

The Trail Marker

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Settlement Agreement Approved

To all Members:

We are happy to inform you that the case between ADK and the New York Chapter, Inc. of the Adirondack Mountain Club, Inc. has been settled. The former New York Chapter is now an independent club with the name Nawakwa Outdoor Association of New York, Inc.

The certificate of incorporation on file with New York State Department of State, Division of Corporations has been amended so that the name of the corporation is: Nawakwa Outdoor Association of New York, Inc.

Tom Andrews, President of ADK has written an ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF DISCLAIMER OF INTEREST IN CAMP NAWAKWA sent to the Palisades Interstate Park Commission, stating:

“As you may know, I am the President of the Adirondack Mountain Club, Inc. ("ADK"). I am writing with regard to the lease for Camp Nawakwa.

“I am writing to advise that ADK and the New York Chapter, Inc. of the Adirondack Mountain Club, Inc. and ("NYADK") have agreed to disassociate from one another in or about March of 2022.

“ADK acknowledges that the rights and obligations from the lease for Camp Nawakwa, and any amendments thereto, extensions thereof, and any future leases thereof, shall be solely that of NY ADK (subject to amendment to reflect the new name of NY ADK).

“ADK disclaims any and all rights or interest, if any, in Camp Nawakwa.”

We now await an amended lease from the Palisades Interstate Park Commission with our new name added.

The Board sees this year as one of transition as we work to develop ourselves as the Nawakwa Outdoor Association of New York, Inc. The Board will keep everyone informed as developments occur.

Please see page 3 for detailed information on the operation of Camp Nawakwa for this year.

Thank you,

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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 our Membership Chair, jerry@noany.org, to notify us of your address change.

Notice: 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.

Follow us on Instagram! [nawakwa_outdoor_association_ny](https://www.instagram.com/nawakwa_outdoor_association_ny)

Get updates on Nawakwa happenings on Twitter!

Go to <https://twitter.com/NawakwaOutdoor> click on follow, then receive news, reminders, and special notices effortlessly!
Account managed by Ingrid Strauch (Ingrid-hiking@noany.org)

Deadline for submissions to the next edition of the Trail Marker (June-July 2022) is May 23, 2022. All submissions can be forwarded to Ray Kozma, at TrailMarker@noany.org

Welcome to a New Season at Camp Nawakwa

1. Camp Fees remain the same as they were last year.
2. **The Annual Nawakwa Passport for 2022 is available. Cost: \$125.**
The Passport covers all camp fees and is available for all keyholders (Guests of keyholders would pay the usual camp fees.) Please send a check, made out to the **Nawakwa Outdoor Association of New York, Inc.** to Ray Kozma (585 North Railroad Ave, Staten Island, NY 10304) with your request for the Passport. Please include your email address.
3. As part of the settlement agreement, anyone who is a current member in good standing of ADK can remain a member of ADK. Anyone who is a member of the former New York Chapter continues as a member of the **Nawakwa Outdoor Association of New York, Inc.** You no longer need to be an ADK member to have membership in our new club.
4. There are no membership fees for this year, 2022, for members of the Nawakwa Outdoor Association of New York, Inc. The Board will be establishing an Annual Membership Fee program for next year, 2023.

In Celebration of our New Club!

*Come join us at Camp Nawakwa
on Saturday, May 7, 2022, for an Open House
in celebration of our new beginning as the
Nawakwa Outdoor Association of New York, Inc.
Time: 2pm to 5pm*

- *Culinary delights prepared by Susanne Flower and Lewis Ports*
- *Registration Required: Call Susanne at (917) 509-3786
or Lewis at (646) 339-1316*
- *No charge, no Camp Fees. . . Just come and enjoy!*

Coming Weekends at Camp Nawakwa

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: noamintari@gmail.com or call Mintari Preston at (201) 655-9813 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

Mini-Workday and Orientation - April 9, 2022

On Saturday, April 9, dependent on weather, we are conducting a mini work day (not qualifying) and Orientation. The primary goal of the work day is to restore the safety of the ramp to the swim dock. We are calling for hearty, strong keyholders to help move the ramp back into place. We will also begin to cut back and clear the camp driveway and pathways. The work period will be approximately 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 pm. A lunch of tomato-spinach-asiago soup or veggie chili, with avocado bread, and a fruit, is provided. Please bring your own beverage.

