The Class of 1966 Lodge, formerly known as Harris Cabin II, had its primary construction finished in the Summer of 2008. The Lodge is built on the site of the Harris Cabin I. Part of the '66 Lodge fireplace was originally part of Harris Cabin I. The project was conceived by hundreds of student volunteers.

Chris Polashenski '07 and built over the course of 3 years by

**Description**

The Class of '66 Lodge is designed for large groups of up to 49 individuals and can meet both social and classroom requirements. The lodge has ample counter space and cookware to feed large groups and sufficient tables and chairs to set up family style meals as well as classroom type settings. The building features a kitchen, a main gathering room, an upstairs sleeping room, and several decks and lofts. The building is insulated, relatively airtight, and heats to a modest temperature with decks and lofts.

**Location and Access**

'66 Lodge trailhead is located off of Three Mile Road in the village of Etna; parking is limited to 6 compact spaces in winter and 8 in the other seasons. The lodge is 0.4 mile from the parking area and is reached by a beautiful and mostly level trail which averages around a 15 minute walk from the road. There is no vehicle access.

**Directions**

From the Dartmouth Green, follow East Wheelock Street up and over Balch Hill and down to the village of Etna in 4.3 miles. When you come to the T-junction in Etna, turn left onto Etna Road. After 0.8 miles, turn right onto Ruddsboro Road, follow it along the brook for 1.5 miles, and turn left onto the dirt road Three Mile Road. About 1.3 miles from Ruddsboro Road, the AT crosses the road (you’ll see trail signs) but keep going. At the bottom of a hollow, you’ll see a small dirt parking area on the right, labeled “No Camping” — you can park here and follow the trail to '66 Lodge. For more directions, visit the website http://outdoors.dartmouth.edu and follow the link to the 66 Lodge page to find the online map.

**Recreational Opportunities**

Located near the Appalachian Trail, this facility is a wonderful base for ski touring and snowshoeing in the winter as well as for hiking year-round.

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**USE OF FACILITIES**

1. **Friendly Do-Not’s**
   - Please do not use candles. They often make a mess and are a fire hazard.
   - Please do not split wood inside the Lodge. Use the chopping block/stump outside by the woodshed.
   - Please do not let your group get out of control.

2. **Supplies**

   The ‘66 Lodge is equipped with bunks, mattresses, two wood stoves and firewood. Cleaning supplies, matches, cooking equipment, plates, cups and eating utensils are provided. However, the DOC cannot guarantee the inventory. It may be advisable to bring a few basic utensils with you as well as any special cooking equipment you may need. Additionally, basic cleaning supplies and toilet paper are provided as a courtesy but cannot be guaranteed. Some mattresses are provided, but no sheets or blankets. The two-stall outhouse is the only toilet facility. There is no refrigerator or dishwasher.

3. **Drinking Water**

   The untreated stream water is piped in during the summer months, but must be obtained directly from the brook after freeze up. A deep pool in the stream area ensures water supply is available year round.

   **CAUTION:** Although most people use the drinking water without problems, you should realize that you do so at your own risk. Boiling the water will eliminate potential problems.

4. **Firewood**

   A supply of firewood is maintained. It is cut to stove length and stacked in and around the woodshed. It may not be split! You may use a DOC axe/maul or bring your own for splitting stove wood. Please use any wood stacked outside of the woodshed first.

5. **Wood Stoves**

   Two wood stoves supply heat in the winter, and a large stone chimney forms the centerpiece of the room. Use of the fireplace incurs an extra fee ($35) for its wood consumption.

   **How to use a Wood Stove:** First, clean out the firebox and the ash receptacles **only if the ashes are cold**. Using the ash bucket, take the cold ashes immediately to the outside ash trashcan, marked “ASHES,” by the stream. Cabins have burnt down from improper handling of ashes. Then build a fire using paper and fine-cut kindling in the firebox. You should also open the draft/flue controls for the firebox - this allows the maximum amount of air to enter the firebox so the fire will start quickly. It is often helpful to start the draft by lighting a piece of paper and placing it back near the flue before you light the kindling. Once the fire is started it should burn quickly, so be prepared to add more wood. After the fire is burning well you can adjust the draft controls to regulate the rate of burning. Open drafts give a fast burning fire but use more wood; closing them down along with the flue control in the pipe will keep more heat in the Lodge and consume less wood, but this requires a good bed of hot coals to begin with. Always open the flue before opening the door to avoid smoke in the room.

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6. Gas

’66 Lodge is equipped with gas lights and a 6 burner range cook stove. Follow posted directions for their use. Be careful not to break the fragile ash "mantle" in the gas lights! Make sure that all gas lights and cook stove are turned when you leave. Do not turn off the gas at the outdoor tanks or close any blue valves. Never tamper with the metal clamps that hold the glass globes in place.

7. Food Storage

Food stored in anything other than a can or jar attracts rodents, porcupines, etc. Cardboard and plastic are easily chewed through. Keep any food that animals could get at in a cabinet or drawer. Also keep any paper products (towels, toilet paper), matches, and bar soap there, too.

8. Trash

Please burn all the used paper products. All left over food and unburnable refuse must be carried out. No exceptions. You need to provide your own trash bags.

9. Dish Washing Suggestions

Plan ahead. Put two large pots full of water on the stove before you sit down to eat. After the meal, hot water will be ready for use. Half fill a plastic washbasin with warm water, pour in soap, and stir. Wash dishes normally, placing them in the wire dish rack to be rinsed. When all dishes are washed, rinse out the washbasin and place it under the dish rack. Pour rinse water over the rack and into the washbasin. This way rinse water can be used more than once. Leave dishes, etc. in the rack to air dry. Always store all pots and pans, dishes, cups and glasses upside down in the appropriate space before leaving.

10. Before Leaving

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- Sweep out all rooms of the ’66 Lodge. Mop thoroughly if it is necessary.
- Wipe down all the kitchen surfaces and tables including a thorough cook stove cleaning.
- Leave some split wood (kindling) inside in the wood box.
- Leave all the ashes in the stoves and fireplace (Moving hot ashes is hazardous). Turn off the gaslights and cook stove.
- Be sure to put the axes/mauls back inside the Lodge.
- Carry out all trash and food.
- Lock the windows and all the doors.
- Sprinkle some wood ashes from the ash trash can by the stream in the outhouse and close the seat covers.

10. Back in Hanover

Return keys and the supply checklist to 119 Robinson Hall.

Adherence to these common sense suggestions will make your stay more pleasant, keep the ’66 Lodge in better condition for your next visit, and make our job easier.

Please be aware that d-CON is in use for rodent population control. Trays are usually placed out of the way behind appliances and cabinets, but may have been moved. d-CON may be harmful or fatal if swallowed! Keep children and pets away from trays and do not eat or drink anything that may have come into contact with the trays. If d-CON is swallowed, contact a hospital or veterinarian immediately.

Please check the Fire Wood Supply:

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