



**BELKNAP COUNTY SPORTSMENS ASSOCIATION**  
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## **Fall 2010**

Some of you may know that for almost thirty years, thousands of New Hampshire kids have experienced Barry Conservation Camp, learning new outdoor skills like shooting, hunting and fishing, as well as deepening their appreciation for the conservation of our natural resources. Having places and programs for connecting kids to the outdoors is essential for our future. The camp was closed in 2009 and needs your help in order to reopen as a high-quality camp that meets today's standards. As we all know, these are tough times and, with limited resources, the N.H. Fish and Game Department has struggled to keep the camp going and is committed to do what it can. If we want kids to have a camp to enjoy, sportsmen and women, clubs and interested individuals must step up to the plate.

There are multiple ways you can help:

### **Adopt a Project:**

Your club or organization can adopt a building or camp facility; this involves committing to making the necessary repairs and making a minimum 5-year commitment. Projects range from adopting a basic 20 x 20 foot cabin, or building a porch addition on the dining hall, to smaller projects that are less intensive, such as installing new steps to the upper level of camps.

### **Donate:**

A second way to help is by donating dollars. We need to raise at least \$50,000 to assist with the current list of repairs, as well as to provide for a maintenance endowment for the future. Monetary donations can be sent to the Wildlife Heritage Foundation of New Hampshire, PO Box 3993, Concord, NH 03301. Please specify that the donation is for the Barry Camp Fund.

### **Volunteer:**

A third way is to volunteer your time. We are specifically looking for 15 to 20 people who have good carpentry skills to help with the first phase of

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repairs. The first work weekend is scheduled for August 14-15, 2010. If you are interested in being part of the weekend, you must register. There is a particular need for volunteers with good carpentry skills. Other weekend volunteer work sessions will be scheduled in the future.

Of course, you can always be a champion and do all three!

For information on adopting a camp project or helping out with the first work weekend, please contact Mike Normandin at [mike@townserve.com](mailto:mike@townserve.com) or call 603-455-5435 or 603-455-5435.

Let's get Barry Conservation Camp in shape and take a small step in ensuring that our kids get outdoor experiences!

Please note: Mike Normandin is the President of the Belknap County Sportsmen Association who has stepped forward and is helping with the coordination of making repairs at Barry Conservation Camp. The Department is grateful for his assistance. This news is from NH Fish and Game

### **UPDATE:**

Just so that all our members know....we the Directors of the Belknap County Sportsmen's Club stepped up to the plate and decided to adopt the "Deer Meadow" building which Barry Camp uses to house all their equipment. Mike and a few others went up already and spent a weekend there, doing some repair work and intend to do it again. The date chosen is September 25<sup>th</sup> and 26<sup>th</sup>. Mike is calling out to all members asking for volunteers to go with him to Barry Camp and help do whatever is needed to the property. What is done that weekend will depend on how many volunteers he gets to go with him. There is a possibility that one work party will be going up sometime on Friday. This is a great opportunity for folks to help the future outdoorsmen. If you can give up one weekend to do something that can make a difference in someone's life, please contact Mike Normandin at [mike@townserve.com](mailto:mike@townserve.com) or call 603-455-5435 or 603-455-5435.

### **Reminder**

The range will be closed to members during a few scheduled upcoming events:

Sept 8th after 4pm for Hunter safety (day 1 of 3)

Sept 11th all day for Hunter Safety (day 2 of 3)

Sept 12th all day for Hunter Safety (day 3 of 3)

## Chicken BBQ



When: Thursday, September 16, 2010 at 6 pm  
Cost: \$15.00  
Menu: ½ chicken, potato salad with corn on the cob & dessert  
Speaker: Ben Kilham who is an innovative wildlife researcher embraces captive cubs, then maintains the relationships when they mature in the wild.

For tickets call Brian 581-5059 or Ralph 520-0634

## Now onto Turkeys

Tickets are currently being printed and will be going out next month for our annual Turkey Raffle.