



# VICTOR HIKING TRAILS, INC.

85 East Main Street \* Victor \* New York \* 14564-1397

**Feb. 25, 1999  
Meeting Minutes**

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 PM with 8 attending:

Dave Wright	Larry Fisher	Norm Smith
Chauncy Young	Ruth Nellis	Dave Coleman

#### **Last Month's Minutes:**

Minutes were approved as submitted.

#### **Treasurer's Report:**

January:	Checking account	438.02
	Savings account	5455.98
	Total	5894.00

\$2,000 was moved to a CD last month with the memberships' approval; it had not been so noted in the minutes.

#### **Membership:**

1 membership was renewed.  
Welcome to our newest member, Shannon Bradley!  
Total memberships is 133 households.

#### **Publicity:**

Dave has faxed information to the newspapers regarding the March hike.

#### **Historian:**

Bloomfield's town, village, and school as well as FLCC have been awarded \$28,590 in a state grant for the development of nature trails in Boughton Park.

#### **Newsletter:**

8 pages have been roughed out. The newsletter will be mailed next week.

# Trail Maintenance '99

## We Need Your Help!

Every Thursday evening at 6:00PM (except the week of our monthly meeting when we will meet on Wednesdays) from May to September we need volunteers to perform trail maintenance. Volunteers should come equipped with sturdy shoes, pruning shears, small pruning saw or loppers. The work usually is not hard and typically lasts one hour. Please feel free to work all or just part of a shift. Give me a call if you have questions or want to know if maintenance has been canceled because of weather.

**Note that this year we have added Saturday (9:00 AM) work sessions when there are no hikes.**

Call Larry Fisher at 924-5803 for information or about cancellations due to weather.

Date	Trail	Trail Head Location	Tasks
5/6 Th	Auburn	Fishers Fire House 1	Remove Junk RG&E Left
5/13 Th	Auburn	Rawson	Prune, Mark trail to Auburn Creek
5/15 Sa	Auburn	East Victor Road	Prune, Mow to Break of Day Rd.
5/20 Th	Seneca	Route 96 at Route 251	Prune, Mow to Ambush site
5/22 Sa	Seneca	Fishers Fire Dept. House 2	Prune, Mow to Willow Brook
5/26 We	Seneca	Dryer	Prune, Mow into Ganondagan
5/27 Th	<b>Meeting</b>		
5/29 Sa	Lehigh	Wangum Road	Prune, Mow all of Lehigh
6/3 Th	Auburn	School Street	Prune, Mow to Great Brook
6/10 Th	Seneca	Auburn Creek Driving Range	Prune, Mow Auburn Trail
6/17 Th	Seneca	Route 96 at Route 251	Prune, Mow to Ambush Site
6/19 Sa	Auburn	Fisher Road	Prune, Mow to Rail Road Mills
6/23 We	Auburn	Fishers Fire House 1	Prune, Mow to Fisher Road
6/24 Th	<b>Meeting</b>		
6/26 Sa	Auburn	Rawson Rd.	Prune, Mow to Auburn Creek
7/1 Th	Auburn	East Victor Road	Prune, Mow to Break of Day Rd.
7/3 Sa	Seneca	Route 96 at route 251	Prune, Mow to Ambush Site
7/8 Th	Seneca	Fishers Fire House 2	Prune, Mow to Willow Brook
7/15 Th	Seneca	Dryer Road	Prune, Mow into Ganondagan
7/17 Sa	Lehigh	Wangum Road	Prune, Mow all of Lehigh
7/21 We	Auburn	Dryer Road	Prune, Mow to Great Brook
7/24 Sa	Seneca	Auburn Creek Driving Range	Prune, Mow to Auburn Trail
7/22 Th	<b>Meeting</b>		
7/29 Th	Seneca	Route 96 at Route 251	Prune, Mow to Ambush Site
7/31 Sa	Seneca	Fishers Fire House 2	Prune, Mow to Willow Brook
8/5 Th	Seneca	Dryer Road	Prune, Mow into Ganondagan
8/7 Sa	Auburn	East Victor Road	Prune, Mow to Break of Day Road
8/12 Th	Auburn	Fishers Fire House 1	Prune, Mow both directions
8/19 Th	Seneca	School Street	Prune, Mow to Great Brook
8/21 Sa	Auburn	Fisher Road	Prune, Mow to Rail Road Mills
8/25 We	Seneca	Route 96 at Route 251	Prune, Mow to Ambush Site
8/26 Th	<b>Meeting</b>		
8/28 Sa	Lehigh	Wangum Road	Prune, Mow all of Lehigh
9/2 Th	Seneca	Auburn Creek Driving Range	Prune, Mow to Auburn Trial
9/9 Th	Seneca	Fishers Fire House #2	Prune, Mow to Willow Brook Rd.
9/11 Sa	Seneca	School Street	Prune, Mow to Great Brook
9/16 Th	Auburn	East Victor Road	Prune, Mow to Break of Day Rd.
9/18 Sa	Auburn	Maple St.	Prune, Mow to Break of Day Rd.
9/22 We	Auburn	Fishers Fire House 1	Prune, Mow both directions
9/23	<b>Meeting</b>		

