

## An Enduring Passion: The DOC at 100

Selected highlights from the Outing Club's history, documenting the Club's founding in December 1909 as a winter sports organization, its ongoing enjoyment of the outdoors, and its stewardship of the natural world. Through Winter Carnival, First Year trips, affiliated clubs, and the miles of trails and numerous cabins it maintains, the DOC probably has touched the lives of more Dartmouth undergraduates than any other College organization.

The exhibition was curated by Barbara Krieger and Peter Carini and was on display in the Class of 1965 Galleries from September 1 to October 31, 2009.

Many of the materials in this exhibit are part of the DOC's manuscript collection (DO-1). A full finding aid is [available online](#). If not otherwise noted, the item likely came from DO-1.

### Materials Included in the Exhibition

Case Title	Materials included
<p><b>Case 1. Establishing the DOC</b></p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. The first Outing Club Constitution. (DO-1, Box 6170, Folder 1)</li> <li>2. The first formal meeting of the Outing Club, December 14, 1909.               <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Standing: Cap Weston, Gordon Ferrie Hull, Craven Laycock, Walter Greenwood, unknown, unknown, and Russell Steinert. Middle: Dr. Licklider, William Patten and James Goldthwait. Front row: W. Lee White, Bradley Patten, Arthur Chivers.</li> </ol> </li> <li>3. Logbook, Great Bear Cabin, December 1978. Illustrations by Robert Darce.</li> <li>4. Logbook from Moose Mountain, Cabin #1, the first entry in the first DOC cabin logbook, December 13, 1910.</li> </ol>
<p><b>Case 2. First Year Trips ("Freshman Trips")</b></p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Moosilauke Ravine Lodge, the ultimate destination for all first year trips, was built 1938-1939, with loggers from the town of Warren and horse teams cutting and hauling the huge spruce trees used in its construction.</li> </ol>

	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>2. Signing up freshmen members, ca. 1950.</li> <li>3. John Sloan Dickey at Moosilauke during freshmen trips, September 1956.</li> </ol>
<p><b>Case 3. Winter Carnival</b></p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Fred Harris was inspired to create the first Dartmouth Winter Carnival after visiting the Montreal Winter Carnival in 1909. Here we see the programs that Harris added to his scrapbook following his visit. Fred Harris, Class of 1911, "Memory Book."</li> <li>2. Fred Harris, founder of the Outing Club, coming off the ski jump. [likely Winter Carnival Photo File]</li> <li>3. Prize winners of the first Winter Carnival, 1911. [likely Winter Carnival Photo File]</li> <li>4. Over the years other aspects of Carnival took on a more prominent role. As you can see in this flyer, bringing girls to the all-male campus was one of these.</li> <li>5. Dartmouth men impatiently await the arrival of the Carnival train. [likely Winter Carnival Photo File]</li> <li>6. The first Queen of Snows. [likely Winter Carnival Photo File]</li> <li>7. Skijoring. [likely Winter Carnival Photo File]</li> </ol>
<p><b>Case 4. Environmental Studies</b></p>	<p>In December 1969, George Kain, '70, Chairman of Cabin &amp; Trail, informed the DOC Board that "the recently formed Environmental Studies group had voted to join the DOC as a third Council." Formal approval by the Board came on January 14, 1970.</p> <p>The Mellon Foundation has funded many research projects undertaken by the Environmental Studies Division (DO-1, Series Series 26461, Environmental Studies Division of the DOC, 1968 - 1984, Box 6172 and 6173).</p>