

The Adelaide Pigeon Club - Australia's most exciting club!

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COOBER PEDY 2023 NEWSLETTER

The birds in the final race for the year were released at 7:05 am with 1278 SAHPA birds. The weather upon release was fine and clear with an east south easterly wind of 15 kph. At the release point the birds broke into several groups with some taking up to 15 minutes to leave. The wind along the journey home was a mixture of east south easterly; east north easterly and south south easterly making for a hard race. The winning velocity was 1040.982 mpm.

The race was won by **Brian & Ryan** with **Birdman** three minutes later in second and **Final Try** a further ten minutes behind third. This was a fantastic day for long time member Brian Bacon who not only had his first winner but also finished second and ninth in the race. Brian has been close a number of times in the past but had never been able to come up with the winner. Congratulations to the winners and all of the other prize winners.

The winner is all Vandenabeele. The sire was bred from a cock purchased at the Andrew Muirhead sale and is closely related to Andrew's double winner in the Adelaide Pigeon Club. The dam was bred by Peter Vranek from birds obtained from Jack Vanderlinden.

The sire of second is from Butch Abrahams and contains the old Port Adelaide long distance bloodlines of gertic, smutts and others. The dam was purchased from Geoff Cawte and contains Pryor and Heremans bloodlines. The Heremans is related to the Leo Duits SAHPA winner from Marla.

Third was bred from pigeons from Wayne Smith who used to fly with the Whyalla Club. Both parents are based on long distance performance and raced well and are excellent stock birds. The introduction of Jan Aarden blood a few years back really fired them up and both parents have this blood in them.

Just For Fun won the Aggregate Points and also the Bird of the Year with SA 22 8006 BCH.

Registrations and deposits for the 2024 season are being received. The team size is **5** birds. **The entry fee is \$1,540 per team including GST with the deposit \$540.**

Birds sent via **Adelaide Airport** must be sent on either **Friday the 1st December** or **Friday the 8th December**. **Do not send birds on any other days.**

APC Committee

Brian, Penny and Rolf