

Carrabassett Valley Outdoor Association  
10 January, 2015 Board Meeting Minutes

*Officers present:* Sandy Jamison, Pete Weston, Peggy Bickford

*Board Members present:* Duff Doherty, Jim Heichel, Neal Trask John McCatherin, Paul Trueworthy, John Morey, Rick Young, Joe Loughran, Gail Miller, Don Fowler. 13 members at large also present.

*OLD BUSINESS:*

Sandy called the meeting to order.

Secretary's report from 9/27/14 was read and accepted.

Treasurer's reports for the Association and the Range, were presented and accepted.

*Range Report:*

Neal noted the expenditures for clays may increase this year.

Income from trap shooting increased by 52% this past season. Neal noted the past year was very busy and successful at the Range. Members asked several questions about line items in the budget, and the report was accepted with corrections.

*AGENDA ITEMS/NEW BUSINESS:*

*Annual Meeting 3/28/15 at the Outdoor Center.*

Nancy Perry will be in charge. A Mardi Gras theme is planned to help celebrate our 15<sup>th</sup> year. Pete will be Master of Ceremonies for member anecdotes and stories. Officers for the 2015 year will be elected, and the annual raffle drawing will take place.

*Boy Scout Troop Sponsorship.*

CVOA has long been the sponsor for local Boy Scout Troop #525. Recently, Dave Koenig of Coplin, coach/instructor at CVA, became the Cub master of the new Pack #525. They are meeting at CVA and have generated lots of interest by boy's ages 8 to 11. A motion was made, and passed to donate \$500 to help with the initial expenses of setting up the new Cub Scout Pack.

*Mountain Biking Donation.*

A motion was made to consider a donation to the local NEMBA that has been building mountain biking trails in the valley to support additional trail construction and hiring of local workers. A motion was made, and passed to donate \$1,000, which will be matched by the town of Carrabassett Valley.

*Change in Membership year.*

The board considered a proposal from Cindy Foster to change membership year to a calendar year. A motion made and passed, with condition that the change in Association By-laws needs to be approved by the membership. This would take effect next year, 2016, with current 2015 memberships valid through the end of 2015, instead of expiring in October. A motion to change the membership year to correspond with the calendar year passed.

*Board and Officer Positions.*

Duff Doherty and John Morey will be stepping down from their board positions.

Glenn Bickford and John Pease volunteered to fill those board positions.

Peggy Bickford and Pete Weston will be stepping down from Secretary and Treasurer positions.

*Trip Coordinator Report.*

Linda Trueworthy discussed fees charged by Sugarloaf for use of the Outdoor Center, and expenses that get passed on to members even while asking them to bring food, pay fees. A budget will be created for annual events and activities. Linda reviewed up coming events, and described activities for which they are still looking for trip leaders. She noted there is a lot of interest in organizing another bike trip to Quebec.

*Committee to research administration position.*

Sandy proposed forming a committee to look into whether the association should have a paid administrative position to handle membership, news and notices, newsletters, etc. Nancy Perry, Sandy Jamison, and Pete Weston will serve on that committee.

*Donations to support area youth.*

Peggy Bickford volunteered to research options to support or donate monies to groups that provide recreational opportunities for local youth.

Meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,  
Peggy Bickford  
Secretary