

CONSTITUTION AND BY-LAWS
OF
EMPIRE CITY MOTORCYCLE CLUB, INC.

REVISED, JULY 1982

Empire City Motorcycle Club, founded in October, 1964 and incorporated under the Not-for-Profit Corporation law of the State of New York in November, 1972, is a fraternal and social organization of male motorcyclists with its principal office in the City of New York.

ARTICLE I--Purposes

Empire City Motorcycle Club has been founded to cultivate brotherhood among its members by engaging in diverse motorcycling and other social activities.

ARTICLE II--Membership

1. Active Membership: Active members shall be male owner/operators of motorcycles and shall have the right to vote on all club matters unless specifically denied elsewhere in this document. Responsibilities of active membership include attendance at twelve or more meetings or club functions (bar nights, parties, etcetera) and two club sponsored rides during any preceding twelve month period. Failure to meet attendance requirements will result in suspension of voting privileges pending club action on exoneration, censure, probation or expulsion.

Active membership may be retained by those who have been members a reasonable number of years although they no longer own motorcycles or are unable to operate one. Retention of active membership may be requested by the member and accepted by the club if a majority of those present vote yes and fewer than three members vote no.

2. Membership Applications: Applicants for active membership must be recommended by two members in good standing. The applicant must attend three meetings and not the fourth, during which the membership will discuss his qualifications with the sponsors. The sponsors will then advise him for or against pledging. Upon payment of an initiation fee, the applicant becomes a pledge. Before becoming eligible for active membership, he must attend three additional meetings and have participated in two club-supervised rides. Upon fulfilling these requirements he will not attend a meeting at which his application will be considered. If a majority of those present vote yes and fewer than three members vote no, he will become an active member and, upon payment of dues, be entitled to all privileges of membership.

3. Membership Reapplication: Members who have resigned without prejudice may, within one year, reapply for membership. The probationary period and initiation fee shall not apply; normal voting requirements shall apply.

4. Expulsion: A member may be expelled for unbecoming conduct. In such an event, a written complaint shall be submitted to the Board of Directors, who shall take evidence, hold a hearing at which the member in question may appear, and report its recommendation to the membership. Action on the Board's recommendations shall require a two thirds vote of all active members in good standing.

5. Dues and Fees: Dues and fees for active members and pledges shall be determined by the club. Members in arrears shall be considered delinquent. Any member two months delinquent in his dues shall be disqualified from voting. Any member six months delinquent may be expelled by a two thirds vote.

Article III--Meetings

1. Regular Meetings: Regular membership meetings shall be held the first and third wednesday of each month. In the event a meeting falls on a legal holiday, an alternate date may be designated.

2. Special Meetings: Special meetings of the Corporation may be called by the directors. The Secretary shall be required to notify all members of the Board prior to such a meeting in the most expeditious manner.

3. Order of Business: The order of business at meetings shall be defined by Robert's Rules of Order.

4. Quorum: The attendance of a number equal to more than half the active New York City members in good standing shall constitute a quorum.

5. Proxies: Each active member may designate another to vote on his behalf.

6. Guests: Members may invite guests to attend meetings. No guest may attend more than three meetings within one clalendar year.

ARTICLE IV--Officers and Directors

1. The Officers: The officers shall be:
 - a. President
 - b. Vice President
 - c. Road Captain
 - d. Treasurer
 - e. Corresponding Secretary
 - f. Recording Secretary

2. The Directors: The elected officers shall constitute the Board of Directors.

3. Duties of Officers: The duties of officers shall be:
 - a. The President shall have the general management of the affairs of the Corporation and shall see that all orders and resolutions are carried into effect.
 - b. The Vice President shall serve in the absence of the President.
 - c. The Road Captain shall plan all club runs and activities. He shall enforce all rules of club riding.
 - d. The Treasurer shall be responsible for the collection and disbursement of funds and the maintenance of club bank accounts.
 - e. The Corresponding Secretary shall have custody of the seal of the Corporation and shall attend to all official correspondence.
 - f. The Recording Secretary shall be responsible for recording, maintaining and reporting the minutes of all meetings and shall maintain a membership roster.

4. Elections: Election of all officers shall be held at the second meeting of the year. Neither the President nor the Road Captain shall be permitted to serve more than two consecutive terms.

ARTICLE V--Amendments

1. Amendments: Any proposed amendment shall be submitted in writing at a regular membership meeting. It shall be read and discussed at two consecutive meetings and called for voting at the third. A vote of two-thirds of all active members in good standing shall be required to pass an amendment.

Minutes of bi-monthly meeting,
February 17, 1982,
Meeting held at 80 No. Moore St, NYC.,
8:50 P.M.

Present: Bob, Dan, Max, Mark, Ed D., Ed B., Keith, Freddie, Mike, Jamo,
Frank, Hal

Pledge: Tom

Guest: Ron Buchanan

Absent: Ken, Charles, Emil

I. Minutes of previous meeting were not read.

II. Officers Reports:

A. Treasurer: \$297.97 in checking account, no change in savings and accident account. The instillation dinner cost \$670.00 of which \$220.00 was collected, thereby costing ECOMC \$450.00.

B. Road Captain:

1. The last bar night (2/16) netted \$116.00 (Spike-\$55, Eagle-\$61).
2. Road Captain suggested scheduling ahead for bar night in 1½ hour shifts. Suggestion accepted and implemented. (See enclosed)
3. Thurston Hughes extended an invitation for a weekend at his home on April 24-25 which would include meals, horsebackriding, a run and lodging. He is to be informed that 10-15 men will attend.
4. T-Bolt's Saint Patrick's buffet (corned beef) at the Spike.
5. Chelsea Gay Association's fund raising buffet at the Barbary Coast on March 20.
5. T-Bolt Valentine's Day Party at J's was well attended. Feature attraction was Max's modeling which netted \$250.
6. NYC Gay Men's Chorus Valentine Day's concert also well attended.
7. Motion made by Dan and seconded by Frank, "Empire City present a plaque to Thurston Hughes in appreciation of his support and hospitality for ECOMC." Motion carried--Ed. D. will head a committee with Dan and Keith to purchase and engrave the plaque.

III. AMCC:

- A. Next meeting at the Druid's run.
- B. Motion made by Mark and seconded by Dan, "ECME requests a dozen AMCC patches." Motion carried.

IV. Committee Reports:

A. Constitution committee:

1. Discussion on why a need for this committee. Questions to be

Dear Mr. Tolson:

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of February 7, 1947, regarding the matter mentioned therein.

The Bureau is currently reviewing the information furnished to it and will advise you of the results of its investigation as soon as they are available.

I am sure that you will understand the need for a thorough and complete investigation in this matter.

Very truly yours,
J. Edgar Hoover

Enclosed for you are two copies of a letterhead memorandum (LHM) dated and captioned as above.

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dealt with--problem of club members not attending meetings and/or not paying dues and not wanting to be dropped from membership, members who are unable to ride because of age or disability, associate memberships, red tape for constitutional amendments, where is the original constitution.

2. Suggested that a new committee be formed to draft recommendations which will then be discussed. A new committee was formed consisting of Dan, Ed D., Mark, Keith, and Bob; the committee will choose its chair.

V. Old Business: none.

VI. New Business:

- A. New name tags are to be bought by individual members at the Personal Store on Seventh Ave.
- B. Suggestion that ECMC attend the Gay Pride Concert of the NYC Gay Men's Chorus in June at Alice Tully Hall. Accepted and the date to be finalized at the next meeting.
- C. Next meeting dates: March 3--Frank, March 17--Bob (Green Pasta dinner at Bob's before meeting), April 7--Ed B., April 21--Mark.
- D. Dan presented topics for future discussion concerning short and long range plans and suggested run activities.
 1. Short range--develop better cash flow, raise dues, executive committee to map our budget, determine ideal number of members, develop more regular riding events.
 2. Long range--constitutional review, begin planning the 20th anniversary event, AMA membership as pertinent to club and individuals.
 3. Brief discussion began on following topics: the need for a budget, how to facilitate long range plans, the need for more riding events for club members and potential members, the question of underwriting runs for members, possible participation in the Motor Safety Foundation for members, new members and GDI's,
 4. Suggested runs--combination ECMC and T-Bolts to Woodstock, Rhinebeck Aerodrome, Bear Mt., West Point, etc.; runs to Northern NJ, Great Gorge, NYC-LI-Shelter Island-Conn; poker runs covering the five boroughs; open events for GDI's.

II. Good and Welfare:

- A. Keith was welcomed back after his successful recovery.
- B. Mike was welcomed back after his having been mugged near the Spike on his way to work--no longer will anyone call him cabbage head.

minutes respectfully submitted,


Al Kooden

rch 3, 1982
 ace--Frank O.
 me--9:14 PM

esent: Ed B., Keith, Frank, Mark, Bob, Hal, Dan, Max.
 est: George
 sent: Jamo, Freddie, Ed D., Ken, Charles, Emil, Mike.

