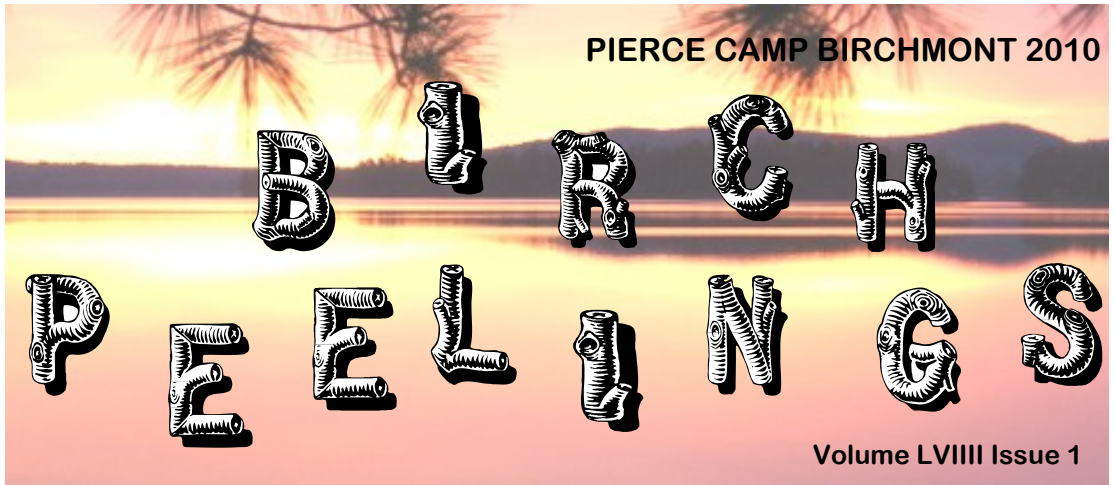




PIERCE CAMP BIRCHMONT 2010



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Exciting things to come...

- 7/11 Breakfast in Bed
- 7/13 Hoe Down
- 7/14 -15-16 SSR & USR To Montreal, Canada
- 7/14-15-16 LSR White Water Rafting
- 7/17 Blue & White Day
- 7/17 Variety Show
- 7/22 Black & White Dinner and DJ Social



A few words from the North Country...

We kicked off our 59th summer with classic New Hampshire weather, blue skies a constant breeze and temperatures in the mid 70s by day and low 60s by night; perfect! Then the heat wave came; and it turned hot... But that's okay with us and it makes Lake Wentworth the place to be! Lots of extended swim periods for cooling off, sailing, kayaking, skiing and the new rage paddle boarding! After all it is summer!

We once again have tremendous continuity amongst our staff and it seemed that we picked up right where we left off last summer. Already this summer we've hosted the Lakes Region Athletic Association's biggest tennis tourna-

A few words from Greg & Laura...

ment, The Birchmont Invitational and our 13 & under boys took 1st place in the 13 & under teams and our 15 & under took 2nd place and missing the gold by half a point. This week it's our girls turn as we host the women's Birchmont Invitational, go get em' girls! In Basketball our 13 & under girls team won the Championship in the LRAA hosted at Camp Robinhood competing against teams as far away as Maine! We've also been busy with many other ICCs (Inter Camp Competitions) in baseball, softball, soccer, swimming & golf to name a few...

Off of the fields and courts we've had our first DJ social rockin' the Lodge, 4th of July Barbeque with old fashioned Relay Races, Tug-O-War, make your own Ice Cream Sundaes and our Senior Campers heading off to see the Wolfeboro Fireworks over Wolfeboro Bay! We continued on with our Special Events calendar with the Checker Tournament and the ever popular Casino Royal! Tomorrow we sleep in with Breakfast in Bed, followed by Helen's amazing Brunch followed by the Chess Tournament! Our trips have started as well

