

# Northeast Deer and Elk Farmer News



Spring 2006

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## President's Paddock by Richard Frost

Hello everybody, what an easy winter this has been so far, in this area of Vermont we have had our share of snow, however, with mild temperatures most of the snow melts within a few days. I am sure that Mother Nature will find a way to repay us later.

I recently completed my annual herd inventory for the CWD monitoring program, and in August my herd will have completed five years in this program. I hope that all of our members are enrolled in a monitoring program; most states have a mandatory CWD program, however, if your farm is not participating, PLEASE, get involved, it is not that difficult to do and will benefit you and your farm in the future.

It is almost time for your yearly NDEF convention. Our host and hostess for this year, Jim and Louanne Griswold are planning a great convention with interesting guest speakers to inform and educate us on a variety of topics including an update on NDEF's velvet marketing research grant. We also have a dinner and auction on Saturday night, plus the all-important business meeting on the morning of Sunday April 2<sup>nd</sup>. The benefit auction is a major fundraiser for NDEF and is usually good for a few laughs. Most importantly we, the Board of Directors, need the support of the members during the convention and at the business meeting.

Please plan on attending your convention, not only will you benefit from the fine agenda that the Griswold's have planned, you can also learn a lot from meeting and visiting with your fellow Deer and Elk farmers and the vendors. The convention presents a wonderful opportunity to visit with old friends, make new friends and exchange marketing ideas or learn of more economical ways to farm. I always come home from the convention weekend with information that I can use to improve my business.

I guarantee, if you attend your convention you can have a great time and you may learn a few things along the way.

I'll see you in New Hampshire,

Richard

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## Minutes of the NDEF Board of Directors Phone Conference Meeting January 18, 2006

Meeting called to order 2005 hours by Richard Frost, Pres.

On the call were the following board members: R. Frost, H. Ahern, D. Krebs, B. Root, J. Griswold, H. Dimuzio, & T. Peryea. Absent were J. Neil, T. Tuttle, & E. Dolbec.

**Item 1:** Discussion was held about an interim replacement for Diane Rowlee, our long standing, hard working secretary. She has resigned for health reasons. Henry Ahern made a motion to appoint Hank Dimuzio as interim secretary. Motion was seconded by Dick Krebs. Motion passed unanimously (there was someone grumbling in the background however!)

**Item 2:** Motion was made by Henry Ahern to change our association's insurance base from the Maine office of Family Farm Insurance to the New Hampshire branch. Motion seconded by Bob Root. This is a pro-forma change as our insurance needs to be in the state of incorporation, which is New Hampshire. Motion passed unanimously. Letter is to be crafted and sent by Henry Ahern and Hank Dimuzio.

**Item 3:** At the request of the Velvet Grant steering committee, Henry Ahern made (yes, another!) motion to authorize NDEF to retain the services of Helen Costello to manage the grant paperwork at rate of \$20.00 per hour, not to exceed \$1000.00. This will be paid out of the general fund, until additional revenues or funding can be found. Motion was seconded by Jim Griswold. Motion passed unanimously after brief discussion of the current status of the Velvet grant, velvet pool and pledges.

**Item 4:** Jim Griswold gave the board an update on the annual meeting to be held at the Wynwood Inn, Portsmouth, NH March 31-April 2, 2006.

**Item 5:** Antler contest at the annual meeting: There was further discussion concerning the use of professional scorers versus local scorers, the value of the scoring achieved for the farm on both a local and national level, and the fairness of scoring. Tom Peryea will coordinate the antler contest this year, assisted by Bob Root, Henry Ahern, and will hopefully recruit Byron Ellis and Mark Drew. Suggestions are to be forwarded to Tom before the meeting.

There being no further business, and the interim secretary having writer's cramp, the meeting was adjourned by Pres. Frost at 2115 hours.

