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Special Meeting of All Nawakwans

Date: Saturday, May 4, 2019

Purpose: To Approve Changes to the Bylaws

Place: Camp Nawakwa – 10AM to 2PM

Revisions to the New York State Not-for-Profit Corporation Law (NFPCL) took effect May 27, 2017. Throughout 2017 and 2018, the Board of Directors, in consultation with our lawyers from the law firm of Caffry and Flower, has worked to bring our Policies and Bylaws into alignment with each other and with the NFPCL law.

The Board has approved changes to the Bylaws. As per Article XI: Section 1 of our Bylaws: *All approved changes [to the Bylaws] must be submitted to a vote by Nawakwans [Keyholder members] at a duly called meeting ...and will become effective immediately after approval by the majority of Nawakwans voting provided that at least 10% of the Nawakwan members voted.*

This vote will take place at a special meeting of the Keyholders held at Camp Nawakwa on Saturday, May 4, 2019 from 10AM to 2PM.

This issue of the *Trail Marker* [starting on page 9] contains the full text of the revised Bylaws that will be voted on at the special meeting of the Keyholder members (Nawakwans) to be held on May 4th, which is also scheduled as this year's Spring Work weekend. The specific changes to the current Bylaws are highlighted in **blue** so that all Keyholders can easily see what has been revised. These changes make the Bylaws internally consistent and in conformity with New York State NFPCL. The New York Chapter is a New York State Not-for-Profit 501 (C) 7 Corporation.

In addition to containing the Bylaws, this *Trail Marker* issue also contains an explanation of how the voting will take place, including the option of submitting a Proxy form for those Keyholders who would not be able to attend in person (with the official Proxy form included). In addition to this announcement in the *Trail Marker*, official notice of this special meeting will be emailed/mailed to all Keyholders.

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New Camp Fees Announced

Notice: The Board of Directors, for 2019, has voted to approve new camp fees. See the announcement and explanation of these new fees on [page 3](#) of this issue.

Change of address: Moving? Please contact the Main Club AND the NY Chapter Membership Chair, Jerry@adkny.org, to notify us of your address change.

Notice

ADKNY Members occasionally receive email notifications about hosted weekends, hikes and related Camp events. These notifications are only to be sent by the Secretary, the Hosting Committee or the Newsletter Editor.

Mass-emailing the membership for any other reason is bad etiquette and is prohibited.

Like us on Facebook!

<https://www.facebook.com/pages/New-York-Chapter-of-the-Adirondack-Mountain-Club/167423969980047>

Follow ADK-NY on Twitter!

Get updates on Nawakwa happenings on Twitter! Go to https://twitter.com/ADK_NY, click on follow, then receive news, reminders, and special notices effortlessly! Account managed by Ingrid Strauch.

Deadline for submissions to the next edition of the Trail Marker (June-July 2019 issue) is May 28, 2019. All submissions can be forwarded to Ray Kozma, at raymondkozma@gmail.com

Welcome to the 2019 Nawakwa camp season!

In 2018, the Board of Directors had been working on changes to the Nawakwa fee schedule with the goal of having Camp Nawakwa used and enjoyed as fully and as easily as possible by a greater number of keyholder members and their guests, and applicants. The concept of revising the fee schedule was presented by the Board at the Meeting of the Members. On one hand there were mixed reviews from the membership, on the other, we had a very large crop of applicants that spanned all age levels. The influx of a broad, diverse range of applicants was an encouraging and positive sign to ensure the long-range viability of Camp Nawakwa.

In 2019, the Board of Directors voted to approve the new camp fees with the condition that the fees would be reviewed at the end of the 2019 season to determine if they were supporting our objectives and providing sufficient income to cover our financial obligations.

The day fees remain the same but fees for overnights and passports have been lowered to encourage members to stay more than one day. We will keep this fee schedule for the 2019 year. At that time, we will then evaluate the results and determine if the goals of increasing usage balanced the level of income received to cover our financial obligations.

The new fees will be effective as of January 2019.

New Camp Fees/Categories

Annual Nawakwa Passport Fee: \$125

Status	Day Fee	Two Days (overnight)	3+ Additional Days
Keyholders	\$15	\$20	\$10 per day
Applicants	\$20	\$30	\$15 per day
Keyholder Adult Guests	\$20	\$30	\$15 per day
Keyholder Guests Under 18	\$10	\$15	\$5 per day

Keyholder Example: One day only stay is \$15; 2 days (1 overnight) stay is \$20; 3 days (2 overnights) is \$30 total, 4 days (3 overnights) is \$40; etc.

Notice from the Board of Directors

As per the Bylaws for when a vacancy occurs on the Board, [Article VI, Section 2: *"In the event of the resignation or death of a two-year term member after the mailing of the ballots for the annual election with one year of the term remaining, the Board of Directors shall elect a successor to serve for the unexpired term."*] The Board of Directors has selected Guy Lingley to serve for the unexpired term of Lisa North, Director, since Lisa is now the Board Chair for the New York Chapter.

