

The New Hampshire Update

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The New Hampshire Update, which will be distributed every six months, is a new communication tool to keep you updated on what's new and exciting in New Hampshire's tourism industry.

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1. LODGING

The Inns & Spa at Mill Falls, Meredith- *the Church Landing property is undergoing a construction project to add even more event space at the inn. This new addition called The Carriage House will provide groups with more options for meeting areas with 1,700 square feet and an additional lobby area of 955 square feet.*

The Kancamagus Motor Lodge, Lincoln- *Awarded a 2010 Tripadvisor Certificate of Excellence, this year-round hotel houses a beautiful indoor pool and game room with reasonable prices. It is located within walking distance of a shopping area and 1 mile from Loon Mountain located at the start of the Kancamagus Scenic Byway. Contact: Nicole Marien nmarien@kancmotorlodge.com P: (603) 745-8800 www.kancmotorlodge.com*

Wentworth by the Sea Hotel, New Castle- *Named one of the top hotels in the world by Conde Nast Traveler and Travel + Leisure magazines, January 2011. Enjoy the newly expanded Spa at Wentworth and experience the historic elegance of the resort. Contact: Yvonne Fredereksen yvonne.fredereksen@wentworth.com P: (603) 373-1115 www.wentworth.com*

White Trellis Motel, North Conway- *Located just a short distance from signature restaurants, this motel houses 22 ground level rooms, 6 renovated rooms upstairs, along with a large recreation room with a fireplace. The rooms are attractively decorated in traditional colonial style. The motel lies on 5 tranquil acres with stunning views of the Presidential Mountain Range. Contact: Mary info@whitetrellismotel.com P: (603) 356-2492 www.whitetrellismotel.com*

1785 Inn & Restaurant, North Conway- *The 1785 Inn & Restaurant was recently chosen by Frommers Travel Guide Newsletter as one of the 15 best views from a top hotel or inn in the world. It is located adjacent to the State's Intervale Scenic Vista, which is the 7th most photographed nature scene in the U.S. Contact: Charlie Mallar info@the1785inn.com P: (603)356-9025*

2. CULINARY

Winter Garden Café at the Currier Museum of Art, Manchester- *Need a location for your group to have lunch in southern NH? The Winter Garden Café is a great location to just dine OR dine and tour the museum. Intimate art museum features a changing selection of American and European paintings, sculpture, glass, ceramics, and more.* Contact: Lisa Pavlopoulos lpavlopoulos@currier.org P: (603) 669-6144 www.currier.org

The Copper Door, Bedford- *Owners of the successful Bedford restaurants, T-Bones and Cactus Jack's, set their sights on the Grand Opening for their newest restaurant in the winter of 2011. The Copper Door will highlight the elegance of fine dining in a tasteful manner.* Contact: info@tbones.com
www.copperdoorrestaurant.com

Profile Dining Room at Indian Head Resort, Lincoln- *Indian Head Resort has completed renovations to their lobby and Profile Dining Room. Guests now enjoy even better views of the Franconia Notch, a variety of seating options and wireless internet throughout the building. The Profile Dining room offers motor coach guests everything from a quick lunch to the full dining experience. Under the guidance of Executive Chef Adam Parker, the dining room won Best Restaurant in a local Best of Chefs competition for 2010.* Contact: Heidi Larson groups@indianheadresort.com P: (603) 745-8000 www.indianheadresort.com

3. EVENTS

Annual Railroad Days at Clark's Trading Post, Lincoln- *September 17 and 18, 2011, revel in the rich history of railroading for a weekend of special excursions on the White Mountain Central Railroad. Rail fans can ride steam locomotives and see rare and unique equipment on display.* Contact: Anne Englert info@clarkstradingpost.com P: (603) 745-8913 www.clarkstradingpost.com

Celebrate the Earth Festival at Mt. Kearsarge Indian Museum, Warner- *Demonstrations of Native American crafts, music, traditional food, self-guided museum and Medicine Woods Trail tours are all available at the museum. New this year is the Basket Trail Exhibit, which showcases traditional Native American baskets. The museum offers many exciting events throughout the year including the speaker series, craft making demonstrations, storytelling, powwows and more. Special rates are available for groups of 10 or more, not including special events.* Contact: Stephen Daigle dreamcatchernh@tds.net P: (603) 456-2600 www.indianmuseum.org

Fish and Lobster Festival "Fishtival", Portsmouth- *Celebrate over 400 years of local seafood with tastings, games, music, fishing boat tours and much more.* Contact: Melissa Benson Melissa@prescottpark.org
P: (603) 436-2848 www.prescottpark.org

