

Atlantic Region Ramblings #31 (Edited)

1. Please look at the AVA Events Web Site and make sure that all of your 2017 YREs appear. Other regions reported that some of their events disappeared and we had the problem in early August with two events. I asked you two weeks ago to check and no one has reported a problem. Either
 - a. the problem no longer exists,
 - b. the Atlantic Region was lucky and none of our events were affected, or
 - c. the clubs are not checking.
2. The first attachment is the unaudited AVA Financial Statement for the fiscal year that ended on June 30, 2016. The statement is showing a loss (expenses exceeded revenue) of about \$66K. The budget was approved based on having a loss of \$60K.
3. The second attachment is a message from Glen Conyers, Chairman of the AVA Nominating Committee. The message is announcing that we will be electing the AVA President, Vice President, Secretary, and Treasurer at the AVA Convention in June. Nomination Letters of Intent and Candidate Packages will be due in December in time for inclusion in the February/March edition of The American Wanderer.

Details will be announced in the TAW and Checkpoint.

I think the incumbents for all four positions will not be running for reelection. The President and Vice President are termed out. I have been told that the Secretary and Treasurer are not going to seek a second term.

4. Please make plans to attend the Canterbury Trails' first event in Natural Bridge, VA on Sunday, November 6.
5. The Antietam Pathfinders held their first event this past Sunday (August 28) and had 82 participants. The event was held in conjunction with the Hagerstown Augustoberfest.
6. The third attachment is the YRE Participation Report for the 2nd Qtr of 2016 (April 1 – June 30, 2016).

The ten events with the highest participation (only counting paid participants) through June 30 are:

220 – Y0340 – Manassas, VA – Wood and Dale Wanderers
135 – Y1539 – Bethesda – Montgomery Mall – Seneca Valley Sugarloafers
129 – Y0061 - Alexandria – George Washington Masonic National Memorial, VA – Northern Virginia
117 – Y1899 – Frederick, MD – Freestate Happy Wanderers
115 – Y1271 - Reston, VA - Northern Virginia Volksmarchers
114 – Y1091 – Bethesda, MD – Kenwood Cherry Blossom - Seneca Valley Sugarloafers
95 – Y0736 – Princeton – Historic/Capital, NJ – Princeton Area Walkers
91 – Y1663 – Columbia – Columbia Mall, MD – Columbia Volksmarch Club
84 – Y1367 – Gaithersburg – Lake Forest Mall – Seneca Valley Sugarloafers
81 – Y0887 – Rockville, MD – Seneca Valley Sugarloafers

Total participation for the first two quarters of 2016 was 7015. This compares with 7318 for the first two quarters of 2015.