



NH Wheelers

A NH Good Sam Chapter

January 2017 Newsletter



NH Wheelers have winter meetings on the 2nd Sunday of each month at local watering holes. During the camping season, meetings are usually on the 2nd weekend of the month, at the monthly campout. Guests are always welcome.

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Our 2017 Schedule

	Unless otherwise noted, all campouts require a pre-paid \$10 deposit 30 days prior to event.
Jan 8	Makris Lobster House, RT 106, Loudon NH
Feb 12	Makris Lobster House, RT 106, Loudon NH
Mar 12	Makris Lobster House, RT 106, Loudon NH
Apr 28-30	Mile-A-Way CG, Henniker NH
May 12-14	Cascade RV Park, Loudon NH
June 2-4	Harbor Hill CG, Meredith NH 603-279-6910 Make own reservations and pay campground.
Jul 7-9	Lake Forest CG, E. Wakefield NH Send deposit to Maureen
Aug 18-20	NH Rally (Samboree) Lancaster NH Make own reservations with State
Sept 15-17	Harbor Hill CG, Meredith NH 603-279-6910 Make own reservations and pay campground.
Oct 6-9	Newfound RV Park, Bristol, NH. Make own reservations: Send \$10/person to Maureen
Nov 12	Makris Lobster House, RT 106, Loudon NH
Dec 10	Makris Lobster House, RT 106, Loudon NH

Deposits for Campouts need to be sent to Treasurer 30 days before campout! Make checks out to "NH Wheelers".

Our Meetings

Our summer meetings usually take place at 9:30 AM on the Saturday of the camping weekend. Winter meetings are on the second Sunday of the month in Loudon at Makris Restaurant and Lobster House on Route 106; 1/2 mile north of 393. Arrive by 11:30 to order a meal which will be served as soon as it is ready. The meeting starts when most have eaten but no later than 1 PM.

Minutes of the last meeting

New Hampshire Wheelers

The January 8 2017 meeting of the NH Wheelers was called to order by President Greg Thayer at 12:22 PM with 6 member families present at Makris Lobster House in Loudon NH. The pledge to the flag was recited and a moment of silence was held for those in need of our prayers. A prayer was read by Janice for the recovery of member Maureen

DeRoy who is gravely ill in Dartmouth Hitchcock ICU.

Guest Estelle Drew was introduced. She was a guest of the Thayers. Estelle explained that her husband Chris was unable to attend the meeting due to pressing commitments. Since this was a second meeting for the couple, a membership application was filled out and they were voted in as members of the Chapter.

Secretary's Report:

The Secretary's minutes were read by Jim Belanger and accepted after a motion by Janice Murray and seconded by David Bonneau.

The Treasurer's report: Due to the absence and illness of the Treasurer, the treasurer's report was not given.

Correspondence:

Emails were received from some members indicating they were not able to attend today's meeting. A special email was received, and read aloud, from Bill Rundgren explaining why he and his mother have not been attending meetings of late and with a promise to rectify that as their health permits.

Web-Master: Webmaster reported that he has been in communication with the State Director and had requested updates to the State Web Site especially as it pertains to information about the NH Wheelers and links that are out of date.

Wagon Master: Wagon master expressed an opinion that members planning to attend a future camping weekend should notify the wagon master so that members might be notified as to who might be attending so they can make plans for private or group gatherings.

Wellness:

Janice Murray updated the group as to the current status of Maureen DeRoy with details that really don't belong in these minutes.

Unfinished Business:

Jim Belanger went over the list of 2016 members who opted not to return in 2017 leaving the Wheelers with 17 member families going into 2017.

New Business: Since the treasurer will likely be absent for an extended period of time, Greg will

attempt to contact and meet up with John DeRoy and retrieve the treasurer's material, will contact the bank to see if he can obtain a statement of accounts and write whatever checks need to be written at the time. Linda Monahan will assist as needed. Dave Bonneau offered to accompany Greg if he physically went to John & Maureen's residence to get that material.