Respectfully submitted,

Hank Dimuzio  
Interim Secretary, NDEF

## OBITUARY

WESLEY S. LANGDELL MORRISVILLE □ Wesley S. Langdell, 75, died unexpectedly Thursday, Jan. 26, 2006 at his home. He was born in Johnson on Nov. 9, 1930, the son of Leroy and Ruth (Scott) Langdell. He was a graduate of People's Academy. During the Korean War he served with the activated Morrisville National Guard Unit in Germany. He was married to Marian Fox and had one son, Michael, who predeceased him. Wes ran a dairy farm for a few years before joining the Eastern Breeding Association where he worked as a technician until his retirement in 1992, after 39 years. He had a life-long interest in animals, raising young cattle, horses and feral deer. He is survived by two brothers, Elroy and wife Mary Lou of Shelburne, Vt., and Gary and his wife Bonnie of Wolcott, Vt; three grandchildren, Mary Ann and husband Charles, Brian and wife Tonya, and Christopher; and five great-grandchildren. He is also survived by Stanely and Jackie Foss and children who have been like an extended family to Wes for many years. Also by Chuck and Jean Pratt and family, Carl and Jill Baker, John and Jaye Stein and children, and a special friend, Rachel. He will be missed by all his friends at the many coffee shops he visited. Friends are invited to a celebration of his life which will be held in des Groseliers Funeral Home, Main Street, Johnson, Monday from 2 to 7 p.m. Funeral services will be Tuesday at 1 p.m. In lieu of flowers, contributions may be made to a charity of choice. Interment will be in the Spring at the convenience of the family. Arrangements are under the direction of des Groseliers Funeral

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## News from New York

Approximately 8000 CWD samples taken and only a few out for final testing it seems that New York has dodged the bullet, so far. Of this number approximately 2000 were from the Oneida containment area, although a positive sign this does not mean that the search will end. The NYS-DEC will aggressively seek samples during the 2006 deer season, when hunter kills will be readily available for sampling.

There are several other issues that will affect the deer and elk industry in this state, some of which are the Canned Hunt Bill which has a new backer this year. Changing regulations on slaughter for sale of commercial raised exotic animals. TB testing and the cycle, should it be extended to possibly 3 years or more between test. Sales tax collections from sales of animals to hobbyist, and hunt preserves, these are just a few. This has sparked a call from some of the industry leaders in the state to arrange for a NYS Deer and Elk Farmers / Owners Organizing Meeting, to be held February 17, 06 at the Holiday Inn in Waterloo, New York, for more info and RSVP contact Martha Goodsell at [info@fallowhollow.com](mailto:info@fallowhollow.com) 607-659-4635 or Pati Vacanti at [NorthernWhite-tail@rochester.rr.com](mailto:NorthernWhite-tail@rochester.rr.com) 716-759-1515.

Congratulations to NDEF members Butch and Norma Merke of Back-Forty Elk Farm, DeRuyter, New York on there Fortieth Wedding anniversary, a surprise party was given in their honor by family and friends at the Coal Yard in DeRuyter.

See you at the convention.

Bob Root

## NADeFA Lobbying Report

Happy New Year to all of NADeFA from everyone at Capitol Hill Consulting Group. We are excited about what we were able to accomplish through our efforts this past year and even more excited about what we can do in this upcoming year.

The 2005 Agriculture Appropriations bill was passed by both the House and Senate and signed by the President last year. We were able to include within this bill language which classified deer as livestock making them eligible for the livestock assistance, compensation, and feed programs. Additionally, included within the same bill was language directing the Administrator of the Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service to publish uniform methods and rules for addressing CWD. As of the date of this report, the 90 days allotted to publish these rules has not expired, but we anticipate those rules to be published in the Federal Register by the end of January.

Another point of interest within the Agriculture Appropriations bill was a provision that gives the Secretary of Agriculture the authority to make amenable species classifications. In other words, if NADeFA were to decide to make a push to have cervids classified as an amenable species under the USDA, we would NOT need specific legislation passed by both houses making that classification. Instead, USDA Secretary Mike Johanns can make that classification on his own. Of course at this time we have NOT made any decision regarding pushing for amenable species as that is something that will need be decided by NADeFA at the upcoming conference. We remain sensitive to all of NADeFA's members and recognize that an amenable classification could have negative implications of some of our membership.

Currently we are exploring ways in which we can increase the Federal funding for the development and research of a live CWD test and vaccination. We feel this is a high priority as most all of NADeFA's problems seem to stem from CWD in one form or another. We recognize that the development of a CWD vaccination or live test will certainly take time, but it is important we lobby the Federal government to ramp up their efforts now. We have been in discussion with Dr. Katherine O'Rourke who is a research microbiologist at the USDA about their current efforts in this area as well as where private research groups are in their studies.

## State Correspondents

Please send any information or articles for inclusion in the Newsletter to the following State Correspondents:

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NORTHEAST DEER AND ELK FARMERS ASSOCIATION CONFERENCE  
AND ANNUAL MEETING

WHEN: Saturday, April 1 (no fooling!)  
Sunday, April 2

WHERE: Wynwood Hotel and Suites  
Portsmouth, NH  
www.wynwoodhotel.com

Block of rooms saved for our event.

