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Quahaug chapter's website is again up and running.

You can visit it at:

<http://www.angelfire.com/ri/quahaug/>

We will be listing dates and locations of campouts, with links to the campgrounds for directions and information.

The site is still a work in progress, so comments and suggestions are welcome at [quahaug@excite.com](mailto:quahaug@excite.com)

You also have an opportunity to save the club some money by opting to receive your Woodchips via email.

Each month, your newsletter would be delivered directly to your inbox - no waiting for the postman to arrive with your slightly-worse-for-the-trip paper version, and no clicking around on the website!

And whenever you want a copy, you can print it out yourself right at home!

**Nafca's 7 C's**

Care  
Courtesy  
Cooperation  
Common Sense  
Caution  
Cleanliness  
Conservation

# WOODCHIPS

## President's Message

Hello Guys & Gals,

One more week until NAFCaree! We will be heading out on Wednesday with the Waterman's and Norma.

Linda Bouchard had to get a P.O. box in Texas because she is full time r'ving! Just kiddin' Linda. I hope everyone takes it easy driving, and arrive safe in Lake George. We are all pumped and can't wait to go, especially Tom G. Hey, Tom, just like Motel 6, I'll leave the light on for ya!

Please see enclosed article on the August campout. It should be a nice, relaxing campout.

Please bring wine to share, one bottle for your prez, and one for the club. I'm sorry, just bring one for me.

It's 12 midnight and I'm writing my message for Diane. That's it for me, I'll see you all in New York next week.

Be Safe--

Your Prez, Lou

### Quahaug Club Tee-Shirts

Wear Your Red Tee-Shirt  
to show your Club Colors!

Saturday is Club Colors Day!

Wear your RED tee-shirt Especially the kids  
(This identifies our club children  
in case of Emergency)

Quahaug Club Tee-Shirts are available along  
with sweatshirts, patches and decals for your  
camper!

Shirts \$7.00 (2X & 3X \$1.00 more)

See Linda Bouchard at any campout or  
just give her a call.



## Sunshine Report

Get well cards were sent to Leona Barratt  
and Paula Bradley

If anyone has news that someone in the Chapter is ill,

**Please Contact Ann Calcutt at 401-846-5645 so she can send some sunshine!**



## Campouts for 2006

### August Campout

Bowdish Lake CampGround  
Rte 44, Putnam Pike  
W. Glocester, RI  
August 18 - 20  
LeBlanc & Waterman

### September

Mass Fall Frolic  
Spencer Mass  
Wyatt's & Hay's

### October Campout

Hickory Ridge Campground  
584 Victory Highway  
Greene, RI 02827  
October 13 - 15  
The Corti's & Villiard's

### November

Canoe River Campground  
Mansfield, MA  
November 17 - 19  
Dale Irvine

## Events for 2006

2006 NAFCaree  
Deer Run Camping Resort  
Schaghticoke, NY  
July 22 - 29, 2006

Fall Frolic, Conn/RI  
August 25, 26, 27 2006  
170 Ross Hill Road  
Lisbon, CT 06351  
Host's Will Be Conn

Camp-O-Rama  
Middletown, RI  
Sept. 8, 9, 10 2006  
WaongMaster's Chris Taylor  
& Kathy Lena

