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How to become a Registered ADK 46er

What is an ADK 46er? An ADK 46er refers to an individual who has climbed all 46 high peaks of the Adirondacks!

We encourage anyone who has hiked all 46 high peaks to register for their certificate and climbing number.

Please follow all instructions below *exactly* as stated.

How to Apply... What is Required? For **EACH** individual climber who has climbed to the summit- and down again- of all 46 peaks:

1. You must fill out an “Official” Questionnaire and Mountain List available [HERE](#).

*****Do not send in your own mountain list...** while it looks nice and you spent a great deal of time on it, for our record keeping and other duties we ask that you use the official forms.

2. Mail or email to:

**The Office of the Historian
Adirondack Forty-Sixers
P.O. Box 46
Fort Edward, NY 12828**

Or

46rfinisher@gmail.com

It's that easy!

*** Please also send your \$8 initial dues payable to Adirondack 46ers to:

**46er Treasurer
Adirondack Forty-Sixers
P.O. Box 180
Cadyville, New York 12918-0180**

We also accept PayPal sent to: treasurer@adk46er.org

*** **Don't miss the deadline!!!** Your “final” paperwork must be **postmarked by January 15th** for climbs completed by December 31 of the previous year. ***

Climbers who submit in their paperwork after the **January 15 deadline** will have to wait for the following year to obtain a number and certificate of accomplishment.

What happens once you are Registered

Climbers who have submitted a **completed Questionnaire and Mountain List** to the Office of the Historian can expect the following:

- **Climber will receive an “Official Letter of Congratulations” shortly thereafter**
- **Climbing numbers will be assigned sometime in February after the January 15th deadline**
- **“New Class” roster along with assigned 46er climbing numbers will be posted on the adk46er.org website in late February/early March**
- **Spring Gathering will be held on the Sunday of Memorial Day weekend in Lake Placid. Certificates of accomplishment will be presented.** For those not able to attend, certificates will be mailed soon after the May meeting. Details of the spring meeting will be sent to you in the spring newsletter (**sent in early April**). Included in the letter is a reservation form for the dinner. The dinner is approximately \$25.00-\$30.00 per person.
- Now that you are a 46er, we encourage you to become involved in club events and service projects to give something back to the mountains. Check out our trail maintenance schedule **[HERE](#)**.

How to become a Registered ADK Winter 46er

What is a Winter 46er? An ADK Winter 46er refers to an individual who has climbed all 46 high peaks of the Adirondacks during the winter season (December 21 to March 21 inclusive)

Please follow all instructions below *exactly* as stated.

How to Apply... What is Required? For **EACH** individual climber who has climbed and/or skied (or a combination of both) to the 46 summits- and down again- during the winter season:

1. **You must fill out an “Official” Questionnaire and Mountain List available [HERE](#).**

*****Do not send in your own mountain list...** while it looks nice and you spent a great deal of time on it, for our record keeping and other duties we ask that you use the official forms.

2. **Mail or email to:**

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Fort Edward, NY 12828**

Or

46rwinterfinisher@gmail.com

It's that easy!

******* If you become a 46er for the first time by climbing all the peaks in the winter, please also send your \$8 initial dues payable to Adirondack 46ers to:

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Adirondack Forty-Sixers
P.O. Box 180
Cadyville, New York 12918-0180**

We also accept PayPal sent to: treasurer@adk46er.org

NOTE: We do not assign separate climbing numbers for those 46ers who climb all the peaks in winter as a first or subsequent round. A “W” will be placed after your climbing number to recognize your accomplishment.

How to Register as an Aspiring ADK 46er

What is an Aspiring 46er? Individuals/Families who are working on becoming official Adirondack 46ers and wish to receive our five yearly mailings may register to become “Aspiring 46ers.” Please, **ONLY ONE REGISTRATION PER MAILING ADDRESS!** You will receive two issues of Peeks Magazine and our three newsletters. The cost is \$8 a year (see registration procedure below.)

Patches, decals, sweatshirts, hats, and other emblem items may **NOT** be purchased until you have finished your climbs, registered with the Historian’s Office, **AND** paid your annual dues. Download your **Aspiring 46er Request Form [HERE](#)** and send it with your \$8 fee to:

**46er Treasurer
Adirondack Forty-Sixers
P.O. Box 180
Cadyville, New York 12918-0180**

We also accept PayPal sent to: treasurer@adk46er.org

For those Aspiring 46ers who complete their 46 high peaks

1. Register your 46 Completion with the Historians office
*see section “**How to become a Registered ADK 46er**” at top of page
2. Your initial \$8 dues will be covered by your “Aspiring 46er” fee for one member of your household.
*****The “Aspiring 46er” fee only covers one individual in your household. If more than one individual in a household finishes the \$8 initial dues is required for all other finishers.**

Frequently asked Questions

What is the Office of the Historian?

