

VICTOR HIKING TRAILS  
MEETING AT VICTOR TOWN HALL  
AUGUST 16, 2007

ATTENDANCE:

Chauncy Young, Jeff Hennick, David Coleman, David Wright, Larry Fisher, Ruth Nellis and Brian Emelson.

Meeting called to order by Dave Wright at 7:30 PM.

Minutes of June 21<sup>st</sup> meeting:

Motion by: Ruth, Seconded by: Larry . Approved.

MINUTES OF JULY 19,2007 MEETING:

Motion by: Larry, Seconded by: Carol. Approved.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Chauncy Young

As of 07/31/07.....

CD's	\$ 10,000
Checking	\$ 1,551
Total	\$ 11,551
Other assets	<u>\$ 2,554</u>
Total assets	\$ 14,105

Motion to accept the report by Ruth, seconded by Larry. Approved.

MEMBERSHIP REPORT: David Coleman

Members last month	119
Renewals	0
New members	1
Rejoined	0
Dropped	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>120</b>

PUBLICITY:

Dave Wright will send an e-mail to the newspapers regarding our hike on Sept. 1<sup>st</sup>. We will meet at Victor Town Hall rear parking lot at **6:00 PM** . Bring a picnic supper, chairs or blanket, flashlight. Dress for the weather and wear good hiking boots. Enjoy the sunset at the top of Bare Hill and stay for the giant bonfire, songs and dance. Watch as the shoreline of Canadaigua Lake becomes a "Ring of Fire".

EDUCATION:

Ruth will invite the Adventure Club to help on the construction of a footbridge over

Great Brook on the Apple Farm property.

**NEWSLETTER:**

Next issue will be mailed the end of Sept. Deadline for articles is Sept. 20. Send to Dave Wright at [dwrigh10@rochester.rr.com](mailto:dwrigh10@rochester.rr.com).

**TRAILMASTER:**

Carol MacInnes had a great week canoeing in Canada.

**TRAIL BOSS:**

Larry reported that the trails are in good shape. The dry weather really slowed everything down. If anyone sees any problems on any of the trails, please let Larry know. Chauncy reported that the footbridge on the Seneca Trail South will need to be replaced soon.

Members of the Iron Butterfly Health Club have been using the trails for training for the Black Diamond Dualthon. They commented they are in good condition.

Brian reported that the trails leading into Victor Municipal Park have been temporarily closed while heavy machinery works on the entrance road from Brace Road, the parking area and detention ponds. Most of the work should be done by November.

**LAST HIKE**

August 11 on the Crescent Trail. 17 hikers, 2 dogs and one baby hiker Horizon Hill. I few dropped out due to the heat and humidity, but most continued on to McCord Woods.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

**Apple Farm Bridge-**

Chauncy is trying to get a backhoe for Saturday, August 18<sup>th</sup>. If he is not successful, we will hand dig for the foundation on the creek banks. The plan is to meet at the Apple Farm parking lot at 8:00 AM and hike or ride back to the creek. Bring shovels, gloves, water shoes. Dave W. has frozen bagels and muffins from our last bridge building. He will stop at Dunkin Donuts and get a box of coffee. We will use straw bales in the creek to keep from disturbing downstream. We will probably be working on it Sunday and next weekend as well. All are welcome to join in the festivities.

**Reminder- Our Adirondack Fall Weekend**

Will be Sept. 21-23. Call Dave Coleman at 585-657-2140 or e-mail at [dcoleman@victorhikingtrails.org](mailto:dcoleman@victorhikingtrails.org) if you are interested in going.

**Reminder- The Parks and Trails New York Conference**

Will be held at Monroe Community College on Sept. 28 and 29. A field trip will be coming to Victor to see our trails on Friday afternoon. A bus will take participants from MCC at 12:30 PM to Mendon (first Rochester Junction, then the hamlet), then Victor at the Lehigh-Auburn Connection, the trestle and finally Mickey Finn's. The bus must be back to MCC by 4:45 PM. Brian and Dave will touch base with Mendon Foundation to

develop the schedule.

Brian is planning to attend Friday's workshops. Chauncy is planning to attend both weekends. Applications on available on [www.ptny.org](http://www.ptny.org)

Jeff Hennick is in the process of moving our website to a new server. The cost will be \$165 the first year and \$200 each subsequent year. Jeff also recommended that we pay \$50 for five years to register our domain name, instead of \$30 per year. All agreed.

Jeff and Chauncy have met with Victor Fire Marshall Robert Graham and e-mail to the Canadaigua office of 911 regarding the new maps. He has added latitude and longitude and is working on printing them without a lot of clutter. Jeff is working on providing all the emergency organizations with a set of common maps.

### NEW BUSINESS:

#### **Hang Around Victor Day, Sept 8-**

Setup: 8 to 9 AM- Larry and Chauncy. Anyone else available to help?