I. Minutes approved (motion made by Dan and seconded by Mark).

I. Officers Reports:

A. Treasurer: Though treasurer was absent, a report was made that \$128.00 in checking account--no change in savings and accident account

B. Road Captain:

1. The Phoenix Remombered on 2/27 by The Nine Plus Club at the Spike was attended by Dan, Max, Mark, Frank and Ron B.
2. Dan explained that the long list of suggestions at last meeting was intended to generate discussion amongst members.
3. Dan needs the number of participants in order to proceed with the plans for the Nassau Motorcycle School. He suggested that the event be sponsored by ECMC and open to all clubs and GDI's.

C. AMCC: no report.

7. Committee Reports:

A. Constitutional Committee: no report.

B. Committee for Thurston Hughes' plaque: Due to the expensiveness of the plaque, a motion was made that the club pay fifty per cent and the remainder divided amongst the members attending Thurston's weekend (moved by Dan and seconded by Mark). Amended by Dan that whatever gift is given, the same financing be used. Motion passed. Small discussion on associate and honorary membership status.

7. Old Business:

A. Gay Men's Chorus at Alice Tully Hall on June 26. A motion made to invite the T-Bolts for the weekend with ECMC providing the housing, Bob serving a brunch before the March, and that the two clubs march together (moved by Hal and seconded by Keith). Motion passed. Ed. B. will write the letter and Dan will call Roger.

7. New Business:

- A. Discussion of potential pledge Ron B. Max and Mark, his sponsors spoke as did Keith of his interest and past history with motorcycle clubs. All were in favor of his sponsors advising him to pledge.
- B. Discussion of pledge Tom T. His sponsors, Mike and Frank spoke; he had also done the required three motorcycle events. He was voted in as a new member.
- C. The new membership cards are in. Bob will talk with Emil about their distribution.

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- D. Vanguard Vanities Ad. Bob had contacted Ed B. and Hal for spending the \$35.00 on the ad without prior club approval.
- E. Discussion on bringing in anticipated costs for expected runs, events, etc., in order to develop a budget--a need for centralized record keeping.
- F. Shipmates requested an ad for their 8th anniversary program. Motion made to take one half page for \$15.00; amended to include ECMC picnic and Christmas party and any future events (moved and amended by Dan and seconded by Frank). Motion defeated. Another motion made for a full page ad at \$25.00 with same contents (moved by Dan and seconded by Mark). Motion passed.
- G. Suggestion that ECMC have a program with ads from other clubs for the annual Christmas party. Favorably received.
- H. Bob talked about a club column in Wheels. It would be good publicity for the picnic, bike safety program, announcing new members, future events. Dan will write the column and Bob will edit. Some discussion of a column in Tread--nonconclusive.
- I. AMCC patches: A motion made to charge \$1.50 for old members (moved by Dan and seconded by Ed B). Motion failed. Motion made to give a patch gratis to all members who have never received one and to charge \$2.00 for additional ones (moved by Max and seconded by Mark). Motion passed.
- I. Good and Welfare: Mark made a commendation on the minutes and their distribution.

minutes respectfully submitted,


I. Kooden

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Date: 3/17/82
 Place: Bob's Spaghetti House
 Time: 9:43 PM

Present: Freddie, Ken, Frank, Tom, Max, Emil, Ed B., Dan, Bob, Charlie, Hal.
 Guest: George
 Absent: Mark, Mike, Keith, Ed D., Jano.

I. Minutes approved (motion made by Dan and seconded by Tom)

II. Officer's Reports:

A. Treasurer: Checking--\$425.97; Savings--\$324.81; Accident Fund--\$831.92. Members in arrears---Ken, Frank, Bob, Mike, Mark, Charlie (for installation dinner). Members in arrears should contact Emil. Reminder that the constitution states that a member does not have voting rights if he is more than two months in arrears. The treasurer will send notices. Because Bob Schafer owes for fourteen months and the club is unsure of his status, Dan made a motion and seconded by Emil. Motion--The corresponding secretary will write Bob and remind him of his dues and ask him to contact the club regarding his intentions. Discussion ensued as we did not have his address--motion was withdrawn as out of order. The president directed the corresponding secretary to contact Bob S. Motion to accept the treasurer's report (made by Ken and seconded by Charlie)--passed.

B. Road Captain:

1. Nassau Motorcycle Safety School. The event is scheduled for Sun 5/23/82. Letters were written to: L.I. Spuds, Avengers, Bucks, Wheels, T-Bolts, Pocono Warriors. The cost is \$50 with a possible 10% rebate for insurance. ECMC will provide housing for out-of-towners.
2. Thurston accepted the date of 4/24 and 4/25 for the weekend at his home. He asked for a noon arrival. Last count--seven plus two guests.
3. The T-Bolt St. Patrick's dinner at the Spike was attended by Ron, Ed B., Max, Dan, Tom, Bob, Mark, Ken, Keith, and Ed D.

III. AMCC: The April meeting will be during Spring Sabbath. The club pays the run fee for the club representative, the Road Captain currently. The treasurer will send the check.

IV. CONYAC Report: (Council of NY Area Clubs)

A. Long discussion regarding the disbanding of Cycle. A press release was issued by the board announcing the news and stating that the logo and title are still being held. This was a decision made by the board with no input from the non-board members. An emergency meeting was called for CONYAC representatives by Ray K. It was explained that Cycle had planned for a run and received only 25 entries and had lost the \$3,000 non-refundable deposit at the resort, which consisted of the advanced run fees. All CONYAC member clubs were being asked to participate in an event to raise money--suggested by Ray K. It was unclear if the money was to go to the 25 men, Cycle (which no longer exists) or to Richard K. who is responsible for the debt. Unclear if Cycle is asking this or individual members. Part of the reason for disbanding was that the officers were tired and not interested in revitalizing the club--according to their constitution, officers were for life. CONYAC did decide to conduct a fund raising benefit.

Dan and Bob talked about the discomfort regarding a "no longer in existence" club members dishing other club members. ECNC questioned if the benefit is to bail out the club or the 25 men. IS the benefit actually reinforcing a bad business decision and a unilateral decision made by a board for the entire club. Motion made by Hal and seconded by Charlie--To empower the representative to CONYAC to accept ECNC's participation in the benefit to help the 25 men, and that a non-Cycle person be appointed as conservator for all money raised. This is an action not being done to benefit Cycle Board of Directors nor individual Cycle members--Passed.

- B. ECNC was asked to head CONYAC. Though we support the concept do we want to take leadership. They need to establish rules of order for meetings and possibly a by-laws change. Currently, the club that heads it provides the chair, treasurer and secretary. It became clear that ECNC does lend credibility to CONYAC yet due to our planned activities, there is not enough time for this task. Motion made by Hal and seconded by Charlie--Instruct the representative to CONYAC to state the ECNC declines leadership and we reaffirm our commitment to the concept of CONYAC and we will continue participation in it--Passed.

V. Committee Reports:

- A. Constitutional Committee--no report.
B. Thurston Plaauue--no report.

VI. Old Business:


- A. T-Bolt Spring run--April 30 through May 2. This is a joint activity between the two clubs. We will meet in Westport and ride to Middlebury and eventually end in Springfield, Mass. We accepted with 14-16 club members and guests going.
B. New York City Gay Men's Chorus performance on June 26. T-Bolts liked the idea and will let us know shortly how many will attend. Fourteen ECNC members and guests are going.
C. Druids wanted a small ECNC patch for a collage to be shown at their run and permanently on exhibit in Europe!

VII. New Business: Ken is the only club member going to the Knoxville Marathon run, 7/9--7/15.

VIII. Good and Welfare:

- A. Freddie raised the issue of the current fag-bashers in the village and the court arraignment of the attackers. He had contacted the Chelsea Gay Association Hot-Line and was given the information. The arraignment is on Wednesday, March 24 at 10:00 AM at 100 Centre Street, Criminal Court, Section A17. Freddie discussed the importance for all of us to be there to make sure the attackers are not let off. (John, one of the owners of Red Star Cafe, was one of the injured men.)
B. Emil read a poem by a former club member, Kirby Congdon, that was printed in NY Native.
C. The president was commended for hosting a delicious dinner which included spaghetti, meatless and meat sauce, salad, bread and wine.
D. George was instructed not to attend the next meeting as the club will vote whether he should pledge.

Respectfull submitted,


Hal Roeder

te: 4/21/82
 ace: Mark's
 me: 9:00 P.M.

esent: Freddie, Bob, Dan, Hal, Max, Mark, Ken, Ed B., Ed D., Emil.
 sent: Mike, Keith, Jamo, Frank, Tom, Charlie.

Minutes approved with minor changes (motioned by Mark and seconded by Ken).

