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Special Notice Prospective Settlement of Legal Proceedings with ADK

Inside this issue of the Trail Marker are found the following:

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- 3. Notice of Special Meeting of Nawakwans (pages 7, 8, 9)**
<https://adkny.org/2022-bylaws-change/> is the Website link.
- 4. Changes to the Bylaws (found on pages 10-20)**

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Please let our Secretary, Eve Mancuso, know of any problems. Contact Eve at Evemancuso@gmail.com

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, by the Hosting Committee or by the Newsletter Editor. **Mass-emailing the membership for any other reason is bad etiquette and is prohibited.**

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<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 (April-May 2022) is March 21, 2022. All submissions can be forwarded to Ray Kozma, at TrailMarker@adkny.org

Letter to Membership

January 14, 2022

Re: Prospective Settlement of Legal Proceedings with ADK

Dear Members:

We are writing to follow up with the status of our legal proceedings with the main club ("ADK").

We have decided that it is in the best interests of our organization and members to settle our legal dispute with ADK and disassociate.

If the settlement agreement is finalized and we disassociate, we will no longer be affiliated with, or a chapter of, ADK. We will operate as a stand-alone organization, continue to operate Camp Nawakwa, and offer various benefits to our members. ADK intends to form a new unincorporated New York chapter and ADK will provide more information to you in that regard. You will have the option to remain a member of either our stand-alone organization or ADK, both or neither.

In order to effect this disassociation, ADK demanded a donation. After much debate and negotiation, the Board authorized a donation.

At the special meeting of the Board, the Board voted to authorize, in principle, a disassociation from and settlement with ADK, which includes a fund donation to ADK in the amount of \$50,000. A true and correct copy of the notice of Resolution is attached to this letter. Your attention is directed to our by-laws, in particular Article V Section 2 and Article VII Section 1, for a further explanation of the process related to this resolution.

We understand that you may have questions regarding the foregoing. We have scheduled a special membership meeting (notice of which is enclosed herewith) on February 24, 2022 at 7:00 p.m. via Zoom. Notice of that meeting will follow separately.

In the meantime, we thank you for your understanding and for your membership and continued support.

Very truly yours,



**NEW YORK CHAPTER, INC.
OF THE ADIRONDACK MOUNTAIN CLUB, INC.
NOTICE OF SPECIAL MEETING OF MEMBERS**

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE, by the call of the Chair of the Board of Directors, the New York Chapter, Inc. of the Adirondack Mountain Club, Inc. (the “NY Chapter” or the “Corporation”) will hold a Special Meeting of Members on **February 24, 2022, at 7:00 p.m.**, which Special Meeting will be held virtually.

The agenda for the meeting shall include:

- Amend the certificate of incorporation to change the name of the Corporation to Nawakwa Outdoor Association of New York, Inc. for reasons set forth in the attached letter; and
- such other and further business of the Corporation.

Note: A copy of the letter explaining the reasons for the name change is attached to this Notice. The Board has approved the proposed name change. This Notice will be distributed by email, posting to the website, posting in the Trail Marker, and USPS mailed to those Members without email addresses.

All Members are invited to attend the virtual meeting but **attendance is not required to vote**; Zoom instructions will be sent out closer to the meeting date. **To receive the link, you must RSVP no later than February 22, 2022, at 10:00 a.m. at <https://forms.gle/DbYiGWjjVJYV6vPs9>**

Because of COVID limitations, **to vote you must do so by proxy** by using the enclosed form. **Voting will not take place at the Special Meeting.** Follow the instructions on the proxy form as to how to vote. By submitting a proxy, you are designating Eve Mancuso, the Secretary, as the one who will act as your proxy to cast your vote. **All votes must be received prior to February 25, 2022, by Noon to be counted.** Please vote as this is an important legal matter.

Sincerely,



Eve Mancuso

Secretary

Why Do we Need This Name Change?

At a special meeting of the Board of Directors (the “Board”) of the Corporation, the Board voted to authorize, in principle, a disassociation from and settlement of litigation with the Adirondack Mountain Club, Inc. (“ADK”).

