

Eastern Ontario Combine

Annual General Meeting
Orange Hall, Coburg
Sunday, 18th October, 2009

1. Previous Minutes

Motioned Pot Fox, seconded Brad Foster to accept minutes.
Passed, unanimous.

2. Financial Report

2009 report was presented and after discussion was voted upon.
Motioned Jim Toves, seconded Mo Moses that the financial report be accepted as written.
Passed, unanimous.

3. Old Business

No old business to discuss.

4. Presentation of Awards

Awards were presented to all winning flyers by Shawn Whetstone. Thanks were given to Shawn.

5. Election of Officers

President; Nominations;

Sam Ferrara by Chris Steacy, seconded by Jim Toves. Accepted.
Brad Foster by Frank Waterfall, seconded by Pot Fox. Accepted.
Shawn Whetstone by Mo Moses, seconded by Greg Hendren. Declined.
Sam and Brad left the room and a paper ballot was taken.
Sam Ferrara 25 votes, Brad Foster 7 votes. Sam Ferrara duly elected President.

Vice President; Nominations;

Brad Foster by Ted Brown, seconded by Glen Hynes. Accepted.
Tom Powers by Joe Martire, seconded by Greg Hendren. Declined.
Ray Naklicki by Dan Horner, seconded by Chris Steacy. Declined.
Brad Foster acclaimed.

Secretary/Treasurer; Nominations;

Tom Powers by Jim Towes, seconded by Andy Pallotta. Accepted.
Bruce Bidon by Dan Horner, seconded by Ted Brown. Declined.
Tom Powers acclaimed.

Race Secretary; Nominations;

Frank Waterfall by Jim Towes, seconded by Gerry Gray. Accepted.
Joe Martire by Bruce Bidon, seconded by Andy Pallotta. Declined.
Frank Waterfall acclaimed.

Race Liberator; Nominations:

This was a very difficult position to fill and despite many nominations all were declined. Dan Horner offered from the floor to be responsible for Ybs. This theme was continued with Andy Pallotta being nominated and accepting responsibility for OBs.

Andy Pallotta OB liberator. Acclaimed.
Dan Horner YB liberator. Acclaimed.

Truck Co-Ordinator; Nominations;

Kris Marshman by Dan Horner, seconded by Shawn Skinner. Accepted.
Frank Waterfall by Ted Brown, seconded by Kris Marshman. Declined.
Terry Woolner by Dan Horner, seconded by Sam Ferrara. Declined.
Ted Brown by Shawn Whetstone, seconded by Terry Woolner. Declined.
The Fridge by Ray Naklicki ??????????????
Kris Marshman acclaimed.

Promotions; Nominations;

Joe Martire by Ted Brown, seconded by Andy Pallotta. Declined.
Bruce Bidon by Brad Foster, seconded by Ray Naklicki. Declined.
Shawn Whetstone by Chris Steacy, seconded by Tom Powers. Declined.

Nominations were then taken for a second time.

Shawn Whetstone by Frank Waterfall, seconded by Chris Steacy. Accepted.
Greg Hendren by Dan Horner, seconded by Kris Marshman. Declined.
Shawn Whetstone acclaimed.

Web Co-Ordinator; Nominations;

Joe Martire by Andy Pallotta, seconded by Ted Brown. Accepted.
Joe Martire acclaimed.

There was discussion on the floor regarding this new position and it was accepted that the position of Web Co-Ordinator should have executive voting rights.

6. New Business.

2010 Old Bird Race Program.

Because of the number and complexity of the race programs it was proposed by Sam Ferrara and seconded by Brad Foster that there be a paper vote on all proposals followed by a show of hands for the best 2. This should be followed for both the old and then the young bird schedules.

Carried unanimous.

For old birds the following schedule was accepted.

3) Proposer Ted Brown Old Bird Schedule

Week 1 Mattawa and Bissett Creek
Week 2 Temagami and North Bay
Week 3 Ville Marie and Temiscaming
Week 4 Matheson and Temagami
Week 5 Cadillac and Amos
Week 6 Hearst and Cochrane
Week 7 Fraserdale
Week 8 Ville Marie and Temiscaming
Week 9 Cochrane and Englehart
Week 10 Longlac and Hearst

Starting date May 8th.