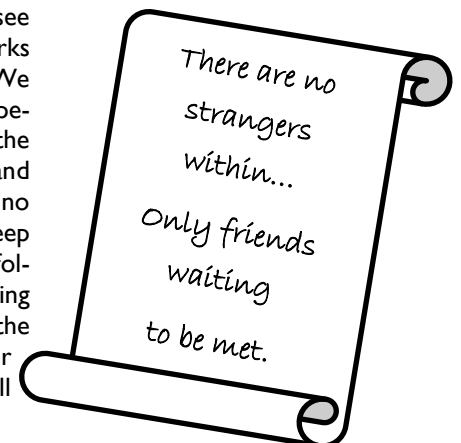
with the campers headed off to Palace Playland on the Maine coast, Canobie Lake amusement park, Ice Skating and the Hill Top outdoor Arcades and across Lake Winnepesaukee on the Mt Washington Ferry to Fun Spot and the Lakes Region Kellerhaus Ice Cream shop. Our Pioneer & Intermediate Boys had their overnight camp out under the stars replete with campfires, songs and S'mores! All this and it's still the 2nd week of camp!!!

Well that's it for now keep your eyes peeled for more news from Pierce Camp Birchmont in the beautiful Lakes Region of New Hampshire where fun is always on the run...

All the best,

Greg & Laura

Directors



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Braves shine at Lakes Region Athletic Association Baseball Tournament

By: Sam G.

“Braves beat Kenwood for game one of the LRAA 12 & Under Tournament”

6 innings with an ending score of 6 –3.



“LRAA 13 & Under Braves team battles Back”

On June 30th our U13 baseball team traveled to Camp Winaukee for the lakes region U13 baseball tournament! The Braves got beat up a little bit in the first game losing 7-3 with our only offense coming from LSRB **Jeremy K.** and LSRB

Alex G. In the second game Birchmont was quick to bounce back with a 12 –1 victory against the team from Robinhood. There was great hitting and fielding by everyone especially LSRB **Michael Y.**, LSRB **Jacob L.**, LSRB **Matt F.**, SSRB **Jackson T.**, and LSRB **Matt L.** Our win sent the Braves to the semi-finals.

To start the game pitching was INTB **Will B.** who let up a quick two runs to Kenwood but then completely shut the door the rest of his time pitching in the game. Birchmont rallied through out the game to put together 6 runs. Hits came from INTB **Jack K.**, INTB **Will B.**, INTB **Justin L.** Our Birchmont Braves were victorious in



12 AND UNDER GIRLS SOCCER TOURNAMENT AT FOREST ACRES

By: Fara G.

It was a hot, sunny exciting day Thursday for the Inter Girls. Sixteen girls were dressed in Blue Birchmont Braves shirts, shin guards, colorful socks and smiling faces. The bus set off early to Forest Acres camp for the soccer tournament. The girls were determined & motivated their energy was unstoppable. The team won 2 out of 3 games in the first round. Great goals were scored by INTG **Hanna Z.** and INTG **Sloane S.** Many assists were completed by INTG **Melanie N.** and INTG **Emily W.** INTG's **Grace J.** and **Sabrina E.** dominated in goal. The team advanced to the semi-finals for a match against Camp Mataponi. It was a tough game and Birchmont gave it their all. We lost 2-0 but a job well done to all players. Overall the Birchmont 12 and Under Girls Soccer Team placed 3rd out of 6 camps and a full day of soccer was a success. The girls jumped on the bus and headed home to Birchmont. The players cooled off with ice-cream from Bly's, which was a surprise treat for their best efforts. Special thanks to Coaches **Steve O.** and **Fara G.**

Great job and an amazing effort by the Inter-girls.



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Birchmont Braves Dominate 13 and Under Girls Basketball Tourney

By: **Alicia T. & Brian M.**

Birchmont's 13 and Under Girls basketball team travelled to Robinhood to participate in a five team tournament. With some amazing team work and some spectacular individual efforts our girls came out on top. Finishing with a 4-1-1 record on the day.

