

1. Are Bonfires still lit in your home community?

2. On what occasions are Bonfires lit? (please give specific dates if possible, or time of year. If they are lit on more than one occasion, list them all).

3. Does the Bonfire celebrate anything in particular? (e.g. Christmas, Halloween, Guy Fawkes Night, Bonfire night, Midsummer's Eve, a Birth in the family?).

4. Is there a special name for the day of the Bonfire? (e.g. "Bonnie Fire Night", "Bonfire Night", Guy Fawkes Night?).

5. For each occasion when bonfires are lit in your community, is there more than one lit?

If so, approximately how many fires are lit?

6. Do you light a bonfire around November 1st?

If so, which day do you light it on?

7. Is there a specific name for the neighbourhood of locality where the fire is lit? (e.g. "Riverhead", "Englishtown", "Bunkers Hill", "My parents' back yard", etc...).

8. Is there one particular bonfire that is larger than the rest every year?

If so, which one?

9. Approximately how many individual participate in the building and lighting of each bonfire?

10. What is the age range of the people directly involved?

11. What is the sex of those involved? If both sexes are involved, how many of each?

12. When do the people begin gathering materials for the bonfire? (give approximate date, e.g. mid-September, mid-October).

- 13. Are the same people always involved with the same bonfire?

- 14. What kinds of materials are collected to be burned? (please list everything).

- 15. Which materials are preferred?

- 16. Why are these materials preferred?

- 17. How are the materials obtained for the bonfire? (e.g. go from door to door, ask for donations, cut wood in the forest, by "bucking", "scoffing", by "swiping", other ways? List all).

- 18. Are the materials gathered in particular neighbourhood? Please name these neighborhoods.

19. Are there particular individuals that you ask for materials?
(merchants, fishermen, etc., please name them all).

20. Are there particular people that are avoided when asking for donations?
Why? Who are these people?

21. Where are the materials stored prior to the bonfire?

Why are they stored in that particular place? Please give a
physical description of the place.

22. When are the materials transported to the place where the bonfire is
to be held?

23. How are the materials transported? (by cart, by hand, by bike,
with the help of adults, other ways -- please be specific and list
all ways).

24. Does one group ever attempt to take materials from another group? (give details).

Is this done prior to the night of the bonfire and/or during the bonfire?

25. What time are the bonfires lit? (If there are different times for different bonfires, please specify and list them all).

26. Who starts the fire? Anyone in particular? (e.g., oldest individual in the group, person in charge, etc...).

27. Is there a leader for the group? If so, how old is the leader in relation to the others in the group?

Why is this particular person chosen as the leader?

28. What other activities go on during the bonfire? (e.g., dancing, special foods, joking, singing, please explain each activity in detail).

29. Is anyone in particular responsible for keeping the fire going?
If so, who?

30. Who makes up the audience?

31. Does everyone go home once the fire goes out?

If not, who stays?

32. What kind of activities go on after the fire is out?

33. Do the children that take part in a particular bonfire normally play together at other times as well?

34. Have you noticed any changes in how bonfires night is celebrated over the years? If so, how? (e.g. are there less people participating, are there less fires, different materials burned?).

Why?

35. Have your parents or older members of the community ever mentioned any differences in how bonfires are celebrated now as compared to when they were active participants in the celebration? If so, How and Why?