



Randolph Mountain Club Newsletter

“... sharing the collective knowledge of its members ...”

December 2018



REPORT from the CAMPS

by Pete Antos-Ketcham, Camps chair

The latter half of the summer and the fall went very well at the camps in 2018. Despite a recent uptick in rain, we were treated to one of the better fall foliage displays in recent memory. Our big story of the fall, of course, was a successful airlift of supplies as well as building materials for continued repairs and upgrades to the camps. The airlift was a success thanks to a combined team of RMC volunteers and field staff. With the airlift completed we settled into the fall rhythm of working to get the big projects done while also preparing the camps for winter. For the caretakers this means completing compost runs at the camps toilets, and then draining and shutting down the liquid management systems so they don't freeze. Water systems have been disconnected and solar charging systems have been tested. By October, the first mountain snowfalls began and we are heading into what we hope will be a snowy winter.

This fall at Crag Camp we replaced the eight remaining original windows, to complete the window and wall repair project at this camp which we began two seasons ago.

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Gray Knob, after an early snowfall in October 2018.
Rowan Kamman photo.



SUMMER and FALL on RMC TRAILS

by Bob Drescher and Benzo Harris, Trails co-chairs

The phrase “leave no stone unturned” sums up our very busy season on the trails, as the crew pushed through multiple projects this summer. Starting with clearing more blowdowns from the October 2017 storm and the last winter’s effects, the crew then switched to quarrying rocks (close to 150), using some of them to build side ditches, cross drains, rock staircases and waterbars on our biggest project, the repairs to the Short Line. An emergency rock waterbar repair on the King Ravine Trail, construction of the new Rollo Falls Trail and a week on the White Mountain Trail Collective’s Crawford Path Project rounded out an energetic season. Getting so much work completed was due to a great crew and the leadership of field supervisor Justin Taylor.

Training also played a big part in this season’s outcome, beginning with our annual “Ax Day” instruction provided by the USFS District Trails Manager Cristin Bailey. Three days of rigging instruction with trail work expert Jed Talbot, provided by the White Mountain Trail Collective, served to improve our crew’s skill level quickly, and along with

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Brian Behr and Justin Taylor setting a new signpost on the Randolph Community Forest. Bob Drescher photo.

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From the President ...



Winter decided to come early this year, and we have already had some great days of skiing here in the North Country. There were several big storms, but none as big as last October's blast, and all the RMC trails are in good shape for winter, thanks to a hard-working summer trail crew, and our fall crew of Brian Behr and Justin Taylor. The crew did major rock work on the Short Line, built the new Rollo Falls trail, and also built two rock staircases on the Crawford Path. That project was done in conjunction with the White Mountain Trails Collective, a relatively new

umbrella group that connects trail-maintaining organizations. The summer crew really enjoyed learning from other trail experts and meeting other crews. In the fall, many of the bog bridges were replaced along with getting the trails ready for winter. Next year the summer trail crew will be working on the Starr King Trail, funded in part by a grant from the State of New Hampshire. Thanks again for all the work the trails committee has done in writing these grant proposals, to enable us to maintain our trails for the hiking public.

Up at the camps, Crag Camp had its remaining windows replaced, some roof work done and some other tightening up and repairs. The harsh environment there makes regular maintenance necessary, to preserve the club's investment in both Crag and Gray Knob; the "new" buildings will be, respectively, twenty-five and thirty years old in 2019! To fund this year's repairs, the board voted to draw from the Mt. Madison Fund, which has grown thanks to memorial donations and bequests. Along with materials for the Crag Camp work, lumber was airlifted in to build a deck along the backside of the Gray Knob privy to help the caretakers when they compost.

On behalf of the entire club I would like to again thank the members who stepped forward this summer to contribute to the land protection campaign on Randolph Hill, led by the Randolph Foundation. (*See article and map on page 7 – Ed.*) The RMC was a close partner to the Foundation in this effort to purchase land and an easement from members of the Boothman family, and I was pleased at the strong response. Ultimately this will increase the protection of historic RMC trails in our community, and I hope the club will be able to accomplish more of this in the near future.

