

UNIVERSITY OUTING CLUB

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NEW BRUNSWICK, NEW JERSEY

## UNIVERSITY OUTING CLUB

### Officers

EARLE B. PERKINS  
*President*

WILLIAM H. COLE  
*Vice-President*

MARSHALL SMITH  
*Secretary*

H. RICHARD SEGGINE  
*Treasurer*

### Governors

(In addition to the four officers)

*To serve until June 1, 1932*

ALBERT S. JOHNSON

WALTER C. RUSSELL

*To serve until June 1, 1933*

ALICE G. HIGGINS

HELGI JOHNSON

RALPH MCCOY

### Standing Committees

LODGE: Earle B. Perkins, *chairman*; W. H. Cole, Mildred Wilsey.

TRAILS: Earle B. Perkins, *temporary chairman*; L. T. Ives, R. McCoy, W. C. Russell.

PROGRAM: Helgi Johnson, *chairman*; Mary I. Raven, R. L. Starkey.

MEMBERSHIP: Marshall Smith, *chairman*; L. A. Hausman, Alice G. Higgins.

## HISTORY OF THE CLUB

Early in the spring of 1931 plans were laid for the formation of an outing club at Rutgers University for the enjoyment of a group of faculty members and their friends among the professional people of New Brunswick and vicinity. It was hoped that such a club would furnish the facilities of cleared trails and a woods lodge which would serve as a headquarters for various trail and camp activities, and make possible a fuller utilization of the natural areas of New Jersey. There are abundant opportunities, especially in the northern parts of the state, for outdoor activities of every kind, and it appeared that there was a definite need for a coördinated group to sponsor such activities. Although there were in existence over thirty outing clubs in the metropolitan district, the vicinity of New Brunswick was without an organization.

On April 23, 1931, a proposal for the establishment of the club was sent to about one hundred people suggesting the financial coöperation of members to the extent that purchase of land and buildings would be possible, and that the activities of the club might be under way at the end of the summer. There was general interest shown in the proposal, and on May 5 about thirty people met for discussion of the plan. It was agreed that the club should be soundly organized with the usual officers and committees, that there should be a definite program of activity during the fall, winter and spring, that a temporary organization committee be chosen and given the power to promote plans during the summer and to secure a headquarters, and that the permanent organization be set up in October. Money was collected for furthering the plans during the summer.

The organization committee, consisting of Earle B. Perkins, chairman; Marshal Smith, secretary-treasurer; William H. Cole, Leon A. Hausman, and Alice G. Higgins, secured permission from the President and Board of Trustees of Rutgers University to use the Canfield Estate, near Dover, N. J., for the purposes of the club. During the summer the college painted the house and made other repairs; the club cleaned and painted much of the interior, and procured cots, chairs, dishes, stove, and other equipment. Construction of an outdoor fireplace was begun, and fuel was purchased.

The Lodge was formally opened to members on October 11 when the property was explored and a steak barbecue was served to about sixty people. On October 19 a business meeting was held in New Brunswick and the University Outing Club permanently organized. Officers were elected and a constitution and set of by-laws adopted.

The Club is extremely fortunate in having the use of the college property in Dover, inasmuch as the moderate dues agreed upon would not warrant the purchase of property at this time. This generous coöperation of the Trustees of Rutgers University is deeply appreciated. Major expenditures will have been made by the end of the current year, so that dues collected during subsequent years may be conserved for extending the activities of the Club.

## CONSTITUTION

### ARTICLE I—*Name and Object*

Section 1. The name of this organization shall be THE UNIVERSITY OUTING CLUB.

Section 2. The objects of the club shall be the encouragement of outdoor activities among its members, and the preservation of the natural areas of New Jersey.

### ARTICLE II—*Membership*

Section 1. There shall be three classes of membership—active, associate and honorary—but only active members shall have any right, title or interest in the property or funds of the club, or have eligibility for office, or have a right to vote.

### ARTICLE III—*Organization*

Section 1. The officers of the Club shall consist of a President, a Vice president, a Secretary, a Treasurer, and five Governors.

Section 2. There shall be a Board of Governors, consisting of the nine officers named in Section 1, which shall be the governing board of the Club with full administrative, financial and executive powers.

Section 3. There shall be a Lodge Committee, consisting of not less than three members, appointed by the President with the advice and consent of the Board of Governors.

Section 4. There shall be a Program Committee, consisting of not less than three members, appointed by the President with the advice and consent of the Board of Governors.

Section 5. There shall be a Trails Committee, consisting of not less than three members, appointed by the President with the advice and consent of the Board of Governors.