Lakes Region Sportsmen's Show, Gilford- *The Annual Lakes Region Sportsman's Show offers seminars on fishing, white tail deer, turkey, and waterfowl, as well as lessons on fly tying. The show hosts upwards of 40 vendors from restaurants and fundraisers, to hunting, fishing, and camping gear. The event has a new location at the Laconia airport, which offers more displaying space for larger trucks, boats, and recreational vehicles.* Contact: Kathy Pevine kpevine@lakeschamber.org P: (603) 524-5531
www.lakesregionchamber.org

Portsmouth Peace Treaty Day, Statewide- *A bill signed into law on August 17th, 2010 by Governor Lynch made September 5th Portsmouth Peace Treaty Day. This day will be a statewide observance of the peace negotiations that ended the Russo-Japanese War. The negotiations and signing took place in 1905 at the Portsmouth Naval Shipyard under the guidance of President Theodore Roosevelt.*
www.portsmouthpeacetreaty.com

4. ACTIVITIES

Alpine Adventures, Lincoln- *The new "Thrillsville" Aerial Park has an abundance of excitement with bridges, cargo nets, rope ladders, zip-lines, giant swings, a tree house and the first Powerfan © free-fall device in the United States. Alpine is also adding a new "Tree Trek" tour that will complement the zip-line courses and summer Off-Road Tours on a private 300 acre terrain. Early evening cookouts are held throughout the summer.* Contact: Allan Guilbeault allan@alpinezipline.com P: (603) 745-9911 www.alpinezipline.com

Appalachian Mountain Club, White Mountains- *Half, full, or multi day guided adventures, skills and nature educational programs, and mountain style dining are some of the services available for groups.*
Contact: Brant McAleer bmcaleer@outdoors.org P: (603) 466-2727 www.outdoors.org

Canobie Lake Park, Salem- *Canobie is getting ready to "unleash the beast" with their new roller coaster, "Untamed". This modern roller coaster is sure to be a hit with its state of the art design by German roller coaster designers Gerstlauer, who modeled the coaster after the Euro-Fighter 320 +. Although compact in size, this roller coaster will be among the steepest in the country.* Contact: Chris Nicoli groups@canobelake.com P: (603) 893-3506 www.canobie.com

Cranmore Mountain Adventure Park, North Conway- *North Conway's newest family attraction is a complete outdoor adventure featuring a mountain coaster, aerial adventure course, zip-lines, summer tubing, bungee trampoline, giant swing, scenic chairlift rides, disc golf and more. Activities for all ages! 2011 Group rates available at \$24 for an All Access Pass, \$39 for the Aerial Adventure Park, or \$53 for both passes.*
Contact: groups@cranmoremountain.com P: (603) 356-5544 ext. 322 www.cranmore.com

Dancing Dog Farm & The Backyard Farm Institute, Peterborough- *Tour our NH homestead farm and learn how simple it is to grow your own organic vegetables and compost, make soft cheeses, raise your own chickens and goats. Our picturesque 1850's farm sits on one of the first settled sites in "Our Town", and overlooks a lovely meadow at the foot of Mount Monadnock. Visit the farm store for locally made and grown products.* Contact: Carol Lake drtmrpony@aol.com P: (603) 924-3923 www.dancingdogfarm.wordpress.com

Gunstock Mountain Resort, Gilford - *Gunstock will open the newest attraction in the Lakes Region: the Aerial Treetops Adventures course which will include 8 different courses through an area the size of 4 by 2 football fields. There will be 92 different challenges and multiple zip-lines.* Contact: Wendy Barrett info@gunstock.com P: (603) 737-4320 www.gunstock.com

Loon Mountain Resort, Lincoln- *Loon Mountain has \$1.8 million in upgrades for the upcoming ski season. A new zip-line has also been added.* Contact: Stacy Lopes slopes@loonmtn.com P: (603) 745-6281 www.loonmtn.com

McAuliffe-Shepard Discovery Center, Concord- *The Discovery Center is New England's premier air and space science center, now offering an all-inclusive package exclusively for tour groups of 15 or more: \$10 per person, which includes general admission and one planetarium show. Rates are good through Fall 2011.* Contact: Gina Bowler gbowler@starhop.com P: (603) 271-7827 ext.104. www.starhop.com

Monkey Trunks, Chocorua and Weirs Beach - *Monkey Trunks, New England's largest high ropes and Zip-line Park, is opening a new location at Funspot in Weirs Beach on May 21, 2011. Guests of all abilities are welcome, including those who prefer to watch and provide encouragement from the ground. Our highly trained staff will always be on hand to assist and advise you throughout your adventure!* Contact: Hazel Ives infonh@monkeytrunks.com P: (603) 367-4427 (May to October) and (603) 960-2712 during the off-season www.monkeytrunks.com

Mount Washington Cog Railway, Mount Washington- *Admission to the Summit Observatory Museum now included at no extra cost. Faster biodiesel engines allow more summit time.* Contact: Laura Hardiman groupsales@thecog.com P: (603) 278-2256 www.thecog.com

