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TO: National Officers, Regional Directors, State Organizations, AVA Member Clubs
FROM: Pat Lucero, AVA Secretary
DATE: February 25, 2011
SUBJECT: Call to Convention

I hereby notify all AVA National Officers, Regional Directors, State Organizations and AVA Member Clubs of the 2011 American Volkssport Association 17th Biennial Convention and invite you to participate. The AVA will hold the convention at the Polk County Convention Complex, Des Moines, Iowa from Saturday, June 18 through Sunday, June 26, 2011 to elect officers, to receive reports of officers and committees and to conduct other business that may arise.

Voting Privileges: Each National Officer, Regional Director, State Organization and Regular Member Club in good standing forty-five (45) days (May 8, 2011) before the opening general session is entitled to one vote in each election and on each matter submitted to a vote of the members. The Interim Executive Director shall have no vote.

Delegates: A delegate normally represents each State Organization and Regular Member Club at the General Sessions. Each State Organization and Regular Member Club designates its delegate by completing AVA Form 500, Delegate Selection and Proxy Designation, and ensures the designated delegate registers for the Biennial Convention. The AVA National Headquarters will mail the AVA Form 500 to State Organizations and Regular Member Clubs.

Alternates: State Organizations and Regular Member Clubs in good standing may designate an alternate by completing AVA Form 500 and ensuring the designated alternate registers for the Biennial Convention.

Proxies: State Organizations and Regular Member Clubs in good standing may vote by proxy by designating a proxy on AVA Form 500. A proxy can only be given to a person certified as a delegate for the Biennial Convention. Candidates for AVA National Office or candidates for Regional Director may not carry proxies.

Responsibilities: Delegates, alternates and proxies will present their copy of AVA Form 500 to the Credentials Committee at the convention, attend the convention, participate in all general sessions and attend workshops. A club may transfer voting privileges to an alternate only in an emergency. The club should advise the delegate, alternate or proxy on voting positions for elections and other business upon which the membership might vote. Delegates should report back to the club they represent on the general sessions and workshops.