



Hello to the Camp!

The past year has gone by too quick, but at the same time been so long. I can't wait to see you all again in June. This year we are back in Winchester, Idaho. This is the nearest town to our Pacific Primitive Rendezvous for 2023. Winchester is a small town located in northern central Idaho with a population of around 350 people. This is the end of the pavement on your trek back to the fur trapping era for 2023. Winchester itself is right around 4000 ft. elevation and usually has shorter cooler summers than local surrounding areas. We are going to be heading back to land owned by a long-time local family—The McCann's. This land has been used for farming, ranching, and logging for a long time by this family and they have allowed access for several muzzle loading events and groups. For this year I would really like to see us all focus on **Respect and Honor**. Let's please respect and honor the landowner by not tearing up his amazing land or leaving a mess. Let's honor and respect the corporation who worked very hard to establish and maintain this wonderful event by not doing anything to jeopardize it (e.g. vandalizing hooters, graffiti, etcetera). Let us continue to have fun while maintaining a quality primitive rendezvous. With this said let's take extra precautions in keeping modern things covered and not using bright LED lights.

I strongly urge campers to bring a bunch of their own water and firewood. There will be potable water on site, but it will be a hike. There will not be firewood provided, so please plan on bringing your own. We are trying to get back to the focus of campers coming prepared for their stay at our wonderful event.

A quick heads up for anyone traveling that may come through the Lewiston, Idaho area. There will be road construction between Lewiston and Winchester. I am unaware of road construction on routes from other directions. Winchester has limited lodging options available so if you come early, please plan for that. The Winchester State Park has camping spots and Yurts for stays. The Winchester Lodge has a very limited number of rooms available. Lewiston and Grangeville are the best options for last minute shopping and lodging, both towns are about an hour from the site.

Some changes campers can expect this year are that Hooters will be pumped every other day, not every day as in the past. This is to cut down on some of the vehicle traffic in camp and to help reduce costs. Please keep in mind that the rates have not been raised since the early years and the price of facilities and everything else continues to climb. More events to keep in mind are:

- Flag retirement ceremony
- Clothing exchange mainly for children. (bring one, take one)
- Singles Social
- Dutch oven cooking contest

There may be more to be updated on so please stay tuned.

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