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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

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

As I write this, camp-o-rama is a memory, and I don't know about all of you, but my family had a great time. And yes, even the puppy was good!

Things went relatively smooth, I was told that the tent was still up Monday, and the food was great. I think our guests had a great time, and I got many good comments. Great job to all members and especially our new members who stepped up to help out!

We all work hard, and sometimes it can be stressful, but everyone kept it together. Chris and Kathy deserve a round of applause for all their hard work too. It takes many people to pull this off, Linda arranged the food, etc... Too many to mention, but you know who you are.

On a different note, we still have campouts left, the seasons' not over yet! I won't be attending Spencer, so all of you have fun and enjoy the food!

Your Prez,
Lou

*Meetings are always the
First Sunday of each month
Common Fence
Point Community Ctr
Anthony Rd, Portsmouth RI
Next meeting is Sunday
October 1, 2006*

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

None

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

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

Neptune's Nosings

Well, I finally got to go camping again last month, though I almost didn't make it. I had another one of those "episodes" where my stomach took over for my head. Yea----I saw a nice RAW steak sitting all by itself on the dishwasher. Dad had just finished trimming it all up, so it was ALL MEAT—NO FAT, like he likes it. Mom was cooking something and went out to her garden to grab some leaves, and guess what? Yup, I grabbed that steak and ran off with it, faster than the speed of light! I hate to say this, but I choked it down so fast, I didn't even taste it. Will I ever learn? I hope so. I sure took a lot of misery for that. Mom wouldn't speak to me for a whole day. They even made me sleep outside the bedroom door that night. I whined and sighed all night, but it was no use. I WAS IN THE DOG HOUSE! Humans have to understand-----when we do something bad-----and you get mad----we react to your reaction. If we look "guilty", it's because you are HOLLERING at us, and we sure do know when you are mad (but not really that we did a bad thing). Sometimes with training we can learn what not to do, but DOGS LIVE IN THE MOMENT. Remember that and we'll all be happier!!!

I guess I was very lucky to get to go camping after that, but I did and I was on my very BEST behavior. I was around the campfire when I heard someone say, "Those things Neppie writes about, they can't all be true!" Well, I am here to set that record straight. THEY ARE! How could I make these things up? I may "color" the words a bit, but it all really happened to yours truly.

I have an even better one to tell those who "doubt"! I got to go to the Camp-O-Rama, which I guess from what I hear—is a really big deal. Lots of people—and dogs! I had a run in with one little one right off the bat. I almost got my nose bit. But, I digress-----we were out walking one night and we came across a man walking his Beagle. While this old dog and I exchanges sniffs, Dad and the owner exchanges "war stories" about Beagles. It seems we, as a breed, are pretty much alike when it comes to food and mischief. He told of his friend who has 2 Beagles—that LEARNED HOW TO OPEN THE REFRIGERATOR!! How cool is that?? Bow wow!! Not only that, but when the owner tied the refrigerator shut, they learned how to work as a team---one jumping on the table to push the food off for the other! Now where is this house? See, guys, it's bred into us, the hunt for food. That's what makes us "hunting dogs"! It's part of our charm. I hope that redeemed me in my Daddy's eyes. I am bad, but not that bad----2 Beagles, twice the mischief. Yea, well, I only got to enjoy the Camp-O-Rama for 2 days. On Friday----woe to me-----I mistook that green carpet thing that looks like grass in front of my trailer for the real thing, and you know, "a dog's got to do (do) what a dog's got to do". Daddy got real mad--and home I went. I let him know the next day when he stopped home to get something, that I was DISAPPOINTED in him. I snubbed him good! Oh, well, it was fun while it lasted—hope you all enjoyed it, too.

That's all for now-----

Love and Treats,

Neptune,

AKA Neppie

Delegate's Report October 2006

How about that? We made it through another Camp-O-Rama, and all our prayers were answered! We had great weather (visiting charter member, Terry Garafa attributed that to her late husband Frank, the original Quahaug Chapter weatherman), AND, even better----mostly everything went off without a hitch. We are now getting down to the last few campouts of the season. Let's hope we have good turnouts for them.

A great time was had at the RI/CT Fall Frolic. The committee deserves a BIG THANK YOU for a job well done. It isn't easy to fill a weekend with activities, but they sure did. We had large numbers play all the hard-fought games. That new NAFGO game seems to be a winner. Thank you, too, to the CT cooks for a delicious pancake breakfast, and to the ladies who organized the crafts for the kids. They were mighty proud of the ceramic pieces they made.

At the end of this month Roger and I will be traveling to NH to attend the NAFCA Council of Chapters, then racing back home for the FIRST INDOOR MEETING of the year that Sunday night. If you are there, you will get to hear all the plans for NAFCA's upcoming year--- first. Ron and Leona Barratt, Roger and Linda Bouchard from our chapter are on the 2007 NAFCAree Committee, that is meeting the weekend before Spencer. Those plans will be available, too, at the Council meeting. This is an exciting time of the year because we find out what next year's camping season will be like. Somehow for us, that kind of helps get through the LONG winter! So, wait to see what's happening, then make your plans accordingly. Don't forget---we count on NAFCA members to come to our Camp-O-Rama, and we should support all the NAFCA functions in return. Remember, next year is NAFCA's 50th Anniversary. Plan to be there---at all events---to CELEBRATE!!!

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

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Happy Birthday!

October Anniversaries



October Birthdays

- 1 Alex Waterman
- 3 Helen Terra
- 5 Nancy Watters
- 7 Kathie Brodeur
- 9 Gene Connors
- 13 Chris Hay
- 21 Evan Gould
- 23 Glenn Fencer
- 24 David Villiard
- 25 Jon Fischer
- 26 John Sherman
- 29 Phyllis Marshall

- 1 Lou & Cheryl LeBlanc
- 2 Evan & Joanna Falkof
- 15 Ken & Betty Corti
- 16 Glenn & Deb Fencer
- 28 David & Angela Patten
- 29 Kevin & Kathleen Taylor





This year the chapter's Octoberfest will be held at
Hickory Ridge Campground
on the weekend of October 13-15, 2006

On Friday night we will be serving coffee and goodies.

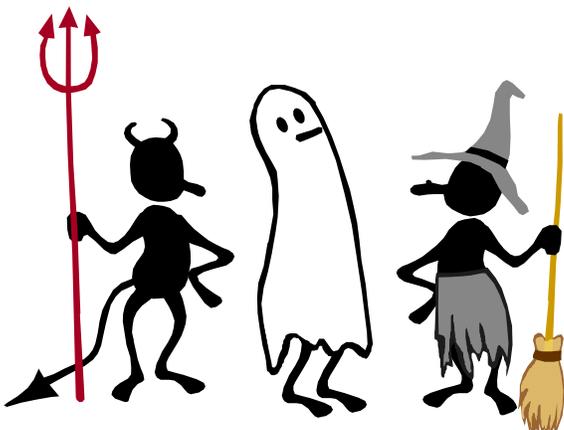
Saturday morning start a full day and evening of events.

We will be having trailer decorating, pumpkin carving / painting, crafts, a chowder luncheon, old fashioned boiled dinner followed by a costume parade, trick or treating (don't forget to bring your treats for all our tricksters) a pastry contest (who will win this year?) and night full of games for all ages.

On Sunday morning we will start to pack up thinking of the memories we have of the wonderful weekend we had.

Oh Yeah... We are asking that everyone bring a 1,000 sheet roll of toilet tissue.

Thank you.... See you there!



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 15th 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 10th 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)