Officer's Reports:

A. Road Captain:

1. River Club party on 4/9/82---Ken's Harley, Max's BMW and Dan's Honda were displayed for \$50 per bike. (The promotor offered Village Cycles \$100 per bike.) Check not yet received.
2. Eagle bar night on 3/23 netted \$61.25.
3. T-Bolt weekend on 4/30 through 5/1. (For details, contact Road Captain) Bob, Mark, Max and Dan are going.
4. T-Bolt's accepted ECMC's invitation to attend the NYC Gay Men's Chorus on 6/26. Ten T-Bolts and guests will attend.
5. MSF Beter Biking Program Advanced Rider Course confirmed for Sunday, May 23, 10:00 AM. Roger and Bill of T-Bolts will attend. Refresher course available for \$40 (range protion only).
5. Bike Christening, June 4th, Spike, 8:30-11:30, nite before #6.
6. Annual Biker's Picnic---June 5th at the officially designated secret site (R_____). Publicity committee: Hal (chair), Charlie, Ed B. Picnic committee: Dan, Keith (beverages), Mike (food). May 22nd will be an official club function for members to ride to K_____ to prepare for the picnic. The Spartans plan to attend and camp overnight. The Lost Angels will host a brunch in honor fo the Spartans, T-Bolts, ECMC and any other club that attends. All ECMC members are urged to stay over to make it a complete weekend event. Members are being asked to bring extra camping equipment.
7. Bar night--April 27:
 Eagle 9-10:30 Mark; 10:30-12:00 Frank and Tom.
 Spike 9-10:30 Max; 10:30-12:00 Hal and Bob.
8. Vanity (personalized) license plates will become available for motorcycles in NYS in June or July, 1982. Suggested that an ECMC series (1020) be applied for. \$18 application fee and \$15 annual surcharge.
9. AMA communication regarding pending state bill prohibiting the operator of a motor vehicle wearing stereophonic headphones while on a public highway. Members against the bill are urged to write Assembly Transportation Chari, Mr. Vincent Graber at the State Capitol, Albany, NY 12224 regarding Bill 10434.
- 10.. T-Bolt's 11th Anniversary, June 19th. ECMC has been asked to sponsor a pre-dinner, cocktail party at the Birds of a Feather(?). ECMC will throw the party (motioned by Ed.B and seconded by Dan). Corresponding Secretary is to convey that we would be honored.
11. Thurston's weekend. We are to arrive at noon exactly, leaving Morton Street pier at 10:45.

B. Treasurer's report:

Checking---\$578.46

Savings---\$329.31

Accid.----\$843.44

In arrears; Mike, Ken, Dan.

I.

A.M.C.C. Report:

- A. 67th meeting held at Druid's Spring Sabbath, DC Eagle.
- B. Saction date changes; Companions date released (11/13), Scorpions changed to one day only (6/12), Railmen/Companions joint event (10/13).
- C. Philadelphians proposed for AMCC membership to be considered at 68th meeting.
- D. Faucons MC proposed AMCC pulication to fill void left by departure of "Wheels" magazine--committee appointed by Keith to study feasibility.
- E. Next AMCC meetings: 7/4 at Bucks Pow Wow and 8/28 at Faucon's Migration '82.

I.

CONYAC Report:

- A. Meeting (4/12 at J's) opened with discussion and plans for CONYAC brunch on 4/24 at the Spike.
- B. Report on the possible benefit for the men who lost money on the cancelled Cycle run--Cycle is now defunct. All participants except Cycle members and pledges have received full refunds as R. Kijellan took out a personal loan to repay them. All CONYAC reps had to return to their clubs with this current info to reconsider the idea of a benefit since R. K. would be the only recipient of the monies.
- C. An extended discussion ensued as to whether ECMC should participate in a benefit. After heated discussion similar to the one at the last meeting, a motion was made by Dan and seconded by Hal: ECMC cannot support a CONYAC benefit or benefit in the matter of Cycle MC. The discussion considered that this was a bad business decision which should be rectified by Cycle's doing its own fundraising to which the club scene can respond. Motion passed with seven for and two abstentions.

Committee Reports:

- A. Constitutional committee met (accidentally?) at a bar night!
- B. Thurston's plaque costs \$48.66. \$24 will be collected from ECMC members attending the weekend at his home.

I.

Old Business:

- A. New York City Gay Men's Chorus (NYCGMC) tickets will be purchased through Hal. He will have all necessary information at next meeting.
- B. Bob Schaeffer--we have no current address. Ed B. is to contact Mike.

II.

New Business:

- A. George Stein Pledge Status--Ed B. sponsored him and spoke of the functions that he has attended. ECMC advised George to pledge.
- B. Spike ECMC banner--Motion made by Dan and seconded by Hal to empower Bob to investigate alternatives and to use up to \$50 plus materials. Motion passed.
- C. Meeting places:
 - 5/5--Ed B.
 - 5/19--Ken
 - 6/2--Bob (hosted by Ed D.)
 - 6/16--Hal (hosted by Emil)

- D. T-Bolts and NYCCMC--motion made by Dan and seconded by Ken that ECMC buy ten tickets for the T-Bolts. The T-Bolts interpreted the invitation letter to mean that ECMC would buy the tickets. Motion passed--5 for, 2 against and 2 abstentions.

VIII. Good and Welfare:

- A. Camrod supports AMA so that with an AMA card, there will be a 10% discount on parts and accessories.
- B. It was acknowledged that the current practice of sending out the minutes to all members was suggested by Mike for many years and was vetted. Congratulations to Mike that his idea is finally being listened to.
- C. Emil and Hal attended the court arraignment of the village "fag-bashers." They will be sent to Supreme Court on first degree charges of assault.

Minutes respectfully submitted, though late!

Hal
Hal Kooden

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Date: 5/5/82
Place: Ed B.
Time: 9:03 P.M.
Present: Bob, Max, Frank, Mike, Dan, Ed B., Hal, Emil, Ken, Tom.
Pledge: George
Guest: Jurg
Absent: Keith, Mark, Jamo, Charlie, Freddie, Ed D. Ron

I. Minutes approved with minor changes (motioned by Dan and 2nd by Ed B.)

II. Officer's Reports:

A. Treasurer: Checking \$663.93
Savings 329.31
Acc. 843.44
(\$118 was spent for xeroxing leaflet for picnic weekend)

B. Road Captain:

1. Bar night 4/23 netted \$43 (Spike) and \$51 (Eagle). Important to notify when scheduled member is unable to attend.
2. The ride to Thurston was a total success. Participants were: Dan, Max, Emil, Ed D., Keith, Ed B., Bob, Charlie, Tom, and Jurg. It included lunch upon arrival, ride through countryside, cocktails, dinner, presentation of placque to Thurston, Sunday brunch with Bucks.
4. T-Bolt's anniversary run 6/19--6/20 will cost \$30, which includes Saturday night's dinner and hotel. ECNC will host a pre-dinner cocktail party on Saturday.
3. T-Bolt run, 4/30--5/1, was also successful. Participants were: Dan, Max, Emil, Ed B., Bob and George (not our George), Tom and Ralph, and Jurg. It included Friday cocktails and dinner at Lee Humphrey's, Saturday brunch at Patrick Simpson's, ride to Kent Falls, cocktails and dinner at Stan Skerett's, bar night at the Quarry, Springfield Mass., Sunday brunch at Stan's.
5. Letters were sent to Thurston and T-Bolts in appreciation.
6. MSF Advanced Rider course on 5/23; Max, George, and Jurg will go.
7. A letter of appreciation is being sent to Atlantis M.C. for its total participation in helping Ron after his accident.
8. Thank you to Charlie for his artwork on the leaflet.
9. Road Captain policy--he will not white line and take the group through traffic even though overheating. It is the responsibility of the driver to leave the group and be on his own.
10. May 23 is cleanup day at Keith's. 11:00 AM at Morton St. pier.
11. All attendees at Thurston's owe \$3 each for the placque.
12. River Club check for motorcycle usage is in the mail.

II. AMCC: no report.

V. Committee reports:

- A. Banner: if Jose cannot do it, Frank will talk to Carlos and Marquis may also be contacted.
- B. Constitutional Committee met and rewrote the constitution. It will be presented in a few weeks.
- C. Publicity for picnic and christening--200 of each flyer were given to members to distribute at bars and bikes. 1100 went in the Spike mailing. NYCGMC, June 26; Hal to contact absent members about tickets. Ten T-Bolts and 7 ECNC members going. Tickets are \$12.50.

i. New Business:

- A. Motion that ECNC waive Additional requirements for pledging and consider Ron's membership tonight. Passed with two abstentions. After discussion, Ron was voted in as member. Club then rode to his home in NJ.
- B. Brief discussion about a club uniform--for visibility, cohesiveness, impressive looks, mandatory. Straw vote taken--4 for and 4 against. To be discussed in the future.

Minutes respectfully submitted,

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Time: 7/19/82
Place: Ken's
Time: 9:10 P.M.
Present: Ed B., Jamo, Charlie, Tom, Max, Keith, Mark, Frank, Mike, Ken, Bob, Dan, Hal.
Judge: George..
Guests: Jurg, Don.
Absent: Emil, Ed D., Ron.

Minutes approved with minor changes (motion by Jamo and Mark)..

Officer's Reports:

- A. No treasurer report.
- B. Road Captain:
 1. Time change--10 A.M. at Morton St. Pier for clean-up at Keiths.
 2. Reminder for the MSF Advanced Rider Course on 5/23.
 3. Bar night, Eagle on June 1; 9:00-10:30---George and Dan
10:30-12:00---Charlie and Ed B.
 4. Flyers have been distributed for the christening and run.
 5. ECMC members are being asked to stay over night on the run as the Spartans will also be staying over.
 6. ECMC will be hosting the pre-dinner cocktail party on the T-Bolt's run. Planning to attend: Bob, Ed B., Charlie, Tom plus one, Max, Mark plus one, Mike, George, Dan. (Participation award???)
 7. Reminder on NYC Gay Chorus and brunch at Bobs before the March.
 8. Whitewater run was attended by Ed B., Keith and Don, Jurg. It was well organized and fun--Keith was a responsible captain!
 9. Excelsior party was attended by Ken and Ed B. (Frank and Don arrived too late to be admitted.) Comments: party good, food so-so.

