

GREEN MOUNTAIN RAMBLERS CHAPTER 319  
SATURDAY, JUNE 14TH, 2008 ANNUAL MEETING

The meeting was called to order at The Tree Farm Campground on Saturday, June 14th, 2008 at 9:32am by chapter president, Nancy Beck.

In attendance were Harley and Muriel Soulia, VT State Managers, Raymond and Nancy Beck, Edward and Betty Brown and John and Patricia Henderson.

Guests at the campout, but not at the meeting were members of CT chapter 55 Robert and Inga Stoppel, Robert and Janice Rodin, William and Dorothy O'Donnell and Ronald and Patricia Gronback.

No minutes from the previous meeting or treasurer's reports were read since Wayne Rowell was currently hospitalized. A card of prayers and get well wishes were signed by all present at the campout and was being mailed to Wayne and Genevieve.

Chapter dues for 2008-2009 (\$10.00) were collected by all members present.

Unfinished Business:

Election of officers for 2008 to 2009 year per Muriel Soulia, nominating committee member present as follows: "the committee decided to present the same slate of officers as 2007 - 2008 Nancy, president, Rodger, vice president and Wayne, secretary & treasurer because VT is in such and influx right now."

A motion was made by Ed Brown and seconded by Ray Beck for the secretary to cast one ballot for slate presented. Motion passed.

New Business:

Harley Soulia, VT State Manager announced that he is resigning after 8 years effective January, 1st 2009.

Harley also announced that at the MA state rally in May, 2008 Bill Conley, Region 1 Director had called a board meeting of all state managers present and that as a result of several disputes, that Bill had resigned his position. A replacement to date has not been announced.

Also at that meeting that VT has been assigned the 2009 State rally and CT has been assigned the Region 1 rally. Harley's concern is that if he is not State Manager and no one else is appointed, how will we run a state rally? Worse, what if a Region Director hasn't been appointed? Also, Harley knows that CT is having issues with chapter 55 and might not be up to their assignment either.

Discussion continued on these two issues and if necessary, Harley will continue in office until July 2009 and he will pursue possible options for a state or region rally to be done by either VT or CT at either Tunbridge or Rutland Fairgrounds. Further details will be available when we know how the region is covered in the future for a region director. Our primary concern is that we maintain a club in region 1, so some type of dates and location will be held for future planning on a rally by our state or region.

On a happier note, Ed Brown, president of CT Chapter 55 has invited chapter 319 to the following campouts in 2008. On July 2 to 8, 2008 at Meadowcrest Campground in Marshfield, VT. , August 29th to Sept 1st 2008 at Traveller's Woods Campground and October 10th to 13th at the same location. For more details call Ed on his cell phone 860-214-1175.

Finally, it was decided to have the 2009 annual meeting June 19th to 21st, 2009 at The Tree Farm Campground. Ray Beck will contact the office and arrange the campsites in the rally field again.

Muriel Soulia is having surgery on August 13th, 2008, so she and Harley are unable to attend several rallies including the International in Goshen, IN. But our prayers will be with you both.

Ray Beck will put all campout information on the national website under VT.

Motion for meeting to adjourn was made by Patricia Henderson and seconded by Ed Brown. Meeting was adjourned at 10:35am.

Respectfully submitted,  
Nancy Beck, acting secretary