

Nobscot March News

Greetings Nobscot Nation!

Had enough of everything going on? I'm ready to move on! As you may be aware, our Council has cancelled all group meetings – which includes unit meetings. Many troops have gotten creative and are holding virtual meetings. All rentals for Nobscot facilities have been cancelled and monies returned. The Reservation remains open for day hiking – with all appropriate social distancing, etc applied. Dogs, as always, are to be on leashes.

Nobscot Alumni Association Workdays

We had planned our annual Spring & Fall Workdays at Nobscot. Our Spring Workday for April 25 has been cancelled. Our Fall Workday is scheduled for September 26. More info to come.

Graphic Design Help Wanted!

Nobscot needs help from someone who can provide graphic design for the planned, new interpretive wayside signs for the Ralph Sisson Nature Trail. We'll provide the copy – we need the design and final artwork. We will then have the artwork put on aluminum panels and attached to steel stanchions. Can you help? Please contact me! Larry@RedBearFam.com

Your NAA Nobscot Hammer Crew At Work!

A new water treatment system has been installed in White Lodge at Nobscot Scout Reservation to relieve an ongoing problem of foul smelling water. The system feeds the White Lodge kitchen, Henderson Lodge showers and kitchen and the Nobscot Campmaster Corps HQ. The system was designed by Kevin Doherty owner of Knoll Environmental who volunteered his expertise to test the wells, review and analyze the historical data and design the system.

The system was installed by the volunteers of the Nobscot Hammer Crew who have donated thousands of hours of labor to Nobscot. According to Pete Lane, Hammer Head, "We're confident that this new system will resolve the water problem so our guests will have a much more pleasant experience."



The Nobscot Hammer Crew, a Committee of the Nobscot Alumni Association, typically meets every Tuesday at Nobscot to accomplish a variety of tasks including re-roofing all 11 of the Adirondack shelters, painting, splitting firewood, repairing cabins, etc. If you are interested in joining the Crew contact Pete.Lane@comcast.net

If you are interested in establishing a Hammer Crew for either

Camp Squanto or Camp Resolute contact the Camp Rangers –
Squanto: David Moulton David.Moulton@scouting.org. Resolute:
Davis Stockton davis.stockton@scouting.org

Tools Donations

Thank you to NAA member John Rogers who has donated a large amount of rakes, shovels and various other hand tools to Nobscot!

Wills, Trusts, Bequests, Charitable Giving...

Some of us are getting along in life and making decisions about our assets. Please consider the Nobscot Alumni Association as a beneficiary. By giving directly to the NAA (and stating that fact) – monies will go directly to Nobscot. I'm not a lawyer so I can't advise you. But most certainly if you have any questions you can contact Jim Corcoran is our Council Development Director and can help explain how to structure your gift and how you can ensure that donated monies go directly to Nobscot.

Your Association Dues

We really, really appreciate folks stepping up to send in your Membership \$. YOUR MEMBERSHIP IN THE ALUMNI ASSOCIATION IS CRITICALLY IMPORTANT! We need you! Membership Levels: Silver Oakleaf \$25 annual; Gold Oakleaf \$50 annual; Life Member \$500 (1x fee); Founding Life Member \$1,000 (1x fee). If not us, who?? If not now, when??

Need a year to pay? Two years? Not a problem. Contact me and we'll work it out.

You'll receive a Nobscot Alumni Association Patch with your level of membership embroidered directly on the patch



Founding Members and Life Members will receive a suitable-for-framing Certificate along with a patch!

Make your check out to the Nobscot Alumni Association and mail it to the Nobscot Alumni Association, c/o Mary Tucker, Mayflower Council, 2 Mount Royal Ave – Suite 100, Marlboro MA 01752. PLEASE email me Larry@RedBearFam.com and give me a heads up that you've sent your check! Any questions please feel free to contact me.

(It should be noted that because we are a part of Mayflower Council, BSA, your membership qualifies under the Council's non-profit 501(c)(3) status. Obviously, you would need to consult your tax professional for full details.)

So which communities does our Council serve?

Abington, Ashland, Avon, Bellingham, Braintree, Bridgewater, Brockton, Canton, Cohasset, Duxbury, Easton, East Bridgewater, Framingham, Franklin, Foxborough, Halifax, Hanson, Hanover, Hingham, Holbrook, Holliston, Hopedale, Hopkinton, Hudson, Kingston, Marlborough, Marshfield, Maynard, Medfield, Medway, Mendon, Milford, Millis, Hull, Natick, Newton, Norfolk, Northborough, Norwell, Norwood, Pembroke, Plainville, Plymouth, Plympton, Randolph, Rockland, Scituate, Sharon, Sherborn, Southborough, Stoughton, Stow, Sudbury, Walpole, Wayland, Wellesley, Weston, West Bridgewater, Westborough, Weymouth, Wrentham and Whitman.

Want to re-register as an adult Scouter?

If your registration has lapsed and you'd like to re-register, it's a simple process. Please fill out the two forms – one is the Adult Application and the other is the CORI check form. Print both of them out. Make sure to answer all the questions on the right-hand side of the form, and fill out the Background Check Authorization form at the end. The CORI form is two pages and requires a copy of your license or other government id. You also need to take Youth Protection Training which is an online experience. All adults have to take it. Please go to My.Scouting.org and login as a new member to take the training. Once completed, please print out the completion certificate and email all paperwork to Membership@MayflowerBSA.org or mail to: Mayflower Council, ATTN: Membership, 2 Mount Royal Ave – Suite 100, Marlboro MA 01752

Please let me know if you have any problems with all this!

BTW – any years you have already spent in Scouting count towards your new years when you re-register! If you have any questions or concerns – email me. NOTE: It's not required for you to be registered to be part of the Alumni Association but certainly just having the liability insurance is a good reason to join!

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<https://www.facebook.com/groups/Nobscotscoutreservation/>

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Nobscot Alumni Association