

Carrabassett Valley Outdoor Association
Minutes of Annual Meeting on March 12, 2016
Sugarloaf Inn

- Present: Nancy Perry, John Morey, Gail Miller, Cindy Foster, Joe Loughran, Neal Trask, Don Fowler, Diane Stone, Glenn Bickford, Rick Young, Jim Heichel, Mary Berger, Betsy Chapman, Ray Stone, John McCatherin, and 100 members.
- Meeting was called to order by outgoing President Nancy Perry at 7:10 pm
- Secretary's Report was read by Secretary Cindy Foster and approved; Cindy reported currently 396 memberships, representing 713 members. Over half include range members. We have 66 new members since Oct. 1, 2015. Our monthly newsletters are sent to over 500 email addresses, and nearly 60% are opened, which is a very high number for this type of newsletter. Cindy thanked Nancy Perry for her unwavering support and commitment to CVOA, and Sandy Jamison for getting Cindy into this position.
- Treasurer's Report was presented by Treasurer Gail Miller and approved. Gail reported on the financial state of CVOA, which is financially healthy.
- Election of Officers. The nominating committee recommended the following slate:
 - For president, John Morey.
 - Vice President, Joe Loughran.
 - Treasurer, Gail Miller.
 - Secretary, Cindy Foster.
 - Three year terms on the board:
 - Diane Stone (finishing Joe's term),
 - Mary Berger (3 years),
 - Betsy Chapman (3 years),
 - Ray Stone (3 years),
- A motion was made to accept the above slate. The motion was seconded. There were no other nominations from the floor. A motion was made that nominations cease, and the motion was seconded. The slate of officers and board members was unanimously approved by the members present.
- Nancy Perry turned the gavel and meeting over to John Morey.
- The Raffle Ticket drawing was done, with winners: Sugarloaf Season Pass for 2016-17: Barbara Butts; 9mm Pistol from Howell's: Jeff Langholtz; Maine Huts & Trails package: Terry Trask; Handmade, by Diane Stone, Birds-eye maple bench: Bob Luke; 2-day Sugarloaf Golf Pass: Ken Olmsted.
- Volunteer Awards were presented:
Trip Leaders and Event Coordinators were asked to stand and were recognized.
- Outstanding Volunteers for 2015 were recognized:
 - Greg Roux, Tim Richards, Dan Gagne and Rob Healey - Range Project
 - John McCatherin - Retiring Range Secretary, and CVOA founder
 - Nancy Perry - Outgoing President, and longtime CVOA contributor
 - Cliff George - Retiring Webmaster and board member
 - The Truworthys and Bickfords - for building and repairing picnic tables along the Narrow Gauge trail
- Lisa Standish of Kingfield announced that Kingfield had recently been designated an A.T. Community, which benefits the town of Kingfield in a number of ways. The letter of support that Nancy Perry wrote on behalf of CVOA was essential in the acceptance of Kingfield as an A.T. Community.
- Meeting was adjourned at 7:50 pm.

Following the meeting, Carey Kish, noted author and thru-hiker of the Appalachian Trail gave an informative and entertaining presentation.

Respectfully Submitted,
Cindy Foster, Secretary