

Summer vacation trip 1965

Saturday 15 June.

All packed up and ready to go at 9 am. Camped at Revelstoke Gateway campground about 10:30 pm (too late!!), next to mainline CPR tracks. Camp fee \$1.50. Sunday morning ate, packed up and got ready to go. No church so far. Thirty miles from Revelstoke, a rear axle bearing gave out (1959 Chev wagon). Hitched a ride to Revelstoke and back, got towed 20 miles to Sicamous in pouring rain. Bearing was fixed quickly. We got to Vernon at 6 pm and camped at Sandy Beach. Dixie went to church.

21 June

Ready to go at 9:15 am. Sun is shining and it is warm out. Arrived Vancouver 6:30 pm. We were going to eat at the Pancake House (kids free!) but found the place closed. Instead, ate fish and chips. Got set up in Fort Camp Huts - paid \$38. Got \$4.50 refund for one single room. The place was dirty, but fairly convenient. Went to Ed and Shirley Wednesday night. Thursday went on a tour all day. Kids and Dixie found a playground in the morning and went for a ride after naps.

25 June

After lunch left UBC, visited Queen Elizabeth Park (beautiful), Capilano Canyon, and Cleveland Dam, then went 40 miles north to Squamish and Alice Lake, where we spent the night. Water was nice, but wind was too cool for swimming. Drive along Howe Sound was beautiful, though perhaps a bit long. Left Alice Lake about 11 am.

Saturday

Arrived Lynden 3 pm. Had tea at Stremmer's. Drove on to Birch Bay (20 miles west) and camped there. State Park (90 sites) was full, so camped in private place (camp fee \$1.30). Went to Lynden Second Church Sunday morning, and had dinner at Stremmer's. Moved to Birch Bay State Park and stayed till Tuesday. Camp fees 2x\$1 plus tax.

Monday

Got water pump replaced on car. Weather very nice, but cool on-shore wind makes swimming too cold. Kids got their feet wet, but no more.

Tuesday

Bright and early (10:15 am) left Birch Bay. Promises to be a beautiful day, with not a cloud in the sky. Camped near a river 12 miles east of Princeton.

Wednesday

Left for Penticton at 11 am. Beautiful day. Camped at Okanagan Lake. Water cold, beach gravelly and rocky sun hot. Spent July 1 at Penticton beach. Sunny and hot.

Thursday

Moved to Mara Lake and stayed until Tuesday. Beautiful weather.

Wednesday 7 July

Arrived home at midnight.