

The Trail Marker

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View from the Chair

“We Proceeded On...” (Meriwether Lewis and William Clark)

Open Board Meeting Report

The first Open Board Meeting as the newly formed *Nawakwa Outdoor Association* was held on Saturday, September 10, 2022. Except for last year, when we were involved in the details of the lawsuit and did not hold one, these open meetings have been held each year. The day's event was conducted by Zoom and, as a result, more than fifty members were able to attend and take part. The Open Board Meetings accomplish several goals: They provide an opportunity for the Board to present updates and committee reports on the state of the club, allow for questions and input from the attendees, and provide a way to talk about directions for the future.

Since the lawsuit was only concluded in March of this year and spanned 2021 into 2022, the Board felt that a full reporting of the lawsuit was in order so that members knew all that was involved in getting us to our new status as the *Nawakwa Outdoor Association of New York*. Guy Lingley, Director, presented a detailed outline of the events that unfolded, leading us to hire a lawyer, file a lawsuit, and successfully conclude the suit with ADK. [Note: Guy's presentation, and all the presentations and reports delivered at the meeting, will be posted to our website.]

Following Guy's report, our Treasurer, Suzanne Rocheleau, presented her report on how the lawsuit affected us financially and what the future financial picture looks like for the club. It was mentioned that the Annual Appeal (which did not take place last year) would be conducted this year and would help to restore some of our lawsuit expenses.

Special thanks were given to Don Gabel who has resigned as Camp Chair. Don served four years in this position. We are grateful to him for his vigilance in watching over Camp Nawakwa during this difficult time brought on by COVID, for working to keep camp open during the pandemic, and for his being proactive when he saw anything that needed to be done (for example: removing damaged trees before they fell onto cabins; working with the Department of Health to formulate an approved Bathing Beach Safety Plan so we could continue to enjoy our waterfront open).

Elections will be held on October 15th at our Annual meeting. This issue of the Trail Marker contains all the notices and explanations of the meeting, as well as the candidates' statement and photos (all these are also posted to our website). Our goal moving forward is to get back on track with a renewed and thriving club.

- Ray Kozma

Nawakwa Outdoor Association

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Change of address: Please contact Jerry Flower, our Membership Chair, at jerry@noany.org, to notify us of any address changes.

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 Website Editor.

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 (January-February-March 2023) is December 21, 2022. All submissions can be forwarded to Ray Kozma, at TrailMarker@noany.org.

NOTICE OF ANNUAL MEETING OF MEMBERS

To be Held on October 15, 2022

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE, by the call of the Chair of the Board of Directors, the Nawakwa Outdoor Association of New York, Inc. (NOANY) will hold an Annual Meeting of Members on October 15, 2022, at 10:00 a.m., which Annual Meeting will be held virtually.

The agenda for the meeting shall include:

- Election of officers and the board of directors of the Nawakwa Outdoor Association of New York, Inc. and
- such other and further business of NOANY.

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 of NOANY are invited to attend the virtual meeting. A link to the Zoom meeting will be sent to all members no later than Thursday evening, October 13, 2022. **Attendance is not required to vote.**

Because of COVID limitations, **voting will take place by proxy.** 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 USPS mail-in proxies must be received no later than Friday October 14, 2022, so they can be picked up at the Post Office, delivered to Camp and available to be counted. Website and email votes may be submitted until 12 noon on Saturday, October 15, 2022. Counting will commence by the Tally Committee on October 15, 2022, at 1 pm at Camp Nawakwa. **Please vote.**

Sincerely,



Secretary

Official Notice of 2022 Elections

for the Board of Directors of the NAWAKWA OUTDOOR ASSOCIATION OF NEW YORK, INC.

To All Members:

This notice, by USPS or other means, and sent out on or about September 25, 2022, serves as the Official Notice of the 2022 Election for the Board of Directors of the Nawakwa Outdoor Association of New York, Inc. and is sent to all members. Due to the continuing effects of the COVID-19 Pandemic and variants, there will not be any in-person voting. Voting will take place by Proxy. Proxies may be submitted by USPS mail, or by emailing or via the website.

