

First Tarcoola Open "excellent"

Excellent returns were received on the day of the first Tarcoola Open held by the SAHPA on August 19.

First and third places were taken by M. Bergen, and his club-mate R. Jonker, took second and fourth places.

The 4,916 birds were released at 8 a.m., with the winning bird being clocked at 3.18 p.m.

Results, subject to checking — M. Bergen, 22.202 (metres a second); R. Jonker, 22.163; M. Bergen, 22.112; R. Jonker, 22.101; C. Copeland, 22.075; S. Orfanos, 21.958; D. Hall and Sons, 21.955; N. Tymms, 21.945; N. Tymms, 21.944; G. N. R. and C. C. Binnion, 21.931; J. Bergen, 21.915; G. N. R. and C. C. Binnion, 21.907; J. Kolenberg, 21.891; L. Window, 21.884; G. Chinnick, 21.882; L. Sloper and Son, 21.880; G. Dangerfield, 21.874; N. Tymms, 21.853; Clerke and Harris, 21.846; F. Garwood, 21.804; Thede and Heuchan, 21.790; D. and K. Gillespie, 21.768; M. J. Hawes, 21.766; L. Todd, 21.759; G. Dangerfield, 21.755; R. Rust, 21.752; J. Bergen, 21.749; S. Szabo, 21.734; B. Dieckmann, 21.730; D. Schwarz, 21.726.

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North Suburban, from Tarcoola, 370 miles (17, 200) — Clerke and Harris, 21.846 mps.; A. Noble and Son and Cupples, 21.635; A. Noble and Son and Cupples, 21.53.

SAPHC — PAA, from Marree, 360 miles (40, 402) — F. Morris, 1,207.53 ypm; (yards a minute) C. Lodge, 1,119.76; F. Morris, 1,199.22; B. Morrison and Son, 1,197.28; A. Chapman, 1,196.31; F. Wallace, 1,195.81; J. Todd, 1,194.39; R. Trewartha, 1,194.01; W. Downing, 1,192.73; A. Thompson, 1,192.68; L. Jeffries, 1,191.71; C. Lodge, 1,190.92; B. Goold, 1,189.07; A. Whaithe, 1,188.71; H. Goold, 1,187.75; F. Morris, 1,195.35; W. Downing, 1,184.44.

Riverside Juniors, from Marree, 360 miles (3, 8) — D. Bubner, 1,181.25 (y.p.m.); T. Stadler, 1,175.72; Lyttledyke Bros., 1,075.44. Victor Harbor, 418 miles (8, 30)

miles (8, 34) — A. Sanderson, 1,021 ypm; E. Ricker, 984; K. Ricker, 976. Solomontown, from Barton (Derby) 368 miles, (14, 140) — R. Manfield, 1,108.9 ypm.; D. Manfield, 1,108.7; Argent and Legg, 1,145.9.

Port Pirie, from Nhill (ladies' race) 300 miles (20, 220) — Mrs. L. Groverman, 1,172.4 ypm.; Mrs. H. F. Jackson, 1,171.8; Mrs. S. Staker, 1,170.6. Murray Bridge, from Booroorban, 498km. (kilometres), (16, 129) — R. Kuchel, 15,097 mps.; L. Leighton, 15,063; E. Kuchel, 14,751. Jamestown, from Kingoonyo 253 miles (7, 61) — P. C. Couzner, 1,112.5 ypm.; E. I. and D. Swearse, 1,112; W. C. Smith, 1,111. Renmark, from Port Augusta, 206 miles (12, 47) — N. Bartel, 804 ypm.; K. and M. Brand, 807 (only three birds in race time).

Loxton, from Pimba, 312 miles (5, 26) — L. Dobrzynski, 692 ypm.; C. Kruger, 590. Jamestown, from Keith, 223 miles (7, 45) — E. L. and D. Swearse, 1,186.6; L. Davis, 1,186.4; P. C. Couzner, 1,186. Sport Club Holland (Mount Gambier), from Murray Bridge, 336 km. (9, 35) — Mr. S. B. Dunn, 7 hr., 36 min., 55 sec.; Mr. G. Hunter, 7 hr., 37 min., 20 sec.; Mr. J. N. Butler, 7 hr., 45 min., 14 sec.

Crystal Brook, from Walseley, 265 miles (8, 53) — J. A. Wohling, 1,194.6 ypm; T. R. Hendry, 1,193.9; E. L. Hickey, 1,192.7. Peterborough, from Bordertown, 255 miles (7, 35) — L. Noble, 1,213.9 ypm; R. Sullivan, 1,213.84; Ken Stokes, 1,213.46. Mount Gambier, from Renmark 252 miles (12, 107) — R. Mott, 1,012 ypm; J. W. Butler, 1,011; J. Otter, 1,008. Mount Gambier, from Ararat (Vic.), 124 miles (11, 79) — No birds home on race day.

NOTE: Contrary to information given in this column last week, Mr. Vin Blanden did not write last week's pigeon notes. Mr. Blanden has retired as our correspondent for the sport.