Section 6. There shall be a Membership Committee, consisting of not less than three members, appointed by the President with the advice and consent of the Board of Governors.

### ARTICLE IV—*Meetings*

Section 1. There shall be two regular biannual meetings of the Club, one during October and the other during May.

Section 2. Special meetings of the Club may be called by the President at the request of the Board of Governors or at the written request of at least ten (10) active members.

### ARTICLE V—*Amendments*

Section 1. Proposed amendments to the Constitution must be endorsed by at least three members and presented in writing to the Board of Governors. If approved by the Board a copy of the amendment shall be sent to all active members at least four weeks before one of the regular biannual meetings. The proposed amendment must be approved by at least two-thirds of the members present and voting at two consecutive regular meetings.

Section 2. If disapproved by the Board of Governors, proposed amendments shall be voted on in the same manner as prescribed in Section 1, provided ten percent of all active members so petition.

## BY-LAWS

### ARTICLE I.—*Membership*

Section 1. Active members shall be members of the administrative, teaching and research staffs of Rutgers University, and other residents of New Brunswick and its environs, subject to the following conditions: (a) A Rutgers faculty member will become a member of the Club upon the approval of his application by the Membership Committee and the payment of the entrance fee and dues for the current fiscal year. (b) A person not a member of the Rutgers faculty will become a member of the Club upon the approval by the Membership Committee of his application endorsed by two members of the Club who are members of the Rutgers faculty, and the payment of the entrance fee and dues for the current fiscal year.

Section 2. Associate members shall consist of the wives, husbands and minor children of active members. They shall not be eligible to vote, to hold office or to serve on the standing committees.

Section 3. If recommended by the Membership Committee, honorary members may be elected from residents of New Jersey by a majority vote of the Club at one of its regular meetings.

Section 4. Active members in arrears of dues or assessments for six months shall be dropped. Re-instatement of membership upon payment of back dues and assessments may be recommended by the Membership Committee.

### ARTICLE II.—*Officers and Committees*

Section 1. The President, the Vice-President, and three of the five Governors shall be members of the Rutgers Faculty.

Section 2. The President, the Vice-president, the Secretary, and the Treasurer shall be elected annually by a majority ballot at the regular May meeting, and they shall perform the duties usually associated with those offices.

Section 3. The five Governors shall be elected in two groups of 3 and 2 members each for terms of two years, by a majority ballot at the regular May meeting.

Section 4. The Board of Governors shall be responsible for the administration of the Club's affairs. It may veto the plans or any part thereof of any committee and shall approve all expenditures of funds according to Section 2, Article IV of these By-Laws. A seven-tinths vote of the Board shall be required to pass all motions. The President shall act as chairman.

Section 5. The Lodge, Program, Trails, and Membership Committees shall be appointed annually before June 1. The chairmen shall be selected from the Board of Governors. The Secretary of the Club shall be the chairman of the Membership Committee.

Section 6. The Membership Committee shall pass upon all applications for membership in the Club and all recommendations therefor, a unanimous vote of the committee being necessary for approval. On receipt of an application or recommendation, the secretary shall send the name of the applicant to each active member of the Club at least two weeks before the committee meets to consider the name. If any member, being so notified, has any cause to consider the applicant undesirable as a member, he may submit, in writing, his reasons therefor; and the Membership Committee shall consider the communication and reach a decision according to its best judgment. All such communications shall be kept strictly private. In the event that letters be received from four active members belonging to four different families expressing doubt as to the desirability of the applicant, the Membership Committee shall automatically reject the application. At its discretion the Committee may refer any question of membership to the Board of Governors for final action.

Section 7. The Lodge Committee shall be responsible for the proper care and management of the Club headquarters. The chairman of the committee shall have charge of the keys to the Lodge and shall receive all requests for reservations for the use of the Lodge from members. Active members may bring guests to the Lodge provided the facilities thereof are not exceeded at the time requested. Procedure for securing use of the Lodge and grounds by active members shall be formulated by the committee and distributed to all members.

Section 8. The Trails Committee shall be responsible for the proper care of the grounds surrounding the Lodge and for the construction and care of such trails and trail shelters which it may deem desirable.

Section 9. The Program Committee shall be responsible for all group activities of the Club and shall formulate and distribute its annual program on or before October 1. From October to May inclusive at least one monthly Club function shall be scheduled.

#### ARTICLE III—Meetings

Section 1. At the regular meetings in May and October the following order of business shall prevail:

1. Reading and approval of minutes of previous meeting.
2. Reports of standing committees.
3. Reports of special committees.
4. Reports of Secretary and Treasurer.
5. Report of Board of Governors, by the President.
6. Election of officers.
7. Unfinished business.
8. New business.
9. Announcements.
10. Adjournment.

