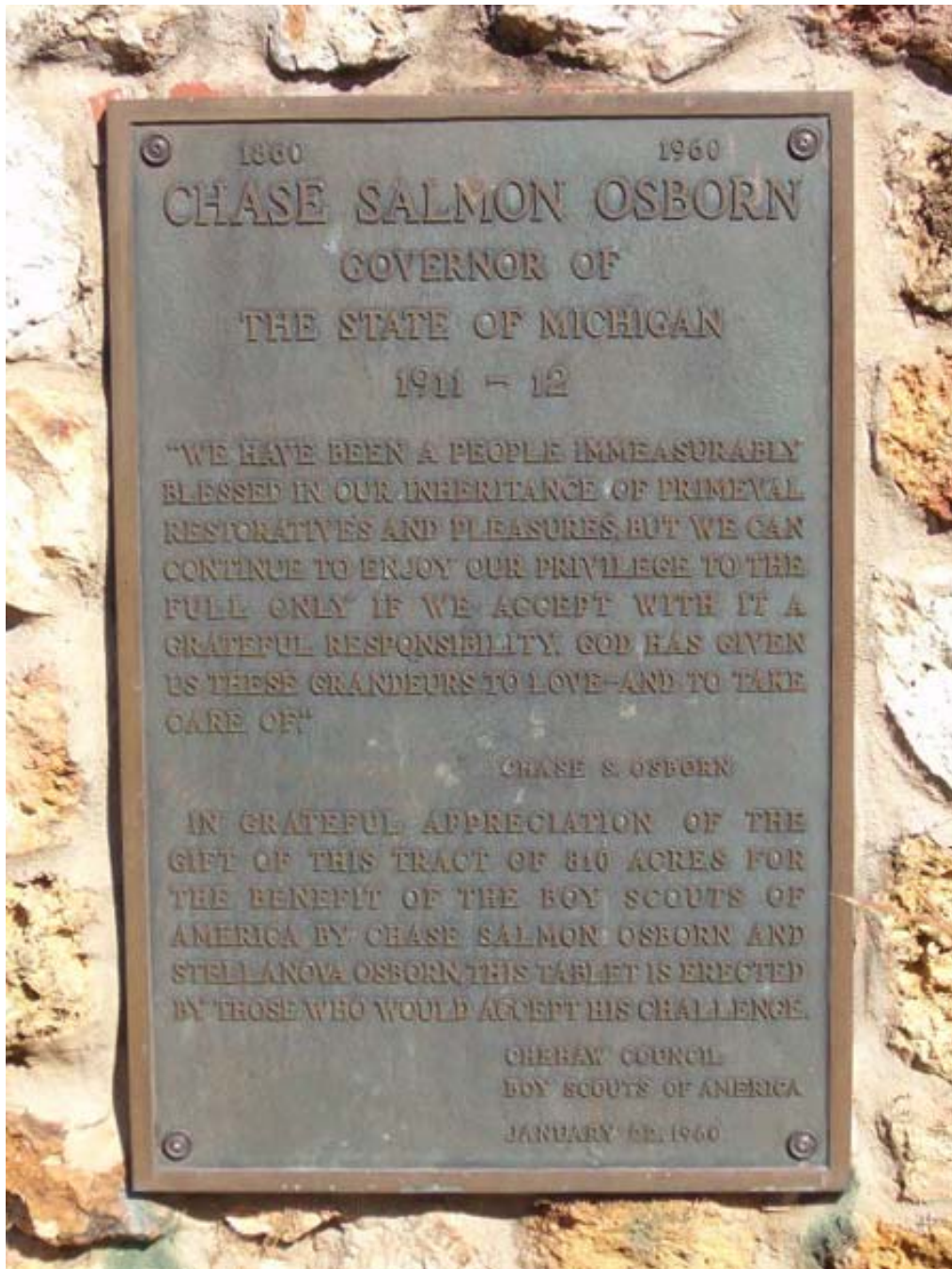


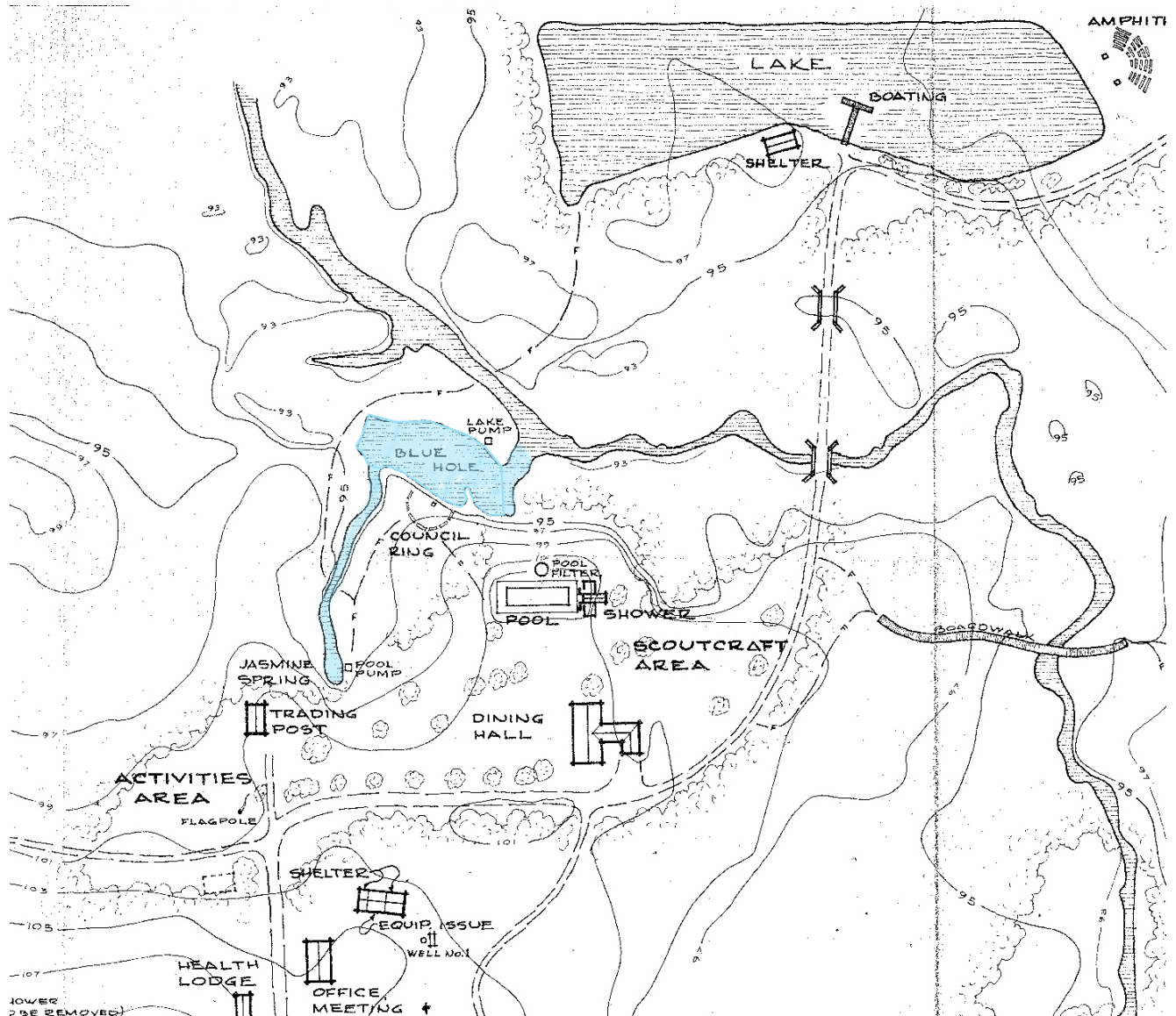
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Photos of Jasmine Springs and the Blue Hole



MAP OF JASMINE SPRINGS AND THE BLUE HOLE



**Jasmine Springs is south of the Blue Hole
and its water flows north about 300 feet
along a short branch or creek to the Blue Hole.
The Blue Hole empties northward into Mill Creek.
Mill Creek flows northwest into the Flint River.
(See the 1973 map above)**

EARLY PHOTOS OF THE JASMINE SPRINGS AND THE BLUE HOLE



Jasmine Springs in 1946.
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The photo was found at Possum Poke. It had no label or date on it. It is most likely The Blue Hole or the stream running from Jasmine Spring to the Blue Hole. The photo probably dates from the 1950s or early 1960s.



The Blue Hole in 1970 or 1971.



**Working in the small stream that ran from Jasmine Springs to the Blue Hole.
In 1970 or 1971 it flowed with clear water from Jasmine Springs which is an
artesian spring or well.**



A night photo of the Blue Hole in 1971 at an OA tap-out. The photographer was standing where the audience was seated which was between the pool and the Blue Hole looking across the Blue Hole to the where the candidates were taken to be marched off into the woods.



**In the late 1990s two rope bridges were built over the branch that runs from Jasmine Springs to the Blue Hole.
The water was still high & clear.**

JASMINE SPRING & THE BLUE HOLE AFTER 1999

