

2009 "North Coast Classic"



Rules.

1. The race shall be known as "**The North Coast Classic One Loft Race**," run under the Rule's of **The R.P.R.A. under Licence No. IR 01/09**
2. The loft will be situated on the outskirts of Coleraine. Co. Londonderry. N.Ireland.
3. Entrants will be received at the Loft on each Sunday between the hours of 10 a.m. and 4 p.m. from the **SECOND** Sunday in February until the second Sunday in May. Alternate arrangements can be made by contacting our office. Upon entry all birds will be treated for paramyxovirus and tested for the usual ailments regardless.
4. Entry fee is £100 / E130 per "**Activated**" entry and one "**Reserve**" for an additional fee of £50 / E 65.
5. In the event of a competitors "**Activated**" entry being lost before the 1st "Hot Spot" race, the "**Reserve**" will take its place at **NO EXTRA CHARGE!**
6. **ONLY** entries "**Activated**" **BEFORE** the 1st "Hot Spot" race will be included in race averages. (Ace Pigeon). In all lists "**Un-activated**" birds will carry the suffix "**U**".
7. Any "**Un-activated**" bird in the Loft the day after the 1st "Hot Spot" race will be re-classified as a "**Venture**" pigeon henceforth carrying the suffix. **BFS**. (Bird for sale) at a cost of £100 / E130 and the original owner cease to have any claim on that entry. Owners of "**Un-activated**" birds may "**Activate**" the bird any time **BEFORE** the 1st "Hot Spot" race by forwarding the balance of £50 / E65.
8. Prize money is calculated on an entry of 1,000 birds. Any shortfall or increase to a maximum of 1,200 activated entries and all prizes will be adjusted accordingly.
9. Five "Hot Spot" races will take place from 70, 100, 130, 160, 200 miles on consecutive Sundays and the final race, "**The North Coast Classic**" from Cork, 240 miles.
10. Any dispute arising will be settled by the organising Committee.
11. Upon entering the Loft, all birds will become the property of the organising Committee and will be transferred accordingly.
12. The **1st '100' birds** in the "**North Coast Classic**" result will be auctioned the Saturday following the final race. All remaining birds will be available for collection by their owners on the Sunday following the final race between the hours of 10 a.m. and 4 p.m. Auctioneers fee will be deducted **BEFORE** 50% is returned to the owner providing a pedigree has been supplied **PRIOR** to the main race, otherwise all auction money will be retained by the organisers.
13. Birds will be timed in all races using the **TauRIS** electronic timing system.
14. The organising committee reserves the right to alter or cancel dates of liberation or sites at any time. The welfare of the birds is our **main priority** and any decision of the Committee will be final.
15. All race entries will be race marked by **independent volunteers** for each race under the supervision of the Committee, sealed in crates and secured for transport. Responsibility will then pass to the Convoyer / Race Controller and driver who shall remain with the entries until liberated. (Fanciers wishing to act as markers / convoyers in any race will be welcomed and should contact any Committee Member.)
16. No Member of the Committee or Staff associated with the "North Coast Classic" may have an interest in any entry, financial or otherwise.
17. Entry is Open, including International entries, however all birds **MUST** carry an approved Union / Association 2009 ring. It is the **responsibility of the entrant** to deliver entries to the Loft on the aforementioned dates, however the organisers will assist in any way possible if contacted. Any financial liability will be the sole responsibility of the entrant.
18. The race web-site will be up-dated where possible on a **DAILY BASIS** giving details of training tosses, inventory lists of birds in loft, pools for that days race and results.
- 19...All race details, including pools, will be posted on the race web site on the morning of liberation in "Hot Spot" races. All pool's and prize money will be paid to the winner's within 7 days of published result on our web site.
20. All pools and Nom's are optional and will be paid out as laid out on entry form for each event.