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**SPRING 2019**

## GREETINGS FROM MOWGLIS

After a wonderfully snowy winter, the maple sap is running, and spring has sprung in New Hampshire!

As the ice on beautiful Newfound Lake melts, it is with great enthusiasm that we look ahead to Mowglis 2019... it's just around the corner!

Preparations for Mowglis 2019 are going great: Camp is very well enrolled, and we have an all-star team of Senior and Junior Staffers assembled to help run the show. In exciting Robbins Family news, Diana and I are expecting our third child in July, and having such a great team in place is very reassuring as we head into the busiest season!

We currently have several exciting buildings and grounds projects underway including a significant rebuilding of the Waingunga docks, and an update of the Jungle House led by alumnus and former staffer & trustee Jim Westberg, and his wife, former Cub Mom, Lin Westberg.

Our maintenance department of Mr. Greenwell and Mr. Bengtson have been steadily working their way through all of the Mowglis buildings to keep them safe and looking great. Mr. B has personally built 12 new Mowglis bureaus to ensure that every boy has one.

***Come back to Mowglis where the days are never long...***

Once the snow melts, we have a small window of time to clear all of the fallen brush and leaves, and to get the dorms ready for the campers. The Col John C. Hill Work Weekend is critical to help us get Mowglis ready for the summer... and it is a TON of fun!

**Join us for 2019 Spring Work Weekend, May 31–June 2!**

Thank YOU for being a loyal member of the Mowglis Pack. I hope to see you back at Mowglis sometime soon!

Good hunting,

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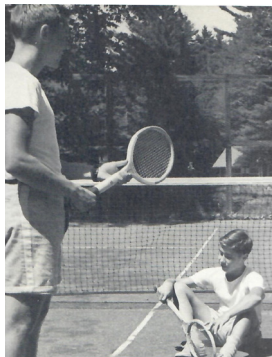
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## A Wish Fulfilled!

Each year, in both *The Call* and the *Spring Newsletter*, we publish a "Wish List." The items listed range from tools and equipment in need of replacement to requests for sponsorship of Mowglis events and trips. This past spring, alumnus **Hank "Sandy" Phillips ('50)** contacted Mowglis to support the construction of a tennis backstop, an item included on our wish list in the 2018 *Spring Newsletter*. As a lifelong tennis enthusiast, Sandy played many a tennis match at Mowglis as a camper and wanted to lend a hand in advancing the Industry today. Not only did he generously support the construction of a backstop for the upper tennis court, but he came back to camp in August to serve as guest judge for the Senior Tennis Tournament! Sandy earned his Yellow Ribbon as a camper in the early 1950s and returned for a number of years on the staff. His enthusiasm and willingness to both support an Industry he loved and to volunteer his time represent the epitome of Mowglis Spirit and we are incredibly thankful!

**Note:** We also received a second gift to support the tennis backstop from alumnus **Rick Perkins ('60)**, which means we'll be constructing another backstop for the Lower Tennis Court. Thank you, Rick!



## 2019 w/sh list

### MAINTENANCE:

- ☐ New cushion seats for the Library (\$1,000)
- ☐ Crew oar repairs (\$750)
- ☐ Gas-powered push mower (\$300)
- ☐ Gas-powered string trimmer (\$450)
- ☐ Dual-wheel wheelbarrow (\$200)

### JUNGLE HOUSE RENOVATION:

- ☐ Couch (\$750)
- ☐ 8' x 10' Rug (200)
- ☐ 2 - 5' x 7' Rugs (\$100 ea.)
- ☐ Lamps (\$50)

### SPONSOR A SQUAD:

- ☐ Washington Squad (\$3000)
- ☐ Gopher Squad (\$1000)

**If you would like to purchase one of these items directly, please call (603) 744-8095.**

You can also visit [mowglis.org/giving](http://mowglis.org/giving) and make a gift to cover all or part of the cost of a wishlist item. Please include the name of the item in the notes section of the donation page.