The Corporation has always been, and shall continue to be, an independently incorporated entity. What is changing as a result of the settlement with ADK is that the Corporation will no longer be a chapter of ADK; the Corporation will operate as a stand-alone organization, continue to operate Camp Nawakwa, and offer various benefits to our members.

Since the Corporation will no longer be a chapter of ADK, the current name of the Corporation – the New York Chapter, Inc. of the Adirondack Mountain Club, Inc. – is no longer applicable or appropriate, and needs to be changed.

The proposed new name for the Corporation is Nawakwa Outdoor Association of New York, Inc.

MEMBER PROXY FORM

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

PLEASE VOTE ON THE PROPOSED CHANGE TO THE NAME OF THE CORPORATION.

There are three ways you can vote:

1. By printing, completing and mailing this form to the NY Chapter address noted below.
2. By printing, completing, scanning and emailing this form to: evemancuso@gmail.com.
3. By voting on the website link at <https://adkny.org/proposed-name-change/>.

NY Chapter Mailing Address:

New Chapter ADK, Inc. of the Adirondack Mountain Club, Inc.
Peter Stuyvesant Post Office Station
PO Box 327
New York, NY 10009-9998

By submitting the Proxy form the undersigned member of the New York Chapter, Inc. of the Adirondack Mountain Club, Inc. hereby authorizes, Eve Mancuso, the Secretary of the Corporation, to act as his or her proxy to vote regarding the proposed amendment to the Corporation's Certificate of Incorporation to change the Corporation's name.

To vote on the name change for the New York Chapter, Inc. of the Adirondack Mountain Club please check yes or no below.

- Yes – I approve of the amendment to the Corporation's Certificate of Incorporation to change the Corporation's name to Nawakwa Outdoor Association of New York, Inc.**
- No – I do not approve of the amendment to the Corporation's Certificate of Incorporation to change the Corporation's name to Nawakwa Outdoor Association of New York, Inc.**

Date

Signature

Print name

Proxies must be received, by mail or other means, by no later February 25, 2022, by Noon so they may be retrieved from the P.O. Box and be counted.

**NEW YORK CHAPTER, INC.
OF THE ADIRONDACK MOUNTAIN CLUB, INC.
NOTICE OF SPECIAL MEETING OF NAWAKWANS**

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE, by the call of the Chair of the Board of Directors, the New York Chapter, Inc. of the Adirondack Mountain Club, Inc. (the “NY Chapter” or the “Corporation”) will hold a Special Meeting of Nawakwans on **February 24, 2022, at 8:00 p.m.**, which Special Meeting will be held virtually.

The agenda for the meeting shall include:

- Amendment of the by-laws of the Corporation for reasons set forth in the letter attached hereto; and
- such other and further business of the Corporation.

Note: A copy of the amended by-laws to be voted on, with the changes redlined, is attached to this Notice. The Board has approved the proposed amendment. This Notice will be distributed by email, posting to the website, posting in the Trail Marker, and USPS mailed to those Nawakwans without email addresses.

All Nawakwans are invited to attend the virtual meeting but **attendance is not required to vote**; Zoom instructions will be sent out closer to the meeting date. **To receive the link, you must RSVP no later than February 22, 2022, at 10:00 a.m. at https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSdHYRgPrjU_MStRGcq7YIPvUBnAqnd_sEhtQHvEXcGR8VCxvg/viewform?usp=sf_link**

Because of COVID limitations, **to vote you must do so by proxy** by using the enclosed form. **Voting will not take place at the Special Meeting.** Follow the instructions on the proxy form as to how to vote. By submitting a proxy, you are designating Eve Mancuso, the Secretary, as the one who will act as your proxy to cast your vote. **All votes must be received prior to February 25, 2022, by Noon to be counted.** Please vote as this is an important legal matter.

Sincerely,



Eve Mancuso

Secretary

Why Do we Need This Amendment to our By-Laws?