Spring Work Weekend

May 4-5, 2019

*"I've banished Winter, saith the Spring, Awake! arise, ye flowers!
Brisk breezes blow, Bright sunshine glow,
And rouse the young Year's powers.
-Henry James Slack (1818-1896)*

Awake Campers! Spring work-weekend is here, rousing all New York Chapter members to come out and help make Camp Nawakwa ready for another year of activities and special events.

See the write-up below for details and registration.

May 4-5 • Spring Work Weekend

All hands on deck!

Healthy, tasty meals to nourish the body and Nawakwa spirit! A Saturday complimentary lunch will be provided for all volunteers by Mary Hilley and Maryann Poris. Stay for a hearty dinner. (Please specify if you want vegetarian or the carnivore option for dinner) with seasonal vegetables and fruits. (Dinner minimal prep and easy clean up guaranteed.) When registering, please specify which meals (Saturday complementary lunch, Saturday dinner, Sunday breakfast/lunch) and if you request vegetarian meals.

Registration Deadline: Wednesday, May 1st by 10:00 p.m.

Co-Hosts: Janet Sibarium (registrar) and Stephanie Lai

Email registration preferred: jansib@mindspring.com or leave voicemail: 212 - 254-0738

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The 2019 Annual Nawakwa Passport

The *Annual Nawakwa Passport* for 2019 is now available for all Key-holders. The fee for the *Annual Passport*, which covers the Day Fees for all visits to camp for the calendar year, has been reduced this year to \$125.00. per individual Key-holder. (See the Board announcement regarding all Camp Fees on page 3 of this issue of the Trail Marker.)

The Passport is non-transferable. If a Passport holder brings spouse, children, other family members or guests to camp, these other must pay the appropriate Camp Fees, as usual. All Key-holders should be familiar with, and follow, the Guest Policy and the Hosting Policy.

To obtain the Annual Nawakwa Passport, Key-holders should send their request (with their name address, phone number and check payable to the New York Chapter - ADK), to:

Raymond Kozma
585 North Railroad Ave-3D
Staten Island, NY 10304

2019 Hosting Schedule Summary

Month	Weekend	Host(s)	Midweek	Host(s)
February	16-18	Ingrid Strauch		
April	13-14		15-19	
	20-21		22-26	
	27-28		29-May-01	
May	4-5 Spring Work Weekend*	Janet Sibarium, Stephanie Lai	6-10	
	11-12		13-17	
	18-19	Suse Wenzel, Lewis Ports	20-24	
	25-27 Memorial Day		28-31	
June	1-2		3-7	
	8-9		10-14	
#	15-16	Teri and Don Gabel	17-21	Jane Prendergast
	22-23 Summer WW		24-28	
	29-30			
July			1-5	Butch and Angela Panzer
#	6-7		8-12	
	13-14 Bastille Day	Susanne Flower, Lewis Ports	15-19	
#	20-21#	Marty Kellerman, Leni Tabb	22-26	
#	27-28 Volunteer Rec.	Sara Beaudry, Yajing Li	29-Aug 2	
August	3-4		5-9	
#	10-11		12-16	
#	17-18 Late Summer WW		19-23	
	24-25		26-30	
	Aug 31-Sept 2 Labor Day			
September			3-5	
	6-8 ADK Fall Outing		9-13	
	14-15 Special Meeting of Members		16-20	
	21-22		23-27	
	28-29		30-Oct 4	
October	5-6		7-11	
	12-14 Anniversary Weekend, Fall Work Weekend		15-18	
	19-20 Annual Meeting (Elections)		21-25	
	26-27		28-Nov 1	

* May 4 Keyholders meeting to vote on changes to the Bylaws

#Presentations

6/15 A Talk on Insects

7/6 Art Show in the afternoon; Musicale Sing-along after dinner clean-up

7/20 A Talk on a NYS Bill of Rights for the Environment

7/27 Yoga

8/10 Interpretive Walk on Plants

8/17 A Talk on Reptiles

Notes on Hosting

Updates to this hosting schedule will be provided in the weekly hosting emails sent out by the Hosting Committee

To host a weekend or midweek, contact Hosting Committee: hostingadkny@gmail.com or call Maryann Poris (973) 731-7117 if you have any questions.

Commissary Concerns?

Call or email Maryann Poris (973) 731-7117 maporis@aol.com

There is a limit of one host plus one co-host per weekend or midweek

ADK Annual Fall Outing for 2019 September 6-7-8th

At the AMC Harriman Center on Breakneck Pond

This year's ADK Fall Outing will be centered in our own Harriman State Park. For this special event, the Main Club has rented the AMC Harriman Center on Breakneck Pond. The Outing will take place the weekend after Labor Day, from Friday, September 6th to Sunday, September 8th.

The Main Club has recently developed a Multi-Chapter Model to help organize and run their Outings. The New York Chapter, the Long Island Chapter, the North Jersey Ramapo Chapter, the Mid-Hudson Chapter, and the Mohican Chapter are all working together to develop Outings (hikes, walks, paddles or anything else) that will be of interest to those who attend. Ginny Fauci from the Mid-Hudson ADK is the Outings Coordinator. Ray Kozma is the coordinator for the New York Chapter.

