

JOHN ISLAND CAMP

1959

For
Boys
in
July



For
Girls
in
August

*Built in a Beautiful Setting on Georgian Bay
By the Sudbury Y's Men's Club*

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SUDBURY Y.M.C.A.



This is John Island Camp

John Island Camp, constructed and owned by the Sudbury Y's Men's Club, and operated by the Sudbury Y.M.C.A., opens its sixth season of camping for youth in Northern Ontario.

Located on Georgian Bay, 80 miles west of Sudbury, John Island Camp has a well-equipped dining hall and kitchen, a well fitted hospital and craft shop, and sleeping accommodation in screened cabins, for 90 campers. Electric lights, running water, and flush toilets add to comfort and convenience of camp operation. The camp is equipped with canoes, rowboats, and sailboats to enable campers to have many hours of fun.

Nearly 300 acres of beautifully wooded camp grounds, a half-mile of the finest sand beach to be found anywhere, a playing field, an archery range, and a fine harbor shielded from the wind in every direction, provides an ideal spot for a safe camping experience. Camp life provides an excellent opportunity to fulfill our YMCA motto:

Spirit

Mind

Body

IN THE GREAT OUT-OF-DOORS

Spirit



Worship

Worship is very much a part of camp life. Each day begins with a brief devotional period and the day closes with hymns around the camp fire or cabin devotions.

All chapel services are of an inter-denominational character, rooted in the actual experiences of the campers and indigenous to the camp setting.

On Sundays, services will be held in the out-door chapel which was planned and built by the Girls' Camp of 1954. A single non-sectarian service is conducted by members of the staff with the girls participating. Special arrangements will be made to take children of the Roman Catholic faith to Sunday morning mass.

Mind



Mind

John Island has a program for every boy and girl whether they be nine or fifteen.

There are separate "sections" or age groupings each with a trained, conscientious group of leaders under competent staff direction. Each of these age groups enjoys challenging, interesting, holiday living in a safe, healthful environment.

The development of new skills, free expression of interest and ideas, and experiences of living and working together in the out-of-doors, make John Island an ideal holiday place for boys and girls.

Body



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In the Junior Section, the accent is on in-camp activity—swimming and boating instruction—hobbies—handicraft—Indian Lore and games on the playing field. As skills are developed and the boys and girls are able to pass certain required tests, more varied activities are enjoyed—canoeing, and eventually a carefully planned overnight trip.

The Intermediate and Senior Sections do a good deal of boating, sailing and canoeing; they are encouraged to pass the required tests early so that they may take part in the traditional older boys and girls program of hiking and canoe tripping which means so much to the adventurous.

The importance of boating, canoeing and sailing is stressed at John Island, and instruction in water craft is a daily part of camp program. High standard tests are given, and in recognition, crests are awarded.

Swimming plays an important part at John Island. Whether the camper is just learning or already is a competent swimmer, standard Y.M.C.A. methods of swimming instruction and testing ensure that he or she will improve his or her swimming ability.

Facilities



Campers and staff members are required to have medical examinations before coming to John Island. A registered nurse is in charge of the camp hospital at all times. She confers daily with cabin leaders and makes a twice daily check of all campers who need attention. A new hospital building was provided recently by the Sudbury Y's Menettes Club



All meals at John Island are approved by a qualified dietician and are prepared by capable experienced cooks. Our kitchen is completely modern—perishables are kept in a large electric "walk in" type refrigerator and all water is government tested. Daily boat services ensure regular supplies of dairy fresh pasteurized milk, vegetables and fresh meats.



There are nine screened L-type sleeping cabins with a central room for the leader and two separate rooms each accommodating four campers. In addition there is a senior cabin complete with fireplace, which accommodates 16 people.



Transportation from the Sudbury Y.M.C.A. to Spanish, Ontario is provided by charter bus. Boats are waiting at the dock at Spanish to transport all campers to John Island.



The Y.M.C.A. has long been a leader in water-safety and at John Island Camp approved standards are strictly maintained. Campers swim in our boom-enclosed swimming area only at specified times and under the close supervision of qualified life-guards. No camper uses a boat or canoe until after they have passed swimming and boating tests which prove their ability to participate safely in this part of the program, and then only under the supervision of the water-front staff.



Of paramount importance to parents in selecting a summer camp for their children is the calibre of leadership provided. John Island staff and cabin counsellors are carefully selected for their knowledge and interest in children, for their experience and skill in camping and for their all around exemplification of genuine Christian living. All staff members and counsellors attend a spring training course to prepare them for their responsibilities.

TRIP TO CAMP

Campers and all their luggage will leave the Sudbury Y.M.C.A. as follows, in two groups, in order to be properly accommodated on the boats from Spanish, Ontario to the Camp.

