



The Old Mountaineer

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CLUB NEWS



GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING/ELECTION OF OFFICERS

The General Membership meeting is scheduled for Saturday, May 19, 2018 at 7:00 PM. The meeting will be held at the Newcomb Firehouse in Newcomb, NY. We will be conducting regular club business and electing the 2018 Club Officers. Absentee Ballots/Nomination forms are attached to this newsletter. Nominations will also be accepted from the floor. **The Absentee Ballot/Nomination form only needs to be mailed in if you will not be attending the Spring General Membership Meeting.**

The slate of officers is as follows: President-Joe Novak, 1st Vice President-Bruce Murdock, 2nd Vice President-Lloyd Burch, 3rd Vice President-Ed Keller, Secretary-Matthew Richardson, Treasurer-Walt Huba, 3-year Director-Mike Lis, 1 Yr. Directory-Ron Caponera, 1-Yr. Director-Jay Caponera

Ric Taras is a one year director who was voted in last year and Paul Ritchey is a two year Director who was also previously voted in, therefore their positions do not require them to run for election this year.

If you are unable to attend the membership meeting please mail your Absentee Ballot/Nomination Form to the Secretary, Matthew Richardson, before May 1, 2018. (Newcomb Sportsmen's Club, Inc., ATTN: Matthew Richardson, 529 Acland Blvd., Ballston Spa, NY 12020)



The Fall Meeting/Party has been scheduled for Saturday, November 3rd at the Newcomb Fire House, at 7:00 PM.

SPRING RAFFLE TICKETS

The club will once again conduct the ever popular Spring Cash Raffle at the General Membership Meeting on May 19th. Tickets cost \$20 and the club will award 10 cash prizes totaling \$2000. This has been a very successful fund raiser for the club and all members are encouraged to help with the sale of tickets. We will offer 300 tickets for sale. To request tickets contact Ric Taras, Raffle Committee Chairman at 518-265-3963.

FALL RAFFLE TICKETS

Fall Raffle tickets will be available at the Spring Meeting. Guns, GPS, and Cash prizes will continue to be awarded as they have in the past.

TAKE NOTICE

Please make sure that copies of all ATV, UTV, and snowmobile registrations/proof of insurance are sent to Matthew Richardson. It is necessary to have these on file for lease and club insurance purposes. You may send a copy through the mail or via e-mail. guidemrichardson@gmail.com

CLUB OPEN HOUSE

The club is planning the yearly Open House for Saturday, May 19th and Sunday, May 20th, 2018. Volunteers are needed and can complete a work day by helping on this event.

The hours on Saturday will be from 9 AM - 3 PM and Sunday from 9 AM - 12 PM. We need members to act as tour guides and hosts. We also need volunteers to cook and serve refreshments. If you are interested in helping out and completing a work day, contact Membership Chairman, Jay Caponera at 518-527-7579.

BOY SCOUTS PRACTICE SURVIVAL SKILLS

On Saturday February 24th, the scouts snowshoed in, some cross country skied, to Dan Underwood's cabin on Pine Rd which was used as base camp. The boys were experiencing snow, sleet and freezing rain conditions but were prepared for these conditions.

Skills that were worked on: Built a small survival shelter with minimal tools, where to find the driest and best fire starter kindling components (it had also rained the day before), food sources including fern tea, other potential sources of protein and carbs in this challenging wilderness environment. The group also hiked around, viewed camps, several snowmobilers in, and looked for wildlife tracks

One major emphasis was placed upon energy expenditures verses caloric intake. They also discussed the power of the mind as your best tool and your worst enemy.

The boys did great, they ate well, slept some and enjoyed all. 3-1/2 inches of sleet driving out the Blue Ridge highway on Sunday morning! Total trek: 8-1/2 miles in 24 hours or 17,648 steps.



This was an experience that will stick with these young boys for a lifetime.

Those involved would like to thank the following groups for their support and ability to make this weekend event a success:

The Newcomb Sportsman Club
F& W Woodlands Management
Upper Hudson Woodlands ATP LP

DUES AND COMBINATION

Yearly dues are payable in two installments of \$395. **The 1st installment is due by April 1, 2018.** Notices will be going out on or before March 1st. Camp fees and taxes, property and school will continue to be the same. Please send dues installment to Treasurer, **Walt Huba, 18 Cimarron Way Latham, NY 12110** Remember, new combination and buttons are issued upon payment of the September installment, not the April installment.

PROPERTY CHAIRMAN AND WORK DAYS

Bruce Murdock, Property Chairman, will be establishing work days and will announce the dates at the Spring Meeting. Also, the dates will be listed in the Summer/Fall 2018 newsletter.

