

## STILLWATER CLUB COLLECTION #65

### SCOPE AND CONTENTS

This collection, .4 linear feet in size, relates to the Stillwater Club, an Adirondack hunting club. Two types of materials comprise the collection: photographs dating from 1944-1956 and notebooks dating from 1948-1958. The notebooks contain such items as membership lists, payments for lodging at the club, lists of deer taken, club by-laws, and financial reports.

### INSTITUTIONAL HISTORY

The Stillwater Club has two camps, the main one on the North Branch of the Grasse and a secondary one on the Middle Branch, located on the western slope of the Adirondacks in the town of Clare in St. Lawrence County. It was founded by a group of men from Canton NY on May 13, 1893, as a hunting and canoeing club; from its first days, the club showed an interest in conservation as a way to preserve its deer herds for future hunters and its trout for future fishermen.

For a more detailed history of the Stillwater Club, see also:

THE MANLEY COLLECTION, Mss. Coll. No.67, Box 9, Folder 115:

50 page typewritten article "The Stillwater Club Story" by G. Atwood Manley 1960.

1999 address of Club:

Stillwater Club of Canton, Inc.

P.O. Box 23, Canton, NY 13617

### Provenance

This collection was purchased from Jenison's Books and Antiques.

### DESCRIPTION OF SERIES

#### Folder

1	Notebook I 1948-49 Contents and Other Materials
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Unfoldered	Three rolls of gel negatives—photos taken at Stillwater Club

A map of the Stillwater Club lands can be found in the North Country Map Collection:

1946 Williams & Williams *A Map of the Hunting Preserve of the Stillwater Club of Canton...* ++ 15

## CONTENTS

### Folder

- 1 NOTEBOOK I 1948-49 CONTENTS AND OTHER MATERIALS**  
1948 list of guests March 31 - October 17, 1948.  
Payments by guests and members for lodging from October 20 - November 20, 1948.  
List of deer taken October 25 - November 14, 1948.  
1949 list of guests April 17 - October 14, 1949.  
Payments for lodging March 17 - October 21, 1949.  
Financial Report - Stillwater Club 1949  
By-Laws of the Stillwater Club 1949 [4 leaves]  
Grocery List  
1952, December 30. Bill to Chas. J. Sullivan Jr. for 4 days board signed by K.M. Mayhew Secretary.  
Business card of Selden T. Williams - President A. Schrader's Son, Inc.  
Clipping of ad for auto and truck insurance for farmers - shows photo of jeep in field  
1951, June 28. "Dear Pat" (Pat Starkey) from "Charles S. Hirschey" (Climax Manufacturing Company, Castorland, NY) concerning a fellow fisherman's lost watch.  
Miscellaneous list of figures titled "Hunting Season"  
Miscellaneous lists of names under different days in November
- 2 NOTEBOOK II 1950-51 CONTENTS AND OTHER MATERIALS**  
List of guests and meals April 27-October 24, 1950.  
Payments for lodging October 25-November 25, 1950  
Gas & Electric expenses.  
Lists of deer taken October 25-November 25, 1950.  
List of guests and meals April 14-October 4, 1951.  
Payments for lodging October 25-November 25, 1951.  
Gas & Electric expenses.  
Lists of deer taken October 25-November 25, 1951.  
List of guests and meals March 30-October 19, 1952  
Payments for lodging October 25-November 30, 1952  
Gas & Electric expenses.  
Lists of deer taken October 25-November 30, 1952.  
Stillwater Club Membership List October 1950 [2 leaves] (3 copies)  
Stillwater Club Membership List September 1952 (3 copies)  
Financial Report Stillwater Club 1952  
Miscellaneous list of names.  
Newspaper clippings:  
1952 "Geo. L. Shepard, Undertaker, Dies"  
1952, January 5. Watertown Daily Times photo of Mr. & Mrs. Chales S. Hirschey & family caption "On Caribbean Cruise"  
[n.d.] "Lemon Juice Removes Ink"  
[n.d.] "Beaver, Otter Seasons Listed: Limit Increased from Eight to Twelve in Central Adirondacks"
- 3 NOTEBOOK III 1953-54 CONTENTS AND OTHER MATERIALS**  
1953 List of guests May 3-October 18, 1953.  
Payments for lodging October 29-November 25, 1953  
List of deer taken  
Gas & Electric Expenses  
1954 List of guests April 25-September 12, 1954.  
Payments for lodging October 25-November 25, 1954

List of deer taken  
Stillwater Club Membership List November 1953.  
Financial Report Stillwater Club 1953.  
Howe Gas & Electric Co. Bill June 6, 1954  
Howe Gas & Electric Co. Bill [dated unreadable]  
1953, October 7. "Dear Mr. Duryea" (Perry B. Duryea, Commissioner Conservation Department-Albany) from "A.B. Hatch" (Chairman Game Committee) letter that accompanied a report on the serious deer situation on forest lands of St. Regis Paper Company.  
1953, October 27. letter to all "Adirondaks' Hunting and Fishing Parks" from "A.B. Hatch" letterhead reads "The Twin Falls Club Office of the Secretary" concerning the organization of an "Association of Adirondaks' Hunting and Fishing Parks".  
1953, September 26. [4 leaves] "The Deer Population of the Twin Falls Club" report of the deer population included is an "Unimpeded Population Curve for Deer" chart.

