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Free

An old chapter jacket from a former member
with lots of patches and a big Quahaug Chapter
seal on the back.

There is also a vest.

Size Large.

Please contact Paul Bradley
if you are interested
401-683-2890

Nafca's 7 C's

Care
Courtesy
Cooperation
Common Sense
Caution
Cleanliness
Conservation

WOODCHIPS

President's Message

Hello Everyone!

What a busy May meeting! Yes, we will be having a June cookout on the 4th at 3:00., with the meeting to follow.

Remember to please bring your own refreshments, as well as a side dish. The club will provide the hamburgers and hotdogs.

We still need a wagonmaster for September (Spencer, MA). This is an easy weekend, with plenty to do for all.

On another note, I have an old newsletter from last October in which a lot of members expressed concern over our teens out past quiet times (usually 10 pm). This was due to loud noise issues at prior campouts. I am not going to dwell on this point, just that the club as a whole agreed to have all kids and teens either in their campers or at the fire with an adult. Why have our kids wandering at 11:00 pm?

CAN ANYONE BRING GRILLS FOR JUNE? I KNOW I'LL HAVE MINE AND DALE'S. MORE WOULD BE GREAT. WE'RE EXPECTING 65-70 PEOPLE!!! OH YEAH- - WELCOME NEW MEMBERS— LOVE TO HAVE YA!!!!!!!

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
June 4, 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)

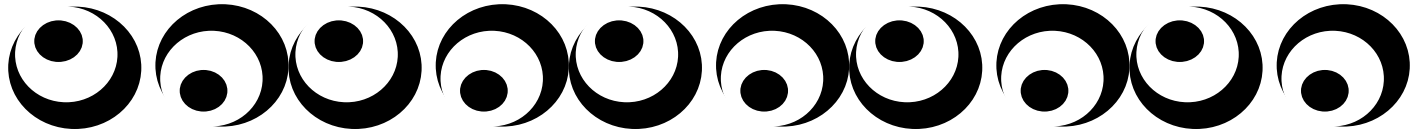
See Linda Bouchard at any campout or
just give her a call.



Sunshine Report

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

June Campout

Oak Ember's Campground
219 Escoheag Hill Road
W. Greenwich, RI 02817
June 16 - 18
The Fencer's & The Bouchard's

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

Hey, Hey, Hey----camping season is REALLY here!! I got to go with Mom and Dad last month—to that place that has all the water and those strange things that look like MY ducks, but are walking and not quacking at all. When I go near them to have a sniff, they plop right into the water—very strange. What's even worse is that Mom and Dad think I should go in after them. No way!! I hate water—in any form. I can't get it across to these people---I AM A BEAGLE! WE FLUSH OUT THE DUCKS. WE DO NOT RETRIEVE THEM. They keep trying to trick me into going in the water, but I'm too smart for them. My nose knows what that wet stuff smells like and I stop, right at the edge, before I even get one little toe wet. SO THERE!

Anyway, beside all the trickery, I really had a great time, out in the fresh air, seeing all my friends, animals and kids. And, I was on my best behavior. I only made one little bark on Sunday morning, but everyone was already awake. Didn't see much of the "perfect Chihuahuas". I guess they were pretty busy with all the company they had, and christening their new trailer. Come to think of it, I didn't get any extra food, either. No one ate outside! They all ate in the hall and, guess what—NO DOGS ALLOWED. Like we're not part of the family??

You know the one of best parts of going is being able to sleep on the bed with Mom and Dad! The bed at home is too small, but in the trailer, there's plenty of room for all three of us. That is , as long as I don't get greedy and stretch out all over the place. Then Daddy gets mad and orders me off! Darn, I hate when that happens. I kind of whimper and whine a little and sometimes they let me back up. I wonder if all dogs have the same problem??? I KNOW lots of dogs sleep on the beds with their families. I even heard Mom talking about a picture in a magazine where the dog had MOST of the bed. It must depend on how accepting of their dogs the family is. I feel really lucky to have the family I have. They let me be around them a lot, and that suits me just fine. Mom and I watch TV on the couch at night. MMM, Heaven! And most times when there's only one of them in bed, I get to stay up there until the other one comes in. Then it's, "Get in your own bed, Neppie!" I tell you, it's a dog's life (but most of the time that's not a bad thing, right, guys?).

Before I go, I want to remember all the Mom's out there who are so good to their furry friends. Happy Mother's Day!! We love you all and thank you for taking such good care of us! My own mother, Samantha, was a beautiful lady. I sure hope she's happy and living a good life like I am.

That's all for now---

Love and Treats, Neptune,
AKA Neppie

Delegate's Report

June 2006

As camping season comes upon us, I say---Thank God for a mild winter and great weather for our first 2 campouts! By the time this reaches you the 2006 Spring Safari will have been history. I know those who went will be full of tales about how great it was.

