



NH Wheelers

A NH Good Sam Chapter
Sept 2021 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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Check with the Wagon Master to see which campouts require an advance deposit. Let CG know you are with Wheelers.

Jan 2022	No Meeting in January.
27 Feb 2022	Auburn Tavern, 11:30 AM, pending confirmation
27 Mar 2022	To be Determined. Perhaps a Zoom meeting. 8PM
24 Apr 2022	Auburn Tavern, 11:30 AM, pending confirmation.
May 20-22 2022	To be Determined. Perhaps Shir-Roy, Raymond NH?
June 24-26 2022	Walnut Grove, Alfred Maine.
July 29-31 2022	Lake Forest CG, E. Wakefield NH. Make reservations. See Wheeler Web Site.
Aug 26-28 2022	Old Stage Campground, Madbury NH. See Wheeler Web Site.
Sept 23-25 2022	Location pending. Possibly Ashuelot CG in Keene NH
Oct 8-11 2021	Newfound RV Park, Bristol, NH. Make own reservations: \$15/person to Greg for meal.
November	No Meeting in November. Possible Zoom Mtng
Dec 2021	To Be Determined
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Most Campgrounds are now requiring individuals make their own reservations and pay a deposit. Let Wagon Master know.

Our Meetings

Our summer meetings usually take place at 10:00 AM on the Saturday of the camping weekend. Winter meetings are scheduled in the Fall and the location may vary. They are held on the last Sunday of the month. If at a restaurant, the meeting usually starts after most have ordered their meal and is held while meals are prepared. Winter meetings will not be held in November and January.

Minutes of the last meeting

New Hampshire Wheelers

The September 2021 meeting of the NH Wheelers was called to order at 10:10 AM on 25 September 2021 by President Spencer Stickney at Wadleigh Falls Campground in Lee NH. 9 member families were present. The pledge to the flag was recited and a

moment of silence was held for those in need of our prayers.

Secretary's Report:

Jim Belanger read the minutes of the August 2021 meeting. Minutes were approved with a motion by Armand Pinard, second by Jane Lortie.

Treasurer's report: Greg Thayer presented the treasurer's report which was accepted after a motion by Dennis Lortie, seconded by Don Tate.

New Members: Rip and Jennifer Rocheleau from Merrimack NH were officially voted in as regular members.

Web Master: The Web Master had no special report.

Wagon Master: Although original reservations were made and prices quoted were for the field this weekend, the situation and prices quoted changed when we arrived. The field was considered too wet to carry campers and we were assigned riverside sites. Printed maps of several possible campgrounds were available to members to peruse. Possible locations for next year are Salmon Falls, Shir-Roy, Woodmere, Tamworth and Ferndale Acres. We need a different September 2022 location as Wadleigh Falls is not to be considered. Shir-Roy is a definite possibility for May 2022.

Wellness: Greg Thayer had cataract surgery which needs to be followed up with another surgery on October 7th. He will not be able to attend the October weekend at Newfound. Kathy Thayer experienced complications with her back teeth biting into her cheeks as a result of a weight loss regime she was on. This is an ongoing issue. Don Tate's brother passed away a week prior to our gathering which may put his attendance in Newfound at risk due to unknown pending services.

Correspondence: Greg informed us that the Food Bank has not forgotten us. Greg suggested our usual donation at Christmas time. This will be brought up under new business at a future meeting.

Unfinished Business: All important business has been taken care.

New Business: Price of the catered meal at Newfound has gone up by \$2.00. Jim Belanger moved and Armand Pinard seconded that the club increase its portion from \$10 to \$12.00 with the member paying the usual \$15.00. Motion carried. A unanimous opinion was expressed that we not return to Wadleigh Falls next year. No objections. The Wagon Master was asked to see if arrangements could be made with Ashuelot Campground in Keene for September 23-25 2022. Wagon Master was also asked to see if we might reserve some spots at Shir-Roy for May in 2022.

Announcements: Jim and Sandy Belanger officially announced that they now had a new Rig. A 2019 Entegra motorhome by Jayco.

Birthdays/Anniversaries: President Spencer read the names of folks with September Birthdays and Anniversaries.

Other Business: Sandy Belanger reminded all that the intent of a Brown Bag Auction is to raise money for the club. Shopping for items to auction off is not the intent. Good useable items someone has and no longer needs or uses are items for the auction. Discussion was held regarding the second drawing we used to have at the 50/50 drawing which awarded a paid night at the next campout to the winner. All recognized that, with the new prices at campground, the amount collected by the club no longer covers the cost of a night. Nothing definite resulted from the conversation. An item in our by-laws that gave \$50 to a volunteer who hosted an activity at a weekend

campout was brought up. Since it is already in the by-laws, no official vote was taken but anyone who organizes a theme weekend will be allowed to spend up to \$50 of club money.

The raffle: The 50/50 raffle drawing resulted in Ellen Tate winning \$35 while the club got \$35. A second drawing was held for a surprise package supplied by Jennifer Belanger. This turned out to be a set Salt & Pepper shakers with a camping theme and it was won by Jennifer Rocheleau.

Meeting adjourned at 11:11 AM after a motion by Greg Thayer, seconded by Don Tate.

Respectfully submitted
Jim Bélanger, Secretary

Secretary Comments

The September weekend went rather well despite the re-assignment of sites due to the condition of the Safari Field which was too soft and wet to support our campers. The CG assigned us to River Sites which were more expensive than we had planned. Wadleigh Falls has been charging \$35 for dumping although this was different this year. They now add \$9 to a daily site price for dumping, and \$35 is for someone coming off the street to dump. Since we got more costly sites and were moved, the manager allowed all of us to dump without charge. Some of us who had paid the cost were told that we would receive a credit towards next year's stay. That fell on deaf ears since the club voted not to return to Wadleigh Falls next year.

The sites along the river ended up not being so bad after we learned how to get our rigs into them. Instead of backing in with the back end of our rigs facing the river, we had to park parallel to the river. Sites were not easy to get into with trees in the way and low hanging wires. Although not grouped together, we did manage to assemble for the Happy Hour and

Pot Luck meal as well as the meeting. Saturday night was quite wet with heavy rain but that had cleared up by Sunday morning.

Spencer provided a steamer full of hot dogs most of the weekend which was a huge success. Last info was that he went through over 30 dogs and buns. With Coffee and Pop-Corn from Dennis and dogs from Spencer, nobody went hungry.

The next weekend is coming up in two weeks at Newfound RV Park and this will be our first stay under the new ownership and procedures for reserving sites. Only time will tell if this will change our opinion about Newfound RV Park. Our caterer had had to raise our turkey meal prices by \$2.00 which is being covered by our treasury. Other area campground might be a serious consideration if the October weekend falls short of our expectations.