

Ace Bird Series

SAHPA 2015

In order to recognise and congratulate outstanding performances by individual birds over the association race program, we have introduced the "Ace Bird" series for the 2015 Association race program.

The prestigious "Bird of the Year" will be awarded as per the current association points system. The "Ace Bird" award is in addition to the "Bird of the Year".

This season an "Ace Bird" competition will be run for "Open Birds" and "Young Birds"

The award is based on the Race Birds position achieved in any three races as a percentile of the number of birds entered in that race. Therefore, the more entries in the race and the higher the placement the better result the qualifier will achieve. The qualifying bird/s are to be nominated at season end by the owner.

The formula is the race position divided by the number of birds in the race expressed as a co-efficient.

(The lower the co-efficient the better the result will be.)

Rules

1. The "qualifying bird" must place within the top ten (10) per cent of the convoy.
2. Young birds must be rung with a life ring dated 2014 and qualify for SAHPA association races.
3. The "qualifying bird" must compete in a minimum of three races.
4. The owner may select **any three races** for the bird's nomination. (Remember the more birds and the higher place the better).
5. Owners must nominate their qualifiers with fourteen (14) days of season end.
6. The races shall include all SAHPA sanctioned races.
7. Bird must be placed within the top 10% of the Convoy.
8. Unirates shall be calculated to two (2) decimal points.
9. The award result shall be the average of three (3) co-efficients.

(From "any three" races in the Association race program)

10. Awards "Open Birds" Top ten (10)

"Young Birds" top ten (10)

11. Awards "Certificate of Merit"

11. Calculation

Entries Position (top 10%)

----- Equals Co- Efficient.

Total entries in Convoy

Adjudicators: - Phil Squire, John Harper, Tom Tirrel, Alan Agar.

Definitions.

Unirate = Universal Performance Rate.

Co-Efficient = Placing achieved as compared to number of entries in the convoy expressed as a percentile.