This summer we also had a full social schedule. Picnic and charades, club hikes, a Libby's dinner, and as always the 4th of July Tea to start the summer. At the Annual Meeting we got to see Judy Hudson's new book "Trails or Timber", which has great historical pictures of Randolph and the mountains around us. It fun to look at the pictures and realize that the buildings, people and roads all change, but the mountains stay the same.

I look forward to seeing you in Randolph this winter or next spring.

Jamie Maddock

Above, Jamie in October, at Rollo Fall. Sue Maddock photo.

New RMC Director

By Samarjit Shankar, 2018 Nominating Committee chair

At the Annual Meeting on August 11, members elected Chris Hawkins to an initial three-year term as a director of the club; a brief biography appears below. Members also elected four currently-serving directors to second third-year terms (Kate Hudson, Dwight Bradley, Jamie Maddock and Bob Drescher), and re-elected Jamie Maddock as President, for a fourth year. At the meeting, Jamie acknowledged and thanked outgoing director Samarjit Shankar.



Chris Hawkins discovered the Randolph Mountain Club while hiking the Presidentials during his high school days. He then landed a job with the Appalachian Mountain Club, working four summers in the huts. In 1972 he was a crew member at Madison Spring Hut when the RMC's legendary president and trails chair Klaus Goetze invited the Madison crew to the Annual Picnic and charades (where one of their scenes portrayed the crew's baking skills!). Chris continued to work full time for the AMC, as truck driver and construction crew manager. Along the way, he studied at the University of New Hampshire and earned a B.A. from Johnson State College in Vermont. From 1983 onwards, Chris raised a family, living and working in Randolph and Lost Nation. His late wife, Susan Boothman Hawkins, was the sister of Becky Boothman and Sally Glines, and a granddaughter of John H. Boothman, who was instrumental in the establishment of the Club in 1910. Recently, after completing his career with the NHDOT Laboratory, he returned to work for two austral summers at the South Pole. He now plans to stay close to his Randolph home, looking forward to hiking and RMC board work, and contributing to the club's initiatives in camp maintenance, history and public relations.

Summer Social Events

Photos by Jenn Scarinza and Franklin Stone Wenk

Pages 3, 10,11: The RMC community at six vibrant social events this summer. Mark your calendars: Cabin Fever Reliever dance, March 2, 2019; Town Hall.



Clockwise from above left: Randolph youth in the Kelleys' barn, and director Wendy Walsh and her mother Phyllis, at the 4th of July Tea; the trail crew and one caretaker, and the silent auction, at the fundraising dinner at Libby's Bistro, August 9; John Berry (l) and Bill May (r), and most of the gourmet hikers, on the August 2 Gourmet Hike.



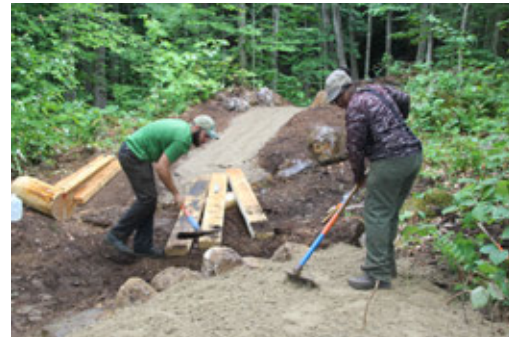
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additional help from former field supervisors Ben Lieberson and Brian Behr, the crew was able to attain a very productive level.

The fall crew of Justin Taylor and Brian Behr continued the work by repairing and replacing bog bridges on the Pasture Path, the Bee Line, and the Cook Path, recycling blowdowns whenever possible. In addition to a Bee Line repair, they spent a day with students from Gorham Middle High School on this trail instructing them on bog bridge replacement, and finished up their season with sign and post installation in the Randolph Community Forest. (See separate article, page 7 – Ed.)

