

September 29 - October 6, 2019 8 Full Days Sunday to Sunday







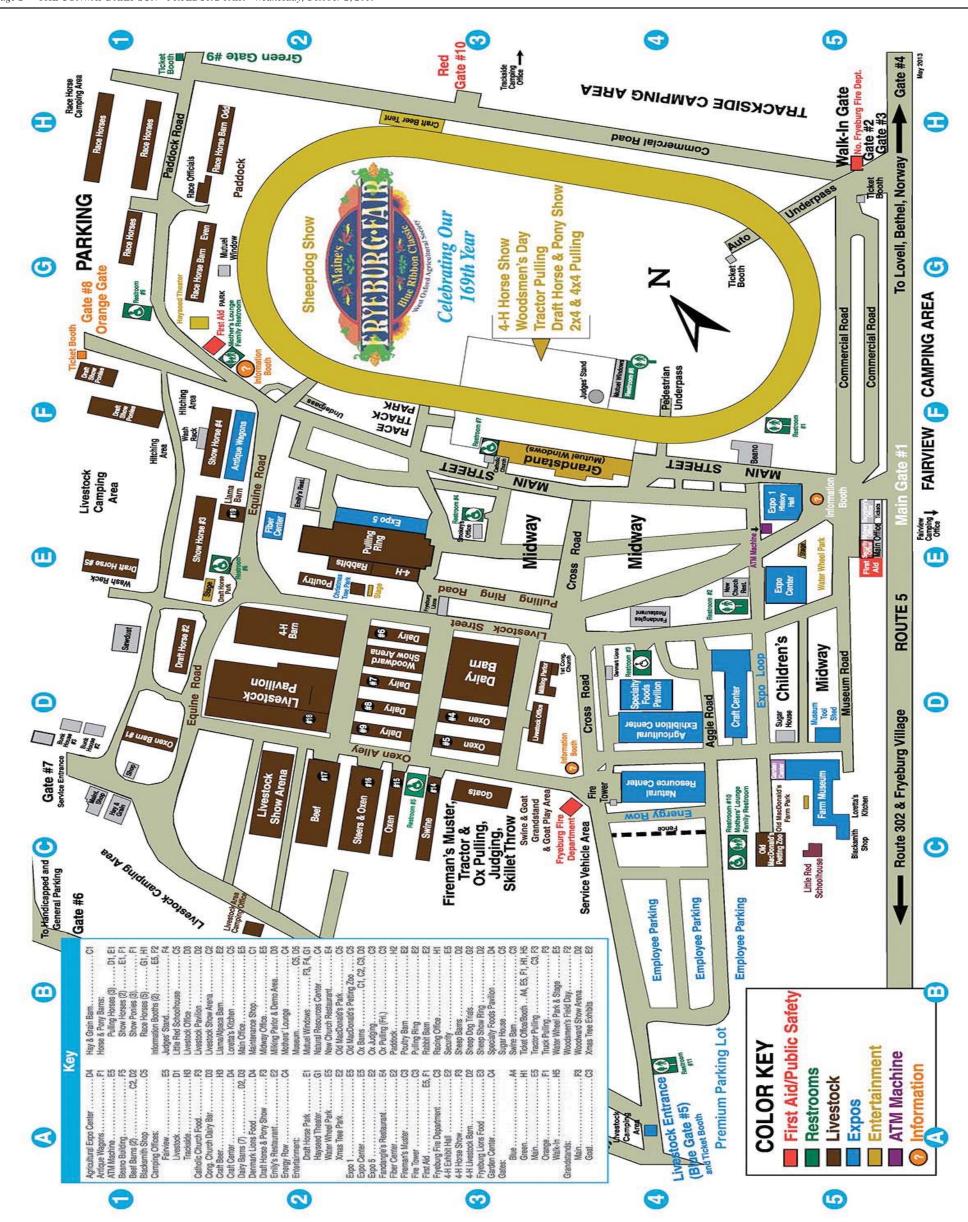


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AEC A
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ndstand LP Li Pulling Ring Rabbit Barn Agricultural Exhibition Center Livestock Show Arena Fiber Center Racing Grandstand Livestock Pavilion Swine & Goat Grandstand WSA Woodward Show Arena SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 29 Church Service - Hayseed Theater Official ADGA Dairy Goat Show - LSA 4-H Riding Horse Show - Infield Firemen's Muster - SGG Sheepdog Trials - Infield Flower Show - Expo 1 Poultry Show 10:00 am Flower Show - Expo 1
Poultry Show
Catholic Mass - Hayseed Theater
Fleece and Fiber Show & Sale - FC
Wreathmaking demo at Christmas Tree Exhibit
Society Pig Scramble - (must reside in towns of our
Society) - PR (Ages 8-10) Entries close at 10:30 am
Flower Show - Expo 1
Horse Pulling 3300 lbs & under - Distance - PR
Parent/ Child Baking Contest - AEC
Dairy Goat Show continues - LSA
Sheep Shearing Demo - LP
Flower Show - Expo 1
Wreathmaking demo at Christmas Tree Exhibit
Ox Pulling - 2500 lbs - Distance - PR
Decorate a Pumpkin Contest - AEC
Flower Show - Expo 1
Tractor Pull - after Horse Show - Infield Area
Sheep Shearing Demo - LP
Horse Pulling - 3300 lbs 20' - Elim - PR Poultry Show 11:00 am 11:30 am 12:00 pm 12:30 pm 1:00 pm 2:00 pm 3:00 pm 4:00 pm Y, SEPTEMBER 30
Show of Market Lambs - LSA Showmanship Ox Pulling 2100 lbs. Distance - PR Woodsmen's Field Day - RG Flower Show - Expo 1
4-H Dairy Goat Show - WSA Horse Pulling 3000 lbs. - Distance - PR Wreath Making Derno at Christmas Tree Exhibit Flower Show - Expo 1
Skillet Throw - ScG - Entries close at 10:30 am Show of Scramble Calves - LSA
4-H Beef Steer Show - LSA - Showmanship Ox Pulling - 2500 lbs. - 6'elim. - PR Whoopie Pie Contest AEC Anvil Throw for Men - SGG Flower Show - Expo 1
Wreath Making Derno at Christmas Tree Exhibit Steer & Ox Yoking Demonstration SGG Horse Pulling 3000 lbs 12'elim. - PR Scooting Contest - Lot 1 + 4-H Kids - SGG Flower Show - Expo 1
4-H Market Hog Show - LSA - Showmanship Ox Pulling - 2100 lbs and under 6'elim - PR Night Show - RAGGED JACK
Y, OCTOBER 1 MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 30 9:00 am 10:00 am 11:00 pm 12:30 pm 1:00 pm 1:30 pm 2:00 PM 3:00 pm 4:00 pm 6:30 pm 7:00 pm 8:00 pm TUESDAY, OCTOBER 1 JESDAY, OCTOBER 1
in Citizens Day (65 and over - gate free)
tique Tractor Show Day
8:30 am Show of Draft Horses, Ponies, Cart,
2 & 4 Hitch, 4 Abreast, NACCS Cart - RG
9:00 am Sheep Show - Open Show all day - LP
Tractor Pull - SGG
Dairy Show Jersey and Guernsey - WSA
Beef Show - Belted Galloway - AOB - LSA