After lunch, at approximately 1:30 pm, we will begin Orientation. Applicants, and keyholders wanting an update, are welcome to participate. Orientation will be approximately 3 hours.

Please RSVP to Teri and Don Gabel at blaugabels@msn.com by 9 pm on April 7th.

Work Weekend – April 23-24, 2022

JOIN US FOR A FUN-FILLED WORK WEEKEND TO BEAUTIFY OUR CAMP NAWAKWA!!!

Camp Nawakwa's Spring Work Weekend is scheduled to begin at 9:00 a.m. on Saturday, April 23 and Sunday, April 24. Please note that if an applicant or keyholder signs up to work, the expectation is you are participating in the work day for as long as we are working. There are spring clean-up tasks, as well as maintenance projects, something to do for all.

Complementary Saturday lunch is provided by the Board and hosted by Janet Sibarium (Membership Committee member). Please bring your own beverage.

There is a limit to the number of applicants, priority given to those who have not yet attended a required service project. Although keyholders are welcome to stay overnight, at this time this is not a hosted weekend. Applicants are welcome to stay overnight, as a non-qualifying stay, as long as a keyholder agrees to be responsible. Please see the calendar on noany.org for updates.

Applicants and keyholders, please RSVP by Wednesday, April 20 at 10:00 pm. Please specify whether you plan to volunteer Saturday (and Complementary Lunch) or Sunday, or both. Please indicate if you prefer vegetarian meals.

Please email Don Gabel at workday@noany.org to RSVP and specify which day(s) you are working, or call Teri Gabel at (845)729-9914. Thank you so much for volunteering, and we look forward to being in camp and seeing everyone again.

Opening of Camp Season (Rain date for Spring Work Day) - April 30 – May 1, 2022 (OPEN)

In Celebration of our New Club! - May 7, 2022 – Saturday Only

Join the Saturday afternoon celebration of our new organization and the reopening of Nawakwa for the 2022 season. RSVP required. See details of this event on page 3.

Celebration of Life for Inge Simpson – May 14-15, 2022

Please join co-hosts Eve Mancuso and Nancy Dargis for a spring weekend at camp in Celebration of the Life of Inge Simpson. A delicious chicken meal will be served Saturday with numerous tasty veggie side dishes; breakfast and bag lunch will be provided on Sunday. After dinner, all will be welcome to share their thoughts and remembrances of Inge. Please note in which meals you will partake, if you prefer a vegetarian option, and if you will be staying overnight.

Kindly RSVP to Eve at evemancuso@gmail.com no later than Thursday, May 12th at 9 pm, or send me a message at 914-924-3832.

In Praise of Mountain Laurel – May 21-22, 2022

Come join host Alex Wilkie in celebrating the blooming of the mountain laurel in Harriman Park. The menu will be hearty but simple to prepare, so that we can spend less time in the kitchen and more time enjoying springtime around camp.

RSVP to Alex at afwilkie204@gmail.com or text at 856-630-5607, by 9 p.m. Thursday, May 19th.

May 28-29-30 – Memorial Day Weekend – OPEN

Please check our website (noany.org)
for updates to weekends, previews of weekends in June and July,
and special announcements.

