

## East Course Combine meeting minutes

Meeting Date: 1/15/2022

Present: Amador Larios (RIC), Relys Moreira (RIC), Francisco Hernandez (RIC), Walter Jenkins (WEF), Larry Tomlin (WEF), Roque Hernandez (WEF), Alex Perera (BON), Dr. David Chen (BON), Juan Gomez (LAP), Rodolfo Mora (LAP), Josh Zapparolli (LAP), Antonio Alvarez (SBV), Victor Garcia (SBV), Marcos Hernandez (SBV), Juan Acevedo (SBV), Asael Diaz (SBV)

President Amador called the meeting to order at 10:05 AM.

Treasurer report by Walter – Current balance \$17,541.00. YB 2021 accounts are closed except for the following outstanding items: Tire fix cost, Trophies and diplomas and \$600 storage fees.

Walter stated that accounts are open to all members. They will be available on the ECC website.

Trailer committee consists of Amador and Francisco. Responsible for regular maintenance, clean up etc.

Relys suggested that we Clorox the drinking system. It was agreed to increase the trailer maintenance fees from \$50 to \$60. The motion was passed.

Amador collected the club rosters.

Amador commented that people need to pay attention to the meeting agenda sent in advance and come prepared with information. This will make the two hours more productive.

Amador suggested that only the club delegates should speak and discuss issues at meetings. They represent the clubs. This will help keep meetings orderly and not get out of hand.

Combine dues are due beginning of the year.

### Number of OB teams

Bonita – 14

RIC - 4

WEF - 12

SBV - 6

A total of 36 teams.

Walter suggested that we consider a half price team of 15 birds to encourage more flyers due to some flyers only having a few birds. After discussion it was agreed that this half team option will be only for this season.

Francisco motioned and Dr.Chen seconded.

It was discussed and agreed to subsidize the OB team fees and charge only \$200 per full 30 bird team and \$100 for half a team of 15 birds. ECC will pay the shortfall of approximately \$3000 (without the subsidy the team cost would have been about \$280). Relys will work out the exact dollars ECC will be subsidizing.

Amador stated that coordinates need to be verified of any OB flyer who did not fly YB in the last YB season.

## OB Schedule

Dr. Chen had two suggestion from Bonita Club.

First suggestion, to have a break and not fly the week before the last race. Since this will move the last race to Easter Sunday, the suggestion was voted down.

The second suggestion was to make the first race shorter. This was voted down.

Francisco motioned to stay with the originally proposed schedule and Juan Gomez seconded.

### Final OB schedule

Ship Date	Race Date	Race#	Station	Miles	Jump
Saturday, February 19, 2022	Sunday, February 20, 2022	1	Desert Center	145	
Saturday, February 26, 2022	Sunday, February 27, 2022	2	Wiley's Well	175	+ 30
Saturday, March 5, 2022	Sunday, March 6, 2022	3	Quartzsite	210	+ 35
Saturday, March 12, 2022	Sunday, March 13, 2022	4	Vicksburg	240	+ 30
Saturday, March 19, 2022	Sunday, March 20, 2022	5	Salome	275	+ 35
Saturday, March 26, 2022	Sunday, March 27, 2022	6	N. Estrella Pkwy	320	+ 45
Friday, April 1, 2022	Sunday, April 3, 2022	7	Apache Junction	370	+ 50
Friday, April 8, 2022	Sunday, April 10, 2022	8	Globe	410	+ 40

### Election of new officers for the year 2022

Walter Jenkins was elected as the President – Juan Gomez proposed and Dr. Chen seconded.

Amador Larios was elected as the Vice President – Larry Tomlin proposed and Juan Gomez seconded.

Walter Jenkins was elected as the Treasurer – Amador Larios proposed and Dr. Chen seconded.

Relys was elected as the Race Secretary – Dr. Chen proposed and Alex Perera seconded.

Alex Perera was elected as the Recording Secretary – Relys proposed and Juan Gomez seconded

Larry Tomlin asked why do we need \$17,000 in the ECC Combine account? Relys mentioned that we should consider buying a much lighter trailer. The current trailer is too heavy.

Amador said people need to go pick up their birds when they are lost and found by someone. This is important and we can get in trouble. The public can complain and it is not good for our sport.

### Concourse discussion

The question was raised whether we should create our own concourse and have the Tricity Combine join our concourse. Relys already did work getting information and talking to AU. It was decided to make this change starting with YB. Therefore, no change with this OB season.

After a vote it was decided to proceed with setting up our own ECC Concourse. Relys will put in the work to make this happen and will invite the Tricity Combine to join us. Bylaws will have to be setup, some fee have to be paid to AU and the paperwork will have to be submitted to AU.

RIC, Bonita and SBV voted Yes

LAP and WEF voted No

Crates with each club

BON – 18

RIC – 6

LAP – 14

WEF – 12

SBV – 9

New business

Tomlin asked whether we could include training birds in the trailer and charge a small fee? This maybe something we can consider for YB.

Amador adjourned the meeting at