Mark your calendars for this special event coming in September. The schedule of outings and information for registering will be ready for publication soon. As part of the events, in addition to hikes, we are planning to invite participants to come visit Camp Nawakwa over the three-day weekend. More details to follow as plans become more definite.

Mark your calendars now for the 2019 ADK Fall Outing!

- Ray Kozma

Hikes and Outings: 2019

Hikes Chairperson: Glen Nison 718-625-2182 gnisonbike@juno.com
For listings of hikes not led by members of ADKNY, (and not necessarily qualifying) try these links:
<http://www.nynjtc.org/content/scheduled-hikes> <http://www.hudsonhikers.org/schedules.html>

Annual Palm Sunday Hike to St. John's Church in the Wilderness Sunday – April 14, 2019

The annual Palm Sunday hike to St. John's Church in the Wilderness has been a tradition since the 1930's. Other groups from other hiking clubs are out this day headed to St. John's and it is very common to cross paths with them as we hike along. The Church service begins at 3 PM and is followed by a wonderful buffet at the barn across from the Church provided by the parishioners. Since this is a one-way hike, please note:

All who are driving should meet at the Church promptly by 9:30 AM where the cars will be parked. All cars (except for the one or two that will shuttle hikers/drivers from the Church back to our starting point) will be left at the Church where the hike finishes.

The address for St. John's Church is 119 Johnstown Road, Stony Point, NY, situated between Lake Welch Parkway and Route 106.

Please Note: April weather can be very changeable. Rain, some cold, blustery weather, including snow and ice, are always a possibility. Participants should dress warmly (layers, no cotton), bring lunch, snacks, water, rain-gear, and wear sturdy hiking shoes.

All participants must register by 9 PM Thursday, April 11th.

Leader: Jason McGinnis - jfmcginnis88@gmail.com or 914-574-1499.

Hike is Qualifying (approximately 7 miles).

Neither snow nor rain nor gloom of night will stay these hikers from the swift completion of their course this day to St. John's Church in the Wilderness.

May 11, 2019 – Saturday

Bald Rocks Shelter from Kenawauke Lakes – Starting from the parking area off Route 106 at Kenawauke Lakes, we take a short road walk and then enter the forest, following a woods road as it gently climbs up to meet the Dunning Trail. The ascent up Black Rock Mountain is steady, but not strenuous. After crossing a stream, we come to the bare, rocky area of Bald Rocks. At 1,382 feet in elevation, Bald Rocks is the highest point in the park. (The boulders that dot the bare rock gave rise to the name "Bowling Rocks.") We traverse across the open rock surface (known as the Whaleback) and make our way to Bald Rock Shelter for a lunch break. The area around the shelter is interesting for the crossing of other trails nearby and for the many, well-used camp sites scattered around the area. We retrace our steps back down to the parking area. It will probably be possible to arrange a ride from Sloatsburg for those without a car. Please call leader to check. Bring lunch, rain gear, and appropriate hiking shoes. **Meet at the parking area at 9:45AM. Qualifying (about 5-6 miles). Leader: Ray Kozma. Contact at: raymondkozma@gmail.com or 917-406-3782.**

May 25, 2019 – Route 106 Circular

A moderate 6-mile hike from route 106 including the Victory Trail to Lake Skenonto, the White Bar and Triangle Trail to Parker Cabin Mountain and the R-D trail back to the Victory Trail and 106. All hikers meet at Tuxedo at 9:20 AM, bus riders taking the Coach shortline bus at 8:30 AM from the PABT. All hikers call leader in advance to insure arrangements. **Qualifying.**

Leader: John Lipsett (b) 212-867-8280 (h) 212-864-6109

June 15, 2019 – Saturday

Mountain Laurel Hike – If the timing is right, this hike will take us thru tunnels of blooming Mountain Laurel. The hike will start from the Boat Launch/Fishermen’s Parking Area on Lake Sebago. Following a woods road (also used as a ski trail), we will turn off to follow a cairn-marked trail up the hill and then intersect with the Buck Trail. We will follow the Buck Trail until we come out at a fire road, then turn onto an unmarked trail and finally approach Breakneck Pond where we will have lunch. We can take a look at the AMC Harriman Camp and return by a different trail or two. It will probably be possible to arrange a ride from Sloatsburg for those without a car. Please call leader to check. Bring lunch, rain gear, and appropriate hiking shoes. **Meet at the Boat Launch parking area at 9:45AM. Qualifying (about 5-6 miles).** **Leader: Ray Kozma. Contact at: raymondkozma@gmail.com or 917-406-3782.**

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Special Notice from the Main Club

14th Annual Ididaride!

Adirondack Bike Tour

July 27, 2019

You are invited! Come join the fun at *ididaride!* on Saturday, July 27 at the Ski Bowl Pavilion in North Creek, NY. All chapters and ADK members and their families are invited to participate, volunteer, and cheer on riders, as well as purchase a mile marker sign on behalf of your business, yourself, or your chapter. The 14th annual event has grown to become ADK’s largest fundraiser and provides needed funds to sustain the programs you enjoy and protect the lands you love. Please plan to join us! Details at adk.org/ididaride. Contact Sunday Conine at ADK’s Lake George office with any questions, 518-668-4447 or Sunday@adk.org.