#### **4 NOTEBOOK IV 1955-56 CONTENTS AND OTHER MATERIALS**

1955 List of guests April 30-September 14, 1955.  
Payments for lodging October 25-November 27, 1955  
Gas & Electric expenses.  
List of deer taken  
1956 List of guests April 22-October 21, 1956.  
Payments for lodging October 25-November 28, 1956.  
Gas & Electric expenses.  
List of deer taken  
2 unidentified list of names

#### **5 NOTEBOOK V 1957-58 CONTENTS AND OTHER MATERIALS**

1957 List of guests April 12-June 6, 1957 at the Middlebranch Club  
1957 List of guests June 3-October 22, 1957 at Stillwater  
Gas & Electric expenses  
List of deer taken  
1958 List of guests April 3-April 27, 1958.  
Gas & Electric expenses  
Financial Report for 1957  
1957, June 4. Howe Gas & Electric Bill  
4 unidentified lists of names

#### **6 PHOTOS 1944**

1944, December 4. "Dear Pat" (Dewitt Starkey) from "Doug" (Douglas J. Fisher - New Jersey) letter that the photos were enclosed in - just a short note and talks about the hunt.  
23 unidentified photos - most are men with deer that have been shot, several are groups of men, one of a camp, one of a river, one woodland scene, and one of a man and lady.

#### **7 PHOTOS 1945**

1945, December 21. "Dear Pat" from "Doug" letter that the photos were enclosed in - just a short note  
12 unidentified photos - most are men with deer that have been shot, one of man with a dead deer at the entrance of a building, one of a horse and man dragging a deer, one of a group of men, one of a white rabbit, one of a camp, and one of two women.

#### **8 PHOTOS 1947**

1947, July 20. "Dear Pat" from "Doug" letter that the photos were enclosed in - just a short note with photos of last year's hunt.

10 unidentified photos - most are men with deer that have been shot, several of groups of men, man in front of a camp, and one of 2 women.

**9 PHOTOS 1951**

1951, September 2. "Dear Pat" from "Doug" letter that the photos were enclosed in - just a short note and talks about cheese.

16 unidentified photos - most are men with deer that have been shot, one with man shooting a bow and arrow, couple of groups of men, and one that looks like a swamp.

**10 PHOTOS 1951**

[no letter]

15 unidentified photos - several are women feeding a raccoon, several of a dead wolf positioned with a bottle in the mouth, the rest are shots of various men with guns and a dead wolf.

**11 PHOTOS 1952**

[no letter just envelope dated 1952, April 28]

10 unidentified photos - men with deer that have been shot, and several with groups of men.

**12 PHOTOS 1953**

1953, October 26. "Dear Vera" from "Doug" letter that the photos were enclosed in - just a short note

8 unidentified photos - men with deer that have been shot, and a couple with groups of men.

**13 PHOTOS 1954**

1954, October 5. "Dear Vera" from "Doug" letter that the photos were enclosed in - just a short note in which he talks about her broken hip.

19 unidentified photos - men with deer that have been shot, a dead deer that has been hung in a tree, groups of men, and two women holding guns.

**14 PHOTOS [1955]**

1955, January 2. "Dear Pat & Vera" from "Doug" letter that the photos were enclosed in - just a short note

14 unidentified photos - men with deer that have been shot, and several with of groups of men.

**15 PHOTOS 1955**

1955, October 15. "Dear Pat" from "Doug" letter that the photos were enclosed in - just a short note

11 unidentified photos - men with deer that have been shot, and a couple with groups of men.

**16 PHOTOS 1956**

[no letter just envelope dated June 26]

11 unidentified photos - men with deer that have been shot, a deer, a couple with groups of men, and a team of horses, wagon, deer and two men.

**17 PHOTOS [n.d.]**

[no letter]

15 unidentified photos - men with deer that have been shot, a deer, a couple of a horse dragging a deer with a man leading the horse, one of four raccoons, and one of two women.

**Unfolded** Three rolls of gel negatives—photos taken at Stillwater Club