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The Potomac Mountain Club

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As you have probably noticed, our last few updates have been filled with a lot of administrative updates about the club. This will likely continue for the next few months as we finalize establishment of the club's new operations. Over the coming weeks, start checking out the website for new events and outings.

Dues

As we previewed in our last update, ExCom has voted to increase annual dues to \$50 plus the cost of payment administration. The increase will take effect at the time of your next renewal. You don't need to do anything until that time. This increase will allow the club to pay for the increased costs of independent operations and finally address the long-running concern over liability insurance.

ExCom also voted to simplify the membership structure on an interim six-month basis before a permanent membership structure is adopted. Each member will now need their own individual membership if your membership is due for renewal between now and six months from now. This is necessary for accountability purposes and to reduce administrative burdens. The change will take effect at the time of your membership renewal. Nonetheless, recognizing the club's tradition of offering a family membership and the desire for alumni of the club to stay connected to the community, ExCom and the coordinators are exploring how to meet those needs with minimal administrative burden. Therefore, we will revisit the membership structure in six months to assess whether to restore family membership and to add a remote-access membership option for non-local residents.

Insurance

ExCom is pleased to announce it has reviewed insurance options and has decided to purchase coverage that will cover most foreseeable needs, including those of trip leaders. We are also pleased to announce that this will include a modest additional medical insurance coverage for participants. While this will not replace the need for individuals' own personal medical coverage, it will help supplement what can be expensive medical services. All together, this represents about half of the above-mentioned increase in membership dues. More details will be provided soon on the insurance coverages we are acquiring for the club.

Other Administrative Issues and banking

As part of our separation from PATC, the PMC is currently filing for non-profit status with the IRS. When that is granted, we will open a new bank account which will allow for additional payment methods that make dues payments more streamlined and cost effective. In the interim, PMC will continue to operate the PayPal account as the sole owner of the account.

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