The Volunteer Work Trips program, led by Wendy Walsh, Chris Campbell and Jeff Wilson, covered many trails and miles while brushing and blazing, and received training on bog bridge work from Brian Behr and Benzo Harris. (See page 6.)

Financial support for RMC trail work comes from many sources. Much of our trail work is funded by membership dues and generous donations. The USFS continues their support of the RMC trails through funding and by providing two sawyers this season to help us with blowdown clearing in the White Mountain National Forest. We'd also like to thank the NH Bureau of Trails for their ongoing assistance with the Recreational Trails Program grants (a major funding source), the White Mountain Trail Collective for training and funding this season, and the Randolph Community Forest Commission for their continuing support of our crew by providing funded trail maintenance and projects each season.



Top left and right, the trail crew building stone stairs on the Crawford Path; B. Drescher photos. Above, president Jamie Maddock and RMC members visiting the staircases on the Southern Peaks trip, August 15; R. Meiklejohn photo. Right column, top two images: Justin Taylor and Brian Behr installing sign posts on the Randolph Community Forest. B. Drescher photos. Right column, bottom three images: Brodie Holmes and Jaynae Hartridge building a bridge on the Rollo Falls Trail, on the Community Forest, then John Scarinza, Jaynae, Austen Bernier, Brodie and Jeff Wilson on the completed bridge. Jenn Scarinza photos.



Justin Taylor, Rowan Kamman, Jeff Wilson and Anna Ready-Campbell working the top end of the airlift; J. Maddock photos. John Tremblay on the composting deck at Gray Knob (P. Antos-Ketcham photo), and, at right, the opened-up wall of Crag Camp (J. Tremblay photo).

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At Gray Knob we expanded the composting toilet work platform behind the outhouse. Owing to a very steep slope behind Gray Knob's outhouse, a deck system is needed to accommodate all the composting infrastructure, as well as to provide enough room for employees to work when processing a batch of compost. At the Perch we have begun a process of observing use numbers and patterns, to try to better understand the demand for tent platform space. Over the past several seasons, RMC camps employees have seen an increase in the number of user created sites and trails beyond the existing facilities at the Perch, suggesting potential overcrowding situations. In addition to these projects, caretakers completed general camps upkeep and maintenance (staining log shelters and oiling camp floors) and basic trail work on the main approach trails to the camps.

I am pleased to report we received funding assistance from the Appalachian Trail Conservancy (ATC) through their Grants to Clubs program (with support from LL Bean). This \$1,500.00 grant helped defray the cost of the expansion of the Gray Knob composting toilet work platform. We thank LL Bean and ATC for their continued support of RMC's Camps Program. We will apply to ATC in the spring to help us with planned camps projects for the 2019 season.

Caretakers: the fall season has been covered by Anna Ready-Campbell and Rowan Kamman. Winter duties will be shared by returning RMC caretaker Merike Youngs, who will be joined by new employee Charlotte Cadow who came to us from the AMC Huts. The two will share the winter caretaking duties until late March or early April.

While our work plan for 2019 is still developing, we are looking at potential door and window replacement work at Gray Knob as well as an improved composting toilet work platform at Crag Camp. We will begin investigating a plan to address the foundation piers on Gray Knob and look at potential future roof replacements for both Gray Knob and Crag Camp. We continue to work with RMC builder John Tremblay and the Board to refine our five- and ten-year capital plans for the camps. Next year we should be in a position to bring in some additional solar photovoltaic power to the camps.