At a special meeting of the Board of Directors (the “Board”) of the Corporation, the Board voted to authorize, in principle, a disassociation from, and settlement of litigation with, the Adirondack Mountain Club, Inc. (“ADK”).

In anticipation of the Corporation’s disassociation from ADK, the By-Laws are being revised to reflect the proposed disassociation.

The proposed amendments to the By-Laws reflect the elimination of its status as a chapter of ADK and provides an independent governance for the Corporation outside of the auspices of ADK. For example, all references to ADK, as well as to the Corporation as a “chapter” of ADK, have been deleted.

The proposed amended By-Laws are attached to this notice (as redlined, for your review).

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 three ways you can vote:

1. By printing, completing and mailing this form to the NY Chapter address noted below.
2. By printing, completing, scanning and emailing this form to: evemancuso@gmail.com.
3. By voting on the website link at <https://adkny.org/2022-bylaws-change/>.

NY Chapter Mailing Address:

New Chapter ADK, Inc. of the Adirondack Mountain Club, Inc.
Peter Stuyvesant Post Office Station
PO Box 327
New York, NY 10009-9998

By submitting the Proxy form the undersigned Keyholder (Nawakwan) member of the New York Chapter, Inc. of the Adirondack Mountain Club, Inc. hereby authorizes, Eve Mancuso, the Secretary of the Corporation, to act as his or her proxy to vote regarding the proposed amendments to the Bylaws of the Corporation.

To vote on the amendments to the By-Laws of the Corporation, please check yes or no below.

- Yes – I approve of the amendments to the Bylaws.**
- No – I do not approve of the amendments to the Bylaws.**

Date

Signature

Print name

Proxies must be received, by mail or other means, by no later February 25, 2022, by Noon so they may be retrieved from the P.O. Box and be counted.



BY-LAWS
of the
NEW YORK CHAPTER, INC.
of the
ADIRONDACK MOUNTAIN CLUB, INC
(2022)

ARTICLE I: NAME

The name of this organization is: New York Chapter, Inc. of the Adirondack Mountain Club, Inc. ("Corporation"), unless changed in accordance with the procedures set forth by law or otherwise.

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")~~ Corporation 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 ("member")~~

- 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-Corporation~~ and vote on issues which pertain to ~~Chapter-the Corporation business only exclusive of matters pertaining to Camp Nawakwa, unless otherwise expressly stated herein.~~
- b) Individual: 18 years of age or older who shall be a voting member of the ~~Club Corporation~~ and vote on issues which pertain to ~~Chapter-Corporation business only exclusive of matters pertaining to Camp Nawakwa, unless otherwise expressly stated herein.~~
- 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" or "Nawakwan Member")

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

Section 2. ~~Someone who is not a Nawakwan is~~ Both categories above are known as ~~and~~ "Applicants" and neither ~~or~~ but is ~~not~~ granted Nawakwan rights nor unlimited Camp Nawakwa access until ~~they~~ 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

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determined by the BOD, are published in the Policies and Procedure Manual and annually in the *Trail Marker* and on the Corporation's website.

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

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Section 32. To be admitted as a member of the Chapter-Corporation, a person must:

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

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Section 43. 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, Submitting a Camp Nawakwa Application Form to the Corporation along with applicable application fee(s);~~
2. ~~paying the Club-Corporation's annual dues;~~
3. ~~submitting a Camp Nawakwa Application Form and paying the Application Fee, successfully completing the Qualifying, Orientation and Safety Activities; and~~
4. ~~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.~~

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Section 54.

1. ~~Chapter-M~~members are granted all rights and privileges of the Club-Corporation as set forth herein and otherwise determined by the BOD.
2. Membership in the Chapter-Corporation 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-Corporation, 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-Corporation's website in a timely manner.

Section 6.

4. ~~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 Park~~ Corporation, including Camp Nawakwa. In accordance with ~~Club the Corporation's~~ 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's~~ membership or expelled from the ~~Chapter and/or Corporation's~~ 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.

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Section 8.

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

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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 ~~Corporation and 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 or virtually. 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 56.

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 67.

