



Springwater Conservation Area

FALL 2010 NEWSLETTER

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The 2010 camping season is almost over, but what fabulous weather we've had! We hope your stay this season has been pleasant and most of all, relaxing. We can't wait to see you all next year!

A big *THANK YOU* goes out to the Friends of Springwater & all of the volunteers for their efforts!

We've prepared this newsletter with dates and rates that you need to know for the near future. Also, our website www.catfishcreek.ca is updated frequently, so please refer to it for news updates throughout the year.

GATEHOUSE/STORE FALL HOURS

September 6 - October 8:

Fridays 4 p.m. - 9 p.m.; Sat & Sun 10 a.m. - 4 p.m.

NOTE: We are offering *Special Extended Hours* this year for the ever-so-busy Thanksgiving Weekend and for accommodations during the International Plowing Match being held this year near St. Thomas from September 21-25. For information on the Plowing Match, visit www.ipm2010.com.

September 24 - 26, 2010:

Friday, & Saturday: 9 a.m. - 9 p.m.; Sunday: 10 a.m. - 4 p.m.

October 8 - 11:

Friday & Saturday 9 a.m. - 9 p.m.; Sunday & Monday 10 a.m. - 4 p.m.

WINTER STORAGE

A Winter Storage Fee of \$134.53 (including HST) is due in full by October 11th, 2010 to avoid a \$50 Late Fee. A contract is enclosed for you to complete and return with your payment to the Catfish Creek Conservation Authority administration office on weekdays, or to the Gatehouse/Store on weekends.

No need to wait until the last minute, please feel free to come in and pay the fees any weekend!

If you do not plan to Winter Store on-site, it is very important for you to contact the office as soon as possible to prevent an invoice being mailed.

Please remember the main campground gate entrance will be locked on the second last Saturday in October (October 23rd) and reopen on May 1st. Any person(s) entering the campground without permission may be charged with trespassing (per Regulation 17)

SEASONAL SITE FEES

A minimum \$50.00 deposit is due by January 15, 2011, to hold your site for the 2011 camping season. For your convenience, we suggest doing so when you pay your Winter Storage Fee. Any deposit paid will be deducted from your 2011 seasonal site fees.

Rates for the 2011 camping season will be set at the December Full Authority meeting. Rates will be posted on the CCCA website (www.catfishcreek.ca) under the "Seasonal Camper Information" page. Meanwhile, we continue to offer the "pre-payment incentive", allowing seasonal campers the option of avoiding the rate increase by paying the current year's Seasonal Site Fee in full by November 15th.

CLOSING SEASON REMINDERS

All satellites fastened to trees must be removed by Thanksgiving or they will be removed and set at the base of the tree by the Conservation Authority.

All valuables should be removed from trailers and sheds to discourage vandalism and thefts. Unlocking or removing locks from sheds will avoid potential damage if entrance is forced.

If you are walking through the park and notice anything suspicious, please notify the office.

UPCOMING EVENTS

December 4 (6 p.m.-8 p.m.) - Christmas Spirit Walk

Stroll along a candle lit path through the Springwater Forest and join local performers as they celebrate the spirit of Christmas. Sip on a hot beverage and come see who awaits you at the end of the trail!

March, 2011 - Springwater Maple Syrup Festival Weekends and March Break

Take pleasure in the horse-drawn wagon rides through the Sugar Bush and guided nature hikes through the Springwater Forest Trails. Visit the pancake house and the old-fashioned sugar shanty for maple products, samples and demonstrations.

CONTACT US ANYTIME!

We thank you for letting us know of any telephone or address changes OR if you are not returning next season as promptly as possible.

ALSO..... if you are considering selling your trailer, please call the Administration Office first! Refer to the Seasonal Camping Rules and Regulations (items 13 & 14) regarding campsites. The document is posted on the CCCA website (www.catfishcreek.ca) under the "Seasonal Camper Information" page.



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