How wonderful is this association that brings us together with friends from all over to camp with and enjoy.

This is going to be a busy season for us, with lots of campouts and outdoor fun. The NAFCAree is looking like the highlight of the summer, an event that will live on in our memories long after it is over. All proposals for future Spring Safaris and NAFCArees have been published in Campfire Chatter. Those of us at Spring Safari will have a say in where we go for next year's Spring Safari, but only the Full Board decides on the 2007 Nafcaree. For the first time in YEARS, there are many exciting proposals—at least 2 in Canada! The Full Board always takes our recommendations under consideration, so we make them known to our state director, and you can make yours known to Roger and me, your delegates. Stay tuned. We will give you all the details about the meetings and the decisions made.

Don't anybody miss the June meeting. We had such a fantastic cookout last year and we are planning a repeat this year. Fine food, great location (across the street from the meeting place—overlooking Mount Hope Bay) and the best friends you would ever want to have. There is something so special about sharing good times with people who share the same passion for the outdoors and camping.

SEE YOU ALL THERE!!!
HAPPY CAMPING,
Dale

MEMBERSHIP REPORT

The following names have been dropped from our membership Due to nonpayment of chapter dues and will no longer be receiving a chapter newsletter:

Ron + Judy Alvares; Tracy + Debbie Carver; Brian + Regina Dublin; Margaret Noreen; Peter + Barbara Norkus; Harry Sherman; Jim + Doris Silvia and Susan Techiera

Please remember that Gold membership applies to the Quahaug chapter ONLY.

You must be a current member of NAFCA to be a member of the Quahaug chapter.

The following Quahaug Gold members have been dropped from our membership, because they have not shown me a current NAFCA card:

Amy Anderson; Bill + Louise Cotta; Phyllis Marshall and Ray + Sue Roppe

I need to see current NAFCA cards from the following members:

(I need to update my records and send our membership list to NAFCA)

Rudy + Sharon Parayno; Dennis + Linda Rogers; Dick + Joanne Villiard and Gary + Amerine Villiard

Please show them to me when you see me at any meeting or campout.

There will be an address list published in the next newsletter.

Please contact me with any changes or corrections in Name, address, phone number and email address before June 15th.

You can reach me by email -

jfalkof@comcast.net or phone 781-341-0835.

Thank you - Joanna

Events for 2006

NAFCA Conference
(formerly The Educations Conference)
Spencer Fairgrounds
Spencer, MA
June 2, 3, 4 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

Teen Club Report

We had a teen club meeting at the May chapter meeting. There will be a teen club meeting at the June chapter meeting after the cookout. We will have another teen club meeting at the August campout which will be the last time to finalize plans for Camp-O-Rama.

Some of the topics we talked about in May was putting together a list of possible activities for the teens to do at NAFCaree with the teen club activities person.

We also talked about Teen activities for Camp-O-Rama. We will be manning the popcorn booth again this year. We have a sign-up list for one hour shifts from 8-11 Friday and Saturday nights. There will be a tip jar out for donations to go toward Teen activities. We are also selling meatball subs Saturday of Camp-O-Rama starting at 1:00 pm until they are gone.

We are putting off any Teen activities until after Camp-O-Rama so to save teen club money for the meatball subs. We hope to have a great turnout for help at Camp-O-Rama and plan on a great activity with some of the profits after Camp-O-Rama.

Just a reminder that any youth age 13 years or older can belong to the teen club with a parents current NAFCFA and Quahaug membership.



June Cookout

At the last meeting the body voted to have the end of the year cookout again this year. As in the past it will be held before our last meeting in June. The cookout will be at 3:00 pm Sunday, June 4, 2006 in the field across from the meeting hall. If it is raining then we will have it at the hall.

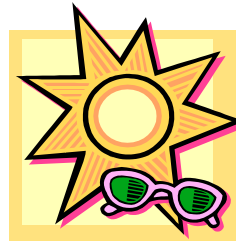
The meeting will start at it's usual time of 6:00 pm in the hall. A sign-up sheet was passed around to get an idea of how many people were planning on attending and what side dish you could bring.

If you haven't signed up and wish to attend PLEASE contact either Lou or Linda so that enough hamburgers and hotdogs are bought.

The club will provide the meat and buns, you must provide your own drinks and a side dish to share.

So bring your chairs or your blankets and come join us for a really great afternoon. And pray for the SUNSHINE!!!

