

2001

Left William Henry Isaacs 31 years
Right Fred Bray Isaacs 55 years.



To this year, the longest running number of years in Camp was held solely by Fred Bray Isaacs who attended Camp since 1928 (becoming a member in 1936) until his death in 1983. He was tied this year by his son, Fred Arnold Isaacs, with 55 years attending Camp as a guest since 1946 and a member in 1952 along with John William Haddow Sr. his son-in-law, who has 55 years in Camp as a guest since 1946 and a member in 1952 with one year as an Honorary Life Member. Fred Arnold Isaacs was granted an Honorary Life Membership in 2000 but continued to pay his dues. Both Fred and John plan to attend Camp for as long as they can.

In second place in terms of length of time in Camp and membership is Major Edward Campbell Kenning, 42 years from 1910 - 1952.

In third place in terms of length of time in Camp and membership are current Honorary Life Members Willis Ball and Douglas F. Lauder for 41 years from 1960 - 2001.

Major Ebenezer Michael McLean was a member for 36 years from 1918 - 1954 but was a shareholder for 44 years from 1910 - 1954. It is uncertain if he attended Camp since 1910 though.

Others of long standing are Robert L. Daniels 38 years from 1918 - 1956, George Macartney Duck 35 years from 1925 - 1960, Colonel Sydney Robinson 32 years from 1910 - 1942, William Merv Wright 32 years from 1946 - 1978, William Henry Isaacs 31 years from 1910 - 1941, Dr. H. H. Sanderson 31 years from 1910 - 1941 and Ralph G. Surrell 31 years from 1960 - 1991.

The above commitments to the Camp over the past 94 years shows us that there is much more to Morton's Point than just a fishing camp. All long standing members have found a special bond and camaraderie at Morton's Point Camp that is difficult to find anywhere else.

New president, Dennis Pettit was elected to the Board of Directors. This was his first time on Board. He slipped in to the position like putting on an old shoe. His years as a Phys Ed teacher and football coach in London were his best asset in leadership and his love of the Camp his drive. The 2001 Board of Director's Meeting was held on April 8th, 2001 at The Village Inn, Sarnia. The

Treasurer reported that property taxes had increased 87%, ING direct banking was being used to hold the Camp money and yield the highest interest possible and all other aspects were running at a normal pace. Other business included: Larry Ancypa had copies made of the roll up map which he passed out at the meeting. He hoped to get a copy laminated and put up in Camp. When the map was returned and opened, it was found to have been cut off the roller and pull bar so it could be scanned properly. The roll up map was taken home and repaired by Tim Inkster, then sent back to Camp with Al Glover in June 2001. Ned Riley was in charge of the Lake Stewardship program, working with the Lake Association. Ned set up a record book and testing apparatus and each Camp Manager added results to the file. This was then sent in to the Ministry of Natural Resources in September. U. S. members were being charged to convert their cheques to Canadian funds so the Board decided to allow them to send their dues in U.S. funds as we were not charged to cash them. The propane Servel fridges were inspected and tested by Tim Inkster and found not to be a CO threat mainly due to the ventilation allowed by the building. The 18 cubic foot white kitchen fridge and the two 10 cubic foot bar fridges are all pre 1957 Servel Units with a current replacement cost of \$8,000.00 . Thank goodness they did not have to be replaced..

Willis Ball and Art Burgess were given Honorary Life Memberships to Morton's Point Camp by the Board of Directors on April 8th, 2001.

There was a heavy snowfall during the winter which left accumulated snow 8 feet deep in April. The roofs all held up well except for the boathouse which broke many rafters but overall the Camp was in good shape. An insurance claim was made in October 2001 to recover money for some of the damages caused by the snow load.



Rafter work in boathouse by Kenny Hayward Sept. 2001.