A Proxy Form is included in this notice. Pursuant to the Nawakwa Outdoor Association of New York, Inc. Bylaws, each Member will receive a Proxy Form. Additional information about how to vote via “proxy” is included on the Proxy Form.

Note: In sending back the Proxy Form, you are designating Eve Mancuso, Secretary of the Corporation, as the person who will act as your proxy to cast your vote. **Per the Bylaws, a signature is required on the Proxy Form.**

All USPS mail in Proxy Forms must be received no later than Friday, October 14, 2022 so they can be picked up from the Post Office, delivered to Camp and available to be counted. Website and e-mail votes may be submitted until 12 noon on Saturday, October 15, 2022. All proxies received by the deadline, whether sent by USPS, website or email, will be counted.

Tallying will take place at Camp Nawakwa and commence at 1 pm on Saturday, October 15, 2022. After the accuracy and validity of all proxies are certified by the Tallying Committee, the Secretary will vote the proxy votes, and the results of the election will be announced. As per our Bylaws, we will post the election results on our website. The results will also be published in the next Trail Marker.

The Board of Directors
Nawakwa Outdoor Association of New York, Inc.

MEMBER PROXY FORM

NAWAKWA OUTDOOR ASSOCIATION OF NEW YORK, INC.

Similar to last year, this year due to the continuing COVID-19 Pandemic and variants, there will be no In-Person voting.

There are three ways you can vote:

1. By printing, completing, and mailing this form to the Nawakwa Outdoor Association of New York, Inc. address noted below (to be received at the PO Box no later than 10/14/22).

Mailing Address:

Nawakwa Outdoor Association of New York, Inc. Peter
Stuyvesant Post Office Station
PO Box 327
New York, NY 10009-9998

2. By printing, completing, scanning, and e-mailing this form to: evemancuso@gmail.com (no later than 10/15/22 at Noon)
3. By voting on the website link at <https://NOANY.org/2022-election-voting/> (no later than 10/15/22 at Noon)

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By sending back this Proxy Form, the undersigned member of the Nawakwa Outdoor Association of New York, Inc. is hereby authorizing, Eve Mancuso, the Secretary of the Corporation, to act as his or her proxy to cast your vote for the following slate of officers and directors for 2023.

Signature: _____
Print Name: _____

Note: Per the Bylaws, a signature is required on this Proxy Form. To preserve voter anonymity, this page will be separated from the next page, before the votes are counted.

Please check or circle the name of the person for whom you wish to vote.

Proxy Form

Board Chair - (Two-Year Term) (VOTE FOR ONE):

- 1. RAY KOZMA
- 2. (Write – In)

Treasurer (Two – Year Term) (VOTE FOR ONE):

- 1. SUZANNE ROCHELEAU
- 2. (Write – In) _____

Director (Two – Year Term) (VOTE FOR THREE):

- 1. SUSANNE FLOWER
- 2. ALEX WILKIE
- 3. CAROL BURNS
- 4. (Write – In) _____
- 5. (Write – In) _____
- 6. (Write – In) _____

Candidates for the Nawakwa Outdoor Association of New York, Inc. Elections 2022

For Board Chair – Ray Kozma (Current NOANY Board Chair)



Our recent disassociation from ADK has given us an opportunity to renew and refashion ourselves as the Nawakwa Outdoor Association. I see the next two years as a time in which we can re-organize and update ourselves as a club, building a strong foundation so that we may thrive in the years ahead.

Our nearly one hundred-years of history and traditions, our spirit of volunteerism and camaraderie, joined with the increase in new and enthusiastic applicants and members, provide us with ways to revitalize the club. In my many years of membership, I can attest to the strength, vitality, generosity, and talent of our members. As the Board Chair, working with all our Board and Committee members, I will strive to draw upon all these dynamics in moving us forward as the Nawakwa Outdoor Association of New York.