See you there,
Linda



June Birthdays

- 1 Paula Shimkus
- 6 Bob Irvine
- 6 Ernie Babin
- 8 Flora Soares
- 8 Ashley Irvine
- 9 Larry Grittiths
- 10 Patricia Newton
- 12 Richard Caldwell
- 15 Dale Irvine
- 18 Roger Bouchard
- 18 Dennis Rogers
- 18 Kris Wyatt
- 19 Chris Taylor
- 20 Helen Peckham
- 24 Gary Leonard
- 27 Grant Waterman

June Anniversaries

- 19 Larry & Sheila Grittiths



BACK TO BASICS IN 06

The 43rd Annual Quahog Chapter # 48
Camp-O-Rama will be Sept. 8-9-10, 2006

We have survived 2005 and are back for another great year.
Reservations are limited to the first 200 families that send them back to us. So please hurry.
A family consists of two adults and any unmarried children living at home.

The price is \$44.00 for the weekend, if you wish to come on Thursday there is an additional cost of \$22.00. A second family in your rig is \$22.00 for the weekend and \$11.00 for Thursday night.
Check in time on Thursday is 12 noon; Friday check in time is 10:00 a.m.

The dinners for these years, Camp-O-Rama will be your choice of a Pig Roast or ½ BBQ Chicken (cooked right on the beach.) The menu will be buffet style and will, consist of baked beans, baked potato, applesauce, and rolls/butter. The cost will be \$20.00 per person.
Dinners can be ordered up to August 1, 2006 so we will have time to everything we need to serve you.

HANICAPPED RESERVATION:

If you are handicapped, please send in a copy of your placard. If you need electricity, please note that on the reservation form. If at the last minute you need handicapped parking, please bring a note from your doctor. Space is limited, so please follow these guidelines.

DOGS:

All dogs must be on a leash at all times. Please be sure to pick-up after your pet, as we all know we are responsible campers.

PARKING INFORMATION:

All campers parked on the outside perimeter must be backed in; therefore, you will not be able to go awning to awning in these areas. Generators may be run up until 10:00 p.m. and must be vented above your camper. **Please be courteous of you neighbors, as we must all get along together.**
Remember your NAFCA 7 C's.

CONFORMATION LETTER:

If you would like a conformation letter, please send a self-addressed stamped envelope with your reservation.

Thank you for obeying the rules and making this an enjoyable weekend for all.

SCHIELDE OF EVENTS:

Friday night chowder. Dinners on Saturday night will be Pig Roast or ½ BBQ Chicken Dinner.
DJ's both nights for your enjoyment, Chinese Raffle, Food and Liquor Basket Raffles and Luck of the Draw Horseshoes.

The tours this year will be the downtown trip and the Bird Sanctuary and of course, the famous Pancake House runs.

Shirts will be a T-Shirt or Polo Shirt with a Seagull and Quahaug Chapter Camp-O-Rama.
No date or theme on it so you can use it year after year.

Camp-O-Rama Wagon masters
Chris Taylor
Kathy Lena

2006 Camp-O-Rama Reservation Form

Name: _____ Telephone #: _____

**2006 Camp-O-Rama
Quahaug Members Reservation Form
September 6, 7, 8, 9, and 10th, 2006**

Name _____
Weekend \$22.00 _____

Thursday night dinner will be potluck. Bring something for everyone to enjoy. Contact Mary-Ellen Fisher to see what to bring.

Friday camp kitchen will be open for all members, you must bring your own, and someone will cook it for you.

Saturday night dinners:

½ BBQ Chicken dinners, Potato, Vegetable, Applesauce and a roll.

#People _____ @\$10.00 _____

Pork Rib dinner, Potato, Vegetable, Applesauce and a roll.

#People _____ @\$10.00 _____

Clothing:

Generic Camp-O-Rama Shirts

T-Shirts:

Adult: Med _____ Large _____ X-Large _____ 2X-Large _____

Children: Small _____ Med _____ Large _____ X-Large _____

T-Shirts \$15.00 each. Total Price _____

Polo Shirts:

Adult Med _____ Large _____ X-Large _____ 2X-Large _____

Children Small _____ Med _____ Large _____ X-Large _____

Polo Shirts \$18.00 each. Total Price _____

Bus fair for Pancake House IHOP per person \$1.00

People _____

Total for Bus _____

Total Enclosed: _____

Make checks payable to: Quahaug Chapter Camp-O-Rama

Send reservations to: Norma Silvia

47 McCorrie Lane

Portsmouth, RI, 02871

Telephone 1-401-683-2993

Deadline by August 1, 2006

Secretary's Report

June 2006

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

New Members: Cheryl LeBlanc introduced new members: Paul and Mary Barrett and daughter Dawn; and Michael and Patricia Newton. New members, Ernie and Joanne Babin were not present.

Secretary's Report: The Secretary's Report as printed in the newsletter was accepted and placed on file.

Treasurer's Report: The Treasurer's Report was read, accepted and placed on file.

Sunshine Report: Anne noted that JoAnn Villiard has sustained broken fingers.

Newsletter Editor: Dianne reminded members of the May 15th deadline.

