

2025 GENERAL MEMBERSHIP



June meeting minutes

The monthly general membership meeting of the Electric Boat Athletic Club was held on Thursday, June 5, 2025 by conference call and in person at the Waterford VFW.

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

Jon Carr called the meeting to order at 7:02 PM

Moment of silence for all deceased EBAC members.

Secretary's Reports – May's report

- Accept reported motion by – David Goodrich; seconded by – Steve Karavolis
- No questions or corrections
- All in favor? yes So carried. (gavel bangs)

Financial Secretary's Report – *Pam has 3 months of Financial Secretary's reports to provide at next month's meeting.*

Treasurer's Report – Brandon McCool read the Treasurer's report for the month of May 2025

- Accept reported motion by – David Goodrich; seconded by – Taylor Allen
- No questions or corrections
- All in favor? yes So carried. (gavel bangs)

Communications

None noted

Committee Reports

EBAC Varsity Running/Running Club by Dave Goodrich

We competed in our first race of the year, Stamford boys and girls club corporate 5k on May 15. We had three men and one woman compete, and finished in 2nd place in the open division, behind only ASML. The next race is the familiar JP Morgan Corporate Challenge up in Boston on June 18, where we have nine men and two women registered to race. Registration closed in May for that race.

EBAC Hiking Club Report by Taylor Allen

1. Hiking club is warming up for the summer. Our Friday Night Hikes are going strong with attendance averaging in the low teens. We've had several day trips in CT and RI so far with more to come.
2. This weekend is our first big event of the year. Starting with a Friday night hike at green falls pond in Pachaug State Forest a 1.8 mile loop around the pond starting at 5pm. Some of us will be camping there overnight. On Saturday we will be hosting a Beginner Backpacking class with an optional overnight portion.
3. EBAC Hike Leaders: Taylor Allen, Connor McMullen, and Christine Elliott are the Club Backpacking Leaders who will lead the class, and potentially two more will swing by.
 Friday Overnight: 3
 Class Participants: 7
 Saturday Overnight: 6-8
 This will be an all-day class covering everything you need to know to attend a beginner backpacking trip with the club including: Leave No Trace, gear lists, gear options, backpack cooking, shelter options, etc... Guests are welcome to attend as well. This is for anyone who may want to get into backpacking with the club this year. This class is not required to attend backpacking trips with the club but will have lots of good information about backpacking with the club as well as introduce you to some of the hike leaders who will be running the backpacking trips. Class will be held outdoors at Peg Mill Lean-to which is a primitive site (no running water and no bathroom facilities). The class is free of cost and there will be a communal meal on Saturday at \$5 a person.
4. Other upcoming trips with the club:
 Pemigewasset Wilderness Backpacking Trip (Semi-Pemi):
 June 20 – June 22 in the White Mountains, New Hampshire. Backpackers will go over 30-35 miles with 9,500 feet of elevation gain. The hike will be led by John Roy (retiree).

 Erie Canalway Bikepacking Trip:
 August 11-19 starting in Buffalo and ending in Albany, NY. It's a 360 mile bike trip. The hike will be led by John Roy (retiree)
5. Other club hosted events:
 Club Gear Swap/Sale: Coming Soon
 SOLO Wilderness First Aid Course: Back by popular demand! This will be our second WFA course hosted this year. This is a 16-hour weekend course (August 16 and 17) taking place at the Groton Sportsman Club. RSVP by 7/11. Price will be ~\$230-\$260 a person.
 See Enclosure (1) for more info.
6. Anyone interested in joining the Hiking Club can reach us at our new club email:
 EBAC_HC@gdeb.com

EBAC Disc Golf league by Aaron Logue

The EBAC Disc Golf League is currently in its final week of competition before going into playoffs. Jacob Pfeiffer has clinched the first seed for playoffs in the Open division, while rookie Francisco Quintana is leading the Handicap division. Over the next three weeks we will conduct our playoffs, and will crown champions for the Handicap and Open divisions. Be on the lookout for upcoming announcement of the format and schedule for the Summer & Fall season.

EBAC Billiards Club Report by Brandon McCool

The EBAC Billiards League finished all playoff matches. Congratulations to playoff winners.