Flower Show - Expo 1
Ox Powder Puff - 2900 lb. & under - <u>Distance</u> Trophy - PR
Wreath Making Demo at Christmas Tree Exhibit
Sheep Shearing Demo - LP
Flower Show - Expo 1
Blueberry Dessert Contest - AEC
Sheep Shearing Demo - LP
Horse Pulling - 3600 lb. - Distance - PR
Harness Racing - RG
Flower Show - Expo 1
Wreath Making Demo at Christmas Tree Exhibit
Ox Pulling Powder Puff 2900 lbs. & over - Distance - PR 10:00 am 10:30 am 11:00 am 12:00 am 1:00 pm 1:30 pm 2:00 pm wreatn Making Demo at Christmas Tree Exhibit

3:30 pm

4:00 pm

4:00 pm

Flower Show - Expo 1
Sheep Shearing Demo - LP

4:30 pm

7:00 pm

7:00 pm

8:00 pm

Night Show - CHURCH OF CASH WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 2 Show of Draft Horses, Ponies, Cart Class, Male Driver Unicorn, 6 Hitch - Youth Cart. - RG Show of Working Oxen, Show Oxen & Steers - SGG 8:30 am Sheep Show - (all day) - LP
Dairy Show Milking Shorthorn & Brown Swiss - WSA 9:00 am Beef Show Chianinas, Hereford & Simmentals - LSA 9:30 pm Ox Pulling - 2900 lbs foll. by 3600-4100 lbs - Percentage Pull - PR 10:00 am Flower Show - Expo 1 Wreathmaking demo at Christmas Tree Exhibit Flower Show - Expo 1 11:00 am Open Pig Scramble - PR (Ages 8-10) Entries close 12 PM (Drawing) Show of Working Steers Handy Class for kids - SGG 2 Crusted Apple Pie Contest - AEC 1:00 pm Sheep Shearing Demo - LP Harness Racing - RG Flower Show - Expo 1 1:30 pm 2:00 pm Horse Pulling - Sweepstakes - <u>Distance</u> -Trophy - PR Wreathmaking demo at Christmas Tree Exhibit Horse Pulling - 2900 lbs, & Under - Distance PR Flower Show - Expo 1
Sheep Shearing Demo - LP 3:30 pm 4:00 pm Photo · World's Largest Assembly Yoked Steer & Oxen · SGG Horse Pulling · Sweepstakes · <u>15' Elim.</u> - Trophy · PR Night Show · RODNEY ATKINS 4:30 pm 7:00 pm 8:00 pm THURSDAY, OCTOBER 3 Show of Working Oxen, Show Oxen & Steers - SGG 8:30 am Show of Draft Horses, Ponies, Tandem, Pair, 4 Horse/Pony Hitch, 8 Horse Hitch - RG Sheep Show - LP 9:00 am Beef Show Beef Shorthorns, Angus, Aberdeen - LSA Dairy Show Holstein and Ayrshire - WSA Ox Pulling Sweepstakes - Distance - PR 10:00 am Flower Show - Expo 1 Horse Pulling 3100 lbs & Under - Distance - PR Wreathmaking demo at Christmas Tree Exhibit Flower Show - Expo 1 Cranberry Orange Coffee Cake Contest - AEC 11:00 am 12:00 pm 1:00 pm Sheep Shearing Demo - LP Draft Horse & Pony Show - Halter Classes - PR Harness Racing - RG Flower Show - Expo 1 Wreathmaking demo at Christmas Tree Exhibit 1:30 pm 2:00 pm Decorated Cupcake Contest - AEC Flower Show - Expo 1 3:00 pm 4:00 pm Sheep Shearing Demo - LP

OCTOBER 4

Ox Pulling 1301-1700, 900-1100, 1101-1300 lbs. - Distance - PR Flower Show - Expo 1
Calf Scramble - RG
Pig Scramble (Students MSAD #72) - (third grade) - RG
Draft Horse & Pony Jr. & Sr. Youth Show - WSA
4-H Market Hog Auction - LSA
4-H Market Lamb Auction - LSA
4-H Beef Steer Auction - LSA
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4-H Beef Steer Auction - LSA
Wreathmaking demo at Christmas Tree Exhibit
Flower Show - Expo 1
Horse Pulling - 3200 lbs - Distance - PR
Swine Show s SGG
Calf Show and Sale - LSA
Fudge Contest - AEC
Sheep Shearing Demo - LP
Harness Racing - RG
Flower Show - Expo 1
Wreathmaking demo at Christmas Tree Exhibit
Haunted Gingerbread House Decorating Cookies - AEC
Ox Pulling Sweepstake 6' Elim. - PR
Flower Show - Expo
Sheep Shearing Demo 1 - LP
Horse Pulling - 3200 lbs., - 12' Elimination - PR
Ox Pulling , 3300 lbs - Distance - PR
Night Show - MICHAEL DELGUIDICE & BIG SHOT
Fireworks After Night Show
AY, OCTOBER 5 11:00 am 1:30 pm 2:00 pm 3:00 pm 4:00 pm 5:00 pm 7:30 pm 8:00 pm AY, OCTOBER 5

Speaker - American Farm Bureau - RG
Flower Show - Expo 1
Grand Parade - Trophy Presentations - RG
Wreathmaking demo at Christmas Tree Exhibit
4-H Swine Show - SGG
Flower Show - Expo 1
4-H Sheep Show Class - LP
Ox Pulling 2900 lbs. and under - 6' Elim. - PR
4-H Dairy Show - WSA
Sheep Shearing Demo - LP
Harness Racing - RG
4-H Beef Heifer Show - LSA
Flower Show - Expo 1 - LP
Wreathmaking demo at Christmas Tree Exhibit
4-H Showmanship - Working Steer
Horse Pulling - 3400 lbs - Distance - PR
Flower Show - Expo 1
Sheep Shearing Demo - LP
Ox Pulling 3300 & under 6' Elim - PR
Horse Pulling 3400 lbs - 12' Elim - PR
4-H Sheep Lead Line - LP
Night Show - CLARK HILL
OCTOBER 6 SATURDAY, OCTOBER 5 9:45 am 10:00 pm 12:00 pm 1:00 pm 1:30 pm 2:00 pm 2:30 pm 3:00 pm 4:00 pm 5:00 pm 7:00 pm 8:00 pm Night Show - CLARK HILL

SUNDAY,

8:30 am
8:30 8:00 pm See you in 2020 - Oct. 4 through Oct. 11

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Performances are ongoing in five different locations, the Waterwheel Park by the Front Gate, Christmas Tree Park next to the Pulling Ring, Hayseed Theater by the Orange Gate, and the Draft Horse Park by the Llama Barn.