NOTICE

As part of the process leading up to the settlement agreement with ADK, both our name and our Bylaws needed to be changed/amended. These changes were approved by votes of keyholders [for the Bylaws] and all members [for the name change]. The voting results are as follows:

After receiving and tallying all the mail in votes as well as those received up to 2/25/22, the final official counts are as follows:

Name Change: 166 proxies received. 154 voted Yes, 12 voted No

Bylaws Amendment: 110 proxies received. 104 voted Yes, 6 voted No

Sincerely, Eve Mancuso, Secretary

Hikes and Outings

Hikes and Outings Chairperson: Glen Nison 718-625-2182 gnisonbike@juno.com

For listings of hikes not led by members of NOANY, (and not necessarily qualifying) try these links:

<http://www.nynjtc.org/content/scheduled-hikes> <http://www.hudsonhikers.org/schedules.htm>

Palm Sunday Hike – Sunday – April 10, 2022

After a lapse of two years due to the pandemic, the people of St. John's Church in the Wilderness have notified us that they are hosting a modified hiker's event on April 10th this year (Palm Sunday). A light lunch, picnic -style, will be provided by the parishioners. If the weather is fair, tables will be set up in the field near the Barn (Note: The Barn itself is not usable due to some needed structural repairs). If the weather is poor, the lunch will take place inside using the Church's meeting room. The luncheon is scheduled for 2PM. The address of the church is 119 Johnstown Road, Stony Point, NY between Lake Welch Parkway and Route 106.

There will be two groups hiking, one led by Ray Kozma (co-leader Oliver Lunt) taking a 'traditional' route that will take us along Breakneck Pond and pass through the AMC camp; and one led by Lewis Ports who will take the trails on the ridge above Breakneck Pond. Both groups will start together from our camp road. At a rest stop at Diamond Creek, the groups will separate, meeting up later at the church.

Since this is a one-way hike, please note:

All who are driving should meet at the Church by 9AM where the cars will be parked. All cars, except for the one or two that will shuttle hikers/drivers back to our starting point, will be left at the Church where the hike finishes. The hike will start from the Camp gate and Seven Lakes Drive about 10 AM.

Although Palm Sunday is in April this year, early Spring 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 trail snacks, water, raingear, and wear sturdy hiking shoes. Traction devices are recommended in case there is ice on the trail.

All participants must register with Ray Kozma (917-406-3782) or raymondkozma@gmail.com or with Lewis Ports (646-339-1316) or ports.lewis@gmail.com by Thursday night, April 7, 2020. Hike is Qualifying.

The Creed

"I believe in the Out-of-Doors, the woods, streams and hills, the wildlife that lives therein; I believe that man's care for them in a state of nature consistent with conservation is his best investment for the future."

Nawakwa, 1923

Coming in June:

Harriman Beginner Backpack Weekend - Saturday, June 4th-Sunday, June 5th, 2022

If you've ever wanted to backpack, haven't for a while, or backpack regularly and want to get out, this weekend aims towards accommodating all. I'll provide you with a basic/essential gear list with optional add-ons and personal guidance if needed beforehand. On-site you'll have help with setting up your tent, using your stove, water purifier or anything else you may not be familiar with.

The backpack will start Saturday morning at the Elk Pen Parking Lot which is accessible by either public transportation or car. Overnight parking is free, and our meeting time will accommodate anyone arriving by bus from NYC.

We'll walk 4.3 miles at a moderate pace along the Appalachian Trail to the Fingerboard Shelter, take the blue Hurst trail to Lake Tiorati (0.5 miles) and do a short road walk (0.2 miles) on Seven Lakes Drive to the Cedar Pond campground for the night. These sites are available exclusively for organizations and by reservation-only. We will have one of three large 30-person sites right by the water on a little peninsula. We have two car parking spots at the campsite so there is also the opportunity for two individuals or families to join the group by car in the afternoon and camp with us (offered to the first who respond). Bicyclists may also join and camp with us. The campsite cost (\$37.50) will be shared by all the participants. The group can choose amongst a variety of trails for the trip back to Elk Pen on Sunday.