NAFCA Delegate's Report: Dale reported that the Spring Safari is all set. 10 quahaug families will be attending and are encouraged to participate in the Parade of Colors.

Rhode Island State Director's Report: Ron (NAFCA Vice President) reported on the recent NAFCA Officers and Directors meeting. Next year is NAFCA's 50th anniversary. In July, 07, there will be a "Nifty Fifty" Party. NAFCA is soliciting suggestions for the 2007 Spring Safari. There have been 7 proposals thus far for the 2007 Nafcaree. Read about them in the June issue of CHATTER. Indicate your preferences to your delegate so she will know how to vote when the time comes to make a decision. NAFCA is embarking on a Membership Drive. Any current member who sponsors a new member will get a \$5.00 gift certificate from the Auxiliary, effective from the Spring Safari for one year. The names of all sponsors will go into the hat for a grand prize – a full week of NAFCAREE. Make sure your name is mentioned as sponsor on the membership application of new members. Sponsors get a chance for the grand prize for each new family they sponsor. The NAFCA handbooks have been distributed. Additional books can be obtained from the Auxiliary for \$3.00 each. There has been one bylaw change since they were printed. Please make note in your copies:

Qualifications for State Director

He/She shall have served as an elected State Officer

Qualifications for Deputy State Director

11.3.5.1 He/She shall have served as an elected chapter officer

11.4.1.2 Qualifications for other state officers, elections and assumption of office are the same as for Deputy State Director

RI is hosting the 2007 Fall Council of Chapters and the Fall Frolic. Dates and campgrounds have not yet been set.

Incidentally, Ron will be giving a cooking demonstration during the weekend of Aug 18-20 in Durham, CT. Contact Ron for details.

President's Report: Lou reported on the 2006 Campouts. He thanked Norma and Sherri and their team for a fine time at the April campout at Canoe River. The Fencers and Bouchards will be hosting the June Oak Embers campout and a "Breakfast at Your Leisure" will be put on for Saturday AM. We are still looking for wagon masters for the September-Fall Mass Frolic in Spencer. Please see campout listings in the newsletter for full details.

Mary Jean, Bev and Sherri offered to Chair the Children's Christmas Party, the first Saturday in December. As always, it will be a full turkey dinner with parents bringing pot luck side dishes. Club children will receive gifts from Santa. Non-club grandchildren may attend, but gifts must be supplied to Santa.

Old Business: Lou reported that the Board of Directors held a meeting to discuss the budget and the Treasurer's reports on annual spending. Cuts were made only to the Camp-O-Rama budget. Lou thanked Chris for coming up with some appropriate cuts. It was a collective effort between the Board and the Camp-O-Rama chairman (Chris).

Linda Bouchard offered to again organize the adult Holiday Party at the Venus de Milo.

The Educational Conference is coming up (see The Chatter). Deadline to register is May 22. All NAFCA scholarships have been awarded. Norma and Linda Bouchard received NAFCA scholarships. For others who may want to attend, the Quahaug's will pay \$25.00 toward the weekend fee for adult members in good standing.

Lou reminded members that there have been issues about teens roaming about and being noisy after 10 PM at campouts. The Club has a rule that all kids must be at their family's site by 10 PM.

Lou encouraged wagon masters to have community fires at campouts to promote club unity.

Chris and Norma gave an update on CAMP-O-RAMA plans, which are progressing well. Everyone will be responsible for their own trash and taking it to the dumpster. There will be no trash barrels. Quahaug members may be at the beach on Wednesday at noon (no earlier). We have 123 reservations, 61 coming in on Thursday. New this year, we need to reserve for the Pancake House run. All bus trips will cost \$1.00 per person, per trip. Members are encouraged to sign up for duties. Chart will be at the next meeting. Thursday evening, there will be a pot luck dinner for members only. Guests can arrive no earlier than noon on Thursday or 10 AM on Friday. Chris encouraged members to arrive on Wednesday (at least drop off rig in assigned parking slot) to make sure your sites are settled and so as to not interfere with guest parking. For the benefit of new members, Chris gave an overview of CAMP-O-Rama. Lou reminded members that this is a WORK WEEKEND.

New Business: Lou asked the members present if they wanted a cookout for the June meeting. It was moved and seconded that a cookout would be held on June 4th at 3 PM in the field across the street. Members will bring pot luck. The club will provide hot dogs and hamburgers and buns. Some members offered to bring grills. The regular June meeting will be held immediately following the cookout.

Paula offered to anyone interested a jacket and vest with numerous patches including a large Quahaug patch that belonged to a now deceased member.

Meeting was adjourned.

Next Meeting: June 4th, 2006, 3.00 for cookout prior to meeting. Bring a dish to share.

Respectfully submitted,

Deborah Fencer, Secretary