**Note: If you attend every work session you will accumulate at least 40 hours of donated time to Victor Hiking Trails!!**

**Trailmaster's Report:**

Carol reported that she gave Michael Cooper, Director of Recreation for the Town of Penfield, a copy of our master plan. He sent Carol a letter recommending Ernie Schwietzer of Hamlin Beach area as a resource for pedestrian bridges (phone 964-2731).

Carol reported that Crescent Trails has a route from Powder Mills Park to the Auburn north of Barony Woods for their March hike. Their voice mail indicates they will be hiking in the park only.

Carol would like to talk to the Simonds in April to see if they would be receptive to extending their deadline of June 1. If not she would talk to Peter Jemison about an entrance to Ganondagan on Victor-Holcomb Rd.. Dave suggested Carol and Ruth speak to both parties.

**Trailboss' Report:**

Larry presented his maintenance schedule for this year. Copies will be sent to Adopt-a Trail participants.

A heavy-duty weed wacker will be needed for the trails.

There was discussion on the transportation and storage of the billy goat. Larry has assumed responsibility of both and would appreciate ideas/help.

Chauncy reported that the NYS Bluebird Society will hold a May 1 meeting by hosting a walk at the Mary Frances Bluebird Sanctuary, 8:30 a.m. with an 11 a.m. lunch followed by a program. Ken Waters will lead the walk.

**Last Hike:**

7 people hiked the Crescent Trails in Perinton. Carol led the hike and a lunch was enjoyed by all.

**Old Business:**

The annual kick-off breakfast will be held Sat., March 13, 7:30 a.m., at Brenda's, formerly Lolis', 34 E. Main St., Victor. Call Ruth at 924-5869 to reserve your place.

**New Business:**

Trail Works of Wayne Co. will have the first annual meeting on March 12 at Burnham's Canalside Quality Inn in Newark at 7 p.m.. Guest speaker will be Craig Penna of the Rails-to-Trails Conservancy from 1:30 to 4:30 p.m. and a reception from 7:00 to 9:30 p.m..

The Density Committee presented a workshop at the Town Hall on Feb. 3. They made several recommendations to the Town Board:

1. Adopt land use map with 3 district designations:  
.33 units/acre  
.50 units/acre  
1.0 units/acre
2. Mandatory review every 2 years.
3. Incentives to increase the number of units/acre such as increase the percentage of open space and provision by the developer for public hiking trails.

Genesee Greenway is sponsoring a public program on March 6 at 7:30 p.m. at the

Yard of Ale Canal House Inn on rte. 63 in Piffard. Richard Tufnell, British master stone mason and director of the Dry Stone Masonry Conservancy of Lexington, Kentucky, will present a slide show describing and illustrating the techniques used in the 18<sup>th</sup> and 19<sup>th</sup> centuries for stone lock construction.

Tim Bayer of Webster did a 5-day mountain bike ride on the Greenway and produced a 30-minute video of the trip. It will be shown on his regular Adventure Bound program on local cable channel 12. Visit the FOGVG web site at [www.netacc.net/~fogvg/](http://www.netacc.net/~fogvg/) for a look at a great trails web page.

Dave received a call from Marcia Bryan. She would like us to visit her on the weekend of May 21, 22, and 23. Tentative plan is to hike Tongue Mt. Range near Lake George on Sat. and Chimney Mt. near Indian Lake on Sun.. Anyone interested should sign up with Dave.

The Mendon Foundation is applying for a TEA-21 grant for the Lehigh Trail. They asked us for a letter of endorsement, which Dave wrote. The board approved.

The second International Trails and Greenways Conference will be held on June 23-26, 1999, in Pittsburgh, PA.

The Genesee Transportation Council is sponsoring a Bicycle and Pedestrian Planning and Facility Design workshop on Wed., March 24 and Thurs., March 25 from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. at the Cornell Cooperative Extension, 249 Highland Ave.. Cost is \$35 for both days or \$25 for one.

Chauncy will continue to try to contact RG&E for donation of the Auburn land to the Town.

Doug Fisher attended a talk given by Dave Schaeffer on the history and development of the Perinton trails.

1998 audit of the financial records was held. The membership approved.

**Next Hike:**

March 13, meet 9 a.m. at the Town Hall to car pool to Boughton Park.

