



Empire City Motorcycle Club of NYC

Open General Meeting Minutes – June 1, 2022

Call to Order @ 2000hrs, 8:00pm

Attendees

Board Members: Erik R, Earl D, Gary P, Chaz A.

Full Members: Mario L, Mark W, Scot L.

Associates: Jay D, Lewis K,

Guest: Peter G, Snake G, Tim M, Adam Baran, Dan Lam

*If you join the meeting after Roll Call, please announce yourself to the Secretary to be included in attendance.

Attendance (Secretary), determine quorum – Yes

Announcement of Proxies –Yes

Approval of the Minutes from last month's Open General Meeting

1st Mark W.

2nd Chaz A.

Motion Passed

Officer's reports

President (Erik R.) Welcome message to all in attendance, and important ECMC club messages.

Vice President (Earl D.) report given by Chaz A.

• Past Events:

May 7, 2022, Installation of ECMC Officers/Dinner and Pub Crawl.

• Upcoming Events:

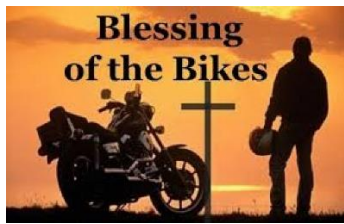
June 17, 2022, Bike Blessing, Time 6pm(1800hrs)-9pm(2100hrs)

Update: Chaz A. and Erik R. have agreed to work together to claim parking spaces in front of Ty's on this date starting at 9AM, 0900hrs. Chaz A. has signs and tape to block off space, Mark W. has megaphone, and paperwork.

Members and guest suggested to arrive asap to relieve members holding parking spaces.

Update: Earl to outreach to Ty's management that this event is to occur on this date and time and assist with holding parking spaces.

*Food & beverage options for members??



June 18, 2022, 0900-1700hrs Biker Picnic (Ride & Event), for outsiders and guest it is a secret location for the ride and picnic.

Update: Meet up spot in NYC near the Holland Tunnel, Dunkin Donuts on Christopher St. @ 0900hrs, 9:00am. Meet up with Mark W. along the route @ B/P gas station in NJ.



June 19, 2022, Folsom East **Update:** removed from calendar

June 26, 2022, (Ride & Event) Heritage Pride Parade, NYC is a go for 2022. Chaz A. has link to pre-register. The link will be going public soon.

September 29, 2022, Mates Leather Weekend XXV

October 8, 2022, ECMC 58th Anniversary Dinner

December 02, 2022, Excelsior MC Trim-A-Tree

December 03, 2022, ECMC 59th Annual Holiday Party & Gift Drive

The NYC Eagle would like to do an event with our club inside the bar, motorcycles in the bar. Details (TBD) **Update: Earl D. to follow-up with Eagle.

Road Captain (Chaz A.)

- It's Annual Certification time. As you get your bike(s) back on the road, please send photos of your registration, licence, insurance and (if applicable) inspection certificate to Road-Captain@empirecitymc.com – this is applicable to ALL levels of membership *except* emeritus and reserve.

Update: Members insurance and registration information is needed prior to any riding with ECMC: (Michael M, Joe M, Aaron G, Ed C, & Mike C.)

- Past Rides:

May 26-31, 2022, 11th Annual MC weekend in Pittsburgh

Update: Great time! Erik R, Uri R, Chaz A, Gary P, Jay D, Lewis K. & Tim M. in attendance along with a few other including our Three Rivers Club brothers @ Mike & Doug's ranch.

Thursday afternoon (Gary P. Chaz A. Erik R. & Uri R.) met-up in Harrisburg for dinner & drinks with the Pennsmen. Friday afternoon arriving close to our destination we were greeted & escorted by (Mike. N, Lewis K, Tim M, Jay D. to get us safely to the ranch and avoid over 1 hour of traffic). Saturday was an approx. 1-hour ride followed by a group tour of Fallingwater by Frank Lloyd Wright. Sunday was a tour of Pittsburgh on motorcycles with Mike N, Lewis K, Tim M, Gary P, & Jay D. The food organization was wonderful.

Kudos to the planning food committee (Lewis K, Jay D, & Tim M. along with a surprise guest of a Pastry chef from Oakmont Bakery that supplied sweet treats the entire weekend. (We were spoiled).

