

2026 GENERAL MEMBERSHIP



April meeting minutes

The monthly general membership meeting of the Electric Boat Athletic Club was held on Thursday, April 2, 2026 by conference call and in person at the Waterford VFW.

Those unable to attend in person were invited to our *Microsoft Teams* meeting.

President Jon Carr called the meeting to order at 07:01 PM

Moment of silence for all deceased EBAC members.

Secretary's Report – March report was distributed and available online.

- Accept reported motion by – Taylor Allen; seconded by – Steve Karavolis
- All in favor? Yes, So carried. (gavel bangs)

Financial Secretary's Report – Pam read the Financial Secretary's report for the months of February and March 2026.

Treasurer's Report – Brandon McCool read the Treasurer's report for the month of March 2026.

- Accept (Financial Secretary & Treasurer's Reports) reported motion by – Steve Karavolis; seconded by – Harry Martinez
- No questions or corrections
- All in favor? Yes; So carried. (gavel bangs)

Communications

None

Committee Reports

EBAC Ski & Snowboard Club Report by Bryce Knight

1. The Ski and Snowboard club ran its final trip of the season to Burke VT in March. Twenty-four people attended, making this year's trip to Burke the largest yet.
2. The club is currently finalizing details of our 2027 weeklong trip to Andorra with a side trip to Barcelona Spain. We have made airline and hotel deposits and will be posting details of the trip to our website shortly. Sign-up for the trip will also be available on the club website as soon as the details are posted. There are limited spaces available, so do not delay in signing up. Please contact Bryce Knight or Andy Stoddard with any questions regarding this trip.
3. The EBAC Ski and Snowboard club is also a member of the Connecticut Ski Council. Council benefits are posted to their website (skiclub.com). The council is currently offering discounts to Stratton, Killington, Pico, and others. Additional discounts are still being negotiated with some New England resorts.
4. Our final event of the 25/26 season will be our end of season banquet on Friday April 17 at Langley's in Waterford. The cost will be \$30 for Ski and Snowboard Club Members and \$35 for a guest. Sign-up for the banquet is available on the Ski and Snowboard Club website.

EBAC Tabletop Gaming Club Report by Derek Kuper

1. We held 8 events in March and had 67 total attendees consisting of 31 members.
2. Planned Events for April:
 - 3 open / 5 limited seating board game events
 - 1 open limited seating trading card events
 - 1 puzzle night
 - 1 role play night (limited seating)
 - 2 role play campaigns (limited seating)
3. Reminder to come check out the board game bazaar on April 11th. Come stop by and chat with club members and see if you can find a bargain on a game. Bazaar information and a flyer can be found on the EB forums or Citadel Game Cellar's Facebook.
4. We welcome all experience levels. Anyone interested in the Tabletop Game Club can join the club to receive our newsletter and event invitations. Our events can also be found on the EB forums and the Tabletop Game Club website.

EBAC Volleyball League Report by Umang Gangwar

A, B, and C leagues are ongoing with the regular season coming to a close. We will be starting Playoffs in mid-April.

EBAC Varsity Running Club Report by Dave Goodrich

EBAC Varsity Running qualification is ongoing, anyone interested should submit times by the end of April if possible, but runners who discuss with the commissioner about early May races will be considered. The first race of the season is the Stamford Boys & Girls Club Corporate 5K on Thursday, May 14th 2026. There are four divisions, male open, female open, male masters (40+) and female masters (40+), three people per team so lots of spots for interested runners. Anyone interested in joining the club email list for updates and race info should reach out to commissioner Dave Goodrich.

EBAC Billiards Club Report by Brandon McCool

1. The EBAC Billiards League has completed the regular season. Congratulations to the following players for winning their division.

A Division	John Vitale	(22-2)
B Division	Dan Corman	(28-11)
C Division	Colin Pakela	(25-11)
D Division	Dan Santamaria H.	(12-10)
2. This year was the biggest league size in at least 10 years. We also had exceptional match completion. Playoffs are underway and one upset is brewing.

EBAC Pickleball Club by Joshua Ellis

The EBAC pickleball club has officially begun and has around 110 participants signed up already. We had our first drop-in event on March 14, where we had around 15 participants. This was a little lower than expected but we're hoping that starting drop-in events outdoors will help boost attendance since we won't have to charge people to attend. We are also finalizing things for the first ever Pickleball League. We're aiming to have two or three divisions set up with at least 8 teams each which will be split based on skill level / competitiveness. The League will be 10 weeks long with a Championship Tournament event in mid to late July. We're currently in the process of reserving the courts and getting catering or food trucks for the evening, which will finalize the league fee. We are aiming to begin the sign-up period next week, which will be open for 3 weeks before games begin.

EBAC Hiking Club by Christine Elliott

1. EBAC Hiking Club will be holding our annual Hike Leader meeting Saturday April 11. During this meeting we will discuss many of the trips and events the leaders would like to do this year. These events include:
 - Regular Friday Night Hikes
 - Regular Local Weekend Day Hikes
 - Beginner Backpacking Class – to be held as soon as the overnight temps are solidly above 50 degrees
 - Club Gear Swap/Sale – to be held shortly after the backpacking class
 - Beginner Backpacking trips in CT and VT
 - Intermediate and Advanced Backpacking Trips in VT, NH, ME, & MA
 - Weekend trip to Acadia, ME – Mid-Summer or Early Fall
 - Nature Walks
2. We will decide upon a date for a whole club season opening event during that meeting.
3. March saw the beginnings of our regular Friday night hikes which will continue until the time change in November. Next weekend April 11&12 the club will be hosting the SOLO Wilderness First Aid Course at The Groton Sportsmen’s Club in Stonington. Tomorrow 4/3 Taylor will be leading a 4.3 mile hike at Chatfield Hollow starting at 11am.

