Camp Worthington

Caroline, Alberta

Information Package



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Welcome to Camp Worthington

The construction and operation of Camp Worthington began as a Centennial Project of the Alberta Provincial Committee of The Air Cadet League of Canada in 1966. The purpose of the camp was, and is, to provide an accessible bush familiarization training environment in an isolated area for Air Cadet squadrons in Alberta. During the CFB Penhold summer camp in 1966, a small pilot project was conducted at a location on the Raven River forty miles southwest of Penhold. The camp was established by Mr. L.P. (Pappy) Worthington.

The camp proved to be such a success with both cadets and training staff that a parcel of land was leased in the green belt of the Clearwater Forest Reserve. Mr. Worthington was given approval to construct three camp kitchens on this location in that summer of 1966. The lease was finalized in 1967. During Penhold summer camps, groups of cadets were accommodated in relays for training in bush familiarization and outdoor skills of all kinds.

The camp is named for its' founder, Mr. Lancelot Patrick (Pappy) Worthington, who was the primary sponsor and was largely responsible for the enterprise. Mr. Worthington was active in cadet work from 1945 and was a veteran pilot of both World Wars. He was an avid outdoorsman and thrived on being one with the elements of nature.

Mr. Worthington was born on November 6, 1898 in Crewe, England and passed away in Calgary on February 1, 1984 at the age of 85.

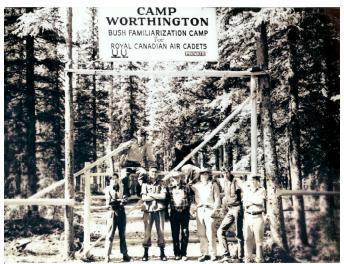
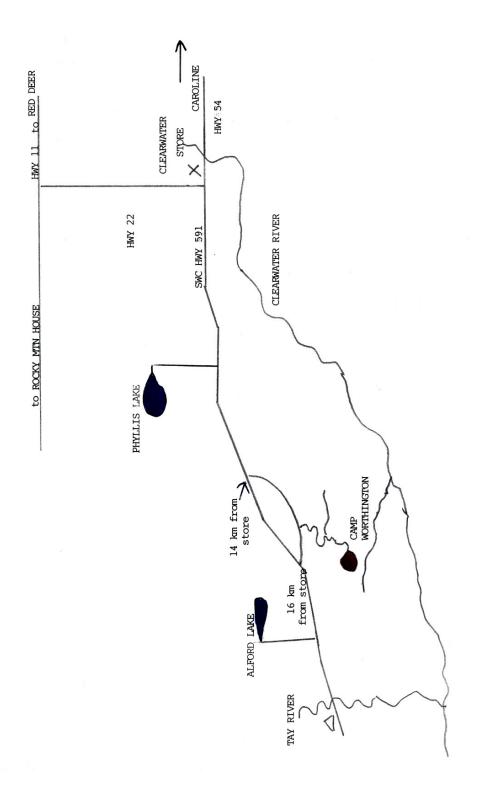


Photo circa 1968. Pappy Worthington at the center.



Facilities

Camp Worthington is located on 12.57 acres of land leased from Alberta Sustainable Resources and consists of the following facilities:

- A) Mess hall/kitchen with wood burning stoves for both cooking and heating. The mess hall will accommodate 71 people.
- B) Latrines: 2 male, 2 female, pump out septic system.
- C) 6 sleeping cabins with a total capacity of 60 people. Wood heat.
- D) Director's cabin. Located by the main gate. This cabin is set aside for the Camp Director and is off limits to all squadron/corps personnel.
- E) Wood shed: Firewood is provided for use in cabin stoves and mess hall only.
- F) C-can: Located behind mess hall. Used for storage of generator, fire extinguishers, shovels, brooms and other camp property.
- G) POL building: Located behind the wood shed and C-can. This is an all-metal building and is the designated POL site for Camp Worthington.

