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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 Campers!

I finally get to go to a club campout! So what if its June already? With only 11 rigs going, it will be one of the smaller campouts-for the people who didn't go, the prime rib was excellent! (just kidding). Some of us are going to the middle of nowhere diner Friday. I hope the pool is open!

Our meeting went smooth, with the club letting Ron know where we want to go for Nafcaree. He can let Nafca know how we feel. Thanks Ron!

No new business, and our camp-o-rama chairmen were not in attendance, I'm sure Chris will give us a full update at an upcoming campout. Reservations are down, we only have 140 so far. For fellow members, we like at least 185-200 reservations. I remember one year Norma took in 213! We fit then all though.

SHIRTS! SHOW YOUR CLUB COLORS ON SATURDAY'S. OUR SHIRT ORDER JUST CAME IN. CALL OR SEE LINDA BOUCHARD. THIS ALSO HELPS TO IDENTIFY OUR CLUB KIDS - IN A BUSY CAMPGROUND.

That's it for now, hope to see you guys at the campfire!

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

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

### July Campout

Chamberlin Lake Campground  
1397 Route 197  
Woodstock, CT 06281  
July 14 - 16  
Fischer's & Kelley's

### August Campout

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

### September

Mass Fall Frolic  
Spencer Mass

### 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 Nosing

I have to tell you—that trip to the Spring Safari in Vermont was a BLAST!! I had so much fun—and I was really good, according to Mom and Dad (and who else counts?). I was rewarded by being let loose to run free—for about 5 minutes. Boy, did I take advantage of that! Not those Chihuahuas nor Uncle Ted could have caught me if I had wanted to take off, but I KNOW BETTER! Do I want to lose my happy home? No way! Nope I just ran around in circles. It sure felt good—and it was Auntie's idea. I wouldn't disappoint her and run off.

Anyone who wasn't at the Spring Safari or who wasn't around to see the "Uncle Ted and the Cow" incident, let me tell you—it was hilarious! It seems like Uncle Ted made acquaintance with the cow who was there to play Cow Bingo. She was in a pen all marked with numbered squares—so when she pooped, the person who bought the square she did it on would win—money! I guess it must get boring, both for those watching and for the cow. Uncle Ted decided to have some fun with her, so he leaned over the pen, petting her and talking to her. Well, she must have fell for his charm, cause later when she got loose and NO ONE could catch her, he stood in the middle of the track, held out his arms, called to her---and she came running right up to him! They all thought they would have to carry Auntie away. She fell down laughing and couldn't stop. Well, it must have been a sight. She was still in hysterics when she told us about it. What next---alligator wrestling?? That Uncle Ted---he is a force of nature, and I should know. There's always lots of fun and laughing when he comes over.

Around my house, it's been awful hectic lately, and I really have felt neglected. No more "playing duck", or anything. All Mom and Dad are doing is cleaning, moving furniture, painting and running out to buy stuff! They say "We are having company from Louisiana and everything has to be ready". I don't know whether this is a good thing or not, but I do know that in all the confusion—I GOT 2 SUPPERS IN ONE NIGHT! How about that? I played like I hadn't eaten after Mom fed me, and Daddy fed me, too. Now you know THAT has never happened before. There must be something really big coming. I guess I'll just have to wait and see. Meanwhile, I have now added a new accomplishment to my list of skills----I caught a rabbit---right in my back yard! Usually, they outrun me and get through the fence before I get to them, but last week----one got really unlucky. I was faster than he was and WHAM----another one bites the dust!!

That's all for now-----

Love and Treats, Neptune,  
AKA Neppie

# Delegate's Report July 2006

Since it is now early June, by the time you read this the June campout will be behind us. So sorry we couldn't make it, but we were enjoying the company of our family from Louisiana—who are truly “Katrina” survivors. They are still living in F E M A trailers and working on putting their houses and their lives back together. We were so happy to have them here with us for a few short days. Their story is one of evacuation to a camping area (Thank God they are campers like us), so they did not suffer the actual storm, but the after effects have been very hard to deal with. We were just delighted to have them here and show them around our beautiful Northeast!