Old Business

There are no updates regarding the EB subsidy. Still waiting for feedback from our HR representative, Alex Hatem. With the EBAC dues now being the larger portion of our annual budget, we can wait on the EB subsidy.

New Business

1. EBAC Hiking Club Leader Christine Elliott is proposing a First Aid Certification Reimbursement
 - a. Due to the nature of the outdoor and remoteness of some club’s activities, namely hiking, backpacking, mountain biking, kayaking, rock climbing, etc. club members and hike leaders are sometimes miles out in the woods or wilderness without cellphone service and with only what we brought to sustain us. For participant safety Jon Carr and Christine Elliott have discussed first aid training for outdoor oriented club’s leaders.
 - b. I am requesting that any active club leaders who complete one of the following courses receive a reimbursement: American Red Cross CPR/AED First Aid course, SOLO Wilderness First Aid Course, SOLO Wilderness First Responder, SOLO Wilderness Emergency Medical Technician. The Red Cross course is a very basic first aid course that takes a couple hours and focuses on bleed stop and CPR/AED use. The SOLO WFA course is a more comprehensive 16-hour course taught over 2 days that provides a more wilderness targeted training. The other SOLO Wilderness courses increase in time and difficulty from several days to a month of training.
 - c. Upon successful completion of these specific courses, club leaders will receive a 2-year certification.
 - d. The American Red Cross Course costs around \$100, the SOLO WFA course costs \$230-\$260, the SOLO WFR course costs \$900-\$1,100, and the SOLO WEMT costs \$3,500-\$3,900.
 - e. I would also like to allow for additional activity specific safety/first aid certifications be able to be submitted on an individual basis that are not listed above that would qualify for the \$50 rebate. There are many activity specific Safety/First Aid Courses that should not be barred from this rebate as long as they are a Safety/First Aid Certification geared towards one of the club’s activities and the individual submitting the rebate paperwork can provide documentation to prove the certification.
 - f. Similar proposals have been made the past 3 years and to my knowledge we were able to get 6 leaders reimbursed for completing one or the other of these courses. This reimbursement would only be able to be used once per year for each leader. It is recommended that leaders alternate courses/years that they are certified so that this covers each of their certifications.
 - g. I would like to make a motion to make it EBAC policy that any club leader can apply for one \$50 reimbursement each year for completing any club activity related safety/first aid certification course or clinic.

Motion is accepted by Jon Carr and seconded by Taylor Allen. All in favor: Yes; so carried

New Business: (Cont'd)

2. President Jon Carr made a motion to permit the use of EBAC media to gauge interest in renewing a previously approved club or league that is no longer active, e.g., prior champion stepped down without a replacement, without further motion at an EBAC meeting where a prospective champion has expressed interest in renewing said club or league. Should there be sufficient interest, prospective champion or other identified champion shall follow EBAC rules in motioning for the reformation of said club or league. This motion was made in support of interest expressed by the former soccer club commissioner Deborah Stewart-VanOrden in reforming the Triathlon Club previously approved in 2016 and which shortly thereafter became inactive when the commissioner departed EB. Deborah currently participates in the soccer club and is also a member of the weekly bike club C ride. She has expressed interest in championing a Triathlon Club pending interest. Some of the C riders in the bike club have already expressed interest in reforming this club.

Motion accepted by Anthony Mikelonis; seconded by: Taylor Allen, All in Favor: Yes, so carried.

Good of the Club

1. When paying EBAC by check, please make all checks out to "EBAC".
2. Chris Green reported the EBAC Athlete of the Year nominations closed April 1st and are with the selection committee. Announcement of winners will be at the May general membership meeting
3. President Jon Carr reported on the GD Corporate Hockey Tournament: GD Corporate Hockey tournament is on at Jay Peak VT. The last weekend of this Month. Games are on the 24th and 25th with championships on the 26th. The EB Varsity team decided not to use a bus in order to move \$\$ to support all 3 teams entry fee and to chip in for the reception event. Those cost will be in the 6K range when included 3 nights boarding for the teams.

Roll Call: Regular monthly meeting - A quorum shall consist of at least five members of the Board of Directors, of which, at least two must be an officer. A quorum was reached

OFFICERS		
President	Jon Carr	Present
Vice President	Christine Elliot	Present
Secretary	Chris Green	Present
Treasurer	Brandon McCool	Present
Financial Secretary	Pam Gonski	Present

BOARD of DIRECTORS			
Steve Karavolis	Present	Greg King	Absent
Matthew Casey	Absent	Anthony Mikelonis	Absent
Matthew Aven	Absent	Andrew Crouch	Absent
Bryce Knight	Present	David Goodrich	Absent
Miles Whitford	Absent	Taylor Allen	Present
Brentt Smith Sr	Present		

RETIREES			
Judi Page */#		Harry Martinez */#	Present
Anita Kaiser #		Lynn Gaul *	
(*) Past President		(#) Retiree	

- Motion to adjourn at 07:46 PM
There was a motion to adjourn by – Brentt Smith Sr.; seconded by – Steve Karovolis
So carried. (gavel bangs)

➤ Minutes submitted by Secretary Chris Green

Others in attendance

<u>Name</u>	<u>Badge</u>	<u>Club</u>
Ron Kadlecik		Retiree
Gary Ceil		Retiree
Derek Kuper	166644	Tabletop Gaming
Ray O'Donnell (on phone)	143509	Dodgeball