A discussion was had regarding other activities at campouts other than card playing. The result was a commitment to set up whatever games we have so that, during the weekend, folks could play those games as they felt and had extra time. These included, but not limited to, washer toss, horse racing, bocce and Petanque.

Announcements:

The chapter is still in need of a volunteer to plan a theme for the June and September campout.

The NH Rally (Samboree) will be held at the Lancaster NH Fairgrounds on the weekend of August 18 to 20.

Birthdays/Anniversaries: Greg read off the names of members with birthdays and/or anniversaries for the month.

Other Business:

There was no other business.

The 50/50 raffle: Since attendance was so limited and the treasurer with raffle tickets was absent, the group decided to forgo the 50/50 raffle.

Motion to adjourn was made by Armand Pinard, seconded by Janice Murray and the meeting adjourned at 1:00 PM.

Respectfully submitted

Jim Belanger, Secretary

President's Comments

Hello Wheelers,

We had a nice meeting this past Sunday but with a small attendance. I hope this was just due to the storm or members traveling and we'll have more members present on February 12th for our next winter meeting.

We welcomed our good friends Estelle and Chris Drew as new members who some might

remember from a camp out in Loudon. They are big NASCAR and UNH hockey fans. We look forward to having them join us at our camp outs and activities.

There have been some internal changes in the national Good Sam organization. As I learn more as to how they may affect us I will let you know. In the meantime there is a new email address for NH Good Sam. It is newhampshiregoodsamcamping@gmail.com. Again as I learn more on these changes I will let you know.

Keep saving those can tabs. I have many groups saving them for me and I would love to see us win the "tab trophy" again this year at the August Rally.

You probably saw the note in the minutes about games. So If you have any group games at home add them to your rig for next year's camp outs. They will add a lot of fun to our weekends.

If anyone goes to the big camping show in Boston this weekend keep your eyes open for new campgrounds that our club might like to visit. Ask especially how they would accommodate our group

Finally keep Maureen DeRoy in your thoughts and prayers. John too. They can use every good thought we can send them.

That's it. Take care.

Greg

Secretary's Comments

As the president said, the turnout at the last meeting was rather low but then our membership has shrunk since last year. We have had several members non renew membership for varied reasons. Makris was accommodating, nevertheless. They had a new waitress "in training" and a smaller group was better for that effort. We did discuss having games available and set up for anyone to use during the weekend instead of simply offering card games and I hope this goes over well.

The only other subject matter is that we are all praying for Maureen's recovery. I know this does not say much about why she is in the hospital if you didn't know but I don't believe that information belongs in this newsletter either. So, if you are concerned and wonder what happened,

contact a member who was at the meeting and get the information that way.

On the lighter side

I changed my password to "incorrect" so that whenever I forget it the computer tells me, "Your password is incorrect."

A teacher said to her class, "Whoever answers my next question can go home." Just then, a lunch bag whizzed past her head and out the window. "Who threw that?" she demanded. "I did," one boy said. "Bye"

A Georgia State trooper pulled over a driver of a pickup truck on interstate 75. The trooper asked, "Got any I D?" The driver replied, "Bout Whut?"

A worker went to see his supervisor in the front office one morning. Boss, he said, we're doing some heavy housecleaning at home tomorrow, and my wife needs me to help with the attic and the garage, moving and hauling stuff. We're short handed, the supervisor replied. I can't give you the day off. The worker replied, I knew I could count on you!

While driving down a country road a traveler saw a farmer standing in the middle of a huge field. He pulled over, walked out to the farmer and asked. Excuse me, but what are you doing? The farmer said; Trying to win a Nobel Prize. How, the man asked, puzzled. Well, the farmer said, I heard they give the Nobel Prize to people who are out standing in their field.

A Frog called a psychic hotline and was told, You're going to meet a beautiful young girl who will want to know everything about you. Great! The frog exclaimed. Will I meet her at a party or something? No, the psychic said; Next semester in her biology class.