I will offer more backpack trips throughout the Summer and into Fall. Beginning backpackers who may need to invest in basic equipment will have the opportunity to amortize gear with future trips. The level of difficulty and length of future trips will vary according to the destinations.

Please register and/or address any questions to the Leader, Lewis Ports at (646)339-1316 or ports.lewis@gmail.com. Qualifying for the backpackers.

Coming in July:

In Celebration of Raymond H. Torrey – July 30-31, 2022

At the ADK's general meeting in October 1922, Raymond Torrey was charged with setting up a New York Chapter. By 1923, the New York Chapter was formally established, with Raymond Torrey as the first Chapter Chair. He was also the co-founder of the Trail Conference and was appointed its first Secretary, a position he held until his untimely death (on his birthday, July 28th) in 1938 at age 58. New York Chapter members, with efforts spearheaded by Torrey and the Trail Conference, set out to blaze the first trails in Harriman State Park. During all these years, he published his Long Brown Path newspapers articles promoting all the trails being built in Harriman State Park. There will be a short presentation about Raymond Torrey after dinner on Saturday. A hike to the Torrey Memorial on Long Mountain (with a stop at Turkey Hill Lake) is planned for Sunday after breakfast (start time about 10:30). Host: Ray Kozma.

Please register with Ray (917-406-3782) or raymondkozma@gmail.com by Thursday, July 28th, before 10pm. The hike on Sunday will be qualifying.

In Memoriam

Remembering Renate Jaerschky



Renate was born in the Orangery of the Charlottenburg Castle in Berlin, Germany, on July 20, 1932. Her mother was a kindergarten teacher, her father a professional flutist, who died in Russia during WW2, in 1942, when Renate was only ten years old.

At the age of eight years, she moved with her mother and brother Rudolf to Holzhausen, a tiny village in the Frankfurt area. She was a brilliant student, but funds weren't sufficient to send her to university. Instead, Renate became a nurse. In fact, her first job was as a children's nurse.

At the age 20 she went to visit a girlfriend in the USA. She never returned from that trip for two reasons: one was that she fell in love with America. The other was that she grew up in Nazi Germany and for that reason didn't want to remain a German citizen anymore, so she became an American citizen.

Renate first worked in South Bend, Indiana. In about 1962 Renate married, but that marriage didn't last long as her husband turned out to be violent, so she left him.

Later on, she moved to New York, where she had to repeat her exams as a nurse. Here she also studied in the medical sector to obtain a Masters degree. She became the head nurse in the surgical department of the Manhattan General Hospital.

Renate was a likeable person, having a large circle of diverse international friends. During those years she connected with the Fellowship Community, to which she felt very close as her great-uncle Paul Jaerschky was a famous Anthroposophic doctor. She kept close contact with her family in Germany whom she visited regularly.

Renate was an enthusiastic hiker, regularly serving as a guide for hiking tours. She was a passionate flutist, playing the concert flute.

After she retired, she moved to Suffern, NY, to be able to live close to the Fellowship. For 20 years she served there for two days each week.

During her last years she lived in the Fellowship Community as Member. On December 19th, 2021, at the age of 89 she died peacefully, surrounded by caring friends.

[Note: Renate became a keyholder member of Camp Nawakwa in 1997.]

Centennial Anniversary Events

The Nawakwa Outdoor Association of New York, Inc. (formerly the New York Chapter, Inc. of the Adirondack Mountain Club, Inc.) will be celebrating its One-Hundredth Anniversary in 2023

The marking of a hundred years is always a notable occasion whether it be for an individual, an event, or an organization. In this space of the Trail Marker, we provide information and updates about plans for celebrating our Centennial.