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(Proposed Bylaws with changes highlighted in blue)

BYLAWS of the NEW YORK CHAPTER, INC. of the ADIRONDACK MOUNTAIN CLUB, INC (2019)

ARTICLE I: NAME

The name of this organization is: New York Chapter, Inc. of the Adirondack Mountain Club, Inc. ("Corporation").

ARTICLE II: OBJECTIVES

The objectives of the Corporation are to support the work and activities of the Adirondack Mountain Club, Inc. ("Club") and like-minded organizations; to promote and engage in outdoor, educational and recreational activities, such as hiking, camping, skiing and trail clearance; to support conservation and environmental programs and goals; to operate the New York Chapter of the Club ("Chapter") and a camp in the New York City metropolitan area ("Camp Nawakwa").

ARTICLE III: MEMBERSHIP

Section 1. The Corporation has two classifications of membership:

1. Chapter Membership

- a) Family: Maximum of any two adults, 18 years or older, at the same domicile, each of whom shall be a voting member of the Club and vote on issues which pertain to Chapter business only.
- b) Individual: 18 years of age or older who shall be a voting member of the Club and vote on issues which pertain to Chapter business only.
- c) Affiliates: ADK Club members who have chosen another as their main Chapter, but who wish to associate with the New York Chapter and participate in its Chapter activities. Affiliates pay an Affiliate fee as determined by the [Board of Directors \("BOD"\)](#).

2. Camp Nawakwa Member ("Nawakwan")

- a) Individual: 18 years of age or older who shall be a voting member of the Club and vote on issues which pertain to Chapter and to Corporation business. This classification of member has completed the Qualifying, Orientation and Safety Activities and has been approved by a majority of the [BOD present](#).

Section 2. To be admitted as a member of the Chapter a person must:

1. Submit a written Application Form to the Club;
2. Pay the applicable Club dues; **and**
3. Select the New York Chapter as his or her preference.

Section 3. Becoming a Camp Nawakwa Member may be attained by one of the following ways:

1. By selecting the New York Chapter when signing up for Club Membership, paying the Club annual dues, submitting a Camp Nawakwa Application Form and paying the Application Fee, successfully completing the Qualifying, Orientation and Safety Activities, and being voted in by the BOD; **or**
2. By filling out a Camp Nawakwa Application Form, paying the Application Fee, successfully completing the Qualifying, Orientation and Safety Activities, being voted in by the BOD and paying the Club annual dues as a New York Chapter Member or Affiliate.

Both categories above are known as “Applicants” and neither are granted Nawakwan rights nor unlimited Camp Nawakwa access until successfully completing the Qualifying, Orientation and Safety Activities and being voted in by the BOD. Applicants may participate in the number of registered Camp Nawakwa activities as determined by the BOD.

Qualifying, Orientation and Safety Activities: An Applicant will need to complete the Qualifying, Orientation and Safety Activities to become familiar with Camp **Nawakwa** procedures, safety issues and Palisades Interstate Park regulations. All these activities must be completed prior to being granted access to Camp Nawakwa at other than registered events. The current Qualifying, Orientation and Safety Activities and their details, as determined by the BOD, are published in the Policies and Procedure Manual and annually in the *Trail Marker* and on the Chapter website.

The BOD reserves the right to grant or deny requests for extensions of Applicant status.

Section 4.

1. Chapter members are granted all rights and privileges of the Club.
2. Membership in the Chapter does not automatically entitle a member to the use of Camp Nawakwa facilities. The BOD shall have the power to determine requirements and/or activities for Camp **Nawakwa** access.
3. Nawakwans are Chapter members or Affiliate members who have paid the Application fee and also completed Qualifying, Orientation and Safety activities as determined by the BOD. Upon majority vote of the BOD present, and payment of applicable dues, an Applicant will be admitted to membership as a Nawakwan.
4. In addition to the rights and privileges of the Club, Nawakwans shall enjoy the right of access to Camp **Nawakwa** and its activities. Only Nawakwans shall enjoy the right to vote on issues related to Camp Nawakwa.
5. By a two-thirds vote of the BOD present, the BOD shall determine the Qualifying, Orientation and Safety activities.
6. By a two-thirds vote of the BOD present, the BOD shall have the power to implement the Qualifying, Orientation and Safety activities, if any, which are requirements for access to Camp **Nawakwa**.
7. The BOD shall circulate such changes in the *Trail Marker* and on the Chapter website in a timely manner.

Section 5.

1. Persons who are members in good standing of the other Club Chapters may apply for Affiliate membership in the New York Chapter. The BOD shall determine the amount of Affiliate dues.
2. Members of the New York Chapter may be transferred to the Affiliate list by officially notifying the Club of their enrollment as members of another Chapter. Affiliate members of the Chapter may be transferred to the Chapter membership list by officially notifying the Club of their desire to be so transferred.
3. Members of the New York Chapter may apply for Affiliate membership in any other Chapter accepting Affiliate members without altering their status as New York Chapter members.

Section 6.

Termination of Club membership terminates membership in the Chapter and in the Corporation, including Camp Nawakwa. In accordance with Club policy, a person who fails to pay membership fees and dues is no longer a member and also loses all rights of membership including Camp **Nawakwa** access privileges.

