



The Old Mountaineer

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CLUB NEWS



GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING/ELECTION OF OFFICERS

On Saturday, May 20, 2017, we held our Spring General Membership meeting. We had many members in attendance, including the board members. At this meeting we conducted the election of our Club Officers. The results of the election are 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, Paul Ritchey, 1 Yr Director, Ron Caponera, 1 Yr director, and Mike Lis, 1 Yr director.

The meeting included normal club business such as the Secretaries Report, Treasurers Report, Presidents Report, Raffle Committee Report, Membership Committee Report and Property Committee Report.

At this particular meeting Ron Caponera stepped down as club Treasurer after committing 25

years of service. At this time he stated that he began to transition seamlessly with Walt Huba as Walt will take over the Treasurer position from this point forward. Ron also agreed to stay on as a director for one year, to oversee and assist the transition of the clubs financial business needs.

In his final report to the general membership, Ron Caponera, Treasurer, reported that the club is very financially sound. The Board has allocated an additional \$3,000 of this balance (total \$13,000) for the purchase of a wood chipper. Membership at the time of the meeting was 93 Regular Members leaving an opening for 2 additional members. We gained 5 new members during the open house.

The minutes from the meeting are posted on the club website under the members only section.

Club Work Days

Bruce Murdock, Property Committee Chairman, has scheduled four work days for the months of June, July, August and September. Following are the scheduled work days:

Saturday, August 26

Rain Date of Sunday, 8/27

Project: TBD,

contact Bruce Murdock, at 518-532-9229

Saturday, September 9

Rain Date of Sunday, 9/10

Project: TBD,

contact Bruce Murdock at 518-532-9229

All work days will begin at 9 AM and members will meet at the pavilion at the Flow. Lunch will be provided. Bring shovels, rakes, chainsaws and any other tools you might use.

Members who do not complete a work day during the year will be assessed a fee of \$100.

Be sure to call Bruce regarding the work day you plan to participate in since this will give us an idea of how many members will be involved and how much food will be needed.

MISCELLANEOUS CLUB NEWS

- F&W had approved and encouraged the club to designate additional camp lots on the club land. Joe met with F&W in May 2016 and there were six new camp lots designated on Pine Rd. As of the May meeting there are 5 currently remaining, leaving 1 more up for grabs.
- There are currently 2 club camps for sale. If you are interested, please contact Joe.
- Bruce is currently assessing the culvert situation on the club. He has also concerned with the conditions of Pine rd. and Boulder Alley as they are getting worse. They will need to be worked on in the upcoming months.
- The clubs dock on flow is being moved as the current position has proven to be inadequate. Bruce and fellow club members are currently assessing the best way to improve the dock placement.
- Show your club pride with the purchase of a long sleeve T-shirt with the NSC logo embroidered on it. The shirt is \$22. Sweatshirts are also available for \$25 and we have short sleeve T-shirts available at a cost of \$16.
- The club has hats available for \$12. We offer a design with a buck and the name of the club (see photo). Hats are available in green or camo. We still have fishing hats in red. Contact Joe Novak for hats or shirts at 518-582-2160.
- Please be sure to place the club logo decal on your vehicle at all times. We have encountered an issue with vehicles parked on the club land and this decal will clearly identify club members.



WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

The Newcomb Sportsmen's Club would like to extend a sincere welcome to all our new members.

If you have an email address please send me a message, via email, and I will add you to my distribution list. Sending club correspondences and newsletters via email can help lower expenses for the club. Send your email to guidemrichardson@gmail.com. Thanks.

SPRING OPEN HOUSE

Our Spring Open House was held on Saturday, May 20th and Sunday, May 21st. The club has taken an ad out in the Outdoor News newspaper and the ad featured our Open House dates. This resulted in several individuals visiting the club and we signed up 5 new members. This ad will run every two weeks. Pick up a copy and check the ad out.

FISH STOCKING

As indicated in previous meetings and newsletters, the club will stock the Beaver Flow in September rather than May. The trout will be purchased from SUNY Cobleskill College. Our fish stocking program is supported by donations of club members, as well as interest on the club bank account and board approved funds. Any member can contribute to the fish stocking fund either through a direct contribution to the Treasurer or by including a donation along with your September dues payment. Walt added a line on the bill for members to indicate what they would like to contribute.

Again this year we will be stocking fingerling trout in the feeder streams to the flow. This year we will increase the amount that we stock.

Thanks to all who donated to the fish stocking program. Any donation, large or small, is greatly appreciated.

DUES, LOCK COMBINATION AND BUTTONS

Yearly dues are payable in two installments of \$395. **Dues are due by September 1, 2017.** Notices will be going out on or before August 1st. Senior Membership dues are \$98.75 per installment and due at the same time as the general membership dues. Guest passes are now \$50. Camp fees are \$175 per installment. **Taxes, property and school, have increased and will now be \$90.00 per dues installment for a total of \$180 per year.** Please send dues to Treasurer, Walt Huba, 18 Cimarron Way Latham, NY 12110.

Remember, the new lock combination and buttons are issued upon payment of the September installment. All dues must be paid in full to receive the new lock combination and button.