In the first game, the Lady Braves came out and dominated the Forest Acres five. Setting the tone for the day with a strong defensive effort led by LSRG **Jordan L.** and USRG **Stephanie H.**, allowing only 2 points. Next the girls faced a tough Evergreen squad which featured twin towers down low which made getting a rebound a near impossible task, but LSRG **Sam S.**, LSRG **Leigh K.** and USRG **Paloma A.** were up to the challenge. With more suffocating defense the score was a 0-0 tie at the half. After falling behind 6-2 the girls put on a spirited comeback, once again using defense to catapult them to a 6-6 come from behind tie, which was sparked by a steal and layup by INTG **Lucia L.** In the third game the Birchmonter's stumbled and lost to host Robinhood despite an all out effort from USRG **Danielle R.** and LSRG **Christy B.** In the final game of the morning it was all Birchmont, with LSRG **Emily Q.**, LSRG **Castine S.** and LSRG **Olivia G.** jumping all over the girls from Robindel and never looking back en route to a 16-2 victory

At the end of the round robin portion of the tournament Birchmont was seeded third out of the four remaining teams. In the Semi's, Birchmont got the chance to avenge their only loss of the day against Robinhood. This time it was a whole new story. LSRG **Amanda S.**, LSRG **Rocky S.** and LSRG **Miki T.** played some tough girl to girl defense which led to some easy baskets as the Lady Braves cruised to a satisfying 10-2 drumming. In the finals the Lady Braves were matched up against the number 1 seed, Evergreen. The second meeting between these teams did not disappoint. At the end of regulation it was once again tied, but in the finals we needed a winner so the game went to overtime. With the game tied at 8-8 three minutes were put on the clock. Once again the Birchmont defense was spectacular, denying their opponent any scoring chances. The pivotal moment of the tournament came when INTG **Sloane S.** stole the ball at mid-court and drove to the hoop to score the winning basket.

Congratulations to all the girls who participated on our championship team!



15 & Under Basketball ICC



by SSRG **Nicole V.**

Last week the 15 and under and 13 and under girls basketball teams travelled to Robinhood for a tournament. Although the 15 and under teams wins did not add up to a large number, everyone put in all their effort and fought hard every moment in every game. Their defensive and offensive strategies really proved what a strong team they are. Whether they were in for the whole game or 37 seconds, each and every girl proved that they deserved to be there. High scorers were SSRG **Corey B.**, SSRG **Hayley K.**, SSRG **Nicole V.**, USRG **Chloe F.** and USRG **Jamie S.** Great defense was played by SSRG **Imogen G.**, SSRG **Gabby E.**,

SSRG **Morgan M.**, SSRG **Sam L.**, SSRG **Ali C.**, SSRG **Brooke S.** and SSRG **Natasha D.** The 13 and under girls had a very successful run at the tournament. Every girl was determined, and their fierce determination paid off. Using their strength and skill these talented girls went on to win the final game taking 1st place in the 13 and under tourney. Congratulations on a job well done girls!

Thanks to our fantastic coaches

Mo B. and Brian M.!

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The Birchmont Invitational



Boys take 2nd place by a 1/2 a point! By: Elizabeth K.

Despite the above 90 degree weather and delayed start the 2010 Boy's Birchmont Invitational was a great success. Five teams competed at Birchmont in an all day tennis marathon. The 15 and under division, Birchmont came in second—by half a point—behind Winaukee's "A" team. Individually in this division SSRB **Jeremy T.** upset the Winaukee "A" number one singles player and then went on to win the rest of his draw. In the number three singles position, SSRB **Justin S.** took the gold as did the doubles teams of SSRB **Jason G.** and SSRB **Russell K. & SSRB Jackson T.** and USRB **Sam F.**

For the 13 and under division, Birchmont's "A" team came in first place. In addition USRB **Matt R.** took first place playing first singles. LSRB **Ian F.** won the gold at second singles play-

ing INTB **Jack B.** in the finals. USRB **Andres M.** won for third singles. LSRB **Mike Y.** and LSRB **Daniel C.** played first doubles winning the consolation round. LSRB **Pablo P.** played first singles, quite a job for an eleven year old. He put forth a strong effort but was defeated. INTB **Eric R.** lost his singles match on the "B" side but INTB **Will B.** and INTB **Jack K.** took second doubles for the "B" team. Also in doubles, the second doubles team of LSRB **Mikey W.** and LSRB **Adam G.** took silver in a tough match. Overall it was a hot but successful day for PCB and after it was all over an extended swim for the tennis players was extremely welcome!