## Neptune's Nosing

Well, I can tell you, I have never seen a week like we had when Daddy's family came to visit!! There were 8 of them, including 2 little kids; Justin who is 5 and Amber who is 3. THEY put ME through my paces, and that's no lie. They were all over me---hugging me, laying on me, giving me treats (that was a great part), and altogether, just being KIDS. You know how kids and dogs just seem to go together. I was so tired when night came, I didn't even have the strength to climb up on the bed. I just fell into my own bed and slept like a log. We had lots of other company that week, too. It was awesome! When they left, it was like a hurricane had passed through (Daddy said they were from Louisiana and they HAD a hurricane there). Anyway, it was quiet for a few weeks, until Mom started getting ready for the 4<sup>th</sup> of July. Then things kind of took a turn for the worse. I guess I was missing all those treats (and suffering some bad effects from them, too). Anyway, one night I had a big accident at 4 AM. I had to go baaaaaaad. I didn't even make it to the door. Everything let loose. Mom ran out of the room gagging. Poor Daddy got stuck cleaning up and washing the rug. Now I really I know how much he loves me. It was seriously gross! The next day, needless to say, my belly was EMPTY. I got fed, but way little. Then I scored!!! Daddy left a whole plate of raw meatballs on the counter, just close enough for me to reach. I guess I overdid it. I ate 5 of them!! Boy, was he mad---and Mom let loose on me, too. MMMMM---raw hamburg. It's a treat to a dog, or so I thought. I was sick for a week, and believe me that diet of rice they put me on left a lot to be desired!!! I had a trip to the vet and everything. They still don't know if it was a bug or not, but they gave me some awful tasting pills and that damn rice for a week!

I may have learned my lesson—you notice I said "may have". I won't be able to tell until the next plate of food gets left on the counter. Will I ever learn??? Probably not. I just LOVE FOOD!!! And, I REALLY NEVER GET ENOUGH.

Outside of the camping trips, it has been a dull summer. I have nothing to do but lay around all day. I noticed Daddy is home a lot, but that doesn't make much difference to me. He's busy all the time! We play a little more, but he doesn't fall asleep in his chair at night now. That means I don't get to go outside at night, 'cause he watches me like a hawk. No fun! At night is when the critters really come out in my backyard. He's always saying, "No, you can't go out and play with the stinky kitties!!!" Like I said, I don't learn from my mistakes. The night of the 5 baths did not make that much of an impression on me. I'm ready to tangle with Mr. Stinky again. Hey, it's fun, till that tail comes around and you get blasted with smelly stuff!!

Hope you're all enjoying YOUR summer--

That's all for now--

Love and Treats, Neptune,  
AKA Neppie

## Delegate's Report August 2006

It is now mid-July and camping season is in full swing. A small group of us had a really good time at the July campout. We found out how a very young man can make a bunch of big guys look like amateurs! Way to go, Zack!! You show them how to play Potty! Thanks to wagonmasters Fischers and Kellys we had a terrific kabob dinner. Great fire, great friends, great weekend. Thanks!

Since last month, our new State Director Leona Barratt had back surgery, but Ron reports she was out of the hospital in 2 days, and CAMPING that same weekend. She is definitely a strong woman.

Many of us are off to NAFCAreae '06 in NY, and looking forward to a full week of fun and fellowship. Word from the Full Board meeting is that next year's NAFCAreae is going to be at Timothy Lake in Pennsylvania. All plans will be published in Chatter as soon as the committee gets organized. It is amazing how much time and effort goes into making these weeks thoroughly enjoyable and successful. Don't be left out next year. Make your plans to be on hand for another outstanding NAFCAreae, compliments of the tireless volunteers of this great association.

August will bring our own chapter campout and the Fall Frolic, which is in Connecticut, this year. The last time CT hosted, we had a ball. They worked hard to put on a good weekend. We had a tremendous turnout last year in RI, so lets do the same for CT this year.

Just a reminder to--READ YOUR CHATTER, each month. It is loaded with information about what is going on and who is doing what. Our chapter has an article in it every month, and so do many other chapters. It is by far the best way to know NAFCAreae, along with the website—NAFCAreae.org. That's about all for now--

HAPPY CAMPING,  
Dale

If you are going to be a WagonMaster and you want to have your tentative schedule for the weekend posted online, just drop a note to the webmaster at [quahaug@excite.com](mailto:quahaug@excite.com)



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# Happy Birthday!

## August Birthdays

- 6 Donna Wolfe
- 6 Sheila Griffiths
- 7 Paul Barratt
- 13 Jessica Lawrence
- 26 Adam Koulibaly



## August Anniversaries

- 25 Bill & Chris Hay





**August Campout  
August 18, 19, 20**

Bowdish Lake Camping Area  
Rt. 44  
W. Glocester, RI  
401-568-8890

Check in time is 5 pm  
If you want to check in earlier, please call  
the campground to let them know.