Reservations: \$89.90 per night for a single occupancy room  
\$98.85 per night for a double occupancy room

Call early to reserve a room! (603) 436-7600; make sure and say you are  
with Northeast Deer & Elk Farmers Association

KEYNOTE ADDRESS: *The Future of Agriculture in the Northeast*  
Gary Matteson, Farmer and  
Vice Chair of the Board of Directors First Pioneer Farm Credit

**CONFERENCE THEMES:**

- Agri-tourism and the cervidae industry
- Conservation, farming, and preservation easements
- CWD: What do we do when it comes?
- The future of velvet antler: Fido?

ENTERTAINMENT & AUCTION

- Rebecca Rule, New England story teller & auctioneer
- Photo contest
- Antler competition
- Great food
- Lively conversation
- In historic Portsmouth, New Hampshire

***Watch for the conference mailing, coming soon!***

FOR MORE INFORMATION, CONTACT: Jim or Lou Ann Griswold  
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# NORTHEAST DEER & ELK FARMERS CONVENTION & ANNUAL MEETING

March 31-April 1, 2006  
Wynwood Hotel and Suites  
Portsmouth, New Hampshire

## SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

### FRIDAY, MARCH 31<sup>st</sup> – WYNWOOD HOTEL AND SUITES (Portsmouth Traffic Circle)

4:00 – 7:00 PM – Check in and registration  
Refreshments and conversation in Hotel Bar.  
4:00 on – Vendors Booth Setup  
6:00 PM – Dinner on your own (Not included in registration)  
8:00 PM – Board Meeting

### SATURDAY, APRIL 1<sup>st</sup> – WYNWOOD HOTEL AND SUITES

7:00 - 8:30 AM – Buffet Breakfast (included in Wynwood Hotel stay), Registration  
8:30 - 11:30 AM – Morning Session (Half hour break for conversation and vendors)

**KEYNOTE ADDRESS:**            *The Future of Agriculture in the Northeast*  
Gary Matteson, Farmer and  
Vice Chair of the Board of Directors  
First Pioneer Farm Credit

**MORNING THEMES:**            Northeast Agriculture in the 21<sup>st</sup> Century  
Agri-tourism and the Cervidae Industry  
Conservation, Farming and Preservation Easements

**Invited Speakers:**            Gary Matteson, Vice Chair, Board of Directors, First Pioneer Farm Credit  
Frank Reinhold, Owner, Vintner and Distiller, FlagHill Vineyard, Lee, New Hampshire  
Anna Boudreau, Executive Director, Strafford Rivers Conservancy, Dover, New Hampshire

11:30 - 12:30 – Lunch

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## SCHEDULE OF EVENTS (Continued)

12:30 - 4:00 PM – Afternoon Session (Half hour break for conversation and vendors)

**AFTERNOON THEMES:** Products for the Cervidea Industry (Antler, Meat)  
CWD and the Future

**Invited Speakers:** Henry Ahern, Bonnie Brae Farms, Plymouth, New Hampshire  
Student participants, NDEF/USDA grant (Plymouth State University)  
Gail McWilliam Jellie, Director of Agricultural Development, Department of Agriculture,  
Markets and Food, Concord, New Hampshire  
Dr. Steven Crawford, State Veterinarian, New Hampshire  
Dr. John Huntley, State Veterinarian, New York

4:00 – 5:00 PM – Free Time

5:00 – 6:00 PM – Cocktail Hour

6:00 – 8:00 PM – Dinner, Announcements of Antler, Photo Competition Winners

8:00 – 9:00 PM – Entertainment (Rebecca Rule, New England storyteller, Northwood, New Hampshire)

9:00- 10:00 – Auction (Rebecca Rule, Auctioneer)

## **SUNDAY, APRIL 17<sup>TH</sup> – WYNWOOD HOTEL AND SUITES and VELVET PASTURES ELK RANCH, LEE, NEW HAMPSHIRE**

7:00 – 8:00 – Breakfast Buffet (included with Wynwood Hotel stay)

8:30 – 10:30 – Annual Meeting

10:30 – 11:00 – NDEF Board Meeting – Check out for all others (Vendors need to breakdown booths if they have not already done so)

11:30 – 2:00 PM Farm Tour and Lunch, hosted by Jim and Lou Ann Griswold (It's on your way unless you're going to Boston or Portland...)