Booth: 9 to 11 AM- Carol and Chauncy

10 AM to noon- Ruth

11 AM to 1 PM- Jeff

1 PM to 3 PM-

3 to 4 PM- Larry

Teardown at 4 PM- Larry and Chauncy

NOTE: Dave Wright will be out of town for the weekend, so he is counting on all members to step forward and help. Don't let him down.

#### **Victor Fest, Sept. 8-**

Sell baked goods; brownies, pies, cakes, cupcakes, cookies, etc. Suggest packages of \$1.00 each, slice of pie, slice of cake, two brownies, 2-3 cookies per package.

Dave Wright has dessert plates and forks. Need baggies, Saran wrap, plastic bags and cake/pie servers. Put your name on your utensils and serving plates!!!

Ruth is getting volunteers to make calls and bake goodies. Drop off at Fireman's Field between 4 and 5 PM. If that is not possible, drop off at the VHT tent at Mead Square Park between noon and 4 PM.

Set-up at 4 PM- Chauncy

Need 2-3 people at all times. Call Ruth at 585-924-5869 to volunteer.

Servers: 4 to 6 PM- Chauncy

5 to 7 PM-

6 to 8 PM- Brian

7 to 9 PM-

Cleanup around 9 PM.

Fireworks at dusk!!!!

### **New EMS store at Pittsford Plaza opens Sept. 19th-**

The store would like to have local clubs come and make a presentation to their customers. Our tentative night is Wednesday, October 24<sup>th</sup> from 6 to 9 PM. This could be a recruitment night to show hikers/bikers/skiers what we have to offer. We could have a slide show running continuously showing our trails, hikes, parks, trips, etc.

Volunteers- Larry will make a DVD from pictures and music. Include our website and interactive trail map. Brian put it on his calendar. Dave W. will be there to answer questions and hand out brochures. Dave will take 100 brochures to them around Sept. 19th.

### **Auburn Trail Improvements-**

Work on the section from Maple Ave (Mickey Finn's) to the Farmington Town Line has begun. It has been cleared with a bulldozer. Crusher Run #1 will be laid down, then stone dust. Finally the sides will get top soil and seeded.

The section from School St. to Maple Ave. will now use the trolley trail instead of the railroad bed. After the bridge on Rt. 96 by Brace Road is repaired and opened, Maple Ave will be re-stripped on both sides to change the bike lanes from 2 feet to 4 feet.

### **Lehigh Trestle Decking-**

We have construction plans and a material list from Joe Logan. Brian, Chauncy and Dave W. met last week to discuss responsibilities, cost, schedule. Brian is getting prices from 3 different places. He is also checking on getting an inspection of the bridge. He has been talking to SwiftLift about a manlift to make the job easier and faster. He will also check with O'Connell Electric. Tentative work dates are October 5, 6, 7, 12, 13 and 14.

### **Picnic Shelter at Dryer Road-**

A 24' x 36' open shelter will be built this fall.

### **Parks Grant Application-**

NYSOPRHP Grant Application submitted for \$434,00 at Victor Municipal Park.

### **Jack-O-Lantern Walk-**

Saturday, October 13. Start planning your VHT design now.

**Trail Supporter Patch-**

NYSDEC is selling a patch for \$5.00. Proceeds will be used to improve non-motorized trails. They will be available where ever sporting licenses are sold.

<http://www.dec.ny.gov/public/36016.html>

**Black Diamond Dualthon, October 20-**

Applications are available. Carole Fisher is coordinating the volunteers.

**Victor Mountain Bike Club-**

The officers felt it was time to create a trail bike patrol that would monitor the trails at Dryer Road Park, helping trail users.

NEXT HIKE:

Saturday, Sept. 1. Bare Hill- Ring of Fire. Picnic supper. Meet at Town Hall rear parking lot at 6:00 PM.

NEXT MEETING:

Thursday, Sept. 20, 7:30 PM at the Bluebird Haven Caretaker's Cottage on Victor-Egypt Road.

Motion to adjourn was made by David C., seconded by Carol. Meeting adjourned at 9:27 PM.

## 2007 HIKES AND EVENTS

- Sept. 1 Hike Bare Hill for Ring of Fire. Meet at 6:00 PM at Town Hall rear parking lot
- Sep.8 Hang Around Victor Day and Victor Fest.
- Sept. 21-23 Adirondack High Peak Weekend Adventure.
- Sep. 28-29 Parks and Trails New York Conference at MCC
- Oct.13 Finger Lakes Trail, Bristol branch.
- Oct. 13 Jack-O-Lantern Trail Walk on the Trolley Trail at Maple Ave.
- Oct. 20 Black Diamond Run, Ride, Run Race at Fishers Park
- Nov.10 New Webster trails.
- Dec.8 Helmer Nature Center, Durand Eastman Park, and new Lakeshore Trail at Seabreeze.