THE ROWAN ROAMER

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NEXT MEETING IS THURSDAY, JUNE 4TH

The next Meeting of the Rowan Roamers is scheduled for Thursday, June 4th, at the Blue Bay Seafood Restaurant. As always, dinner (optional) will be at 6 PM and the business meeting will commence at 7 PM. The Blue Bay Seafood Restaurant is at 1007 East Innes Street. If you are coming via I-85, take Exit 76 and head west into Salisbury. The Restaurant is on the south side of East Innes Street but you will have to pass it and turn back due to barriers in the road.

Rowan Roamers Minutes of the Meeting May 7, 2015

President Larry Brown called the meeting to order at 7:01 pm. The number of members present was 15.

The minutes of the previous meeting were distributed in the newsletter to the membership to read and were accepted

The Treasurer's Report was read and accepted as read. The current balance is \$1982.50 and \$13.21 in cash.

The drawing for the free dinner was won by Elaine Howle.

The group discussed the upcoming group walks.

Old Business:

Further discussion was held about a location for our September regular event. It was decided to investigate the trails in Lake Norman State Park and hold the event there if feasible. The Kadelas volunteered to visit the park and see if a 10 km trail exists.

New Business:

Loren Little led a discussion of topics to be voted upon at the National Convention. The club decided to support Dennis Michele for president. A discussion of the bylaw changes was held. A vote was taken on each item, but Loren was instructed to use his judgement if amendments are proposed.

The 2015 Year Round Event Participation Totals were updated:

Salisbury 13
Concord 21
Kannapolis 0
Myrtle Beach 13
Wilmington 37
Southport 17
Greenfield Park 20
Mocksville 14
Dan Nicholas Park 9

The meeting was closed at 7:40 pm.

Dick Feldmann, Acting Recording Secretary

CLUB NEWS

CHAPEL HILL YRE: A new start point has not yet been found so this walk is still closed.

UPCOMING GROUP WALKS

CORNELIUS/DAVIDSON ON 5/30: The group walk will start at the YMCA in Cornelius at 9 AM and includes the covered bridge and new greenway. The YMCA is located at 21300 Davidson St. in Cornelius. The phone number is 704-892-9622. To get there from I-77, take Exit 30 toward Davidson (East) on Griffith Rd. until it dead ends at Davidson College. Turn right on Main St. (South) and go about 1 mile to Davidson St. Turn right to YMCA. There is a small YMCA sign at the corner.

PIEDMONT ENVIRONMENTAL CENTER ON

6/6: The walk will start in Gibson Park at 8 am at the parking area by the picnic shelters. The registration material will be brought to the park. There is no need to go to the PEC Building. Directions to Gibson Park: From I-40, take Exit 214, Wendover Avenue southbound toward High Point, cross Tarrant Road (traffic light), turn left at next crossover in the median. There is a Gibson Park sign on the side of the entrance road.

GREENSBORO CITY ON 7/4: This holiday morning walk will start at 8 am at the Bryan Family YMCA. (336) 478-9622. 501 Market St. From the south on I-85 exit 35, US 220 north to Washington St. in downtown. Cross Washington Street and move to the left lane to turn left into the YMCA parking lot (before you get to Market Street). FROM EAST OR WEST ON I-40/Bus-85, exit 218 Freeman Mill Rd/US 220 (westbound use 218A, eastbound use 218B) to Washington St. in downtown. Cross Washington Street and move to the left lane to turn left into the YMCA parking lot (before you get to Market Street).

HIGH POINT ON 7/18: The walk will start at 8 am at a location yet to be determined.

MOCKSVILLE ON 8/15: Meet at the Davie Family YMCA for an 8 AM start to the walk. HOW TO GET THERE: From Winston-Salem: I-40 west to Exit 174. Left off ramp to Hwy 158 and turn right to Cemetery St. Turn right and YMCA is on right. From Statesville: I-40 east to Exit 169. Right on Hwy 64. At 3rd light turn left onto Gaither for 1 block, then left on Main St. to Cemetery St. Left to YMCA.

BURLINGTON ON 8/29: We will start at 8 AM at the Burlington YMCA at 1346 South Main Street. From I-85/I-40 take exit 143, NC62/Alamance Rd. Go north 1.5 miles and turn right on US70 (being careful not to turn too far right onto NC54). Pass through 2 traffic lights (Burlington City Park is on right), then bear right on Main St. to YMCA on right.