Section 7.

By a vote of two-thirds of the full BOD, a member may be temporarily suspended from the Chapter and/or Corporation membership or expelled from the Chapter and/or Corporation membership for violation of the Bylaws of the Corporation and/or the Club or for conduct prejudicial to the best interests of the Chapter or Corporation as determined by the BOD, provided charges in writing are proffered against such members, a copy thereof served upon such member, and an opportunity afforded such member for a hearing before the BOD.

Section 8.

Guests: Nawakwans may bring guests to a limited number of activities and outings. The number is determined by the BOD.

Section 9.

No person shall be denied membership in the Corporation of the Chapter by reason of race, color, religion, gender, sexual orientation, or national origin.

ARTICLE IV: OFFICERS

Section 1.

The Officers of the Corporation shall be: Chair, Vice-Chair, Secretary and Treasurer. All Directors and Officers must be Nawakwans. Only Directors and Officers may vote at BOD meetings.

Section 2.

The duties of the officers shall include, but not be limited to, the following:

The Chair shall be the Executive Officer of the Corporation and shall preside at all meetings of the Corporation and of the BOD. The Chair, by and with the consent of the majority of the BOD present, shall appoint and remove committees and committee leaders as shall be necessary for the efficient administration of the Corporation.

The Vice-Chair shall assume the duties of the Chair in the event of absence, resignation, death or disability of the latter.

The Secretary shall keep the minutes of all meetings of the Corporation and of the BOD, attend to the correspondence of the Corporation, and be responsible for the Chapter and Nawakwa membership roster. The Secretary's records shall be available for inspection of the Auditing Committee and BOD. When directed to do so by the BOD, the Secretary shall furnish copies of any resolutions and transcripts of the minutes of the BOD of the Corporation and the Chapter, duly certify under his/her hand, to such persons as may be designated by the Board of Directors. The Secretary shall conform and update the Bylaws as a result of changes from Referendums.

The Treasurer shall keep reasonably complete books of account, which shall be available for inspection by the Auditing Committee and the BOD. The Treasurer shall be the custodian of all monies and assets of the Chapter and the Corporation, as well as of all securities, insurance policies, leases and other instruments of the Chapter and the Corporation, which shall be kept in a safe deposit vault to be selected by the BOD. In the event of the absence or disability of the Treasurer, the BOD shall appoint someone to act as temporary custodian of all monies, securities, insurance policies, leases and of the instruments of the Chapter and the Corporation, who shall have access to the safe deposit box and who shall be bonded in like manner as the Treasurer.

All checks, drafts and other evidence of withdrawal of funds drawn on Chapter or Corporation funds shall be signed by the Treasurer, or, in the event of the Treasurer's absence or disability, by one other of the two Signatories who have been so authorized by the BOD. Any member, officer, director or committee collecting Chapter or Corporation funds shall remit them to the Treasurer promptly.

At each regular meeting of the BOD, the Treasurer shall present a statement of cash receipts and disbursements for the period from the first of the fiscal year to the end of the month preceding the month during which such meeting is held. A balance sheet, income statement and such other financial statements may be rendered as deemed appropriate.

ARTICLE V: BOARD OF DIRECTORS AND STANDING COMMITTEES

Section 1.

The **BOD** of the Corporation shall consist of the four officers and six directors (seven directors if there are two Club Directors at any time). A majority of the **BOD** shall constitute a quorum.

Section 2.

The **BOD** shall have final authority over Chapter and Corporation finances, including budgets and approval of reasonable expenditures, not to exceed \$10,000.00; approve the formation or dissolution of committees; make rules with respect to the Corporation's property and **Camp Nawakwa**; provide for the bonding of the Treasurer; authorize any audits of the Corporation's books; and act for the Corporation's interest in any way consistent with these Bylaws.

Section 3.

In the event that Acts of God, including, but not limited to, fire, storms, or blizzards, threaten to cause permanent and irreparable damage to Camp Nawakwa real property if immediate repairs were not promptly performed, the BOD shall have authority to approve any expenditures necessary to prevent permanent destruction or irreparable damage to Camp Nawakwa real property.

Section 4.

The **BOD** shall call at least six meetings per year. Special meetings may be called by the Chair upon giving five calendar days' notice to each Board members. All regular and special meetings shall be held in Manhattan, New York City, unless a majority of the Board decides otherwise. Some meetings may be held by teleconference. The **BOD**, by two-thirds consent, may vote by mail, e-mail, or telephone on certain issues that may require resolution between meetings of the **BOD**.

Section 5.

The Club Director(s), formerly known as Governor(s), shall be the main liaison between the Chapter and the Club. All Club Directors shall be voting members of the **BOD**.

Section 6.

A member of the **BOD** may be a member of or chair any committee. Committee Chairs are invited and encouraged to attend all meetings of the **BOD**.

Section 7.

The following committees are deemed "**Standing Committees**" (**permanent committees that meet regularly**) which are representative of the core programs and activities of the Corporation.