See Directions to the Farm Tour on Page 7

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**Directions to Velvet Pastures Elk Ranch, 95 Wednesday Hill Road, Lee, New Hampshire**

From the Portsmouth Traffic Circle, take **US 4/NH Route 16/Spaulding Turnpike** north for ~5 miles  
Take **Exit 6W** just before the tolls of the Spaulding Turnpike, continuing on US 4 West for ~7 miles  
(towards Durham)

Take NH Route 155A ramp towards UNIVERSITY OF NEW HAMPSHIRE/DURHAM

Turn **left** at end of ramp on to NH Route 155A. Follow NH Route 155A for ~0.6 miles

Turn **right** on to MAST ROAD/NH Route 155A. Continue on Mast Road/NH Route 155A for ~1.3 miles.

Turn **left** on PACKERS FALLS ROAD for ~0.6 miles

Turn **right** on JENKINS ROAD for ~0.5 miles

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## ACCOMMODATIONS AND HOTEL RESERVATIONS

The Convention and Annual Meeting will be held at the Wynwood Hotel and Suites (a Best Western motel) (<http://www.wynwoodportsmouth.com>) easily accessible just off the Portsmouth Traffic Circle in historic Portsmouth, New Hampshire. Room rates are \$89.90/night (single occupancy) and 98.85/night (double occupancy). These rates include tax and breakfast.

Please note that to obtain these rates, **RESERVATIONS MUST BE MADE BEFORE 10 March 2006.** *For reservations: Call the Wynwood Hotel and Suites at 603-436-7600.* Ask for the special rates for the Northeast Deer and Elk Farmers Association Annual Convention and Meeting when you call.

### Directions:

The Wynwood Hotel and Suites is off of Interstate 95 at Exit 5 on the Portsmouth Traffic Circle (the intersection of I-95, NH Route 1, US Route 4 and NH Route 16. It is on the seacoast, about an hour's drive from Boston, Massachusetts, Concord, New Hampshire and Portland, Maine.





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**NORTHEAST DEER & ELK FARMERS  
CONVENTION & ANNUAL MEETING**

March 31 – April 1, 2006

Wynwood Hotel and Suites

in

Historic Portsmouth, New Hampshire

**CONVENTION REGISTRATION FORM**

**FULL CONFERENCE INCLUDES:**

**Friday** informal gathering, cash bar

**Saturday** full breakfast for overnight guests, coffee breaks, luncheon, evening banquet, auction and entertainment

**Sunday** full breakfast for overnight guests, cookout & farm tour

**All Saturday and Sunday seminars and events**

	<u>Received Before 3/18/06</u>	<u>After 3/18/06</u>
Conference (NDEF Member)	\$100 ea _____	\$110 _____
Conference (NonNDEF Member)	\$120 ea _____	\$130 _____
Conference Guest (meals only)	\$65 ea _____	\$70 _____
Child \$50 ea _____	\$60 _____	
<b>Annual Dues</b>	\$40 _____	\$40 _____
<b>Total</b>	\$ _____	\$ _____
<b>We plan to attend farm Tour</b>	<b>Yes</b>	<b>No</b>

**Please make checks payable to NDEF and mail to:**

**Jim Griswold**

**Velvet Pastures Elk Ranch**

**95 Wednesday Hill Road,**

**Lee, New Hampshire 03824**

**Phone: 603-659-6972**

**email: [jgriswold@haleyaldrich.com](mailto:jgriswold@haleyaldrich.com)**

**\*\* FOR MEMBERSHIP PRICING STATUS, PLEASE BE SURE TO INCLUDE DUES PAYMENT \*\***

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**NORTHEAST DEER & ELK FARMERS  
HARD ANTLER COMPETITION AND SCORING**

The NDEF Annual Hard Antler Contest will be held on April 1<sup>st</sup> at the Annual Convention at the Wynwood Hotel and Suites, Portsmouth, New Hampshire.

Antlers entered will be judged as pairs and may be sheds or cut off, harvested within the past 14 months. All antlers will be scored using SCI scoring techniques, using a predetermined width credit. There will be five age classes for both Red Deer and Elk, with two categories of awards for each. There will be an open class for the fallow deer with two awards.

All NDEF members are invited to enter, with the entry fee set at \$10.00 per set.

**DETAILS**

NDEF membership is required for participation.

Antlers must have been cut or cast in the past 14 months.

Judges' decisions will be final.

All antlers will be tagged before entry

Winning antlers will be displayed at the auction/banquet.

Red Deer and Elk will have 5 age groups: 2 year, 3 year, 4 year, 5 year and mature. Fallow will have open class.

Awards in each group will be given to the 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> highest scoring pair.