For Treasurer – Suzanne Rocheleau (Current NOANY Treasurer)



Suzanne has been an active member of Nawakwa Outdoor Association (NOA) since 2011. She is currently one of the officers of the NOA Board of Directors and has been serving as Treasurer since January 2015. Suzanne has been active in hosting weekends and in joining in on the Work Weekends each year.

She has been employed in Financial Services for the duration of her career. Her profession has involved a range of roles starting with Mutual Fund Management, followed by Fixed Income Trading, Investment Banking and currently Wealth Management Services for UBS.

Suzanne is an active hiker, cyclist, and tennis player. She is also active on the Boards of Toastmasters, Inc., and her Northeastern University Alumni organization.

For Director – Susanne Flower (Current NOANY Director)



I have been a Nawakwa keyholder for 18 years, have hosted many weekends and holidays, edited the Trail Marker in 2006-07, served on the nominating committee and assisted in the revision of the hosting guidelines. I am running for my third term on the Board.

My goals as a Board member are to maintain the club's stated objectives while ensuring that we continue to grow and become an organization that is relevant to new generations of members. To achieve these goals, I will continue to focus on our financial health, the safety and integrity of our physical facilities and policies and procedures that promote safety, inclusion, and the protection of our environment.

I volunteered to run for a position on the Board in 2018 because of my belief that I have a responsibility to participate in and support organizations in which I maintain membership. That continues to be my philosophy.

For Director – Alex Wilke (Current NOANY Director)



I have been a keyholder member since 1985. I look forward to continuing to serve on the Board so that I can help develop the Nawakwa Outdoor Association into the best club it can be.

I am a retired college professor and enjoy hiking, snowshoeing, and kayaking. As an avid artist, you might often see me around camp with my oil paints and easel. I live in Moorestown, NJ., with my wife, Janet.

For Director – Carol Burns (Current NOANY Director)



I have been a Nawakwa member since 2001. Bill and I maintain a section of the Appalachian trail for Nawakwa called Agony Grind.

I was a Water Safety Instructor at a Boy Scout Camp on Staten Island and supervised the camp waterfront. I would like to help organize the waterfront at Nawakwa to maintain safety standards. All members need to be familiar with the safety equipment.

I was an Administrative Assistant to the Medical Director of a New York City Health & Hospitals Corporation hospital.

I have served on the Nawakwa Board for one year and I look forward to serving again. Thank you for your consideration to vote for me in the election.

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, or if you have any questions, contact the Hosting Committee:

Maryann Poris (maporis@aol.com) or Mary Hilley (hilley66@gmail.com)

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

Oct 1-2, 2022 - Fall Harvest Weekend

Brisk Autumn is here, it's a given; Finally, I can turn on the oven...and bake...an almond flour, cocoa, chocolate, coconut cake! But first seafood or fava bean stew, thick with fresh tomatoes; harvest vegetables, salad, wine & more. If you come to dine, please mention fish or fava, are you vegetarian? Which of 3 meals? Deirdre Tourin, host; Hsin Wang, co-host.

Email both dtouring3@yahoo.com & whsin31@gmail.com by Thursday 12:00 pm; everybody will get a return email.

October 8 - 9- 10, 2022 - Indigenous / Columbus Day weekend

Come join us this weekend for a fun time at camp. Hosted by Ellen Sackstein and Liz Maher. Our 'theme' is featuring fall recipes including a vegetarian option.

Please contact Liz at lizjade@earthlink.net to register by Thursday October 6th!

October 15, 2022 - Annual Meeting and Elections (see details on pages 3 to 8)

Oct 22-23, 2022 - Fall Work Weekend and Wood Day

All hands on deck! Healthy, tasty meals to nourish the body and Nawakwa spirit and plenty of chores to go around! The Fall Work Weekend is here!

