

CONTINUITY IN A TIME OF CHANGE

Although our name has changed, our dedication to quality remains the same. Next summer will mark the Lovell family's 40th year running summer camps. This valuable experience and knowledge is what makes the difference between a good and a great camp!

We feel very fortunate to have such wonderful people helping to make Lovell Camps such a special place. Our Summer Program Director, Brian Bentley, has been with us for 16 years, and over 60% of this year's staff members were returning. We were also very happy to welcome six staff members from our 2012 winter camp program!

Being able to concentrate specifically on our camp programs has been one of the most significant changes this year. We feel confident that we have improved and enriched our offerings as returning campers will attest. Mentioned below are a few of our new summer highlights!

**NEW IN
2012**



THANKS FOR A GREAT SUMMER!

2012 marked the first official Lovell Camps summer, independent of the John F. Kennedy School. As campers and staff will tell you - it was GREAT!

A successful summer camp is dependent on strong leadership and a fun, dynamic and capable staff. This year saw a fantastic international team led by Mr. Brian Bentley, Ms. Denise Baranski (Program Leader, Saanen) and Ms. Erin Causgrove-Carter (Program Leader, Schönried). Lovell Camps is all about building relationships and creating memories that will last a lifetime. You will see in this newsletter that we were highly successful - and we sincerely thank all campers, staff and families that participated this year.

Bryce and Victoria Lovell

Our mission is 'to be the leading international camp in helping young individuals realize their full potential'.



CHALLENGE BY CHOICE A PROGRAM WHICH ALLOWS CAMPERS TO MAKE THEIR OWN CHOICES AND CHALLENGE THEMSELVES TO GO THAT EXTRA MILE!



GLACIER 3000 BOARDERS ENJOY A MAGNIFICENT DAY AT 3000 METERS, EXPLORING THE GLACIER AND ENJOYING SNOW IN THE MIDDLE OF SUMMER!



ADVENTURE DAY LOVELL CAMPS TEAMED UP WITH OUTDOOR EXPERIENCE COMPANY, ALPINZENTRUM, TO CREATE A PROGRAM COMBINING ADVENTURE, TEAMWORK AND LEADERSHIP.



OVERNIGHT ADVENTURES

Camp is a time for exploration and discovery. Our excellent overnight expeditions are the perfect opportunity for campers to do just that. Most campers will admit that they are nervous or wary of setting off into the unknown, but soon realize that they are on a great adventure and that the experience and camaraderie far outweigh the challenges. All return happy and grateful to have completed the trip.

Lovell Camps offers two overnight and camping trips per session. Schönried campers were introduced to our new 'Challenge by Choice' program allowing the more adventurous campers to participate in more difficult trips. The 2012 summer was blessed with good weather and we were fortunate not to have to cancel any of these outings. Listed below are the 2012 overnight expeditions.

Saanen

- Group 1:** Tent Camping and Arnensee
- Group 2:** La Sarouche and Grubenberghütte
- Group 3 & 4:** Grubenberghütte and Wildhornhütte

Schönried

- Group 1 & 2:** Geltenhütte and Grubenberghütte

Challenge by Choice:

**Wildhornhütte and
Cabane de la Videmanette**

MY FIRST OVERNIGHT

On my overnight I went to La Sarouche. I had fun when we saw the cows at the cookout. I will always remember the mountains.

Victoire, Saanen July

ROCK CLIMBING ABOVE THE
GRUBENBERGHÜTTE



DISCOVERING NEW PLACES
NEAR THE WILDHORNHÜTTE

GELTENHÜTTE

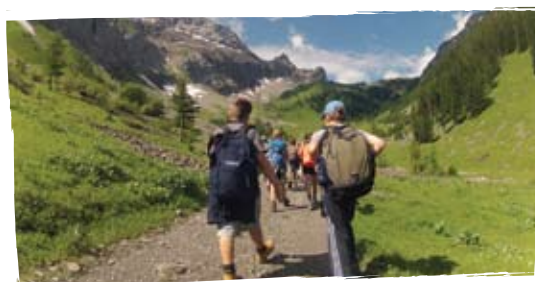
When we hiked to the Geltenhütte it was, in one word, AMAZING!!! It was beautiful, with plenty of magnificent waterfalls, cows, flowers, goats, marmots, black lizards, mice, caterpillars, and big mountains. This was a perfect hike!!

