



Guide to the Timberlock Lodge Photograph Collection, 1931-2004

Administrative Information

Title and Dates:

Timberlock Lodge Photograph Collection, 1931-2004

Repository:

New Hampshire Historical Society
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Collection Number:

2024.003

Author of Finding Aid:

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Creator:

Gosda family

Language:

The materials in this collection are in English.

Extent:

1 box ; 0.21 linear feet

Abstract:

This is a collection of approximately 100 photographs of Timberlock Lodge, a ten-cottage summer resort on Newfound Lake in Bridgewater, NH, between 1938 and 1944, including the aftermath of the 1938 hurricane. The images show the buildings, activities available to summer visitors/renters, people enjoying the beach, and boats. The collection also includes Raymond Gosda's memories of the summers he worked there and his descriptions of some of the photographs.

Access and Use

Acquisition Information and Provenance:

The Timberlock Lodge Photograph Collection was given to the New Hampshire Historical Society by David Gosda on January 18, 2024.

Processing Information:

This collection was processed by Sandra L. Wheeler in September 2024. The finding aid was written by Sandra L. Wheeler in September 2024. This finding aid follows the standards set-forth by *Describing Archives: A Content Standard*.

Access Restrictions:

Available for research.

Location:

The collection is housed at the New Hampshire Historical Society in Concord, New Hampshire.

Physical Characteristics and Technical Requirements:

The materials in this collection are paper based and have no special technical requirements for use.

Copyright/Conditions Governing Use:

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Collection Overview

Administrative Information:

John and Emily Gosda bought the Timberlock Lodge property in 1935 or 1936. John worked at Pacific Mills in Lawrence, MA, and was present on weekends; the business was run by Emily (with the help of her sister to do the housekeeping chores) and John and Emily's son Raymond, who worked with a local man, Rodney Remick, doing property and boat maintenance. Raymond left in 1942 for World War II service in the U.S. Army and the resort was sold in 1944.

Collection Scope and Content Note:

The Timberlock Lodge Photograph collection consists of approximately 100 photographs of Timberlock Lodge, a ten-cottage summer resort on Newfound Lake in Bridgewater, NH, between 1938 (including the aftermath of the 1938 hurricane) and 1944. Owned by John and Emily Gosda, it was largely run by Emily and their son, Raymond, with John there on the weekends.

The photographs in the collection are of the landscape, buildings, activities available to summer visitors/renters, and people enjoying the beach and water. A few are postcards of the property.

The collection also includes Raymond Gosda's memories of the summers he worked there and his descriptions of some of the photographs. There is an original brochure as well as one from Raymond's 2004 visit to the resort, at which time the establishment had been renamed "Timberloch Lodge."

Arrangement:

The donor, son of Raymond Gosda, numbered each photograph with a "Gosda number" [Gosda 1, Gosda 2, etc]. Some of these were specifically discussed by his father in his 2004 letters to the current owner/manager of the Lodge, and the donor noted in the margin of the photocopied correspondence which image Raymond was talking about. Those photographs have been filed as "photographs with 2004 commentary" and placed in folders with the relevant text. Others, almost all unidentified, have been arranged by subject/category.

Contents List

Box 1

Folder 1	Correspondence, Gosda, Ray outgoing re the lodge and its history, 2003
Folder 2	Ephemera: brochures, undated [late 1930s], 2004
Folder 3	Ephemera: plan of property [photocopy], 1937
Folder 4	Photographs with 2004 commentary, undated [Gosda image numbers: 29, 30, 32, 33, 34, 41]
Folder 5	Photographs with 2004 commentary, undated [Gosda image numbers: 31, 42, 43, 44]
Folder 6	Photographs with 2004 commentary, undated [Gosda images 35, 36, 37, 38, 39, 40, 66]
Folder 7	Photographs with 2004 commentary, undated [Gosda images 25, 26, 51, 54, 55]
Folder 8	Photographs: identified, 1931, 1955, 2004, undated
Folder 9	Photographs: The Flume, undated
Folder 10	Photographs: hurricane aftermath, 1938
Folder 11	Photographs: people, unidentified, undated

Subject Terms

People:

Gosda family
Gosda, David
Gosda, Emily
Gosda, John
Gosda, Raymond
Remick, Rodney

Organizations:

Timberloch Lodge (Bridgewater, N.H.)

Timberlock Lodge (Bridgewater, N.H.)

Subjects:

Families
Hotels
Hurricane damage
Lakes
Maps
New England Hurricane, 1938
Photographs
Resorts
Tourism
Winter

Locations:

Bridgewater, NH
Flume, Franconia Notch, NH
Newfound Lake, NH

Occupations:

Hotelkeepers
Hotels--Employees