

National Changes

I was fortunate to be able to attend the National Convention in August. It was good to see old friends and acquaintances and make new friends.

There were several changes to the National Constitution, Bylaws and Standing Rules. Some of the changes were considered “cleanup” since some were reworded to make them clearer and easier to understand.

The changes have not appeared on the National website as of September 15. I will keep watch and update you in the monthly newsletter when they are available.

Bylaw Changes

Most of the changes to the National Bylaws concerned officer instructions for several officers.

Standing Rules Changes

The change which came as a ruling from the National AMVETS was under Convention rules. They now require members of subordinate organizations (Riders, Sacks & Sackettes) to register with their parent organization (AMVETS, Ladies Auxiliary or Sons of AMVETS) as a delegate and must show you have registered with your parent organization BEFORE you can register for the subordinate organization.

National Constitution Changes

The only change in the Constitution was in Article XII Discipline. There are changes regarding suspended or expelled. There are changes/additions regarding the Grievance Procedure, Grievances and Appeals,

Until the changes actually are posted, you should follow the current guidelines regarding discipline. I can't stress enough how important it is to follow the procedure EXACTLY as stated in the National Constitution.

As always, if you have questions, please contact me by phone or email. If you contact me by phone, depending on what the subject of your call is, I may ask you to send it in an email also in order to have a paper trail.

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