

ATLANTIC MIDWEST COORDINATING COUNCIL

The 36th meeting of the AMCC was held November 15, 1975, at the New York Levi Anniversary in New York City. The president called the meeting to order at 1:30 p. m. Roll call was taken by the secretary and the following clubs were present: Bucks (Ted H. , Bill Y.); Centaurs (Gary F. , Don B.); Cycle (Gustove T.); Druids (Ed N.); Empire City (Emil S.); Entre Nous (Joe K.); Spuds (George S. , Paul O.); NY Levi Club (Bob M. , Jim G.); Praetorians (John O.); Scorpions (Tim T. , proxy); SMCLAs (Jon D.); Thunderbolts (Greg I. , Richard B.); Vanguarders (Ed H.); Vikings (Bill G. , Steve F.); Wheels (Norman O. , Mike C. , Bob T.); Shipmates (Danny M.). Absent: Kemo, SNC, and Spartans.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read by the secretary and accepted as amended.

Treasurer's Report: Jim reported that previous balance was \$193.83. Since previous report was given \$118.18 has been expended for balance on AMCC patches leaving a balance of \$75.65. Checks have been received from the Scorpions, NY Levi Club, and Spuds bringing current balance to \$186.80. Several clubs have ordered patches but checks have not been received by treasurer. Jim stated that a statement will be sent out indicating status of treasury, income and expenses. Treasurer's report accepted.

The president distributed certificates to representatives to be filled out certifying the number of active members in each club. These forms are to be completed and returned to the secretary by January 1, 1976.

Bill Y. of the Bucks apologized to the N. Y. Levi Club for the inadvertent conflict in the Bucks social night at the Spike Bar and the Levi anniversary. He explained that when this situation was brought to their attention, the Bucks immediately rescheduled their social night. Bill Y. concluded by wishing the NY Levi Club continued success.

Bob T. , Vice Chairman of the Bicentennial Committee, gave a report of meeting held during Octoberfest in Philadelphia. His report included the following points:

- The balance in treasury is \$1,406.57; plus \$1,202.00 received from run applications.
- Wheels Magazine is running the bicentennial run application at no cost to committee. Entre Nous, Wheels MC, and Vikings are also printing application in their club publications.
- Slide presentation has been prepared by Jon D. of the SMCLAs for publicity purposes.
- Cut-off dates have been approved as follows: before June 1, 1976, 100 percent; July 1, 50 percent. No refunds will be available after July 1, 1976.
- Committee authorized split run tickets on a space available basis. Split fee for 4-day segments will be one-half of run fee plus \$25.00.
- Roy T. of the Shipmates was appointed to the bicentennial committee to help with the handling of hotel arrangements.
- Passed motion that anyone registering for run would have to pay full fee. No discount will be given for participants not staying in hotel.

• Since last meeting of committee, the Sheraton-Deauville Hotel has contacted bicentennial committee and requested change of run date to 18-25 September. Letters have been sent to clubs notifying them of change. It is understood that hotel will compensate committee for cost of printing new posters and run applications.

George S., president of Spuds, gave a report on the upcoming run, "Horsing Around," and urged club members to get their applications in. He also announced that the cost to club members would be \$39.00 until November 26th.

The question of wearing the AMCC patch was brought to the floor by the president on request by a member club. Greg I., of the Thunderbolts, made a motion that any person who is a member of an AMCC club be authorized to wear the AMCC patch. Motion was seconded by Entre Nous and Vikings. Vote was 6-yes, 10-no, with one abstention. Motion defeated. Motion was then made by Bob K, of the NY Levi Club, that AMCC patch be authorized to be worn by a full active member of a participating AMCC club providing that he is also wearing the AMCC-member club's patch. Motion seconded by Vikings. Motion carried by a vote of 13-1, with one abstention.

OLD BUSINESS

The question of the Bucks MC conducting their run in 1976 was the first item to be discussed under old business. This question was brought before the bicentennial committee by the Thunderbolts, but ruled out of order as the committee had no authority to act on the sanctioning of runs. Greg I. of the Thunderbolts made a motion that all traditional runs be permitted in 1976, or else, any clubs holding their runs in 1976 be censored by the council. Motion was seconded by Bill of the Vikings. Sam J. of the Vikings asked that Greg clarify what he meant by "censored," would clubs be expelled from council? Greg stated that three clubs were in violation of action taken by the council at Marathon where it was decided that club events during 1976 would "be limited to one-day period," which was defined as one calendar day.

Bill G. of the Vikings, at this point, announced that the Vikings and Entre Nous had agreed to hold a joint run in March 1976, thus bringing Entre Nous into compliance with the decision made at Marathon.

In response to questions raised on the floor, the president stated that the clubs in question appeared to be in violation of the Articles of Agreement; namely Article I, Section 1, "To work to strengthen the bonds of unity . . . and fostering a fraternal brotherhood among all" and Section 4, "To promote participation at AMCC sanctioned events."

After further discussion, Sam J. requested that motion be tabled until council decided if clubs were in fact in violation of the Articles of Agreement. Motion was then withdrawn by Greg I. of the Thunderbolts, who then made a motion that council declare the clubs in violation of the Articles of Agreement. Motion seconded by NY Levi Club and Druids. Roll call vote was requested and the following clubs voted affirmative: Centaurs, Druids, Levi Club, Praetorians, Scorpions, SMCLAs, Thunderbolts, Vikings, Wheels, Shipmates, and SNC. The following clubs voted against the motion: Bucks, Cycle, Empire City, Entre Nous, Spuds and Vanguard. Motion carried 11-6.

