

ECMC Open General Meeting Minutes – 2nd September 2015

Present: EC, DS, GK, CA, MW, SL(t), JM, AG, WC, GP, GD, ED
Guests: Dave P, KK, Ruben S, Tony P, Jack D

Absent: EM
Phone: MM(a)

Meeting called to order 8:02 PM by President EC

Motion to accept August 2015's Meeting Minutes made by DS, WC 2nd (passed)

Officer's Reports

President (EC)

- Stressed that we need to begin planning Anniversary Dinner and Holiday Party soon

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
- Completed rides run-down
 - o 09 AUG: Nuclear Lake Bike & Hike led by CA (DS, EM, GD, SL, JM, CA & friends)
 - o 20 AUG: Bike Night in Times Square (CA & friends)
 - o 27 AUG – 01 SEP: Toronto, ON, Canada (CA, EC, ED, MM, JM & friends)
- Upcoming rides:
 - o 10 SEP: Midnight 9/11 Tribute Ride
 - o 12 SEP: Six Flags Great Adventure (CA, AG, DS, GD)
 - o 18-20 SEP: Rehoboth Beach/Ocean City Bike Week (GK, JM, MW)
 - o 18-28 SEP: Loop-the-Lake led by CA (CA, MM)
 - o 11 OCT: Concrete Canyon Run - <http://concretecanyonrun.com/>
- Road Captain annual certification still due for MC(a)
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Secretary (CA)

- Three pieces of mail distributed
- WC was unable to produce Bike Blessing Certificates as he needs a template to complete the task. CA will e-mail him the template for immediate use.
- Rumbings newsletter will be transmitted 9th September, please submit any articles now. EC to be interviewed this month.

Treasurer (MW)

- Presentation of finances
- A **MOTION** was made by DS that MW be authorised to negotiate rental rates with Jorge at The Centre for a larger meeting room with air conditioning. GP 2nd (passed)
- All friendship pins for 2015 have been distributed to full members.

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

Committee Reports

AMCC Representative (EM)

- The 179th AMCC meeting shall take place at the Harbour Masters' Run in October.
- If EM is still ill, CA or EC will cover for EM at the meeting.

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

- We will finalise dates for performing inventory on the upcoming teleconference (16th September)
- This function will take place after our anniversary dinner in October.

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.
- CA suggested a winter ride to Aquatopia water park in the Poconos in the winter.

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

- Committee formed at July's OGM
- JM withdrew from committee
- First meeting date 16th September at CA's home prior to teleconference call
- Additional issues to discuss (in addition to the already denoted items):
 - o Used/old/spoiled patch protocol
 - o Replacing existing patches with new ones

Old Business

- 100 backpatches have been created and handed over to MW
 - o It was agreed that if any member may hand in up to 2 (two) patches for replacements if their present patch is worn or an outdated design. Their old patches are to be destroyed by incineration under supervision of the Treasurer.
- CA has received confirmation for our 51st Anniversary Dinner at 'I Coppi di Matilda' from 6pm-7pm on 11 October 2015 – we will discuss the fixe prix menu on the teleconference call on 16th September.
- Road Captain, GK to investigate the probable end time for 'Concrete Canyon Run' to ensure we have time to get home to change and take public transit to dinner so we can drink.
- DS/AG to discontinue working with Ed B to conceive charity events ECMC can host/participate in, as Ed B is moving to the west coast. DS/AG will work on creating ECMC's own fund-raising, charitable events.

New Business

- A **MOTION** was made by CA to spend up to \$75 for a vegan-friendly fruit basket and get well message be sent to EM. DP 2nd (passed)

Comments on the record (good & welfare)

- EM was in hospital following a severe infection on his leg from a pedicure massage since last Wednesday. He just returned home yesterday (1st September). It was mentioned that we should gently reach out to him to see if there is anything anyone can do to assist.
- GP and JM went to the Philadelphians mini-golf tournament on the NJ South Shore in July.
- MW offered to host a BBQ at his place this Labour Day weekend Sunday for members.
- CA indicated that he is considering hotel accommodations for the Six Flags trip. AG, DS, GD interested.
- The next club conference call will be on Wednesday, 16th September 2015 starting at 8PM
- The next Open General Meeting will be Wednesday, 7th October 2015 from 8PM-9PM at The Centre at 208 W 13th Street, New York, NY

Comments off the record

- Not recorded.

Adjournment

Motion to close meeting made by DS, GP 2nd

Meeting closed at 8:43 PM