1. To count down to the anniversary, the Trail Marker has been carrying articles about the history, significant events, and people connected to the development of the Main Club and the New York Chapter. In this issue, we highlight Raymond H. Torrey, our first Chapter Chair, and note the special achievements he had accomplished until his suddenddeath in 1938 at age of 58.
2. We will be conducting a series of 'historic hikes and outings' in which we try to recreate early hikes and visit places treasured by that first generation of chapter members. You will find a description of a hike to the Torrey Memorial on Long Mountain on the next page.
3. A Committee is being formed to plan a grand celebration in 2023 to celebrate our One-Hundredth Anniversary. The date and venue are not set yet. Right now, we are looking for help from any and all club members who might be interested in working on the planning committee. If interested, please email Susanne Flower (susanneflower@gmail.com) or Ray Kozma (raymondkozma@gmail.com).

Historic Hikes

As part of our anticipating our One-Hundredth Anniversary in 2023, we are planning a series of 'historic hikes' in which we try to recreate early hikes and visit places treasured by that first generation of chapter members. The following hike is part of a weekend celebration of Raymond Torrey that will be held July 30-31, 2022, with the hike

itself taking place on Sunday.

Torrey Memorial and Turkey Hill Lake (5-6 miles) – Sunday, July 31, 2022

Raymond H. Torrey was the first Chair of the New York Chapter. In the fall of 1922, he was asked by the Board of Governors of the Main Club to organize local walks for members in the Metropolitan area. In January 1923, he issued a small two-page outing schedule. Another schedule was issued in the Spring. This hike will visit and pay tribute to Raymond Torrey at the memorial placed on Long Mountain after his sudden death in 1938 (see the accompanying article in this issue of the Trail Marker). The hike to the memorial entails a good climb up Long Mountain. The hike will then continue down to Turkey Hill Lake where we will stop for lunch. There is a good steady climb up from the lake back to the cars. Note: The whole hike is qualifying, but for those who wish just to do the hike to the memorial, it would be easy to return to the cars after we have hiked down Long Mountain - this would be about a 2-mile total- and before we head down to the lake. Hike is qualifying. Leader: Ray Kozma. Please see registration details on page 7.

Raymond H. Torrey (1880-1938)

The Kiosk at the start of the trail that leads to the Torrey Memorial on Long Mountain states the following:

“Raymond H. Torrey’s (1880-1938) curiosity for nature led him into the Hudson Highland’s wilderness to explore as a geologist, geographer, and historian. Considered the founder of the NY-NJ Trail Conference, serving as an officer until his death in 1938, Torrey pioneered hiking and trail building in this region. He was actively involved in the construction of the present trail system, whether it be the design, cutting or blazing of new hiking pathways, maintaining old trails, or scouting potential new routes, including the very first section of the Appalachian Trail.

As newsman, amateur botanist and publicist for the Palisades Interstate Park Commission, Torrey intensively studied and wrote of his wilderness findings, including a definitive study of area lichens. He popularized “tramping” through his daily newspaper column titled “The Long Brown Path,” named for a line in a Walt Whitman poem, “Song of the Open Road.” The column included a weekly list of hikes, news of the hiking clubs and the trail geography, geology, botany and history. He described every twist and turn of every trail in the Hudson Highland, and as far afield as the Catskills, the Adirondacks and Katahdin, Maine. With co-authors Frank Place and Dr. Robert L. Dickinson, Torrey wrote in 1923 the New York Walk Book, the classic and comprehensive guide to trails with 100 miles of New York City. Like his newspaper column, the book, in its many revisions, includes regional geological, botanical, and biological information and historical legends and facts. Torrey held high positions in many organizations, including the Appalachian Trail Conference and NY-NJ Trail Conference effectively advancing their conservation causes.

[The following article on Raymond Torrey is excerpted from an article in Wikipedia]

Raymond Hezekiah Torrey (July 15, 1880 – July 15, 1938) was the author of weekly [columns](#), Outings and The Long Brown Path in the New York Evening Post in the 1920s and 1930s. The column played a major role in the development of the 2,100-mile (3,400 km) Appalachian Trail, the Long Path and the popularity of hiking generally. He was a founding member of the New York–New Jersey Trail Conference and one of the authors of the first edition of the New York Walk Book. He had extensive scientific knowledge, writing about everything from the short-billed marsh wren to marine fossils and lichens; he could identify over 700 plants. He was secretary of the Association for the Preservation of the Adirondacks, and secretary of the American Scenic and Historic Preservation Society.

