

Little Turn Back lake, is on the same level as Kewagama, and is connected with it by a broad, sluggish, marshy stream. The route to Seals Home lake follows a river flowing into Newagama lake on the north shore, the mouth of which is easily missed, as it is in a deep grassy bay.

The portage to Seals Home lake, over the height of land, leaves a small branch of this river flowing from the east, about one mile from the lake. The portage is two miles long and passes over a level well wooded country. At the east end it stops at a small stream, which in midsummer is almost dry, necessitating a farther carry of a quarter or half a mile. The stream winds through a wide marsh almost a mile before reaching the lake.

Seals Home Lake.

Seals Home lake is made up of three expansions, connected by two narrows. The most northerly narrows is quite river-like for over a mile, although at ordinary water there is no visible current. The south part is the largest. It is irregularly circular in shape, having the longest diameter northeast and southwest, and measuring eight and a half miles. There are numerous islands in the southern part. Counting in the lower expansion the whole lake measures twenty-four miles from north to south. The shore line is indented with numerous bays, and bare rocks are frequently exposed, forming low cliffs. The shores are well wooded with spruce, poplar, etc., and an occasional pine.

Peter Brown creek enters the lower expansion of Seals Home lake from the east. It is 100 feet wide at the mouth, and is easily navigable with canoes to within less than a mile of the railway line, which crosses this creek nine miles east of the Harricanaw river. There is some excellent, well wooded agricultural land along this creek.

Harricanaw River.

The Harricanaw river drains Seals Home lake, and for twenty-two miles flows a little east of north, then it flows northwest as far as it was followed. The railway line crosses four miles below the lake. At this point the river is 5 chains wide, and it averages between 4 and 6 chains as far as it was surveyed. At the cache a half mile below the crossing of the railway line there is a rapid, with a fall of three feet, which can be run by light canoes.