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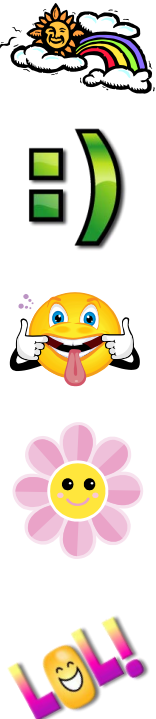
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Want to play ball? The circles represent sports balls from the smallest to the biggest. Can you identify them?

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____
4. _____
5. _____
6. _____

Name list:
(Not in order of size.)
Soccer
Baseball
Basketball
Tennis
Golf
Softball



WEEDING CAMP
BECOME AN EXPERT WEEDER IN JUST THREE WEEKS!

ACNE CAMP
LEARN TO ERADICATE ALL KINDS OF ZITS IN A BEAUTIFUL WOODLAND SETTING

PARALLEL PARKING CAMP
EIGHT WEEKS OF INTENSIVE TRAINING!

SUMO WRESTLING CAMP
IMMERSE YOURSELF IN THIS ANCIENT ART OF THE EAST!

Least popular camps of 2010.

Pizrez Camp Birchmont Alma Mater

Alma Mater, in praise we sing

Hills are our homeland, all nature and spring

Glory, Birchmont, to be of thee

Campers with honor and loyalty

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Correct Order: Golf, Tennis Baseball, Softball, Soccer, Basketball

SPORTS TRIVIA CONTEST

By LSRB Stephen E.

You need correct answers to **ALL** questions to receive your "prize". Place your answers on a sheet of paper with your name and group. Hand it in to the office for Laura Pierce. **GOOD LUCK!**

1. How many football teams does New York have and name them.
2. Which team knocked the USA out of the World Cup?
3. In tennis history how long was the longest match, and who won it?
4. Wimbledon tennis tournament is played on which surface? Is it the fastest or slowest?
5. Name the top 5 teams in the World Cup.
6. Who were the World Cup defending champions?
7. BONUS: In the British indie soccer film "Bend It like Beckham" about a young women's soccer team who was the female star in her first role?



The Fourth of July celebration was a huge success. Lower camp played games and had races while upper camp watched fireworks light up the beautiful New Hampshire sky. The lower camp races included the crab walk, tug of war, the dash and the 3 legged race. Each of the groups had their own winner. The fireworks over the lake were also fun. The big finale was beautiful and even Greg Pierce said himself that it was the best Wolfeboro fireworks he had ever seen.

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FOURTH OF JULY RACE WINNERS

SPRINT

Pioneer Boy:

Stevie N. & George S.

Pioneer Girl:

Ryan D. & Randi S.

Intermediate Boy:

Uday K. & Zachary P.

Intermediate Girl:

Sloane S. & Jamie W.

THREE LEGGED RACE

Pioneer Boy:

Jobim S. & Jordan R.

Jason C. & Matt C.

Pioneer Girl:

Lauren P. & Sarah R.

Courtney A. & Raquel G.

Intermediate Boy:

Uday K. & George K.

Zachary P. & Ted B.

Intermediate Girl:

Lily G. & Grace J.

Jamie W. & Hanna Z.



PIGGY BACK RACE

Pioneer Boy:

Jack B. & Jake G.

Ryan F. & Harry P.

Pioneer Girl:

Courtney A. & Bridget F.

Sophia Y. & Phoebe D.

Intermediate Boy:

Jason T. & Eric R.

David L. & Jack O'H.

Intermediate Girl:

Bailey G. & Marissa B.

Allison E. & Parker S.-S.

CRAB WALK RACE

Pioneer Boy:

Matt C. & Tim F.

