways of camping.