For young birds the following schedule was accepted.

4) Proposer Ted Brown Young Bird Schedule

Week 1 Huntsville W Whitney E
Week 2 Mattawa W Bissett Creek E
Week 3 Mattawa W Bissett Creek E
Week 4 North Bay and Mattawa
Week 5 Temagami and North Bay
Week 6 Fabre and Temiscaming
Week 7 Englehart and Temagami
Week 8 Rouyn Noranda and Macamic

Weeks 1,2,and 3 single races

Starting Date July 31st.

There was a motion by Sam Ferrara, seconded by Shawn Skinner That dates can be changed to accommodate the programs.
Carried.

5) Proposer Tri County Club

That the young bird season from 2010 onwards be delayed until the last or second last week in August and then continue as per schedule.
Withdrawn.

6) Proposer Tri County Club

EOC to insert another young bird race weekend in the race schedule, which would start the schedule at the beginning of August and give us 8 weeks of racing. Based on the 2009 schedule we could move the first 4 weeks of racing forward by one week and insert a Ville Marie/Temiscaming.
Withdrawn.

Race Rules and Regulations

1) Proposer Oshawa Club

That the EOC adopts the proposed 2010 race schedule which incorporates 1 joint and 2 separate releases from the same race station each and every week excluding Fraserdale Upper Canada National and the Longlac/Hearst Weekends. The joint release can go up 1st each week with the east and West releases alternating each week with ½ hour delay between each release.
Withdrawn.

2) Proposer Quinte Club

Keep the separate East/West divisions with a 30 minute release time between divisions.
Withdrawn.

3) Proposer John Wilson

From the 2010 season onwards the EOC to fly old and young bird series with only one race per weekend with separate liberations.
Defeated.

4) Proposer Oshawa Club

That the EOC releases both races from one station rather than putting the birds under undue duress by trucking between two separate release points.
Withdrawn.

5) Proposer Oshawa Club

That all races short of and including Englehart be shipped Friday night.
All races exceeding Englehart be shipped with a Thursday night pick up.
Seconded by Ted Brown.
Defeated, 14 votes for, 16 against.

6) Proposer Tom Powers

Race Rules remove part e) and replace with “ All races will be a joint liberation, except where separate section race stations are stipulated. The Combine published results shall contain the overall race result and separate results for the East and West sections.
Withdrawn.

7) Proposer Ted Brown

New Rule. Young Bird releases when we have 2 release points for each section can be changed at the discretion of the liberator when confronted with serious weather problems.
Seconded by Gerry Gray.
Passed unanimous.

Race Rules

1) Proposer Oshawa Club

That the EOC adopt open clocking in its combine results as per the CU regulations.
Seconded by Tom Powers.
Defeated, 6 votes for, 20 against.

2) Proposer Oshawa Club

That the EOC adopt the race dead time for velocity calculating purposes to be ½ hour after sunset and ½ before sunrise as per CU regulations. The central location of Coburg to be used to determine the time to be used by all clubs in the combine.
Seconded by Paul Gurney.
Defeated, 4 votes for, 15 votes against.

3) Proposer Tom Powers

Race Rules and Regulations Section c). The birdage limit for each race will be 30 birds per member.

Withdrawn.

4) Proposer Tri County Club

All EOC clubs to tag the outside of the race baskets with a label giving the race station.

This is already a rule and it was pointed out that this should be abided by.

5) Proposer Tri County Club

Each club to send the clocking strike off sheet of the club winning bird to the EOC race secretary for verification.

Seconded by Dan Horner.

Defeated, 10 votes for, 12 votes against.

6) Proposer Tri County

The EOC to elect a 3 person liberation team for all releases. One person to be head liberator but must get approval from at least one other member of the team to approve the liberation of the birds.

Seconded by Frank Waterfall.

This was defeated on the floor when it was pointed out there had been problems filling the position with one person at an earlier stage. It was the opinion that three would be impossible.

7) Proposer Tom Powers

Constitution, Race Rules, Section 12.

