

ANNUAL MEETING OF THE UP NORTH COMBINE

NOVEMBER 21 2021

NEWMARKET INN

ATTENDANCE: Delegates

Andy Pallotta Scugog

Henry Chen John Black Mississauga

Mike Van Kempen Lakeport

Joe Ferriera Ken Foster Borden

Mustafa Karakul Muner Bator York Region

Bruce Bidon Joe Formosa Oshawa

Tom Anisko Jerry Wegman Barrie

Simon Prigmore Peter Kamstra Humber Valley

Louis Forget Al DiGiandomenico Orillia

There was one spectator

Minutes of previous minutes (Oct 19 2020) were accepted as read.

Financial report: Peter Kamstra

The combine is in a very stable financial situation. Despite adding a trailer to the young bird series and buying the new crate liners we have maintained the balance. It was noted that there was \$10,000.00 in the account from the Oshawa club as a pre payment of flying fees for the next 2 years.

Race secretary: Andy Pallotta

Andy noted that he had to disqualify a few clubs due to their own mistakes. He took no pleasure in doing this and advises clubs to be more vigilant in their clocking and sending of results. He fixed many mistakes as well as doing all the merging.

He was dealing with Kyle (Speed Fancier creator) about the new CU program for racing and is impressed with how easy it is to use. Kyle is willing to do a zoom meeting to show everyone how to use it. We must decide in new business to adopt it.

Transportation: Andy Pallotta

Everything has been cleaned up and put away and Grant has stated his intention to return next year. Grant also noted that that he had no complaints from any flyers this year for a change. Bruce reminded the membership they are not allowed to contact the driver directly and if they have an issue contact the combine Board. Andy addressed the accusation of Grant not watering the birds, pre-race, by saying he has a time stamped video, for each race, of the watering procedure.

Membership applications:

There were a number of memberships applications (41) leftover from the past year and a half. All the names were read out by club affiliation and carried.

Presentation of awards

Election of officers

President	A. Pallotta nominates Bruce Mathers	accepts
1st Vice	B. Mathers nominates Mario Rea	accepts
2nd Vice	J. Black nominates Muner Bator	accepts
Secretary	B. Mathers nominates Peter Kamstra	accepts
Treasurer	J. Black nominates Peter Kamstra	accepts
Transportation	B. Bidon nominates Andy Pallotta	declines
	B. Mathers nominates Bruce Bidon	accepts
Race secretary	J. Ferriera nominates A. Pallotta	accepts
Finance Chair	B. Mathers nominates Ken Foster	accepts

New business

After a long discussion it was decided that the delegates would have to go back to their clubs and talk about the race schedule. Sticking points would be keeping it with the 4 long races, changing the North

Bay between the Klotz Lakes, moving from Klotz Lake because of no cell service and trying a true north station like East Main River.

Another UNC meeting will be held January 23 to decide on the schedule and to deal with any constitutional issues.

A. Pallotta received an email from EOC expressing a desire to join us again for the long races. They would like to fly the Smooth Rock Falls, Hearst and at least one Klotz Lake. The Board welcomed them aboard at the same rate.

A. Pallotta asks for adoption of "Speed Fancier". Points out you must be a paid up CU member to get a result, banded with a certified AU, IF or CU band and registered to owner to get a result. There is no set fee for the program but donations are welcome (Winspeed cost us \$200). B. Mathers suggests that clubs donate. B. Bidon and the Oshawa club used it for young birds and said it was much better. Highly recommended.

Joe Formosa moves the UNC adopt "Speed Fancier" TomAnisko 2nds and its carried unanimously.

Kyle will use You Tube to demonstrate and A. Pallotta will organize a seminar where it will be recommended to have 2 flyers per club so more will learn it.

The system will not work with the Apple Mac computer apparently.

A. Pallotta recommends, due to its age, we should acquire a new GPS and remeasure everyone's loft.

J. Ferriera moves to remeasure all the lofts M. Karakul 2nds and its carried

A. Pallotta moves to buy a new GPS and spend up to \$1000 M. Rea 2nds and its carried.

Clubs will measure their own lofts. They should be done in the center of the trap or if multiple traps the center of all of them. If multiple lofts then between them

A. Pallotta questioned the need for liberators to have birds on the trailer to liberate as last minute liberators are hard to find. B. Mathers noted the back up is the race secretary. Maybe a 4th liberator in training would be a good idea. Tabled to Jan 23 meeting.

J. Ferriera stated the Borden club would like a pickup as they have so many baskets. B. Mathers noted if they get a pickup everyone should get one and thought would be impossible time wise for the driver.

Orillia has to find a new pickup spot as the fair grounds are not available to them.

Mike Van Kempen put forward his "Club 1000" proposal. B. Mathers suggests he become the Special Event Co Ordinator and he agreed to do so.

J. Black nominates MVKempen for Special Events Co Ordinator P. Kamstra 2nds Carried

After some discussion Club 1000 was deemed acceptable but would not be directly affiliated with the UNC. Mike will provide all the details at a later date.

Mario Rea proposed an alternative for flyers to spend their money and keep it in the UNC population. He said the Borden club will administer totally. Birds entered in competition will be noted on the UNC race result. The Board decided to endorse the idea but a completed proposal for the next meeting will be needed

J. Ferrierra moves for adjournment J. Wegman 2nds Carried