The Office of the Historian is responsible for maintaining all hiker correspondence and officially recognizing new 46ers. **Grace Hudowalski, 46er #9**, was both our first President and our first Historian, a position she held for 59 years. Grace acted as the Historian from the founding of our organization until her death on March 13, 2004 at the age of 98. She always took pride in personally corresponding with those climbing the 46 high peaks from her home office until it became apparent that she needed help in order for the tradition to continue. For many years after Grace’s death, the Office of the Historian was run out of a small, back room office in Schenectady, NY by Tony Solomon, 46er #3626W and his wife, Jane Meader Nye, 46er #4142 with the help of Mindy Jatulis, 46er #2383 and many wonderful correspondents who helped to keep Grace’s tradition of personally corresponding with aspiring climbers alive. In recent years, the sheer number of climbers working toward the goal of achieving climbing all 46 high peaks has increased exponentially. The Class of 2013 will be

recorded as the largest class ever with 482 finishers! This number is a lot different from the early years when between 0 to fewer than 100 climbers finished each year. In April 2013, the tradition of the correspondent system ended. In August 2013, Tony and Jane retired from their rolls as the acting Historians. Lee Nesbitt, 46er #5931W and Siobhan Carney-Nesbitt, 46er #5930W took on the roll to follow in the footsteps of Grace, Tony and Jane. While the tradition of corresponding with each climber is no more, we hope that climbers realize that we are here for you. We take pride in your accomplishments. We recognize that climbing the highest summits of NY is more than just a walk in the park. It takes commitment, endurance, and courage, and we leave parts of ourselves out on those trails that change us forever.

Is PEEKS magazine available to Non-Climbers?

- **YES!** Interested non-climbers may subscribe to *PEEKS* magazine [Download PEEKS Order Form.](#)

Are my dues current?

- Your “dues code” on the top line of your mailing label will always give your dues status (i.e. “2014” means your dues are paid through 2014).

Questions about your Dues, membership status or becoming an Aspiring member?

- Contact Phil Corell, Treasurer treasurer@adk46er.org.

When and where can I order patches and other apparel?

- Once you have registered with the Office of the Historian **AND** paid your \$8 annual dues you may purchase emblem items such as patches, decals, sweatshirts, and hats, etc. Order forms are available [HERE](#).

Can I send photos along with my completed questionnaire and mountain list?

- **YES!** This is **not** a requirement; however, if you would like to include a couple (1-2) photos of yourself in the mountains we would love to see them. You can send photos along with your completed questionnaire and mountain list via mail or email:
- **If sending by mail**, please note the following:
 - **Send actual photo prints**... not ones printed on regular copier paper or embedded in text on your home printer. Photos may be submitted for publication in our *PEEKS* magazine or for use on our website.
 - ***** Important***** If sending photos please identify them with names, places, and dates *on a post-it-note or a piece of paper taped to the back.*
- **If sending by email**, please note the following:
 - Photos can be sent in most file formats, although **jpg** and **tif** are preferred.
 - *****Do not send photos as pdf's. Do not send links to internet photo sites such as Flickr.**
 - Please submit photos in the **highest possible resolution**. The standard for print is 300 dpi. Most smartphones use 72 dpi as a default. Digital cameras should be set to highest quality or largest size. You cannot increase resolution after the fact. A large version of a low resolution photo will have too many digital artifacts to use in print.
 - Email to: officeofthehistorian46@gmail.com

Can I send a letter along with my completed questionnaire and mountain list?

- **YES!** This is **not** a requirement; however, you may submit a letter to go along with your final paperwork telling us about your journey of becoming an ADK 46er we'd love to read about your adventures.
- Please **DO NOT** send journal entries. While we encourage you to keep a journal for yourself and to share with your family in the years to come, we appreciate letters telling about some of the highlights of your adventures. *What you saw. Things you learned. How you felt. What the climb meant to you.*

Summarize some of your favorite memories, adventures, or misadventures for us. We may submit your letters for use in *PEEKS* magazine!

- Typed letters are preferred (1-2 pages)
- Please refer to your climbing partner(s) by their real names rather than their web user or trail names

What gets recorded?

- While we do record your all season and winter climbing achievements, we do not advocate, collect or publicize records involving time, number of rounds climbed, age, or any other arbitrary goal. We encourage you to climb for your personal satisfaction.

Do the 46ers lead guided hikes?

- No. We do not organize or lead guided hikes. However, the Adirondack Mountain Club has a number of very active climbing chapters which plan hikes on a regular basis. You may consider becoming an ADK Club member so you can join some of these hikes and meet new hiking friends! For more information about hikes and member benefits check out the **ADK Website**.

What if I climbed all 46 high peaks a number of years ago, but I did not register at the time?

- It's not too late. While we do not backdate climbing numbers, if you complete and submit the necessary paperwork, we will include you in the current year's class. You will receive your climbing number and certificate with the current year's class. Please refer to our **How to become a Registered ADK 46er** section for more details.

What if I have a Question?

- Questions or concerns about the registration process or receiving your number and climbing certificate? Please contact Lee and Siobhan Nesbitt by email or mail:

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