Pemi Valley Moose Tours, Lincoln- *Now has a larger coach to take groups on a three hour moose excursion through the White Mountains and Grand North. The tour has a 97% success rate.* Contact: Larry Hartle moosetour@yahoo.com P: (603) 745-2744 www.moosetoursnh.com

The Penguin Gallery of NH Gift Shop, North Conway- *Come visit the charming Penguin Gallery of NH for over 10,000 unique gift items. All tour groups receive a 10% discount on all items in the store and tour guides receive a 5% of all sales in their group. Tour guides please call ahead.* Contact: Lynda Schuepp nhpenguinstore@yahoo.com P: (603) 356-7600 www.thepenguinonline.com

Ragged Mountain Equipment, Intervale- *Tour the "Made in NH" factory where Ragged Mountain Fleece Clothing and Blankets are manufactured. Tours are available by appointment.* Contact: Rob Nadler rob@raggedmountainequipment.com P: (603) 356 3042 www.raggedmountain.com

Settlers' Green Outlet Village, North Conway- *Offers over 60 name brand outlet stores with discounts up to 75% off retail prices. Settlers' Green Outlet Village also has a complete calendar of free events and promotions. Come enjoy the Free Outdoor Movie Festival every Tuesday night in July and August. Other events include the August Tent Sale, Fall Festival and Scarecrow Contest in September, and the Bring a Friend Shopping event in November.* Contact: Megan Ramsay megan_ramsay@ovpmanagement.com P: (603) 356-7031 ext. 10 www.settlersgreen.com

Squam Lakes Science Center, Holderness- *Spend the day cruising the scenic Squam Lake on the Science Center Lake Cruises. Groups can now customize their own tour including cruises, animal programs, and exhibit trail tours. Discover the wildlife and relax on the lake.* Contact: Tom Klein info@nhnature.org P: (603) 968-7194 www.nhnature.org

Tanger Outlet Center, Tilton- *The outlet center hosts over 50 name brand outlets in one convenient location in the Lakes Region. The grand openings of the LOFT and IZOD outlets add to the shopping amazing experience. Tanger offers group tour incentives with advanced registration.* Contact: Eric Proulx enproulx@tangeroutlet.com P: (603) 286-7880 ext. 302 www.tangeroutlet.com/tours

Water Country, Portsmouth- *Watercountry recently received the prestigious Platinum International Aquatic Safety Award for their high safety standards. Free parking, generous group discounts, and groups can bring their own outside food and beverage into the park. With 26+ acres of fun, it is New England's Largest Water Park.* Contact: dbarry@palaceentertainment.com P: (603) 427-1112 www.watercountry.com

Wolfeboro Inn on Lake Winnepesaukee, Wolfeboro- *The Wolfeboro Inn owns and operates the Winnepesaukee Belle offering scenic tours of picturesque Lake Winnepesaukee. Coupled with a lunch at the Inn or on the boat it is an economical afternoon that is both satisfying and unique! Groups can now stay overnight at the Inn and receive special discounts by contacting prior to July 1st, 2011.* Contact: Lucy Van Cleve lvancleve@wolfeboroinn.com P: (603) 569-3016 www.wolfeboroinn.com

5. ARTS & CULTURE

American Police Motorcycle Museum, Meredith- *The museum showcases the pioneers of the police motorcycle and will open in late May 2011. Group discounts and tours available upon request. Open 7 Days a week 10am-6pm.* www.americanpolicemotorcyclemuseum.com

Canterbury Shaker Village, Canterbury- *Canterbury Shaker Village announces the addition of two new guided tours for groups with interests in nature and heritage, arts, and crafts. The Village now offers a special Shaker Textile Tour for sewing and quilting enthusiasts and a Shaker Herb and Garden Tour for nature, cooking and gardening enthusiasts. Add Canterbury Shaker Village to your itinerary by signing up for our special "Tour, Shop, and Dine" group package, which includes a visit to our Museum Shop and features distinctive giftware, arts and crafts made by regional artisans.* Contact: Kate Brown kbrown@shakers.org P: (603) 783-9077 ext. 230 www.shakers.org

Close Knit Sisters, North Conway- *A unique yarn boutique that has a wide variety of yarns from Cascade, Noro, Plymouth, Debbie Bliss, Berroco and Brown Sheep and more! In addition, find several local artists' fiber-related creations.* Contact: Cheryl or Zoe closeknitsisters@gmail.com P: (603) 356-3777 www.closeknitsisters.com

Discover Portsmouth Center, Portsmouth- *Immerse yourself in the rich 400 year history of Portsmouth. Visit historic houses, museums, and lay your eyes on The Sawtelle Collection Exhibit, which features a large collection of maritime paintings and artifacts assembled by a Portsmouth resident. Stop by the gift shop for historic Portsmouth souvenirs and view a documentary highlighting the history of Portsmouth. The museum is open everyday from 10:00 a.m. until 5:00 p.m. Admission is free of charge.* Contact: Kate Greenleese kgreenleese@yahoo.com P: (603) 436-8433 www.portsmouthhistory.org

