



CAPRINE OUTING
2008
SEPTEMBER 19-21, 2008
4-H Camp Owahta, Solon, New York



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What is Caprine Outing?

Caprine Outing is a 3-day goat workshop series for all goat raisers sponsored every two years by Cornell Cooperative Extension. It will be held on September 19-21 at 4-H Camp Owahta in Solon, NY 12 miles from Cortland and the intersection of I-81 and Rt 13 (exit 11 off of 81).

We have several new workshops as well as old favorites to offer in 2008. Darrell Emmick, the USDA - NRCS Grazing Management Specialist who helped Pat Bloomer at Windsong Farm and many others set up their pastures, will talk on managing goat pastures. Linda Garrison-Tikofsky, DVM, from Cornell Quality Milk Production Services will speak on "Keeping udders and milk healthy". Carol Delaney will report on a Vermont project where nutritionists worked with goat dairies to better formulate diets to increase milking performance while reducing the incidence of acidosis. Producers who attend the Integrated Parasite Management workshop and participate in the "How to do fecals and do FAMACHA scoring" station will be able to obtain FAMACHA charts for \$9.00 during the Outing. Geoff and Nancy Masterman from Superior Semen Works will offer an Intensive Artificial Insemination Course during the outing for \$40 per person or \$70 per farm. They will be collecting bucks at a centralized point while in New York and ask that you contact them at (603) 512-5546 or superiorsemenworks@yahoo.com to find out when and where the collection point will be.

In the past, many youth have made pack saddles at Caprine Outing. However, we have not had strapping and hardware available for actually using these on your goats. Our pack goat team will have an activity as part of "Building goat equipment" where youth can bring their saddles from past years and equip them with strapping. They will also get patterns for making soft panniers, etc. All youth making saddles this year will also be equipping them with strapping. The meal on Friday night is potluck and includes a **Goat Dish Cook-Off**. To participate in the Cook-off, prepare your favorite dish that includes a goat product (be it meat, cheese or milk or???) and bring a copy of the recipe. We'll have some special prizes.

As well as our regular workshop series, we'll offer 3 special classes just for teens, at least 2 hands-on workshops for 9 to 12 year olds and a Children's Program for the 9 and under crowd (runs from 10:30 am to 5:30 pm on Saturday). If you have children with no interest in these activities and will be unable to supervise them yourself, please reconsider bringing them. Refer to the NY 4-H Goat website at <http://www.ansci.cornell.edu/4H/goats/CaprineOuting08.pdf> starting July 15th for future refinements to the Caprine Outing schedule and names of workshop leaders.

4-H Camp Owahta is beautiful but rustic. Sleeping arrangements range from large cabins with electricity and sometimes wood heat to covered unheated lean-tos that house 8 to 10 people. Almost all beds are bunk beds. There are a few small rooms with electricity available. Private tents and campers are permitted on the premises. The dining hall is large and warm and our other main workshop room is equipped with wood heat. Bathrooms are modern and showers have hot water. There is a large covered pavilion and two small tent pavilions for activities with live goats, so we should be able to stay dry regardless of weather. However, if you prefer less rustic housing we have blocked rooms at the Ramada Inn, 2 River Street, Cortland, NY) for \$75/room of up to 4, plus tax. To get the blocked rates, you need to make your reservations by **Sept. 4th** and state that you are with "**Caprine Outing**". You can also call the Cortland Area Innkeepers Association (1-800-314-4667) to see if local Bed and Breakfasts have rooms available. Be sure to bring flashlights, sleeping bags and towels if staying at the camp. Bring rain gear regardless.

Food costs for the Outing have increased and we anticipate that some of our volunteers will need help to defray fuel costs. Therefore, we have regretfully raised the registration fee for adults attending the outing to \$30. The fee for youth will stay the same. We are really counting on your donations of food, firewood, woodshop supplies, raffle items, time/labor etc. Volunteers are crucial to the success of the Outing! The fee of \$30 for adults and \$20 for children includes meals and housing at the camp. There is an additional fee for the kits used in the "building goat equipment" workshop for teens and children. Donations are greatly needed for our Sunday raffle to help defray the cost of the Outing. Please spread the word about this event. Raising goats is challenging. Learning from others and in turn sharing your own experiences helps to make it more rewarding.