All members are highly encouraged to participate in a work day. Not only does this satisfy your membership requirement to participate or pay \$100, it adds to the overall quality of our club. Many hands make light work and we can use all members hands.

HUNTING SEASON 2017 RESULTS

Our best estimate indicates that approximately six or seven bucks were taken last season on club property.

The **NSC Big Buck Club** prize (\$160) was awarded this year to Rick Bathalon (Buck pictured to the left). Rick's 10 point weighed in at 175lb with a raw score of 149. **CONGRATULATIONS** Rick

To enter the contest, remember to send your entry fee of \$10.00 in with your September dues payment or before the season begins.

CLUB LEASE AND OTHER FINANCIAL NEWS



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January 15, 2018

TO: Upper Hudson Woodlands Recreation Lease Club Presidents
RE: Lease and Conservation Easement Violations

You are all aware that New York State owns an extensive and intensive Conservation Easement (CE) on the Upper Hudson Woodlands ATP, LP property where your recreation lease is located. The New York State Department of Environmental Conservation (DEC) is responsible for monitoring this easement. You should also already be aware that they have been actively going onto the property and monitoring many different things covered by the CE including (but not limited to) cabin changes and sizes, garbage dumps, trailers not in compliance with permitting and much more. F&W Forestry Services, Inc. (F&W) as the managers of the property has continued to receive notification of a number of violations from DEC.

Your club lease spells out what needs to be done for everybody (lessee, landowner etc.) to remain in compliance with the CE. Furthermore, your lease also spells out a number of different penalties that can be assessed when there are conditions or situations that are not compliant. Since 2009 when F&W took over management of the UHW property there has not been a history of fines levied or of "heavy handed" management. However, F&W continues to receive notices of violations from the DEC. The vast majority should never have happened. The largest violation (but not the only one) continues to be cabins that have been changed or altered so that they are over the size allowed. When a violation is found and proven to be true there is not disagreement the situation must be rectified. F&W will be forced to start levying the fines allowed by lease if this continues.

F&W and UHW continue to acknowledge that the recreation leasing program and the lessees involved are essential to the ability of the property to operate. Peter Nicholas is the Recreation Manager for the property and I encourage you to consult with him when your members are considering any material changes to their cabins, or with other questions that may come into play with the CE. **Please note:** Not all clubs have had violations and issues, but there have been enough that everybody needs to make this a priority.

Sincerely,

Wayne A. Tripp, Certified Forester
NY Regional Manager
F&W Forestry Services, Inc.

Hamilton, AL | Lafayette, AL | DeQueen, AR | El Dorado, AR | Gainesville, FL | Marianna, FL | Albany, GA | Statesboro, GA | Corinth, MS
Jackson, MS | Glens Falls, NY | Herkimer, NY | Chillicothe, OH | Greenwood, SC | Clinton, TN | Paris, TN | Huntsville, TX | Charlottesville, VA
AFFILIATES IN: Coos Bay, OR | Porto Alegre, Brazil | Montevideo, Uruguay

**PLEASE TAKE
NOTICE OF THE
FOLLOWING
DOCUMENT THAT
WAS RECEIVED BY
NSC. JOE AND
BRUCE WILL BE IN
CONTACT WITH
THE MEMBERS
THIS PERTAINS
TO, WITH ANY
ADDITIONAL
INFORMATION.**

EVENT	DATE	TIME	PLACE
Open House	May 19, 2018 May 20, 2018	9:00 AM- 3:00 PM 9:00 AM - 12:00 PM	Beaver Flow Pavilion
Board Meeting	May 19, 2018	5:00 PM	Newcomb Fire House, Newcomb NY
General Membership/Election Meeting	May 19, 2018	7:00 PM	Newcomb Fire House, Newcomb NY
Board Meeting	June 2, 2018	12:00 PM	Location TBD
Board Meeting Fall Party/Bus. Meeting	November 3, 2018 November 3, 2018	5:00 PM 7:00 PM	Newcomb Fire House, Newcomb NY Club will provide dinner

When you are in the Club there is limited phone service. However, we feel that it is important that every member have a list of relevant and emergency phone numbers for the Newcomb area. Hopefully you won't have to use them.

Police Numbers

Newcomb 897-2000
Long Lake 897-2000
Minerva 962-8235
(if no answer call 897-2000)
Glens Falls 792-2172
Saranac Lake 897-2000

Sheriff

Essex County 873-6321
(Elizabethtown)
Hamilton County 546-6321
(Lake Pleasant)
Warren County 761-6477
(Glens Falls) or 911

Newcomb Health Center

582-2991

Fire / Emergency Numbers

911

Other

Pottersville Garage (518)494-2690
Schroon Lake Trucking
(518)796-1865
Auto Car Care Center
(518) 623-3039

Department of Environmental

Conservation Region 5

Law Enforcement Office

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