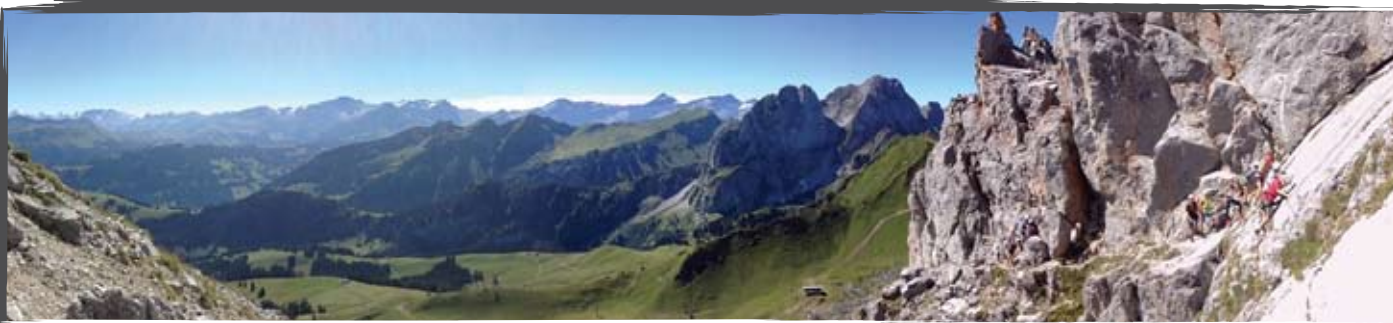
Hjalmar, Schönried July

GRUBENBERGHÜTTE

J'ai aimé l'escalade, les smores sans les marshmallows et les hot dogs et on a dormi au Grubenberghütte. Monsieur Conor a fait un bisous a une vache et à un cochon! J'ai aimé la randonnée et on a mangé deux sandwichs et j'ai pris les deux avec du Nutella. Monsieur Conor a fait une chanson avec les prénoms des groupes 3 et 4! On a joué beaucoup de jeux. Après la excursion on est retournés au camp et on a donné les sacs de l'excursion et il y a des sacs de la piscine et on est allés à la piscine pour nager.

Marili, Saanen July





CHALLENGE BY CHOICE

First, we went to the mountain called the Rübli. The beginning part was in the forest. Out of the whole hike, that was the hardest part but it was still fun because you never walked alone. After about 30 minutes, we were out of the trees. Everybody was hungry! So, about 1 hour later, we had lunch. We had sandwiches with some apples and we had to bring a water bottle too. After about 2 more hours, we arrived at the hut. Everybody was so tired. In the evening, we had chocolate fondue and we ate so much that we all felt sick. The next morning after breakfast, we climbed up to the top of the Rüblihorn. We all needed to stay together. It took about 1 hour and 30 minutes. Then we went down the mountain. At a little lake, we had a cookout BBQ. After some hot dogs, we went straight down. It took about 2 hours to get to the base.

Arthur, Schönried August

WILDHORN OVERNIGHT

Wildhorn was the very first hike for group 2. Wildhorn was challenging but fun. On the way, we were passed by a lot of cows and some horses that tried to eat our backpacks! Then we had to go uphill for a while, but I had some friends to talk to so that it was more fun. On the way, I got to meet a lot of new people I did not know before. I also got to swim in a lake. After 2-3 hours we finally got to our hut. In there, we played many fun games. The next morning, we went to a glacier with only our water bottles. On the way, I found an old missile. The views were epic! On the way back, a few counsellors and myself went cliff jumping in the freezing lake. That was the best 10-minute break ever! At the bottom of the mountain, we made delicious hot dogs.

Tisha, Schönried August

2012 INTEREST GROUPS

One of the most popular programs at Lovell Camps is 'Interest Groups'. Campers get a choice of 2 activities and receive 6 hours of instruction in each interest group over the course of the 3-week session. Read about what the campers have to say on page 6.



SAANEN

- Archery
- Arts and Crafts
- Cooking and Baking
- High School Musical and Stomp
- Outdoor Activities
- Mountain Biking
- Sports and Games
- Tennis

SCHÖNRIED

- Outdoor Skills and Archery
- Arts and Crafts
- Basketball
- Cooking and Baking
- Drama Games
- Movie Making
- Mountain Biking
- Spa and Wellness
- Rock Climbing
- Tennis

*** CHECK OUR WEBSITE FROM TIME TO TIME FOR NEW AND EXCITING INTEREST GROUPS FOR OUR 2013 SUMMER CAMP!**



"J'ADORE LOVELL CAMPS PARCEQU'ON FAIT DES CHOSSES TRES COOL!" ANOUSHKA



"ALL THE COUNSELORS ARE AMAZING!" BIANCA



"LOVELL CAMPS IS A PLACE WHERE YOU CAN TRY NEW THINGS" MARO





SAANEN

COOKING AND BAKING

Ariana's culinary expertise - "Flour looks like Parmizan cheese! I like to measure and to eat!"

Ariana, Saanen August

"I like cooking and baking because I want to learn different recipes."

Safia, Saanen August

ARTS AND CRAFTS

"J'ai choisi les arts parceque j'aime bien combiner les couleurs pour creer des chefs d'oeuvres!"