HIGH POINT YRE HAS A NEW START POINT

The start point for the High Point YREs, the Golden B Restaurant, is no longer in business. A new start point has been found..

New Start Point

High Point Convention and Visitors Bureau 1634 N. Main Street #102

High Point, NC 27262

Phone 336-884-5255 / 800-720-5255

web site: <u>High Point Convention and Visitors</u> Bureau | High Point CVB

New Hours of Operation: M-Sa 8:30am - 5:00pm This location is at the corner of North Main and State Streets, just 2 blocks north of the old location.

This change also applies to the Alternate Start Point for the High Point, NC Piedmont Environmental Center walk. YR0682.

Directions: From Winston-Salem I-40, take Exit 196, US 311/High Point. Follow BUS 311 (Main St.) to State St. Turn left on State St and immediately right into Visitor Center parking. From north and east on I-85: take the I-85 bypass south to Bus-85/US29/70 (exit 118) then Bus 85 to High Point/Downtown/Bus 311 exit. Follow BUS 311 north (Main St.) across Lexington Ave to State St. Turn right on State St and immediately right into Visitor Center parking.

From south on I-85: take I-85 to US52 (exit 87) to Bus-85/US29/70 to High Point. Exit High Point/Downtown/Bus 311 and follow as above to parking and start.

Change to Asheville Ambler July 2015 Walk Schedule

Hi all - due to scheduling problems, we've had to change our July walk schedule.as follows: July 11 - Club Walk of Black Mountain. 4 PM start.

July 25 - traditional walk of Hot Springs, NC (Madison County)

July 26 - traditional walk at Carolina Hemlocks Recreation Area (Yancey County)

Watch for emails and traditional event brochures for more details. Also check our web site at ashevilleamblers.com.

Mark your calendars now with these changes. Dennis Michele, Trail Master

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SCHEDULED EVENTS FOR 2015

AA – Asheville Amblers RR – Rowan Roamers TT – Triangle Trailblazers MW – Metrolina Walkers TSW – Tarheel State Walkers WW – Winston Wanders

Regular Events Are in BOLD, all others are group walks

May	30	MW	Davidson – 9:00am			
June	6	AA	Brevard City – 9:00am			
		WW	PEC – 8:00am			
	13-21	AVA Convention in Salem, Oregon				
	13	TT	Wilson – 9:00am			
	20					
	27	AA	Hendersonville – 9:00am			
July	4	WW	Greensboro City – 8:00am			
	11	AA	Black Mountain – 4:00pm – picnic BYO Food, watermelon by club			
	18	WW	High Point – 8:00am			
		TT	Lake Johnson – 9:00am			
	25 - 26 AA		RE – Mountain Regular Event			

August	1 8 15 22 29	TT AA WW RR AA WW	Raleigh, Umstead Park – 9:00am Lake Junaluska – 8:00am Boone – 9:00am/Blowing Rock – 1:30pm Mocksville – 8:00am Asheville City – 8:00am Burlington – 8:00am
September	5 12 19 24(Thu 26	RR TT AA WW RR urs) AA WW	Salisbury City – 9:00am Yanceyville – 10:00am Hendersonville (Carl Sandburg Rte) – 9:00am Old Salem – 9:00am RE – TBD Virginia Creeper Bike – non-credit – 10:00am Brevard Estatoe with picnic – 9:00am PEC – 10:00am
October	10-12 16-18 24 31	3 AA AA RR WW	TT RE – Bentonville Beaufort/Charleston/Magnolia Gardens start time TBD Freedom Walks, Arlington, VA Waynesville – 10:00am Dan Nicholas Park – 10:00am RE – TBD
November	1(Sun) 7 8(Sun) 14 21 27 (Fr	AA RR TT TT WW MW AA WW	Greensboro Parks – 2:00pm Greenville, SC – 10:00am Concord – 10:00am Cary, Bond Park – 10:00am Cary, Preston – 1:00pm Salem Lake – 2:00pm Davidson – 10:00am Black Mountain (Montreat Route) – 10:00am Mount Airy – 10:00am WW Triad Park – 1:00pm
December	5 12 19 26	AA TT TT MW RR	Lake Lure – 10:00am Raleigh Oakwood – 10:00am Raleigh Wolfpack – 1:00pm Charlotte – 10:00 Kannapolis – 10:00am