

San Juan Outdoor Club
Monthly Meeting Minutes
St. Patrick's Episcopal Church
September 3rd 2025

Present: Joe Tedder, Bill Milner, Chris Plemons, Rob Lambert, Dennis Medina, Eugenie Holman, Sally Richmond

Apologies: Doug Coombs, Addi Greer, Diane Gutman

The meeting was called to order at 16:00 with a quorum present.

Approval of the minutes:

Eugenie moved to approve the minutes, Bill seconded, the motion was passed unanimously.

Vice President Report:

Chris Plemons will give his presentation tomorrow night.

Treasurer Report:

The current balance is \$5,446.40 with no exceptions.

The number one expense is insurance, there was discussion about trying to find a cheaper option.

Membership Report:

There are 221 members, with 35 new members.

There is a couple attending the meeting tomorrow who may potentially join, it was agreed that although membership renewal is Oct 1st, they would be good to join for the year.

Activities Report:

There were 7 hikes in August, just one got rained out. The club could still do with more hike leaders.

Chris talked about using other club members as sweepers who may then potentially become hike leaders in the future.

There was discussion about having a monthly organiser to share the burden and also about having a social meeting to incentivise hike leaders,

Newsletter:

Sign up genius had expired, Bill has now renewed it, but discounted renewal could potentially have been missed. The expiry emails go to the gmail account and it is not clear who is reading these emails.

When the new board is set up it would be helpful to have 2 members of that board able to access them.

The hike that was cancelled was re-organised for the following week. It was put out to members to have to re-sign up for it. It was agreed that this was the best policy.

Renewal of memberships for October 1st & hunt dates will go in the next newsletter.

Refreshments Report:

EH & RL are getting ready for the fall picnic

The two grills being used are heavy and help would be appreciated to move them.

Old Business:

Fall Picnic

A big Thank you to Eugenie for hosting the fall picnic.

Joe will organise the meat - hot dogs & brats & hamburgers

Bill will put the sign up, RSVP & food contribution options in the newsletter & remind members to bring their own chair.

The club will supply alcoholic beverages, Rob will organise the purchase and bring these to the event.

No decorations are needed. Eugenie will supply tablecloths, she has two 5ft tables but more would be helpful. Joe has two or Todd may be able to borrow some from St. Patricks.

PARC

The next meeting is tomorrow, topics for discussion include purchase of property at Rez hill and new bike trails. There will be more of an update next month.

Board Elections

Joe will make a pitch to members tomorrow night for candidates to come forward and elections will be held at the fall picnic.

Projector

Currently the club uses the PLPOA projector which is fairly good but the technology is getting old. The club owns a very old projector. It is potentially a risk to rely on the PLPOA to supply the projector and perhaps we should purchase our own.

Joe will investigate mid range options with a \$800 budget limit and it can be discussed at the next board meeting. Andy Butler who runs the photography club may also be able to advise.

Visitors

Visitors to the monthly general meeting would perhaps feel more welcome if members were available to greet and introduce them to other members. Two members of the board could do this, Bill & Eugenie volunteered to do this tomorrow. Bill will also encourage all members to do this in the newsletter. Visitors can be identified as they are given red name tags.

Tent

A tent was damaged at the July picnic and someone kindly offered to get it fixed, but currently its location is unknown. Joe will try to locate/possibly knows who has it, otherwise it will be asked about at the introduction to the general meeting.

New Business:

Gifts for the Trail Maintenance Team

It was agreed we would donate to the trail maintenance team a sum of \$150 to be divided amongst them as they see fit.

Proposed Meeting with Backcountry Horsemen

The backcountry horsemen do a treasure falls clean up where some members of the outdoor club help too. They suggested meeting to get to know our leadership better, Joe will send dates out for a meeting, perhaps a breakfast meeting.

Raffle

The raffle money will contribute towards the gifted money for the trail maintenance team this month. Dennis will make a sign to indicate this at the meeting and Joe will also announce it in advance of the meeting beginning proper so that members have chance to make their ticket purchases.

Adjournment:

Eugenie raised a motion to adjourn the meeting, Bill seconded, the meeting was adjourned at 16:48

