



ATLANTIC MOTORCYCLE COORDINATING COUNCIL

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Minutes of the 136th meeting held at the Loft in Smithfield, RI during the Enforcers RI Ocean State Leather Weekend on 4 August 2001. President, Al Lawrence at 1:18 PM, called the meeting to order.

ROLL CALL

Present: Bucks MC, COMMAND MC, Centaur MC, Defenders NY, Empire City, Enforcers RI, Entre Nous, Excelsior MC, Highwaymen TNT, Iron Guard, Knight Hawks of Virginia, Long Island Ravens MC, MC Faucon, Pennsmen, Philadelphians MC, Pocono Warriors, Potomac MC (when awake), ShipMates Club of Baltimore, Spartan MC, and Stars MC

Proxy: SNC London to the chair and Reading Railmen to Long Island Ravens MC.

Absent: Griffins MC, TBLC of VA, and Utica Tri's

Guests: Promethian Guard and Twilight Guard

MINUTES

Motion by Stars MC to accept the minutes of the 135th meeting with the corrections of the Iron Guard was present at the meeting and the Stars MC anniversary weekend was 7-9 September: **Seconded** by Excelsior MC **APPROVED**

OFFICER'S REPORTS

SECRETARY:

- On the piano there are copies of the minutes from the 135th meeting, the 2nd Conference of Conferences meeting, the AMCC roster, the SECC roster, the ECMC roster, and a copy of the last known AMCC point system. Secretary Urbanski could not obtain the MAC roster in time for the meeting but will attempt to do so prior to the November meeting in NYC.
- AMCC has received various bar flyers and club announcements. Anyone caring to see any of them please see Secretary Urbanski after the meeting.
- Please email any changes to roster to Secretary Urbanski at bestbasket@aol.com or call him at any reasonable time at (757)455-5127
- With the exception of the Stars MC (which would like the minutes and updates to roster mailed), all Clubs are OK with receiving the minutes and the AMCC roster electronically
- There was no objection to sending our roster and our minutes to the other Conferences. Historian Rose reminds group that minutes are posted without editing to the AMCC website already.

VICE PRESIDENT:

- Vice President Hein reports that he has received two requests to host the 137th AMCC meeting from the Pennsmen and the LI Ravens. The results of the Fair and Equitable Point system for awarding a future host site will be announced in new business.
- Apparently there is a lack of interest in reviving the AMCC newsletter since only 2 Clubs submitted articles. Historian Rose asks that at a minimum that Clubs submit their calendar of events (bar nights, non sanctioned events, contests etc..) to the AMCC websmaster.

TREASURER:

- The Treasurer's Report from 4/1 through 8/4/01 was submitted showing a bank balance of \$1,051.36. There are 413 AMCC patches and 264 thirtieth anniversary pins. With the exception of an approx \$600 bill, all other bills have been paid.

MOTION was made by the LI Ravens to accept the Treasurer's report: **SECONDED** by Excelsior MC and **PASSED**

- Since the Treasury recors have just recently been obtained, a budget for the term has not been prepared. Treasurer Saaverda will work on one for the next meeting in NYC.

PRESIDENT REPORT:

- President Lawrence reports that he will make every attempt to visit every single council member during this term. We are trying to build and strengthen our leather family and outreach, both with member clubs as well as with non-member clubs is important.
- He also commends and thanks the other officers for doing an outstanding job so far.

OLD BUSINESS

COMMITTEE REPORTS

OUTREACH COMMITTEE:

- Jim Green and Mel Jacobs, the chairs of this committee, gave a report on what the hope to accomplish. Among the items being worked on include; a questionnaire which has been sent to all the AMCC President asking for their and their Club's impressions of the AMCC. They state they are interested in the feedback and are hopeful more will be returned. It is the hope of the committee that these surveys will assist the AMCC Outreach committee in getting a good handle on how to proceed for the next year to three years. A report will be given at the next meeting.
- A list of potential AMCC member clubs has been developed and some general outreach strategies for how to reach them and explain what AMCC is all about was discussed. A "get to know" the AMCC package is being put together with our calendar, a letter, our Articles of Agreement, and a brochure.
- The AMCC brochure has been completed and is available. Please take them with us today and use them in your run packages if you like. Secretary Urbanski asks if he can have a couple hundred to put in the International Drummer packages in October to which the group consents. The following changes are needed; Enforcers is mindspring.com, Stars is .com not .org, and the Defenders email is incorrect.
- There are two upcoming bar nights; September 22nd in Philadelphia at the Bike Stop and November 18th in Harrisburg. Rich D'Amico is the Philly coordinator and Jesse is the Harrisonburg coordinator. At the Philadelphia bar night, the Philadelphians MC will be handling the food and decorations. There will be 50/50 raffles, bartending, and possibly the whip cream and spanking festivities from the Knight Hawks.

MOTORCYCLE RIDERS COMMITTEE:

- There will be a report at the next meeting. A mailing is going out to all the individuals from the various Clubs who registered with the committee to receive such information.