Entertainment brochures are available at each gate and the information booth.



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Horse Pulling - Three Horse - <u>Distance</u> - PR Night Show - MADDIE & TAE

4:30 pm

6:30 pm 8:00 pm

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FOR YOUR CONVENIENCE

Historically, traffic has been heavier on Saturdays due to our great morning Parade, afternoon Midway and Harness Racing. To avoid traffic, we suggest that you Come Early and Stay Late. Also, for your convenience and to help with traffic flow, Fryeburg Fair has posted alternate routes to and from the Fairgrounds.

Call 207-935-3268 for parking and general information. For camping info call 207-935-2912.

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A BRIEF HISTORY OF THE FRYEBURG FAIR

The West Oxford Agricultural Society (present-ers of the Fryeburg Fair) was incorporated on June 3, 1851. Originally nine Maine towns were included, with six New Hampshire towns added in 1888. After moving from town to town for the first few years, a permanent fair site was purchased in Fryeburg. After nearly 30 years it moved to its present location, north of town, with the purchase of 26 acres for \$133. The first fair was held there in October 1885. During the next 100 plus years it has expanded to 200 acres and includes 100 permanent buildings, with over 3,000 camping sites. Currently, about 300,000 attend the fair annually.



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Exciting additions make this year's fair one for the books

By Brett Guerringue

FRYEBURG, Maine — As time goes by and generations make the fair a must in their fall festivity line-up, new ideas and evolving tastes become exciting additions to an already stellar Western Maine country fair.

In addition to the perennial and popular Truck and 4WD pulls, Draft Horse Hitch Competitions and the rough 'n' tumble Pig and Calf Scrambles — among many others — the Fryeburg Fair has a breadth of new offerings this year that aim to please a wider audience, returning patrons and future fair fans alike.

We have to do what we can to keep the generations happy," said Fryeburg Fair Publicist Rachel Andrews Damon.

The biggest new addition is a The Mountain View Pavilion, a combined cattle and sheep barnthat can hold over 1,000 people, 400 sheep and 80-plus cattle and is making its debut this year.

The metal barn replaces two older wooden barns, also for cattle and sheep, that burned down in 2018 due to an electrical failure. A tent was quickly set up as a stop-gap measure for last vear's fair.

Also for the first time are a dozen food trucks, mostly from Maine and on a rotational basis, which will be stationed on "energy row" alongside the Natural Resource building.

The new food trucks include Taco Del Seoul and Eighty 8 Donuts — on a permanent basis



The first lucky sheep to use the The Mountain View Pavilion on the Fryeburg Fair's opening day on Sunday. It has a 400-sheep and 80-plus cattle capacity. (BRETT GUERRINGUE PHOTO)

— and Mainely Meatballs, Mr. Tuna, Farm to Coast Mobile Kitchen, Fishin Ships, Momma Baldacci's, Pinky D's Poutine, Crepe Elizabeth and Bogs Bakery on a rotational basis throughout the weeks.

Another tasty new addition to the fair this year is a craft beer area with tent run by Rustic Taps Catering by Dave and Jessica Golden of Gorham, Maine.

Beverages include 17 craft beers on tap, as well as seltzer, cider and wine.

Stone oven pizza will also be available.

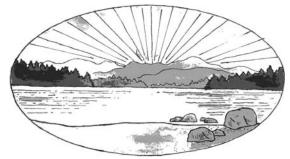
All beer, wine and seltzer will cost \$8, and a portion of all beer sales will benefit the Travis Mills Foundation.

"We are trying to promote this as a craft beer garden, and having one domestic beer such as Miller Lite hopefully says we are trying to have something for everyone, said Golden.

Unique for their appearance at the fair, Rustic Taps plans on having double their usual varieties of brewers and has even invited them to represent their

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selection throughout the week.

Rustic Taps' biggest request is for craft beer from Maine.

"IPAs are still a huge rage, and we are very fortunate to have some of them available for the Fryeburg Fair," said Golden, but he added that seltzer and cider is gaining in popularity.

Golden has been impressed with his reception by the fair, providing his area with Wi-Fi and a large screen TV to view games and races.

Golden "really liked the fair staff and committee" and found them to be "very straightforward and conservative. We both share similar perspectives. Everyone seems really excited to have us!"

Golden added that he likes to work with all fairs to serve alcohol and wood-fired pizza.

According to the Rustic Taps website they have "three refurbished, vintage trucks: a 1954 Chevy, a 1947 GMC, and the newest addition, a 1939 Ford dump truck that once worked on a farm in Kansas."

"We built the trucks for large events and love to see them in full swing at the local fairs and festivals, he said.

Rustic Taps' bartenders will follow all Maine liquor laws and will not sell, serve or allow the consumption of liquor to minors and those visibly intoxicated.

A specially organized area designated for alcohol consumption has been set up, the fair will supply security, and an officer will be available on request.

General Superintendent Dave Andrews said he doesn't foresee issues with properly regulated alcohol sales at the fair. To Andrews' knowledge a fair in Minnesota with 2 million patrons

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ABOVE: The new ticket booth at the walk-in gate No. 2 and 3. BELOW: The Fishin Ships food truck of Portland, Maine. (BRETT GUERRINGUE, COURTESY PHOTO)





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LEFT: Matt Bryant is the superintendent of mechanical pulls at Fryeburg Fair. RIGHT: Danny Ireland with his weight transfer pulling sled: The Blue Ox. (RACHEL ANDREWS DAMON PHOTOS)

All about mechanical pulls at Fryeburg Fair

BY RACHEL ANDREWS DAMON

Matt Bryant of Redstone has recently become the superintendent of one of the most popular areas of Fryeburg Fair — tractor and truck pulls — now referred to as "mechanical pulls."