- Upcoming Rides:
June 4, 2022, Ride for Life, REGISTRATION - 9:30 TO 11:00AM & KICKSTANDS UP @ 11AM. Donation \$20/Bike. Location: 1100 Hwy 22 West, Lebanon, NJ 08833, phone # 908.236.0767. Food for purchase by Pino's Gourmet after the ride and there will be a band called 7 Day Weekend that will be playing at our event. Proceeds benefit Muscular Dystrophy Association.

July 9, 2022, Emilio Carranza Memorial & Wreath laying

- ECMC is interested in laying of a wreath @ the Emilio Carranza Memorial July 9, 2022 @ 1:00pm The wreath would be part of one of about 10 wreaths being laid that day, ECMC would lay one for the citizens of NYC in honor of Emilio.

Update: contact made with Mt Holly American Legion Post 11 Mark Murdy phone # 609-744.3900, email mdj12@comcast.net arrival time 12:30pm, wreath cost approx. \$80 – local florist.

Update:

Motion by Chaz A. to spend up to \$100 for a wreath to be laid at this memorial service.
 2nd Erik R.

Motion Approved

Gary P. outreached to the organizer of this event that we are planning to attend (weather permitting) and to place a wreath representing the citizens of NYC. This event happens rain or shine, if our club is rained out the organizers will lay the wreath and mention our organization. Wreath provided by: The Flower Junction [Address: 708 Main St, Lumberton, NJ 08048](#) [Phone: \(609\) 261-3002](tel:(609)261-3002) This is approx. a 1.5hr service. Post event included refreshments and music at the local high school, this has not occurred since Covid, a lunch destination will be the back-up plan at [Billy Boy's Four Mile Tavern](#) 12 Rt 72, Woodland Township, NJ 08019.

Update: Cost is \$93.00 for the wreath, ride map developed meet up spot Valero gas station in Bordentown on Route 206 @ 11:15am 1115hrs, just off the Bordentown exit of the New Jersey Turnpike, KSU at Valero 11:30, 1130hrs. All plans in place for wreath laying, head count of riders to occur during July 6, 2022. If food and music celebration does not occur afterwards, backup plan for lunch is to occur @ Billy Boys Four Mile Tavern. **NYC travelers from Christopher St. in NYC to the Valero gas station in Bordentown is approx. 1:15 minutes on I95.



July 15-17, 2022

Michael Conley & LI Ravens proposal: We have a date and a location set for a pool party/BBQ on July 16th, to be held at pledge's home in Southampton, NY.

It could be a good destination for ride from NYC/Jones Beach/Point Lookout to Southampton, with overnight billeting for up to 16 people/bikers. John Douglas, who Mark Wind knows and has attended yours and several other club events in NYC, is the host. The Ravens would manage the food shop and preparation. His property is semiprivate and would be set up for up to 40 guests. His driveway is loose gravel and can fit 10-12 bikes easily.

I know Aaron lives close by in Sag Harbor and may be able to add additional housing if he's available/amiable.

Staying over Saturday would allow for early morning bike trip to Montauk Lighthouse and return to NY before Hamptonites trek back in the afternoon.

July 30-31, 2022 ABBA hologram tour with live 10-piece band, price is \$113-\$507, Sunday July 31, 2021 @ 7Pm, Lancaster PA. Stay over at caboose motel.

Update: This is Chaz A. Birthday weekend, and the club has agreed to move forward with this event and ride. Accommodations will be at the Red Caboose Motel (space is limited, book asap). Maybe we can sneak another ride behind the 611 train. Confirmed: (Chaz A, KK, Erik R, Uri R, Gary P.)

August 18-23, 2022, Montreal Trip (Gay Pride occurring earlier in August)

Update: Tentative plans currently, leave NYC Thursday August 18, 2022, for overnight in Lake George NY area. Friday August 19, 2022, continue onto Montreal. Monday August 22, 2022, leave Montreal for Lake George NY for overnight. Tuesday August 23, 2022, return to NYC.

Confirmed: (Erik R, Chaz A, Uri R, KK)

August 26-27-28, 2022, [Find Unique Lodging Along PA Route 6! - PA Route 6 Alliance](#)

Update: Ideas, routes, sights, diners, breweries...Input welcome. Gary P. and Lewis K. started route planning possibilities to accommodate as many bikers as possible from 3 corners of PA.