EMERGENCY PHONE NUMBERS

RCMP (ROCKY MOUNTAIN HOUSE) 1-403-845-2882

ROCKY MOUNTAIN HOUSE 1-403-845-3347

HOSPITAL

SUNDRE HOSPITAL 1-403-638-3033

AMBULANCE 911

(SUNDRE OR CAROLINE)

CAROLINE FIRE DEPT. 911

ALBERTA SUSTAINABLE RESOURCES

ROCKY MTN HOUSE 1-403-845-8272

CAMP DIRECTOR:

BURT GILLINGS (H) 1-403-638-4819

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LEGAL DESCRIPTION: N1/2-SEC. 34, TWP 35, R 8, W 5

N 520 03' 11.5" W 1150 O3' 26.6"

Camp Worthington Regulations

The camp keys can be picked up at Caroline Supply, located on Main Street in the Village of Caroline.

- 1) All cancellations less than 45 days, full charges will apply.
- 2) Cancellations or "no shows" due to adverse road or weather conditions, no charges will be applied.
- 3) All users must fill out a Camp Checklist form at the end of their exercise and leave it in the receptacle provided in the mess hall.
- 4) All users will be made aware of Camp Worthington Standing orders as posted in the Mess Hall.
- 5) Users outside the Military must produce a Certificate of Insurance prior to attendance at Camp Worthington.
- 6) All Terrain Vehicles (ie: quads, dirt bikes, snowmobiles, swamp buggies) are permitted at Camp Worthington only if approved on the squadron/corps OPS order. All provincial and DND regulations pertaining to the use of such vehicles must be adhered to.
- 7) It is the policy of the Alberta Provincial Committee that NO alcoholic beverages are permitted at Camp Worthington during any activity where cadets are present.

Requirements/Restrictions

- 1) Absolutely no cutting of live trees or stripping of conifers in the camp or the surrounding area. All grounds and training area shall be cleaned of all debris prior to departure from camp.
- 2) There is to be no use of firearms, compound bows or pyrotechnics within Camp Worthington boundaries.
- 3) Due to excessive environmental damage, no balloons, silly string etc. are allowed.
- 4) All posted fire regulations will be followed.
- 5) The designated smoking area is behind the mess hall. No Smoking is permitted inside any camp buildings. Butt cans are provided. They are stored in the C-can and must be returned there after use.

- 6) Pets are permitted at Camp Worthington. HOWEVER, pets are not permitted in the Mess hall due to Provincial Health Regulations. Pet owners are 100% responsible for any incidents involving their pets, as well as cleaning up after them.
- 7) There will be NO cutting or splitting of firewood inside any camp building. Wood provided is for use in the cabins and mess hall only. Users are responsible for replenishing the supply of firewood inside all camp buildings prior to departure.
- 8) Users are responsible for cleaning all facilities before leaving camp. Users are responsible for supplying their own cleaning supplies, (toilet paper, garbage bags, cleaners etc). Failure to leave the camp in satisfactory condition will result in extra charges.
- 9) Camp users will not tamper with any camp equipment, ie: smoke detectors, carbon monoxide detectors, etc.
- 10) The user will be held responsible for any incidents.
- 11) Any damage to camp Property will be billed directly to the user.

Garbage and Waste Water

- 1) All garbage (including cardboard) will be removed from the camp by the user when leaving camp.
- 2) All waste water is to be disposed of in the latrines. NO waste water of any kind is to be dumped on the ground or into the streams.

Maximum Occupancy Load

The maximum occupancy limit of each building in camp is posted inside each building. Maximum Occupancy Limits are a matter of Provincial Law and MUST be adhered to.

REF: Alberta Building Code 1997 Part 3.

These regulations have been approved by the Alberta Provincial Committee, Air Cadet League of Canada.