The closing of the camp season is always an exciting time for Nawakwans. It's important to prepare the campgrounds, waterfront, main cabin and sleeping cabins for the winter season, as well as restock our firewood. Lunch on Saturday will be provided to those participating in the work weekend at no cost. There will be no day fees for those participating in the chores.

Camp Chair **Dave Hayes** is coordinating the work chores for this work weekend, **Eve Mancuso** is hosting for the overnight, and Co-host **Janet Sibarium** is taking care of the Saturday lunch. (For any of the meals, please note if you are vegetarian or omnivore.)

- Please RSVP to Dave Hayes at camp@noany.org to confirm your participation in the weekend
- For the Saturday lunch, please RSVP to Janet Sibarium: janet.sibarium@iCloud.com or leave voicemail: 917-318-3361 by Wednesday evening.
- For the overnight, please RSVP to Eve no later than Wednesday night at 9 pm, to evemancuso@gmail.com or 914-924-3832.

Halloween Weekend at Nawakwa - October 29-30, 2022

When the chill returns to the air, when the wizened leaves, now taunting us in their new technicolored disguises, rustle in the bristly grey winds like voices whispering from places unknown, it's time to venture back to the ghoul-haunted woodlands of Nawakwa to convene with those gone before us.

Young and old carving jack-o-lanterns will help us ward off evil spirits, while the smells of spiced pies in the great ovens will entice friendly souls living and beyond. Warm autumnal cooking will soothe the troubled bellies of even the most forlorn wanderers of the darkening forests and crags. The mighty hearth will howl with its grimace of flames as we huddle round it to share hair-raising tales of encounters with the unexplainable.

For Saturday, bring extra pumpkins if you wish (we'll have several to share), costumes very much invited, amulets, incantations, ouija board, stories of your own. Spirit hour begins at 5:30pm, and we join at the table at 6:30. The recitations will then begin. For those who survive the night, there will be a hearty breakfast. We will then pack provisions for a treacherous four-mile (roundtrip) journey out to the spot haunted by the ghost of outlaw Claudius Smith.

Snacks, happy hour, dinner, breakfast, trail lunch. Delicious, wholesome, healthy, varied menu. Please let us know if you have any strict food restrictions. And please reserve by the Thursday night prior, to avoid a curse that can afflict late reservers.

NOTE that the official camp season will have ended, and that means the running water will have been shut off, so we'll use well water, pumped by the children. Bring hearty children. Please reserve by email, text, or phone with: Ray Lustig (host) Raylustig@gmail.com - 917-903-9097.

Advance Notice: Winter Weekend - January 21-22, 2023

Come to Camp to enjoy the snow(hopefully), Winter tranquility and fellow adventurous Nawakwans. Dinner will be a hearty stew, popovers, hot spiced wine, and homemade pies for dessert. A "warming" breakfast will be offered in the morning.

The fireplace and wood stove in the main cabin will provide some heat but cold-weather clothing and sleeping bags are required.

This event is coordinated so that members may attend Camp on Saturday and then head to Characters Restaurant in Sloatsburg for the Annual Nawakwa Winter Social on Sunday.

Please contact Host, Lewis Ports, by 9 pm on Wednesday January 18th to register. Ports.lewis@gmail.com or (646) 339-1316.

Camp Committee Update

Welcome, Dave!

The Board has appointed Dave Hayes as the new Camp Chair for the Nawakwa Outdoor Association and Camp Nawakwa.



Dave and Jess

Our new Camp Chair, David Hayes Cohen, discovered Nawakwa on a kayak trip. He spent his free time in the pandemic fulfilling his membership requirements and has enjoyed being around Nawakwa for two years now.

Dave is passionate about camp life, enjoys hiking, kayaking, and camping in his free time. He lives in Mountainville, NY, with his wife Jess Scirbona (also a Nawakwan) and a very cute 3-legged pitbull mix, Petal.

As Camp Chair, he is looking forward to creating an inclusive environment where members of all ages can enjoy the outdoors together and continue the Nawakwan traditions of being stewards of this amazing place passed down to us.

[See the notice on the next page regarding the Fall Work Weekend and Wood Day which Dave is coordinating]

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Save the Date! *Annual Winter Social* *Sunday, January 22, 2023*

Our Annual Winter Social, which could not be held the past two years due to the COVID pandemic, is returning in January of 2023! The social will be held at Character's Restaurant in Sloatsburg on Sunday, January 22nd. Details will be announced when we get closer. **Come one, Come all! Save the date!**

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>

Pawling Appalachian Trail - Saturday, October 29th

7.1 miles with 1,342 ft of Ascent, Moderate Terrain and Pace

Our hike starts at the Appalachian Trail off Route 22 and meanders through pastures and over stiles until we reach the wooded area of the Pawling Nature Reserve. We'll continue to ascend along the AT until we reach the red and yellow trails which loop around and take us back to the AT and the Parking Lot. Qualifying.

Hikers can take Metro North Harlem Line to the Appalachian Trail stop just before Pawling station (we'll coordinate start/finish times to accommodate).

Contact Leader, Lewis Ports at (646)339-1316 or ports.lewis@gmail.com

Around Cape Horn - Saturday - November 5, 2022

Elevation gains about 500 feet, gentle to moderate uphill's, 5-6 miles, moderate pace.

Join in an easy hike to the Pine Swamp Mountain area (site of the Pine Swamp Mine) and Times Square.

Starting at the parking area at Lake Kanawauke (former Route 106), we take a short road walk and then enter the forest, following a woods road as it climbs to meet the Dunning Trail.

We will hike over to Pine Swamp (and can explore the area to find the mine entrance), take the A-SB to Times Square (so called because it is where the Arden-Surebridge (A-SB) trail, the Long Path (LP), and the Ramapo-Dunderberg trail(R-D) all come together), then 'round Cape Horn on the Long Path and back to the parking area. We will look for a hidden cave behind Cape Horn.

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, water, extra layers, and appropriate hiking shoes. If there is snow/ice, traction devices are recommended. Meet at the Parking area at 10AM.

Qualifying. Please register by 9PM Thursday, November 3, 2022.

Leader: Ray Kozma (Raymondkozma@gmail.com) or 917-406-3782.

Thanksgiving Weekend Detox Hike-Ward Pound Ridge Reservation - Saturday, November 26th

7 miles, 1,421 ft of Ascent, More Challenging Terrain and Moderate Pace

This hike skirts the Southern perimeter of the Reservation. We'll see the Indian Rock Shelter, Raven Rocks (with a great view of the Stone Hill River below), walk above cliffs to Castle Rock, climb the "Stairs", stop at Spy Rock for another view, interpret the Bear Rock Petroglyph and then head back.

There are numerous ups and downs on these trails and the terrain can be challenging along short stretches. Qualifying.

Contact Leader, Lewis Ports at (646)339-1316 or ports.lewis@gmail.com

Shawangunk Ridge State Forest/Roosa Gap State Forest Hike - Saturday, December 10th

6.85 miles, 1,200 ft of Ascent, Moderate Terrain and Pace.

This hike in the Shawangunks is a well-kept secret by local rock climbers. We'll start by ascending through the forest until we reach the ridge where we'll find a large cave with climbing safety devices hanging from the rock face. We'll then walk immediately below the ridge and underneath rock overhangs. We'll then ascend to the ridge and walk atop a large slab with fantastic views North. We then descend a few hundred feet and climb back up into Roosa Gap State Forest. Upon reaching some viewpoints along the ridge we'll return to the slab and descend via an alternate route. Qualifying. Contact Leader, Lewis Ports at (646)339-1316 or ports.lewis@gmail.com

Did you know?

Our website has a Forum for members' use. The Forum is found on the opening page of our website, toward the bottom. Need a ride from the city or from Sloatsburg? Want to start a general discussion? Please post a message to start a conversation! You must log in to view or to use the Forum. If you need help, email webmaster@noany.org.

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 and the One-Hundredth Anniversary of Camp Nawakwa in 2026

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 are providing information and updates about plans for celebrating our dual centennials.

1. To count down to the anniversaries, the Trail Marker has been carrying articles about the history, significant events, and people connected to the development of our club and Camp Nawakwa.
2. See the report on page regarding the hike to Camp Bluebird (used by us in 1924-25 while Camp Nawakwa was being constructed).
3. A Committee is being formed to plan a grand celebration for the anniversaries of both the club and Camp Nawakwa. The date and venue are not yet set. Any club members who might be interested in working on the planning committee is invited to contact Susanne Flower at susanneflower@gmail.com or Ray Kozma at raymondkozma@gmail.com.



Report on Historic Hike to Camp Bluebird

In the summer of 1924, the recently organized Adirondack Mountain Club [i.e., the New York Chapter, now the Nawakwa Outdoor Association] rented a two-story farmhouse on Upper Twin Lake. They named it Camp Bluebird (UT-10). To get to the camp, those members who didn't have cars had to walk four miles up from Central Valley. The camp was an old 2-story farmhouse with a fireplace and sleeping accommodations for 23. Connected to the house on the west side was an open, covered pavilion about the size of Nawakwa's main building and slightly removed and to the north another similar pavilion. These buildings were on the east side of Upper Twin Lake and near its north end and were about 50 feet above lake level." The camp was used for two years until the spring of 1926 when Camp Nawakwa on Lake Sebago opened. [Note: Harriman State Park no longer lists a camp UT-10]

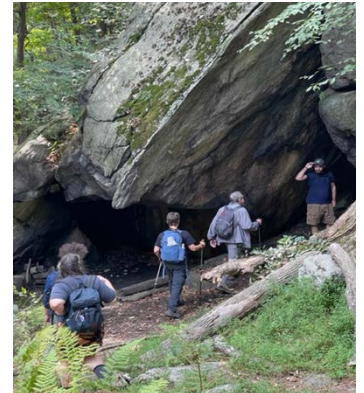


Fourteen members and applicants hiked on September 17th to visit the area at Upper Twin Lake where once Camp Bluebird stood. Leaving the parking area at Silvermine by way of the Menomine Trail, we passed the (still active) Lewis cemetery.



We crossed the outflow of Lake Nawahunta on large rock steps (there was no outflow due to the drought) and started our gradual climb up Stockbridge Mountain. Taking a side trail, we bypassed the Stockbridge Shelter and, with a short, steep climb, soon made our way to the Long Path.

We stopped to look at a rock formation which formed a Cave Shelter just off the Long Path. Then we on to the Baileytown Road, making our way down to Upper Twin Lake.



Camp numbers UT 7/8 are the first camps encountered as one approaches the area. We next made our way down to the very picturesque Upper Twin Lake. We were on the east side of the lake (where Camp Bluebird once existed).



It was a beautiful and sunny day. We took pictures to record the event, had lunch at some picnic tables, and then started our return by way of the Baileytown Road.

Where the road meets again the Long Path and the start of the Menomine trail, we took a short side-trip on the Long Path to view 'Hippo Rock' (there was some debate as to whether it really looked like a Hippo). Then on back to the cars.



This is a fairly easy hike to a very pretty area of Harriman Park, one which holds special significance for our club.

The location and trails are found on the Trail Conference Map #119 (Northern Harriman Bear Mountain Trails).

-Ray Kozma

Welcome New Keyholder

New Keyholder
Marisa Vallve

Sponsors
Yajing Lee,
Maryann Poris

Welcome New Applicants

"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]

**Thomas Bain
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