



Spring 2011 NRO

May 13 - 15, 2011
 Newton, New Jersey

Hosted by the Northern New Jersey Grotto
of the National Speleological Society

Rustic Camping

Bonfire

Live Band Saturday night
Bad Beer (classic rock)

Area Guidebook

Caving *(to very small exciting caves!)*

Saturday Dinner and
 Breakfast on Saturday and Saturday

Hot Tub

Video made of NRO weekend
 with DVD sent to all attendees

Geocaching
bring your GPS

Canoeing/Kayaking
bring your boat

Zipline, Speleo-Obstacle Course
 and Vertical practice area
bring your vertical gear

NCC Auction
*bring stuff to donate
 to the auction*

Slideshows & Movies

Raffle & Door Prizes

NRO Business Meeting

Mountain and Road Biking
bring your bike

Hiking

Rock Climbing
bring your climbing gear

Abandoned
 Railroad Tunnels





NORTHERN NEW JERSEY GROTTTO

of The National Speleological Society

The Northern New Jersey Grotto invites you to the Spring 2011 NRO being held May 13-15 in scenic Northwestern New Jersey. Although our caves may be a bit on the small size, we're sure you'll find there is plenty of wonderful things to do and places to see here in the Skylands region of the Garden State – whether it be above or below ground or on-site at the NRO or in surrounding area.

The NRO venue is a member's property located at 25 Hunt's School Road, Newton, NJ 07860. Note the property is in Green Township, but for purposes of using a GPS, Google Maps, Mapquest, etc. Newton, NJ should be entered as the town. Please see the attached directions and map for more detail regarding finding your way to the Spring NRO site.

There will be plenty of space for rustic camping available, and wonderful on-site activities are planned. NNJG will be cooking up delicious meals for Saturday's breakfast and dinner, and breakfast on Sunday. Saturday night's entertainment will include the NCC Auction followed by live music provided by Bad Beer (a classic rock band), along with a bonfire, hot-tub, and movies/slideshows. Remember to bring your vertical gear for use on the zip-line, vertical practice/training ropes, and speleo-obstacle course that will also be present on site.

Northwestern New Jersey does have many destinations for all your favorite outdoor activities - from hiking to biking (mountain or road) and from canoeing/kayaking to rock-climbing as well as geocaching and sight-seeing. So do remember to bring your bike, canoe or kayak, climbing-gear, GPS, and so on if you would like to engage in such activities during the NRO weekend. We will have guided trips planned for some of these activities and the NRO staff can give you suggestions and directions for exploring on your own. Oh, and yes, there will be some little caves¹ to see as well while you're here.

Please refer to the attached registration form for pricing and pre-registration information. The NRO "gates" will open with on-site registration beginning at 3:00pm on Friday May 13.

So please join the Northern New Jersey Grotto for a fantastic NRO weekend here in Sussex County, New Jersey. If you have any questions about the event (or suggestions to make), please don't hesitate to contact us.

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¹Leigh Cave (Hunterdon County, NJ) and Surprise/Mystery Cave (Sullivan County, NY) continue to be closed due to WNS. Devils Den Cave (Sussex County, NJ) is also closed at this time due to landowner request. *Please see subsequent page for WNS policy during the NRO.*

Spring 2011 NRO - Registration Form

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Name: _____

Address: _____

Names of additional registrants Age
registrants on this registration: *(if under 16)*

Telephone (optional): _____

Email address (optional): _____

Grotto Affiliations (optional): _____

Per Person x Number = Sub-total

NRO Basic Registration Fee \$5.00 x _____ = _____

Camping Fee for 1 night \$8.00 x _____ = _____

Camping Fee for 2 nights \$16.00 x _____ = _____

Day-pass *(no camping)* \$3.00 x _____ = _____

Select just one of these options

*Note: Kids under 16 years old do not
pay camping or day-pass fee*

Saturday Breakfast \$5.00 x _____ = _____

Saturday Dinner \$9.00 x _____ = _____

Sunday Breakfast \$5.00 x _____ = _____

Guidebook \$3.00 x _____ = _____

Total amount: _____

To pre-register, please mail this registration form and a
check payable to NNJG by April 29, 2011 to:

