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Winter Camp News

"Traditionally Unconventional"

"On Guard
Since 1986"

Let The Games Begin!

Winter Camp's Olympic Games began on Day One with athletes from three countries competing in the two events of 4-Way Volleyball and Dodgeball.

The 4-Way Volleyball action kicked off with a demonstration match organized around birthdays, as is the Winter Camp custom. Some rearrangement was necessary to balance the teams, which led to the team with birthdays in the narrow window from December 27 through January 8 taking the first match in overtime.

The preliminary round having been successfully completed, it was time for the medal round. The People's Democratic Communist Republic of North Australiastan fell by the wayside early on, leaving the teams from BRANNES and Grand Fenwick to face off for the weekette's first gold medal.

The match went into overtime, so much so that an additional revolving of courts was called when the teams deadlocked at 20-20. After some more back-and-forth volleying, the Grand Fenwick side triumphed 24-22.

The day's events then shifted to the Trout Lake Pavilion, where picnic tables were rearranged to enclose the playing area and rules hastily determined to facilitate a three-handed dodgeball match. A four-sector court with "no man's land" in one part was laid out, and six balls were rolled out as the battle began, with the goal to notch 3 wins first in the head-to-head-to-head matches.

New Winter Camper Ryan Shork proved himself a capable anchor of his BRANNES team, as he was frequently the last player left on his court. He was, however, challenged to finish off his opponents, as the BRANNES squad could only manage a third-place finish. Grand Fenwick carried the day again, with the People's Democratic Communist Republic of North Australiastan taking the day's second set of silver medals.

You Might Be A Winter Camper If...

If lunch on Christmas Eve traditionally involves a Frosty from Wendy's...

If 100 is only the *second* largest number of dishes you've prepared for one meal...

If "narrowly missed sitting on a cake" isn't gibberish...

If you've ever caught glow sticks dropped from an airplane...

If you've plugged a phone line into a fluorescent fixture to connect to the Internet...

Quote O' The Day

"You're heating up the refrigerator!"

—Adam Haubenstricker, to Matt Grimble who left the cabin door open when milk was being stored outside.

Day One Medal Count

	Gold	Silver	Blue	Total
Grand Fenwick	2	0	0	2
BRANNES	0	1	1	2
People's Democratic Communist Republic of North Australiastan	0	1	1	2

Today's Schedule (All times WCST)

9:00 AM	Mexican Breakfast
10:17 AM	Service
1:17 PM	Foraging Lunch
2:17 PM	Service
6:00 PM	Free Time
7:00 PM	Apres Smoke Dinner
8:00 PM	Water Rocket Construction
9:00 PM	Board Games
11:00 PM	Bollmano's Snack
Midnight	Quiet Hours

Alimentary Endings

Winter Camp XLII kicked off on Day One with the **Olympic Lunch**. In the spirit of the community of nations, each Earth continent was represented by a dish or an ingredient. Kielbasa came from Europe, macaroni and cheese combined North American cheddar cheese with Asian pasta, and the ice water stood for Antarctica. In the dessert course, pineapple from South America was served in upside-down cake form for Australia and topped with chocolate syrup for Africa.

At the **Caveman Dinner**, the traditional fare of spaghetti, salad, garlic bread, milk, and chocolate pudding was served. The customary antipasto salad was replaced by a less complicated green salad. One participant, when asked to comment on the meal, stated that "It was horrible."

Meet The Nations

by Chris Kirschke

Grand Fenwick

A nation most famous for stealing the “Q Bomb” from the USA, this nation is hoping that this year’s Olympics will put their tiny nation on the map. Their fearless leader Chris is both taking part in the activities as well as being their Olympic representative due to their limited low population size. The colors of this great nation are green and yellow, with their national symbol being the mighty mouse.

BRANNES

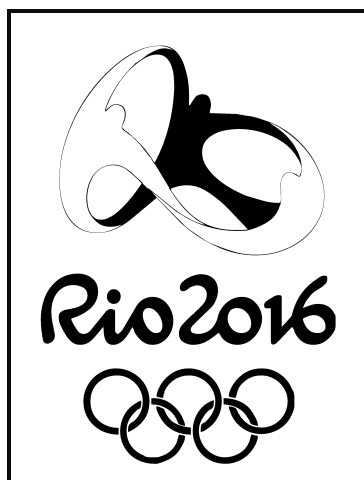
A brain-shaped nation, the people of BRANNES are an interesting bunch. Responding to most questions with “BRANNES” (there are no lower-case letters in their alphabet), little could be gleaned about their leader or culture, though it is expected that the majority of their population has achieved a higher level of education than most people in other lesser nations, though it is hard to tell. Their flag is pure white.

People’s Democratic Communist Republic of North Australiastan

Owning southern Australia (since the whole region is upside down, north is south and south is north), the PDCRNA is led by the godly and glorious supreme leader Carlos, who enjoys universal praise (under punishment of death for disagreement)

from all of his subjects. The people of the PDCRNA believe that these Olympics will show the world that they are not the repressive dictatorial failure of a state that threatens all reporters (including this one) with pain of death. The flag of the PDCRNA is black and red with reporters creating those flags in the hot prisons of the outback as punishment for their negative reporting.

Olympic Spotlight



The 31st Summer Olympics were held in Rio de Janeiro, Brazil in 2016. 11,238 athletes from 207 countries competed in 306 events.

Back In The Day

Tales Of History and Imagination

The first Winter Camp generation, of course, began with Winter Camp I in 1977.

The second generation was declared to begin when Brian Mann attended Winter Camp XV in 1991, as he was the first Winter Camper who had not been born when Winter Camp I started. Campers whose first Winter Camp was between Winter Camp XV and XXVII comprise the second generation.

The calendar was then reset, and Winter Camp historians made a mental note to watch for the first Winter Camper who was not yet born by December 27, 1991. That third generation began with Gabe Church, who was born in October 1992 and whose first Winter Camp was Winter Camp XXVIII.

After a few years of waiting and monitoring birth records of new campers, Generation Four began with the attendance this year of Ryan Shork, who was born in October 2005, after the start of Winter Camp XXVIII. The third generation thus closes covering the years from Winter Camps XXVIII through XLI.

The fifth generation will commence with the first Winter Camper born after December 27, 2018—if the established pattern holds true, Winter Camp LVI, scheduled for December 27-31, 2032, will welcome that 13-year-old camper.

Winter Camp Trivia

From yesterday’s edition:

1. Who created the Winter Camp Notifier, which allows campers to get updates of activity on the Winter Camp planning Web page?

—Alan Wilson

2. What color medals are awarded for 3rd place at Winter Camp XLII?

—Blue

3. What does the acronym GRAC stand for?

—Global Responsible Adult Companion

Update from December 31, 2017: Kieran Bledsoe is destined forthwith to be known as “Captain Underpants”, which is

what happens when you seal your underwear into a 5-year time capsule.

Today’s questions:

1. Who was a standout player in a blue-medal finish at Dodgeball?
2. What are the official colors of the People’s Democratic Communist Republic of North Australiastan?
3. Who constructed the proofing box that greatly improved the bread baking process at Winter Camp XLII?
4. Who is present at Winter Camp XLII after not having attended since Winter Camp V?