

INFORMATION SHEET 2025

Sponsor of the MIDWEST NATIONAL CLASSIC RACE to be flown June 28 2025

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Important information: The Midwest Classic Old Bird race 2025 will not be liberated from the Kansas Expo Center as in the past. New location is West Ridge Mall 1801 SW Wanamaker Road Topeka KS. 66604. SW corner of the mall parking lot. Race date is Saturday June 28 2025.

Contact Don E. Lowe Jr. with any questions 1-763-568-2942

Dues - Annual Midwest Dues are \$3.00 per flyer. Members must be AU members to be included in the results. A list of members names, and number of birds shipped should be sent with dues or filled out on the Race Entry Recap sheet the night of shipping. Dues, sectional secretary fees and diploma/plaques can be paid the night of shipping.

Transportation - It is the responsibility of members and clubs to get their birds to the race station. Advise your drivers and liberators to report to our Midwest Liberator Mark Zima 1-920-810-8690 when arriving at the West Ridge Mall. 1801 Wanamaker Road Topeka KS. He will be driving the white and blue Wisconsin pigeon truck. Liberation should be about 6:15 to 6:30 weather permitting. Release is in the SW corner of the mall parking lot.

Lodging - Drivers can make reservations at the Courtyard Topeka By Marriot 2033 SW Wanamaker Road Topeka KS. 66604 1-785-271-6155

Release & Liberation - No mandatory release. In case of inclement weather the liberation will be handled by the Minnesota race Secretary, Illinois secretary, on site liberator. Each club, combine, concourse, federation can decide to release or hold their birds. Liberation time and information will be posted on our website, www.MIDWESTHPA.com.

GPS - Ewinspeed It was voted and approved to use GPS exclusively since 2007. Use the following GPS coordinates for Topeka KS. Will post later.

We will again use **Ewinspeed** to figure overall and section results. We are set up as an Open Race through the AU. Your club results will appear in the overall race report as long as the date, liberation time and GPS match the Open Race. In 2025 there is a cutoff date of July 31 2025 for uploading results to the AU NDB. Result uploads will not be allowed after that date. New for 2025

Race Recap Sheets - Must be completely filled out showing member's name and number of birds and mailed by your secretary (see below for address) priority mail **ASAP after shipping (Basketing) Must be postmarked before birds are released.** Enclose check with all Midwest dues and fees from the top of the entry recap form. **Information sheet and recap forms can be downloaded from the Midwest website.**
www.MIDWESTHPA.com.

Time - Set your master timer or electronic clock to central daylight time just prior to start and final knock off.

You can go the AU or Midwest website and the digital clock will pop up with exact universal time. You can also use www.time.gov.

Per AU rules: All birds liberated at Topeka KS with the Midwest Race Birds count in the Ewinspeed Open Race Results. No birds or lofts may be eliminated from the Open results. No counterfeit bands allowed.

Use this table for all second day bird calculations

	Race Day	2nd Day
	Sunset	Sunrise
Wisconsin	8:40	5:10
Illinois	8:37	5:21
Minnesota	9:04	5:28
South Dakota	9:04	5:28
West	9:32	6:33
Iowa	8:53	5:42
Others	Use your local times	

All times are CDST. Times have been adjusted to try and cover each area.

*******Sectional Information-Fees*******

Wisconsin, Minnesota, West, and all others

Gary Heindel N2517 Weyers Road Freedom Wisconsin 54130 \$3.00 sect. fee and \$1.00 diplomas and plaque awards. Email; GHEINDEL@aol.com. 1-920-841-2485. Leave message or text and I'll get back to you.

Northern Illinois

Secretary Andy Vella 7N985 Northern Dancer LN St Charles Illinois 60175. Illinois sect. fee \$3.00 and \$1.00 diplomas and plaque award.

Email. AAVella@MAIL.com.

1-630-940-8277

TOTAL: dues and fees \$7.00 per loft all sections. Breakdown per loft 3.00 Dues, 3.00 Sect fee, 1.00 Awards, Diplomas, plaques

Awards: Midwest Race reports and diplomas for each of the following distances. A plaque to each section winner and outstanding bird, loft and youth flyer in the race. No overall awards other than outstanding loft, bird and youth race winner. Race results will be posted on our website www.Midwesthpa.com and www.pigeon.org. The AUNational Database.

75 to 174.9 Miles designated the 100 mile Class

175 to 274.9 Miles designated the 200 mile Class

275 to 374.9 Miles designated the 300 mile Class

375 to 474.9 Miles designated the 400 mile Class

475 to 549.9 Miles designated the 500 mile Class

550 to 674.9 Miles designated the 600 mile Class

675 to 849.9 Miles designated the 750 mile Class

850 Miles and up designated the 1000 mile Class

Midwest Classic Youth Race Winner

Midwest Classic Youth Race. Please mark recap sheet with youth flyers. A plaque will be awarded to the winner of the youth race held in conjunction with the Midwest Classic old bird race. Open to all youth 7 to 18 years old. Junior members must fly from an AU adult member loft or be a AU member themselves. Fees and dues would be one half the adult price.

The Midwest Homing Pigeon Association sponsors this event to give the opportunity for clubs and individuals to participate in a race with a large National release. Local club, combine, Federation, and AU race rules will be used to handle any internal local or regional disputes.

Please be advised that factors beyond anyone's control may affect the Midwest Classic Race. For example in 2017 the avian flu caused us to get additional permits and permission to cross state lines to get to Topeka KS. for the release.

2020/2021/2022 Covid 19 has affected everyone's race schedules and ability to have a full season. Updated information will be posted on our website www.MIDWESTHPA.com as it becomes available. Please follow all guidelines posted by the CDC, local and state health officials.

2022 Wisconsin was affected by the Avian Flu outbreak. Updates for 2025 will be posted on our website www.MIDWESTHPA.com