

Contributions invited

The CBS Camps were held for 22 years until 1987 when the National Scout Council directed that it be renamed as the La Salle Combined Schools (LSCS) Camporee.

Please email us at XaverianScouts@gmail.com if you wish to contribute reports and photographs of any of the CBS or LSCS Camps which you may have attended.

Christian Brothers' Schools Camporees

Xaverians also played a prominent role in the organization and staging of a series of Christian Brothers' Schools Camporees – which everyone referred to fondly as “CBS Camps” – at Jubilee Camp, Teluk Bahang, Penang for many years. The Rovers at SXI were the primary camp organizers during the early years.

The idea for these Camps came from GSM Khoo Heng San of 7GT(N). The aim of these Camps was to bring together Scouts from beyond Penang so that they could enjoy the fellowship of Scouts they would not otherwise meet and get to know.

Heng San had for a while devoted much effort to raising funds to send one Scout at a time to a national Jamboree held abroad. The fund-raising was becoming harder to accomplish; at the same time a camporee involving a large number of Scouts seemed just as



The CBS camps had become very popular in a short time as evident in this group photograph of the fourth CBS camp held from 18–21 April 1966.



Bro Rupert Kunzelmann receiving an award from Chief Minister Wong Pow Nee

worthwhile an effort to be dedicated to. He took the idea to Bro. Rupert Kunzelmann who instantly supported its implementation. The first CBS Camp was held in 1963.

The Camporee had become well established by the time the 2nd CBS Camp was held during the first-term holidays, from 27–30 April 1964 at Jubilee Camp. Twelve Patrols took part in the Camp. Seven of these Patrols were from SXI; two Patrols from St George's School, Balik Pulau; one from St Michael's School, Alor Setar and two Patrols from St Patrick's Kulim. The Camp was officially opened by Bro Visitor T. Michael in the presence of State Commissioner Yeoh Pee Tin and Bro Director Lawrence of SXI.

The mornings at CBS Camps were set aside for competitions. Games were played in the afternoons to foster Scouting friendship among all the campers.

CBS Camps were one of the highlights of the year for Xaverian Scouts who received permission from their parents to take part. It was not a compulsory event but those who took part could include the nights spent at the Camp as prerequisites for certain badges.



Bro Visitor Michael and State Commissioner Yeoh inspecting gadgets built by the campers at the 2nd CBS Camp.

The Camporees became a regular feature in the Scout year for Xaverians until 1987 when the National Scout Council directed that it be renamed as the La Salle Combined Schools (LSCS) Camporee. However, the directive did not interrupt the numbering of the Camps and 1987 saw the holding of the 23rd LSCS Camp!

7GT(N) was still going strong that year as the Venture Scouts won the Champion Patrol Prize, the Best Campfire presentation, Best Backwoodsman's Cooking and the Strongman Trophy.



Far left: The Overall Champion of the 2nd CBS Camp was Heron Patrol from 7GT(N) who won the Bro Visitor's Challenge Shield. This was a big enough honour to justify this special Patrol photograph taken in a professional studio. Left: Drake Patrol from 1GT(N) were Seniors Champion at the same Camp.