

EAST COURSE COMBINE

Minutes of meeting

Sunday, 10 am, August 12, 2012 Jurupa Park

The meeting was called to order by President Ramon Velasquez, at approximately 10:00 am. The club representatives in attendance were: Bonita, Freeway, La Puente, and Palm Springs. The So. Cal racing pigeon club representative was not in attendance but is expected to fly again this year.

Minutes of the previous meeting on July 8, 2012, which were posted on our internet site, were read and accepted.

Financial report: Treasurer Lyle Loomis reported that the cash balance was \$3,100. Report accepted.

Old business:

A motion was made to override the new AU rule that required birds flying less than 75 miles to be released after the main race birds. All birds will be released together as we have done in past years.

Hector will coordinate getting the trailer ready for the race season including cleaning out the tanks, washing the trays and replacing the two rear tires.

Rosters were to be presented at this meeting but none were available. I was agreed that all clubs would send their updated rosters to Dan Considine before the next meeting and he will prepare a full combine roster for distribution at the meeting. Combine dues of \$15 per loft will be due at the next meeting also.

At the last meeting we were unable to elect a new race secretary because no one stood for election. At this meeting Dan Considine agreed to take the position for this season. It is understood that Dan will not make the final decision on a race release by himself, but will coordinate with the other club race secretaries as a committee to arrive at a joint decision about a questionable release due to weather. Dan will send the release time to Sonny on race days after speaking with the driver and Sonny will post the time on the ECC web site immediately.

The Bonita club presented a suggestion for a 20 bird shipping limit per team for the upcoming season which was considered and rejected by the representatives present in favor of 30 bird teams as before.

New Business:

Armando Zamora presented a bid to take over hauling the combine race trailer this year and his bid was accepted. He will be paid on a flat rate schedule based on the per mile charge that we paid Brian last year. He will be responsible for his own gas. Armando drove for us several years ago so he is known to many of our members. Armando agreed to provide us with a liability rider on his insurance policy to increase coverage to \$1 million during the course of the 8 week race season. He also agreed to allow a member to drive along with him on any race that we wish to observe.

The clubs were surveyed as to how many lofts and racing teams they expected to fly this season. P.S had 5, Bonita 11, freeway 3 and La Puente 12 for a total of 31. Presently, there is a possibility that 9 lofts will be flying two teams. It was estimated that we might charge \$275 per team, which it is hoped will provide a cushion in case we have fewer teams than we presently expect. A final decision on the charge per team will be made at the next meeting when the clubs have a more exact number of teams they expect to fly.

It was agreed that no trainers will be allowed on the race trailer this season or in the back of the hauler's truck.

The representatives agreed to ensure that each club will clean and disinfect all crates they have in their possession before the first race, and they will disinfect the crates they take off the truck at the time of the first race if they haven't been disinfected in advance.

Next Meeting:

The next meeting has been scheduled for Sunday 10 am Sept 30, 2012 at Jurupa Park.

Adjournment:

Meeting was adjourned at approximately 11 am.

Minutes taken by:

Dan Considine, Recording Secretary