AMCC Report:

- A. The move to have AMCC take over a publication like the now defunct "Wheels" is not being supported.
- B. M.C. Keno was asked to withdraw from AMCC due to a lack of participation for three years. It is now defunct as a club as well.
- C. 69 Club of London is still a member.
- D. Next meeting is at the Bucks Pow Wow on July 4th weekend.

Committee Reports:

- A. Constitutional Comm.--revised draft should be ready soon.
- B. Banner--the new banner will not be ready to present to the Spike at the christening. Motion to present banner on a special Bar night--made by Mark and Charlie. 3-for, 8 against, 1 abstention. Old banner will probably be presented at christening.
- C. Publicity--besides being distributed, flyers are in the Spike's mailing.

Old Business:

- A. Corresponding secretary to write Bob Schaeffer at new address.
- B. The check from Sam Haddad for \$150 has arrived at the Spike.

New Business:

- A. Motion that it is alright to wear back patch in the Christopher St. March on June 27 (made by Mark and Hal). Extended discussion. The president had to break the tie vote. As he voted for the motion, it was passed: 6 for, 2 against, 4 abstentions.
- B. Jurg is not to attend the next meeting-- his pledge status discussion.
- C. The June 5 run is not open to men without bikes who have not made prior plans to buddy ride.
- D. Bucks requested an ad in their July 4th run program. ECMC is to take a full page ad for \$25 (motion by Ed B. and Dan). 8 for, 2 abstentions.

Good and Welfare:

- A. Ron B.'s letter of appreciation was read in which he offered his home for the next meeting. Next unassigned meeting will be at Ron's.
- B. Bob spoke of the need for plasma for the Hepatitis B vaccine. The NY Blood Center on East 67th pays \$50. Free testing is at the Gay Men's health Project on Grove St.
- C. New Bike--Ed B.'s Yamaha, Maxim 650 with 7.5 miles as of this date.

Minutes respectfully submitted,



June 2, 1982

Ed Dickinson host at Bob Pierce's

Present: Dan, Max, Ed D., Frank, Bob, Mike, Mark, Ken, Charlie, Tom,
Emile, Ed B., George

Minutes approved with minor changes: George attended White Water & has a new bike - Honda 750 Sabre

A. Treasurer's report:

Checking \$839.15 - includes \$150 donated by Dan, Max, Ken

Savings \$329.31

Accident \$843.44

B. Road Captain:

1. G.I. Party at Rivendale, may 22, was a success. Cleanup was completed in record time. Attended by Dan, Ed B., Ken, Frank, Max, Tom, Freddie, George, and guests Ralph, David, Geoff Roberts (Bucks), Dave (Former ECMC Road Captain)
Thanks to all for their assistance and cooperation.

2. Motorcycle Safety Foundation Advanced Rider Course, scheduled for May 23, was cancelled due to weather. If interest dictates it will be rescheduled. Refunds have been distributed.

3. Bar Nite at the Eagle, Tuesday June 1 netted \$57.20. Bar worked by Dan, George, Ed B.

4. Discussion, initiated by Dan, about problems with bar nites, especially attitude at the Eagle. After discussion, motions, motions made and withdrawn, it was decided that the road captain should raise the problem of bar nites at the next CONYAC meeting.

C. Constitution Committee:

Copies of the proposed new constitution given out. It will be introduced and discussed at the next meeting.

D. AMCC: no report

E. Old Business

1. Arrangements have been made for a priest to conduct the Christening of the new bikes on June 4.

2. No response from letter sent to Bob Schaffer.

3. Charlie produced and sent to the Bucks an ad to appear in their Fourth of July Run publication.

4. Thanks will be sent to the River Club for their check for \$150 (earned by Dan, Max and Ken and donated to the club).

F. New Business:

1. Congatulations to Jurg's acceptance as a pledge by ECMC.

2. Motion made that the club consider a uniform; no second.

G. Good and Welfare:

1. Discussion of the article in the New York Magazine, "The Gay Plague."

2. Personal Store, nametags, plaques, etc., going out of business.

3.

Meeting began at 9:05 ; ended at 10:40.

Minutes respectfully submitted,

Ed Bresnahan

June 16, 1982

Hal's

Present: Mike, Dan, Bob, Hal, Charlie, Freddie, Frank, Ed B., Ron, Max,
Tom, Emil, Mark, Ken

Guest: Kevin

Absent: Keith, Ed D., Jamo

I. Minutes approved (motioned by Dan and Max).

II. Officer's Reports:

A. Treasurer: Biker's picnic cost 184.00.

Checking \$892.35

Savings \$329.31

Accident \$843.44

B. Road Captain:

1. Bike Christening Friday, June 4, 1982. Seven christenings:

Tom Tippetts Harley, "No Name"

Freddie Boone Guzzi "Rubber Baby"

Max Miller's BMW "Miss Piggy"

Ed Bresnahan's Yamaha "golum 2"

Roger McEnnis's Kawasaki "Electric Horseman"

John Nunier's Honda "Corker"

Ray Rothenbausen's Honda " " "

Christening performed by a Roman Catholic priest, Gerard.

Champagne provided by the Spike. ECMC banner presented to the Spike by Bob. Attended by Frank, Freddie, Ed B., Ed D., Ken, Dan, Max, Charlie, Emil, Tom, George.

2. ECMC Biker's Picnic, June 5. 48 men attended with 27 bikes.

Attended by Keith, Jamo, Frank, Ed B., Ed D., Ken, Dan, Max,

Mike, Bob, Ron, George. Clubs represented: Thunderbolts, Bucks,

UYA, Druids, Spartans, Lost Angels, Souds, Centurions, Dallas MC,

and Railmen (Brunch only). Special thanks to Mike for the food, beverage arrangements, and the cooking; Ron for the use of the van, Ed B. for assisting on the ride out, the Lost Angel's for the delicious brunch; and to Keith for being his usual self.

3. Reminder of the T-Bolts 11th anniversary on June 19, 1982.

4. Bar night, **SPIKE**, July 6, 1982. New hours: 10-11--Tom, Mike, 11-12:30--Max, Ed B.

5. Discussion on the importance of club members supporting club events.

III. AMCC: Dan will attend the next meeting during the July 4th Pow Wow, with ECMC paying the run fee.

IV. Committee Reports:

A. New York City Gay Men's Chorus, June 26th, 1982. Hal will distribute the tickets from 7:30 on in front of Alice Tully Hall.

B. Constitutional Committee: This was a long involved discussion of the revised constitution. It was finally decided that motions would not be used. Consensus voting would be used so the committee could have a sense of the meeting and make the necessary revisions which would then be put to the vote. It was generally felt that there should not be an associate status as this would dilute the meaning of the club. The uniqueness of club membership was also noted regarding reserve status. Without diluting the importance of our being a biker's club, how can ECMC retain established members who are unable to ride and want to be in the club. It was agreed that there would be only one classification of member--active. Active membership would be retained by members who had been in the club a certain amount of time and no longer rode. They would have to be voted on by the club and would have all rights and privileges of membership. Article I and paragraphs 1, 3, 4, 5 of Article II were accepted. This process will continue at the next meeting. Special thanks to the committee for its hard work.

V. New Business:

A. George voted in as a new member.

B. Club nites: July 7--Ron's, July 21--Mike's, Aug 4--Hal's (Emil host)

Minutes were actually read out loud by Hal

EMPIRE CITY MOTORCYCLE CLUB - JULY 7, 1982 MEETING

Held at Ron Buchanan's

Present: Keith, Jamo, Ed B., Ron, Ed D., Dan, Max, Frank, Bob, Charlie, Emil,
Tom, Mike

Absent: Freddie, Ken, Hal, George, Mark, Jurg

Guest: Kevin

I. Minutes approved

II. Officer's Reports:

A. Treasurer: no formal report
Net cost of picnic - \$235.23
Cost of Thunderbolt's cocktail party \$127.70

B. Road Captain:

1. Thunderbolt's 11th Anniversary

Attending: Dan, Mark, Ed B., Emil, Keith, Ed D., Ken, Max, Tom,
Ron, George

Max won second runner-up in Bolt Man contest

ECMC won participation award for event

ECMC received a letter of thanks for cocktails

THanks to Ed D. for his assistance on the ride

2. Spartans to have a bar night at the Spike September 11: can
ECMC provide some housing?

3. T-Bolts invite ECMC for a canoe trip September 10 - 11

4. Bucks Pow Wow attended by Keith, Ed. D., Max, Dan, Ed B.

5. T-Bolts's George Bales was injured in a Motorcycle accident on
way to Birds of a Feather, June 19: flowers sent from ECMC at a
cost of \$33.50