- Nominating Committee
- Membership Committee
- Camp Nawakwa Committee
- Education and Conservation Committee
- Trails Committee
- Hikes and Outings Committee
- Archives Committee
- Audit Committee

The creation or abolishment of Standing Committees or "**Temporary Committees**" (**committees created for a limited period of time to accomplish a specific purpose**) must be approved by a majority vote of the BOD after study and evaluation by the Bylaws Committee, if any. The initial Mission, scope, charter and composition of each such committee shall be established by the BOD. The Chair of each such committee may also present recommendations for changes or additions to the scope of each such committee.

ARTICLE VI: ELECTIONS

Section 1.

The Officers and Directors of the Corporation and Club Directors and their alternates shall be elected as follows:

By the July meeting the BOD shall appoint a Nominating Committee (of three people) and "Election Tellers" (comprised of a chief teller and two assistants), none of whom shall be a member of the BOD. The *Trail Marker* which includes August shall contain a nominating form. The Nominating Committee must receive the completed form by September 1st. The Nominating Committee shall select one or more candidates for each office to be filled, including any candidate nominated by petition by more than five percent of Chapter members. The Nominating Committee shall then prepare the election ballot containing nominations, allowing space for any write-in candidates. No member of the Nominating Committee shall be designated to serve as a candidate for any office. The list of candidates to be voted on shall be published in the October *Trail Marker*, and the Election results shall be finalized within two weeks of the Election. The results of the election will be published on the Chapter's website and posted in the next *Trail Marker*.

Elections will take place at the Annual Meeting of the members held on the third Saturday of October, at a time and place determined by the BOD. As per the New York Not-For-Profit Corporation Law, "Directors shall be elected by a plurality of the votes cast at a meeting of the members entitled to vote in the election."

In addition to publishing the list of candidates in the October *Trail Marker*, official notice of the Annual Meeting will be given upon no less than 10, and no more than 50, days' notice by mail or other method authorized under the law to all members. A Proxy Form will be included in this mailing. This Official Notice will indicate the time and place of voting. Members who attend the meeting may vote in person or by use of the Proxy Form and members who do not want to or are not able to attend the meeting will be allowed to vote by use of the Proxy Form. In-person voting will use anonymous paper ballots and the Proxy Form will identify the proxy and be signed by the member.

Pursuant to the Adirondack Mountain Club bylaws, Family Membership is for a maximum of two eligible adults living together, so those with Family Membership will receive no more than two Proxy Forms in the mail. Additional information about how to vote by proxy will be included on the Proxy Form.

Those who come to vote in person will need to sign in and their names will be checked against the "Official Roster of Members" for the New York Chapter (that is, the official Main Club listing of current New York Chapter members). "Poll Workers" (members who will oversee the sign-in process and the official list of voting members, none of whom shall be a BOD member or a nominee for the BOD) will be designated to handle the sign-in. A Proxy Form which is sent in will be disregarded if the same member then votes in person at the meeting.

Tallying will follow after the close of voting. Both the in-person-votes, and the proxy-votes will be counted. After the accurate count is certified by the temporary Tally Committee, the Secretary will vote the proxy votes, and the results will be announced. Election results will be posted on our website and will also be published in the next *Trail Marker*.

Section 2.

The terms of Officers and Directors shall be two years. Terms of all Officers and Directors shall begin on January 1st. Officers and Directors shall be eligible for re-election.

The number and term of office of the Club Directors and alternates elected by the Chapter shall be in accordance with the Bylaws of the Club. A Chapter may elect up to two alternates for each Club Director allowed. Alternates may also be elected officers of the Chapter Whenever a Chapter's Club Director is unable to attend a meeting, an elected alternate may attend in his or her stead, when and as approved by the Chair.

In the event of the resignation or death of a two-year member of the BOD prior to the mailing of the ballots for an annual election with one year of the term remaining, the Nominating Committee shall

place on the ballot the name of a new nominee as successor to such member of the BOD to serve for one year. In the event of the resignation or death of a two-year term member after the mailing of the ballots for the annual election, with one year of the term remaining, the BOD shall elect a successor to serve for the unexpired term.

Unless excused by the Chair or by the BOD, absence of any Officer or Director for three successive regular meetings of the BOD shall be deemed a resignation and the office declared vacant. A successor shall be appointed in the manner above specified.

ARTICLE VII: REFERENDUM

Section 1.

Notice of any BOD resolution with respect to (a) any extraordinary expenditure, or (b) any special assessment against Nawakwans shall be mailed/emailed to them within thirty days of passage.

If within four weeks of mailing such notice, a petition signed by five percent of Nawakwans (and/or Chapter members on non-Camp Nawakwa matters) is received by the Secretary requesting a referendum on any such resolution, the BOD shall order a poll of Nawakwans (or Chapter members, if applicable). Ballots for such a poll shall be sent within two weeks after the regular BOD meeting directly following receipt of the petition by the Secretary. If a majority of Nawakwans (or Chapter members, if applicable) who voted approves the resolution, the resolution becomes effective. If no petition is received within that four-week period, the BOD resolution shall be in full force and effect.

Section 2.