New members paid for the year when they joined in the Spring and are not required to pay a dues installment at this time.

SEPTEMBER SPORTSMEN'S RAFFLE

Fall Raffle tickets will be distributed by Ric Taras, Raffle Committee Chairman. Please make every effort to sell the tickets Ric allots to each member. This is the primary fund raiser for the club. Remember, money and ticket stubs must be sent to Ric by **August 25th**. Any questions, contact Ric at 518-265-3963.

SEND TO:

Ric Taras
170 Butler Rd.
Fort Edward, NY 12828

BY-LAW CHANGE PROPOSAL

At the May meeting, Joe introduced a by-law proposal for honorees. Joe Explained that currently honorees pay 25% of their dues and that we have 25 Honorees that are currently members in the club. The proposal would reduce their dues to \$0 and that the Honorees would not be billed membership dues, but required to pay the camp fee and taxes. He also explained that there would be a clause in the change that would state: The only reason Honorees would have to pay again would be if the club was unable to make their lease payment and at that time they would be accountable for 25% of the cost of the dues at that given time.

TOWN OF NEWCOMB DUMP

The Town of Newcomb has permits for the town Transfer Station (dump). Ron Caponera sent a list of members with camps to the town so they are aware that you will be requesting a permit. To request a permit visit Town Hall and show identification.

Following are the hours for the transfer station:

Sunday - 9:30 AM - 4:30 PM

Monday - 9:30 AM - 4:30 PM

Tuesday - 9:30 AM - 4:30 PM

Wednesday - 9:30 AM - 4:30 PM

Thursday - 9:30 AM - 4:30 PM

Friday - **Closed**

Saturday - 9:30 AM - 4:30 PM



BIG BUCK CLUB

The Big Buck Club contest has been very financially rewarding for the six years that the contest has been offered. In addition, a photo of the winner with their buck is used for the ad that we place in the Outdoor News. Matthew Richardson was the winner of The Big Buck Club last season with a great 8pt. The Prize money for this years winner will start from scratch as there has been a carry over the past few years. It is important to remember, the buck you weigh in must be harvested on club land only. Mike Lis will be coordinating the contest so any member that shots a buck on club land should contact Mike and report the results. The scale for weighing your deer will be located at the pavilion and this is the only scale that can be used for your entry. Even if you are not entered in the contest we would like to be able to report your success. Mike can be reached at 518-732-7730.

To enter this years contest send your entry fee of \$10 to Walt Huba or include it in your September dues. Be sure to indicate that you included the entry fee. Winners are determined by weight as recorded by the scale located at the club pavilion on the lower road.

ATV REGISTRATIONS

All members with an ATV must send a copy of your registration along with a copy of your current insurance coverage to the club Secretary. If you have not sent a copy of the above documents to the club secretary, please do so. Send your information to:

Matthew Richardson
529 Acland Blvd.
Ballston Spa Ny, 12020

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CALENDAR OF EVENTS

JUNE - NOVEMBER 2017

EVENT	DATE	TIME	PLACE
Club Work Days	August 26, rain date August 27 September 9, rain date the 10th	9 AM - 3 PM, Lunch provided 9 AM - 3 PM, Lunch provided	Meet at the pavilion at the Flow.
Fall Raffle Ticket Deadline	Fri, Aug 25, 17		Contact Ric Taras, Raffle Committee Chairman 518-793-1114
Club Dues Deadline	Friday, September 1, 2017		Contact Walt Huba
Big Game Opening Day	Saturday, October 21, 2017		Northern Zone, NY State
Board Meeting Fall Party/Bus. Meeting Call or email Joe Novak if you are coming to the Fall Meeting. 518-582-2160.	November 4, 2017 November 4, 2017	5:00 PM 7:00 PM	Joe Novak's House, Newcomb Newcomb Fire House, Newcomb

BEAVER FLOW SPILLWAY WORK

F&W has agreed to fund and complete the work required to replace the dam located at the Beaver Flow. This is a major project and is necessary since the deterioration to the current dam is extensive. The project will require the re-routing of the spillway to allow for the replacement of the dam. The plan is for work to be started this year and completed in 2017. F&W has also located a portable bridge at the flow in the event its needed on a temporary basis. This is another example of the positive relationship we have with F&W.

CLUB CAMP

As previously reported in our newsletter the club will be making modifications to the club camp located at Wards Mill. The camp will be expanded to include a bedroom and an outhouse will be built. This camp and outhouse will be fully handicap accessible. Once completed we may be the only club in the Adirondack Park with a camp meeting ADA requirements. Please contact Bruce if you are interested in helping with the project.

When you are in the Club there are no phones. 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

Newcomb 911
Long Lake 911
Minerva 911
Pottersville 911
Johnsburg 911

If you Carry
it in...
Carry it out

Department of Environmental
Conservation Region 5
Law Enforcement Office
Rt. 86, PO Box 286
Ray Brook, NY 12977-0286
518-897-1200

Department of Environmental
Conservation region 5 Sub Office
Hudson St., PO Box 220
Warrensburg, NY 12885-0220
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