Early life

Born in Georgetown, Massachusetts, where his father was a sea captain, he began a career in journalism in newspapers in the Berkshires first, but soon moved to New York City. In 1903 he started at the New York American, then moved to the [Tribune](#) and finally the Evening Post (today the [New York Post](#)) in 1918. He became involved in the New York hiking scene at a time when the forests and mountains of the [Hudson Highlands](#) were relatively unknown but interest in the outdoors was increasing and city hiking clubs were coming into existence.

The Long Brown Path

In the early 1920s Torrey developed a weekly outdoor column for the Post, called the Long Brown Path which was named for a line in Walt Whitman's "Song of the Open Road". Major William A. Welch, General Manager of the Palisades Interstate Park Commission, was interested in creating hiking trails in Bear Mountain-Harriman State Parks but was lacking funds. Welch suggested that Torrey use his influential column to help organize New York metropolitan area hiking clubs into a volunteer trail-building confederation; this led to the creation of the Palisades Interstate Park Trail Conference, a precursor of the NY/NJTC.

Torrey not only wrote the columns, but he also organized and coordinated the resulting volunteers and did plenty of route-scouting and trail building himself.

The column was very popular: along with news of the clubs and their trails, it included a listing of hikes, as many as 20 or 30 weekly. He also used the column as a "bully pulpit," railing against litter, championing environmental causes, giving notice of upcoming conservation bills in New York and New Jersey, and organizing letter-writing campaigns in support of [reforestation](#) measures and proposals for the creation of new parks.

The Appalachian Trail

In 1922 Torrey publicized a proposal by forester Benton MacKaye to build a 2,100-mile (3,400 km) trail from Maine to Georgia (subsequently named the Appalachian Trail or AT) with a story under a full-page banner headline reading "A Great Trail from Maine to Georgia!"; the idea was quickly adopted by the new Trail Conference as their main project.

Working with volunteers organized by J. Ashton Allis of the Trail Conference, Torrey helped blaze the first 6 miles (10 km) of the AT running from the Ramapo River to Fingerboard Mountain. By January 4, 1924, the 20-mile (32 km) stretch from the Hudson to the Ramapo River was complete. On November 18 of that year, he worked with the Tramp and Trail Club on what he dubbed a "Speed Special", clearing and blazing a 20-mile (32 km) section through Sterling Forest, New York.

The effort involved much more than the physical effort of building and blazing trails— complex negotiations with property owners were required as well, particularly east of the Hudson where no established system of hiking trails existed. By 1929, with the help of New Jersey state park officials, a 43-mile (69 km) section from the Delaware River to High Point along the Kittatinny Ridge was completed. Two years later, 160 miles (260 km) of the AT, from the Delaware River to Kent, Connecticut, was in place.

Death and legacy

Torrey died of a [heart attack](#) on his 58th birthday, stunning the hiking community. The NYNJTC soon found that it took a committee to do the work he alone had carried out. A [memorial](#) was placed on Long Mountain in Harriman State Park, which had one of his favorite views, reading "In Memory of Raymond H. Torrey, A Great Disciple of the Long Brown Path, 1880-1938." His ashes were scattered to the winds there in a brief ceremony.

"Since the Bylaws give the care, responsibility, and privilege of running and maintaining Camp Nawakwa exclusively to the keyholder members (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, adults (18 years and older) to become applicants for keyholder status. After completing the required 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

Zhihong (aka Ski) Shi - **Sponsors:** Eve Mancuso and Yajing Lee

Susan Shockett – **Sponsors:** Lisa North, Gladys Sotomayer, Yajing Lee

