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> The Australian Pigeon Company Colin Walker - 03 9764 9000 *via their Moorebank distributer

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Australian Racing Pigeon Journal Jeff Howell - 0403 369 823 Jeff can have magazine subscription available His new Pigeon Progeny V4 Loft Management Software

> Jim Jenner DVD's for sale (great if Jim Jenner is there)

BENZING Electronic Timing System Kevin Clark - 0418 318 165

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Winners1 - Rod Simmons Loft equipment/ birds for sale

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Wayne Weatherburn-Lofts and fitting 0412 967 783

SRPF Bricon Electronic Timing - Ted Dubois 0414 629 534

> Mark Koulouris/George Bossco Loft Equipment 9604 0446

Online Auction Donors

The Sydney Convention Committee Members would like to thank and recognise the following fanciers for their kind donation of 23 very well bred and presented pigeons for the auction conducted on the Pigeon Auction web site over the week of the 29th October - 4th November 2018.

Steven Eggleton J & L Shore Nick Lakiotis P Mihailov S Gazzola Syd Gard **Tim Fawcett Rod Simmons**

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Sydney Pigeon Fanciers and Pigeon Radio Australia

Presents the 2019 Australian Pigeon Convention and Charity Day **Commencing from 9am**

Venue the Arena Sports (Greyhound Club) 140 Rookwood Rd Yagoona 2199 Monies raised will go to support the

To be held over the 29th, 30th and 31st March 2019 Motor Neurone Disease Research Institute of Australia



Come along and enjoy what is shaping up to be a great event Saturday's Program: • International and Local Guest speakers • A Pigeon Auction of some very special birds donated by many

- of Australia's best fanciers
- Auction and Raffle Items
- A plethora of stallholders will be in attendance Mark this date in your diary or calendar as this will be an event not to be missed

Special thankyou to: Jennifer Hawkins
Leo Ťurley
Jon South • Lee Fribbins • Dr Rob Marshall • for donating items for auctions and raffles, all proceeds going to the MNDRI foundation





International Guest Speakers

Famous international pigeon film director/producer and author - Jim Jenner will be one of our very special guests. Jim needs very little introduction to pigeon fanciers as he has travelled the world filming and interviewing some of the world's best known and greatest fanciers. His DVD's giving an insight into how many of these overseas fanciers select, train, feed and prepare their birds to compete in some of the world's biggest competitions.



In November 2005 Jim Jenner was invited to address the

House of Commons in the United Kingdom giving a seven page speech in an effort to promote and educate those in government as to the history, value and virtues of keeping pigeons. (For those interested in obtaining a copy of Jim's speech it is available to download on the internet).

I feel sure that those fanciers familiar with Jim's work will be excited to have an opportunity to meet with him and to listen to both what he has to say and to be able to have the opportunity ask him questions about his many interviews and overseas pigeon experiences.

Our second international guest will be one of the most successful present day fanciers from the Netherlands -Marcel Sangers.

Marcel began his professional entry into the sport with birds obtained from Bertie Camphuis with birds directly related to the famous "05" of the Janssen Bro. Since then he has introduced birds from various fanciers including those of Gerard Koopman. Nowadays his loft is based more around birds obtained from Dirk van den Bulck's "Kittel" family and those of Stefaan Lambrechts. Always looking to improve and stay at the top of his game. Marcel once said, and I quote, "Pigeon racing is a passion, and winning the greater goal".

In the 2018 season Marcel's Final Old Bird Ranking included 5 x 1st Champion Fed from 6 possible championships along with winning 3 x 1st Ace-bird awards. In 2017 with a pure Dirk van den Bulck he won

1st prize flying 40 km further than his nearest competitor into a strong head wind. This hen bird named "Nikki" went on to win 11th National Ace-bird old "De Allerbeste" having competed against a staggering 1,166,767 birds.

Convention Day Pigeon Auction

An auction of 34 top quality pigeons will be offered for sale by auction from some of Australia's best and well known fanciers. This will be a golden opportunity to purchase that special pigeon to enhance your stock loft.

The following is the list of donors: T&L Sienkiewicz (2), C Porter (2), J Borg & Son (2), P Weynton (2), V Pedavoli (2), R Deiner (2), J Bansfield (2), P & H Gibbs (2). The following fanciers have donated 1 bird each : J Sheppard, M Jeffrey, A Sultana, M Bou-Said, J Debrincat, S Elliott, A Spilliopoulos, W March, K Marshall, R McLachlan, J Stig.

All proceeds to go to the "Motor Neurone Disease Research Institute of Australia".



National Speakers



Our national speakers will include fanciers from NSW, Qld and Vic. With two speakers being from NSW. One of these will be Gary Portelli. Gary is a prominent race horse trainer along with being an avid pigeon fancier who competes in the Liverpool Pigeon Club affiliated with the CCF. Gary has had great success as a Group 1 race horse trainer, having among others trained the winner of the 2017 Golden Slipper- "She Will Reign" and those fanciers that also like to have a punt on the

G-G's will also know of "Rebel Dane" another very successful horse trained by Gary. Gary is going to talk about his training methods, and the difference he perceives between preparing horses to produce a top effort along with how he prepares his pigeons.

From Queensland we will have Len Vanderlinde, the QPF 2018 Open Federation Champion, Len has now won the QRPF championship 4 out of the last 5 years, winning the championship for the last 3 years in a row from 3 different direction, something that has not been achieved before. Also winning 5 Open Federation races this year (2018) from distances between 380klms to 810klms.

Len would be one of Queensland best known fanciers and has competed at the highest level year in and year out within the QRPF for many years. Fanciers that have heard Len speak before know that he is very knowledgeable and is more than happy to freely provide advice to others on how to achieve the best from their birds based on his years of pigeon racing experience. Len's talk will be centred on feeding for the best results.



Our other NSW guest speaker will be the well-known and respected Sydney CCF fancier - Syd Gard. Syd has raced his pigeons from his present address for many years having competed in the old FRP Federation and now with the CCF having achieved great results in both. Syd has always been a very competitive fancier having won many major prizes including both club and federation averages. Syd's talk will highlight what he believes the difference was between racings in the FRP compared to now racing in the CCF and how pigeon racing in Sydney has changed over the years with the demise of both the inner city federations, the NRP and FRP.

We are also pleased to have as a speaker John Shore from Victoria. John needs no introduction to most Australian fanciers as he is a highly successful fancier having raced his birds in two Victorian federations, the VHA for many years and now with the GMPF. John is also a very good auctioneer, and as such will doing some auctioneering for us on the day. John's Involvement as an auctioneer for various charity organisations has assisted in raising over \$8,000,000 and has always donated his time for free.

John is a keen fancier and is very involved and passionate about the promotion and introduction of pigeon keeping to young people and as such this will be the basis of his talk that he has entitled "Here's an Idea".

We certainly hope you will enjoy listening to all our guest speakers and maybe learn a little along the way.