Mechanical pulls are big sport in Maine. Fryeburg Fair had its first show in 1976. Tractors pull on the first Sunday of Fryeburg Fair right after the horse racing for the day—around 4 p.m. Trucks pull the second Sunday. Shows can last for 4-8 hours depending on the number of entries.

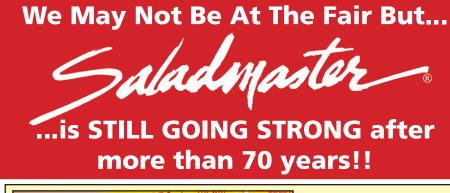
For those who don't know much about these highly competitive events, we resort to information from the National Tractor Pullers Association:

"Pulls are known as 'the world's heaviest motorsports' with the goal being to determine the strongest machine and the best driver. Speed is not the goal but distance pulled. Modified farm tractors, modified tractors or trucks drag a metal sled along a prescribed course. The sled con-

tains a box filled with weight that is mechanically winched forward as the sled progresses along the course. Pulling this ever-increasing load eventually causes the vehicle to lose forward momentum and torque, although a rare few might indeed reach the end

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Chris Nahatis & daughter Stephanie have exhibited at the Fryeburg Fair for over 45 years.



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—Stephanie Nahatis

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The owners of Rustic Taps Catering, Dave and Jessica Golden of Gorham, Maine, have 17 craft beers on tap, as well as seltzer, cider and wine. Stone oven pizza is available, too. (COURTESY PHOTO)

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last year served beer and only had one arrest.

According to Damon, public safety is the largest department at the fair.

Year-round, full-time number 10-12, but they increase to 660 people during fair week.

"I think the fair is more like a family reunion," said Damon. "People who

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The Truck Pulls at Fryeburg Fair this year are on Sunday, Oct. 6, at 4 p.m. (RACHEL ANDREWS DAMON

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of the course, known as a "full pull." The distance from start to finish is measured in thousandths of an inch and the vehicle that pulls the sled the farthest distance is declared the winner. If more than one competitor reaches the full pull mark, a pull-off is held to determine a winner.

"Competition-level tractors might look like standard-issue farm equipment, but the similarities stop at the basic body and tires. Pulling is a sport based on horsepower and torque, which means that the engine must be

modified to generate as much power as possible. Various classes have been developed for tractors based on limitations in the rules. Modified limits are based mostly on weight. Engines include drag racing automotive type, jet turbines, aircraft and industrial engines in various configurations. Trucks come in two wheel drive, four wheel drive (naturally aspirated, blown, diesel) and semis.

The Blue Ox is the weight transfer pulling sled used at Fryeburg Fair.

It is owned and operated by Danny

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Longtime tractor pullers Andy and Lisa Lynch of East Brookfield, Mass., compete at five fairs a year around New England. Andy is an elevator mechanic and Lisa is a day-care provider. They have two children, and son, Robert, is a puller as well. (RACHEL ANDREWS DAMON PHOTO)



Tractor puller Gardner Lebaron stands in front of a Case tractor. (BRIAN MERRILL PHOTO)



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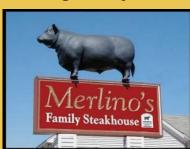
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PROGRAM

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return are the backbone of the fair."

Rustic Taps will be open at the fair every day 11 a.m. to close and is located across from the campground on Commercial Road — close to red Gate No. 10.

The Rustic Taps draft selection is as

Allagash White (Maine), Lone Pine (Maine), Shipyard Pumpkin (Maine), Shipyard Lager (Maine), Tuckerman's (N.H.), Saco River Brewing (Maine), Bissell Substance (Maine), Bantam Wunderkind — Cider (Mass.), Rising Tide Ishmael — Copper/Amber (Maine), Rising Tide Waypoint Coffee Porter (Maine), Rising Tide Daymark — American Pale (Maine), Foundation Afterglow — Maine IPA (Maine), Foundation Gretel 1/6 kegs (Maine), Moat Mt. Czech Pilsner and Moat Mt. Blueberry (N.H.), Woodland Farms Local Lager — Light Lager (Maine), one domestic — Miller Lite, hard seltzer — North country peach or Truly, and wine - Merlot,

Chardonnay.

Another important new feature this year is offering online entry ticket sales through the fair's new website. You may purchase tickets through the website at fryeburgfair.org/p/buytickets.

An online adult single-day admission ticket costs \$14, \$2 more than an \$12 adult ticket purchased at the gate.

The extra \$2 is a service fee and does not go to the fair, according to Damon.

The advantage of buying online is that the purchaser can bypass ticket lines and save time.

Ticket sales began May 1, and 437 online tickets had been sold as of Sept.

Other new adjustments this year include a redesigned infield to get people out of traffic, a new underpass and a revamped ticket booth at walkin gate No. 2 and 3.

Children under 12 years old have free entrance.

For more information call (207) 935-3268 or email the fair at tickets@fryeburgfair.org.

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Ireland of Hampden, Maine. Danny participates in 41 pulling events per year, six of them in Canada. The Blue Ox weights about 60,000 pounds.

Matt Bryant, a diesel mechanic in real life, says humorously, "Pulls are for crazy people, and we love it!"

Matt got involved as a big fan,

Daily 3-6pm

started helping behind the scenes and got hooked on the back end organizing of the sport. He is assisted at Fryeburg Fair by Everett Danforth, Keith Merchand, Todd Keenan and David

Consultants are longtime founders of the truck and tractor pulls, Dana

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Bean Hole Beans (Tues, Thur, Sat at 1 p.m.) Beekeeping Blacksmithing **Broom Making** Cider Pressing Cranberry Demonstration

Ice Cream and Butter Making Northeast Historic Films

Old Stove Display

Old Time Farm Equipment Demonstrations One Room Schoolhouse

Plowing with Oxen Pottery Demonstration

Rope and Line Typing Smokehouse

Spinning

Tatting

Tinsmithing

Old Farm Equipment Restoration Wood Lathe Demonstration Woodstove Cooking

Doug Farnham, Minot, ME David Sorensen, Eaton, NH Luke Damen, Naples, ME Everett Bailey, Belmont, NH Roger Roberts, Lovell, ME Sugar Hill Cranberries, Columbia, ME Tara Green Wilson, Sebago, ME David Weiss and Jane Donnell, Bucksport, ME Sherman and Shirley Adams, Farmington, ME Chris Harrington & Eric Bog, Sebago, ME Joanne Magee, Fryeburg, ME Bob and Leia Farnham, Chatham, NH Rusty Wiltjer, Waterford, ME John Andrews, Fryeburg, ME Doug Farnham, Minot, ME Hildy Danforth & Robin Heene, Shelburne, NH

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Night

Tom's Donuts leaves a big hole to fill at fair

FRYEBURG, MAINE — There are two goals for early-morning denizens of the Fryeburg Fair: Beat the traffic and get to Tom's Donuts before the line to snag a warm-from-the-fryer, oversized doughnut stretches longer than the eye can see.