Eastman Lord House Museum, Conway- *Recently named to the National Register of Historic Places, the Eastman Lord House Museum is home to the Conway Historical Society. Built in 1818, the historic federal home of William Kimball Eastman features seventeen rooms furnished in periods from 1818 to 1945. The museum is open by appointment May through October.* Contact: Jim Arnold conwayhistory@myfairpoint.net
P: (603) 447-5551 www.conwayhistory.org

Flying Monkey Movie House, Plymouth- *The newly renovated theatre is inspired by the era of the 1920s. Experience the wonderful atmosphere of the theatre, while indulging in Common Man quality cuisine. This group-friendly venue is a great place to enjoy comedy shows, performance artists, theatrical plays, recognized hypnotists, and more.* Contact: David Christensen davidfm@thecman.com P: (603) 536-2551
www.flyingmonkeynh.com

Hampshire Pewter, Wolfeboro- *Named Best of the Road in 2011. Each year the experts on maps, directions, and travel content at Rand McNally choose five trips that are unique and off the beaten path to include in their annual "Best of the Road" trips. This year, Hampshire Pewter was chosen as one of the five "Best of the road" for their trip from Seaside to Summit. The 150-200 mile trip captures the essence of the region and highlights the natural beauty of New Hampshire.* Contact: Harold Guptill
gifts@hampshirepewter.com P: (603) 569-4944 www.hampshirepewter.com

New Hampshire Boat Museum, Wolfeboro- *Nonprofit organization founded in 1992, offering exhibits, outreach programs, events, publications, and hands-on activities. One of the museums new exhibits is called the Steamboat History Center. The museum is open Memorial Day Weekend through Columbus Day. Group rates are available.* Contact: Ann Sprague asprague@nhbm.org P: (603) 569-4554 www.nhbm.org

NH Professional Theatres- *New Hampshire Magazine calls the state's professional theatres "Better than Broadway." New Hampshire has more than a dozen professional theatres across the state. A complete list of New Hampshire professional theatres is available at www.nhprotheatre.org. A complete list of New Hampshire performance theaters can be found on www.visitnh.gov.*

Ox-K Farm, Gilford- *Recently changed to a nonprofit organization where groups can learn about and interact with oxen and how they were originally used in the construction of historical structures.* Contact: Kathy S. oxk@metrocast.net P: (603) 630-4554 www.oxfarm.com

Strawbery Banke Museum, Portsmouth- *Celebrate the 150th Anniversary of the American Civil War at Strawbery Banke Museum. New this season is the "Hero and Coward" exhibit in remembrance of Portsmouth Native General Fitz John Porter, a controversial civil war figure. The exhibit runs from May 1-October 31, 2011. The museum is home to New Hampshire's "Civil War Governor", Ichabod Goodwin. Tour the governor's Victorian Mansion, go on a walking tour of Civil War Portsmouth, or tour Porter's boyhood home. Specialized group tours are offered.* Contact: Jonathan Brown jbrown@strawberybanke.org P: (603) 433-1110 www.strawberybanke.org

6. MISCELLANEOUS

Information Center of the Wolfeboro Area Chamber of Commerce, Wolfeboro- *Located in the former train station, a convenient drop-off location for tour groups. Information Center staff can then easily direct bus drivers to nearby designated bus parking, and assist operators and passengers to shopping and dining*

areas. Cate Park and seating along Lake Winnepesaukee for sightseeing are within walking distance.
Contact: Mary DeVries wolfeborochamber@conknet.com P: (603) 569-2200 www.wolfeborochamber.com

Men's Journal: Portsmouth among Best Places to Live- *Men's journal magazine chooses the top 18 towns to highlight in their annual Best Places to Live Issue. This years issue will include New Hampshire's very own Portsmouth. The town was named to the list due to its support of homegrown resources, walkable city core, extensive farmers market, and local pride.* Contact: Valerie Rochon
tourism@portsmouthchamber.org
P: (603) 436-3988 www.portsmouthchamber.org

Rivermill at Dover Landing, Dover- *February 5, 2011 was the grand opening of this new event facility designed to accomodate weddings, reunions, business, and other customized group functions. With a plethora of vendors in the Dover area, planning an event is easy and convenient.* Contact: Britt Schuman
britt@rivermillnh.com P: (603) 343-2192 www.rivermillnh.com

White Mountains- *Voted "Best of New England- Reader's Choice" for fall destination by yankee Magazine readers. Yankee is read by nearly two million readers nationwide.* Contact: White mountains Attractions
P: (603) 748-8720 www.visitwhitemountains.com