The contractor, Ken Taylor, was very slow in getting his written estimate on the steel roofing for the boathouse and cooks cabin in to the Board. The first was sent back to be rewritten and the second was turned down by the Board as it was unacceptable due to poor description of what was covered in the price. The Board has to answer to the members and felt unprotected by the estimate received. A spring start on these repairs was now impossible. Ken Taylor was asked to price shingles verses steel roofs and his answer was the price is the same as there is more labour to shingle (\$7,318.80 GST included steel or shingles). A second estimate was received from Danny Villeneuve of Hamilton (First Rate Roofing) for \$4,200.00, no GST, for shingles and \$5,200.00, no GST, for steel, plus disposal of debris. Shingles (30 year) were decided on and work was scheduled for September 28th to October 1st in order to give Kenny Hayward time to

complete his rafter and crib work.

The boat committee, headed by Steve Nyitray, went ahead with approved purchases with the \$6,000.00 budget from the October 2000 Annual General Meeting. The 4 HP motor from Porcupine Lake was sent in for repair at a cost of \$60.00. This was good news considering it had been thought to be beyond repair. With the repair of the 4 HP motor, the purchase of a 5 HP motor with gears not needed. The 4 HP was sent back out later in season, August, as the cooling system got plugged up.



Many boats were looked at to replace the Springbok. The newest addition to our fleet to replace the Springbok was an 18 foot Crestliner with side console purchased for \$3,700.00 plus the cost of a controller for approx \$400.00 . The Springbok had a repair done on the large split on the bow and leaking keel. Kenny took it into town for welding which controlled the leakage for now and the boat was left in Camp with a 9.9 HP on it. A manual transmission was found for the Hyah-Hyah at a cost of \$795.00 .This was installed by Steve Nyitray, Steve Bachle, Bud Lutman and Kenny Hayward. The Board of Directors had authorized the purchase of the new transmission and tune up of engine. After wiring and prep work, Steve Nyitray and gang took the new boat in to Camp during their June 2001 Camp. The Hyah-Hyah had the plate damaged (between transmission and engine) during the season,

August, so Steve Nyitray and gang were called on once again. They worked on it during their September Camp but could not finish the required work due to lack of parts. The Board authorized the purchase of a new bell housing for the Hyah-Hyah. This group of members has answered the call and put into the Camp far more than they took out. At the Annual General Meeting, October 2001, the boat committee was authorized to purchase a new 5 HP motor with gears for Porcupine to replace the old 4 HP which will be kept in Camp as a spare or mounted on the duck boat.

Members Tim Inkster and Rob Haddow worked with Danny Villeneuve (First Rate Roofing) & labourers (his brother Robin and helper Sean) to do roof replacements, soffit & fascia on the Kenogan and Pulling Cabins in May 2001. Danny Villeneuve is a nephew of Jim Keast, a previous guest / relative in Camp. Jim Keast is the brother-in-law of Tim Inkster and Al Glover. Danny was brought in for the Haddow May Camp, to assist in the roofing of the Kenogan & Pulling cabins and he did not



Kenogan Cabin
May
2001

charge for his or his helpers labour. The previous estimate to shingle or install steel roofs on these 2 man cabins was \$3,600. With Tim, Rob, Danny and Danny's helpers laboring, the cost was \$591.38 plus the use of 100' of 1 x 4 pine that was in Camp already. While in Camp, Danny inspected and priced the roofing for the Boathouse and Cooks Cabin roofs at \$4,200.00 for both not including disposal of old shingles. The go ahead was later given by the Board and Camp time was set for the roofers to go in on September 28th to October 1st, 2001. The brick chimney on the Pulling Cabin was found to be in bad shape and had to be torn down. The decision was made to remove the bricks, patch the roof and have a new vent pipe straight up from the wood stove and through the roof. When the bricks were removed, the base wood supports were found to be rotted by water damaged and very near the point of breaking. This could have dropped 500 pounds of bricks on someone's head. I noted that the kitchen had a similar wood and brick chimney at one time as the platform is still there (May 27, 2001). Bud Lutman got the best price on the stove pipe which was taken to Camp, but not installed, by Dennis Pettit as he was called out of Camp due to his fathers health. All but the front soffit work on the two man cabins was completed in May with the balance of the soffit work done by Tim Inkster and Willis Ball during the July Haddow Camp followed by installation of aluminum on the soffits by the Old Vic Kinsella, Tom Kinsella and guest, young Vic Kinsella Camp of September 27th - 30th. Kenny Hayward worked on the boathouse rafters and cribs in September and the roofers (First Rate Roofing) completed the shingling of the boathouse and Cook's Cabin on October 1, 2001. An estimate was given to Tim Inkster by Danny Villeneuve, to re-shingle the main lodge for a cost of \$5,700.00 plus \$140.00 to cover the sides of the dormer with rolled roofing.



