

Eastern Ontario Combine

Annual General Meeting
Sunday October 15, 2006

1. Previous Minutes

It was determined that a statement in the previous minutes in regards to race schedule was in error.

Motioned by Linda Maltman Seconded by Janine Harsell that the statement be stricken.

No Opposition.

The section of the minutes dealing with labeling of baskets before they go on the trailer was discussed. No label the basket should not be allowed on the trailer. Roger asked for plastic ties for Long and Short. Tim Mason made note of the \$2000 from the sale of the old trailer contributing to 2006 expenses.

Motioned by Linda Maltman Seconded by Janine Harsell to accept minutes with corrections.

No Opposition.

2. Financial Report

The 2005 financial statement was discussed first. Reports from an independent auditor were made available to all along with a sheet on recommended practices. The auditor noted several areas of concern with the 2005 report, but was unable to produce an audited report due to insufficient detail. It was noted that most of the recommended practices had been already implemented.

It was requested by Ted that any questions not travel the combine as rumours, but instead contact him or the executive responsible.

The 2006 report (reviewed by the auditor) was presented.

Motioned by Linda Maltman, seconded by Ray Naklicki to accept the 2006 report. Passed

- ## 3. Presentation of Awards.
- Trophy's and EOC Band money was presented. Brad encouraged all clubs to participate in this program, and to buy early as a limited number of bands were purchased this year. EOC Band money is being kept in a separate interest earning account until payout. The more bands purchased the more interest earned for the EOC. Sean Whetstone offered to run the 2007 EOC Band program. Dan H. and Sam F. agreed to hand over the program to Sean. Sam was thanked for his efforts over last years program. It was clarified that age does not matter, any EOC banded bird is eligible for the old bird prize money.

4. Old Business

Trailer fund and loan status - The trailer fund had a balance of \$1642. Outstanding loans to 3 individuals totaled \$1700. It was reiterated that loans would be repaid upon request as long as funds were available.

Constitution Update – Discussion was moved to new business.

Clarification of Status of the Lindsay RPC - There had been no written communication with either the President or the Secretary from the Lindsay club to resign from the combine. As our rules state a club that sits out two years must reapply the Lindsay club was still considered a member club of the combine. Members of the Lindsay club had been in contact with the combine to ensure they were still members and to express their intention to fly with the EOC in 2007.

Election of Officers -

President - Nominations – Dan Horner nominated by Frank Waterfall

Ted Brown nominated by Jim Towes

Ted agreed to stand – Dan declined

Ted Brown (Bowmanville) was acclaimed President

Vice President -Nominations– Sam Ferrara nominated by Dan Horner

Phil Gilligan nominated by Gerry Grey

Sam accepted – Phil declined

Sam Ferrara (Newcastle) acclaimed

Sec/Treasurer–Nominations–Brad Harsell nominated by Frank Waterfall

Linda Maltman-Ramcharan nominated but it was determined her membership had not been forwarded to the combine

Brad agreed to stand

Brad Harsell (Newcastle/Cobourg) acclaimed

Race Sec. – Nominations – Frank Waterfall nominated by Sam Ferrara

Dave Ramcharan Nominated by Bob Stiver

Frank agreed to stand – Dave declined

Frank Waterfall (Cobourg) acclaimed

Liberator – Nominations – Gerry Grey nominated by Moe Moses

Dan Horner nominated by Janine Harsell

Tim Mason questioned if there was a conflict of interest with Gerry as Young Bird Liberator. Discussion ensued and it was noted that Old and Young bird liberators had been separate positions in the past. It was decided to do so again with Gerry liberating old birds and Dan young birds

Gerry Grey (Liftlock) was acclaimed Old Bird Liberator

Dan Horner (Newcastle) acclaimed Young Bird Liberator

Truck Coordinator–Nominations–Kris Marshman nominated by Ted Brown

Bob Stiver nominated by Sean Whetstone

Kris agreed to stand – Bob agreed to stand

Kris Marshman (Cobourg) elected

Publicity – Nominations – Chris Mulders nominated by Dan Horner

Sean Whetstone nominated by Gerry Grey

It was noted that this position had been split at last years agm. It was decided to continue that again this year.

Shawn Whetstone (Cobourg-Port Hope) elected to Publicity/Awards

Chris Mulders (Newcastle) to take the Promotions position

5.New Business – Constitution/Changes

Bob Stewart noted that the constitution had not been followed in the recent past. It was also noted that most issues raised were already covered under the existing constitution. Janine Harsell questioned whether the items in Frank's letter should be covered individually.

Discussion commenced on the first of Frank's items. It quickly became apparent that to cover the whole issue would take several hours, possibly days.

Motion by Janine Harsell – To form a committee of 5 members, no 2 from the same club, to discuss and recommend changes.

Seconded by Sean Whetstone – 17 in favour – 0 against - Passed

2007 Race Schedule –

Motion by Fran Waterfall – To accept the old bird schedule proposed by Gerry Grey

Seconded by Brad Foster – 15 in favour – 9 opposed - Passed

Motion by Janine Harsell – To fly last years Young Bird schedule with the addition of a double race from Mattawa instead of the second trainer

Seconded by Dan Horner – 20 in favour – 2 against - passed

Fees and Dues

There was discussion on whether this was the appropriate time to set fees and dues.

Motion by Fran Waterfall – To set fees based on anticipated number of flyers and Rogers costs, to be confirmed or revised in April 07

Seconded by Janine Harsell – 21 for 2 against passed . Meeting to set fees to be held early in the new year

2006 Young Bird Auction –Newcastle club volunteered to run the young bird auction. Plans are to make it an auction race

Questionable Velocity Proposals–

Motion by Gerry Grey as – That the speed of any bird which appears questionable when received by the EOC Race Secretary be immediately brought to the attention of the EOC President, at which time they will contact two knowledgeable flyers from Clubs other than Club of the bird in question. After careful review and consideration shall by a majority of 3-1, allow or disallow entry into Federation Results. (suggest any speed in excess of 200 y.p.m. be considered questionable).

Motion was amended to say “with conclusive proof”

Seconded by Ted Brown – 16 in favour 4 against – Passed

Combine Newsletter – It was suggested a combine newsletter be considered.

Presidents resolution on new clubs – Ted has volunteered to approach other clubs in the area about joining the combine.

Motion by Dan Horner - The president to approach other clubs in the area on behalf of the EOC to invite them to apply to the combine.

Seconded by Sam Ferrara – no opposition - passed

Next Annual General meeting set for Oct. 14,2007 at the Port Hope Fairgrounds

Motion by Brad Harsell to adjourn the meeting.