

Trip 40 Thursday-Sunday Oct 1 - 4, 2009

Who: Chunkie, Rooster, Radar

Site: Bravo - Chuckwagon, tent, Blazer

Wx: Perfect fall wx. Lows mid 30s Highs 70. Breezy

Menu: Grilled chicken quarters, pork steak, BBQ beans, T-bone steaks, fried potatoes, hamhock and beans,bacon, sausage, eggs, fried bologna.

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Highlights:

Chunkie:

First Octoberfest trip in several years. Weather is perfect. All went for walk to spring Friday. Later made a circle to Sutton's Bluff and got firewood. Solved timing for retirement. Met some new camp friends from St.Louis area. Enjoyed several walks and many hours sitting around campfire. We plan to start doing Octoberfest trips again - my favorite time for camping.

Radar:

I rode up with Rooster this trip. Arrived at 3:30pm and set up camp. Chunkies chicken quarters for supper & nice campfire chat until turning in about 10:30. Friday we made a couple of hiking trips around area and truck circle to Sutton's Bluff. Had campfire debates about politics and retirement timing with plenty of refreshments untill midnight. Saturday morning I made up an egg omelet recipie that all enjoyed. Rooster and I took a couple mile hike while Chunkie recovered from cutting his thumb tip nearly off with a limb saw while doing some unnecessary chore. On our return to camp he had recovered and had the bleeding stopped. We socialized with another camping group several times. We had one of the best 1-1/2 " thick T-bone steaks I've ever had for supper - prepared by Chunkie.

Rooster:

First trip for the extra large food cooler on the chuck wagon. It works great with a couple of very large ice blocks, allowing all the food to fit in one cooler. We met some folks from Farmington camping in a couple of motorhomes at the lookout point. Visited back and forth a few times over the weekend. They really enjoyed a sample of our campfire hamhocks and beans. We saw several deer tracks on our walks. We used walking sticks on our hikes, so we brought home some good hackberry and oak limbs to make some permanent walking sticks. Radar captured a box turtle for his grandson. I hope it doesn't wind up like the honey he packed away on a previous trip.

We missed Munchkin on this trip and hope he can make it for the next one.