6. Spike Bar Night netted \$109.50 (Bar \$52.65, Tips \$56.85). It was
well attended by other clubs and members: Max, Dan, Ed B., Mike,
Tom, Bob, Ken, Emil, Jamo, Charlie

III. AMCC Held at Bucks Pow Wow July 3

The idea of a publication has been tabled for a year: Wheels will
publish a calendar in their publication, Tread

The Philadelphians were voted in

Next meeting at the Falcon's run

IV. CONYAC See attached sheet

V. Committee reports: Constitution Committee

The rest of the constitution was discussed: no changes

The constitution will be voted on at the next meeting

VI. New Business

A motion was made that ECMC remain in town to attend the Spartan's
Bar Night at the Spike (September 11) rather than attend the
T-Bolts Canoe trip: motion carried

Minutes respectfully submitted By Ed Bresnahan

Next meeting July 21 at Mike Wallace's

EMPIRE CITY MOTORCYCLE CLUB---July 21, 1982 MEETING

Held at Mike Wallace's

Present: Dan, Ron, Ed B., Tom, Max, Frank, Emil, Mike, George, Hal, Bob,
Freddie, Jamo, Ken

Absent: Mark, Ed.D., Keith, Charlie

Guests: Claude, Mike, Kevin, John, Tony

I. Minutes approved with the addition that ECMC voted "NO" to the CONYAC Housing Referral plan

II. Officer's Reports:

A. Treasurer:	Checking---\$617.37	July Bar night---\$109.25
	Savings----333.92	T-Bolt party-----127.90
	Accident---855.25	ECMC picnic-----184.00

B. Road Captain:

1. September 11--Spartans at the Spike Bar. RC is making housing arrangements for out-of-towners. Corresponding secy is to invite the T-Bolt's. ECMC is to host a brunch on Sunday at Ron's (motion by Dan and George).
2. Aug. 1st T-Bolt Tanglewood Run--Boston Symphony.
3. Aug. 14-15--T-Bolt run to New Hampshire via Boston.
4. Oct. 10-11, Annual Fall Run, T-Bolts.
5. Suggestion for an ECMC run to Gillette Castle in Sept.
6. ECMC invited to Maywood, N.J. for swim and food, ECMC to provide beer--invitation from friend of John's (guest).
7. Ken attended the Spartan Run in Knoxville.

III. Old Business:

A. Bob Schaeffer is alive and living in S.F. He will visit in Sept and pay his outstanding ECMC debt.

B. Constitution Committee:

1. Article II, paragraph 2--discussion on the word "reasonable." Motion to accept the revised constitution as written (Mike-Jamo), unanimous vote for acceptance!
2. Motion to raise dues to \$75.00 (Dan, Hal). After much discussion, motion defeated.
3. Motion to raise dues to \$60.00 (Dan, Hal). Recording Secretary did not get all aspects of the discussion and next series of motions on finances, history of the club and the usage of monies. Another motion made for raising the dues to \$60.00 (Mike, Hal) Accepted unanimously.
4. Motion that present transport member be retained as active member as long as the membership is continuous (Dan, Mike). Unanimous vote for the motion.

IV. Good And Welfare:

- A. George Bales, T-Bolt, wrote letter thanking ECMC for flowers.
- B. New York Times article on the rescuing of architectural pieces from buildings being demolished. Article made special reference to and quoted ECMC member, Charles Savage, our own Ph.D. candidate
- C. Freddie spoke of a friend who recently bought a bike and is invited to come to meetings.
- D. Discussion to be continued on whether to make the anniversary dinner a run event outside of the city.
- E. Schedule for meetings:
August 1--Hal's (hosted by Emil)
August 18--Dan and Max's
Sept. 1--Frank's
Sept. 15--Tom's

Minutes respectfully submitted,

EMPIRE CITY MOTORCYCLE CLUB MEETING—AUGUST 4, 1982

held at Hal's (Hosted by Emil)

Present: Dan, Emil, Bob, Hal, Mike, Ed B., George, Max.

Absent: Frank, Ron, Ed D., Tom, Freddie, Jamo, Charlie, Keith, Mark, Ken.

Guests: Frank, Claude,

I. Minutes Approved.

II. Officer's Report:

A. Treasurer: Checking \$645.37 \$95 spent for the PO box.
 Savings 333.92
 Acc. Fund 855.25

B. Road Captain:

1. George, Dan and Claude rode to Tanglewood with the T-Bolts, 8/1,
2. August 13--Pocono Warriors Skinny-Dip. On the same date, the T-Bolts are riding to Manchester, N.H. via Boston.
3. August 27/29, Faucon Migration, Montreal, Que.
4. Sept. 11--Spartan's Bar night at the Spike. On 9/12, an ECMC hosted brunch for the Spartan's and T-Bolts at Ron B.
5. Sept 14--ECMC bar night at the Spike.
6. Sept. 18--ECME Hudson River Scenic ride--departure 10:00AM, Morton st. Pier--return 5 PM.
7. Sept. 25, Gillete Castle ride--departure 9 AM Morton St pier, estimated return by 5 PM.
8. October 9 and 10--T*Bolt Fall Foliage ride to Woodcum Summit in the Berkshires. This is also ECMC's 18th anniversary weekend. Discussion began about making the anniversary celebration a ride rather than a dinner, an anniversary on wheels. We could stay in a motel one night in the Berkshires. Discussion to be resumed under new business.
9. The Motorcycle Safety Course will be rescheduled.

III. Old Business: Motion passed to raise the pledge fee to \$10 (Emil, Dan).

IV. New Business:

- A. Kevin Kern wishes to pledge. He has attended three meetings and his bike is still in the shop. He was accepted as a pledge and is to be informed that he cannot be considered for membership until he is seen with his bike and has attended two bike events.
- B. Anniversary on the road. Make a weekend of riding the anniversary rather than the dinner. It was suggested that it be combined with the T-Bolt run as it is on the Columbus Day weekend. Problem for members who cannot get away and others who enjoy the dinner as a special event. Some members felt that ECMC is a bike club and that fact should be celebrated. This idea will be voted on at the next meeting. Send in your proxy!!!

V. Good and Welfare

- A. Emil spoke about the New American Party and circulated a petition. A friend of his is running for city council, Nomi Azulay. She is known for her work in the Women's and lesbian movement.
- B. The Democratic Party's Gay Rights Plank has been reaffirmed.
- C. Hal talked about his pending trip to Dallas for a national conference of gay health leaders to develop a national program on Kaposi Sarcoma and the Acquired Immunodeficiency Syndrome (AIDS). This led to a long discussion which was continued after the meeting.
- D. Dan wanted us to know that Marilyn died twenty years ago.

Minutes respectfully submitted,

As also happened after the last meeting at Mike's, members and guests stayed and talked for more than an hour---a good time of fellowship.

EMPIRE CITY MOTORCYCLE CLUB MEETING--August 18, 1982 at Dan's

Present: Dan, George, Ron, Charlie, Bob, Mike, Mark, Ed B., Ed D., Frank,
Hal, Max, Emil, Jamo
Guests: Ray
Pledge: Kevin
Absent: Keith, Freddie, Tom

I. Minutes approved

II. Officer's Reports

A. Road Captain:

1. Eagle Bar Night--Sept. 21, 1982
2. Day Run--9/18, Hudson River route, leave Morton St. pier 10AM
3. Day Run--9/25, Gillete Castle, leave pier 9AM
4. Motorcycle Safety Foundation course rescheduled to 10/3, Sun.
ECMC will front the \$25 deposit, T-Bolts invited
5. Frank attended the Pocono Warriors Skinny Dip--100 in attendance.
6. George attended the T-Bolt run to Manchester, N.H.

B. Treasurer:

Checking	\$533.04
Savings	333.92
Acc. Fund	855.25

III. Old Business

A. Anniversary on Wheels discussion. Rawhide offered to host a brunch for ECMC. T-Bolt Fall Foilage run is now Oct. 16/17. After much discussion, a motion was passed (Hal, Ed B.) to have an anniversary on wheels out of town. A second motion was passed (Mark, Charlie) to have an anniversary dinner in town; scheduled for 10/11. A committee chaired by Bob with Mark, Charlie, Jamo--Blue Fox was suggested. ECMC members can attend the T-Bolt run as individual members. Another motion passed (Emil, Jamo) that ECMC invite all expresidents who are not presently members to the anniversary dinner as ECMC's guests--current members and guests pay themselves.

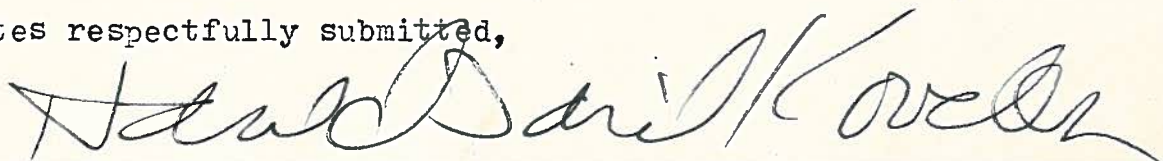
IV. New Business: Charlie will start investigating for ECMC's 20th anniversary on a month trip to England and Europe where bikes can be rented with an option to buy.