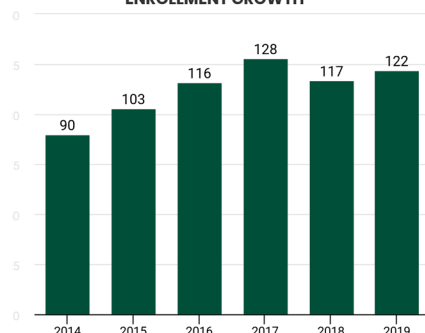
## Summer 2019: Enrollment Snapshot

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Campers Enrolled

1 out of 3 campers has had family attend Mowglis

### ENROLLMENT GROWTH

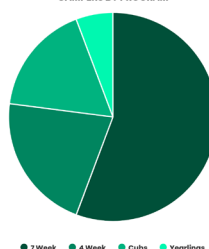


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Staff to Camper Ratio

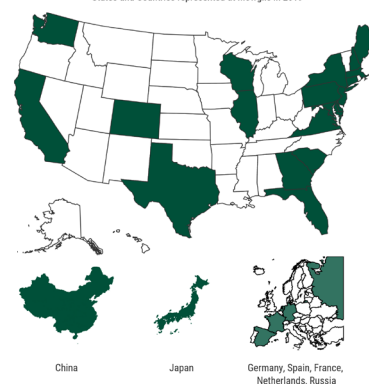
\*All Data Current as of 4/22/19

### CAMPERS BY PROGRAM



### REPRESENT!

States and Countries represented at Mowglis in 2019





# ALUMNI TRIPS 2019

## Franconia Ridge Traverse

Saturday, July 20—Sunday, July 21

Assistant Director James Hart will be leading a group on a 2-day, 1-night traverse of the iconic Franconia Ridge.

**Day 1:** We'll be departing Mowglis Friday morning for the Liberty Springs Trail just 2.4 miles to the Liberty Springs Tent Site. That evening, we'll summit Mt. Liberty for a sunset view. We have a special treat in store for you for that evening.

**Day 2:** We'll head ½ mile up the Liberty Springs Trail to the Franconia Ridge Trail for a gorgeous 3.5 mile traverse to summit Mt. Lafayette. We'll descend 1 mile via the Greenleaf Trail to the AMC's Greenleaf Hut, and then another 2.9 miles the Lafayette Place parking lot for our pickup. We'll return to camp in time for picnic supper and to provide a proper trip report for the boys at campfire.

**Notes:** We can take a maximum of 8 people. This is a somewhat rigorous hike and day 2 includes nearly 8 miles of hiking. Mowglis can loan some gear, but the more of your own gear you can bring, the better. Mowglis will handle all the cookware, stoves, and water treatment. A full packing list is available on our website at [www.mowglis.org/events](http://www.mowglis.org/events).

**Price:** \$35 per person

## Belle Island Campout

Friday, August 23—Sunday, August 25

For many Mowglis alumni, their last evening on Belle Island was as a camper. This is your chance to relive a staple of the Mowglis trip program.

**Day 1:** We'll be departing from Mowglis via canoe in the early afternoon and paddling across the lake to Belle Island to set up camp. That evening, we'll be grilling out and enjoying an evening beneath the stars.

**Day 2:** The day will start early with breakfast, after which we'll head into Wellington State Park for a hike up the Elwell Trail. Don't want to hike? Then the sandy beaches at Wellington are calling your name! We'll spend the day hiking, exploring, and lounging, soaking up the remaining sun of the New Hampshire summer. We'll head back to the island for dinner and a campfire.

**Day 3:** Breakfast and breaking camp. For those that have time, we can extend our paddle home via the Cockermouth River, then back to camp to unload our gear.

**Notes:** You don't have to attend all three days of the campout, but barring physical limitations, you will be expected to paddle both to and from the island. We will have access to the motorboat to move gear and in the event of an emergency. Mowglis can provide some gear, but the more of your own you can bring, the better. Food and drink are provided, with Mowglis staff handling the cooking. A full packing list is available on our website at [www.mowglis.org/events](http://www.mowglis.org/events).

**Price:** \$35 (one day) or \$50 (whole weekend) per person.



# DEN REUNIONS

At this year's Crew & Alumni Weekend, we'll be welcoming alumni back to Mowglis to celebrate the summers shared together beneath the pines. Alumni who RSVP will be given a Mowglis polo shirt with their graduation year embroidered on it. We need your help in organizing these and other upcoming reunions. If your graduation anniversary is this summer and you would be willing to help us reach out to your fellow graduates, please contact James Hart, our Director of Alumni Relations.

## Featured

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### Den of 1969 - 50<sup>th</sup> Reunion

Fred Daniels	Reinhard Rother
Dave Scott	John Chisholm
Stuart Carothers	Chris Beller
Mike Tobey	Mickael Mintz
John Woods	Ed Mitchell
Wayne King	Bob Bengtson
Gary Wright	Jim Westberg



### Den of 1979

James Cohen	Tim Gleason
Timothy Cole	Gregory Scott
David Concannon	William Howard
Jim Dawley	William Ross
Adrian Gammal	Caleb White
Eugene Gassiraro	William Wyman



### Den of 1989

Collin Laffey	Pablo Riviero
Robert Lindsley	John Fitzgerald
Hugo Martin	Sean Hardman
Robert Morrison	Kirk Sanderson
James Pattison	Michael Wilken





## Den of 1999

Colin Hulme  
Nick Baker  
Jay Hard  
Eli Marschner  
Eri Kurshan

Justin Newberry  
Jon Comito  
Steve Brooks  
Alvaro Gutierrez



## Den of 2009

Owen Kingsley  
Adam Fritz  
Eric Wong  
Robby Hurdman  
Billy Mullen  
Chase O'Connor  
Alex Reiff

