

## **Summer vacation trip 1966**

### **Monday 11 July**

Finally got going at 11 am. Weather OK, partly cloudy. Starting mileage 4448 (1965 Rambler wagon). Money \$146.50. Arrived Jasper 4:30 pm. Apparently it had rained most of the day. Camped at Whistler's—good facilities.

### **Tuesday**

Night was cool, but by 10 in the morning the sun was out with promise for a beautiful day. Went to Mount Edith Cavell and walked up the trail. Joan did quite well and had to be carried only part way.

Ate lunch at Wabasso campground, then went on to Athabasca Falls - very impressive. After supper drove to Patricia and Pyramid Lake. Went for a short walk to the island picnic ground. Everyone is tired. The night was much more comfortable.

### **Wednesday**

Packed up and left about 11, headed south to Banff. Stopped and admired Sunwapta Falls. Ann's shoes need to be tied every half hour. On Tuesday she was going to feel how cold the water was, with her hand, and promptly slipped in with her foot. Got quite a scare. Ate hot dogs at Jonas creek campground. Nice place. Walked to the rapids. Along the road saw goats (about 12), a moose, and a bear. Kids were scared of the bear. Visited Columbia Icefield—impressive and cold. Pretty steep climb. A few sprinkles of water came down.

Planned to camp at Loop Creek in glacier, but found it and the other campground filled (6:30 pm). Looked like very nice places. Drove on to Revelstoke (40 miles) and camped at Lamplighter Motel about 8:30 pm. Crowded place and close to highway and railroad. Facilities crummy.

### **Thursday**

Beautiful day. Did some shopping at Revelstoke and left there at noon. Arrived Mara Lake about 1:30 pm. Not too crowded. Slightly on cool side. Set up tent and got settled.

### **Friday**

Beautiful day. During the evening some rain.

### **Saturday**

Early morning (4-5 am) thundershowers and wind. Not too much water. Went to Vernon for washing and shopping. Beautiful weather there.

### **Thursday**

Left for home 9:00 pm (for an overnight trip).

### **Friday**

Arrived home 6:45 am, tired. Kids had slept well. The overnight drive is not to be recommended. Mileage 5490. Money left \$10.35.