EAST COURSE COMBINE MEETING, Corona, Ca July 11, 2020

Attendance:

Representatives present: wef, la Puente, Bonita, RIC

WOC, this club was at our last meeting but sent word that they were going to fly 395 this season instead of with us.

Walter Jenkins has accepted the open position of Vice president.

We are still working with Sonny to take control of the ECC website since he is no longer flying with us. It was agreed to pay him the \$80 he said he needed for fees to maintain the site. Until we gain access to the site the minutes of our meetings will be on the RIC website at: Ric-club.org.

A vote was taken on allowing the palm springs club to be included on our race sheet once again after having been voted off in 2015. The majority vote was against. However, since they fly with us and pay all dues and race fees, but don't have a chance to earn combine trophies, they asked if we could give their club special awards for the season recognizing champion bird, champion loft and average speed just for their club. The combine representatives agreed to make special trophy awards as recognition from the combine.

A survey was done of all clubs to determine how many teams, young and old they expected to fly this year. The count came to 57 young bird teams and 49 old bird teams. It was agreed that this was too many birds to possibly race old and young together this year even using the combine trailer and the Bonita trailer. Therefore, it was agreed to return to the previous practice of racing young birds in the fall and old birds in the spring. This also means we don't have to find a second trailer driver and can use Armando as we have in previous seasons. His charge was during the last season was \$1.35 per mile. There was no change to the limit of 30 birds per team with a 2-team limit.

The trailer committee was to provide a cost estimate to replace tires and do whatever is necessary to bring the combine trailer into working order but no one was present to make this presentation. This should be completed before the next meeting.

The race schedule agreed upon was basically the same 8 race schedule we ran in our last season raced in 2017. A schedule was distributed to the representative to take back to their clubs.

The start date of this season was set at November 1, concluding December 20. (SUBSEQUENT TO THE MEETING THERE WAS DISCUSSION ABOUT STARTING ONE WEEK EARLIER THAN THIS SO THAT WE DIDN'T END DURING CHRISTMAS WEEK.)

The race fee estimated for the season was \$175 but it was agreed to add \$50 to this number to keep in reserve in order to subsidize the old bird season when fewer birds are entered and the cost is higher. Therefore, the race fee for the young bird season has been set at \$225 per team.

All clubs were asked to remeasure <u>all</u> their members GPS loft coordinates before the next meeting since it has been many years since these were last done. Clubs are also to report at the next meeting any variances that may be discovered in this process. The format of the GPS must be, degrees, minutes and seconds.

It was suggested by a member that a meeting of the race rules committee be held to review changes in race rules and application of bylaws. No members were designated for this meeting nor was a date set.

Not all club rosters were submitted to the combine president as requested and he has asked that they be sent to him prior to the next meeting. Also, he requested that clubs advise him of who their club representatives are for this season.

The next meeting has been set for the same location in Corona on Saturday August 15, at 10 Am.

Recording secretary,

Dan Considine