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 Corporation'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 the 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 Corporation~~ (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 Corporation shall be in accordance with the Bylaws of the Club Corporation. A Chapter Corporation may elect up to two alternates for each Club Director allowed.~~

Chapter's ~~Director is unable to attend a meeting, an elected alternate may attend in his or her stead, when and as approved by the Chair.~~
Alternates may also be elected officers of the Chapter ~~Corporation. Whenever a Club~~

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/mailed 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-Corporation's website.

ARTICLE VIII: MEETINGS

Section 1.

There shall be an Annual Meeting of the membership each and every year in accordance with the By-Laws.

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 than 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 ~~members~~ of the Corporation 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 may be adjourned because of lack of quorum,

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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 ~~members~~ of the Corporation;

ARTICLE IX: FINANCES

Section 1.

The Chapter-Corporation's 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 funds 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 ~~Corporation 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~~ 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-Certificate 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-Certificate 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-Corporation's 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-Corporation's rules, policies, bylaws, or the certificate of incorporation, and advisories concerning and directives from Harriman State Park-Park.

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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.~~

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ARTICLE 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. Corporation 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.

NEW YORK CHAPTER, INC. of the ADIRONDACK MOUNTAIN CLUB INC.

2021 ELECTION RESULTS

The results of the elections held at the Annual Member Meeting on October 16, 2021, are as follows:

Chair (one-year unexpired term)

Raymond Kozma – 138 votes

Write In Votes:

Deirdre Tourin – 1 vote

Laura Campbell – 1 vote

Vice Chair (two-year term)

Teri Gabel - 130 votes

Write in Votes:

Stephanie Lai – 1 vote

Joe Rinaldi – 1 vote

Lewis Ports – 1 vote

Marty Kellerman - 1 vote

Marty McDonald – 1 vote

Mintari Preston - 1 vote

Secretary (two-year term)

Eve Mancuso – 147 votes

Write in votes:

Deirdre Tourin – 1 vote

Stephanie Lai - 1 vote

Directors (two-year term)

Guy Lingley – 136 votes

Write in votes:

Deirdre Tourin – 1 vote

Marty McDonald – 137 votes

Ingrid Strauch – 143 votes

Write in votes:

Carol Burns – 1 vote

Director (one-year unexpired term)

Carol Burns – 62 votes

Deirdre Tourin – 46 votes

Joe Rinaldi – 29 votes

We express sincere gratitude and deep appreciation to the following former Board members for their years of dedicated service given to the New York Chapter: Lisa North, Mark Fedow, Marty Kellerman.

Marty Kellerman is also giving up his position as Chair of the Activities Committee but will remain as Chair of the Environmental Committee. If anyone is interested in taking over as Chair of the Activities Committee, please make your interest known to the Board.

Treasurer's Report (Year ending 2021)

- Suzanne Rocheleau, Treasurer

The NY Chapter's Insurance coverage and rent due to the Palisades Interstate Park Commission (PIPC) continue to be the largest annual expenses.

1. Rent. In 2018 the NY Chapter signed a 10-year lease; our annual rent is \$5,473.00. PIPC requires us to pay 75% of the rent by January 30. The remaining 25% of rent due for 2021 was eliminated by the MCI projects Tree removal of dead and/or infected trees from the camp's property area. The trees requiring removal will be cut and logs will be available for use as firewood at camp. Cost incurred: \$7,000.
2. Insurance. Liability coverage: \$8,823, Directors & Officers coverage: \$1,156. The Board looked into alternative insurance providers for Nawakwa other than Philadelphia Insurance. We spoke to our insurance representative to negotiate better rates; our camp's location and access to the lake and inherent risk issues present at least one of the major factors necessitating the type and/or terms of coverage that camp requires. After a thorough and comprehensive review, the Board assessed that we were getting appropriate, fair and reasonable insurance coverage.
3. Major Capital Improvements (MCI). After much discussion and consideration, the roof on the main cabin was replaced, which was a long overdue necessity. The cost incurred was \$29,350. There are additional Major Capital Improvement projects being discussed in depth to enhance the quality, integrity and safety of Camp Nawakwa, which will require Board approval. As permitted by PIPC, a percentage of our largest MCI expenses will be applied as a discount against our annual rent due in 2022
4. 2021 Income. Camp fee income for 2021 was down slightly for the camp season versus prior pre-pandemic active seasons.

