

## East Course Combine minutes

Meeting Date: 8/16/2025

Present: Walter Jenkins, Casper (WEF), Basem (RIC), Francisco Hernandez (RIC), Juan Gomez (LAP), Alex Perera (BON), Bill Lincoln (BON), Francisco Estrada (Ontario), Roque (Exclusive)

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

Bill Lincoln shared a chart (see below) that shows how many birds we end up with at the end of the season; very high loss rate race by race and every year the trend continues without any improvement. Discussed September being one of the hottest months and how it affects training.

Three shorter second release races were added to the schedule with no additional cost to the flyer. This should help with birds that fall behind to catch up and get back on to the regular schedule.

Three schedules were presented for consideration by Bonita, La Puente and Exclusive. La Puente schedule was voted in by LAP, Exclusive and Ontario.

### 2025 YB Schedule

Race No.	Shipping Day	Race Day	Station	Air Miles (Short) Riverside	Air Miles (Long) West Covina	Jump
1	Saturday, October 11, 2025	Sunday, October 12, 2025	Hayfield, CA	105	135	
2	Saturday, October 18, 2025	Sunday, October 19, 2025	Chuckwalla, CA	130	160	+ 25
3	Saturday, October 25, 2025	Sunday, October 26, 2025	Blythe, CA	165	195	+ 35
4	Saturday, November 1, 2025	Sunday, November 2, 2025	Vicksburg, AZ	210	240	+ 45
5	Saturday, November 8, 2025	Sunday, November 9, 2025	Salome, AZ	245	275	+ 35
6	Saturday, November 15, 2025	Sunday, November 16, 2025	N. Estrella Pkwy, AZ	290	320	+ 45
7	Saturday, November 22, 2025	Sunday, November 23, 2025	Quartzsite, AZ	185	215	
8	Friday, November 28, 2025	Sunday, November 30, 2025	Apache Junction, AZ	340	370	+ 50

### Three short races (second release)

November 2nd - Hayfield

November 9th - Chuckwalla

November 16th – Blythe

Final team count commitment by each club needs to be provided by the 20<sup>th</sup> of September (three weeks before the first race).  
Discussed the possibility of getting the same San Diego trailer. Juan has already spoken with John Timmerman.

Approximate number of teams

LAP = 21

BON = 5

WEF = 3

Exclusive = 4

Ontario = 4

**Total = 37**

Trailer Pickup

All agreed, the trailer will do three bird pickups from the following locations:

1. La Puente: 3051 Washington Ave, El Monte
2. Chino (Spencer's house)
3. Relys's house

The Combine owes trophy vendor about \$450. This was for the Concourse trophies that the recipients should have paid for their own. Only Francisco Hernandez paid for his. All agreed to pay this money we owe to the Trophy vendor. Thereafter, we can order the trophies that are still outstanding.

Remove trailer from Francisco's house and store at Walter's property.

Discussed the possibility of organizing an auction to raise money for the Combine. Bill suggested that we first have a clear plan on how the money would be spent before the auction.

Walter reported the current balance of \$16,433.00.

Francisco brought up the concern of the balance keeps going down over the past several years from where it was approximately \$20,000. A discussion ensued whether we should hold steady or charge more to increase the balance. The consensus was to hold steady and not to let it go down any further.

Meeting was adjourned by the President at 11:06 am.

Please see below chart prepared by Bill Lincoln