V. AMCC: Next meeting in two weeks for nominations and Keith is not running. Motion passed (Dan, Mark) that ECMC empower our representative to nominate Patrick Simpson from the T-Bolts for President.

VI. Good and Welfare

- A. Jamo was pleased to note that Ron's cast is off and he is on his toes
- B. Max is going to the Mr. Roundup contest in Toronto--all expenses paid
- C. Mark commented on the tone of the meeting.
- D. Ed B. mentioned a straight sponsored poker run, 8/29 with a \$500 first prize.
- E. Hal reported on the Dallas conference with a special forum on the Acquired Immune Deficiency Syndrome (AIDS). A national network is being established for education and support around AIDS. Models are also being established for local communities. Discussion followed about the newest research evidence.
- F. Hal gave greetings from Tony Torres who was also in Dallas attending the Gay Leadership Conference held in conjunction with the Forum. He is now an officer of the National Gay Press Association.
- G. Hal spoke of the local AIDS support groups here and how can ECMC relate to the community efforts for fundraising. Dan will bring it up at the CONYAC meeting. Maybe ECMC can do a benefit bar night.
- H. Emil (?) mentioned the recent repeal of the Texas Sodomy Law.
- I. Ed. B. told of another fag-bashing this week in the neighborhood.

Minutes respectfully submitted,



EMPIRE CITY MOTORCYCLE CLUB MEETING--9/1/82 at Frank's

Present: Frank, Tom, Ed B., Hal, Charlie, Mike, Ron, Jamo, Ken, Bob, Emil, Max.
Pledge: Kevin
Absent: Keith, Mark, George, Ed D., Dan, Freddie

- I. Minutes approved with minor correction.
- II. Committee Report: Jamo reported that the dinner will be at the Blue Fox. Cost about \$20 which includes two drinks, soup, salad, entre (fish or chicken), wine, dessert, coffee. Motion passed (Ken, Mike) to invite Thurston Hughes as ECMC's guest. Motion passed (Charlie, Frank) to invite Jack Dowling as ECMC's guest.
- III. New Business
 - A. Spartan's Bar night at the Spike--9/11. ECMC members are encouraged to be there early. Map to Ron's will be distributed at bar night. Time to leave Morton St. Pier will be set by Spartans (probably between 12-2). Mike will take care of food and Bob will take care of bar for brunch at Ron's.
 - B. Spike Bar Night--Sept. 14th,--10:30--11:30 Tom and Ed,
11:30--12:30 Mike and Hal
 - C. Eagle Bar Night--Sept. 21st
- IV. Officer's Report
 - A. Treasurer:

Checking	\$295.91
Savings	333.92
Accid.	855.25
 - B. Road Captain
 1. Reminder about the space for the Spartans
 2. Remember to be there for bar night!
 3. Ken attended the run in Hell, Michigan--rode his Harley--97 men attended representing 32 clubs--Long distance went to Oklahoma.
 4. ECMC runs:

9/18--Hudson River
9/25--Gillete Castle
10/16--T-Bolt Fall Foilage
- V. Good and Welfare
 - A. Jack Dowling and Charlie went to see "The Importance of Being Earnest" with Quentin Crisp--Lighting and Sound by our own Tom!
 - B. "Road Warrior" (film) discussed--violent, fun, gruesome, humungus, good costumes.

Minutes respectfully submitted,



Present: George, Ed B., Frank, Dan, Jamo, Tom, Hal, Mark, Charlie, Ken, Emil, Max

Pledge: Kevin

Absent: Mike, Ron, Bob, Keith, Ed. D., Freddie

I. Minutes approved with suggestion that next meeting place be included.

II. Officer's Report

A. Road Captain

- 1. Spartan's Bar night had good attendance. Special thanks to Ron for hosting the brunch, to Mike for food arrangements and cooking, to George for clean-up, and to Bob for Bloody Mary fixings.
- 2. Spike Bar night, 9/14/82 netted \$90.21 (34.56 bar and 55.65 tips). Thanks to the bartenders, Mike, Tom, Ed B., and Bob.
- 3. See enclosed letter about notes on bar night.
- 4. Eagle Bar Night--9/21--9:00 to 12:00.

9-10:30---George, Max
10:30-12:00---Kevin, Tom, Jamo

- 4. 10/26--Spike Bar night
- 5. 9/18--Hudson River Scenic Ride--leave Pier at 10:00 AM.
- 6. 9/25--Gilette Castle Ride--leave Pier at 9:00 AM.
- 7. 10/3--Motorcycle Safety Course--Max, Ken, George, Ed D., Ray Burke
- 8. 10/16-10/17--T-Bolt Fall Foilage, eleven ECMC members attending.

B. AMCC

- 1. Last meeting held 8/28 at M.C. Faucon's Migracion '82. Next meeting at Lost Angle's Autumn Scrambles in D.C. on 11/5-11/7.
- 2. Nominations: President--Paul Rose, Spartans M.C.; Joe Marengo, Bucks, M.C.; Patrick Simpson, Thunderbolts M.C. Vice-president--Kevin Coughlin, Excelsior M.C. Secretary --Alan Smith, Wheels, M.C.; Mike Bridger, M.C. Faucon. Treasurer--Jerry Reber, Reading Railmen.
- 3. Elections to be held at L.A.'s Autumn Scrambles.
- 4. ECMC sanction date tentatively set for 12/19/82. Final decision on sanction dates at next meeting.
- 5. In treasury, \$789.52.

C. Treasurer

- 1. Checking \$271.48
- Savings 333.92
- Acc. Fund 855.25

2. Bob Schaeffer paid dues for 1981 and 1982!!

II. Old Business: Anniversary dinner at the Blue Fox costs \$25 a person-- Monday, Oct. 11--7:00 cocktails and 8:00 dinner.

V. New Business

- A. Motion passed to have the xmas party at the Spike on 12/10/82 (Jamo, George). Dan to contact Spike about costs and then contact Charlie about the leaflet. Discussion about giving profits to aiding the Kaposi Sarcoma/AIDS research. Possibly have another fundraiser for the research. Why are we still having the xmas party for the Graham-Windham presents? Discussion on why not having the xmas party for gay organizations? Motion passed (Ken, Charlie) for ECMC to have its traditional Christmas party with gifts for the children at G*W.
- B. Discussion on having an ECMC bar night an AIDS night (Acquired Immune Deficiency Syndrome). Motion passed (Max, Dan) to have the Nov. 23 bar night theme--thanksgiving for gay life. Amendment--any donation over \$100 gets two free tickets for ECMC xmas party. Committee formed with Emil, Hal, Max, Charlie, Tom.

Good and Welfare

- A. Charlie will miss some meetings as he is in school and will do graphics
- B. Mention of Graham-Windham benefit at "Cats"
- C. Jurg, ECMC pledge, has AIDS and would appreciate visits and calls.
- D. Max was first runnerup at the Roundup '82.

ECMC

Minutes respectfully submitted

NEXT MEETINGS: Oct 6---no meeting
 Oct 20---Mark's
 Nov 3---Ken
 Nov 17---Dan & George

EMPIRE CITY MOTORCYCLE CLUB Meeting, 10/20/82 at Mark's

Present: George, Emil, Dan, Ron, Ken, Frank, Mark, Bob, Max, Charlie
returning ex-member Fernando

Guests: Brugh Pettry, John Lawrence

Absent: Keith, Jamo, Freddie, Ed. B., Ed. D., Hal, Tom,

Pledges: Jurg and Kevin

Meeting called to order at 9:03PM

I. Minutes (9/15/82) accepted, after discussion, with IV., New Business A, line 5, "Why are we...?" deleted.

II. Officers' and Committees' Reports

A. Road Captain

1-9/18 Ed B., John Lawrence and Dan did a scenic Hudson River Ride.

2-9/25 Gillette Castle ride cancelled - only John Lawrence showed up.

3-10/3 MSF Advanced Rider Course completed by George, Ed. D., and Ray Burke (Trident).

4-10/16 Thunderbolts' Fall Foliage Ride attended by Ed. B., Ron, Ed. D., Hal, Dan, Max, George, Mark, John Lawrence and Brugh Pettry and guests.

5-10/5 Excelsior "Fun Buns" contest, Spike. Max showed 2nd (prize). Road Captain was a judge.

6-10/9 Praetorians 10th Anniversary Dinner, the Eagle. Present: Ed. B., Ken, Dan, Max, Frank, Charlie, and George.

7-10/18 ECMC 18th Anniversary Dinner, the Blue Fox. Absent and missed: Freddie and Tom. (~~Though~~ Tom not only sent his better half, but called from Winston-Salem.) The Corresponding Secretary is asked to direct our thanks to the management of the Rawhide for the complimentary after-dinner drinks. Likewise a letter of thanks to be sent to the staff of the Blue Fox.

8-Barnight 10/26 at the Eagle, not at the Spike as earlier reported. 9 - 12:00

9-Special motorcycle license plates applications passed around. (ECMC 01 has been snapped up by, well, guess who?)

B. Treasurer's Report

1-Checking \$194.98

-Savings 338.65

-Accident Fund 865.35

2-Submitted financial statement of 18th Anniversary Dinner.

3-Treasurer needs monies due from Fall Foliage (Kooden - 2, Bresnahan, Dickinson, Wind - 2).