Remove the line "Where a conflict exists between the rules of the CRPU and the EOC, the EOC ruling shall apply."

Seconded by Bruce Bidon.

Defeated 8 votes for, 20 votes against.

Membership

1) Proposer Tom Powers

Constitution, Section 3.

Junior members shall only pay membership dues. Entry fees and birdage fees shall be waived. Junior members shall be allowed to fly a maximum of 10 birds per race/ These birds will have to be accommodated in the member clubs allocated baskets.

Seconded Bruce Bidon.

Defeated 6 votes for, 10 votes against.

2) Proposer Tom Powers

Rules and Regulations, Fees.

Remove the words junior members will pay 50% of senior fees in all cases.

Withdrawn.

3) Proposer Connie Steacy

Only members who flew in the years Young Bird or Old Bird series or flew both series are allowed to vote on any issues related to the next years racing.

This is already an existing rule.

4) Proposer Connie Steacy

Boundary line proposal.

The boundary of the East and West sections for EOC new member purposes is ½ way between Cobourg and Tri County clubs.

7.36 miles East of Cobourg and 7.36 miles West of Tri County.

GPS 43: 59: 05.5 N

78: 01: 23.4W

Extending down to the shores of Lake Ontario and up to Bancroft.....

Extending up to

GPS 45: 03: 22.9N

77: 51: 13.5W

Withdrawn.

5) Proposer The Limestone City Flyers RPC

Boundary line.

The East and West sections are separated between Cobourg and Tri County and runs North.

Withdrawn.

6) Proposer Connie Steacy

Boundaries.

To define the East and West Sections there is a boundary line that runs from South (Lake Ontario) to North/East (through Barry,s Bay, On)

Withdrawn.

7) Proposer Connie Steacy

East is East and West is West.

West section members must live and fly in the West section clubs.

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Withdrawn.

8) Proposer Connie Steacy

Voting details.

Voting details, for voting on new possible members that apply to the EOC for membership must state : The persons Name, of the loft if at a different location than at the applicants residence, and which EOC club they are thinking of joining.
Withdrawn.

General

1) Proposer Connie Steacy

A trailer fund will be started for holding all monies made from members raffles, auctions and donations to purchase a smaller trailer for trucking the smaller East sections birds.
Withdrawn.

2) Proposer Quinte Club

Purchase new baskets to fill the EOC trailer to its maximum capacity. This will allow smaller clubs to compete in all races.
Already undertaken.

New Business

There was discussion on a young bird auction for 2010 season. Details will be sent to all members at a later date.
Ted Brown proposed that the auction will take place at the Orange Hall, Coburg.
Passed, unanimous.

There was a discussion on the issue of Cordell Marshman being dismissed from the Tri County Club. The discussion being witnessed by Pot Fox.
At this time there will be no action taken by the EOC. The issue should be first broached at Club level.
If a written complaint is received from the aggrieved member then further action will be taken by the EOC.

It was mentioned that the Muskoka club has 2 baskets that are the property of the EOC. Action should be taken to reclaimed these baskets.

There was a discussion on the allocation of awards by the EOC.
It was proposed by Joe Martire that all awards should be based on 20% of all birds shipped by separate and joint release for all awards.
Seconded by Greg Hendren.
Passed, unanimous.

It was proposed by Dan Horner that all proceeds from the EOC band race go towards prize money less costs.

Seconded by Gerry Gray.

Passed 10 votes for, 1 against.

It was proposed by Frank Waterfall that an e-mail be sent to all clubs requesting feedback on who wants to keep the baskets that they have paid for and who wants to be paid back. The names of all those clubs and individual members who want to be paid back will be placed into a hat and drawn out. The first names out will be paid back as and when sufficient funds are available.

These minutes will constitute that e-mail and all requests should be sent to the secretary in writing by the end of 2009.

Seconded by Jim Towes.

Passed, unanimous.

To all members, membership fees will now be due on or before 1st January 2010.

The membership fees will be \$40 for each member, \$10 for juniors.

All fees when paid to the secretary should be accompanied by a correctly completed EOC payment form. These forms are available from the web site.