A Division – John Vitale

B Division – Kyle Bognatz

C Division – Humberto Romero

D Division – Abdullah Farhad

Our banquet date is set for June 25th. We'll have food catered to the pool hall and play a quick tournament for fun.

EBAC Ski & Snowboard Club Report by Bryce Knight

1. The club is working on planning trips for the 2025/2026 ski season. We have selected Banff / Lake Louise, Alberta Canada as the destination for our 2026 week-long trip, which will be from January 31 through February 7 2026. This trip is currently open for sign-up on the EBAC Ski and Snowboard Club website. We already have 27 people signed up for the trip and are holding 3 more spots, so please sign up soon if you are interested. We are also working with the travel agent to add more spots. If you have questions about this trip please contact Andy Stoddard or Bryce Knight.
2. The club is also working on reservations for our weekend trips to North East destinations, including Jay Peak, Smuggler's Notch, Burke, and Lake Placid.
3. Monthly club meetings for the 2025/2026 season will start in September and will be held on the third Thursday of each month, September through February.

EBAC Table Top Gaming Club Report by Rachel Salgia

1. Last month our events went well. The Tarkir Dragonstorm Booster Draft for Magic the Gathering trading card game did have a low turnout so instead of a draft they agreed on a variation of play that suited the number of players and still had everyone walking away happy with a bulk of new cards. In addition the Citadel Game Cellar was supportive and kind enough they donated the prizes, a mat and sleeves, so prices could remain reasonable for the club.
2. The Warhammer 40k Crusade has completed its first of three seasons. Now that wins/loses, wounds, and the like have been recorded we move on to Season 2! We are currently accepting sign-ups until June 30th in time for the next season that starts the first week of July. For more information on how to sign-up or rules please contact Robert Reynolds or the club e-mail. This season does have a \$5 buy-in.
3. This month we have a large number of game events, many of which require signing up in advance, but we still have a number of public events anyone can walk in and join. These are all viewable on the club's webpage. For one of our events, Go Big or Go Home, we are trying a new reservation/sign-up system using Microsoft Bookings. With this new way people can use their M365 account to join a table before the event. Currently this is a trial run where all tables are run by leaders, but if we get good feedback we'll be using this method to make a stable big game event monthly using this method.
4. This June marks the Tabletop Gaming Club's 2 year anniversary of joining with the EBAC. In celebration of that we are hosting a large event/banquet on June 21st from 11am to 8pm at Brookside Hall in Mystic. We'll have 50+ board game, role-plays, Warhammer, trading card games, and more. There will also be raffles, awards to recognize exemplary members, and plenty of food and drink. Entry is \$20 and if paid in advance at any of our meet-ups this month comes with a raffle ticket. Feel free to contact the club for details; all are welcome! (ebac_tgc@gdeb.com)

EBAC Hockey Club Report by Jon Carr

Previously there was talk of domestic corporate hockey tournament with 2 other divisions potentially supporting in addition to the teams from EB-Groton and EB-QP. Since that report, the 2 other divisions have dropped and now in place of the corporate hockey tournament, the hockey club is organizing a 5 team EB-Groton (3 teams) and EB-QP (2 teams) round robin tournament to be held the first weekend of August at the Norwich Rose Garden Ice Arena. More details to follow at the July general membership meeting.

Old Business

1. President Jon Carr reported our 2025 Budget Request was approved at \$64K. Also, a new company liason will be appointed soon.
2. President Jon Carr reported that the previously approved bylaw change to increase the annual dues from \$2.00 to \$5.00, formally tabled pending further evaluation, will be instated in 2026 and that it will be posted in the EBAC weekly news this fall for the last 3 months of the year.
3. Retiree Ken Fontaine stated the list of awards on the website is two (2) years behind. Secretary Chris Green will bring the file up-to-date after this year's sports banquet.

New Business

none

Good of the Club

1. Secretary Anita Kaiser has retired, President Jon Carr appointed Chris Green to complete the current term of office.
2. President Jon Carr appointed Maxine Cote as our new Excursion Commissioner – welcome aboard Maxine!
3. Secretary Chris Green reminded the membership meeting that the sports banquet is next Tuesday, June 10th at Langley's.