Volunteer Work Trips

By Wendy Walsh

A priority for volunteer trail work in 2018 was brushing and blazing the Short Line. The RMC was granted funds by the New Hampshire Recreational Trails Program for our trail crew to carry out erosion control on this well-used trail. This grant required a 20% match by the RMC, some of which could be covered by volunteer work on site. RMC volunteers came out strongly for this priority: 13 of us worked 71 hours on July 7, and 8 of us worked 63 hours on July 11. These hours amounted to a contribution to the RMC valued at \$3,336.70.

Overall in 2018, RMC trail volunteers worked 577 hours on 16 scheduled trips from June 20 to August 11. Some volunteers came out for more than one trip, as indicated by a number after the name:

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| Anne Barschall | Beth Malachowsky (2) |
| Rick Beard | Tim Mather |
| Dwight Bradley | Randy Meiklejohn |
| Chris Campbell (5) | Danielle Normand (2) |
| Ray Cooper (3) | Amy Patenaude (3) |
| Fred DeMarco | Dennis Pednault |
| Garrett DeMarco | Ben Phinney (2) |
| Nathan DeMarco | Barb Phinney |
| Caiden DeMarco | Greg Rossolimo |
| Bob Drescher (14) | John Sleeman |
| Renee Dunham (8) | Dave Tomlinson |
| Corinne Evans | Allison Tomlinson |
| Benzo Harris (2) | Wendy Walsh (6) |
| Beth Krusi | Steve Webber (13) |
| Jamie Maddock (2) | Jeff Wilson (15) |

On these trails, volunteers did brushing:

- Castle Ravine Trail
- Cook Path
- Diagonal
- Pasture Path
- Sargent Path
- Scar Trail

And on these, they did both brushing and blazing:

- Bee Line
- Carlton Notch Trail
- Crescent Ridge Trail
- Maple Walk
- Short Line

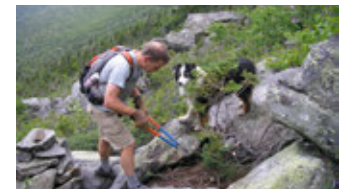
Also, eight volunteers --

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| Chris Campbell | Boothman Spring Cutoff |
| Gordon Campbell | Brookside (blow down) |
| Peter Campbell | Cook Path |
| Phil Campbell | Crescent Ridge Trail |
| Bob Drescher | Fallsway (blow down) |
| Renee Dunham | Mossy Glen trails |
| Benzo Harris | Mt. Crescent Trail |
| Jeff Wilson | Pasture Path (blaze) |
| | Peeko Folsom bridge (posts/railings) |
| | Upper Bruin. |

-- worked 69.5 hours on their own on ten trails, in the column at right:



Above, a large turnout for the Short Line on July 7, to provide a labor match to our grant of funds from the NH Recreational Trails Program. L to R: Dennis Pednault, Steve Weber, Garrett DeMarco, Nathan DeMarco, Caiden DeMarco, Fred DeMarco, Jeff Wilson (kneeling), John Sleeman, Wendy Walsh, Beth Malachowsky. Below clockwise from left: Bob Drescher and Renee Dunham at the recently-cleared view on the Mt. Crescent Trail, August 29; Jamie Maddock and Guyot brushing on the Castle Ravine Trail above Roof Rock, August 15; Jeff Wilson and Bob Drescher installing a bog bridge on Maple Walk, June 30. Photos by Wendy Walsh (Mt. Crescent) and Bob Drescher (others).