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**Entry Form  
2006 NDEF Hard Antler Competition**

ID number attached to each set of antler \_\_\_\_\_

Year of Birth \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Owner \_\_\_\_\_

Farm/Ranch Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Fax \_\_\_\_\_

Subspecies \_\_\_\_\_

- Please fill out a separate application for each set of antler you want to enter in the competition

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**NORTHEAST DEER & ELK FARMERS  
2006 BENEFIT AUCTION**

The benefit auction is the financial mainstay of our organization. Donated items make this event possible. Please list and ship your auction donations early so they can be properly displayed giving you credit throughout the Convention.

**All NDEF members THANK YOU!**

\_\_\_\_\_ \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
Donated Auction Item(s) value

\_\_\_\_\_ \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
Donated Auction Item(s) value

Name(s): \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Farm / Company \_\_\_\_\_

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Fax: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

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Questions? Call Jim during the day (603-391-3308) or evening (603-659-6972)

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CONVENTION & ANNUAL MEETING  
March 31 – April 2, 2006**

**Wynwood Hotel and Suites  
Portsmouth, New Hampshire**

**EXHIBITOR INFORMATION**

Northeast Deer & Elk Farmers is an association with more than 100 members actively involved in the industry of commercially farming deer and elk. Our membership area covers the six New England States, New York State and Southeastern Canada.

The Convention and Annual Meeting normally draws a stay-over group of 60-80 persons. All of these persons are either already in the business or seriously considering. They are buyers of a wide range of feed, fencing, advertising material and livestock related equipment, buildings and accessories.

**EXHIBITOR REGISTRATION FORM**

***REGISTRATION FEE INCLUDES:***

Space 10' w x 8' d w/8' table and chairs. Setup on Friday after 4:00 PM through Sunday a.m. Convention attendees will be arriving Friday evening through Sunday. Teardown may take place between 8-9 a.m. and 11-noon Sunday.

**Friday evening:** Informal gathering & cash bar

**Saturday:** Coffee breaks included in registration. Luncheon & banquet/auction *optional*

**Sunday:** Cookout & farm tours included

<b>Exhibitor- Member</b>	\$65/space _____
<b>Exhibitor-non-member</b>	\$75/space _____
<b>Optional Saturday lunch</b>	\$30/per person _____
<b>Optional Saturday dinner</b>	\$35/per person _____
<b>Annual Dues</b>	\$40/each _____
<b>Total</b>	\$ _____

**Make checks payable to NDEF and mail (or ship auction items) to Jim Griswold, Velvet Pastures Elk Ranch, 95 Wednesday Hill Road, Lee, New Hampshire 03825 (603-659-6972)**

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**NORTHEAST DEER & ELK FARMERS  
2006 PHOTO CONTEST ENTRY FORM**



You may enter **ONE** photo to the following categories: **Buck/Stag/Bull; Fawns/Calves; Group.** (We will not be separating them into species).

Photos previously entered are not allowed.

Awards will be given for 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> or 3<sup>rd</sup> in each category and one in Best in Show.

Entries will be accepted up to 10:00 AM on Sat. April 1<sup>st</sup>. Please have name, animal name and age of animal(s) on back.

Format: Preferable size is 8”X10” others accepted

Category \_\_\_\_\_

Year of Birth \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Owner \_\_\_\_\_

Farm/Ranch Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Fax \_\_\_\_\_

Subspecies \_\_\_\_\_



***NDEF 2006 IN HISTORIC PORTSMOUTH!***

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**Don't delay...the special conference hotel rates are good only until March 10. Call for room reservations and mail your convention registration today**

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### Beer Sauce

1/2 cup molasses  
1/2 cup chili sauce  
1/2 cup onions, minced  
1 tsp. Worcestershire sauce  
1/2 cup beer  
salt and pepper to taste  
1/4 cup prepared mustard

For each pound of ground venison, mix meat with 1/4 cup evaporated milk, onion, salt, pepper and a dash of Worcestershire sauce.

### NDEF Membership/Renewal Application

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Farm/Company Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City/State/Province/Country/Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Fax \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail \_\_\_\_\_ Web Address \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ New Membership \_\_\_\_\_ Renewal Membership    Is above an Address Change?    \_\_\_\_\_ Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No

Currently Own Deer? \_\_\_\_\_ Type of Deer Owned \_\_\_\_\_ # of Deer Owned \_\_\_\_\_

Topics of Interest \_\_\_\_\_

Do you wish to be included in the Association Website?    \_\_\_\_\_ Yes    \_\_\_\_\_ No

Do you wish to be included in the Association Directory?    \_\_\_\_\_ Yes    \_\_\_\_\_ No

Sponsored by/Referred by: \_\_\_\_\_

To join or renew membership in the Association, complete the information above with a check or money order for \$40, mail to:

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