With the retirement last year of one of the most popular food vendors at the Fair, the latter tradition has ended.

On Sunday morning, the opening day of the fair, the news was devastating for the crowd of people who hadn't heard about the retirement and were wandering around aimlessly in front of the Tom's former location by the Special Foods pavilion.

We drove 3½ hours," said Alan Goldsmith mourned Stoneham, Mass. "We talk about how we can't wait for it in the morning."

His partner, Matt Goldsmith, added:

"We've been coming to the fair for 12 years. At first, we thought we are at the wrong location, but we knew it was here.'

Later in the morning, the Goldsmiths were spotted in the short line at the Donut Boys, another purveyor of the circular, sweet delights, located on a row just inside of the carnival rides and not quite up to the Pulling

Asked how the Donut Boys stacked up to the Tom's, the answer was quick and direct.

"It's not the same. It's not as light and fluffy," said Matt.

That said, there are plenty of options for doughnuts, including traditional mini-doughnuts, which are popular for their deeper, greaser quality.

There's the Donut Boys, which purveys a doughier, heavy version

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Alan Goldsmith samples a doughnut from the Donut Boys on Sunday, the opening day of the 2019 Fryeburg Fair. (MARK GUERRINGUE PHOTO)



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Webster and Tinker Kiesman. Webster, now 86, retired last year after being part of the pulls since the beginning. Kiesman, 73, retired as well and had partnered with Webster in running the pulls from 1982 to 2018.

Mini Tractor organizers are Kyle Doody and Steve Andrews.

All Fryeburg Fair pulls are ruled and regulated by the Maine State Truck and Tractor Pullers Associa-

Besides the first Sunday tractor pull and the second Sunday truck pull, Fryeburg Fair offers its Tuesday stone boat 6-foot pull for small and mini

The second Sunday pull for trucks is probably the most well attended annual event at Fryeburg Fair with two and four-wheel drive vehicles vying for bragging rights and modest prizes. Over 60 drivers participate.

"Lots of our drivers come because of the crowds. It's a family event. And it's the event that wraps up the fair. It's definitely one of the best in New England," Bryant said.

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The less rain, the more people

FRYEBURG — Attendance numbers at the Fryeburg Fair are always dependent, in large part, on the weather. The less rain, the more people.

The first two days of the 2019 fair were great according to the fair's Publicist Rachel Andrews Damon.

"A great first two days of the fair. On Sunday, we sold 25,498 tickets. Super weather both days. Now starting to cool off a bit," she said.

'Overall fairgoers, farmers and exhibitors seem to be happy to be here. I know I am."

The all-time paid attendance record for the Fryeburg Fair was 199,266, set in 2004. This does not include children under 12, who get in free; seniors 65 and older, who get in free on Tuesday; and people with lifetime member-ships.

It is estimated that the total attendance for the eight-day fair generally approaches, or surpasses, 300,000.

Daily paid attendance records include: Opening Sunday — 29,995 in 2001. Monday — 26,017 in 2014. Tuesday —17,014 in 2006. Wednesday — 20,125 in 2001. Thursday — 20,438 in 2009. Friday — 31,451 in 2012.

Saturday — 46,834 in 2000. Closing Sunday — 28,011 in 2001. Total paid attendance last year was 165,392 which was down 5,222 from the year before. Daily numbers were:

Opening Sunday — 25,550. Monday — 13,967.

Tuesday — 4,067.

Wednesday — 21,010.

Thursday — 14,499.

Friday — 25,908.



Total attendance at the fair, including children who get in free, is estimated at 300,000 people a year. (JAMIE GEMMITI PHOTO)

Saturday — 34,613.

Closing Sunday — 25,778. Saturday is traditionally the busiest day of the year. As an example of the weather factor, the 2016 paid attendance on a sunny day was in 37,994. In 2014, when it was raining on Saturday, attendance was 18,007.



Alan Goldsmith (from left), Matt Goldsmith, both of Stoneham, Mass., and Liam Putney, of Milbury, Mass., on Sunday lamented the absence of Tom's Donuts, one of the most popular food vendors at the Fryeburg Fair. (MARK GUERRINGUE PHOTO)

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than Tom's.

Situated fittingly in Tom's location is a new-generation food truck called Eighty 8 Donut Cafe, which has a distinctive retro-hipster flair.

Seven dollars buys six small doughnuts with names like Irish or Not, described as "Bailey's pastry cream

finished in caramel drizzle."

"Finished" is a word that would never be associated with one of Tom's Donuts.

For that matter, it is doubtful the longtime patrons of Tom's would use that word to describe any food. Like the doughnuts, they are old school.

Traditions die slowly at the Fryeburg Fair. Sadly, one just did.





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Cyle Marriott of Hanover, Maine competes in the pulp-loading competition during the popular Woodsmen's and Mechanical Operators Field Day at the Fryeburg Fair Monday. Marriott won his group, but full results were not available by press time. (JAMIE GEMMITI PHOTO)

Woodsmen's Field Day at the Fair

Woodmen's Field Day is a Fryeburg Fair tradition — always the first Monday starting at 9 a.m. It is for

men and women from all over the U.S. who compete in over 27 woods-related events. Bucksaw, standing block, the ax

throw, tree felling, crosscut, springboard — Woodmen's Field Day at the Fryeburg Fair has it all.



LEFT: A couple in lumberjack shirts are seen in the crowd on Monday at the fair. RIGHT: Ben Marshall of Greenland competes in the men's overhead chop during the popular Woodsman's Field Day at the fair Monday. (JAMIE GEMMITI PHOTOS)











CLOCKWISE FROM TOP LEFT: A competitor in the ax throw is lines up her shot; Jesse Cutting of Lyme (top) and Trevor Molleur of Greensboro Bend, Vt., (above) compete in the open-class chainsaw competition; and Mike Sullivan of Colebrook, Conn., who regularly competes nationally, vies for the master standing block championship. (JAMIE GEMMITI PHOTO)





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Marshalls share spectacular wagons and carriages at 2019 fair with diverse theme

BY TOM EASTMAN
THE CONWAY DAILY SUN

FRYEBURG, Maine — The Marshalls are back at it, along with carriage expert Ken Wheeling.

