A list of camp gadgets--cool things to bring along on a campout.

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Mountain Maytag: 5 gallon bucket, hole in the top and plunger, put hot water plus soap in the bucket. Move the plunger up and down to clean clothes on long trips where not enough clothes were brought along and the available clothes get messed up early on.

Planisphere. Chart that will show you which stars are in the sky for any given day and hour of the night. You can purchase online for cheap.

Hammer plus nail for the pound it in game. Each boy takes turn starting a nail into the log with the normal heavy side of the hammer. Then the other boys take turns using the back end of the hammer trying to drive the nail in. game is over when you can no longer get your fingernail under the head of the nail.

35 gallon drum with a funnel that goes to a pipe down at the bottom. Also a pipe coming sideways off of the top. You keep it over the fire with the fire going at a low level all of the time. You pour cold water in the funnel, and warm (or hot) water comes out of the sideways pipe on the top.

A full sized bow and drill for starting fires. Post drilled into a log on the ground. Put 3 scouts on the rope on each side to pull it back and forth. Much better than the smaller set up for starting fires in the cold

A bumper dumper. A toilet seat that screws onto your trailer hitch. (Can get at bumperdumper.com) Put a can underneath with a tarp around it and you have a portable privy