

## INFORMATION SHEET 2024

Sponsor of the MIDWEST NATIONAL CLASSIC RACE to be flown June 29 2024

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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 Topeka Expocenter. He will be driving the white and blue Wisconsin pigeon truck. Liberation should be about 6:15 to 6:30 weather permitting.

Lodging - Drivers can make reservations at the Hotel Topeka At City Center 1717 SW Topeka Boulevard Topeka Kansas. 1-785-431-7200. Hotel is on the same grounds as the Expco. Google Hotel Topeka at City Center for reservations.

Release & Liberation - **No mandatory release.** In case of inclement weather the liberation will be handled by the Wisconsin race Secretary, Illinois secretary, Minnesota 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](http://www.MIDWESTHPA.com).

GPS - Ewinspeed It was voted and approved to use GPS exclusively since 2007. Use the following GPS coordinates for Topeka KS. Latitude 39:01.9433N Longitude 95:41.0617 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.

Race Recap Sheets - Must be completely filled out showing member's name and number of birds and mailed by your secretary 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](http://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](http://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**

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

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

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

**Wisconsin, Minnesota, West, and all others**

**Secretary 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](http://www.Midwesthpa.com) and [www.pigeon.org](http://www.pigeon.org). The AllNational 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](http://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 2024 will be posted on our website [www.MIDWESTHPA.com](http://www.MIDWESTHPA.com)**