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Trail Master	Chris Bolia
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Alternate #1	Nick Milonopolos
Alternate #2	Jay St. Lawrence

April 2026 Meeting Minutes

The scheduled meeting was held on April 14, 2026, at the Granite Steak and Grill in Rochester. President Nick Bickford called to the meeting to order at 7:03 pm. There were 23 members present,

Secretary's Report:

Ginny Abresch presented the March meeting minutes to the membership. A correction was made on the March minutes to reflect total of \$37,908.70 available in the account. Copies of the minutes were available on site and were also posted on the website for members to review prior to the meeting

The minutes were accepted.

Membership Report:

Membership director Deb McLaughlin sent in a report that there were 299 (125 Individual/174 Family) members to date via NHSA. Memberships including individual and family 473

Last year at this time April of 2025 Memberships sold 259 total. Individual 110, Family 149

Memberships including individual and family 408.

The club has 65 more members in total memberships than last year.

Membership report was accepted.

Trail Master Report:

Bob Bickford sent in the following report:

February Grooming:

- Tucker 1000 - 106.1 hours
- Tucker 2000 - 138.8 hours
- Demo Tucker 1000 - 14.7 hours
- Parking Lots plowed twice
- Total February Winter Grant in Aid Reimbursement: \$18,210.93

March Grooming:

- Tucker 1000 - 10.2 hours
- Tucker 2000 - 16.3 hours
- Total February Winter Grant in Aid Reimbursement: \$2,138.98

Totals year to date (Dec. - Mar.)

- Tucker 1000 - 234.1 hours
- Tucker 2000 - 214.2 hours
- Demo Tucker 1000 - 14.7 hours
- Total grooming hours reimbursed to date:
 - 463/520 total hours reimbursable, 89%, 11% remaining
- Parking Lots plowed 5 times out of 10 we can be reimbursed for.
- Total Winter GIA reimbursement to date: \$33,179.45 (\$37,884.60 total available)

A group of members directly related to maintaining the trail system met to develop recommendations to the PMSC Directors for Summer GIA projects. They are:

1. P1 - Reroute P352 onto the Cameron Loop Trail which includes widening and straightening portions of the trail, installing seven culverts as well as some trail grading and ditching. P1 will also add an additional ~50 linear feet of trail turnpike near the River Road portion of P352 and a new, wider gate at the bottom of the hill near River Road.
2. P2 - Leveling a portion of P352 that runs parallel to Rt 11 between Depot Road and Tash Road. Fill to be donated by the NH DOT.
3. P3 - Replace the bridge on the Tree Farm Trail near Mike's Maze entrance, widen and straighten about a half mile of trail and soften the over 90 degree turn in the trail that is challenging for riders and groomers alike.
4. P4 - Replace the bridge on the Camp Pride Trail on Camp Pride property and reroute a half mile portion on the trail that is on Camp Pride property with a 700' reroute on SELT property.

A couple of changes to the GIA process that the Trails Bureau has made all clubs aware of:

1. Clubs that pay anyone to provide a service (i.e.: paid groomer operators) must provide proof of workman's comp insurance. Does not apply to PMSC.
2. We can only use bona fide businesses as vendors to be paid from grant funds. This does affect us as we can no longer rent individual's equipment for GIA projects and we can no longer pay individuals to provide services to the club. For example, plowing the club's parking lots so that we get reimbursed by GIA funds. They will be reviewing all invoices submitted for reimbursements to make sure clubs are following GIA requirements. This is not new, it has always been in the fine print, but they will be looking more carefully moving forward.

The club is in conversation with the landowners of the former Mt. Major SC Letter M Trail to possibly reopen the trail. The trail runs parallel to Rt 11 from Johnson's towards the Alton Traffic Circle. Members have made this request and it will also allow the groomers to not have to run down Main Street to get to and from the Bickford farm to the trail system.

Mike Gelinas will post on Facebook looking for help when we are ready to begin projects. We are hoping to get trails signs earlier before November. Jim made 38 signs. He will need sealer. Talk of new groomer and estimated cost. We will vote on new groomer in a year from now.

Trail Master Report was accepted

Treasurers Report:

Cash on hand: Checking account: \$43,816.13 and Capital fund - \$11,232.92 for a total of \$55,049.05 Income. Transferred \$260.00 from Venmo for club raffle tickets. \$205.00 waiting to be transferred after tonight's raffle drawing with what others that come in.

Tax cut off level is \$50,000 balance for non-profits. The 2026-2027 budget was presented by Nick Bickford and approved by the membership.

Treasurer's report was accepted

Old Business:

Nick Bickford won the NHSA Strafford County Director's position.

New Business:

The slate of directors: Stu Hotchkiss will be stepping down for a while. Jim Hawkes will become the 3rd Trail master. Bob Bickford will be looking to train a new Trail Administrator for the future to include applying for grants which is a lot of work; billing with Deb over the summer and winter, managing groomer logs and submitting information. The slate of new officers was approved. The NHSA Annual meeting will be held on May 17. Anyone looking to attend should contact Nick Bickford. We have 3 delegates seats available. On June 4th we will transport our groomer and a couple of sleds up to the State house in Concord, NH for display. Jay St. Lawrence ran the annual club raffle.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:30 pm.

Respectfully submitted, Ginny Abresch