COMMUNICATIONS COMMITTEE:

- This committee's primary function is to facilitate communication among both members of the AMCC as well as among other interested members of the leather/SM/bear/fetish/motorcycle communities. This committee will encompass both the website and the newsletter.
- Webmaster Rose reports that the website needs some revisions and "snazzing" up. The links all appear to work and the AMCC website links all of the other Conferences websites with the AMCC's. There is also a section on policies of the AMCC which some may find interesting to read.
- There is a bone to pick with some member clubs who still have not added an AMCC link to their websites (Bucks, Enforcers, Philadelphians, Knight Hawks, and Utica Tri's), please do so in the short term future.
- If you have any changes to your Club information (mailing address, website, AMCC rep, or President/Captain please email them both to Secretary Urbanski (bestbasket@aol.com) and Webmaster Rose (paul.tom@erols.com).

HISTORIAN'S REPORT:

- No new club histories received and no report.

OLD BUSINESS

ADDITIONS, DELETIONS, CORRECTIONS TO THE 2000/2001 SANCTIONED CALENDAR:

None

REMINDER : Sanction dates for 2002 should be submitted at the 138th meeting at the Defenders in NYC November 10, 2001

ALL COUNCIL CONFERENCE:

-- President Lawrence reports that the Conference was productive for the AMCC and that there were numerous interesting topics which were discussed. Everyone who attended was thanked for their participation and to Secretary Urbanski for the detailed minutes.

-- Unfortunately, due to the non attendance of any officers of SECC, MAC, or the TX conference, the stated "All Conference" nature of the meeting was not met. There was however, lots of good insight by those in attendance and we owe the Highwaymen a debt of gratitude for a good meeting and a nice run.

-- The question posed to the AMCC membership was whether we should continue to pursue this type of meeting and if so when would be feasible to try this again. The MAC President, Peter Thomas, gave President Lawrence his take which was (apologies given for paraphrasing) was that since MAC and AMCC are the most established conferences, they should decide whether to pursue this type of event again.

-- The Centaur MC suggests that perhaps we need to do a little more "spoonfeeding" and following up to get the desired results of a wider range of attendance. They did not state that the Highwaymen did a poor job of getting out the word this last time but perhaps more effort may be needed

-- Multiple member clubs suggest using Mid Atlantic Leather as the site for the next meeting since the attendance at it is so large and so many different and geographically diverse Clubs are in attendance. Of course, they can not speak for the Centaurs but perhaps MAL 2003 may be a site to look at. The Centaurs respond that they would consider providing space but with everything going on at a MAL would not most likely wish to "host", that the conference itself would have to organize it.

-- The Knight Hawks suggest that they feel that the AMCC is being a bit presumptuous here given that MAC and AMCC have already hosted a Conference of Conference meeting. Leatherfest in Atlanta which has a large SECC presence each June may be a possibility to be explored. It is pretty easy to get there from anywhere in the country and has a good attendance as well. Empire City concurs with the Knight Hawks on that point and suggests we wait until 2002 until we take further action and the member clubs agree to do so.

PROMETHIAN GUARD AMCC CLUB MEMBERSHIP:

--They are sponsored by the Philadelphians MC and the Long Island Ravens. They both certify that they meet the criteria for membership and are a good group of individuals. The Promethian Guard President, Jerel Cooper, spoke to the AMCC membership and stated that they are a young club which is working hard to promote the leather community in NJ. They are sandwiched between a large number of great clubs and are aligning with AMCC to further their mission and build bonds.

-- After they were excused various AMCC Clubs spoke about them. A secret ballot was conducted and by a vote of the AMCC membership, the Promethian Guard was **ACCEPTED** as an AMCC member club at the conclusion of the 136th meeting.

NEW BUSINESS

LOCATION OF THE 138th:

-- Two Clubs submitted requests for hosting the 138th meeting, the Long Island Ravens and the Pennsmen, which were submitted according to the procedures outlined in the Articles of Agreement. Based on the point system for the Fair and Equitable hosting of meetings, the Pennsmen were awarded the 138th meeting, February 22-24, 2002.

-- The 137th meeting will be at the Defenders NY with the meeting taking place in New York City on November 10, 2001 during Indulgence.

-- Requests for the 139th meeting are due to Vice President Hein (per AMCC Articles of Agreement) in writing at least 30 days prior to the meeting (October 10, 2001) hosted by the Defenders NY on November 10, 2001. The date of the 139th meeting cannot be before April 24th, 2002.

TURRID TUBER

-- The nominations and award of the 2001 Tuber will be made in NYC on November 10, 2001.

TREASURER PROPOSED BUDGET / ASSESSMENT DISCUSSION

-- Since the records have just been turned over to him, a proposed budget for the term has not been prepared. Prior to 4/01, the AMCC did not have ready access to the funds but that is now rectified.

