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MASAR Secretary's Notes

It's December already! Where did 1992 go? It went to a lot of hard work! We've come a long way since 1991, and 1993 looks even more exciting. But first, we have to finish 1992...

The last meeting of 1992 was hosted by the Gray IF&W headquarters. Opening remarks were made by John McDonough and the Secretary's notes were read at 1310. Following came introductions from the Unity College SAR representatives including the recommendation that MASAR send a package to new/interested groups.

At 1325, the finalized MASAR 1992 SYMPOSIUM financial statement was discussed and accepted.

The committee reports followed next.

STDS: On Nov 22 the committee met and discussed what other states held for stds as well as MESARD stds and temperament testing.

COMM: The Dept. of IF&W are working on radio frequencies. Expecting good results.

At 1348, Dave Martin discussed FUNSAR and gave handouts. Questions were raised regarding what we want to do with our standards and the effectiveness of them. The conclusion is that we need to get more information before we can make any decisions.

Carter Smith followed with his report on the possibility of training in Baxter State Park. After his visit to Baxter, Carter said that the park officials are very supportive and that we should think about when and what areas of the park we want to use. A good time would be the end of June.

At 1430 Dave commented that members from NorthEast Trackers Association out of Pittsfield, Mass. mentioned that they would drive up to teach classes in man-tracking. Further discussion led to the comment that there are problems in trying to develop a published master training schedule due to short-notice changes.

At 1440 came MASAR logos. They look good. Vote? 1st/2nd and unanimous. (Incidentally, the symposium certificates were distributed using the logo. Very nice job!)

Meeting ended at 1445. The next meeting will be on Jan 10 at Bangor. Meeting time will be 1300. Thank you to all for a successful year! See you in 1993! Happy Holidays to All and a Happy New Year!

Attendance: Carter Smith, Stuart Cady, Randy Armour, Julie Erb, Dave Martin, Peter Kliem, John McDonough, Don Littlefield, Jonathan Walton - Unity, Jeff Day - Unity, and Eric Inman - Unity.

Respectfully submitted,
Peter Kliem, Secretary.