Annual Meeting: Committee Reports

Please note that all reports from the various Committees which were presented at the 2021 Annual Meeting are posted on our website. The link to the reports may be found under *News, Announcements and More*. Go to page 5 and find the link to the reports under the *Agenda for the October 16 Annual Meeting*.

ADK-NY-VOLUNTEER-HOURS

- Bill Burns, Trails Committee

REPORT DATE FALL-2021

Trail #	<u>MAINTAINER</u>	<u>TRAIL</u>	Trail Length	Work Hours	Travel Hours
1	Mary James	<u>RD</u> Tuxedo to Rt.106	4.13	27.0	38.5
2	Noel Schulz	<u>Triangle</u> Tuxedo to WB junction at 2.6mi.	2.60	14.5	2.0
3	Ingrid Strauch	<u>Triangle</u> White Bar @ Dutch Doctor to WB @ 2.6 mi from Tuxedo	2.65	5.5	12.0
4	Jack Papirio	<u>AT</u> Orange Tpk. to Mombasha Rd.	1.40	0.0	0.0
5	Glen Nison	<u>White Cross</u> TMI to RD	0.70	6.5	3.0
6	Bill and Carol Burns	<u>AT</u> Rt. 17 to Orange Tpk.	1.80	18.0	5.0
7	Dennis Hickey	<u>Long Path</u> Greenbrook Sanctuary to GWB	5.10	0.0	0.0
8	Richard DeCoursey	<u>White Bar</u> Rt. 106 to ASB	2.05	0.0	0.0
9	Noel Schulz	<u>TMI</u> RD to Sebago Dam	2.40	13.5	3.0
10	Herb Coles/ June Fait	<u>White Bar</u> Johnsonstown Rd. to Triangle Trail	1.50	17.0	14.0
11	Giacomo Servetti and Kim Waldhauer	<u>White Bar</u> Triangle to Rt. 106	3.80	8.0	2.0
11	Mary James	Trail assist		10.0	7.0
12	Sarah Lang Wiehart and Michael Wiehart	<u>White Cross</u> TMI to Victory	1.45	13.0	7.0
TOTAL TRAIL MILES			29.5 8		
				TOTAL HOURS	
				133. 0	93.5

Rare Opportunity Available for a Trail Maintainer

Sarah and Michael Wiehart have moved to Switzerland. They were the trail maintainers of the White Cross Trail. If you are interested in maintaining a trail, please contact the Trails Chairman, Bill Burns (718-816-1933). Nawakwa has dedicated trail maintainers and we do not often have a trail maintainer vacancy.

Winters Past at Camp Nawakwa

Photos by Glen Nison and Ray Kozma









"As per our long-standing practice, each applicant for Nawakwa membership has the help of two Sponsors during the Applicant's Qualifying period (a twelve-month period during which an Applicant must satisfactorily complete five Qualifying Events plus meet with their Sponsors). A Sponsor is a current, active Nawakwan who has been a keyholder for at least one year and who agrees to help the Applicant learn about camp and the responsibilities of membership so that the Applicant may successfully complete the process of qualifying" (Sponsor-Applicant Handbook). Accordingly, we welcome the following Applicants:

Welcome New Applicants

Eileen McCaffrey
Kelly Pena
Marisa Vallve

"Since the New York Chapter Bylaws give the care, responsibility, and privilege of running and maintaining Camp Nawakwa exclusively to the keyholders of the Chapter (who are also called Nawakwans), it is desirable and necessary that new keyholder members be recruited on a regular basis. We recruit potential Nawakwans by attracting and inviting like-minded, outdoor oriented, adult individuals (18 years and older) to become applicants for keyholder status. After completing the required qualifying activities, such new keyholders, will take their place in the long-line of custodians of Camp Nawakwa and its traditions." [Policy on Sponsor-Applicants]