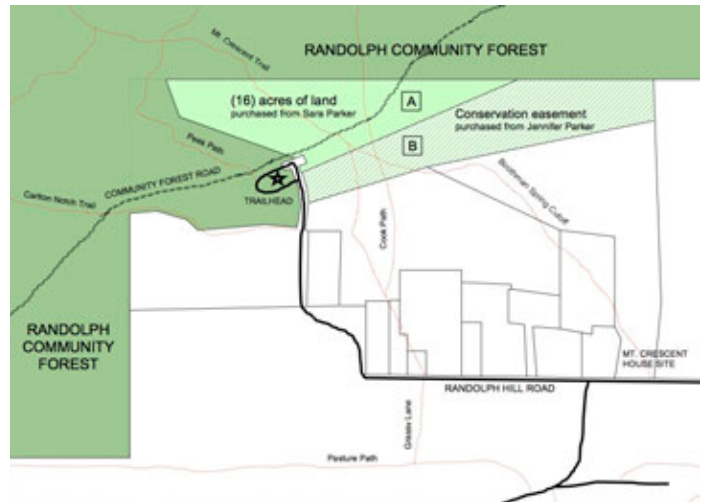


RMC trail volunteering is important because our trail crew is primarily committed to the exacting, demanding task of mitigating trail erosion. The crew does remove blowdowns but does not have time to brush and blaze trails. Brushing, which clears a corridor four feet wide and eight feet high, and blazing make our trails easy to follow and a pleasure to hike. These volunteer efforts also help maintain the large investment the RMC has made in its trail system. This investment makes accessible numerous waterfalls; spectacular views of ridges, ravine headwalls and Presidential summits; and diverse forests. The RMC is deeply grateful to all our trail volunteers.

Mt. Crescent Land Protection Campaign Update

By Jamie Maddock and Randy Meiklejohn

In the June issue of this newsletter, we announced a fundraising campaign to protect land at the base of Mt. Crescent, led by the Randolph Foundation in partnership with the RMC. It went so well that, in addition to purchasing a sixteen-acre parcel of land next to the trailhead, we were also able to purchase a conservation easement on the adjacent parcel. Both are traversed by historic RMC trails. Foundation president Sarah Gallop announced the pledged total of \$78,500.00 at the Annual Meeting on August 17.



At right, a map of land at the west end of Randolph Hill Road. Community Forest in darker green; Sara Parker land in lighter green (A); Jennifer Parker land with diagonal hatch (B).



Gorham High School students volunteer with the RMC

By Benzo Harris

A group of students from Gorham High School braved the mud around Durand Lake on September 17th during a volunteer day. They were instructed on bog bridge replacement by RMC Field Supervisor Justin Taylor and Brian Behr, who were mostly hands-off as the kids eagerly took turns to lay in new base logs and pound spikes into the stringers. Two old bridges were replaced entirely with labor from the volunteer group, including carrying in the new supplies and dispersing the old bridge material.

The students who came to Randolph were part of a larger volunteer day led by the high school, and they—and we—hope they can be involved with the RMC again. Having local school groups volunteer is a new trend that continues from last autumn's trail work day with students from Burke Mountain Academy in Vermont. The Trails Committee vastly appreciates these contributions, as they teach youngsters about the value of trails volunteering while also lightening the load on the summer pro crew.

Above, Justin Taylor, Benzo Harris, GHS teacher and RMC member Sarah Clemmitt, Brian Behr and the student volunteers. Below, left to right: carrying base logs along the Bee Line; carrying lumber by Durand Lake; the finished bridges on the Bee line. Bob Drescher and Benzo Harris photos.



Return of the Golden Clippers Award (or Golden Loppers, if you will)

By Bob Drescher



The walls of the Goetze workshop are adorned with many items used and abused over the years by the trail crews and the trail volunteers. Here you can see shovels, pick mattocks, pry bars, swizzle sticks, axes, hard hats, sledgehammers, and cutting and digging tools of all kinds, along with photographs and drawings (some recent, some fading) of past crew members and occasional words of encouragement, desperation, humor and, of course, wisdom.



