Minutes of Delegates Meeting

Of the Up North Racing Pigeon Combine

Oct. 19 2020 Bradford

Due to Covid 19 issues the general membership was absent. Only the executive and club delegates were able to attend.

Attendance:

Barrie club Jerry Wegman and Tom Anisko

Mississauga club Marian Hojsan and John Black

Orillia club Jason Nelson and Louis Forget

Humber Valley Simon Prigmore and Peter Kamstra

Borden club Mario Rea and Ken Foster

Lakeport club Mike van Kempen

Scugog club Andy Pallotta and Bruce Bidon

York Region club MunerBato and MeladNamrood

Minutes of last meeting were accepted as read

Financial Report:

Ken Foster said the UNC combine made a bit more money this year with the increased membership. All accounts are stable and bills paid. The combine remains financially sound with a healthy trailer fund.

Race Secretary Report:

Andy Pallotta reported that the CU is working on a new race program, made in Canada, that will also figure out CU awards. He is not too keen on it at this point because we are now just getting a good handle on how to use Winspeed. However with the new EWinspeed coming on line in the AU we will have complications if there are any problems with Winspeed. EWinspeed will only be available online, only available from the US and we will need to be AU members and have their bands. Following was a discussion about learning a new system.

Transportation Report:

Andy reports that both trailers have been cleaned and put away. Grant sent a quote for repairing the sag in the large trailer for \$2500 and \$30 per hour to rerivet the shipping baskets. B Wiema has also offered to repair the baskets for free but they must be delivered to his shop in Guelph. After some discussion

John Black moved that individual clubs repair their baskets when needed, Jason Nelson 2nds and its carried unanimously

Jason Nelson then moved we accept Grant's quote to repair the sag and that he also put a drip edge on small trailer and repair any other minor things such as welds, Louis Forget 2nds and it is carried.

New Members:

Due to Covid issues we were unable last spring to accept new memberships at a meeting . Some of these potential members flew this year and today we will make their entry official. Each name was read out and they were all accepted. Following is the list of names:

Chris King- Orillia>ReinaldRetes,CharlotteCassell North Wings>Trevor Hargrave Scugog>Norm Comeau,Mike Valente Borden>Andre Gomes,Angelo Camilleri,Khalid Khawsho,Lorenzo Abbaglivo, IsamNersis York Region->Vertille Campbell Toronto Central >WaldemarBancewicz,J Lin Mississauga

Bruce Mathers reminded everyone another meeting may become difficult in the near future so securing a race schedule should be done now. Jason Nelson moves we use the same schedule as last year unless another is demanded and possible before the end of the year. M Namrood 2nds and it is carried.

Peter Kamstra suggested to Andy that the meaurements on the website need updating as well as the membership list.

All the awards were then handed out to a representative of each club to pass on to the winners. Bruce congratulated all those who won awards

Election of Officers:

There was only one nomination for all positions and everyone accepted their nomination

President Bruce Mather

Vice Pres Mario Rea

2nd Vice Jason Nelson

Race sec Andy Pallotta

Transportation Andy Pallotta

Secretary Peter Kamstra

Treasurer Peter Kamstra

Finance Chair Ken Foster

Chairman of Special events to be found later

Robert Rotiroti, Jason Nelson and Bill Wiema have volunteered to be liberators for the next season.

Congratulations to all the board members

New Business:

The EOC will be with us again for the long races.

The NRRPA would like as many joint releases with the UNC as it is agreeable to.

Jason Nelson asked about the release guidelines in the constitution regarding releasing not before 8:00 for the shorter races due to possible fog etc.early in the morning. He was reminded by Bruce that these are only guidelines and that the liberators can decide to release earlier if it is advantageous to the birds to get up earlier, such as on a very hot day. The birds welfare is paramount.

Bruce presented an update on the situation with Feather's Elite . He gave a brief description, with documentation attached , on all their interactions with the Combine .

After a lengthy discussion it was decided that should legal action be reguired in the future for any similar conductby any member or others there would be money set aside. The action must be deemed necessary by the Executive with input from all the club delegates.

Meeting Adjourned