

December 6, 2026 WWC Christmas Party



'Twas 19 days before Christmas, and all through the house...twenty-five club members gathered for our annual Christmas get-together! In attendance were Kelly & Michele, Bert & Judy, Olwen & James, Steffany, Dave & Judy, Darrell & Betty Anne, Jackie & Fred, Brian, Patrick & Kari, Arron & Laurie, Bill & Carol, Robert & Audrey, Ed, Rick & Sue.

We feasted well on appetizers, meats, casseroles, veggies, cabbage rolls, & desserts with a few bevies to wash it all down.

There was lots of great conversation, laughter, reminiscing about previous events, and looking forward to 2026 and events to come.

The gift exchange was fun as always as members observed each other opening gifts with a calculating eye, immediately assessing if the gift was something they might like to steal... the game is quite enlightening and displays interesting insight into the character of our members. It also tests relationships as Betty Anne learned when Darrell showed a shocking disregard for her wishes when she



wanted him to steal a gift she thought he should have. Hopefully they are speaking at the time of this writing.





Bill reminded us that Spring 2026 will mark the 50th Anniversary of the formation of the Westman Wilderness Club.



Our club was started in the back room of the original Stream 'n Wood Store on 8th Street in Brandon. Customers of the store were looking for others to canoe, ski & backpack with and Neil Agnew was often putting people in touch with each other. Eventually our club was formed, originally meeting at Stream 'n Wood, then moving to the Provincial Building. The store continued sending customers to the club, and ran a few clinics for the members. To this day, Stream 'n Wood continues to promote our club.

Carol read an email from original members Marg & Millie, describing their first meetings. They also described their first club event, a trip to Muskrat Lake describing in great detail the amazing breakfast they cooked outdoors. Some things never change!



Thanks to all who joined us for the Christmas Party- we'd like to wish all members a very Merry Christmas, and a Happy & Healthy New Year!

Rick & Sue

PS- Please let us know if this is your bag- It was left behind by one of our guests.