In 1999, a tornado struck Camp Osborn and took out most all of the big trees around Jasmine Spring and the Blue Hole. From 2000 until 2002 a sever drought caused Jasmine Springs (an artesian well) to complete dry up. After the drought broke beavers dammed up Mill Creek so bad than when it rained the main part of camp would flood. To solve the flooding problem, Worth County came in and cleared out the channel and did drainage work around the Blue Hole and Mill Creek at the main camp. From 2002 until 2009 the spring did not flow but was full due to water backup from the Blue Hole. It was 2010 before the spring began flowing clear water again. The photos below show the results of those 5 years.



**Jasmine Spring
(looking from trading post to the northeast toward the pool)**



**Jasmine Springs and branch that runs to the Blue Hole
(The same camera position as the 1946 photo above,
which is shown again below for comparison)**



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Jasmine Springs Monument



The Blue Hole



The Blue Hole



The Blue Hole

JASMINE SPRING & THE BLUE HOLE AFTER THE 2017 TORNADOS AND THE 2018 HURRICANE

On Monday, January 2, 2017 an F2 tornado struck Camp Osborn. The tornado travelled along Boy Scout Road from Highway 300 moving easterly across the northern part of camp. On Sunday, January 23rd, 2017 a second tornado travelled along Jewell Crowe Road to the south of camp and took out most of the planted pines on the south side of camp, damaged the First Aid Lodge and the Eagle Pavilion, and, Mike Ellis Road was washed out. On October 10th, 2018 Hurricane Michael hit Camp Osborn with the strongest ever hurricane winds to reach Georgia and damaged what had been rebuilt.

Due to the trees around Jasmine Springs having been toppled in the 1999 tornado, the spring did not suffer any significant damage.