We always look at July as being the middle of the camping season. After 4<sup>th</sup> of July---NAFCAREE is the highlight of the summer!! This one is sure to be among the greats! How much fun is it to get away to a wonderful area, and have the company of ALL our NAFCA friends. It doesn't get any better than that. I know the Quahaug Chapter is going to be well-represented there and that is a bonus for all of us AND for NAFCA!

Speaking of NAFCAREEs, the location of next year's NAFCAREE will be decided at the July Full board meeting next month. This is strictly a Full Board decision, but the Full Board members will be glad to take your suggestions. We have 2 members of the board in our chapter----Leona and Ron Barratt. So, if you care to make your preference known to them, call them (401-738-7981) or email them at: [KAIRCY1@MSN.COM](mailto:KAIRCY1@MSN.COM). Suggestions were listed in Chatter. Call soon!!

Hope to see MANY MORE of you at the July campout. We weren't able to attend the June campout because my family was in town, but we heard there weren't many there. That's surprising, since June is the month we usually get the biggest attendance. I hope this is not a trend. The chapter spends money, the wagonmasters work hard, but the success depends on PARTICIPATION! In August we have a campout and the Fall Frolic, put on by Ct -in Ct. We had a great time last year in RI. Let's show support for the state directors and the delegates who organize these events. We aren't a camping club without campers.

HOPE TO SEE YOU ALL SOOOON!!

HAPPY CAMPING,

Dale

## 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

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!

## July Birthdays



- 2 *Mary Shimkus*
- 5 *Mary-Ellen Fischer*
- 6 *Naffi Koulibaly*
- 6 *Dawnelle Villiard*
- 7 *Ron Barratt*
- 7 *Laura Wyatt*
- 8 *Shari Waterman*
- 10 *Paul Bradley*
- 11 *Robert Irvine*
- 15 *David MacGibbon*
- 19 *Norm Brodeur*
- 21 *George Terra*
- 25 *Tabitha Babin*
- 26 *Timothy Smith*



## July Anniversaries



- 1 *George & Mary Withers*
- 2 *Chris & Paula Shimkus*
- 22 *Ed & Nancy Tanner*
- 22 *Thomas & Roberta Chermely*
- 26 *Ron & Maureen Walker*
- 28 *Roger & Linda Bouchard*



Well Quahaug members we have about 3 months left until  
**Camp-O-Rama.**

**You can arrive any time after 12 noon.** Please remember that we need to set up the water and electric on Wednesday. If you cannot stay, please come back at night, as we will need this set up before our guests arrive on Thursday. Even though you did not sign up for water and electricity, your help is welcome as this is a work weekend for the Chapter. This is how we get the extra money for our yearlong activities, Anniversary party, Holiday party, and the campouts. If you cannot be there until Friday, please plan to stay on Sunday to help us disconnect the water and electricity. Thank you in advance for all your help. When you do set up your rig for the weekend, due to the space restrictions, please remember there is only one awning allowed per two rigs.



Do not forget we need to bring donations for the Chinese Auction (1-\$10 gift or 2-5\$ gifts) and canned or non-perishable food items. (Please be sure to check the expiration dates before donating).

Once again, there are many committees to check out and help on. The more everyone pitches in, the less we all will have to do and it will be fun for everyone.

On Friday, the chapter will wear your red Quahaug t-shirt and on Saturday we will wear the Camp-O-Rama shirts.

Please remember that this is our only fundraiser so please help.

Everything is going well. On Saturday's supper, we are asking volunteers to help serve the dinners. If anyone is interested, please contact Linda Bouchard.



Thank you!

Your Committee  
Chris Taylor & Kathy Lena



# 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)