

Newport Forest

October 6 2004

1:50 - 7:15 pm

Weather: prec. 0 mm; clear, SW < 30; LM 23 C; FCF 20 C

Purpose: maintenance & watering

Participants: Kee

I brought our old “cat house” with me, thinking that the little black cat might need some shelter this winter. I put the house behind the trailer and when the cat finally showed up, it took a meal right beside the entrance, but never looked inside.

I carved a new section of trail leading to the first bridgelet. I then watered all the trees, noting that nearly half have now shed their leaves. They may not need water, as before, but their roots still need protection from drying. I went down to the RL to water the three little cedars that have volunteered for duty in the conifer regiment.

I walked the TRT, noting on my way up the HB that many of the American Beeches are dead or dying. Sigh!

Phenology: Katydid still calling.