



Home of the AmTryke

THE BUCCANEER LONGVIEW AMBUCS

We meet
Each Thursday at Noon
Heritage Room of
1st United Methodist
400 N. Fredonia St.
Longview, Texas

P. O. Box 3092 - Longview, Texas 75606-3092

March 10, 2016

www.longviewambucs.com

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Presiding: Allen Lizza
Prayer: John Diamond
Pledge: Chad Hinton

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**ROLL CALL**

**Members: 40**

**Guests: 3**

**Matt Owens** guest of Club

**Davey Crockett** guest of Dave Dean

**Toby Pilgrim** guest of Billy H.

**Speakers: 0**

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Drawings: \$44 Dan Herrington

Attendance: \$477 Tom Davis

Club News:

1/2 Marathon and 5K is this Saturday. Volunteers for the route need to get their vest from Danny Lee and be at their post at 7AM sharp. Do not come to the parking lot, but go directly to your spot.

Board meeting next Wednesday @ 5:30.

Windridge Equestrian annual event April 2. \$5 tickets for Friends of Windridge available from Allen Lizza

We are updating the directory. Go online to Longview Ambucs and update your info and attach your current photo.

Longview Ambucs annual banquet is May 26th at Gerald's. We will install new officers and thank the outgoing ones for their service. Related to this, elections for the new officers will be the last Thursday of March. See the attached slate of officers. You can also submit a name from the floor that Thursday.

At the Regional Conference in April at the Holiday Inn in Bedford, our club will be funding and giving away an AmTryke 20 – deluxe model. Mid-cities Ambus is working hard on the regional conference, so please come. There will be golf, horse betting, food/drink, ramp building, and fellowship. Soon, there will be codes issued to our club so you can register online for the Conference and the hotel.

Billy H. said 3 ramps were completed last weekend. More ramps are scheduled on March 19th. As usual, meet for BF at The Butcher Shop 7, and then be at HQ at 7:45 for your assignment and to load tools and supplies.

Steve Rogers reported that a recent recipient of an AmTryke passed away, and his mother returned it to the club with a note of appreciation. Attached is a picture of a young girl that was given a new AmTryke at Cruz's Advanced Roofing – the sponsor.



Advanced Roofing Sponsored AmTryke

Danny Lee encouraged us who are Big Hatters to wear our hats. Big Hatters are those who have sponsored 3 new members in a 12 month period. There will be 1 more orientation for new Big

Hatters before the leadership change. We need 5 new members before the end of April.

Dick Allen said we refurbished an older AmTryke, that Robert gave away, and now we have another one to refurbish.

For the Marathon, volunteers please be at Hawkins Parkway and Airline Dr. for setup Friday at 3. Pack & Pickup for Saturday runners will be at the Institute from 2 - 7. There will be a Spaghetti dinner \$10 that evening sponsored by our sister club. Kids run is Friday afternoon with 2 laps around the Institute pond. If bad weather on Saturday, the severe weather policy states that we can delay start 1.5 hours. If at 9, weather still not safe, Marathon will be cancelled, and they can run 5K. If no 5K, then they get a comp entry for next year. Volunteers working the parking lot must park across the street.

Paul Herring talked about the nomination process for new officers. The nominations committee submitted the names on the attached list. Paul explained roles of various board members and directors to manage and plan Ambucs activity. He said we are comparable to a \$3M annual business. He and Billy H. encouraged all to attend regional and national conventions. Any member is welcome to attend all committee meetings.

Al Bingham read the nominations and he explained the details of our bi-laws. The bi-laws govern the procedure of meetings and club activity. The Board makes changes to bi-laws, when needed. He suggested that the Board begin updating

the bi-laws to reflect current practices, as they have not been updated in several years. Al said our purpose is defined in Section 2, which is to attend to the human & spiritual needs of our community. He and Billy H. encouraged us to bring guests and sponsor them, and to involve new members in activities of club. There are 7 Directors. After term as president, you serve 1 more year as 7th director. Board considers and votes on all proposals from other charitable events. Officers are nominated and voted on. We are a charitable 501c3 tax exempt corporation.

Dick Allen also encouraged us to go to the regional and national conferences to learn more about the club and feel more involved. He said we could learn more and make new friends from other chapters.

John Durst is updating the system for dues payments, including ACH drafting and credit card payments.

Committee reports

Vice President - CHADIN MILLER
Community Service- CHAD HINTON

- * Ramps - Billy Hagenbucher
- * Miscellaneous - ?
- * AmTrykes - Steve Rogers / Bob Graham
- * Scholarships - Michael T. / Forrest W.

Visibility - Steve Gordon

- * Articles to Newspaper- Thomas Myers
- * Web Site- Steve Gordon
- * Parade Float - James White
- * Articles to National- Jack Crawford
- * Local Media Contact - Jeff Thorpe
- * Social Networking- Thomas Myers

Membership - Danny Lee

- * Orientation-
- * Membership Recruitment- B7
- * Tyler Club - Bob Graham
- * Lurkin Club - Paul Herring
- * Big Hat Pres. - Dick Allen

TAIL TWISTERS:

STEVE WARNER
JERRY KELLEY
CRUZ MENDEZ

2nd Vice President - DAN HERRINGTON
Communications - TOM BROWN

- * Newsletter - J. Miller, Don Esch, M. Tubb
- * Weekly Programs- Harry Born
- * Team Member Management
- * Membership Directory -

Fund Raising / Events - ROBERT LEE

- * Fishing Tournament- BIG HATS
- * Golf Tournament- Tommy Knight,
- * Draw down - Billy Hagenbucher, New Chair
- * Half Marathon - Cruz Mendez, Allen Lizza
- * Corporate Sponsors - Chapin Miller +2
- * Christmas Parade - Forrest / Jack/ Danny

Member Activation/Retention - Mike Tomaric

- * Greeters-
- * Birthday Recognition - Chuck O'Neil
- * Anniversary Recognition - Chuck O'Neil
- * Socials - Thomas Meyers
- * Spring Training- Doug Fouso, A. Lizza
- * Awards Banquet - Thomas Meyers
- * National conference- D. Fouso, A. Lizza

Treasurer- John Durst

Secretary-