BOY'S CAMP --- SATURDAY, JUNE 27TH

FIRST bus will leave at 7:30 a.m.

SECOND bus will leave at 10.30 a.m.

GIRL'S CAMP --- SATURDAY, JULY 25TH

FIRST bus will leave at 7:30 a.m.

SECOND bus will leave at 10.30 a.m.

You will be notified, well in advance, of the group in which your camper is to travel.

All Campers **are expected to travel by bus** from the Sudbury Y.M.C.A. Campers living in the vicinity of the camp, i.e., Espanola, Spanish, Blind River, and Elliot Lake, etc., should be taken directly to the dock at Spanish, by their parents—arriving there by 12:00 noon—for the group's boat departure.

CAMP COMMITTEE

Directing the policies and operation of John Island Camp is a group of business and professional men and women acting in a supervisory capacity. The varied interests and abilities of these people are further assurances that every phase of the Camp's operation will be planned and efficiently carried out.

JOHN ISLAND CAMP COMMITTEE

Mrs. C. Bell

Doctor Ford Dixon

H. C. Meades

Gordon Jones

J. W. A. Bell

Graham Dick (Chairman)

H. R. Bisset

President, Sudbury
Y.M.C.A.

J. Asselstine

R. C. Mornan

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A. Cook

R. C. Wilkinson

J. C. Bischoff

Jos. Jaffe

L. H. Burgess

General Secretary
Sudbury Y.M.C.A.

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WHAT TO BRING

The following list of items is suggested merely as a guide and may be altered to meet individual needs. Please list additional items in the space provided. When packing, prior to leaving for Camp, please mark off items under the column "TO". This list **must then accompany the camper** and should be given to the Counsellor upon arrival in Camp.

Campers often fail to recognize their own personal property so please be certain that all kits, clothing and other articles are clearly marked. After packing, please label all bags, bed-rolls, etc. clearly.

To	From	
.....	3 heavy blankets and 8-10 blanket pins—or bedroll.
.....	2 flannelette sheets.
.....	1 pillow — 2 slips.
.....	Jacket and sweater.
.....	2 pair jeans or long pants.
.....	2 pair shorts.
.....	2 warm shirts
.....	2 sleeveless cotton jerseys
.....	3 pair underwear shorts
.....	2 suits pyjamas
.....	4 - 6 pairs warm socks.
.....	Bathing suit.
.....	Waterproof ground sheet (for overnight trip).
.....	Dunnage bag—or pack-sack
.....	6 handkerchiefs.
.....	Hat or cap.
.....	2 bath towels.
.....	Hair brush and *Comb.
.....	*Toothbrush, *Paste, *Soap, in a case.
.....	Flashlight—name scratched on it.
.....	Raincoat and waterproof hat.
.....	1 pair running shoes.
.....	1 pair scampers or sturdy shoes.
.....	(For out-trips only) 1 Knife, Fork, Spoon, Plate and Cup
.....	(Tin or Plastic) *Writing paper and *Stamped envelopes.

Not Necessary but Helpful:

- Stunt costume.
- Camera.
- Fishing tackle.
- Musical instrument.

NOTE—Axes or hatchets should not be brought to camp. Items marked * will also be available for purchase at camp.

A limited number of paddles will be available for purchase at John Island Camp. Campers who already have their own paddles are encouraged to bring them to John Island Camp.

JOHN ISLAND'S 6TH YEAR

BOYS' CAMP

June 27th to July 25th

CAMPERS

9 - 15 Years

GIRL'S CAMP

July 25th to August 15th

Camp program is planned to cover a four week period (for boys) and a three week period (for girls) and parents are urged to enroll campers for the full period. NOTE: In special cases a period of two weeks (BOYS ONLY) may be granted. However, in such a case, an interview with the Camp Director will be necessary.

FEES: The Camp fees are \$30.00 per week PLUS bus transportation fee of \$4.05 per camper. A deposit of \$10.00 must accompany application and the balance is payable before the day the camper leaves for camp. The Sudbury Y.M.C.A. maintains the lowest fee possible, compatible with good camping standards, since only operating costs are involved. The property is maintained by the Sudbury Y's Men's Club.

John Island Camp office is located at the Sudbury Y.M.C.A., 185 Elm St., E., Sudbury, Ontario. Phone OSborne 4-0743. All cheques should be made payable to the Sudbury Y.M.C.A.

