

Carrabassett Valley Outdoor Association
May 17, 2014 Board Meeting Minutes

Officers Present: Sandy, Nancy, Pete, Peggy

Board Members Present: John McCatherin, Neil Trask, Bill Croce, Jim Heichel, Gail Miller, Joe Loughran, Paul Trueworthy

Three members-at-large also in attendance.

Secretary and Treasurer Reports presented and accepted.

Pete noted some controversy over the fee for use of the Outdoor Center for the February Ski & Stew; he paid them 40.00, same as the fee for use of the Eustis Community Building, with us doing the clean up. Also, CVOA now has a credit card from Skowhegan Savings (\$15, 000. Limit), to be held by Pete and Neal and used to facilitate use fees, down payments for trips, supplies for range, etc.

Range Report:

May24 was to be a range work day with clean up/repair to target frames, storage shed roof, tables, possible painting. Also, picnic tables on Narrow Gauge Pathway and Crommet Overlook were to be repaired, with Dave Cota offering town monies to repair or replace tables.

First trap shoot was set for 6/8, and scheduled to continue every Sunday through November.

No news from Tom Butler as to Sugarloaf use of the range. John McCatherin gave updates on several Eagle Scout youths he saw at the range. Neal thanked Pete for help putting the range budget together. Robertson-Pitmann fund application reported as still under review.

Update on Outdoor Center Fish Pond stocking:

Paul was building the kiosk, and showed the sign he had made to place on it.

Neal applied for a state permit (\$10.00) to allow delivery of the fish.

Fly fishing, barbless hooks, catch and release, access to pond with canoe, to be allowed, and fish population will be monitored.

New Business:

2014 Activities: Nancy reported on changes to the 2014 activities. No interest in going to Moosehead this fall; October trip to Camden/Lincolntown was filling up with 18 of 19 cabins booked. Interest was strong for Little Lyford, the club needs to plan a year ahead to book reservations there.

Sixty-two people were signed up for the Quebec Bike Trip, with CVOA booking one entire hotel, and six people placed in a nearby 'overflow' hotel. She reported there was not a great deal of interest in the cabins at Baxter in August, with 13 signed up.

2015 Ski Trip: Big Sky trip information was to be forth coming, with member Cindy Foster volunteering to be trip leader. It was hoped to get 60 people committed to the mid winter trip.

Homecoming: Sandy initiated discussion as to planning for the October 11-13 weekend. Motion was made and passed to have the two tables at the booth, as we have in the past. Ideas were requested as to BBQ, a local hike, booth presentation, etc. Linda was hoping to communicate with Peter Van Alstine , in order to avoid overlaps of events/dates with Sugarloaf Ski Club activities.

Membership Database: Sandy noted the need to look into alternative programs to manage the database and notices to the membership, and stated she would try to look into different software programs over the summer.

Meeting adjourned. Next meeting August 23 at the Range, with BBQ to follow.

Respectfully submitted,
Peggy Bickford, CVOA Secretary