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DURHAM, N.H. – The century-old techniques of timber sports get a high-tech treatment when the University of New Hampshire’s woodsmen team appears on the Discovery Channel program “Time Warp” Wednesday, Oct. 28, 2009, at 10 p.m.

“Time Warp” uses technology, including the latest in high-speed photography, to slow down or speed up natural (and some not-so-natural) events. Hosted by Massachusetts Institute of Technology scientist Jeff Lieberman and digital-imaging specialist Matt Kearney, the program looks at the science behind motion.

Filmed in May 2009 at the reservoir on the UNH campus, “Time Warp” captures members of the woodsmen team – a sports club sponsored by Campus Recreation and open to undergraduate men and women of all majors – in a variety of events, including tree-felling, log-rolling and chopping.


UNH has fielded a woodsmen team for more than 40 years. The sport, which is gaining in popularity at colleges, particularly in the Northeast, is dedicated to keeping alive the traditional skills used to cut timber and get it to the mill. Events include sawing, chopping, axe-throwing, log-rolling, and pulp-tossing. Learn more here: http://www.unh.edu/woodsmenteam/.

The University of New Hampshire, founded in 1866, is a world-class public research university with the feel of a New England liberal arts college. A land, sea, and space-grant university, UNH is the state’s flagship public institution, enrolling 12,200 undergraduate and 2,200 graduate students.

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Caption: The University of New Hampshire’s woodsmen team is featured on Discovery Channel’s “Time Warp” Wednesday, Oct. 28, 2009 at 10 p.m.
Credit: Lisa Nugent, UNH Photographic Services.