BUILDING OCCUPANCY LOAD

BUILDING	AREA	MAXIMUM OCCUPANCY
Mess Hall	1153 sq ft 107 m2	71 (allowance made for wood stove and counter)
Cabin 1	400 sq ft 37.2 m2	8
Cabin 2	600 sq ft 55.7 m2	12
Cabin 3	320 sq ft 27.2 m2	7
Cabin 4	336 sq ft 31.2 m2	6
Cabin 5	475 sq ft 44.13 m2	10
Cabin 6	720 sq ft 66.89 m2	16

NOTE: Dining area: the Code allows one person for each 1.2 m2 Dormitories: the Code allows one person for each 4.6 m2

Ref. Alberta Building Code 1997 Part 3

WOOD STOVE OPERATION AND SAFETY

THESE INSTRUCTIONS MUST BE READ AND FULLY UNDERSTOOD BEFORE OPERATION

- 1. ABSOLUTELY NO HORSEPLAY ALLOWED INSIDE CABINS. CABINS WILL BE CHECKED PRIOR TO ENTRY AND CHECKED ON EXIT FROM CAMP FOR DAMAGE AND GRAFITTI.
- 2. DO NOT PLACE ANY COMBUSTIBLE MATERIAL INSIDE THE YELLOW LINE PAINTED ON THE FLOOR AROUND EACH WOODSTOVE. DO NOT PLACE ANYTHING ON THE TOP OF THE STOVE TO DRY.
- 3. OPERATE STOVES ONLY WITH THE DOOR CLOSED.
- 4. USE ONLY SEASONED WOOD PROVIDED IN THE WOODSHED. DO NOT BURN THE FOLLOWING IN THIS APPLIANCE:
 - A) TREATED WOOD
 - B) GARBAGE OF ANY KIND
 - C) CARDBOARD OR COLOURED PAPER
 - D) PETROLEUMS, OILS AND LUBRICANTS
- 5. DO NOT TAMPER WITH FIRE SAFETY DEVICES. IE; SMOKE DETECTORS AND CARBON MONOXIDE DETECTORS. ANY PROBLEMS WITH SUCH DEVICES ARE TO BE REPORTED TO THE CAMP STAFF IMMEDIATELY.

WOOD STOVE STANDARD OPERATING PROCEDURES

- 1) OPEN AIR CONTROL FULLY (OUT IS OPEN)
- 2) PLACE CRUMPLED PAPER IN STOVE, COVER WITH KINDLING AND SMALL PIECES OF WOOD. DO NOT CHOP WOOD INSIDE OF CABINS.
- 3) IGNITE, AND LEAVE DOOR SLIGHTLY OPEN.
- 4) ADD LARGER PIECES OF WOOD (NOT BIG LOGS) AS FIRE PROGRESSES. DO NOT FILL THE FIREBOX MORE THAN HALF FULL AT ANY TIME.
- 5) CLOSE DOOR AND LET BURN FOR APPROX. 10 MINUTES.
- 6) OPEN DAMPER CONTROL HALF TO THREE QUARTERS TURN OPEN.
- 7) WHEN ADDING FUEL, ADJUST CONTROL TO FULL OPEN POSITION. WHEN FLAME BRIGHTENS, FULLY AND CAREFULLY OPEN DOOR. REPEAT STEPS 4,5, AND 6. CABIN HEAT IS PROVIDED BY EMBERS, SO PLEASE DO NOT OVERFILL STOVE.
- 8) ASHES WILL BE REMOVED FROM EACH STOVE AND WET DOWN IN THE ASH PAILS PROVIDED. THESE ASHES ARE THEN TO BE DUMPED IN THE FIREPIT.

NO WOOD IS TO BE CUT OR SPLIT INSIDE ANY CAMP BUILDING

THE USE OF PROPANE TORCHES TO LIGHT FIRES IN WOODSTOVES IS EXPRESSLY PROHIBITED.