For the past 15 years, the Madison couple's everchanging collection at the Fryeburg Fair's Horse-Drawn Wagon Barn has been a hit with history buffs of all ages.

The Marshalls' entire collection now numbers about 150. Of those, a dozen are on display this year. A placard when entering the building outlines this

year's display, penned by Wheeling:

"Everything that is moved by tractor trailer today was moved by horses and wagons in 1890. People traveled by stagecoaches to go on trips or drove their own roundabout or buggy to do their daily shopping.

"A little over 110 years ago," it reminds us, "the horse provided the sole mechanical means to pull the myriad of vehicles that keeps America humming."

This year's theme is more diverse than in past years.

"We've had a theme most years, but this year, I guess we went more with a general theme — there's something for everybody," said Sut, who recently gave a tour, with wife Margaret, of the carriage display that has been a fixture at the fair since 2004.

A standout is the ornate gypsy wagon that once belonged to a member of the Hearst publishing

Margaret and Sut Marshall stand in front of the latest edition of their collection, the Reading Vardo, an ornate gypsy wagon. They are seen in the wagon barn at the Fryeburg Fair. (JAMIE GEMMITI PHOTO)

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The Mount Washington Hotel's Omnibus is also on display in the Fryeburg Fair's wagon barn. It was used to carry hotel guests to and from the railroad stations in the White Mountains, including excursion trips to New Hampshire's glens and notches. (JAMIE GEMMITI PHOTO)

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family (Juanita Hearst's name is on the door).

"We have some nice gypsy wagons in our collection that we have displayed at the fair in the past, but I would have to say that this is No. 1," said Sut, standing in front of the beautiful gold-painted wagon. "The artwork and the carving on this one are amazing." Wheeling of Moncton, Vt., whom

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Fair night shows continue with country and Billy Joel homage

The Fryeburg Fair's nightly music scene continues with vigor this week with Tennessee-native Rodney Atkins, the Top New Male Vocalist at the 2006 ACM awards tonight.

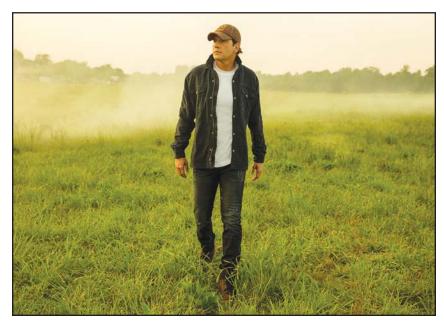
His single "Watching You" become the Number One Song of the Decade according to Country Aircheck.

Atkins has six No. 1 singles so far in his country music career under his belt, including: "If You're Going Through Hell (Before the Devil Even Knows)," (2006), "Watching You" (2007), "These Are My People" (2007), "Cleaning This Gun (Come On In Boy)" (2008), "It's America" (2009) and "Take a Back Road" (2011).

The famed American country music singer so far has five studio albums and 20 singles to his name.

All night shows have free admission and are at 8 p.m. at the Swine and Goat Grandstand on the fair's Main Street.

Then on Thursday, another country delight, this time the duo Maddie & Tae, composed of Madison Marlow and Taylor Dye from Texas and Oklahoma, respectively, both of whom are singers,



Country vocalist Rodney Akins is scheduled for a night show on Oct. 2. Nightly music entertainment begins at 8 p.m. and has free admission. (COURTESTY PHOTO)

songwriters and guitarists, will sweep the stage.

Featured on their debut album "Start Here," of which they penned each of the eleven tracks, the platinum-certified breakout hit soared atop the country radio charts and made them only the third female due to peak their

debut single at No. 1 in the history of the billboard country singles chart.

The pair has vanquished the 2016 Radio Disney Music Awards, winning both Favorite Country Artist and Favorite Country Song

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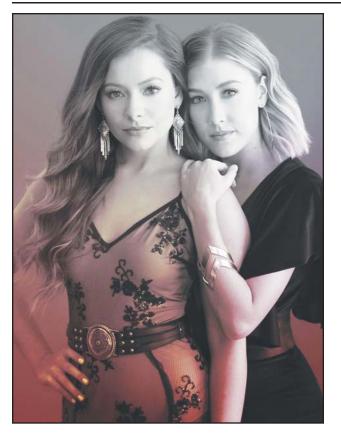
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for Gold-certified "Fly," and have previously been nominated for ACM, CMT and CMA Awards. Critical acclaim has come from NPR, Entertainment Weekly, The Washington Post and Glamour, among others.

Maddie & Tae have also appeared on "The Late Show with David Letterman," "Today," "The Tonight Show Starring Jimmy Fallon," "Live! with Kelly and Michael" and most recently on "The Talk."

On Friday, Mike DelGuidice and Bigshot band take center stage at the Grandstand to play music by the "Piano Man" Billy Joel.



LEFT: The Maddie & Tae duo will give the audience a country treat at the Swine and Goat Grandstand on Oct. 3. ABOVE: Mike DelGuidice and the Big Shot band take the stage on the night of Oct. 4 with an extensive Billy Joel catalog. (COURTESY PHOTOS)

After 18 years of playing Joel's music in his band Big Shot, DelGuidice now lives a dream come true. In October of 2013, Joel heard DelGuidice sing and personally hired Mike to join his band. DelGuidice's encyclopedic knowledge of the Billy Joel catalog made him a perfect fit as background vocalist and guitarist for Billy Joel.

DelGuidice is a brilliant vocalist and composer and a master of several instruments including bass guitar, guitar, piano and drums.

He is the author of two albums "My Street" and "Miller Place" and several of his new songs are currently under favored consideration for film

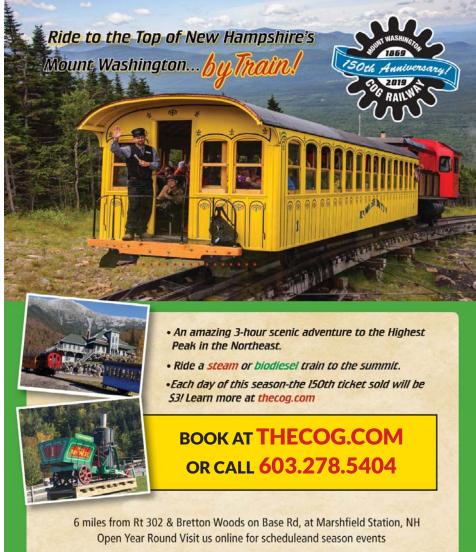
soundtracks, including DelGuidice's song, "Ordinary Guy," which is the theme song for the Keven James sitcom, "Kevin Can Wait."