Section 2. The order of business at special meetings shall be determined by the presiding officer.

#### ARTICLE IV—Finance

Section 1. The fiscal year of the Club shall begin on June 1.

Section 2. The care, investment and expenditure of all funds belonging to the Club shall be vested in the Board of Governors which may delegate any or all of such duties to the treasurer. In any case the treasurer shall be responsible to the Board of Governors for all funds passing through his office.

Section 3. The entrance fee for each active member shall be five dollars, payable in advance.

Section 4. The annual dues for active members shall be five dollars, payable in advance, on or before June 1, or at time of election.

Section 5. Assessments in addition to the annual dues may be levied by the Board of Governors if approved by a two-thirds vote at any special or regular meeting of the Club.

Section 6. Associate and honorary members shall not be subject to any kind of taxation.

#### ARTICLE V—Amendment to By-Laws

Section 1. The By-Laws may be amended, if recommended by the Board of Governors, by a two-thirds vote at any special or regular meeting.

Section 2. If disapproved by the Board of Governors the proposed amendments to the By-Laws may be adopted by a two-thirds vote at any regular or special meeting provided ten percent of all active members so petition.

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### Membership, 1931-1932

#### HONORARY MEMBERS

The President and the Board of Trustees of Rutgers University, Henry B. Kummel, New Jersey State Geologist; Charles P. Wilber, New Jersey State Forester.

#### ACTIVE MEMBERS

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|-------------------------|-----------------------|----------------------------|
| + Allison, James B.     | Ives, Loyal T.        | Rieman, William, III       |
| Anderson, John A.       | + Johnson, Albert S.  | Russell, Walter C.         |
| Atkinson, Robert A. E.  | + Johnson, Frank C.   | Snowdrifter, Durward V.    |
| + Baldwin, George V. N. | Johnson, Helgi        | + Segoin, H. Richard       |
| + Brines, Moses J.      | Johnson, Marson A.    | Segoin, Mrs. H. R.         |
| + Burgess, Annie E.     | Kees, Helena M.       | + Smith, Marshall          |
| + Cole, William H.      | Landreth, Catherine   | Smith, Shirley             |
| Clarke, Evelyn A.       | Lane, Jeanette B.     | Starkey, Robert L.         |
| Doerr, Edith            | McCor, Ralph          | Tiffany, Estel B.          |
| Florence, Julia         | Meder, Albert E., Jr. | + van der Meulen, Peter A. |
| + Hausman, Leet A.      | + Murray, Thomas J.   | Vieweg, Hermann F.         |
| + Hayes, Albert O.      | + Nelson, Thurlow C.  | Waksman, Selman A.         |
| + Higgins, Alice G.     | + Perkins, Earle H.   | Watts, Arthur P.           |
| Hickman, Emily          | Raven, Mary J.        | West, Miriam E.            |
|                         | Wilsey, Mildred       |                            |

+ Died before 1932  
(Partner's list)

#### ASSOCIATE MEMBERS

The wives, husbands and minor children of active members are associate members.

### PROGRAM

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- October 11, 1931. House-warming party.
- November 15, 1931. Harvest party.
- December 13, 1931. Trail scouting.
- January 16, 1932. Trail scouting.
- February 20, 1932. Skating and snow sports, weather permitting.
- March 19, 1932. Overnight canoe trips.
  1. Ramapo River party—Dr. William Rieman, III, leader.
  2. Delaware River party—Dr. A. O. Hayes, leader.
 Those wishing to participate should consult with the leaders before March 12 for complete details. Camping outfit and food to be provided by members; canoes to be rented. Estimated cost for two days, \$3.00 per person.
- April 23, 1932. Hare and hound hunt party. Saddle horses may be obtained for those who ride. Dr. Helgi Johnson, leader. Cross country walking for other groups. Supper at the Lodge.
- May 21, 1932. Naturalists' meeting. Afternoon excursions in the vicinity of the Lodge.
  1. Botany—Dr. M. A. Johnson, leader.
  2. Zoology—Dr. J. A. Hausman, leader.
  3. Geology—Dr. A. O. Hayes, leader. Bring collecting materials, notebooks, field glasses, camera, etc. Fireplace supper.

**NOTE:** Special notices will be mailed to members one week before each scheduled event, explaining the program and giving information as to time, meeting place, equipment, and cost.

Members who wish to announce special trips, inviting other members to participate, should communicate with the Secretary.