NEW YORK STATE CAPRINE OUTING
SEPTEMBER 19-21, 2008
TENTATIVE SCHEDULE

- Please check <http://www.ansci.cornell.edu/4H/goats/CaprineOuting08.pdf> for updates

Friday, September 19

5:00 - 10:00 pm Registration and cabin assignment – Lodge
6:00 - 7:30 pm Sports – Playfield
6:00 - 7:30 pm Goat Dish Cook-off, Potluck Dinner and Reception – Lodge
7:00 - 9:00 pm Promoting your goat product -- what works – Patty Forbes, Milk Maid Soaps and Lotions – Nurse's Cottage
7:00 - 9:00 pm Setting up a goat dairy - Carol Delaney, Vermont Small Ruminant Dairy Specialist – Day Camp Bldg
7:00 - 9:30 pm Teen Icebreaker – Melanie Soberon -Craftroom
7:00 - 9:00 pm Informal Goat Bowl for the non-teen crowd – JoEllen Roehrig – Nature Lodge
7:30 - 10:00 pm Social Hour for non-teens - Lodge

Saturday, September 20

7:30 am Breakfast - Lodge
8:30 - 11:00 am "How to" Practicals (these stations will rotate together roughly every 20 - 25 minutes) –
Station 1 – Milking does and bottle feeding kids - Pavillion – Evy Crumb, Ellen Phelps
Station 2 – How to tell if your goat is sick (includes a Q/A section) - Elisa Emiliano, Cornell Vet School – Lawn
Station 3 – Teaching goats to pack and drive – (alternates between packing (Janet & Mark Collier) and driving (Karen Gunning & Abel Stanton) - Pack Tent
Station 4 – Goat health skills (vaccinating, tubing, IV'ing, dealing with dystocia, disbudding, castrating) – Joanne Bicknese, DVM, Lupe Bernal, Mike Ashdown, Joe Diehl
Station 5 – How to trim hooves, disbud, eartag, tattoo, drench – Mike Ashdown, Pam White, Danielle Uppon, Laura Beth Harthan, Susan Coyle - Pavillion
Station 6 –Getting your goat ready to show (alternates between dairy and meat goats) – Day Camp Porch – Ashley Diehl, Levi Tinney, P.J. Alexander, Laura Beth Harthan
8:30 - 9:30 am Introduction to meat goat raising – Kathy McIssac – Nature Lodge
8:30 - 9:30 am Introduction to dairy goat raising – Patsy Graham – Craftroom
8:30- 10:00 am Making Mozzarella – Holly Phillips – Nurse's Cottage
9:30 - 10:30 am Keeping udders and milk healthy - Linda Garrison-Tikofsky, DVM, Cornell Quality Milk Production Services - Craftroom
9:30 - 11:30 am Goat Feeding for teens – Debbie Cherney and Doug Hogue, Cornell University – Nature Lodge
9:30 -12:30 pm Cooking with Goat – Robert White, Cornell Hotel School - Lodge
10:30 - 11:30 am Basics of Goat Nutrition (bring hay samples and feed stuffs for physical evaluation) – Peter VanSoest, Cornell University - Craftroom
10:00 - 11:30 am Making "melt & pour" goat milk soaps - Kelly Tsakoumag – Nurse's Cottage
10:30 am-5:30 pm Children's Program - roughly 9 and under crowd – (Victoria Badalamenti, Marie Roenke, Kay Kotwica, etc.) – Meet at Shop
11:00 am-12:30 pm **Building Goat Equipment** (for signed up youth) – pack equipment - Pack Tent w/ Mark Collier and Paul Alexander, All others - Day camp w/ Mike Suci and Mel Stearns
11:00 am-12:30 pm "The Sweet Shop" - Making goat milk fudge (geared towards teens & adults) – (Karen Duboy) – Nurse's Cottage
11:30 am-12:30 pm Play field available for teen sports
11:30 am-12:30 pm Feeding the lactating doe – Carol Delaney – Craftroom
11:30 am-12:30 pm Establishing and managing goat pastures – Darryl Emmick, USDA - NRCS Grazing Management Specialist - Craftroom
12:30 - 1:30 pm Lunch - Lodge
1:30 - 2:30 pm Causes of Weight Loss and Illthrift in Goats – Mary Smith, DVM Cornell Ambulatory Service - Lodge
1:30 - 2:30 pm "So you want to show goats" – hands-on coaching for dairy goats and meat goats – P.J. Alexander, Laura Beth Harthan, Kay Kotwica, Ellen Phelps, etc. – Meet at Pavillion
1:30 - 2:30 pm Consultations on Goat Feeding – Doug Hogue and Peter VanSoest will each meet with a separate group of folks – Side Porch Lodge
1:30 - 3:00 pm Goat Fiber and Leather Crafts for roughly 10-12 yr olds – Nature Lodge
1:30 - 3:00 pm Making Goat Sausage – Donald Ziemendorf – Nurse's Cottage
1:30 - 5:30 pm **Building Goat Equipment** (for signed up youth, we will stagger your start times) - same crew as morning – Day Camp/Pack Tent
2:30 - 4:00 pm Mad Vet Science for teens (includes partial necropsy and diagnostic tools – Dr. Mary Smith, DVM (adults can sit in back row if they help clean up) - Craftroom
Evaluating Dairy Goat Breeding Stock Conformation and Soundness –Peter Snyder – Meet at Pavillion
2:30 - 4:00 pm Integrated Parasite Management in Goats – Lodge (Dr. Dwight Bowman, Parasitologist, Cornell Vet School)
2:30 - 3:30 pm Working with Goat Fibers – Carding, Spinning, Knitting, Weaving – Kristin Pufpaff – Side Porch Lodge
3:00 - 6:00 pm Making Goat Soaps (For adults & teens who previously signed up) – (Kelly & Pia Tsakoumagos)- Nurse's Cottage
3:00 - 4:30 pm "Goats in the Kitchen!" for roughly 10-12 yr olds – (Karen Duboy) – Nature Lodge
3:30 - 4:30 pm Choosing a guardian animal for your goat herd – Doni DeVincent – meet at side porch of lodge
3:40 - 4:30 pm 4:40 - 5:30 pm "How to" Practicals (50 minutes each, pick only two)
Station 1 – Training goats to pack and drive – Janet Collier and Abel Stanton – Pack tent
Station 2 – So you want to show goats – hands-on coaching – dairy and meat goats –meet at Pavillion
Station 3 – Felting – Kristin Pufpaff – Side Porch Lodge
4:00 - 9:00 pm **Intensive Artificial Insemination (we will bring you dinner, previously signed up, \$40) –(Superior Semen Works) - Craftroom**
4:00 - 5:00 pm Raising Miniature Goats – Phyllis Walsh - Lodge
4:30 - 5:30 pm Evaluating Meat Goat Breeding Stock Conformation and Soundness – Brett Lindsay – Meet at Pavillion
4:30 - 5:30 pm Doing fecal samples and FAMACHA exams – Nature Lodge (Dwight Bowman, Janice Liotta, Pam White) – Nature Lodge
5:30 - 7:00 pm Chicken and goat and veggie barbeque - Lodge
6:30 -9:30 pm Making Cheddar, Queso Blanco and Ricotta – Holly Phillips and Mary Ellen Stearns – Nurse's Cottage
7:00 - 9:00 pm Teen Goat Bowl – Nature Lodge (JoEllen Roehrig) – Nature Lodge
7:00 - 9:00 pm Campfire, Skits and S'mores – Fire Pit
7:00 - 8:30 pm Producer panel on goat raising and marketing - Lodge
9:00 - 10:00 pm Social Hour in the Lodge

