

**AR HOGS SMART NEWSLETTER**  
**NATIONAL MUSTER, 2019**

Our September 27, 2019 muster was held in Urbanna Virginia. The Wise, Smith's and both sets of Duckworth's came together from Arkansas. The Hensley's and Harts came from Arkansas also but on different dates. We met the Hughes here, Christine and Paul and the Bennett's. It was an enjoyable trip but no fall colors yet. They are starting to appear here though. The Beth Page Resort is huge and has lots of amenities. We have tried all the restaurants and eaten way too much. We had 10 rigs represented.

Herb Wise was our flag man and is working on several new items. Very exciting! We were represented at the hand and foot games by Christine Hughes. Incidentally, she was the big first place winner for a total of \$78.00. Way to go Christine!! Several of us took the Jamestown/Yorktown tour and several went into Colonial Williamsburg tour. A group of us took the River boat tour and got to see the boats/ships at the Naval Station. The Arlington was in dock, but had armed guard patrolling the deck.

Also, we received the Outstanding Chapter for the fifth time in a row. Congratulations and thank you to all for helping this to happen.

**Now to Business:** I need to know right away who will be at Lake Catherine on 16-20 October.

Tentative Schedule is as follows: 16<sup>th</sup> everyone is on their own.

17<sup>th</sup> Dinner provided by Bob and Lisa. Beginning of crafts. If the boat is still running, we will take the boat ride. It's free.

18<sup>th</sup> Start/Finish our craft project. Dinner at the "Filling Station."

19<sup>th</sup> Breakfast of biscuits and gravy, eggs and bacon. We will have the meeting at two o'clock, followed by a light supper of burgers. Bring what ever sides you wish. Also, remember to bring your set ups and drinks.

**NOVEMBER MUSTER ALERT!!!!!!!!!! MESSAGE FROM GEORGE SMITH**

**FIRST, I WOULD LIKE TO APOLOGIZE FOR NOT GETTING THIS OUT SOONER. HE SENT IT IN JULY AND I DID NOT CATCH IT. MY APOLOGIES.**

OK. I received the official ok from Treasure Lake management.

The rates are better than I expected. Normal guest rates are \$20 per night; however he is giving our muster rally a rate of \$17 per night for full hook up sites. Most sites are 50 amp. The website for the park is <https://tresort.com> and will explain a lot of the park features. In the event that anyone wants to attend but can't come in their RV for some reason, the park has a number of rental units available at a special rate for our muster.

Branson really goes all out for veterans and their spouses during that week. Please see the following website for an idea of what to expect:

<https://www.bransonveterans.com/vetweek.html> .. As time passes, there will be more events added to the list.

When I go, I normally try to arrive around the 4<sup>th</sup> and normally leave on the 12<sup>th</sup>, depending on the weather. Weather in Branson during that period may range from shirt-sleeve to light jackets. I have been at the parade where it was well into the 70s and sunscreen was needed.

As time progresses, I will have to furnish Treasure Lake with a list of attendees and their RVs. For rental units, time is a little more critical because of the limited number and the variation in type. I believe I can reserve those beginning in early August, or about 90 days before arrival however they may hold me to a 60 day reservation period.

I'll be happy to answer any questions that you or any of our members may have.

PLEASE, PLEASE LET HIM KNOW AS FAST AS POSSIBLE. THANKS

We are still trying to fill officers' positions. We need a Vice President, Secretary and Muster Master. Christian Eck has said that he will remain President and Nita Taylor has said she would like to be treasurer. Please step up and Volunteer. The Muster schedule is almost filled so that will make it a lot easier for the Muster Master. The schedule has been outlined in the meeting minutes.

Let us also keep our members that were unable to attend in our thoughts and prayers. Carolyn Eck made it through her surgery quite nicely. She will require rehab for a while yet, but she is raring to go. We've had some with virus's migraines and seasonal allergies. Safe travels to all. Hope to see you all real soon.

Happy Trails