BUS TRANSPORTATION: The camping experience should be considered to extend from the time the camper packs his equipment prior to leaving for Camp until he is home again. The chartered bus trip with the other campers from the Sudbury "Y" to Spanish, Ontario, and return, should be an important part of the total experience. A bus fare of \$4.05 is payable by all campers, and all campers are encouraged to travel by bus. Since it is necessary to charter buses, no reductions or exceptions can be made from this bus fare, which is payable along with the Camp Fees.

Leadership



A. DOUGLAS AITKEN

Sudbury Y.M.C.A.
Youth Work Secretary
Boy's Camp Director



GRACE L. EVANS

Sudbury Y.M.C.A.
Women and Girl's Work Secretary
Girl's Camp Director



RALPH S. ERSKINE

Sudbury Y.M.C.A.
Physical Director

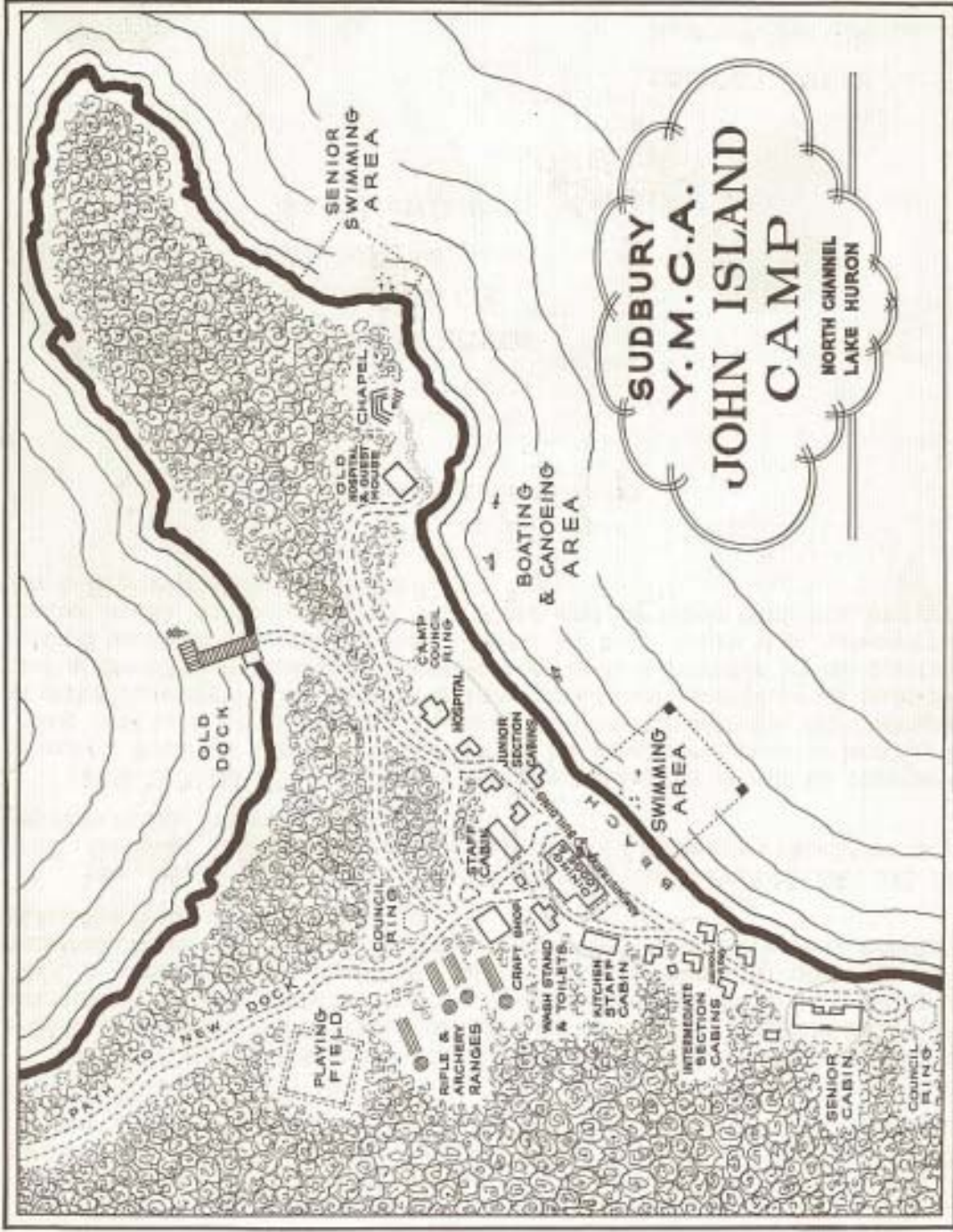
Archery

Sports

Hobbies

Out Trips

Wild Life



Swimming

Canoeing

Sailing

Hiking

Woodcraft