Sept 1-6, 2022, Delta Run #28 Oxford, PA

September 10, 2022, midnight ride @ Ground Zero NYC.



September 16-17, 2022, Cranberry Bog/Hindenburg Crash site ride in S. NJ two hour guided tour of Hindenburg site. Update: head count is needed 4 weeks prior to the event in order to gain access onto the active military base, maybe reduce the guided tour time to 1 hour?? Update: August 3rd meeting, head count with names needed to gain access to Hindenburg site.

Update: PhiladelphiansMC Captain Phil Lane ph. # 215.771.1428 asked if ECMC would like to do dinner together followed by a bar night @ The Bike Stop on Sat. Sept 16, 2022. ECMC response was yes. Details TBD. Request to Phil for 7-7:30 dinner as we will be riding during the day. Any riders with PhiladelphiansMC would be welcome to join us. We may be able to do a motorcycle line-up in front of the Bike Stop if no shows @ the Forrest Theatre that evening.



September 24, 2022, Working Safety HSS Benefit Bicycle Ride
September 25, 2022, Progressive Motorcycle show. 10:00am(1000hrs)-5:00pm(1700hrs)
Nassau Veterans Memorial Colosseum, 1255 Hempstead Turnpike, Uniondale, NY11553

Secretary (Gary P.)

- The next newsletter will be sent on Wednesday **June 8, 2022**. Please submit articles to Chaz A. by Monday **June 6, 2022**.
- Messages to/from other clubs and organizations:
Update: 2 sympathy cards needed for past member Jason Halle, and Aaron G. uncle. Cards to be signed by members this weekend. **SENT**
Update: Thank you cards needed for Annual MC Weekend in Pittsburgh weekend. (Mike & Doug, Lewis and Tim, Jay D. & the baker.
- **Birthdays for June:**
Jay D. June 7th, 1983(jayedmony@aol.com, 215.939.3962) Happy belated Birthday!
- **ECMC Club Anniversary in June:**
Jack D.- 2020, Ed C.-2011, Michael C.- 2014, Jay D.- 2020
- Constitution & By-law review upon request or you can simply view on line at our ECMC website.

Treasurer (Jack D.) reported by Erik R.

- Presentation of club's finances, sent separately by Jack D. See separate report.
Dues are due for 2022, payments can be either monthly or paid in full (for \$20 discount).
Dues and other financial issues can be paid directly to ECMC @ the following
Link: Zelle@EmpireCityMC.com
Outstanding member dues: Michael M, Mario L, Joe M, Michael C. Update: Reserve members are required to pay dues. **Update Michael M. has paid his 2022 dues.**

Motion to accept Officer's Report:

