

TOWNSHEND HISTORICAL SOCIETY

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ANNUAL MEETING AND PICNIC SUNDAY, AUGUST 24TH, 2008 at The Old Stone House at Townshend State Park PROGRAM STARTS AT 3:00 PM COOK-OUT FOLLOWS

We are celebrating our tenth year at the Townshend State Park stone building listed on the National Historic Registry. Camp Waubanong used the site until about 1955 when the camp moved to Brattleboro. The stone caretaker's building was constructed by the Civilian Conservation Corps (CCC) during the Depression in the 1930s. Alonzo Chamberlin did much of the beautiful stone work. Not well known to many residents were ski trails from the top of Bald Mountain. In 1936, the Eastern Amateur Ski Championships were held here. At the meeting, we will tell you more of the interesting history of this local landmark.

For ambitious members, a hike to the top of Bald Mountain will be conducted beginning at 12:45 PM. The trail is a vertical climb of 1100 feet and geological features are waterfalls, chutes and pools. The 3-directional view from the summit is worth the climb. To join the hiking group report to the base station between 12:30 and 12:45 PM.

For the cookout: (beginning after the meeting at 3:00)

We will provide hamburgers, hotdogs and cold cider. If you wish, bring a side dish, salad or dessert.

Directions to the Park: From Rt. 30 south of Townshend, take State Forest Road 2 miles to Park entrance on the left. From Rt. 30 north of Townshend, turn at the Townshend Dam site.



Photo courtesy of Townshend State Park

Proceed over dam to a T-intersection. Turn left and continue for approximately 2 miles to Park entrance on the right hand side of road.

Note: The Park admission fee will be waived for Townshend Historical Society members and guests.

HOME-MADE LINIMENT RECIPE

for any hiker with aches and pains:

1 quart of turpentine 1 quart of water add yolks of 2 eggs

- ❖ Put turpentine and water with egg yolks in rather large bottle to give room for shaking.
- ❖ After thoroughly shaking add 1 wine glass of strong vinegar and keep on shaking, as the smoothness depends on the shaking.
- ❖ Cork tight and when needed rub well.



ANNUAL DUES ARE DUE AS OF JULY 1ST.

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