

Carrabassett Valley Outdoor Association
Minutes of Annual Meeting on March 18, 2017
Sugarloaf Inn

- Present: John Morey, Joe Loughran, Gail Miller, Cindy Foster, Neal Trask, Glenn Bickford, Rick Young, Jim Heichel, Mary Berger, Betsy Chapman, Ray Stone, Mark Curtis, Bonnie Farrar and 96 members.
- Meeting was called to order by outgoing President John Morey at 7:05 pm
- Secretary's Report was presented by Secretary Cindy Foster and approved; Cindy reported currently 385 memberships, representing 698 members. Cindy thanked the Sugarloaf Inn chef and staff for presenting such a fine dinner. Cindy has been publishing the monthly newsletter for over two years, it is a valuable tool for CVOA planning and participation, and is opened by 60% of those sent. She would like someone to take on the task of creating the monthly newsletter, and will work with that person until he/she is comfortable with the software. We use Constant Contact, and the newsletters are all set up to have the content added.
- Treasurer's Report was presented by Treasurer Gail Miller and approved. Gail reported on the financial state of CVOA, which is financially healthy. A Finance Committee has been formed to guide CVOA through financial policies and objectives.
- Ski Trip update, Cindy Foster, Trip Leader: at the post-Telluride party, we came to no decision for next year's trip. The large trips of the last three years are cumbersome and a lot of work. Peter Weston and Cindy are working with our trip provider Great Events & Escapes for two or three smaller trips. We anticipate offering, for 2018:
 - Copper Mountain, CO – January 21-28 – trip leader Cindy Foster
 - Banff/Lake Louise – early February – we need a trip leader; Peter reminded the group that the trip leader's trip is paid for by GE&E. [After the meeting, Joe Loughran and Gail Miller took on the trip leader job.]
 - Schweitzer Mountain, Idaho – March – trip leader Peter Weston – this trip is in very preliminary planning stage, and will not be offered until after the first two are offered.
- Election of Officers. The nominating committee recommended the following slate:
 - For president, Joe Loughran.
 - Vice President, Bonnie Farrar.
 - Treasurer, Gail Miller.
 - Secretary, Cindy Foster.
 - Three year terms, ending 2020, on the board:
 - Diane Stone
 - Mark Curtis
 - Al Sleight
- A motion was made to accept the above slate. The motion was seconded. There were no other nominations from the floor. A motion was made that nominations cease, and the motion was seconded. The slate of officers and board members was unanimously approved by the members present.
- John Morey turned the gavel and meeting over to Joe Loughran. Joe thanked John for his commitment as president for the past year and presented him with a card of thanks.
- Door prizes were donated by Joe Loughran (photos on wood) and John Pease (CVOA fused glass piece). The winners were: John Morey, and two other delighted members.
- Range Raffle drawing was done, with winners: Sugarloaf Season Pass for 2017-18: Thomas O'Hara; 5 \$100 LLBean Gift Certificates: Charles Malenfant, Bruce Hanke, Colon Durrell, Bev and Tony Squillante, Jim Lord; 2 day-passes midweek Sugarloaf Golf Course: Ruth Finegold; Handcrafted Wooden Bench by Diane Stone: Peter Van Alstine. All but two of the winners were present at the dinner.
- Volunteer Recognition: Joe recognized the officers and directors who have supported CVOA for the past year. He also read the names of the trip leaders and event coordinators and asked them to stand and be recognized. It was an impressive group of volunteers.

- Outstanding Volunteer Award for 2017 was presented to Neal Trask for his long-time support and involvement with CVOA and particularly the Range. Neal's quiet contributions are often unrecognized. He has been instrumental in the growth of the Range in recent years, particularly with his involvement in the new storage and bathroom building, the in-process Five-Stand, and with his regular presence at trap shoots.
- Meeting was adjourned at 7:35 pm.

Following the meeting, members Alan Burnell and Kenny Wing presented their program about the content of their book "The Lost Villages of Flagstaff Lake".

Respectfully Submitted,
Cindy Foster, Secretary