Sunday, September 21

8:00 am Breakfast - Lodge
8:30 am -12:00 pm Building Goat Equipment (for signed up youth) – Mel Stearns and Mike Suci - Day Camp
9:00 - 12:00 pm Making Feta and Chevre – Sharon Crumb – Nurse's Cottage
9:00 - 11:00 am Making Goat Milk Soap - - Patty Forbes, Milk Maid Soaps and Lotions - Lodge
9:00 - 10:30 am Goat Reproduction – Doni DeVincent, Liberty Ladies Dairy Goats - Craftroom
10:30 - 11:30 am Marketing and Pricing Meat Cuts – Maryrose Livingston, Northland Sheep Farm - Shop
9:00 am- 12:00 pm "How to" practicals (3 rotations) Station 1 - Training goats to pack & drive – Mark & Janet Collier, Abel Stanton, Katie Gray – Pack

tent

Station 2 – Training your goat to show – basic and advanced showmanship

Station 3 – Evaluating fecal samples and doing FAMACHA exams – Pamela White and tatiana Stanton

Station 4 – Basic goat handling and health skills – Marie Roenke, etc.

9:00 & 11:00 am

Nature walks with goats (one-hour hikes) – meet at Playfield

12:00 pm

Raffle of goat equipment, Evaluation and Lunch (please note bag lunches will be available, but no evaluation, no lunch!) - Lodge

2008 CORNELL CAPRINE OUTING REGISTRATION FORM
September 19-21
4-H Camp Owahta, Cortland County
Solon, New York
Registration deadline - September 5, 2008

Please duplicate this form as necessary for each participant.