4-Also money due from MSF Advance Rider course (Burke, guest).

C. AMCC

1-Nominations (see Minutes, 9/15/82, II, B, 2. After discussion Patrick Simpson (Thunderbolt) is nominated unanimously

D. "Thanksgiving for Life" Barnight benefit for GMHC Committee

1-Mailers ready for Spike mailing, end of this month

Club mailing and friends

Max reported that the The New York Native will carry an ad.

2-Dan would like us to coerce, cajole and intimidate people in the Bar that night to donate. Bob asked about an auction, discussion ensued, abandoned.

3-Ed B. will produce the mailing list, and the Club will target those to receive mailer.

E. Christmas Party

1-We have the Spike at no cost to us, 12/11, 6 - 10:00.

III. Old Business

A. Christmas Party

1-Dan and Charlie coordinating publicity

2-Graham-Windham Home to be contacted. Ed. B.?

3-President called for volunteers, Christmas Party committee: Emil Bob and Dan

IV. New Business

A. Fernando's reapplication

- 1-Constituion: Reapplicants after more than a year: -attend three meetings
-invitation to pledge
-three more meetings and
two club sponsored rides
- 2-President asked Fernando to write a letter of intention and not to come to the next meeting.

V. Good and Welfare

- A. George will tell us about the Guardians' event at the next meeting within the the Road Captain's Report, ~~at the next meeting.~~
- B. Ken has two new pistons, though neither are yet within his Harley.
- C. Mark passed the 20,000 mile mark. This may seem to be small potatoes unless you recall he has a doorslammer and that his ^{M/C} speedometer broke in 1978.

Meeting adjourned: 10:11 PM

Next Meetings:

- 11/3 - Ken's
- 11/17- Dan's (host:George)

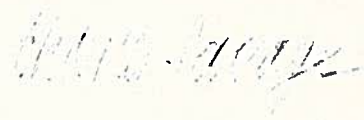
Barnights:

- 10/26 - The Eagle, 9 - 12:00
- 11/23 - the Spike, "Thanksgiving for Life", benefit for the GMHC, 10 - 12:30

Interim News:

- Mike Wallace's Mother passed away Sunday morning, 10/24. The club has sent a token of our sympathy. Mrs. Wallace was a friend to many of us. Her matter-of-fact demeanour gave no hint of her great good humour nor her interest in people as they are. This very rare personality will be missed.
- Freddy was shifted to a late afternoon schedule that releases ^{him} from work in Mahwah, N.J. at 8:00 PM. He's going to try to get to November meetings. Dan asked that the following be included in the minutes: the club Christmas card photo is to be taken at the next meeting - wear colours. The recording sec. pro.tem. refused to include this item because it was not brought up before adjournment. Those of you who cannot make this momentous event should send a recent snapshot of yourself to be superimposed within the group shot. Address these to Dan at his home.

Respectfully submitted,



Present: George, Ken, Bob, Hal, Dan, Max, Freddie, Ron, Ed B., Frank
Tom, Mike
Guests: John L.
Absent: Keith, Mark, Charlie, Emil, Jamo, Ed.D.
(Pledges) Kevin, Jurg

- I. Minutes approved with minor corrections (Mike was absent and George did not attend the Praetorian dinner.)
- II. Officers Reports
- A. Road Captain
1. The bar night at the Eagle netted \$69.70.
 2. CONYAC is having a Harvest Brunch at J's on Nov. 21 from 1 to 5; cost is \$6. WEAR COLORS!
2. No treasurer's report as he was absent and sick.
- III. Old Business
- A. The Wallace family sent a thank you for the cards and flowers.
- B. The T-Bolts sent a thank you letter for the brunch at Ron's.
- C. Fernando's letter had not arrived. Because of the changes in the club since he had left, it was felt important that he get to know the newer members and vice versa. Motion passed (Frank, George) that Fernando attend three meetings and then the club vote on his being a member; the initial three meetings and riding requirements are being waived. It is the responsibility of the newer members to get to know him.
- D. The Christmas party will be December 11 at the Spike from 6-10. costing \$15. The party committee has been expanded to include Mike, George and Hal.
- IV. New Business
- A. Members should start thinking of nominations for the coming elections.
- B. Next meetings: Nov. 17--Dan's (hosted by George)
Dec. 1--Bob's
Dec. 15--No meeting, in lieu of the Xmas party
Jan. 5--Ed B's.
Jan 19--Tom's
- V. Good and Welfare
- A. Ed. B. received his Black Belt last Sunday.
- B. Frank and Don went roller skating. Frank did not fall nor was he near the railing.
- C. Happy Birthday to Bob.
- D. Mike gave his personal thank you to the club for the flowers and warm messages.

Meeting was adjourned at 9:14--one of the shortest meetings yet.

Remember: Thanksgiving for Life Bar night at the Spike on Nov. 23. Proceeds to go to the Gay Men's Health Crisis. Every \$100 donation (tax exempt) receives two free tickets to the ECMC Christmas dinner. There will also be an auction of various gifts donated for this purpose; dinners for two, leather articles of clothing, tickets to the NYC Gay Men's Chorus, etc.

Wear Club Colors to the next meeting for the Xmas photo.

Respectfully Submitted,

Minutes of EMPIRE CITY MOTORCYCLE CLUB meeting, 11/17/82

Host: George at Dan's

- I Called to order at 8:50 PM by Pres. Bob Pierce. Pres. asked, and Charlie consented to take minutes in the absence of our peripatetic Rec. Sec. Hal.
Present: George, Bob, Dan, Tom, Frank, Ed. D., Max, Jamo, Ron, Emil, Mike.
Special guest: Fernando
Pledge: Kevin
Guest: John Lawrence
- II Minutes of Previous meeting approved and accepted.
- III Officer, representative, and committee reports:
 - A Road Captain
 1. Barnights: "Thanksgiving for Life", The Spike 11/23
The Eagle 11/30. Bartenders: Jamo, George, Kevin, Max
Defenders ?
 - B AMCC
 1. The AMCC meeting was held at the Lost Angels' "Autumn Scrambles", Washington, D.C., 11/6.
 2. Sanctioned events dates approved with minor changes. (Will these be published?)
 3. Officers elected for 1983: Pres. Paul Rose (Spartans); V.P. Kevin Coughlin (Excelsior); Sec. Mike Bridger (M.C. Faucon); Treas. Jerry Reber (Reading Railmen).
 4. European Conference of Motorcycle Clubs is investigating a joint AMCC/ECMC event in 1985. Committee formed to study this.
 5. Committee formed to consider inactive clubs within AMCC membership.
 6. Next AMCC meeting will be 4/83 at Spartans' event in D.C.
 7. We can be very proud of our own Keith Battin's conscientious and responsible leadership these past two years. AMCC has grown and become stronger under his aegis.
 - B CONYAC
 1. Meeting 11/9
 2. Nominations entered for chairmanship 1983: Iron Guards, Trident, Empire City (declined).
 3. CONYAC brunch, 11/21, J's, (tickets were \$6.00). (Ed. comment: if the "sauce benedict" looks thin, don't eat it!)
 4. Nova is disbanding as of 1/1/83.
 - D Treasurer's Report:

Checking	- \$394.98
Savings	338.65
Accident Fund	867.35
- V Old Business
 - A Christmas Party:
 1. Committee: Mike, Dan, Bob, Hal, Ron, Emil, and George
 2. The flyer/mailers (such as they are) were ready in time for Dan to take them and those for "Thanksgiving for Life" to AMCC meeting. Tread's editor received a copy for inclusion in the next issue.
 - B "Thanksgiving for Life" benefit for the Gay Men's Health Crisis
 1. Auction: Casey Wayne has consented to be auctioneer
 2. Donations to auction: Hal- 2 tkt.s to Gay Men's Chorus and meal for two at 23rd St. Saloon; George-biker's wallet; Bob-meal for two at Cafe Nieuw Amsterdam and a leather vest from Carlos Foz; John-something from Eagle Stationery?x Dan is approaching Village Cycles?x Frank-Sam Brown belt from Marquis de Suede, six Chiron memberships as door prizes; Mike-belts by John Patrick and a \$25.00 gift certificate from the Wife of Bath Shop as a doorprize; Ron-leather jacket, val. \$125.00 and 3 certificates for trick cards by Artie (two liners, val. \$16.00 ea.); Kevin- items from Winston's or Pyramid? Fernando-leather apparel (belts, gloves).
 3. All items to be brought to the Spike by 9:30 PM, 11/23.
 4. Charlie to contact Brad Frandsen, Sec, to the GMHC committee, to have someone speak about their publications needs. (This has been done. Paul Popham or

Frandsen will speak.)

VI New Business: NONE

VII Good and Welfare

A Frank spoke of the four rent increases his garage has posted this year, from \$50.00 to \$90.00 per month for a motorcycle! Usury!

1. He called NYC's Bureau of Consumer Affairs. Garages can raise rents anytime to anything. But they must give sixty (60) days advance notice.
2. Discussion ensued whether or not petitions should be circulated to protest this gouging.

B John Lawrence will not attend the 12/1 meeting. This is a call for his sponsors.