It was amid this varied display that I noticed, this summer, a pair of bent-handled clippers or “loppers” with a gold paint job, hanging high on the wall by our chain saw closet. Below this odd-looking tool were two dusty plaques that, after cleaning, revealed the following inscription:

“The Jim Samek Order of the Golden Clippers”

“Presented each year to a Member of the RMC Trail Crew for Unsurpassed Excellence and Devotion to the Study and Practice of the Fine Art of Brushing”

Further inspection revealed that the award was initially presented in 1995 to Jim Samek, and the most recent recipients were Al Sochard in 2007, Mike Micucci in 2008, Doug Mayer in 2009 and Brian Roberts & Barbara Cutter in 2010. Since these names represented some of the more stalwart figures in the RMC trails world, I figured I’d better find out more about this award and how we could restore it. I contacted Doug Mayer, Trails supervisor from 1994 to 2008, and the story came to life as he wrote:

“In the 1990’s, in the first year of the SCA crew, we had on the crew a guy named Jim Samek. His crew bore the brunt of a generation of neglect. They had the pleasure of basically spending the entire summer brushing--that’s not an overstatement. It was brutal. One day I delivered Ben and Jerry’s ice cream to the crew, on an incredibly hot day when they were brushing the Starr King Trail near the summit. Everyone was super psyched and stopped to enjoy the pints. Everyone, that is, but Jim. He just kept on brushing, on a day when it was probably close to 100 degrees F.

At the end of each season, I used to give out little items to each crew member that reflected their accomplishments or memorable moments for them during the season. I had an old pair of loppers around that were broken, and I spray-painted them gold, to give to Jim. Predictably, when he left Randolph, he left them behind. So, each year after that, we used to give out an award in his honor. I actually turned it into a serious award, because the crew used to look down on brushing, and I always stressed that it’s all important...we don’t have trails to build staircases on, unless the trails are brushed. So, it became my way to commend someone who didn’t complain about doing basic brushing on trails. I used the award to tell a story or two about Jim, and to talk about how all trail work is important.”

After hearing the rest of the story, the board of directors and the trails committee agreed in early 2018 to resurrect the award. It will be our way of recognizing someone from our volunteer crew each season who, through their efforts of brushing and blazing the RMC trails, embodies the spirit in which it was intended. I am pleased to announce that the 2018 Golden Loppers Award will be going to: **Steve Weber**.



Steve is a Randolph resident and an alumnus of the trail crew. Besides finishing the RMC 100, he has hiked the Long Trail four times and logged over 7,000 miles on the AT. A constant presence on our work trips for the past three years, Steve has skillfully brushed many miles of the RMC trails by himself and with our volunteer crew, providing us with a seemingly endless supply of trail adventure (and mis-adventure) stories from his vast hiking experiences. We hope his dedication to giving back each time he hikes will inspire others to join our volunteer work trips and to help maintain our great network of trails.

Left: inside the Goetze workshop, next to Stearns Lodge. Above: Steve Weber and the Loppers outside the workshop (l), and on the Castle Ravine Trail (r). CRT photo by Wendy Walsh; others by Bob

The Pease Papers

By Judy and Al Hudson



Since this summer your archivists have been sifting through a collection of papers from the attic of A. S. Pease's cottage, courtesy of its current owner, Charles Corcoran. Trained as a classicist and renowned as a biologist, Arthur Stanley Pease was a dedicated, active member of the RMC from its beginnings until his death in 1964. He became the Club's second President in 1922, serving for nine years (during which time he also became the tenth president of Amherst College).

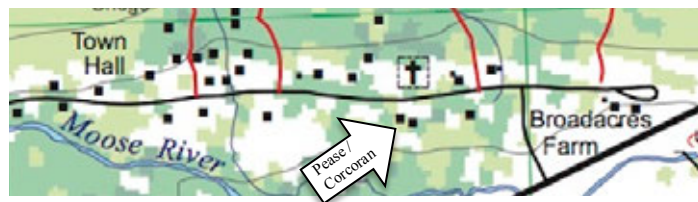
On August 24, 1886, Theodore C. Pease joined a party to the summit of Mt. Madison led by Randolph guide Charles E. Lowe. Although Theodore died in 1893, his wife Abby and their son, Arthur Stanley (1881-1964), continued to spend summers as hotel guests in Randolph until 1912, when Abby had John Boothman build her a cottage (now the Breunigs', immediately east of Town Hall). Stanley's own house, dating from the following year, stands on the south side of Durand Road opposite the cemetery, where he and his wife Henrietta Faxon Pease are buried side by side.