\$25/night (\$50/weekend)  
\$10/day for dogs  
\$10/day for extra cars

Wagonmasters-  
Watermans 508-824-6888  
LeBlancs 508-699-4940

**THE GRAPE ESCAPE**

Wine & cheese party Friday night.  
Bring a bottle of your favorite wine to share.

Saturday

Relax and join us at the beach for the day.  
Kids are required to have an adult at the beach with  
them at all times.

BBQ dinner Saturday, bring your set-ups and drinks.  
Coffee 'An Saturday evening with a campfire.

Simple, Relaxing, Fun, and of course Food!  
Join us for all of this!



# Secretary's Report

July 2006

The meeting was called to order with the Pledge of Allegiance and a Moment of Silence.

New Members: Club welcomed JoAnn and Ernie Babin, and Tom and Roberta Chermely.

Secretary's Report: Accepted as printed and put on file.

Treasurer's Report: Accepted and placed on file.

Sunshine Report: No concerns

Newsletter Editor: Deadline is the 15<sup>th</sup> of the month.

NAFCA Delegate's Report: Dale reported the 104 families are going to the NAFCAREE. PV8 paid for Sat. PM band entertainment. For those going, Howe Cavern is cool and jackets are suggested. Also bring a bag lunch. Attendees will also need to pack a lunch if they are going on the Duck Tours. The Lake George Cruise is 2 hours with no food served. Parking is limited around the area. There are lots of restaurants. At the campground, adults will need to watch kids in the pool.

The Fall Council will be a Crow's Nest, Newport, NH, Sept 29 – Oct 1.

Dale urged campers to support Sustaining Members and mention NAFCA when camping there.

The Show Committee needs a chair. There are mistakes in the NAFCA Handbook. Dale has corrections.

There are 6 proposals for the 2007 NAFCAREE. The decision will be made at July Full Board Meeting. Ron added that the Canadian proposals are for Canadian money. Ted invited the chapter to make their preferences known during this meeting. We have two votes on the Board (Ron and Leona) and we need to inform them of chapter preference, 18 preferred Niagara Falls, 5 preferred the Poconos.

Linda added that none of the trips for NAFCAREE are sold out. Deadline is June 10<sup>th</sup> to pay balance due. The Quahaug Chapter is the largest group. Chapters will be parked together as much as possible.

President's Report: Campouts: June, Oak Embers, RI, \$27.00/night, Fencers; July 14-16, Chamberlain Lake, CT, Kelly's and Fischer's, Pot Luck Dinner and Kids activities; Aug. 18-20, Bowdish Lake, RI, Waterman's and LeBlanc's; RI Fall Frolic, Aug. 25-27, Ross Hill, CT; Sept. 22-24, @ MA Fall Frolic, Spencer Fairgrounds, need wagon master; Camp-o-rama, Sept. 6-9, Sachuset Beach; Oct. 13-15, Hickory Ridge, Villiard's and Corti's.

Old Business: Dale offered to any interested party a camping jacket and vest with many patches. The vest went to Leona.

Norma reported on Camp-O-Rama. She reminded the members to sign up early.

New Business: Stanley Gould and Bill Hay would like to organize a hiking trip for kids and adults. The trail is 20 minutes away and 3-4 hours hiking time. Chris Hay has kindly offered to take on the job of Quahaug webmaster. She is interested in gathering names of anyone who might prefer their Woodchips via email. Ron thanked the chapter for loan of the Yellow Bird for this weekend. Lou asked for volunteers to wagon master the Sept Campout. There were no offers.

Linda reported on the NAFCA Conference. There were 5 Quahaug families. Everyone had a good time. Stanley praised the information he learned and the ability to meet others from all over. Kids took part in seminars which was new. Kids really enjoyed the activities.

Meeting was adjourned. This is the final meeting until October.

Next Meeting: Oct.

Respectfully submitted,  
Deborah Fencer, Secretary (notes taken by Paula Bradley)