Camp Worthington Clean-up Checklist

Cabins;

- Dustpans, brooms, mops etc are stored in the C-can.
- Stoves; when fires are completely out remove ashes from stoves using metal shovel provided. Dispose of ashes in provided ash cans. When task is completed all ashes are to be disposed of in the fire pit. Make sure ashes are out. DEAD OUT.
- Restock wood supply in each cabin. Leave enough wood in each cabin so that the next user has enough for Friday night.
- Completely sweep out each cabin including under bunks and remove all garbage.
- Close and secure all windows and doors.

Latrines:

- Wash down all toilets
- Sweep and wash floors.

Mess Hall:

- All floor areas to be swept and mopped. Mop floors only during warm weather.
- All white boards to be wiped clean.
- All tabletops, counters and cupboards to be wiped clean.
- All garbage, including all cardboard, is to be removed from camp.
- Front and rear decks on Mess Hall to be swept and all garbage removed.
- All wastewater from camp is to be disposed of in the latrines. NO
 wastewater of any kind is to be dumped outside on the ground or in
 the streams under any circumstances.
- Close and secure all doors and windows.

Garbage:

• ALL garbage is to be removed from camp by the user.

IF YOU BROUGHT IT WITH YOU, TAKE IT WITH YOU.

Staff Cabin (nearest gate)

* This cabin is set aside for the use of the Camp Worthington Director or his designate and is off limits to all squadron/corps personnel. It is the responsibility of those using this cabin to maintain it and keep it clean.

Grounds:

- All grounds to be cleared of any garbage.
- All field sites to be cleaned up after use.
- All garbage to be removed from camp.

To maintain Camp Worthington as a quality site for survival training, there are a few procedures and responsibilities which users must accept. Please remember that we lease this site from the Province of Alberta and we are responsible for its protection. Please respect the camp. With your help, it will remain a valuable resource for many years to come.

Camp Worthington Standing Orders

1) Camp keys can be picked up at Caroline Supply in the Village of Caroline

Ph: 1-403-722-3922). The generator and fire extinguishers are stored in steel shipping container located next to the woodshed.

- 2) Graffiti or other defacing of camp property is prohibited.
- 3) Absolutely no cutting of live trees.
- 4) A supply of split firewood is to be left in each cabin at the conclusion of each exercise.
- 5) All woodstove fireboxes must be cleaned out and ashes dumped in the firepit.
- 6) All waste water is to be disposed of in the latrines. NOT on the ground or in the streams.
- 7) The generator is to be left FULL of fuel at the conclusion of each exercise.
- 8) A camp use report is to be filled out, signed and left in the slot provided at the conclusion of exercise.
- 9) Camp users are responsible for providing the following:
 - Fuel for generator
 - Bathroom tissue
 - Cleaning supplies (ie; Mr. Clean, paper towel etc)
- 10) All camp buildings to be swept clean and all garbage removed from . camp.

- 11) Repairs for any damage to or loss of camp property will be billed to the party deemed responsible.
- 12) Fire extinguishers are to be hung in the designated location in each Building and returned to the c-can at the conclusion of the exercise.
- 13) Maximum occupancy of all building is to be adhered to as posted.
- 14) All provincial fire and safety regulations will be adhered to as posted in the camp.
- 15) Firewood is to be split at the woodshed. NO splitting of firewood inside the mess hall or in any of the cabins.
- 16) The designated POL site for Camp Worthington is the metal garden shed located behind the woodshed. No other location in the camp is acceptable.

J.B. (Burt) Gillings Director

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Camp Worthington Bookings

Camp Worthington bookings are to be made through the camp director.

The Camp Worthington Director may be contacted as follows:

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1-403-638-8430 (Cell) 1-403-638-4840 (Fax)

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All camp bookings will be confirmed by fax or e-mail. A contact name and phone number must be provided by the person requesting the booking.





Camp Worthington Application Form

Group Name:		
Contact name:		
Contact Phone Numb	er:	
Address:		
City:	Province:	Postal Code:
Arrival Date:	Departure	e Date:
Number of Personnel	; Staff:	Youth/Cadets:
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