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# Winter Camp News

*"Traditionally Unconventional"*

*"On Guard  
Since 1986"*

## Welcome To Official Winter Camp Chess

by Gwen Pratt

Winter Camp XLV saw the inauguration of the first game of Winter Camp Chess. The game involved a player setting up the board in the following manner:

- One type of piece is missing from the board.
- One piece is on the opposing side.
- One rule can be changed by a nonplayer.

In addition, knights, on a roll of 6 on a standard d6, become bombs. Unlike normal chess, cheating is encouraged.

The players at the first game were Connor Johnson and Michael Bristol. Throughout the game, rules are added by spectators, with the spectators winning if the people lose their brain cells and players winning as per more usual chess rules. The first winner of the inaugural game was Michael Bristol, who then declared that the event would not occur again.

## Arrival/Departure Lounge

### Now Here:

Kristie Donohue  
Adam Haubenstricker

### Not Here:

Roger Horn  
Dave Oakley

News o' the day: Jacob Ferns embrassé le poisson avec la langue.

## The Dr Pepper Amalgamation

by Annabelle Beattie

The experimental batch of bread, officially named the *Dr Pepper Amalgamation*, was created on Day One of Winter Camp XLV. The bread was the same as all the other batches, except that instead of water and sugar, it used Dr Pepper. The dough was very discolored, as well as the bread.

In the process of making it, too much salt was added to the dough, making it very salty. It rose and baked just like all the other batches, but it was in isolation for those processes. The bread was then consumed at 2:00 AM on Day Two. It tasted the same as all of the other bread except much saltier.

## Tomorrow's Schedule (All times WCST)

9:00 AM ..... Continental Breakfast (Team Apathy)  
10:00 AM ..... 4-Way Volleyball  
12:00 N ..... Electric Lunch (Goob Joob)  
1:00 PM ..... Plaque Hike  
4:00 PM ..... Robot Maze  
6:00 PM ..... Caveman Dinner (Goob Joob)  
7:00 PM ..... Feature Film  
8:00 PM ..... Movie Snack (TBA)  
11:00 PM ..... Bollmano's Pizza (I Am Scout)  
12:00 M ..... Red Ring Of Death

One of the Winter Camp XLV service project crews poses before the fruits of their labor near the Trout Lake beach, which is all in sun. No shade. Too hot. Several small animals were displaced by this fire.



## They Didn't Miss Out: Participation Awards Presented

In the first edition of this year's Winter Camp News, youth members were encouraged not to miss out on the Winter Camp Participation Award, which is the most prestigious award that can be earned by a youth member of Mishigami Lodge. Two campers, Timmy Pfeiffer and Gwen Pratt, successfully completed the requirements and received their exclusive gold-bordered Winter Camp patches on Day Two, making them the 39th and 40th recipients of the Participation Award.

### Quotes O' The Day

"My phone says we still have 1 minute [before breakfast is served]."

—Jacob Ferns, just prior to the Lumberjack Breakfast

"Your phone is wrong."

—Alan Wilson, noting that the food was ready to go

"If I'm dragging somebody out of bed, they're getting drug all the way here, I'm a closer."

—Connor Johnson

"Deader is better."

—Keith King, feeding the fire during the

camporee area service project.

"This is our 45<sup>th</sup> annual event and among the advisers, we have several engineers, a math professor, an actuary, an accountant, and at least two guys who make Scrooge look like a spendthrift. We run a mathematically tight ship."

—Steve Donohue, in an email exchange regarding Winter Camp XLV's finances, 21 December 2021.

(Can you identify who's who on that list of advisers?)

## Winter Camp Trivia

### From yesterday's edition:

1. Which Winter Camp XLV hike was proposed by Steve Donohue?

—Plaque Hike

2. Who serves as the Activities Leader at Winter Camp XLV?

—Michael Bristol

3. Who serves as the Kitchen Leader at Winter Camp XLV?

—Connor Johnson, who stepped up when Gavin Bottorff was unable to attend.

4. Including Winter Camp XLV, which D-A subcamp has been home to more Winter Camps: Jack Lord or Trout Lake?

—Trout Lake might lead, 2½—2, or they may be tied at 2 apiece. It depends on how one counts Winter Camp XXXII, which included a bugout from Beaver Creek to Trout Lake.

### Today's questions:

1. Which family now holds the record

for most members attending Winter Camp, with 5?

- What was the path of the Cross-Country Golf hole at Winter Camp XLV?
- Where did the two Blind Hikes at Winter Camp XLV go?

### You Might Be A Winter Camper If...

If you've ever tailgated at a Wendy's on Christmas Eve...



### Trailer Rescue

Twenty years ago, an unscheduled event enlivened Day Four of Winter Camp XXV. Following Raze The Village and Oatley Ring Fighting, Paul Kupser was driving around Lockwood Lake pulling a trailer laden with Viking event equipment. For reasons which remain unknown, the trailer broke loose from its hitch and slid into the lake. Paul called to the Beaver Creek building on a short-range radio for assistance, but received only an "April Fool's to you too!" response, from Steve Donohue.

Two crews of campers soon converged on the accident site, however, and were able to retrieve the trailer and its contents intact. Paul came under some fire in the various Winter Camp XXV newspapers for not attaching the trailer's safety chains, but was ultimately exonerated in the Winter Camp News by Doug Wilson, who asserted that "If he'd had the chains on, he probably would have done a lot of damage to his vehicle."

## Winter Camp Dictionary

**Seat check** (n.): The practice of kicking one's chair when getting up from the table, to reserve it against someone else stealing one's seat.