Translation: "I chose Arts and Crafts because I like combining colours to create masterpieces."

Malte, Saanen August

OUTDOOR ACTIVITIES

In outdoor activities, we built a hut in the forest. It was an adventure and really, really cool!

Alexia, Saanen July

ARTS AND CRAFTS

I love arts and crafts because you can make so many different things.

Sandro, Saanen July

ARCHERY

I picked archery for interest groups because I have never tried it before.

Paulo, Saanen July



SCHÖNRIED

DRAMA GAMES

'Drama Games' is fun! I love performing and the activities we play are great! J'adore Drama Games. J'adore tout les jeux nous jouons!

Amanda, Schönrried July

COOKING AND BAKING

My interest group is baking. We always cook something tasty: lava chocolate cakes, brownies. In my group there are very good guys! After baking I love to eat my food! It is yummy! In Moscow I always cook and here my favourite group is baking!!! I love Cooking and Baking!

Sonya, Schönrried July

BASKETBALL

I'm so happy I was in Basketball these last days. It was so much fun with Mr. Quinn and Mr. Reinoud. I improved in a lot of things - looking where my teammates are and learning how to dribble the ball much better. But also, the games we played were very enjoyable.

Stefanos, Schönrried July

ROCK CLIMBING

Rock climbing is very cool, it was my favorite interest group. I love to climb so I had loads of fun however it was even better when we did the bigger climb. I had two amazing teachers, Ms Keri and Mr Aaron.

Laura, Schönrried August

OUTDOOR SKILLS AND ARCHERY

In the first day of Outdoor Skills & Archery, I knew that it was the best interest group because we learned how to light a fire. We started the fire with our lovely teacher Ms. Alex and we got to cook hot dogs and marshmallows. On the second day, we did archery for 1 hour and 45 minutes. On that day, we learned how to shoot correctly. In the last class, we lit the fire without help, we ate hot dogs and banana boats. When we were finished, we were sad because we had so much fun and it was the end.

Doruk, Schönrried August

TENNIS

Our first tennis lesson began with playing tennis with the pro, Mr. Emil - to see how well we played. We wanted to split up into smaller groups. At the beginning, I was alone with the tennis pro, but during the second lesson, I played with cap wearer Alex. We made volleys, some hard smashes and serves. Of course, we also made forehand and backhands. It was sweaty, hard and fun!

Frederic, Schönrried August

“I CAME TO LOVELL CAMPS TO LEARN, HAVE FUN AND MAKE LOT’S OF NEW FRIENDS.” MESHARI, SAANEN CAMP

WE AIM TO TEACH

Many campers come to Lovell Camps to learn and to improve their language skills. This is why we offer daily language instruction in both English and French during our three-week sessions.

Outside of the classroom, a large emphasis is put on swimming instruction, outdoor education, teamwork, leadership and general experiential learning. This creates an outstanding well-balanced program which gives campers skills that they can carry with them for the rest of their lives.

ENGLISH LESSONS

The English lessons are very fun! We learn grammar, spelling, writing and reading. We also played lots of different learning games. We wrote a book about our life! Through this, I learned a lot of new vocabulary. I have experienced a new and fun way of learning a language. I would like to say a huge thank you to Mr. Brian!

Eric, Schönried July

FRENCH LESSONS

In French, we first got grammar notebooks, in which we would write what we didn't know about French grammar. Later on, we received printed French exercises which were challenging but fun. After that we would have conversations about camp and other things. After we got a French book called “La Nuit Blanche de Zoe.” It's about Zoe and her friends learning how to snowboard. It was funny and we could make many jokes while reading. Generally, I enjoyed French a lot!

Tisha, Schönried August

SWIMMING

Chaque jour régulier on de la natation. On fait de la brass due crole et du crole-dos. As we pummel off the wall we instantly break into our strokes with only minutes to spare when finally we finish and the next person goes. We play all different kinds of games and have a wonderful time. Swimming is very important to know because if you fall in you won't drown.

Isabella, Schönried July

SAANEN CAMPERS LOVE LOVELL CAMPS

My favorite thing at camp is the afternoon program and interest groups. I picked Arts and Crafts because it's fun and you can make presents for your family.

Nico, Saanen July

We go on really cool trips at Lovell Camps. Aquaparc was the coolest!

Ava, Saanen July

CAMP LIFE

An impossible hike through a snow-capped mountain, another through an evergreen valley. Morning programmes, language classes, cook outs, shopping trips, swimming lessons and interest groups run alongside a multitude of other activities. All this takes place whilst surrounded by some of the most beautiful scenery in the world. And yet, all good things must come to an end. Sleeping bags have been rolled up, hiking boots packed away, as we come to the end of our camp sessions and of Lovell Summer Camps 2012.