Name _____
(please print)

Address _____

_____ Zip _____

Telephone _____ Email: _____ County _____

I am (please check all that apply):

___ Adult ___ Youth ___ Age (**PLEASE, we need your age if you are a youth!!!**)

**Children under the age of 16 must be accompanied by an adult.*

My primary interest is: ___ Dairy Goats ___ Meat Goats ___ Fiber Goats ___ Recreational Goats

Check if you plan to attend the following events:

___ **Intensive Artificial Insemination Workshop** (Saturday, 4:00-9:00 pm) **there is an extra fee for this class (\$40 person or \$70 per pair from same family, farm, or 4-H group. Enrollment limited to 20 people).**

___ Making Cold Process Goat Soap (Saturday, 1:30-4:30 pm or Sunday, 8:30 to 11:30 am. Enrollment in each course limited to 17 individuals or pairs, Limited to teens and adults as lye will be handled. Pairs will need to share the bar of soap they make with each other. Please note -We have two other soap workshops involving no lye where younger teens and children are welcomed). If part of a pair, who are the two members of the pair?

___ **Children's Program** - Aimed at roughly the 9 yr old and under crowd, runs from 10:30 am to 5:30 pm on Saturday. Children under 5 should have a parent with them unless other arrangements are made with the counselors. Activities include butter and cheese making, goat cart rides, ice cream making (kick the bucket), a new "barnyard" felting activity, story telling, goat scavenger hunt, sports, "what's wrong with this goat pen" and "eat like a goat".

___ **Goats in the Kitchens** and/or **Goat Fiber and Leather Crafts** for the roughly 10-12 yr old crowd. We need an estimate to "line up" supplies.

___ I plan to sleep over in the cabins at the camp: ___ Friday night ___ Saturday night

I will need these meals:

Saturday ___ Breakfast ___ Lunch ___ Dinner

Sunday ___ Breakfast ___ Lunch

Please contact tatiana Stanton (607-254-6024 tls7@cornell.edu) to help out with:

___ Leading a workshop - we are still seeking a 4-H group to teach "milking does and bottle feeding kids and could use additional help in the hands-on and product making workshops

___ One-on-one showmanship (best with lots of mentors)

___ Monitoring carpentry sessions or lending of hammers, electric screw drivers, etc., or donating supplies

___ Assisting with the Children's Program

___ Providing goat milk for hands-on workshops

Please contact Terry Kinsman (607)255-4503 tbk1@cornell.edu to help out with:

___ Friday reception (cheese, fruit juices, crackers, etc.)

___ Donations of food - fresh garden produce, fruit, eggs, corn, juices, s'more makings, cereal, pancake mix, and other breakfast items including breakfast meats)

___ Donations of firewood

___ Table setting, clearing, dishwashing

___ Raffle items for Sunday's raffle

___ Sunday clean-up

Remember, the meal on Friday night is potluck and includes a goat disk cook-off!

Goat Equipment Kits for the "building goat equipment workshop" or "equipping your pack goat workshops" – limited to youth

Children and teens have a choice of 1 of 4 precut wooden kits. These kits must be assembled during Caprine Outing. Kits are limited to one per child. Youth who already have saddles from past Caprine Outings can also order strapping kits. (Contact Tro Bui at (607) 255-4505 for possible scholarships).

___ Yes, I want to get a kit (must be 18 and under, check the kit you want-registration fee does not include price of kit)

___ disbudding crate kit (\$12), ___ hay manger kit (\$10), ___ show or kidding box kit (\$5), ___ pack saddle kit (\$14), ___ strapping kit (\$8)

(disbudding crate kit does not include aluminum headpiece, pack kit includes strapping but not panniers, strapping kit is for youth who already have pack saddles but need to 'rig' them)