Mike juggles his busy schedule with his band Big Shot along with weekly shows around the U.S. and abroad with Joel.

The Big Shot band includes multi-instrumentalist, composer, songwriter and producer Tommy Byrnes, lead saxophonist John Scarpulla, The Billy Joel Band's drummer Chuck Burgi, band pianist Carmine Giglio and bassist Nick Dimichino.

The last upcoming night show is Clark Hill, who performs on Saturday, Oct. 5.





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Fairgoers will be able to climb inside a replica Concord coach at the wagon barn at the Fryeburg Fair. (JAMIE GEMMITI PHOTO)



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the Marshalls affectionately call "the Professor," is a renowned expert on carriages. He wrote the following about the gypsy wagon on a placard displayed in

front of the piece: "Built in 1902, the delightfully decorated Vardo

wagon was built by William Wright of Spibey Lane, Rothwell Haigh, near Leeds, England. He was considered one of the foremost builders of gypsy caravans," wrote Wheeling. "Born in 1844, Wright apprenticed to a joiner, was asked to repair a living wagon and, that done, he decided that he would make gypsy caravans as his life's work."

Wheeling adds that the Hearst wagon is "an outstanding example of his work." It was built for the Lees family, one of his regular customers. In 1984, Juanita Hearst, granddaughter of the publishing tycoon. bought the vehicle and had it restored. In 2017, it was sold by a French collector to the Mar-

"It is considered perhaps the finest example of Bill Wright's work in existence today," summarizes Wheeling.

"I'm not an engineer," laughed Sut, "but we measured this wagon eight times, and it's not like we could let the air out of the tires, but we were able to get it into the barn within just an inch, so it's really something to see it where it is on display now!'

The Marshalls in the past displayed Concord Coaches built by the Abbot, Downing Co. in Concord in the 19th century. This year, they are displaying one authentic coach built in 1866, but they also have two reproduction coaches that will enable fair visitors to clamber inside, just like the people you see in Western movies such as John Ford's "Stagecoach."

"We've got some steps to make it easier for people to climb up," said Sut, who said they also provide rules pertaining to coach riding rules back in the

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The Reading Vardo gypsy wagon is seen in the wagon barn at the Fryeburg Fair. (JAMIE GEMMITI PHOTO)

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day, such as not smoking in the cabin and not discussing politics or religion. Another rule? "Abstinence from

Another rule? "Abstinence from liquor is requested, but if you must drink, share the bottle. To do otherwise makes you appear selfish and unneighborly." And, although smoking was not allowed, "chewing tobacco is permitted, but spit WITH the wind, not against it."

"With the other coaches, it's definitely a case of 'no touching,' but with these, we want to encourage people to get into the coach and see what it's like — they can imagine how it would feel to ride in one on a two-day ride, say, from Portland to the White Mountains. They are an important part of our state's history," Sut said.

Another gem on display is the Mount Washington Hotel omnibus, built in the early 1900s and used to ferry guests to and from the Fabyans railroad station from the grand hotel

that was built at Bretton Woods in 1902.

The wagon is a beauty. Notes Wheeling in an informational placard, "The vehicle did double duty when it provided excursion trips to New Hampshire's glens and notches, especially Crawford Notch and Franconia Notch."

Four broughams also are on display, including one that was in service for Britain's royal family at the Royal Mews, the official riding stables.

"The brougham is considered by some the most useful of all carriages," notes Wheeling. "The Englishman, Lord of Brougham (1767-1868) saw one and had it copied for his own use, and as a favor to his coachmaker, popularized it as THE businessman's ideal vehicle."

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The coach on display was housed at the stables of Queen Elizabeth II and was used to carry carry mail daily between Buckingham Palace and St. James Palace. One of the more utilitarian of vehicles in the queen's coach house, the carriage is identified by the royal crest, a lion surrounded by a knight's garter bearing the words, "Honi soit quimal y pense (evil to him who thinks it"). The royal crown surmounts the badge.

Another placard adds that the "brougham was the most practical vehicle ever invented. When a gentleman wanted to acquire a carriage for his coach house, it was recommended to him that his first coach be a brougham. The vehicle bears the name of the Chancellor of England, Henry Brougham, who is credited with having the first one built."

Visitors will also want to take a look at the Pony Park Drag, a rarity among coaching vehicles.

"Devotees of the sport of coaching, who wished to drive hackney ponies, or Welsh cobs or some such diminutive breed, had a smaller Park Dragon Road Coach built to accommodate them," writes Wheeling.

There is also a beer wagon from Leisy's Brewery, which began making beer in the 1870s in Cleveland, reopening after Prohibition ended and finally closing in 1958.

"Our joy is sharing our collection with people who share our love for these old carriages and wagons," said Sut, thanking Margaret for her patience with his obsession, and Wheeling for his expertise and passion for telling the history of the vehicles.

He also thanked Barbara Hoyt and Mary Miller for their flowers and decorations at the barn, as well as helpers such as his and Margaret's son Todd for patiently moving the vehicles every year to the fairgrounds, and to April DeLucchio, who gets the vehicles polished up.

"It takes a lot of work," said Sut, "but we're happy to keep on doing it as long as there is interest."

Hours for the Horse-Drawn Wagon Barn are 9 a.m-9 p.m. For more information, go to fryeburgfair.org or call (207) 935-3268.



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Most apple orchards offer pick-your-own apples and some offer additional activities. (JAMIE GEMMITI PHOTO)

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Season's events: Pumpkin People, fairs and foliage

CONWAY — Fall is a vibrant time not only for spectacular foliage but also vibrant events that celebrate the best of the season.

A few of the highlights include:

• Oct. 1-31: Return of the Pumpkin People to Jackson: The Jackson Area Chamber of Commerce welcomes the Return of the Pumpkin People for its 35th season, Oct. 1-31. Take a selfguided tour of more than 80 different locations hosting Pumpkin People displays. Maps and People Choice Award Ballots will be available by Sept. 1. Request them by calling (603) 383-9356, sending an email to info@ jacksonnh.com or pick one up at participating businesses throughout the Conway and Jackson Area. The event also features an "All Things Pumpkin" Festival," Oct. 18-31. The communities of Intervale, Glen, Bartlett, Hart's Location and Jackson offer sleigh rides with pumpkin flavored goodies, a pumpkin carving competition, pumpkin carving lessons, pumpkin tastings including, pies, cupcakes, drinks and more, open houses, contests, shopping and lodging specials.