Among the random assortment in Pease's boxes of news clippings, government publications, campaigns to save the forests, railroad schedules, botanical reprints and resort brochures are photos of early "trampers."

Some of these photos also are found in albums assembled by the George Foot Moore family. The late Nancy Torrey Frueh, whose father, grandfather, and uncle appear in many of the Moores' shots, had identified for the RMC archive many of the hikers in photographs from the families who, like the Torreys, were active hikers in Randolph in the late nineteenth century. Through comparison with other archive images, we have been able to identify some of the people in Pease's photos. Hiking costumes, particularly of the ladies, have helped us here.

In this photo of a trip to the original Madison Spring Hut (at right), we have been able to name some of the participants. We think the tall, thin lad on the right, who appears in many of the photos, is Stanley Pease. Stanley would have been a teenager at the time. Why else would Pease have collected these photos? We are intrigued by the bearded gentleman in full three-piece suit next to Stanley, but have no idea who he is. And who was the photographer?

Because the George F. Moore family first came to the Mountain View House in 1896, and because Madison Spring Hut was enlarged in 1905, we can also assign an approximate date (between 1896 and 1904) for this photo.



Above: Hikers at Madison Hut, sometime between 1896 and 1904. From left: George Foot Moore, Mary H. Moore, ?, Albert Moore, [two mostly hidden women], suited gentleman, and perhaps a young Arthur Stanley Pease. Top left: Pease in his Amherst presidency, 1927-1932. Courtesy of Amherst College.



2018 trips: Left, the Southern Peaks trip. Above, Connie Wiley, William Wiley, Andy Wiley and Mary Adams on Mt. Crag. R. Meiklejohn and Franklin Stone Wenk photos.

Treasurer’s Report

By Kathleen Kelley

	Administration	Camps	Development	Stearns	Trails Grants	Trails	Total	2018 Budget
Revenue								
YTD 09/30/18:	\$30,122	44,678	18,820	0	28,606	0	122,226	\$122,700
Expense								
YTD 09/30/18:	(15,956)	(41,257)	(4,554)	(8,592)	(28,606)	(23,330)	(122,295)	\$118,145
+ Restr. Gifts:			11,925				11,925	
less Special Proj:		(3,741)		(9,216)			(12,957)	\$12,000
Net	\$14,166	(320)	26,191	(17,808)	0	(23,330)	(1,101)	(\$7,445)

At its annual budget meeting in January, the board approved two special projects in 2018 at the camps (Crag Camp window, wall and door repairs) and at Stearns Lodge, using funds from the Mt. Madison Fund and the Employee Housing Reserve Fund respectively. As special projects these two initiatives are separate from our regular annual operations, and thus are funded from sources separate from our annual dues, donations and camps fees. Regular annual revenues were strong through the end of Q3, and we received also several restricted gifts for the Mt. Madison Fund, the Andrew S. Tucker Fund and the Benjamin Hill Campbell Memorial Fund.

Social event photos, continued from page 3...

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Clockwise from above left: The RMC’s perennial square dance hostess Marie Beringer in the ribbon dance, with her son Geoff, John Scarinza on accordion, and Tara and Uma Shankar dancing a reel, at the Square Dance on August 18; Heywood Alexander, Bill Minifie and Keith Dempster at the concert to benefit the RMC, August 10; Mountain (Austen Bernier, Vince Reichhold, Lauren Anzalone, Brian Behr: WARBLER), Midlands (Renee Dunham, Charlotte Winchell, Samarjit Shankar: PERIPETEIA), and Valley (Julia Umiker, Jill Giornelli, Keith Dempster and Ben Umiker: SYCOPHANCY) and Hill (smoke plume, Anne Barschall and Franklin Wenk: INTRANSIGENCE) charades, at the Annual Picnic on August 18. Photos by F. Wenk and J. Scarinza.



