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The camp members had grown to 14 by this time. According to the Minutes of General Meeting of Deer Lake Camp Syndicate January 23rd, 1925 they were Dr. Herman H. Sanderson, Alexander Douglas Willis Leach, William Henry Issacs, Walter Leishman McGregor, Dr. Leonard D. Hogan, A. D. Green, Jas R. Coate, Robert Lawrence Daniels, Edward Campbell Kenning, Colonel J. F. Smyth, W. J. Burns, Major Ebenezer Michael McLean, Edgar F. Ladore and Colonel Sidney C. Robinson.

Strict rules were still followed such as proper attire at the dinner table and set times for meals.

The Camp had borrowed money from the bank and some members advanced sums of money to carry on this year. A matter that had to be resolved so that they would not have to be borrowing money all the time. This was to be discussed at the meetings in 1926.

A decision to Incorporate was made by the members mainly to give members a 1) clearly defined & negotiable interest, 2) to reduce personal liability and 3) create a more equitable manner of assessments, operations and finances of the club, under the name "Morton's Point Limited" in memory of **Robert M. Morton** and also in memory of the **Fusileers** who lost their lives at the **Battle of Bunker Hill on** "<u>Morton's Point</u>" on June 16th, 1775.. E. C. Kenning applied for and received "Letters Patent" incorporating "Morton's Point Limited", a private company at a value of \$40,000.00 consisting of 1600 shares with a value of \$25.00 each. Shares were made available and the shareholders did not have to be members of the camp and members did not have to be shareholders. The Charter of the company, "Morton's Point Ltd." was issued on April 18th, 1925.

Mr. Kenning, acting for the estate of Robert Morton and Mrs. Morton, offered to transfer to Morton's Point Ltd. All the interests in the Syndicate held by Robert Morton valued at \$250.00 less his share of the assessment and other costs he would have owed. W. L. McGregor, acting for the estate of Gordon McGregor who died in 1922, could not make the same offer at the time of the meeting, January 23rd, 1925, and was to report to the membership later. The Syndicate offered the estate of Gordon McGregor the same as was given to Robert Morton's estate on the motion of W. H. Isaacs, and seconded by R. L. Daniels.

Shares in the Company (Morton's Point Limited, 10 shares each required) were obtained by the above members on February 4th, 1925 except for Edgar F. Ladore who got his on April 11th, 1925. The Letter of Patent signed by the Provincial Secretary of Ontario Incorporating Morton's Point Limited was dated April 18th, 1925.

The first Shareholders of Morton's Point Ltd. meeting was held at the Essex Golf and Country Club on Thursday May 7th, 1925 at 8:15 PM. Shares were held by W. J. Burns, J. R. Coate, R. L. Daniels, A. D. Green, L. D Hogan, W. H. Isaacs, E. C. Kenning, E. F. Ladore, A. D. W. Leach, E. M. McLean, W. L. McGregor, Col. S. C. Robinson, H. H. Sanderson and J. F. Smyth. E. C. Kenning was the Chairman and R. L. Daniels was Secretary as set by a motion and second.

The meeting included the reading and adoption of the Charter and setting up the Shareholders Board of Directors, by vote, to include the 7 remaining original members who were E. C. Kenning, W. H. Issacs, A. D. Green, Dr. H. H. Sanderson, Col. S. C. Robinson, W. J. Burns and W. L. McGregor. Immediately following the shareholders meeting was the Morton's Point Limited Board of Directors Meeting at 9:30 PM where the initiation fee was set for all new members at \$250.00 . E. C. Kenning was elected President, A. D. Green was elected as Vice President and R. L. Daniels was elected Secretary. Then at 10:00 PM the Shareholders of Morton's Point Ltd. held another meeting to pass the By-laws of Morton's Point Ltd and to vote in the new members nominated for membership. Accepted for membership were George M. Duck proposed by E. F. Ladore and seconded by A. D. W. Leach, Dr. Archibald D. McAlpine proposed by Dr. H. H. Sanderson seconded by E. M. McLean and Harry Guest proposed by A. D. W. Leach seconded by W. H. Isaacs.

Although it may appear to be confusing, there are two sets of "Board of Directors". One for the Shareholders and one for Morton's Point Ltd. Each holding separate meetings, but working together. There were generally 3 meetings per year consisting of an Annual General Meeting, Morton's Point Ltd (*members*). Board of Directors Meeting (*as elected by members of Morton's Point Limited*) and Shareholders of Morton's Point Ltd. Meeting (*not all shareholders were members*). Additional meetings would occasionally be set up to deal with issues as they arose. This was in later years called an overkill, set up like a major company for a little fishing camp. However, when you look closely at the people involved in the beginning, they were all very high profile men whose professions were high ranking military, doctors, lawyers, upper management and self employed businessmen who dealt with this type of structure every day. So to them this would have appeared to have been normal.

F. B. Issacs later transferred one share each to John Haddow Sr. and Fred Issacs after they became members in 1952. Both John and Fred had attended Camp yearly since 1946.



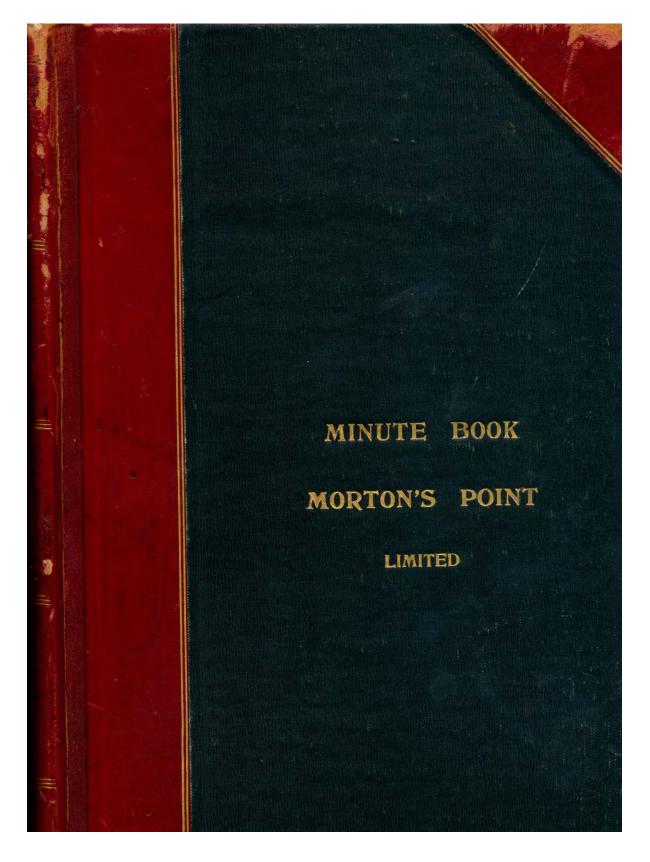
Kenogan Cabin

Two more 2 man cabins were built this year. The Mag, just past the Cook's Cabin on the Magnetawan River side of camp and the first 2 man cabin south of the flagpole known today as the Kenogan Cabin. This name was derived by the fact it was always occupied by Edward Kenning and Ed Hogan. The Mag Cabin & Cook's Cabin were in later years to be joined together to make one large cabin. The cost of the two cabins was \$305.36 . An assessment for \$25.00 from each Member was done to pay for the work.

Resignations (1) Robert M. Morton died August 1924.

New Members (3) Dr. Archibald D. McAlpine, George M. Duck, Harry T. Guest.

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