Five percent of the Nawakwans (and/or Chapter members on non-Camp Nawakwa matters) may, at any time, petition the BOD to pass a resolution, which resolution shall be set out in full in the petition. Such petition shall be sent to the Secretary. If such a resolution is passed by the BOD at its regular meeting following the receipt of the petition, it shall be subject to referendum in the usual way. If such a resolution is not passed by the BOD at its regular meeting directly following the receipt of the petition, the BOD must submit the same within two weeks thereafter to a referendum of the applicable members. If a majority of at least ten percent of the total Nawakwans (or Chapter members on non-Camp Nawakwa matters) votes in favor of the resolution, it shall be in full force and effect.

Section 3

All resolutions affecting the Bylaws of the Chapter and the Corporation shall be referred to the Bylaws Committee, if any, for study and evaluation.

Section 4

Notice of referendum results shall be given to the members as soon as practicable and will be included in the next issue of the Trail Marker and published on the Chapter website.

ARTICLE VIII: MEETINGS

Section 1.

There shall be an Annual Meeting of the membership each and every year in accordance with Chapter 35 of the Consolidated Laws of New York "Not- for-Profit Corporation Law."

Section 2.

The BOD shall set the date, time and place of such a meeting.

Section 3.

The Annual Meeting and Special Meetings of the membership may be called by the Chair upon no less than 10, and no more the 50, days' notice by mail or other method authorized under the law to all members. Special membership meetings may be called by a majority of the voting members of the Board upon no less than 10, and no more the 50, days' notice by mail or other method authorized under the law to all members. Special membership meetings may be called by a petition containing signatures of at least 10% of the Nawakwans in good

standing; such meeting to take place within three weeks from the date of the petition. A quorum, as defined below, must be present in both [annual](#) and special membership meetings, except that an annual or special meeting called and adjourned because of lack of quorum, shall take place within the next two weeks with at least ten Nawakwans in good standing present.

Section 4.

The order and conduct of the [BOD](#) and committee meetings shall be governed by Robert's Rules of Order.

Section 5.

All actions at any membership or [BOD](#) meetings shall be by motion or resolution, reduced to writing and duly moved and seconded. The disposition of such motions or resolutions shall be in accordance with Robert's Rules of Order.

Section 6.

A quorum for the transaction of business at any annual or special meeting of the membership shall consist of ten percent of the total Nawakwans, except as provided in Section 3.

ARTICLE IX: FINANCES

Section 1.

The Chapter fiscal (accounting) year is the calendar year.

Section 2.

The finances of the Chapter and Corporation shall be classified into general funds and funds created for specific purposes. The accounts shall be kept in such a way as to reflect fairly the income and expenses. Additional funds for specific purposes may be created when deemed necessary or desirable by resolution of the [BOD](#), which resolutions shall be subject to referendum as provided in Article VII.

Section 3.

Appropriation from one fund to another fund shall be made only by resolution of the [BOD](#).

Section 4.

The surplus finds of the Corporation may be invested only in such securities as may be legal for Investment by savings banks in the State of New York.

Section 5.

The Treasurer shall be bonded in an amount determined by the BOD from time to time.

Section 6.

In the event that no member can be found for this position, the BOD can vote to pay a non-member, preferably a CPA or an experienced accountant or bookkeeper, to fulfill this role. In such a case, the Treasurer would not be a member of the BOD.

Section 7.

The Audit Committee, consisting of a member or members who do not hold any Chapter or Corporation office, shall be appointed by the BOD to serve for the fiscal year. The Committee shall perform an annual compilation, review or audit (of assets, liabilities, income and expenses) with recommendations concerning Corporation finances to the Board. The Committee shall submit a written report to the Board. A member of the Audit Committee shall be the Compliance Officer.

ARTICLE X: PROPERTY

Title to all real and personal property of the Corporation shall be vested in the New York Chapter, Inc., of the Adirondack Mountain Club, Inc. Deeds, conveyances and leases which have been authorized by the Chapter and the Corporation and all contracts and other instruments which have been authorized by the Corporation of by the BOD, subject to the provisions of Article VII of these Bylaws, shall be signed by the Chair of the BOD and countersigned by the Treasurer.

ARTICLE XI: AMENDMENTS

Section 1.

The text of any proposed amendments to the Articles of Incorporation or to the Bylaws shall be referred to the Bylaws Committee, if any, for study, evaluation, action and referral to the BOD. All actions by the Bylaws Committee, if any, are reviewable by the BOD. The Board must approve any proposed amendments to the Bylaws or to the Articles of Incorporation by a two-thirds majority of the entire Board. All approved changes must be submitted to a vote by Nawakwans at a duly called meeting or other method authorized under the law and will become effective immediately after approval by the majority of Nawakwans voting provided that at least 10% of the Nawakwans voted.

Section 2.

Nawakwans reserve and retain the right to amend or repeal the existing Bylaws or to enact new Bylaws.

ARTICLE XII: MISCELLANEOUS

Section 1.

Notwithstanding Articles V and VIII herein and the laws governing notice of meetings, publication in the Trail Marker and/or on the Chapter website shall be considered official notice to members of general announcements, including but not limited to: election and referendum results, changes to Club or Chapter rules, policies, bylaws, or the certificate of incorporation, and advisories concerning and directives from Harriman State Park.