RMC Website and Merchandise

Jeff Smith / Michele Cormier

Head to the RMC website year-round for **new memberships** or **membership renewal**, **merchandise**, **events**, **volunteer work trips**, **regular hikes**, and more. A few featured items:



Clockwise from top left: 2016 RMC map; baseball hats, patch and fleece hat; *Trails or Timber*, Judy Hudson's 2018 book; RMC mug; 2016 edition of *Randolph Paths* (includes folded version of map at top left).

Go to **STUFF WE SELL** for merchandise; look for events and trips under **ABOUT THE RMC**.

To join, renew or donate, use **Quick Links** at center of page.

Our website: www.randolphmountainclub.org.

For **membership** or **merchandise** you may pay with **Paypal**.

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Clockwise from above; Gourmet Hikers on the Pine Mtn. ledges; Barbara Turnbull, Anne Smith and Renee Dunham at the Tea; Alan Lowe, Randy Meiklejohn and president Jamie Maddock at the Annual Picnic; Catherine Maletta, Ted Phinney and Joanna Phinney in the garden at Libby's Bistro.



Welcome new members!

Joined May - October 2018

Jason Marineau, N. Berwick ME
Tom Beard, Murfreesboro TN
Katie Koster, Altstead NH
Wayne Hoppe, Franklin NH
Doug Byrne, Weymouth MA
Heidi Engman, Chocorua NH
Michelle Hunter, Nicholson PA
Lorena Johnson, Jefferson NH
Michael & Nancy Franat, Waterville NH
Doug Jaciow, Southampton MA
David Meckley, Loysburg PA
Jenna Yeager, Golden CO
Cindy Driscoll, Glastonbury CT
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Andy Furey, Epsom MH
Patricia Grimm, N. Andover MA

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Bryan Haas, Arnold MD
David Vaters, Malden MA
Michael Patterson, Swansea MA
Rishhabh Ashish Shah, N. Andover MA
Andre Charpentier, W. Greenwich RI
Ken & Karen Robichaud,
 Canterbury NH
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Angelo Potenzzone & Douglas
 Richmond, Gorham NH
Penny Hamel, Methuen MA
Jill & Harry West, Lexington MA
Peter Howe, Holderness NH
William Armstrong, Monroe ME
Caitlin Roseen, Montpelier VT
Charlie Grillo, Cromwell CT
Christos Laganos, Sugar Hill NH
Cara Joyal, Manchester NH

Mt. Crescent Society Profile

The RMC's Mt. Crescent Society recognizes those individuals who have made a bequest or other planned gift to the Club; among them are Jamie and Sue Maddock of South Berwick, ME. Jamie has been RMC president since 2015, having previously served as a director 2003-08 and president 2005-07. He and Sue shared their thoughts about their decision:

We're in the third generation of Maddocks in Randolph, and there's some of the fourth generation sitting right next to us on the sofa in the kitchen nook. (And if it weren't so foggy out, you could see up into Castle Ravine right behind us.) Being in Randolph is important to us, because it's where our family gets to be together; and that's not just Maddocks and Hudsons, but siblings and cousins from Sue's side too.

For our family, Randolph has always been the center. Over time many things change: careers, places we live, family size, but we always come back to Randolph. The RMC has been a constant, through the charades, the camps, and hiking. We would like the club to continue, and to be there for our family and for anyone who would enjoy hiking and camping in the Randolph area. By remembering the RMC in our wills, with a planned gift to the Mt. Madison Fund, we hope to make this possible, and we also hope that other families will join us.



Jamie, Sue, Jim and Jenna Maddock at home in Randolph, on a snowy day in November 2018. Courtesy photo.

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