VIII Meeting adjourned at 9:40 PM

Ed. B. arrived 9:46; Ken at 9:53 PM.

Club Christmas / Chanuka card photo made by Ed. D. It ought to be stunning!

Meetings: 12/1 - **BOB**

12/12- Christmas /Chanuka party, The Spike

12/15 - **NO MEETING IN LIEU OF PARTY**

1/5/83 - **ED B.**

1/19 - **TOM**

Respectfully submitted,

Charlie
Charles Savage

Minutes of Empire City Motorcycle Club meeting, 12/1/82

Host: Bob Pierce

Meeting called to order 8:50; present: Bob, Dan, Max, Charlie,
Ron, Emil, Frank, Ed B., Kevin (pledge)
Guests: Brew, Richard, Ron (Spearheads, Toronto)

Minutes of previous meeting approved and accepted.

Reports:

Treasurer: Checking \$374.07
 Savings 338.65
 Accident 867.35

GMHC Benefit on 11/23/82 \$1550.49 with more
coming in.

Road Captain:

CONYAC Brunch attended by Blake, Buchanan, Keyser, Magee,
Miller, Olson, Solis, Wind 11/21/82

GMHC Benefit attended by Blake, Buchanan, Dickinson, Keyser,
Magee, Miller, Olson, Pierce, Savage, Solis, Stein, Tippet,
Wallace, Wind, Kern, Lawrence, 11/23/82

All of those who attended, worked behind the bar, helped
with the auction and persuaded the crowd to be generous de-
serve praise for a job well done. The success of the evening
was because you cared enough to be there and put out (energy
that is).

A special thanks to Emil for organizing and giving out
receipts at the door for tax write-offs.

The club did well to be a leader collecting money for GMHC.
Use of the Spike money (reimbursement for failing to mail
GMHC Benefit fliers) tabled until after the Christmas party.

Eagle Bar Night 11/30/82 Bar \$25
 Tips 50
 Total 75

Thanks to bartenders George, Max, John Lawrence

Christmas Party

Volunteers for

Door: Frank, Emil, Ed B.

Clean-up: Ron (all will be expected to help)

Gift collection and delivery: Ed D.

Old Business: none

New Business: John Lawrence, sponsored by Bob and Dan, was
accepted as a pledge into ECMC. He was notified and joined us
for a celebratory drink.

Qualifications for membership in ECMC were explained to our
guests by the Road Captain.

A committee was formed (Charlie, Frank, Bob) to select a place to hold our upcoming anniversary dinner during the first week in February.

Good and Welfare

Kevin's bike is waiting for a tireman to put on a tire.

Monday Tom Tippett and Frank Olson berthed their bikes for the winter in New Jersey.

GMHC Forum was attended by Emil. Most there were under 30. Five doctors, two gay, led the discussion. It was a sad experience. Among the topics discussed were how not to feel guilty about the disease and experiences with terminal patients.

Motion to adjourn made and passed at 10:15

Dates to remember:

Christmas Party, Spike, Saturday December 11, 6-10

N.Y. Gay Men's Chorus, Dec 14, at Carnegie Hall, 8:00

Meetings: January 5, 1983 Ed B.

January 19, 1983 Tom

Respectfully submitted,

Ed Bresnahan

empire city motorcycle club

TO: ECMC MEMBERSHIP
FROM: DAN
DATE: 12/1/82

Since this is the last meeting of 1982, I'd like to take a few minutes to summarize our achievements of the past year.

While many clubs around us are stagnant or dying, we've continued to grow. Three new members, Buchanan, Stein and Tippett, joined our ranks this year. Our new pledges, if accepted for membership, will bring our total membership to over 20 motorcycle owner/operators.

A new constitution was drafted and ratified. A new membership category and dues structure will more adequately meet the club's needs in the future.

Another group completed the MSF Advanced Rider Course showing our commitment to rider education and safety.

Our events have been successful and well attended.

- Installation dinner
- Bike Christening
- Biker's Picnic
- Anniversary Dinner
- Thanksgiving Benefit (Raising over \$1500 for GMHC)
- (Hopefully) Christmas party

While far from wealthy, we are solvent.

Meetings, bar nights and rides were generally well attended showing continued interest and support. Even when we've disagreed, the club has managed to reach decisions through the democratic process. With the support of our club brothers, we've weathered our individual joys and sorrows, large and small, making all of our lives richer for the brotherhood we've shared.

I think 1982 has been a good year in the history of this club. After 18 years, the club is vital and viable. The 19th can be even a better one.

LIST OF PERSONS WHO ORDERED TICKETS TO E.C.M.C.'S DEC. 1982 CHRISTMAS PARTY:

Thurston Hughes
498 King George Rd.
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Roger N. McEnnis (T-Bolts)
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Hackensack, N.J. 07601

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Stockton, N. J. 08559

Joe Galati
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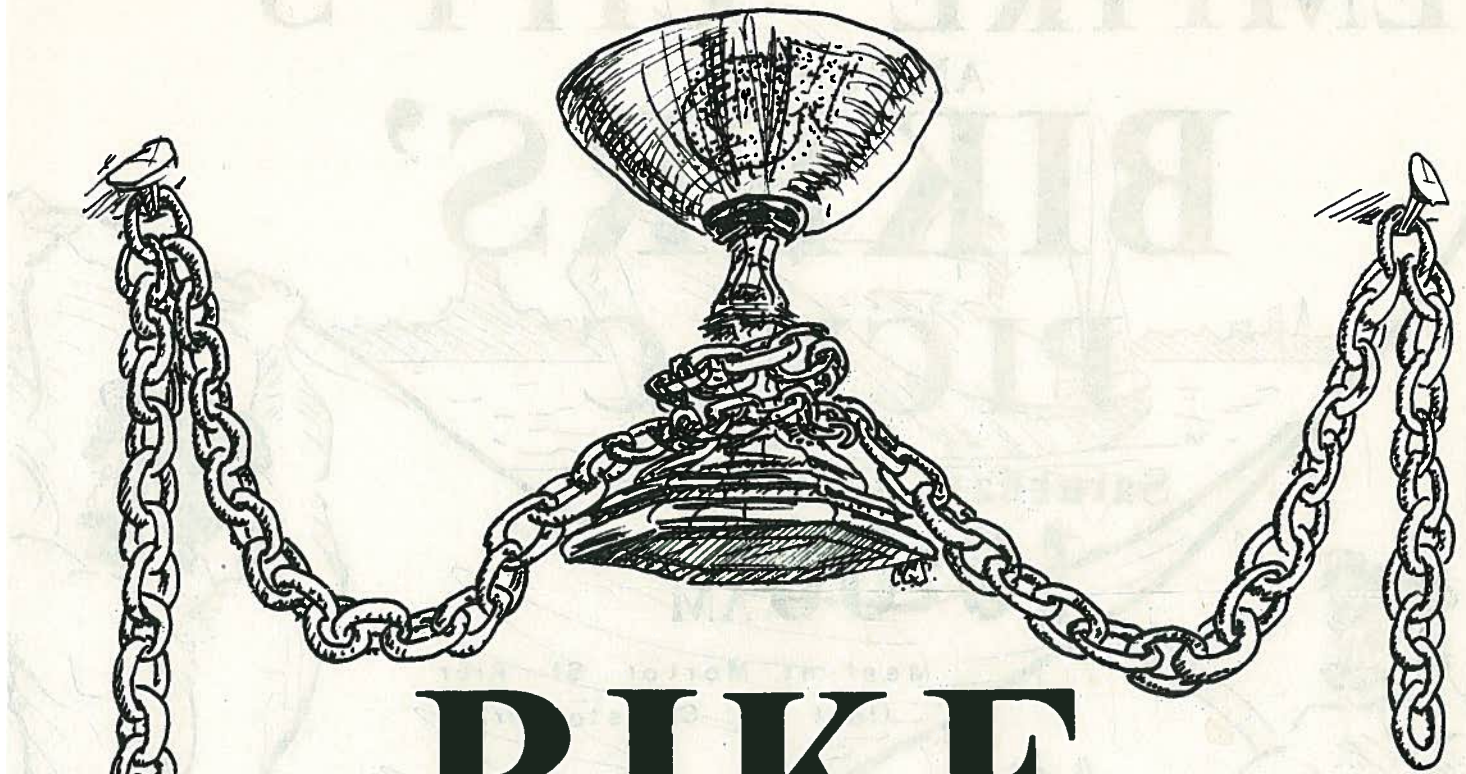
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Ed Doyle (Vanguards)
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BIKE CHRISTENING

THE  SPIKE

**FRIDAY, THE FOURTH OF JUNE
8:30 - 11:30 PM**

Bikers desiring to participate should bring their machines to the SPIKE's corner entrance (20th St.) promptly at 8:30. All new and/or unchristened machines are welcome. Call (212) 929-6294 to reserve your place. Plan to attend the Bikers' Picnic next day.

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Saturday, June 5th

10:00 AM

Meet at Morton St. Pier
(foot of Christopher)

Undisclosed
destination

CAMPING

Brunch
Sunday, June 6th

Nominal charge - TOWN HOUSE Restaurant

Hosts: The LOST ANGELS

CCS.