Pioneer Girl:

Sarah R. & Randi S.

Intermediate Boy:

Casey S., Jack B. & Jason T.

Intermediate Girl:

Claudia G. & Holly W.

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A New Checker King Crowned at Camp Birchmont by Laura P.

The Birchmont Annual Checker Tournament was held on Sunday afternoon under the shade of pine trees outside the dining hall. Thirty-two participants battled it out for this years checker champion title.

Both girls and boys from lower camp competed in single elimination rounds till INTB **Casey S.** emerged victorious. Honorable mention goes to INTB **Zach P.**, INTG **Sloane S.**, INTB **Eric R.**, INTG **Sarah T.**, INTG **Rachel S.**, INTB **Matt R.** and INTB **Michael B.** all of whom showed fine sportsmanship and made it to the quarter final round.

The final round was a battle of the sexes. INTG **Rachel S.** put up quite a fight playing 5 rounds using her excellent powers of concentration and

smart moves, but ultimately could not outplay the superior strategic thinking of INTB, **Casey S.**

Thank you to all who participated in this years tournament.

PIOG **Jessica T.**, PIOG **Rachel S.**, INTG **Heather B.**, INTB **Zach P.**, INTB **Zack S.**, INTB **Joseph T.**, PIOB **Michael W.**, PIOB **Matt A.**, PIOB **Chris S.**, INTG **Sloane S.**, INTB **Eric R.**, INTB **Aadam A.**, PIOG **Raquel G.**, INTG **Lily G.**, PIOB **George S.**, PIOB **Deen A.**, INTG **Sarah T.**, INTG **Hanna Z.**, INTG **Rachel S.**, INTG **Jamie W.**, INTG **Julia F.**, INTG **Grace J.**, INTG **Sabrina E.**, PIOB **Jason C.**, INTB **Matthew R.**, INTB **Michael B.**, and PIOG **Emily B.**



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SILLY SNACKING AND COOKING IN BIRCHMONT'S KITCHEN

by: Rachel S. and Laura P.

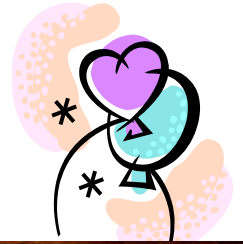


The Cooking Club has become one of the most popular club night activities this summer. Cooking with **Jan** and **Dina** (lower camp) or **Val** and **Rebecca** (upper camp) campers get to enjoy creative recipes and get a glimpse of the camp kitchen after hours. "It's so cool to eat the delicious stuff we make like our 4th of July cupcakes", says PIOB **Jake G.** Last week the upper campers made oatmeal and white chocolate cookies.

This week the lower campers created timely themed 4th of July cupcakes. INTG **Marissa B.** used white marshmallow fluff, blue gel and red sprinkles to make her "Firecracker Cupcake" For the fuse we used pixie sticks. INTG **Lucia L.** from Spain enjoyed making her dessert with her new American friends. "The hardest part was spreading the Fluff because it was sticky that's what made it funny" PIOG **Taryn M.** agreed she ended up with an incredible edible white marshmallow mustache.

PIOG **Rachel S.** had two words to describe tonight's cupcakes.... "Delicious and Messy"! INTB **Ryan T.** seemed to speak for all 20 campers in tonight's club saying he would definitely be coming back again, and said "Even our mistakes taste good, it's great to try cooking and baking at camp".

The lower camp "Baking Club" wants to thank **Jan K., Kerry S. & Drew F.** for helping all of our campers to become Birchmonts next "Top Chef".



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Something new at Notches? By: Lydia G.

This year notches got a face lift which included a new area, Pottery! The students have been industrious these first two weeks building cupcake boxes, baseball piggy banks, picture frames, signs, bowls, vases, and many other things. We now have four pottery wheels (two more than last year) on which the campers make great masses of clay and creation. The pottery studio transforms into a silk screening studio for some of the upper and super seniors. Look for pictures of campers beautiful new t-shirt designs!

