

ECMC Open General Meeting Minutes – 5th August 2015

Present: EC, DS, GK, CA, MW, EM, SL, GD, MM
Phone: GP, ED

Absent: AG, WC
Guests: KK, Ruben S, Ed B, Tony P

Meeting called to order 8:05 PM by President EC

Motion to accept July 2015's Meeting Minutes made by EM, MW 2nd (passed)

Officer's Reports

President (EC)

- 2015's allotment of ECMC friendship pins was handed out with a guideline of appropriateness
- EC handed the floor over to our guest, Ed B to discuss ECMC participating in a fundraising event on 11th October 2015 at Nurse Bettie's Bar, 106 Norfolk St, New York, NY 10002 to benefit the Tyler Clementi Foundation, <http://www.tylerclementi.org/>. It was noted that there are two conflicting ECMC events on the 11th October, the Concrete Canyon Run and our 51st Anniversary Dinner. Sadly, we will be unable to directly participate; however, donations for can be made to assist – plus ECMC expressed an interest in participating in other upcoming events. See the 'NYC Sisters of Perpetual Indulgence' page on facebook at <https://www.facebook.com/nycsisters> for details.

Vice President (DS)

- Upcoming events:
 - o 11 OCT: 51st Anniversary Dinner
 - o 16-18 OCT: Harbour Masters' Run (Attending: EC, EM, CA, MM)
 - o 06 NOV: Mr Maryland Leather Weekend - Baltimore, MD
 - o 16 JAN 16: Barnight at DC Eagle
- All ECMC events are posted in our calendar at <http://calendar.EmpireCityMC.com>

Road Captain (GK)

- Road Captain's ride & event spreadsheet handed out
- Upcoming rides:
 - o 09 AUG: Nuclear Lake Bike & Hike led by CA
 - o 20 AUG: Bike Night in Times Square
 - o 27 AUG – 01 SEP: Toronto, ON, Canada (CA, EC, MM, JM, em)
 - o 10 SEP: Midnight 9/11 Tribute Ride
 - o 12 SEP: Six Flags Great Adventure (CA, AG, DS)
 - o 18-20 SEP: Rehoboth Beach/Ocean City Bike Week
 - o 18-28 SEP: Loop-the-Lake led by CA
 - o 11 OCT: Concrete Canyon Run - <http://concretecanyonrun.com/>
- Gia Gelato ride has been cancelled again. Will re-address at teleconference.
- All ECMC rides are in our calendar at <http://calendar.EmpireCityMC.com>
- Road Captain annual certification still due for MC(a)

Secretary (CA)

- WC confirmed that Bike Blessing Certificates will be created and mailed out by 19th August.
- Reminder: As the PO Box fee is very high (\$154), our new address shall be '**Empire City MC, 10 W 15th St Suite 609, New York, NY 10011-6821**' please make a note of this. MW shall alert the Secretary whenever postal mail has arrived; however, it remains the Secretary's job to open and distribute the postal mail unless it is directly addressed to MW.
- Rumbings newsletter will be transmitted 12th August, please submit any articles now. JM to be interviewed this month.

Treasurer (MW)

- Presentation of finances

A motion to accept officer's reports made by DS, MW 2nd

Committee Reports

AMCC Representative (EM)

- The 179th AMCC meeting shall take place at the Harbour Masters' Run in October

Inventory Committee (EC, DS, MW, CA, MM, AG, WC, JM)

- Members to review club inventory and get rid of items no longer in good condition or non-essential.
- We will discuss dates to perform this on the upcoming teleconference call.

Social Committee (EC, MM, EM, AG, DS, CA, JM, MW)

- Billiards tournament with Sirens MC to take place after riding season is over. MW to arrange.

Constitution & Bye-Laws Committee (AG, CA, SL, JM)

- The committee was formed in July's OGM. CA to schedule meeting in August.

Old Business

- Friendship Pins have arrived. First bag of 100 were presented; however the remaining nine bags are in CA/KK's care at this time until it is decided where 7kg of pins will be stored.
- 100 new backpatches have been ordered and paid for. Expected delivery is late August 2015.
- DS/AG to continue to work with Ed B to conceive charity events ECOMC can host/participate in.

New Business

- CA to make reservations for our 51st Anniversary Dinner at 'I Coppi di Matilda', 647 E 11th St, New York, NY 10009. This is the restaurant in the East Village where we held our 2015 installation dinner. Cocktails at 6pm, Dinner sitting at 7pm. Note: This event follows the 'Concrete Canyon Run', Road Captain, GK to investigate the probable end time for the event to ensure we have time to get home to change and take public transit to dinner.

Comments on the record (good & welfare)

- Our member, ED's brother is presently on a feeding tube in order to give him strength to ensure chemotherapy. Please keep ED and his brother in your thoughts.
- Our associate member, MM is celebrating his 1st anniversary as an ECOMC club member and has put a request into his primary club, Twilight Guard, to resign. Rather than 'losing' him, the club opted to make MM an "Honorary Life Member". At this point, MM shall begin to pursue full membership in Empire City MC.
- Friend of the club, Tom (from Philly) was just in an accident with his bike and an 18-wheeler. Although Tom was shaken, he is okay; however, his bike is totaled.
- The next club conference call will be on Wednesday, 19th August 2015 starting at 8 PM
- The next Open General Meeting will be Wednesday, 2nd September 2015 from 8-9 PM at "The Centre" at 208 West 13th Street, NYC.

Comments off the record

- Not recorded.

Adjournment

Motion to close meeting made by DS, SL 2nd

Meeting closed at 09:00 PM