Section 2.

The Club Chapter, operating under the Corporation, shall abide by the Article of Incorporation and the Bylaws of the Club insofar as they relate to Chapter operating matters as distinguished from Corporate matters; the latter being exclusive province of the Corporation, including but not limited to the classes of members the Corporation shall have.

ARTICEL XIII: TRANSITION

As per Article XI, Section 1, these Bylaws shall take effect upon approval of the voting membership, at which time the prior Bylaws of the New York Chapter, Inc. of the Adirondack Mountain Club, Inc. shall be of no further force and effect. All Officers and Directors shall remain in office as of said effective date until the expiration of their current terms.

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KEYHOLDER (NAWAKWAN) MEMBER PROXY FORM

New York Chapter, Inc. of the Adirondack Mountain Club, Inc

PLEASE VOTE ON THE AMENDMENTS TO THE BYLAWS!!! IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE BYLAWS, 10% OF THE KEYHOLDERS ARE REQUIRED TO PARTICIPATE IF THE VOTE IS TO BE VALID.

There are two ways you can vote: 1. By mailing or emailing in this Keyholder Member Proxy Form
2. In person at Camp Nawakwa. (see instruction at bottom of page)

1. Complete this Member Proxy Form and mail it to:
New Chapter ADK, Inc. of the Adirondack Mountain Club, Inc.
Peter Stuyvesant Post Office Station
PO Box 327
New York, NY 10009-9998

You may also scan and email this form to evemancuso@gmail.com.

If you are mailing or emailing this Keyholder Member Proxy Form you are required to check off the “Yes” line below to allow Eve Mancuso, Secretary to the Board, to cast your vote on your behalf.

The undersigned member of the New York Chapter, Inc. of the Adirondack Mountain Club, Inc. hereby authorizes (if “yes” is checked below), Eve Mancuso, the Secretary of the Corporation, to act as his or her proxy to vote for the amendments to the Bylaws as presented in the Spring Edition of the Trail Marker. The vote will take place on May 4, 2019 at a Special Meeting of the Members to be held at Camp Nawakwa, between the hours of 10:00 am and 2:00 pm, and at any adjournment of that meeting, as directed below. You must check “yes” for your vote to be counted:

Yes _____

To vote for the New York Chapter, Inc. of the Adirondack Mountain Club Bylaws, as revised 2019, please circle yes or no below.

Yes – I approve of the changes to the Bylaws.

No – I do not approve of the changes to the Bylaws.

Date

Signature

Print name

Proxies must be received, by mail or other means, by no later than May 3, 2019 so they may be retrieved from the PO Box and delivered to Camp Nawakwa by May 4, 2019 and be counted OR

2. Vote in person at Camp Nawakwa on May 4, 2019 between the hours of 10:00 AM and 2:00 PM. Ballots will be provided in camp for those members voting in person. Please note this is Spring Clean–Up weekend.

From the Archives

Looking back through the history of the New York Chapter

Source: The Trail Marker, Published Now and Then; November 1927; J. C. Draper, Editor

“ANNUAL CHAPTER DINNER-DANCE TO BE HELD AT TOWN HALL CLUB ON
MONDAY EVENING, NOVEMBER 14TH, 1927

The members of the Chapter who know each other so well in camp and on the trail are looking forward to the annual affair when they will be able to see their erstwhile knickerclad companions, men and women alike all dolled up in the soup-and fish and decollette of formal attire.

The occasion is the annual dinner-dance of the Chapter. It will be held at the Town Hall Club on Monday evening, November 14th at 7 o'clock.

However, it is going to be a real party and one worth while attending. The speakers will be few and their remarks will be brief and to the point. The Town Hall Club is noted for its delicious cuisine so members are urged and advised to bring their Nawakwa appetites with them. A snappy jazz orchestra has been chartered for the evening and some of those present are going to be surprised at the nimbleness of well-known feet once they are loosed from heavy hiking-boots.

Miss Nellie H. Bingham, chairman of the social committee, has expended much time and energy in arranging the program. We hope that every member who can will attend and contribute to the evening-the biggest social affair of the Chapter during the year. “

Source: February 1934 Trail Marker

“Blankets

It is suspected that some members do not spend week-ends at camp during winter because they sleep “cold”. Those (if there are such) will be overjoyed to know that the camp now possesses 55 new all-wool blankets, extra-large in size, and guaranteed to keep sleepers warm on cold nights. Since their arrival, not a single complaint has been registered about cold cabins. Come to Camp.”

Source: March 1941 Trail Marker:

“Palisades Interstate Parkway

Club members are urged to write your senators and assemblymen asking them to vote against the proposed PALISADES INTERSTATE PARKWAY to be built through Palisades Park from Fort Lee to Bear Mountain. It is evident to all that making this area accessible by auto will destroy its wildness and it will no longer be a haven to nature lovers and hikers.”

Source: December 1941 Trail Marker

“Nawakwa Knitters’ Notice

Bring your extra wool and No. 5 needles to Camp to work on an afghan for the War Relief. The squares are 6x6. With everybody doing her bit around the fire, the afghan will soon take shape.”

- from Ellen King, New York Chapter Archivist