

**Camp
Can-Aqua**



THE CAN-AQUA NEWS

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What Beaver Lake is all about.

SPRING HAS SPRUNG!

Roses are red
Violets are blue
We miss camp
But we'll be there soon.



2019 SESSIONS FILLING UP FAST!

Making sure we have spaces for our returning campers is so very important to us! A quick reminder to any families out there who have yet to register.

We are ahead of enrollment year over year and are almost totally sold out of any of our Ski Programs and Horse Camps. While we're confident there will be spaces in our final week of the summer, our traditional camp sessions are all close to full.

We know commitment can be hard, but so is squeezing amazing kids into camp once we're full. Get those kids signed up!



Our reunion campers and staff glide across the arena

REUNITED IN OUR NATION'S CAPITAL

Between the great turnout and some excellent skating, we can't wait to reunite at the Tom Brown Arena next year.

The afternoon was spent reconnecting, playing games and enjoying a little bit of ice time at Tom Brown Arena. Thanks to all who made it out to both the Ottawa reunion and our Toronto event that took place in January.

We love these events and hope to see them grow every year as a way to keep the summer magic alive all year round! Stay tuned in for more events coming in 2019/2020 in both the GTA and Ottawa.

FAMILY IS FOREVER

Though family day is long over, June will be here before you know it, along with our Family Camp weekend! Are you a parent that has wondered what all the fuss is about when your child comes home at the end of camp?

Well, Can-Aqua's three family weekends are the best way for you to find out! We still have cabins available in our June program and are piloting a new weekend this year over Thanksgiving.

So, if you're looking for an adventure, and are willing to "rough it" for a weekend in one of our 5-Star Rustic Cabins, these weekends are a remarkable opportunity to be hands on in camp, meet some of the staff and experience some of our camp magic for yourself. For more information, [click here](#).



A family hangs out by the lake during our signature club med afternoon during family camp in 2018

QUIT HORSING AROUND!

Every year, we've always got something new and exciting up our sleeves. From our introduction to fencing to Dungeons and Dragons, 2018 saw lots of exciting new programming.

This year, we're proud to be adding Equestrian Camp into our mix of awesome specialty camps. The program, which is exclusive to those who sign up upon registration, will offer horse back riding and horse care for all levels of experience.

Until now, our camper's haven't had the opportunity to make connections with some amazing animals. Building a relationship with a horse is an exercise of trust, discipline and skill. We can't wait for you to meet these amazing creatures and develop a bond that will last forever.



Staff member Simon surprises us with some exceptional riding abilities

MAPLE SEASON HEATS UP!

Our maple season is now well underway and we're proud to boast that we've boiled over 1000 gallons to date. With hopes of a longer (and later) season this year, our fingers are crossed that the weather will drop below zero at night, then climb each day to warmer temperatures.

Fun Fact: Did you know that the sap that drips out of the tree is actually caught on the way up the tree?



Our pal Justin taps the inaugural tree on March 8th 2019



That face when you're asked to describe camp in just one word

IMPROVING THE CAMP ENVIRONMENT

Our awareness and experiences with nature at Can-Aqua is something we're particularly proud of. We are actively looking at ways to improve upon our eco-footprint at camp and are constantly in search of new and innovative ways to educate on sustainability.

This past winter we were able to tour The Green School, an international environmental school in Bali, Indonesia. The school was created with a mission to build and educate on a sustainable future. Students actively engage in community-integrated, entrepreneurial learning that strives to motivate future leaders towards creative solutions for a better world.

We were blown away with what we saw from their commitment to green living and their inspired approach to programming. Beginning in 2019, Can-Aqua will begin to construct our own minimal waste recycling facility.

CAN-AQUA IS...

From time to time, we like to make entertaining and inspiring videos. What we love most is to remind kids of camp while they're working their way through the school year.

Last summer we filmed small snippets of answers to the question: Describe Camp Can-Aqua in one word. Naturally, some found this an easy question, while others found it more difficult.

Eight months later, we wanted to show you all the answers to this question, and maybe cure you of those rainy springtime blues.



Can-Aqua staff Erin pushes a wheelbarrow filled with fresh soil to the Can-Aqua garden at the beginning of the season

YOUR APRIL ABBA PREVIEW

Sitting around the drawing board with the Paprika Posse had us scratching our heads with another daunting task. How can we top the inaugural music video we made last year?

As we sifted through decades of pop music and bands from Britney Spears to the Dixie Chicks, we struggled to find a song that would suit the quintet group. "Mamma Mia" we said!

And then it struck us. Let's use that 44 Year old song that really put Abba on the map. And so we decided to painstakingly create a shot for shot remake of the original iconic music video. And that's exactly what we did.

Tune in to our Can-Aqua YouTube towards the end of April to see the Paprika posse's triumphant return!



The Paprika Posse transforms into the iconic Swedish pop band Abba on the set of their latest video