

Up North Pigeon Racing Combine Meeting, July 29th , 2018

Bruce Mathers opened the meeting, and noted that we didn't have enough delegates to form a quorum, as only 13 delegates, including the president, were present.
Bruce, as president, ruled that the meeting should continue, as provided for in the constitution.

The meeting started at 10:30 am

The secretary read the minutes of the previous meeting, as distributed

Motion by Andy Pallotta, seconded by Joe Ferreira, that the minutes be accepted as read, with ONE correction. Under NEW business re: Pineridge having sent in their memberships, it should read they did NOT send in their dues yet. The motion carried.

Discussions were held re: payment of gas money to Grant Jackson for shorter race point than was scheduled.
He asked for \$400. It was decided to pay him this time, but make it clear to him that we won't do so in the future.

Ken Foster give a financial report.

Motion by Troy Spencer , seconded by Jason Nelson, that the financial report be accepted as read.
Motion carried.

Bruce noted that Robert Rotiroti had informed him that a special event is being planned but we have no details yet.

Andy Pallotta reported on transportation. The trailer has new tires. He also explained how the assignment of location of crates on the trailers was done.

Motion by Joe Ferreira , seconded by Troy Spencer, to accept the transportation report.
Motion carried.

NEW business

The Humber Valley club wants to amend the constitutional bylaw of UNC member clubs, as some no longer exist and 3 are new.

Removed were : Far North Racing Pigeon Club
Metro Homing Society
Oshawa General Racing Pigeon Club
Whitby Racing Pigeon Club

Added were: Pineridge Racing Pigeon Club
Scugog Racing Pigeon Club
Simcoe North Racing Pigeon Club

Motion by Tony Piacente, seconded by Dave Rodgers to accept the change. Motion carried.

The new list is:

Barrie Racing Pigeon Club
Borden Racing Pigeon Club
Humber Valley Racing Pigeon Club

Lakeport Racing Pigeon Club
North Wings Racing Pigeon Club
Orillia Racing Pigeon Club
Pineridge Racing Pigeon Club
Toronto Central Racing Pigeon Club
Scugog Racing Pigeon Club
Simcoe North Racing Pigeon Club
York Regional Racing Pigeon Club

Andy Pallotta nominated Joe Matire as a new member, seconded by Dave Rodgers. Approved.

Jason Nelson nominated Brad Hudson as a new member, seconded by Dave Rodgers. Approved

Tony Piacente nominated Dan Horner as a new member, seconded by Joe Ferreira. Approved

Tony Piacente nominated Bill Wielma as a new member, seconded by Joe Ferreira. Approved

Robert Rotiroti wants to introduce a new bylaw, as follows,

All participants in the race must report. If they have not clocked pigeons in race time they must select 'No Report' in Winspeed. If they do not select 'No Report', their loft and their birdage will not be included in the total numbers, and this will be considered race result tampering. Any club caught tampering race results will be warned. A second time caught tampering race results and the club be disqualified from that week's race. If a flier does not show up for strike off, the number of birds can be found on their shipping report printed on shipping night.

Discussions were held. Mario Rae proposed an amendment, seconded by Joe Ferreiro, that all UNC clubs must report number of birds and lofts in Winspeed each race, but no disqualification of the flier or club would occur. The new bylaw would now read:

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Proposal by Robert Rotiroti to introduce a constitutional change to By-law No 2 section 3, to:

Delaying the Shipping Date

All shipping dates may be postponed because of an unfavourable weather forecast. The shipping change must give the driver enough time to reach the race point by Sunday morning at 5:00 a.m. at the latest. If the birds are shipped and Sunday's weather makes it impossible for the race, a Monday race will take place. Monday races will be a last resort, and only flown if Sunday is impossible to release. The liberators have full control of shipping date and race date. If the liberators feel that the race station must be changed in order to get the best possible race, they must get permission from the race committee before announcing a shorter race.

As there was no mover on the original proposal, the change was lost.

Motion by Andy Pallotta, seconded by Jason Nelson, to make a suggested change from the Scugog RPC to page 24 appendix 1 as follows.

Trophies will be awarded to the following point winners for overall combine only using the following formula:

The winning bird in each race will receive 100 points declining by one point per position to the 100th bird, which will receive 1 point for the calculation of all the Champion bird and Champion loft awards (pre-set as per the Winspeed program). Motion carried.

Motion by Mario Rae, seconded by Ken Foster, to amend the combine constitution 12-18-2017 to read as follows:

While the Up North Pigeon Combine Inc. Supports and encourages our members to be members in good standing of the Canadian Racing Pigeon Union Inc., this is on a voluntary basis, and mandatory membership is not required. All rules and by-laws of the Canadian racing Pigeon Union Inc. shall apply to our members. The Up North Pigeon Racing Combine Inc. shall not create any rules or bylaws contrary to the C.R.P.U rules and bylaws. Motion was defeated.

Motion by Tony Piacente, seconded by Dave Rodgers, that the meeting be adjourned. Carried