FEES

___ **Registration Fee** (\$30 per adult; \$20 per youth)

___ **Intensive Artificial Insemination Workshop Saturday** (\$40, or \$70 for two family members)

___ **Goat Equipment Kit** (varies depending on the kit you choose)

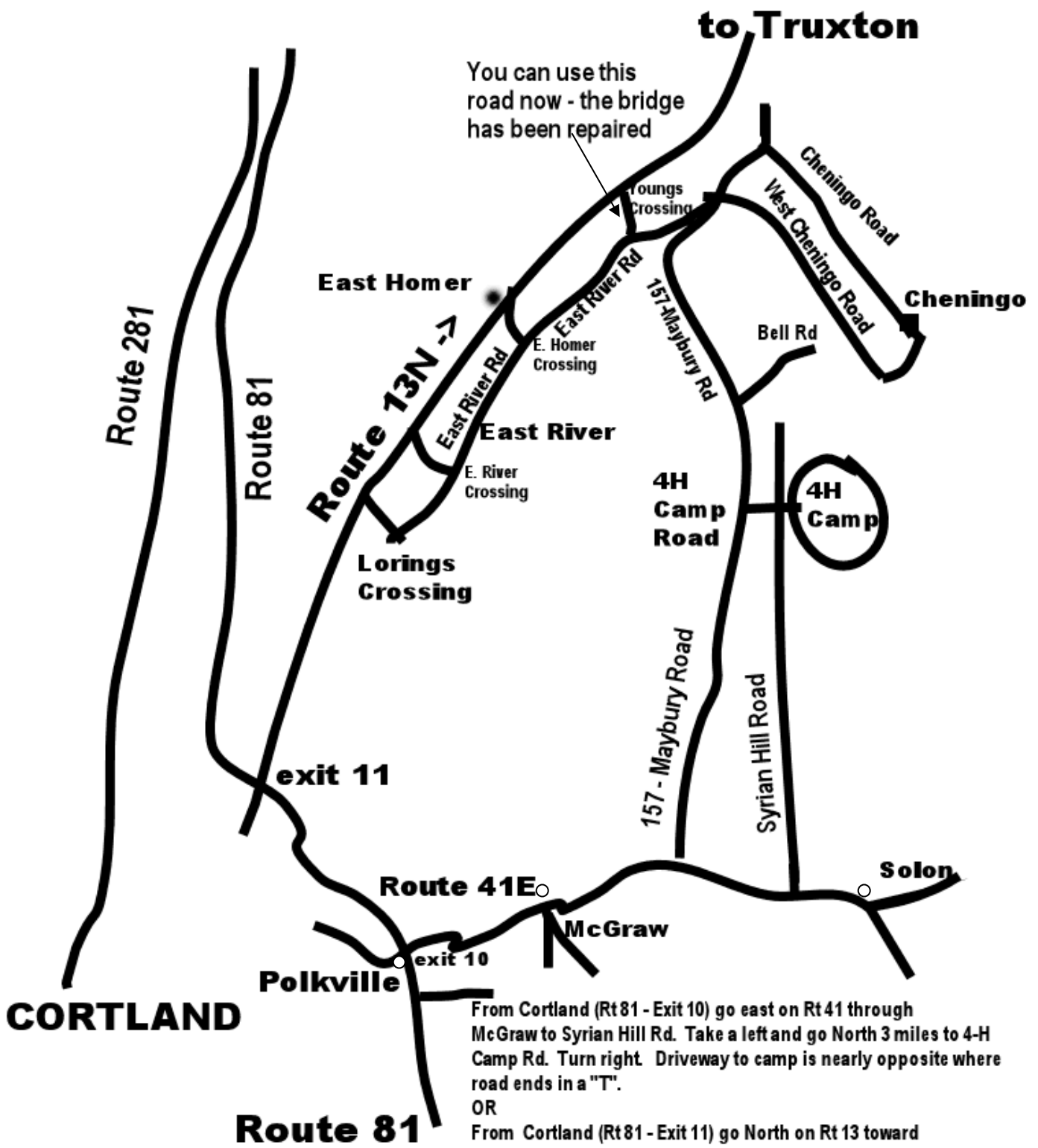
___ Enclosed please find my check made payable to **Cornell University**. (It is not necessary to write a separate check for each participant.)

___ Please bill our county.

_____ Authorized County Signature

Mail to: Terry Kinsman, Department of Animal Science, Cornell University, 128 Morrison Hall, Ithaca, NY 14853, (**September 8th deadline**).

Questions? Please contact tatiana Stanton or Tro Bui, 607-254-6024; e-mail tls7@cornell.edu



You can use this road now - the bridge has been repaired

From Cortland (Rt 81 - Exit 10) go east on Rt 41 through McGraw to Syrian Hill Rd. Take a left and go North 3 miles to 4-H Camp Rd. Turn right. Driveway to camp is nearly opposite where road ends in a "T".
 OR
 From Cortland (Rt 81 - Exit 11) go North on Rt 13 toward Truxton. Turn right at Lorings Crossing, East River Crossing or East Homer Crossing. Turn left onto E. River Rd. When you get to Maybury Rd (Rt 157), take a very hard right onto Maybury Rd. 4-H Camp Rd. is the 2nd road on the left about 3 miles out. Turn left onto 4-H Camp Rd. Driveway to camp is nearly opposite where road ends in a "T"