Welcome New keyholders

<u>New Keyholder</u>	<u>Sponsor</u>
Edie Blum	Eve Mancuso, David Miller
Brian Blum	Eve Mancuso, David Miller
Peter Cohn	Yajing Lee, Eve Mancuso
Oliver Lunt	Eve Mancuso, Maryann Poris
Tom Pearl	Janet Sibarium, Jerry Flower
Kate Walker	Sara Lang, Eve Mancuso

Congratulations to Our 50-Year and 50+ Years Nawakwan Members

Winifred Clark – 1951	Suzanne Soulier – 1964
Phyllis Quinn – 1960	David Taylor – 1970
Graham Bright – 1961	Robert Hysko – 1972

In Memoriam



Ingeborg Simpson

We received sad news in November that Chapter and Keyholder member Ingeborg Simpson passed away. Our secretary, Eve Mancuso, notified us as follows: "Good evening, it is with much sadness and a heavy heart that I share the news with you of the recent passing of our friend and fellow Nawakwan, Inge. I have known Inge for a good number of years, and I am grateful for the friendship we shared. Inge had a larger than life, outgoing, and congenial personality filled with optimism and a true zest for living. I will truly miss her company – the time we spent together, the tales of her travels, and the words of wisdom and advice she often shared with me. Her family has decided they would like to have a small-scale memorial with only family members and her closest friends in February. As I know many friends from Nawakwa would like to participate in a Celebration of Inge's life, I will be planning to host a memorial weekend in spring when camp Nawakwa re-opens. At that time, we can all remember and celebrate Inge together."

Memories of Inge

"Inge will always be remembered as the most stylish hiker in the Lower Hudson Valley. Laden, at times, in gold, Inge's style never waylaid her athleticism. Her panache was evident in everything she did. I believe it was the Summer of the Bear, maybe 2015, when after her early supper of Camembert and Chablis on the porch, we spotted a bear in the distance and watched it lumber towards the lodge. I was terrified but Inge exclaimed, "What a gorgeous creature!" The bear circled the cabin smelling, perhaps, the remains of last night's cooking. Unbeknownst to us, the bear had finally settled himself at the base of the water pump, but nothing could deter Inge from her schedule. She promptly marched out to her car, totally nonplussed by the presence of a bear. In short, Inge, or Heidi as I sometimes called her, embodied the spirit of Nawakwa: quirky, nature loving, generous, appreciative. She would often say, "There's something about this place, isn't there?" Yes, I say to you, Inge, and to your joie de vivre, a gift you've shared with all of us."

- Maryann Poris

"Inge was an "original"- whether hiking, cooking in the kitchen or swimming in the lake, Inge was always dressed "to the nines". Conversation on the porch, sharing tales of her many travel adventures, her wisdom and dedication to Nawakwa will always be remembered. Inge was an inspiration and is sorely missed!"

- Leni Tabb

"When one thinks of Inge, there are many words that come to mind – energetic, charismatic, joyful, outgoing, athletic, sophisticated, intelligent, kind, dedicated. Yes, all these words describe Inge but the one I hold most dear is the word "friend". I have been very fortunate to have had Inge as my friend for several years. I first met Inge at Camp Nawakwa and later also spent time together at Thendara. Our friendship grew and we would talk on the phone regularly, meet for dinner at various restaurants, and go on numerous walks in Harriman, around Hessian Lake, and Storm King Arts Center. I truly enjoyed the long talks we had while sitting on the porch or on the dock, or in the kitchen preparing a meal. Inge shared stories of her life experiences, from her difficult childhood in Germany, her emigration to the US as a young woman and her many travels to remote places all over the world. I was appreciative of her words of wisdom, encouragement, and advice. I admired her individuality, confidence and strength and looked to her as a role model. Inge often said she was grateful for the life she had, and as she grew older continued to live every day to its fullest. She was looking forward to travel restrictions being lifted and once again being able to plan new trips. Inge left us way too soon. She will surely be missed. Rest in peace my friend, with your beloved husband Aaron. Until we meet again."