Greg I. of the Thunderbolts made a motion that all AMCC clubs be allowed to hold their regular runs in 1976. In view of decision by council at Marathon to limit sanctioned events to one calendar day, the president ruled motion out of order upon request by Sam J. of the Vikings.

Bill G. of the Vikings made a motion that clubs ruled to be in violation of the Articles of Agreement be given until January 1, 1976, to conform to guidelines established by council at Marathon for the giving of runs in 1976, and if the clubs refused to work within the framework of council that action be taken and they be asked to leave the council. Motion seconded by the Thunderbolts. ~~Not~~ Also seconded by SMCLA

Bill Y. of the Bucks inquired whether or not Bucks would be in violation of the Articles of Agreement if their July 4th run was consponsored by a non-AMCC club. After discussion of the Buck's proposed alternative, the majority of representatives felt that events lasting longer than one calendar day would have to be given in conjunction with an AMCC club.

Roll call vote was taken on the motion and the motion carried by a vote of 11-6. The following clubs voted in favor of the motion: Centaurs, Spuds, Levi Club, Praetorians, Scorpions, SMCLAs, Thunderbolts, Vikings, Wheels, Shipmates, and SNC. Clubs voting against the motion: Bucks, Cycle, Druids, Empire City, Entre Nous, and Vanguarders.

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The Spuds made a motion, seconded by Vikings, that clubs be allowed to hold registration on the night prior to sanctioned events during 1976 without having registration night counted as a day of the actual run. Motion carried by vote of 14-3. Clubs in favor of the motion were: Centaurs, Cycle, Druids, Empire City, Entre Nous, Spuds, Levi Club, Praetorians, Scorpions, SMCLAs, Thunderbolts, Vikings, Shipmates and SNC. Clubs voting against motion were: Bucks, Vanguarders and Wheels.

Tim read his letter dated September 16, 1975, to Cycle MC regarding the question of the announcement of the Fire Island Run to be held the weekend of May 14-16, 1976, and requesting an explanation for Cycle's position on supporting the bicentennial run in Atlantic City. Tim also read Cycle's response written prior to Cycle's departure for Europe, dated September 15, 1975, citing their reasons for deciding to proceed with their Fire Island run, which included the following points: (1) complex logistical problems requiring at least one year's preparation and planning, (2) attendance by overseas friends who have made plans for charter flights, (3) the "traditional" nature of Fire Island, (4) contractual obligations, and (5) the risk of not being able to obtain the facilities at Fire Island in the future. Cycle's letter also expressed their continued support for the bicentennial run and announced that they were publishing the run application in Wheels Magazine at no cost to the committee. *"No Action regarding Cycle's motion taken. E. C. de Longas, Sec. 1"*

The last item discussed under old business concerned the proxy votes on change made to the Articles of Agreement at previous meeting. The Thunderbolts cast their vote in favor of the proposed change, and SNC voted with the majority, leaving Kemo as the only club not voting on the proposed change. Efforts to obtain Kemo's vote have been unsuccessful due to the postal strike in Canada. Therefore, council voted to declare change to Articles in effect. *Effort has been made at two meetings etc. under Art XI, sec. 1.*

NEW BUSINESS

The first item on the agenda under new business concerned Entre Nous' letter concerning their run in 1976. Since Entre Nous had previously announced their decision to hold a joint run with the Vikings, the question was declared moot by the president.

Sam J. of the Vikings made a motion, seconded by Wheels and Druids, that the Bicentennial Committee be approached and requested to offer Europeans attending the bicentennial run be offered a package deal, including special rate, housing and hosts in the various cities on the east coast, etc. Motion carried without dissent.

The following dates were tentatively sanctioned for 1976 by the council: Bucks, July 4; Centaurs, May 15; Cycle, May 15; ~~Druids~~, April (weekend before or after Cherry Blossom Festival in D. C.); Empire City, undecided; Entre Nous, March 6; Spuds, first weekend in December; Levi Club, November 13; Praetorians, October 10; Scorpions, none; SMCLAs, November 6; Thunderbolts, May 8 (with option to change); Vanguarders, July 3; Vikings, March 7; Wheels, May 30; Shipmates, April 4.

In response to question from J.D. of SMCLAs, Tim stated that letters to Bucks and Cycle inquiring about their plans concerning their runs in 1976 and what they intend to do by January 1, 1976, would be sent by registered mail.

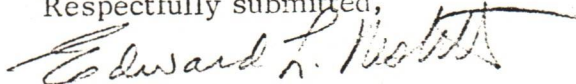
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 The Vikings' representatives announced that they will recommend to their club that a letter be sent to the Buck MC offering to cosponsor the Bucks' July 4th run.

Bill of the Vikings made a motion, seconded by Druids, that the next meeting of the council be held in Boston during joint Vikings/Entre Nous run on March 6, 1976. Motion carried without dissent. The next meeting of the Bicentennial Committee is scheduled for the weekend of February 21, and will be hosted by the Shipmates in Baltimore, Maryland. Jim G., of the NY Levi Club, announced that his club would be happy to entertain the council or bicentennial committee members for a meeting in New York City on their club night at the Spike Bar.

The Vanguarders nominated the Iron Guards for membership in the AMCC. The motion was seconded by the Bucks MC. The president announced that vote will be taken on this motion at the next meeting of the AMCC scheduled in March during the Vikings/Entre Nous run in Boston.

Meeting was adjourned at 3:55 p. m. (without dissent)

Respectfully submitted,



Edward L. Nesbitt
 Secretary, AMCC