

The New England Park Ranger Association presents:
Co-Sponsored by the Dept. of Conservation and Recreation

The 2011 Annual NEPRA Conference
Thursday, November 17, 2011



CONFERENCE OVERVIEW

SESSION 1A: Creating the Quinebaug Water Trail, presented by the Last Green Valley, Inc.: What it took to bring together a coalition of Federal, State, Local and Private organizations to designate and promote a large regional recreational resource.

SESSION 1B: New Massachusetts OHV Laws: In 2011, new Off Highway Vehicles laws were enacted in Massachusetts. This session will be a summary of the changes and newly created educational requirements.

SESSION 2: “Edible Wild Plants and Mushrooms of New England” presented by Russ Cohen. Foraging for wild edibles with a focus on Wild Mushrooms (Lecture)

SESSION 3A: Paddling Panel: A diverse group of recreation professionals will facilitate this working group on the process of developing an organized paddling program. Topics of focus will consist of but not limited to: training, certification, policy and content design

SESSION 3B: “Lessons Learned”: This emergency preparedness panel will discuss how agencies have had to deal with the increasing occurrences of natural disasters and how they have affected properties.

SESSION 4: NEPRA is asking all attendees to bring a piece of equipment large or small that helps you on the job. This session will be spent informally viewing the equipment and asking questions.

Join the Board We need you!

Vice President– The Vice President assumes the duties of the President in his/her absence, oversees, assists and advises all Committee Chairpersons, and may act as chairperson to any committee to which assigned by the President.

Secretary – The Secretary is an Officer of the Association and shall keep accurate records of all the affairs of the Association, keep an active roster, record the minutes of meetings, and send notices to membership.

Member-at-Large (4 positions) – The member at large shall be a representative of non-elected members and shall poll, upon occasion, the general membership for ideas concerning the welfare of the Association.

CONFERENCE SPECIAL!!

**Join NEPRA with your
conference registration and
pay only \$50 for both.**

Cost: \$30 Members

\$35 Non-Members

(Includes sessions, meals and breaks)

Register by Nov. 4th.

Late Registration & Walk-in:

\$40 per person

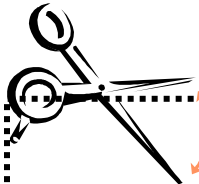
Lunches are guaranteed for
pre-paid registrants only!

CONFERENCE SCHEDULE

8:30 – 9:00	Registration & Coffee
9:00 – 9:15	Welcoming Remarks
9:15 – 9:45	Keynote Speaker- Kathy Abbot, Trustees of Reservations
9:50- 10:50	Session 1A and 1B
10:50-11:00	Break
11:00-12:30	Session 2
12:30-1:30	Lunch/ Business Meeting
1:30- 2:30	Sessions 3A and 3B
2:30-2:45	Break
2:45-3:45	Equipment Demo/ Networking
3:45-4:00	Raffle* and Closing Remarks

* Special 2 Kayak Package Raffle will be held directly after the general raffle.

**The Conference will be held at the Ames Mansion Located at Borderland State Park in North Easton, Ma.
The address for the park is 257 Massapoag Avenue, North Easton, Ma (Service Entrance)
Directions can be found at www.mass.gov/dcr choose “find a park” on the left hand side. Place the cursor
over the Southeast Region and choose Borderland State Park.**



Send registration form and check payable to NEPRA

By November 4, 2011 to: Chris Williams

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Check one:

Member

Non-Member

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____

Agency: _____ Current Member?: Yes No

Phone: _____ E-mail: _____

Do you have any special dietary needs (vegetarian, restricted etc): _____