-- President Lawrence reminds group that the funds from the last two bar nights were really for "outreach" efforts but were never used for that purpose. An assessment has not been levied for at least the last 4 years and with the Treasury being \$400 now, the AMCC is in need on funds.

-- There was a very lengthy discussion concerning the assessment issue with numerous motions made and withdrawn. (The sleeping giant .. Peter Lloyd even awoke during this time). The point made was that the Treasury puts together a budget for the term and it is voted on when presented. Since the opportunity to do so was not given and a budget was not presented, some member clubs felt that by earmarking funds without the budgetary process, we were putting the cart before the horse. Assessments, although sometimes not popular, may be necessary. Some member clubs also had an issue with approve funds for any purpose, example outreach, without specific line items and costs for each. The outreach chairs state they need funds for several things. Among them; reprinting brochures, outreach brochures, anniversary journal ads on AMCC's behalf, and external hospitality support.

-- After numerous points were made assessments were tabled until a budget is prepared. The following **MOTION** was made by the LI Ravens and **seconded** by the Knight Hawks to authorize the outreach committee for up to \$500 to fund the efforts they discussed and it **passed**

-- Sean from Twilight Guard offers to develop an AMCC anniversary ad at no charge to the Council

30th ANNIVERSARY PINS

-- Since there are 260 left and it is now our 31st year, a **MOTION** was made by the ShipMates **seconded** by the Potomac to give each AMCC club ten pins ; **passed**

SECRETARY ANNOUNCEMENT

-- Due to the impending relocation to San Diego with the husband next spring, Secretary Urbanski announces that he will be unable to fulfill the complete two year term of office. He will stay on in his present capacity and complete whatever is necessary to fulfill his duties through the completion of the next AMCC meeting in NYC on November 10th. He will vacate the post as required in the AMCC Articles to allow another individual to assume the office at the Pennsmen meeting in February 2002. Nominations for this post will be taken in NYC in November with the election in Harrisburg in February.

CLUB ANNOUNCEMENTS

-- Bucks MC announces bar night on 9/16 and Santa Saturday 11/24

-- COMMANC MC invites you to MD Leather 11/2-4

-- Defenders NY invites everyone to Indulgence to be held at the Armony at 67th and Park in NYC November 9-11. There is a 300 person limit on reservations so please book early. Also bar night on 8/18 at the Bike Stop (multi Defender night .. Philly and DC as well)

-- Enforcers RI thanks the AMCC for having AMCC here this weekend and our bar nights are every third Saturday at the Providence Eagle

-- Entre Nous invites AMCC to P-Town Pilgrimage cost is \$199 10/19-21

-- Excelsior MC announces installation of officers and bar night at Seneakers Saturday 8/18

-- MC Faucon - Their 25th anniversary will be the last week in August 2002 in Montreal

-- Highwaymen TNT and Potomac announce Leather Sabbath In DC October 27th

-- Knight Hawks of Virginia: Thank you AMCC for spending time on our sandy shores for All Hands on Dick (they were) and announce a bar night at the Rainbow Cactus in Va Beach 8/11

-- Iron Guard invite you to our anniversary run 9/14-16 in NYC

-- Long Island Ravens MC: LI Leather contest is in October.

- Pennsmen: Thanks for granting us the 138th meeting at our 25th Anniversary Run 22-24 February 2002 in Harrisburg. The second all club bar night will be Saturday 11/17.
- Philadelphians MC: Join us for State Farm event at Valinor Farms in PA Labor Day weekend 2001 (tasty food and tasteless fair games). Also, the first AMCC bar night is 9/22 at the Bike Stop.
- Pocono Warriors have a bar night at the LURE 11/19 and 100 men in the Woods is next week
- ShipMates: The first Saturday of December is fundraiser (Daddy Xmas). Thanks for attending Keelhaul.
- Spartan MC announces Marathon the last weekend of August based in Wilmington DE
- STARS MC: Please join us for our 10th anniversary 9/7-9.
- Promethian Guard : NJ Leather contest is 9/7-9 and thank you for welcoming us into the AMCC family.

GOOD AND WELFARE:

- President Lawrence thanks the Enforcers for hosting the Council

MOTION to adjourn by Knight Hawks; **seconded** by Empire City; **ADJOURNED**

Tom Urbanski
Secretary AMCC

2001 Sanction Calendar

August	10-12	Pocono Warriors 100 Men in the Woods '2001
	23-27	Spartan MC Marathon
September	01-03	Philadelphians MC Labor Day Weekend Run – State Fair
	14-16	Iron Guard BC 26 th Anniversary Run
October	05-07	Utica Tris NAL Weekend
	12-14	Reading Railmen 23 rd Anniversary Run (Mr & Ms Reading Leather Contest)
	19-21	Entre Nous 31 st Anniversary Run
November	02-04	COMMAND MC 12 th Anniversary Run
	09-11	Defenders NY 20 th anniversary (137 th AMCC Meeting)
	24	Bucks MC Santa Saturday
December	08	Empire City MC 38 th Anniversary X-mas party