1st Mark W.
2nd Gary P.
Motion Passed

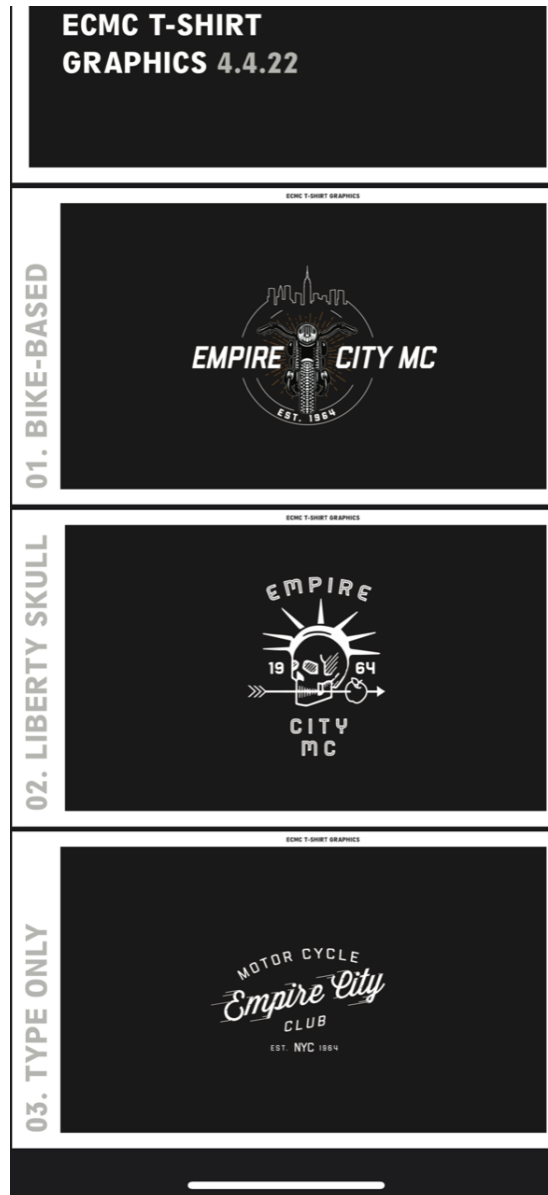
Committee Reports

T-shirt fundraiser project, goal is to be available by June 2022.

Update: Peter Matheson Gay (Referred by Erik R.) is familiar with this type of project and has offered his assistance. Peter's contact information Cell # 917.498.2235 email peter.m.gay@gmail.com Update Peter G. presented 3 different t-shirt designs to be used for our T-shirt fundraising efforts. Our club members suggested having the shirts on hand to sell vs online sales. The original goal was to have these available for Folsom Street East event if

we do a tent. Due to gang related issues #2 design was axed. A favorable idea mentioned is design #1 on the back of the shirt, and design #3 on the left breast. In order to keep the cost down by doing white/grey print (1-2 color) on a black shirt. Another idea was to sell @ bars. Update: Peter G. to create a mock-up and develop cost per shirt. ECMC agreed #1 to be on the back of shirt and #3 to be left breast/centered/ or left sleeve. Kudos!

Update: Motion to be made at our next meeting to place an order for 100 shirts of assorted sizes.



AMCC Representative (Michael M.) Update: Given by Erik R.



-For AMCC meeting attendance: Zoom Meeting ID# 81526920269 Password is 1976, AMCC President's cell – 207.939.4797

Next AMCC meeting dates:

AMCC meeting number #199 to be held during Bucks 50th Anniversary weekend.

Excelsior MC #198 May 20-22, 2022, on Fire Island, Erik R. to attend in lieu of Michael M. Update: Mr. F.I crowned, historian to document each of AMCC clubs for possible book.

Long Island Ravens: Update: July 15-17, 2022

Bucks MC: Sept 9-11, 50th Anniversary to be held @ Rehoboth Beach DE

PhiladelphiansMC have returned to the Bike Stop for regular bar nights. This occurs on the 2nd Saturday of each month.

Three Rivers Leather Club:

ECMC Archive Project (Chaz A)

- Historic ECMC documents remain with Chaz, awaiting scanning. (TBD)

Old Business:

Peter Gay has announced his intentions to become a full member of ECMC!! Erik R. to share pledge and process information with Peter. Update: Bylaw review for pledge process. **Update: Due to medical issues Peter's motorcycle riding assessment is on hold.**

New Business:

Jay D. has submitted his formal request to upgrade his membership from associate level to full member. Per by-law review: Vote to occur at next meeting in July to accept Jay D. as a full member or he remains an associate for 1 years' time, then can re-apply. If you are unable to attend July's meeting, please send in your proxy vote.

Documentarist Adam Baran & Dan Lam along with 5 camera/audio crew members discussed attending our bike blessing on June 17, 2022, and motorcycle ride and annual picnic on June 18, 2022. The crew will be utilizing drones, and a camera crew on bikes and in cars to document our ride. If members do not want to be interviewed or photographed, please inform the crew as soon as possible.

Comments on the record

- Our next Open General Meeting will be on July 6, 2022, at 2000hrs(8pm).
- Next Social Teleconference will be on June 15, 2022, at 2000hrs(8pm).

Links to join the meetings are located on the ECMC calendar.

Motion to close the meeting:

1st Chaz A.

2nd Mark W.

Motion Approved

Comments off the record: They are off the record.

E-board meeting: Occurred tonight June 1, 2022 @ 2100hrs, 9:00pm, to discuss Marion Lepore's membership. Mario's L. full membership with ECMC has been terminated effective immediately. A letter has been sent to Mario L. requesting to return ALL ECMC property (cheese grater, and back patches, and all small patches) in good condition in order to receive his deposit. Mario has been with club for a few years and is welcome to attend any of our upcoming rides and events.