**Next Meeting:** 7:30PM, Thurs., March 25, 1999.

**Adjournment:** 9:05PM

Respectfully submitted,  
Ruth Nellis

## VHT CALENDAR

Mar. 13 7:30 AM Annual organizational meeting/breakfast

Mar. 13 9 AM Hike Boughton Park

Mar. 25 7:30 PM Monthly meeting

Apr. 10 9 AM Hike Zurich Bog

Apr. 22 7:30 PM Monthly Meeting

May 8 9 AM Hike Chimney Bluffs

May 27 7:30 PM Monthly meeting

June 5 9 AM National Trails Day, hike Seneca Trail

June 12 9 AM Hike Auburn and Lehigh Trails to Mendon

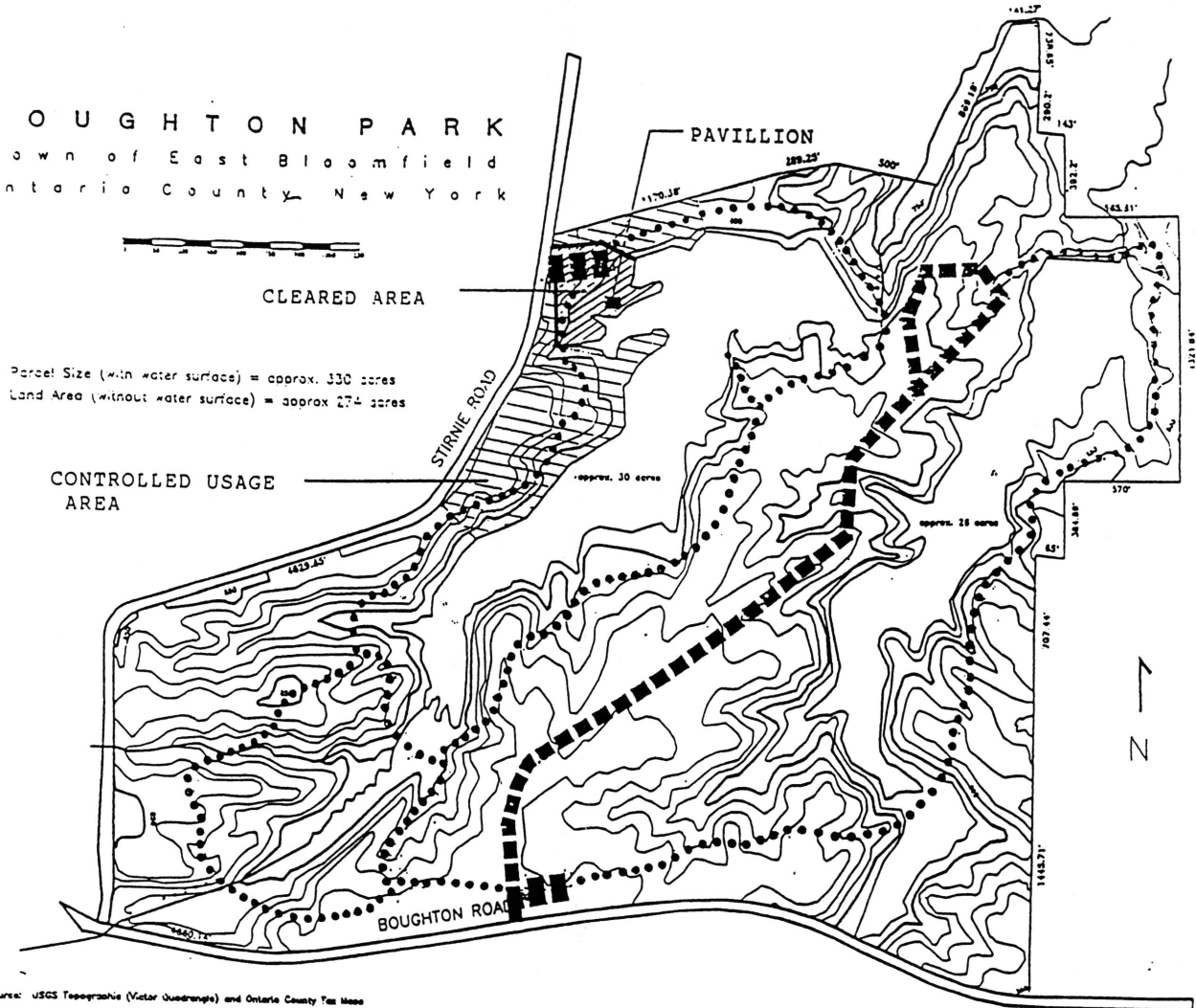
June 24 7:30 Monthly meeting

July 10 9 AM Hike Dish Mill Creek at Letchworth

July 22 7:30 PM Monthly meeting

**“Northern lights are a sign of cold weather.”  
Yankee Weather Proverbs**

**BOUGHTON PARK**  
 Town of East Bloomfield  
 Ontario County, New York



Source: USGS Topographic (Victor Quadrangle) and Ontario County Tax Maps

**FIGURE 2**