

# Woodstock convention cancelled....again

**BGM**

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On April 16<sup>th</sup> we shared a letter from Bob and Stacy Bainbridge, owners of Woodstock convention in New Brunswick, regarding abuse that their daughter Morgan suffered while in the work. On 5/7, Woodstock convention in New Brunswick was cancelled by the workers. On 5/20, workers reconsidered and reinstated a 3-day convention. Today, on 6/14, convention was cancelled by the workers. See the email exchange between Bob and Stacy and overseer Jonathan Freeburn below. This email exchange has been shared with Bob and Stacy's permission.

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\*Convicted, reported or suspected abusers are Not welcome on our property.  
\*Those that have participated in moving abusive workers to other fields are not welcome.  
\*If any of the above offenders show up on our property they will be told to leave. If there is refusal to leave we will call the RCMP.  
If we find out after preps and convention that one of these abusers was present we will report to the RCMP.  
\*There will be no WIFI provided.  
\*The walking trails that are normally made available will be off limits.  
\*Be Kind and Considerate of one and other so we all can be safe and comfortable. Any abusive language or behavior will not be tolerated, you will be told to leave.  
This is our request to have sent out by you to all friends in the Maritimes and Maine before the start of preps. A reminder of this letter will be made at the beginning of convention by you also.  
Bob and Stacy

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Response from Jonathan Freeburn:

Dear Bob and Stacy,

Thanks for your email. We have been thinking a lot about the convention also. I think you are right about your first point, we have already asked any people with allegations against them in the past to not come to the convention. Even with that, we really think that it will be difficult to have the meetings there at your place without causing some kind of distress or conflict. We feel like we can't really be sure to arrange the meetings there in a way that makes you feel at ease. As well, there are others who usually come there for convention, but they don't feel comfortable coming. I don't think it is right for you to have to leave during the time that we are there, and I would not want to have invited someone there causing you to feel like your principles have been violated.

This situation has put many in bondage, so we have looked into getting a neutral location in a hall near Fredericton where we can have the meetings. There is a hall which is available from Friday to Sunday. There is room and facilities to have the meetings there. All things considered, it seems best for this year.

We do hope that we can have a profitable time together, and that you will feel free to be there also. All the best, and hope to see you in a couple of weeks.

Your brother, Jonathan