Patti Williams
1 Coulter Place
Andover, NJ 07821

Spring 2011 NRO Location and Directions

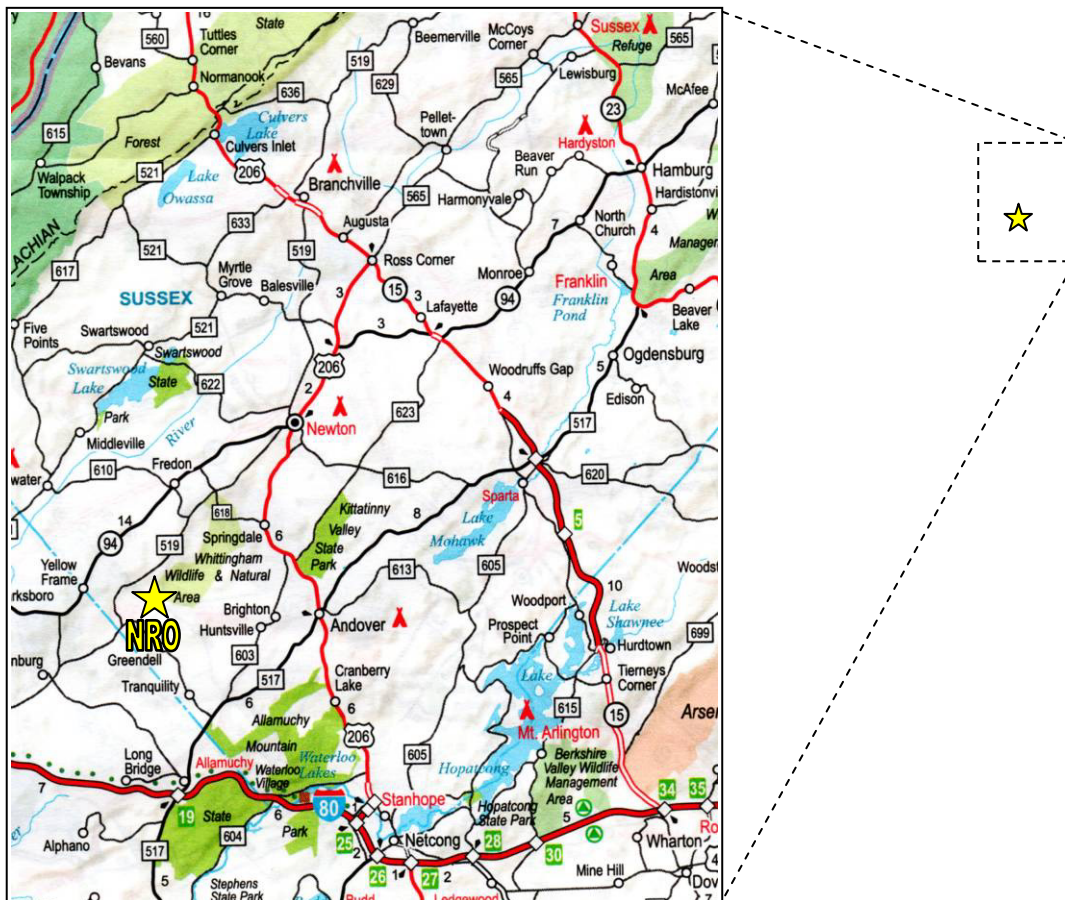
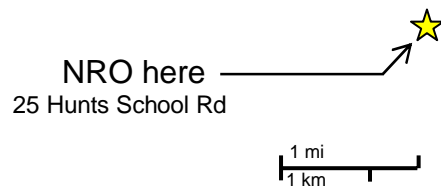
Spring 2011 NRO location:

25 Hunt's School Road
Newton, NJ 07860

N 40° 59.771' W 074° 50.094'

Directions to NRO via I-80 & Route 206:

- From I-80 take Rt 206 North (exit 25)
- Go about 8 miles and turn left at traffic light onto Route 611
- Go about 3 miles to the first right turn onto Route 608 / Shotwell Rd
- Go about 3/4 mile to the second left on to Hunt's School Road
- Go about 3/4 mile in on right just before the old schoolhouse. There is a red 25 on a tree by the driveway.



WNS Policy for Spring 2011 NRO:

In keeping with NSS policy on White Nose Syndrome, all cave closure orders will be respected. Only non-bat caves will be available for caving. As always, we strongly urge that any cave gear used here in the WNS-saturated Northeast not be taken out of the region. We ask that all cavers clean and disinfect their clothing and gear according to the USFWS protocols, which were recently updated in February. We urge you to read these updates for changes to the prior protocols:

<http://www.caves.org/WNS/WNS%20Decon%20for%20Cavers%2001.25.11.pdf>