

POTOMAC VALLEY SKIERS

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June, 1968

June meeting...

The next stop on the summer home tour is at Elke and Bill Stecher's on June 18, at 8:00 p.m. Be sure to come and cast your vote on the membership amendment! Voting is the "in" thing to be doing this year. Directions: Beltway to New Hampshire Avenue, North (away from Washington) to Venice Drive. Turn right, and go to the 3rd street and turn left on Downs. The last house is the Stechers. 1316 Downs Drive, Silver Spring. Dress is casual. Bring a skiing guest!

New Officers...

Secretary	- Peggy Lacey	Membership	- Dick King
Treasurer	- Brooke Armat	Racing Chairman	- Bruce Harstad

Brooke Reports on Membership Amendment...

At the meeting at Packard and Meg Anderson's house, President Larry Pease called for a discussion of possible amendment to those by-laws dealing with the qualifications for membership. A lively discussion ensued during which the point was made that our losses in membership due to normal attrition were not being matched by new members. It appeared to be the common belief that this was due in large measure to the most discouraging delay in the process of becoming a member.

Proposals to considerably relax the membership requirements or to create a probationary membership to be followed by full membership upon the completion of the regular requirements for membership met with more opposition than support; however, most participants agreed that something needs to be done.

Another proposal, however, met with a favorable response. This suggestion was that the Executive Committee be given authority to waive technical compliance with one or more of the formal requirements where seasonal (no snow) or other considerations were delaying an applicant's progress toward membership. A by-law amendment to this effect has been drafted, signed by the requisite number of members, and should have reached you before this.

Members should understand that it is the intention of the Executive Committee to use this authority, if granted, carefully. No candidate will be admitted to membership through this process unless the Executive Committee is convinced that he possesses the abilities and the social qualities that were intended to be tested by the membership requirements. For information of members, the provisions for amending the Club's by-laws read as follows:

"A. Amendments to these by-laws may be proposed at any scheduled meeting by the Executive Committee or by five (5) active members. The Club will mail copies of the proposed amendment to all active members fifteen (15) days before the next meeting.

"B. A proposed amendment shall be adopted by a two-thirds (2/3) vote."

SECTION I - Membership, Subsection E, presently reads as follows:

"E. The requirements for membership may be reviewed yearly by the Executive Committee. The Executive Committee may recommend new requirements to the members for approval. Upon approval by two-thirds (2/3) of the members present and voting at a regular business meeting, the new requirements will become effective the next July 1st."

The Proposed Amendment...

It is proposed to delete the above Subsection E, and substitute in lieu thereof the following Subsection E:

"E. When it appears that seasonal or other considerations may unduly delay an applicant's progress toward membership, and when the Executive Committee is otherwise convinced of an applicant's qualification for membership, the Executive Committee may waive the formal requirements of Subsections B.2, 4 and 5, above. The application of such applicant shall then be presented with its recommendation to the membership by the Executive Committee in the same manner as is provided for applications presented by the membership committee in Section D, above." (Ed. note: See p. 1 of the By-Laws.)

Ex Com's Proposal...

In lieu of the above amendment, the Executive Committee recommends to the membership the following Subsection E and redesignation of existing Sections E, F, G as F, G and H:

"E. In the event a seasonal conflict delays an applicant in meeting membership requirements, the Executive Committee, if convinced of an applicant's qualification for membership, may recommend said membership application and present the application along with the Executive Committee's recommendation to the membership for approval."

The purpose of the Ex Com's proposed amendment is to broaden the authority of the Ex Com to waive membership requirements. The Ex Com believes that the amendment proposed by the membership restricts their authority to act on membership matters by specifying only those items under Subsections 2, 4 and 5. In addition, the amendment proposed by the membership would delete altogether the current Subsection E which provides for yearly review of requirements. The Ex Com amendment retains this section by redesignating it as Subsection F.

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The lighter side...

Tennis is still being played every Sunday, 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon, at Haines Point. Please try to be there so you can enjoy the FULL TWO HOURS of tennis. We have to pay for the courts in advance; therefore, unless they are used, we may be unable to sell them and regain our money. So far, on a pay-as-you-play basis, we have a one-week cushion. We have been averaging 6 people each Sunday, so come on out and make use of the courts!

Have suit, will travel? Swim suits will be the order of the evening for the Splash Party, July 16, at Aina Hertelis'.

Jim Key is working on arrangements for a 2-3 day sailing excursion over Labor Day aboard Rainbows.

For information about Tuesday night water skiing, Bill Stecher is the man to contact. It seems rather certain he'll be at the June meeting; see him there for details.

This and that...

The Stechers welcome home Dick King party was lovely and ummmm good! Dick King's new address: 3000 Lee Highway, Apt. B 103, Arlington, Va. 22201. Russ and Lilo Kinaman even made the scene. It's rumored PVS will have some candidates for membership along about 1986 from the Goodell and Stecher clans. Where has the "Coor's Kid" been lately? Don Cope's car was stolen, but after going through a maize of policemen and police departments and several carless weeks, he's on wheels again. That "normal attrition" Brooke was talking about has hit PVS again. Penny Sayre is leaving soon for Boston to teach there. You gotta admit it does have skiing advantages. Also, Russ Rodgers is being transferred to Los Angeles by IBM. Mac Ferguson and his bride Paule have been on a delayed honeymoon in Florida. Dick Harsh is scheduled for a six-week business trip to Scandinavia. Next time you see Larry Fagg, check his hands for blisters. He bought about 70 acres near Winchester. Ask Jack Lilley about his Memorial Day weekend golf score. **COME TO THE MEETING AND VOTE ON THE MEMBERSHIP AMENDMENT - AND BRING A SKIING GUEST!**