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 officer. A quorum was reached

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

BOARD of DIRECTORS			
Steve Karavolis	Present	Greg King	Absent
Matthew Casey	Present	Anthony Mikelonis	Absent
Matthew Aven	Absent	Andrew Crouch	Absent
Bryce Knight	Present	David Goodrich	Present
Miles Whitford	Absent	Taylor Allen	Present
Brentt Smith Sr	Absent		
RETIREE			
Judi Page */#	Present	Harry Martinez */#	
(*) Past President / (#) (Retiree)		Lynn Gaul *	

- Motion to adjourn @ -- 7:46 PM
There was a motion to adjourn by – Judy Page, seconded by – Ken Fontaine
So carried. (gavel bangs)
- Minutes submitted by Secretary Chris Green

Others in attendance

<u>Name</u>	<u>Badge</u>	<u>Club</u>
Maxine Cote	138782	Excursion
Gary Ceil		Retiree
Paul Pasqual		Retiree
Ron Kadlecik		Retiree
Rachel Saliga	147953	Tabletop Gaming
Jon DePaul	146147	Tabletop Gaming
Ken Fontaine		Retiree
Pat Larkin		Retiree



Enclosure (1)

EBAC·HIKING·CLUB·SOLO·WILDERNESS·FIRST·AID·CLASS.

Class·Coordinator:·Christine·Elliott·(celliot4@gdeb.com)·860-910-7864

Saturday·August·16·&·Sunday·August·17

RSVP·by·2:00pm·July·11

Payment·in·Full·Required·by·July·18

Class·will·be·held·at·Groton·Sportsman's·Club·in·Stonington

Class·Time·8:30am·—·5:00pm·([Google·Maps·Link](#))

The EBAC Hiking Club will be hosting another SOLO Wilderness First Aid Course this year. We are offering the class at cost and are being allowed to use the facilities at Groton Sportsman's Club for free so this class should be less expensive than most other WFA courses. The cost will fluctuate anywhere from \$230-\$260 based off how many students we have (more students = lower overall cost).

EBAC Hiking Club Members have the first chance to reserve their slots for this class. I will be opening the registration up to EBAC in general on 6/24.

RSVP must be in by 2pm on July 11. Full payment will be due by July 18—SOLO will be sending course materials on the 21 so a final headcount is required by the 18.

Additional Course Info Below:

SOLO Wilderness First Aid Course Overview:

Occasionally, injuries happen in adventure sports, and as both enthusiasts and professionals, we need to be prepared to treat, manage, and avoid injury in remote settings. SOLO Wilderness First Aid (WFA) is an introductory course designed to develop decision-making and management skills that address common backcountry injuries. The WFA course focuses on hands-on learning. Students will have the opportunity to manage authentic scenarios, engage in classroom discussion, and participate in focused practical work.

WHO IS THE WFA FOR?

The WFA is the perfect course for outdoor enthusiasts and trip leaders who want basic first aid training for short trips with family, friends, students, and outdoor groups. It also meets the first aid requirements of the American Canoe Association, Paddle-UK (formerly British Canoeing), AMGA (Single Pitch Instructor), and the Bicycle Instructor Certification Program.

WHAT IS TAUGHT?

The WFA is 16 hours long (two days) and focuses on Response and Assessment, Musculoskeletal Injuries, Environmental Emergencies, Basic Survival Skills, Soft Tissue Injuries, and Medical Emergencies.

WHO IS THE INSTRUCTOR?

Todd Johnstone-Wright is a full-time adventure sports coach with almost three decades of wilderness medical and traditional EMS experience and has been teaching for SOLO Wilderness Medicine since 1996. In addition, he is a British Canoe Union Level 5 Coach Sea/BC Coach 4 (Performance Coaching Diploma), British Canoeing coach educator/leadership provider/safety and rescue provider (Coastal/Whitewater), ACA Level 5 Advanced Open Water ITJ, Level 4 Whitewater IT, BJCP Level 1 Instructor, AMGA Rock Instructor Course Graduate, AMGA Single Pitch Instructor, and AIARE Level 2. As a result of his training and extensive expedition and adventure sports experience, he can cater the course and supporting scenarios to various adventure sports disciplines and contexts.

Christine Elliott

EBAC Hiking Club Commissioner

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