



**Camp Betsey Cox**



**The Camp with the song in its heart!**

**WORDS SAID AT THE WORDS VESPERS**

- Camp
- Don't want to part
- Fun
- Fun in the Sun
- Trees
- Friends
- Grass
- Vast
- Bugs
- Bunks
- Flags
- South Korea
- Smiles
- Weather
- Together

**Favorite Camp Sounds**

- ◆ Christmas's moo
- ◆ The Bell
- ◆ Barred Owls hooting at night- adults and babies!
- ◆ Singing at Vespers
- ◆ The splash at the bottom of the pond slide
- ◆ The purr of a camp cat

**Lines from Lorrie- August 15, 2021**

Wow.....what an incredible two weeks began third session! Summery weather returned in full force! Campers and Burr Pond became very fast friends! The slip and slide cooled people off in the main yard. Animals were bathed, people sipped ice-cold lemonade, and activities bustled with activity.

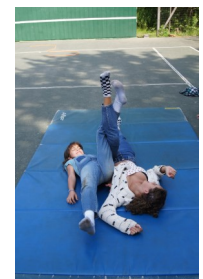
**Here are some highlights:**

**Old Vermont Day** began with early-morning work. The silver van was polished to a gleaming hue. Horses and farm animals got their breakfast from more and different hands. An all-camp cleanup crew put bits of litter where it really belongs. A cabin group worked on the new barn. Lots and lots of early-morning energy! We regained our energy over eggs, sausage, biscuits and apple pie! And then Old Vermont skills popped up all over the main yard.

**Did you...**

- ◆ hammer a nail
- ◆ use the two-person saw
- ◆ churn butter
- ◆ make bread
- ◆ spin wool into yarn
- ◆ play hopscotch and jump rope
- ◆ churn ice cream
- ◆ make a candle
- ◆ stir down maple syrup into maple cream

And then that evening...the Betsey Cox Fair brought even more fun and frivolity into the day.



At the end of the day memories of an historic day and time were sharper than ever!

## No Strings Brings a Wolf and Three Pigs!

Long-time friends Barbara Paulson and Dan Baginski brought their family of puppets to camp to perform a revised version of the classic Three Little Pigs story. From Dan's rocking music before the show began through to the very last question of the evening, the puppets and Barbara and Dan shot a burst of artistic talent into the camper crowd!

A special feature of this year's visit was that eight campers had a chance to build their own puppet in a pre-show workshop led by Barbara. The eight locally-produced puppets were unique and as creative as each of the campers who constructed them!

## Annual Popsicle Race!



This week brought our camp community's chance to put some energy into helping the broader world. Camp people strolled, walked, ran and swam right here at camp in order to donate some money to two causes selected by a vote of all of us. Camp pledged a dollar for every lap on the walking course and every two laps at the pond. This year, our earnings created a donation for *Send a Girl To School* and to the *Purple Rainbow Foundation* (an organization that supports transgender youth).

Several people earned the designation of **BC Marathon Woman**. For runners going around the course five times (a 3 mile commitment). They were Alexa, Audrey F. and Audrey W., Edelia, Ellie, Gaby, Hattie, Lucy H., Maeve, Sasha, Siena and staff members Emilie and Audrey along with Stuggie Emma G. At the pond, many swimmers had personal bests! 12 lengths or more made you a **BC Marathon Woman!** That group includes Olivia, Willow, Rumi, Jordis, Paige, Matilda, Priya, Misa, Quinn, Emma C., Addie T., Hanna, Olivia O. Amara, Zora, Yvie, Erica K., Lila, Taylor, and staff members Devri, Kim and Lorrie. Two campers became **BC Biathletes** for the walk/run and swim challenges. They were Maci Mae and Rachel T. Good job, all!!

## Contra Dance goes on... and on... Despite a Change in the weather!

Staff members Steve Spensley, Thea and Evie Samaha and Emilie Pelletier joined by Marcos Levy, made up this summer's contra dance band! Two fiddlers, a cellist, a bass violinist and a guitarist backed the entire camp as caller Lausanne Allan called out the paces for each dance.

**And then...a cloud burst!!** A brief deluge cooled the dance floor and when the instruments returned and the dance began again, cheers went up from the crowd! Marcos packed up his guitar and pulled up with a very odd drum and a spoon. The rain brought slightly cooler air and it was hard to end the evening!



## THE DISCO SOCIAL

B.C. definitely shown on Thursday evening when the camp community strolled over to Sangamon for this year's disco Social. Thanks to the hard work of Jen M., Mansfield cabin and Maci Mae, Narnia costumes were organized and available for use. We looked great!



## DO YOU REMEMBER...

- \*the Middle Eastern dinner? **Yum!**
- \*White Rocks older camper overnight?
- \***Two** trips up the Killington Gondola with a stroll down after a picnic lunch?
- \*the barn raising—siding project!
- \*pond Olympics?
- \*cake pops?
- \*Vermont State Song?
- \*picnic day in the tree house?: