



# The Old Mountaineer

A PUBLICATION OF THE NEWCOMB SPORTSMEN'S CLUB

## CLUB NEWS

### GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING

**This year's Spring General Membership Meeting and elections will be held at 2PM on Saturday, May 17th at the Beaver Flow pavilion.** The Club will provide food and refreshments. Remaining club merchandise will be available at this time.

We will be conducting regular club business and electing the 2025 Club Officers. Absentee ballots/nomination forms are attached to this newsletter. Nominations will also be accepted from the floor.

**The Absentee Ballot/ Nomination form only needs to be mailed in prior to 5/16 if you will not be attending the General Membership Meeting.**

The slate of officers is as follows: President-Jay Caponera, 1st Vice President-Bruce Murdock, 2nd Vice President-Ed Keller, 3rd Vice President-James McEnaney, Secretary-Matthew Richardson, Treasurer-Steve Witowski, 1-Yr. Director-Ron Caponera, 1-Yr. Director- Clint Martin. 1-Yr. Director- Joe Novak.

Pat Reed moves to a 1-Yr Director and Ric Taras a 2-Yr Director.

Please mail your Absentee Ballot/Nomination Form to the Secretary, Matthew Richardson, before May 17, 2024. (Newcomb Sportsmen's Club, Inc., Ballot Enclosed) **Matthew Richardson, 8 Arlington Circle, Ballston Spa, NY 12020**

### SPRING RAFFLE TICKETS

The Club will conduct the Spring Cash Raffle at the General Membership Meeting on Saturday, May 17th. Tickets cost \$20 and the Club will award 10 cash prizes totaling \$2000. This has been a very successful fundraiser and all members are encouraged to help with the sale of tickets. To request some of the 300 tickets for sale, please contact Clint at (518) 229-9657.

### TAKE NOTICE

Please make sure that copies of all ATV, UTV, and snowmobile registrations/proof of insurance are sent to Matthew Richardson. It is necessary to have these on file for lease and club insurance purposes. You may send a copy through the mail or via e-mail. [guidemrichardson@gmail.com](mailto:guidemrichardson@gmail.com)

### CLUB CAMP

For information on Club Camp use, please contact: Carl Shader. (845) 532-0053





## WHAT'S HAPPENING ON ON THE CLUB

### **Membership**

We are almost full with 93 regular members, so if you know anyone interested in joining the Club, let us know so we can sign them up!

### **Hunting season**

A total of six bucks were shot on the Club last deer season. Congratulations to Rick Bathalon for winning the Big Buck contest! (pictured on right) A number of woodcock and grouse were also taken last Fall by a few lucky hunters.

### **Work Days**

In addition to ATV trail maintenance, our focus this year will be completing the bridge connecting Hedgehog to the new Pine Road trail. Work days will be 6/21, 7/19, and 8/16. If you cannot make one of the scheduled work days, please contact Property Chair Bruce Murdock at (518) 569-9231.

### **Camps for sale**

For those members looking for a camp, there are currently three for sale. Contact Dave Grace (Wards Mill), Jeff Hayes (Pine Rd), or Frank Sullivan/Charlie Kemintzer (Pine Rd) if interested.

### **Spring fish stocking**

Joe Novak has ordered several hundred brook trout for the Beaver Flow, and another 150 largemouth bass for Wards Mill Pond. We hope to have the brook trout delivered the morning of the Spring meeting (Saturday May 17th).

### **New Treasurer**

Steve Witowski has been gracious enough to step up as the new club Treasurer. Over the last year he has worked closely with Walt in order to learn the ins and outs of the club finances and billing procedures. Steve is a long time Newcomb enthusiast who started exploring the area at the young age of 7. He enjoys riding the club's many trails by way of ATV and UTV as well as exploring the many waterways we have to offer. Steve has



been a member of several clubs in the area and a member of NSC since 2021. He purchased a lot and built his camp in 2022 on Pine Rd. He invites you to stop in and say hello. We would also like to sincerely thank outgoing Treasurer Walt Huba for his many years of dedicated service and for doing an excellent job managing the Club's finances. Walt was successful in making many improvements to streamline the billing process and keep everything running smoothly during his tenure. Thank you Walt!

### **Fall 75th anniversary BBQ**

This year's annual Fall picnic will be held on Saturday, September 13th (also Teddy Roosevelt weekend in Newcomb) at Wards Mill Pond. Smith's Smoke Shack food truck has been booked and will provide catering. To celebrate 75 years as the Adirondack's premiere sporting club, we will be raffling off a new kayak/canoe and will have commemorative challenge coins and anniversary mugs available for members. More updates to follow in the Summer/Fall newsletter.





## BULLET POINTS FOR NEWCOMB SPORTSMEN'S CLUB BY-LAWS

This is a brief summary of the Club's by-laws, and does not replace the complete by-laws.

Please read complete by-laws at [Newcombsportsmensclub.com](http://Newcombsportsmensclub.com)

**Locks**- locks on gates will be changed around the first week of September

**Guest Passes**- good for 3 consecutive days or 3 separate days for hunting, fishing, or trapping, people can only be a guest for 2 years

**Work Day**- members are responsible for 1 work day/year or pay \$100.00

**Members in good standing**- may vote, hold office, and maintain land rights

**Failure to Pay**- membership may be forfeited for failure to pay dues within 30 days of billing

**Law Compliance**- ensure that all federal, state and by laws are adhered to

**Nominations**- members may run for office and must submit name to secretary, in writing, by Feb 28

**Annual meetings**- 2 meetings per year, 1 in May and 1 in November

**Violation of Law**- liable to \$600/violation

**Tree Cutting**- needs prior approval. Liable to \$250.00 or 3 times value of tree

**Unauthorized Roads or Trails**- Liable for a fine from F&W

**Sale of Camps**- must first be approved by board

Fishing- conform to NYS laws

**Deer**- No does except with special permit approved by board

**Tree Stands**- must be portable and can accommodate no more than 2 people

**Feed Plots**- prior written approval from F&W

**Beaver Flow**- no motors except electric motors

**Motorized Vehicles**- need to be insured and registered with proof sent to secretary. Excludes cars and trucks

**Water craft**- must display member's membership number

**ATV's and UTV's**- cannot operate on trails Oct. 15-Dec. 15 unless it is to retrieve big game. Must display membership number

**Snowmobiles**- Can only operate after Northern Big Game season. Must display

## CALENDAR OF EVENTS

EVENT	DATE	TIME	PLACE
Club Picnic	Date: September 13th	Time: TBD	Ward's Mill
Board Meeting	5/17/25	12:00 PM	Pine Rd.
General Membership/Election Meeting	5/17/25	2:00 PM	Beaver Flow Pavilion
WORK DAYS	6/21, 7/19, 8/16	TBD	TBD

When you are in the Club there is limited phone service. However, we feel that it is important that every member have a list of relevant and emergency phone numbers for the Newcomb area. Hopefully you won't have to use them.

**Police Numbers**

Newcomb 897-2000  
Long Lake 897-2000  
Minerva 962-8235  
(if no answer call 897-2000)  
Glens Falls 792-2172  
Saranac Lake 897-2000

**Sheriff**

Essex County 873-6321  
(Elizabethtown)  
Hamilton County 546-6321  
(Lake Pleasant)  
Warren County 761-6477  
(Glens Falls) or 911

**Newcomb Health Center**

582-2991

**Fire / Emergency Numbers**

911

**Other**

Pottersville Garage (518)494-2690  
Schroon Lake Trucking  
(518)796-1865  
Auto Car Care Center  
(518) 623-3039

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