

MI-TE-JO NEWS



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MTJ Celebrates 20 Years!

As the 2012 camping season draws near Mi-Te-Jo gets ready to celebrate 20 years! We want to thank all of you for your continued support and are so glad we could be a part of your life! For those of you who have been with us since day one we hope that you have enjoyed the journey as much as we have.

We have gone through so many changes over the years and are constantly looking for new and exciting ways to improve. We love to see campers return each year to spend time with their family and friends in the great outdoors. Thank you again for being with us these past 20 years and we look forward to many more to come!

Wild Weather

Mother Nature has definitely had some tricks up her sleeve the past year. The crazy weather started with the first big thunder storm in July. This caused damage to the gate and the well pump.

Next came the hurricane which fortunately caused no severe damage. Two trees came down during the storm including one of Mi-Te-Jo's tallest on site #101. Luckily both trees missed trailers and there was no damage. The campground did lose power for a few days and for the first time we were forced to close down as a safety precaution.

2012 CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Welcome Back Seasonals!	May 11
Welcome All! Official Season Opening!	May 15
Armed Forces Weekend	May 18-20
Memorial Day Weekend	May 25-28
Antique Tractor Pull	June 2-3
Free Fishing all day	June 2
Fourth of July Weekend	July 4-8
Stratham Fair	July 19-22
Elliot Tractor Show	July 27-29
Mi-Te-Jo's 20 th Annual Thank You Camper's Party	August 25
Labor Day Weekend	August 31-Sept. 3
Fall Pot Luck Super	Sept. 8
Rochester Fair	Sept. 14-23
Take Your Tractor Camping Weekend	Sept. 14-16
Deerfield Fair	Sept. 27-30
Harvest Weekend	Sept. 28-29
Fryeburg Fair	Sept. 30 -October 7
16 th Annual Abenaki Pow-Wow	October 6-7
Season Closes	October 15

The Mi-Te-Jo crew spent the next couple of days cleaning up and getting everything ready. We finished just in time for the campers to start rolling back in as the power came on. Our apologies for those who lost three days of their vacation and thank you to the seasonals who helped get things cleaned up and ready to go again!

The storm in September caused the most damage. Everyone was convinced the lightning struck right outside their window. We had reports from the boat ramp, the waterfront, the 160's, and the maintenance barn. The lightning actually

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Fall Pot Luck Comedian

Comedian Rob Steen joined us at last year's fall pot luck supper. It was a great success and for those of you who missed out you should try to make it this year. Even though Susan's G Rated show was more PG, a great time was had by all. A few campers were brought into the act including a young lady from the Woodstock era and a young man returning from his first trip to Canada. Thank you for being such good sports.



The Gate

The gate was struck by lightning twice over the summer and damaged beyond repair. Due to the damages we are getting a completely new system with all new cards. This means your old cards will NOT work anymore.

It will be a swipe system which should make things easier. Seasonals can trade in their old cards for new ones. Vacation campers only need a card if they plan on arriving before or after office hours.

*Enjoy your vacation?
Don't forget to go to our
website, click on Share
Your Experience, and give
us a review. We appreciate
all comments and
feedback.*

Recycling



We would like to thank everyone for their continual support of our recycling program. We are so proud that the spirit of recycling has grown at Mi-Te-Jo.

Two years ago MTJ began co-mingling their recyclables meaning plastic, glass, tin, newspaper, and cardboard can all be placed in the same barrel. No need to separate them, just remove them from your bag and dump them in the barrel.

We do separate the aluminum cans to raise money for the Milton Fire Department. We raised \$752 last summer. So encourage your fellow campers who don't recycle to start! Recycling can be dropped off at the recycling center across from the office.

Giant Chess Game

The chess set and new shuffleboard court were full of activity last summer! Parents, teens, and youngster's all enjoyed the giant game. Campers played in the rain and even the dark with the help of their flashlights.



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struck a tree next to site #117 which effected electrical systems throughout the campground including a septic pump and septic controls.

Then there was the unusual snow storm in October which covered the campground with over 12 inches of snow. But again, we were lucky to have no severe damages. As winter approached, the spring weather came! It has been a little crazy but, we are hoping for a warm, sunny, and storm-free summer this coming season.

Harvest Weekend

Last year was our first Harvest Weekend. Mi-Te-Jo partnered with the New Hampshire Farm Museum to offer campers special pricing which included their site for the weekend, family passes to the NH Farm Museum's Harvest Day, pumpkins, and an Apple Crisp Social.

Thanks to all who joined us in carving pumpkins and a special thank you to Danielle who helped bake eight pans of apple crisp!

Nature Trails

With the snow-less winter Gary has added two new trails to our network of trails. New trail maps will be printed and available in the office this summer. Take a walk and explore the great outdoors!

***Miss the paddleboats
last year?***

*Two new four passenger boats will
be in the water and ready to go
Memorial Day Weekend!*

Firewood

We would like to thank everyone for abiding by our "Don't Move Firewood Policy." Each and everyone one of you has done your part to keep invasive insects out of Mi-Te-Jo and New Hampshire. Despite the controversy there is no easy way to keep the Asian Long Horned Beetle or the Emerald Ash Borer out of our woods. And again, we appreciate everyone understanding and keeping our trees best interests in mind!

This fall a greenhouse was purchased to store larger amounts of wood. This will ensure we can consistently deliver dry, seasoned wood. Additional wagons for bringing bundled wood back to your site are on the list for this spring.

Tractor Weekends

Tractor weekends have continued to be a great time for both campers and tractor lovers alike. Our Antique Tractor Pull will be held at the beginning of June and our two annual parades will be held over Fourth of July weekend and Take Your Tractor Camping weekend.

The Milton Fire Department thanks you for your patronage and appreciates your support as they continue to cook up tasty treats to keep our pullers and viewers happy.

New Docks

This year the last of the wooden docks will be replaced. For those of you who were still on wooden docks last summer you will be happy to know all docks will be the new style dock.

Not only are the boater's happy but staff that is in charge of putting the docks in and taking them out are relieved to no longer have to handle the heavy wooden docks!



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Upstairs Business Area

During one of the summer's storms the computer located in the upstairs adult rec hall was zapped. The lightning helped us with the decision to replace the old computer and put in a new printer/scanner/copier machine. This should make it more convenient for those campers who are trying to extend their vacations but still have work to do.

Some minor renovations are also being made to the adult rec hall. The windows will be replaced and better ventilation is being installed. We hope these improvements will make it more enjoyable for those who use the facility often.



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