- Eve Mancuso

"I have so many fond memories of Inge at Nawakwa. She was always such a positive person with so many adventures and stories to share. She maintained her independence to a remarkable degree when she was married to Aaron but was always committed to her marriage. Inge was the Nawakwa fashionista with a stunning wardrobe of camp appropriate yet stylish garb. She was there for me when Noam passed away and we shared being "young" widows when Aaron passed. When she met Joe, he immediately appreciated her joie de vivre and her stories of skiing in Switzerland during Covid when most of us were still in lockdown. We were shocked and saddened when we heard of her untimely and sudden passing. As in the James Taylor song, we always thought we would see her again. RIP Inge. We miss you but your spirit lives on in our memories."

- Ruby Kornfeld

"I remember Inge very fondly. She was so upbeat, warm, and positive, had engaging stories to tell, so full of life and eager to do things. She looked decades younger than her age, and really believed in health and practiced it. Her spirit was bright, and she was special."

- Bruce Rosenbloom

"I'm so sorry to hear about Inge's passing. She truly loved camp and was a lively, enthusiastic person to be around. As you say, her stories were delightful. We'll miss her."

- Emily Crowell



Inge with Janet Sibarium



Inge with Ed Brophy
(Ed himself passed away several years ago)



Inge (in green) at the Post- Bastille Day Celebration, July 2018

In Memoriam



Edward P. Tolley, Jr.

From Laura Sunderlin, former Chapter Chair, we received word that another past Chapter Member and Keyholder, Edward Perry Tolley Jr. passed away on Nov. 15th at the age of 89. Our Archives [researched by Ellen King] note that Ed Tolley served on the New York Chapter Board for two years, 1996 – '97 as a Director during Rob Goldberg's tenure as Chapter Chair. He and his wife, Nancy, were Applicants in 1993. They were voted into membership in January 1994. Ed was an occasional Nawakwa weekend co-host (co-hosting with Daphne Prior for a weekend in September 1997). Excerpts from his obituary note the following:

Born and raised in Glen Ellyn, IL, Ed played center and guard on the Glenbard Township football team, played sax and clarinet in the Melody Makers Band and was an Eagle Scout. He became a skilled carpenter while working construction jobs during summer vacations. Ed graduated Magna cum Laude and Phi Beta Kappa from Dartmouth College in 1951 with a B.A. in English Literature and where he was also a Senior Fellow and a member of Psi Upsilon Fraternity.

As a Sargent First Class in Korea from 1952 to 1954, he saw combat as part of Tank Company, 65th Regiment, third division, where he named his tank "THINK" tank as a joke for the intellectuals fighting the war. He suffered partial hearing loss from firing his 50-caliber machine gun from atop his tank while fending off a night attack by the Chinese Army. His company fought at the Battle of Out Post Henry (Harry) and he was awarded two Bronze Stars, the Korean Service Ribbon, the Combat Infantry Badge, the United Nations Service Medal and the National Defense Service Medal.

Post Korean War, Ed attended NYU Law School at night while working for Vick Chemical Company, which took him to Mexico, Colombia, Venezuela, and Cuba. He was one of the last Americans to flee Havana when Fidel Castro and his communist rebels drove President Batista out of Cuba in 1959. From 1960 to 1970, Ed was a tax and securities associate at Cravath Swaine & Moore before becoming a partner at Brown, Wood, Ivey, Mitchell, and Petty in New York City. He was the first lawyer in the family and inspired at least four of the next generation into the profession.

Ed called Port Washington home. In his free time, he coached PYA football and baseball. An avid sailor, he was a member of Port Washington Yacht Club as well as Knickerbocker Yacht Club, where he loved to sail in Manhasset Bay. He also sailed his Pearson 33, Cat's Meow, in the Virgin Islands where he had multiple adventures on the high seas. From Port Washington it was an easy drive upstate where he enjoyed hiking at the Adirondack Club and Camp Nawakwa in Harriman State Park.