Mike Drennan  
Theo Harris  
Liam Leas  
John Davidge  
Theo Suarez  
Will Rotch  
Joel Alvarez



**Moving? Getting Married?  
Having a Baby? New Job? Retiring?**

**Let us know!** (and if you'd like, we can include it in *The Call*)

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We are excited to announce a project by alumnus **Wayne King ('69)** to record interviews with Mowglis alumni from across the generations as a podcast called “Mowglis Memories.” We have long wanted to find a way to record the many stories of camp from throughout our long history, and Wayne’s project has already done a remarkable job of preserving these remarkable tidbits for posterity. We’d like to extend our heartfelt thanks to Wayne for undertaking this project. Preserving these memories for the future is of the utmost importance and could not have been done without him. If you would like to share your stories, send your request to [info@mowglis.org](mailto:info@mowglis.org).

You can listen to Wayne’s interviews on [www.mowglis.org/podcast](http://www.mowglis.org/podcast).

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## MOUNTAIN BIKING COMES TO THE SCHOOL OF THE OPEN

It is with great enthusiasm that we let you know that mountain biking will be offered as a sign-up activity at Mowglis this summer!

Thanks to a generous donation from an alumnus, we are converting the Upper Garage into a fully equipped bike shop and have purchased a fleet of high-quality Trek bikes from Rhino Bikeworks in Plymouth.

Under the skilled supervision of veteran Mowglis Senior Staffer John Rafferty, campers age 12 and up will be able to sign up for mountain biking lessons throughout the summer. They will be both utilizing the existing trails at Mowglis, as well as exploring the trails across Route 3A where we own 100 acres of Plymouth Mountain hillside.

Mowglis has long been a pioneer of teaching young men outdoor adventure, survival, and recreation skills. Learning how to survive, travel, and have fun in the mountains is an integral part of the Mowglis experience, and we are delighted to be adding Mountain Biking to the list of pursuits we teach here at the School of the Open!

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# 2019 Summer Events

*Mark your calendars!*

## ◀◀ Col. John C. Hill Work Weekend ▶▶▶

*Friday, May 31<sup>st</sup> – Sunday, June 2<sup>nd</sup>*

### FRIDAY:

4:00..... Arrival and settling in  
6:30..... Welcome BBQ

### SATURDAY:

8:00..... Breakfast  
9:00..... Review Projects  
9:30..... Get to work!  
12:30..... Lunch  
2:00..... Get back to work!  
5:30..... Waterfront reception  
6:45..... Dinner & campfire

### SUNDAY:

8:00..... Breakfast  
9:30..... Get to work!  
12:30..... Lunch

*Depart at your leisure*

## ◀◀ Crew & Alumni Weekend ▶▶▶

*Friday, August 2<sup>nd</sup> – Sunday, August 4<sup>th</sup>*

### FRIDAY:

5:30..... Alumni Reception  
          @ Baloo Cove: Hosted  
          by HEMF Trustees  
7:30..... Parents arrive  
7:45..... Pep Rally & Bonfire  
8:45..... Guests Depart

### SATURDAY:

2:00..... Visitors arrive @ GB Field  
2:30..... Crew Parade  
3:00..... Races Begin!  
5:00..... Colors/Oar Raising  
5:15..... Reception @ Baloo Cove  
6:15..... BBQ @ Lower Ball Field  
7:45..... Evening Program

### SUNDAY:

10:00..... Parents may sign boys  
          out for the afternoon  
10:00..... Bagheera Society  
          Brunch @ Inn on  
          Newfound Lake  
4:00..... Chapel

## ◀◀ Fall Work Weekend & Trail Clearing ▶▶▶

*Friday, September 20<sup>th</sup> – Sunday, September 22<sup>nd</sup>*

### FRIDAY:

4:00..... Arrival and settling in  
6:30..... Welcome BBQ

### SATURDAY:

8:00..... Breakfast  
9:00..... Review Projects  
9:30..... Get to work!  
12:30..... Lunch  
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5:30..... Waterfront reception  
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### SUNDAY:

8:00..... Breakfast  
9:30..... Get to work!  
12:30..... Lunch

*Depart at your leisure*

All Mowglis events are free, but donations to support these events are greatly appreciated! All minors should be accompanied by a responsible adult. Please RSVP to [info@mowglis.org](mailto:info@mowglis.org) or call 603-744-8095. For information on accommodations visit [www.mowglis.org /events](http://www.mowglis.org/events) .





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RETURN ADDRESS  
REQUESTED

*Do you have items that you would like to see preserved and shared with the Mowglis community?*

## **The Archive Committee is ready to help!**

We have been hard at work, organizing and inventorying photos, publications, and Mowglis memorabilia. We have 120 square feet of climate-controlled storage space, ample preservation materials, and our committee members and volunteers are ready to ensure that Mowglis' history can continue to be shared with future generations!

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archives@mowglis.org  
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