Six weeks of challenges, triumphs, laughter and tears and as you, dear reader, allow your eyes to gaze on the pictures and articles, we hope that some of these priceless moments will be shared!

DAY CAMPER PERSPECTIVE

Being a day camper at Lovell Camps is awesome! You get to do so many interesting activities at camp. Sometimes we go off campus and do other activities such as hiking to a peak of a mountain and sleeping in a hut or white water rafting. We go to the local swimming pool nearly every day. We get to go outside and have free time on campus while we listen to music. We get to pick our own interest groups like rock climbing or baking. Overall, being a day camper is awesome!

Soliman, Schönried August

BOARDING CAMPER PERSPECTIVE

Boarder camping is so different from day camping. You stay in rooms as a boarder. You are staying there without your parents. You get to meet many new friends. You have a roommate. It is so great because you are from different countries and you are always speaking English. And that helps you to practice. Also, you have a room counselor. Every counselor is hilarious. I love all of them. Our room counsellor is Ms. Alex. She is so funny and she is so sweet. I love her! I really want to come back next year. I love Lovell Camps. Best camp ever!

Birsen, Schönried August

LA VIE EN CAMP

Le camp est on expériences très intéressante sue je ne vois ja'mai oubliez. Ou dorme avec d'autres enfants et chaque nuit nous amusants bien. Nous faisons pleins des et des jeux qui sont aussi amusants mais, la chose la plus agréable est q'on fait la connaissance des enfants à notre âge qui viennent pas des diffèrent pays dans le monde et on devient amies.

Athina, Schönried July



FUN, FUN, FUN

AWARDS

SHOPPING

It's so fun! I buy things for me and my family like junk food and cards. So cool! We go to the main centre of the city

Ece, Schönnried July

OLYMPIC ACTIVITIES

The Olympics are two teams, Ice Cream and Sushi. I am on Team Sushi. It is very cool because we get to do very fun stuff like, volleyball, handball, obstacle courses and the longest races. Sushi is the winner!

Rakan, Schönnried

WEEKENDS

Les weekends sur le camp sont très amusants. Nous marchons à la ville du Gstaad ou à Montreux. Nous mangeons une glace de chocolaté et nous vision le shopping centre. Le samedi soir nous regardons une DVD et le dimanche nous allons à une excursionne ou promenade sur le centre d'activités. l'Aquaparc et une promenade sur le montagne. Dans les weekends j'amuse beaucoup avec les activités et jeux. Les excursions sont fantastique et très intéressants. Nous faisons du shopping dans le ville et nous retournes à le camp à douze heures et demi.

AQUAPARC

Aquaparc is cool! I did almost all of the slides. We ate some food. We went to the camp by a bus and it took about 1 hour. My favourite slide was the black and yellow one.

Alex, Schönnried August

WINTER CAMP DON'T MISS OUT!

For those of you who loved summer camp, why not try our **winter program**? Skiing, snowboarding, exciting activities and optional language lessons combine to create an exciting 1 week holiday experience!

Excellent staff, professional snow sports instruction, close supervision and above all that unique family atmosphere that only Lovell Camps can create.

**1 week sessions beginning
16.12.2012 - include:**

- 5 days ski/snowboard instruction
- day or boarding options
- 5 day ski pass
- numerous après-ski activities
- optional language instruction
- full supervision
- optional pick-up and drop-off service
- end-of-week ski race, fondue party and disco!



At Lovell Camps, all campers are recognized for their efforts in language class and interest groups with a bronze, silver or gold certificate. The 'Swiss National Swimming' program is used to evaluate, teach, test and award campers during swim lessons.

Our most coveted award is the 'Outstanding Camper' award which recognizes one camper per session who shows care and concern for others, always sets a good example, is helpful, shows initiative, consistently uses newly-acquired skills and follows directions. This year's four outstanding campers are pictured below.

JULY SAANEN



JANA - SAUDI ARABIA

JULY SCHÖNNRIED



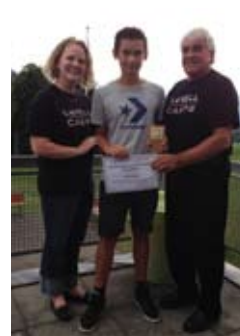
ALEJANDRA - USA

AUGUST SAANEN



MARO - GREECE

AUGUST SCHÖNNRIED



ARTHUR - GERMANY

Ski racing enthusiasts should join us;

December 26, 2012 - January 5, 2013

for our '**Race Clinic**' with professional coaches and former Swiss national team member, world cup and olympic racer, Patrick Staub.

Please visit **www.lovellcamps.ch** for further information on sessions and pricing.

Don't forget, **KIDS CLUB** starts on
December 17, 2012