• Oct 12-13: 22nd annual Attitash Oktoberfest: This two-day event will feature traditional Bavarian music from the world renowned King Ludwigs Band, authentic German fare as well as a Biergarten featuring 20 different local and regional breweries serving a host of seasonal beers and ciders. Kids can enjoy games offered by the MWV Children's Museum in the Kinderplatz while parents compete or watch the annual Keg Toss and Stein Lift competitions. It's fun

for the whole family. Info: attitash. com/event/oktoberfest.

• Oct. 12-14: Sandwich Fair: The picturesque town of Center Sandwich hosts this annual three-day country extravaganza, with live music, craft exhibits, rides, livestock exhibits and competitions and more. Gates open at 8 a.m. all three days and close when all the animals have finished competing and there are not enough people on the grounds for the rides to run. Grand Street Parade Sunday at 1:30 p.m. Info: the sandwich fair.org

• Oct. 12-13: Busker Festival at Settlers Green: Discover music around every corner on Columbus Day Weekend as street musicians play from noon-3 p.m. at Settlers Green and Settlers Crossing. Info: SettlersGreen.com.

• Oct. 18: Jackson White Mountain School of Art Exhibit and Sale: Display Oct. 19-20. Oct. 18 reception at 5 p.m. for unveiling of Jackson artist Erik Koeppel's epic painting, "Northern Presidentials from the Glen." Info: jacksonhistory.org.

• Oct. 18-20 and 25-27: Pumpkin Patch Express on the Conway Scenic RR: Enjoy a ride on this vintage train as it travels to the "Pumpkin Patch" in Conway, where passengers are invited to get off the train and participate in activities there. Two departures on Friday: 11:30 a.m. and 1:30 p.m., plus 3 p.m. trains on Saturdays and Sundays. Under 4 rides free in coach. Info: conwayscenic.com.

• Oct. 19: Riverfire in Berlin: See the Androscoggin River in spectacular fall bonfire glory. Info: androscoggin-

"The Nightmare before Christmas" Pumpkin People display is seen at Wentworth Inn in Jackson in 2018. (JAMIE GEMMITI PHOTO)

The 2019 Sandwich Fair will be Oct. 12-14 and includes livestock, rides and food. (COURTESY PHOTO)

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valleychamber.com.

- Oct. 20: Autumn Express: Join the Kiwanis Club of Mount Washington Valley and MWV Habitat for Humanity for a scenic foliage ride on the Conway Scenic Railroad's Notch Train. The train departs from the CSRR's North Conway station at 11 a.m. and returns at approximately 4 p.m. Included is an hour's layover at Crawford Station, across from Saco Lake (a small pond from which the the mighty Saco River originates) and adjacent to the Appalachian Mountain Club's Highland Center. Info: conwayscenic.com/blog/ autumn-express.
- Oct. 25-26; Nov. 1-2: Murder Mystery Train, Conway Scenic Railroad, "Rock, Roll and Rigor Mortis." Info: conwayscenic.com.
- Oct. 26: Halloween Town at Purity Spring Resort, East Madison: Bring the kids to Halloween Town to stop at each cabin and grab a Halloween surprise (candy and small trinkets). In addition to the Trick or Treat Trail, the event also features a bouncy house, face painting, carnival games, storytelling and a food court. This special event benefits The Laura Foundation for Autism and Epilepsy. Free admission, donation opportunities and food for sale throughout the way. info: halloweentownnh.thelaurafoundation.org/ detailed-information.
- Oct. 27: Haunted Happenings at Settlers Green: From noon-4 p.m. kids ages 12 and under trick-or-treat at Settlers Green stores. Info: SettlersGreen.com.
- Oct. 30: Mouth-Off for Halloween at Abenaki Trail lip synch contest. Info: valleypromotions.net.
 - Oct. 31: Red Parka Pub Hallow-

een Party. Info: RedParkaPub.com.

Other fall family things to do include:

- Day trips with Outdoor Escapes NH: Customize your outdoor experience with a guided day trip from Outdoor Escapes NH. From hiking and canoeing to biking and regional sightseeing tours, experience New Hampshire's nature, history, and culture with seasoned guides. Outdoor Escapes NH has a number of scheduled tours, too, that the whole family will enjoy. Redline Guiding is another option for scheduled outdoor hikes and wilderness experiences too, and Tin Mountain Conservation Center also offers up many family oriented nature programs. Info: outdoorescapesnewhampshire.com.
- Experience life on the farm at Remick Country Doctor Museum & Farm: Open year-round with workshops, monthly homeschool classes, young learner offerings and activities for all ages, enjoy everything from the September Harvest Festival to Nocturnal Adventures in October. While here, interact with sheep, goats, cows, chickens and pigs, and their offspring (in season) and see a farm at work. The only country doctor museum in New England one of only three in the United States Remick Country Doctor Museum & Farm provides year-round opportunities for visitors to engage with rural New England history, and see what life was like before screens and devices. Other museum options for the whole family include the MW Weather Discovery Observatory Center with fun learning displays for all ages. In addition, the MWV Children's Museum is perfect for the younger set, filled with everything from puppets to play toys. Info: remickmuseum.org.



The Fryeburg Fair has 3,000 campsites and many campers return annually. (JAMIE GEMMITI PHOTO)

Camping at Fryeburg Fair

BY RACHEL ANDREWS DAMON

If you want to avoid the traffic at Fryeburg Fair, just get yourself a camper and spend the week. A very popular vacation destination, Fryeburg Fair has 3,000 campsites. Many campers return annually.

Arthur Adams, 35, of Fryeburg, Maine, is the camping supervisor. He is also a local tax practitioner and part of a family that is heavily involved with the fair. His father, Terry Adams, is the treasurer and his brother, Charlie, works in the buildings and grounds department. The Adams family also owns T&A Accounting on Main Street in Fryeburg.

"The vast majority of our campers are older and come here with other family and friends. They are pretty friendly and easy to work with. It's a really fun week and enjoyable seeing everyone come back year after year,"

Adams said.

"Our campers come from mostly the New England states. We have quite a few from Canada and from as far away as Texas, California and even Germany," Adams added.

For those interested in getting a camping spot at Fryeburg Fair, call the Camping Office at Fryeburg Fair at (207) 935-2912. Sites are \$29 per night fort a regular 16-foot wide site and \$34 for a slideout 20-foot site, plus state of Maine 9 percent lodging tax. There is no minimum of nights required.

"You can stay just one night but we don't do reservations for one night. Just show up and we will find you the best possible spot possible," Adams

The Fair does not allow tents. Many employees camp at the fair all week.

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