A new propane BBQ was purchased through Rob Haddow at Home Depot in Mississauga. It had been used by the store to cook hamburgers at the opening and we got it for \$125.00 plus tax. A savings of \$275.00. Tim Inkster took it to Camp in July.

Steam cleaning & pressure washing the Pussy Kat.



Tim also brought in high pressure steam cleaning equipment to clean the carpet on the Pussy Cat and pressure wash the framework. While on a roll he steam cleaned all the carpet and upholstery in the main lodge and carpet runners in the out buildings.

The demand hot water heater in the shower building was removed and replaced by a propane hot water tank during the June Ancypa Camp. This made it easier to take a shower as you no longer needed to be an engineer to light the demand heater. Water pressure was still low so an in line pump was ordered to be installed in the spring 2002. Larry Ancypa's Camp also cleared the shrubbery and small trees along the shoreline between the main lodge and main sleeping cabin opening the view of the lake once again.



A total of 6 old broken barbeques along with all sorts of broken chairs and items put out from the massive Camp cleanup were taken out to the dump by Tim Inkster and Craig Haddow in July. It took two large van loads to remove it and there was still more in and around the Camp.

Craig Haddow at the dump with 6 old BBQ's from Camp.

Douglas F. Lauder is an Osteopathic Physician. For 41 years he attended Camp but on September 7th, 2001 he wrote his letter of resignation and sent it to the Secretary. He noted his 41 years in Camp were a great experience, but the infirmities of age made attendance just plain difficult. Plans were made by Tim Inkster to make a motion at the October 2001 Annual General Meeting to add Doug to the roster of Honorary Life Membership as he too was one of the group (20) in 1960 that paid off the debt to the bank and kept Morton's Point Camp running. This motion was passed and Doug joined John Haddow Sr., Fred A. Isaacs and Willis Ball as Honorary Life Members.

The dam down river, originally built in 1947, was undergoing repairs during 2001. Heavy rain in September caused high lake levels and the heavy equipment being used to complete the work had to be removed or loose it to the high water.

The 42nd Annual General Meeting was held on October 21st, 2001 at The Village Inn, Sarnia. The President noted that the September 11th tragedy affected the world and that the Canadian members were behind our American members all the way. The dues and fees were increased. Yearly dues went up \$50.00 to \$260.00 with a refundable work camp assessment increased \$10.00, up to \$40.00 per year. Day rates were set at;

<u>Season</u>	<u>Member Rate</u>	<u>Relative Rate</u>	<u>Guest Rate</u>
Off Season	\$15.00 CDN / day	\$19.00 CDN / day	\$25.00 CDN / day
Summer	\$23.00 CDN / day	\$44.00 CDN / day	\$50.00 CDN / day

Larry Ancypa's and Tim Inkster's 3 year terms on the Board were up this year. Tim Inkster was re-elected as Secretary and Bob Larsen was elected as Member of the Board. Dennis Pettit remained President, Bud Lutman remained Treasurer and Ned Riley was elected Vice President.

Resignations (5) Honorary Life Member Art Burgess died April 15th, 2001, Daryl Lechner, Rick Ball, Douglas F. Lauder, D. O.

New Members (0)

Honorary Life Memberships were given to Art Burgess April 8th, 2001. Willis Ball April 8th, 2001. Douglas F. Lauder D. O. October 21st, 2001.

Last Modified May 30, 2012.