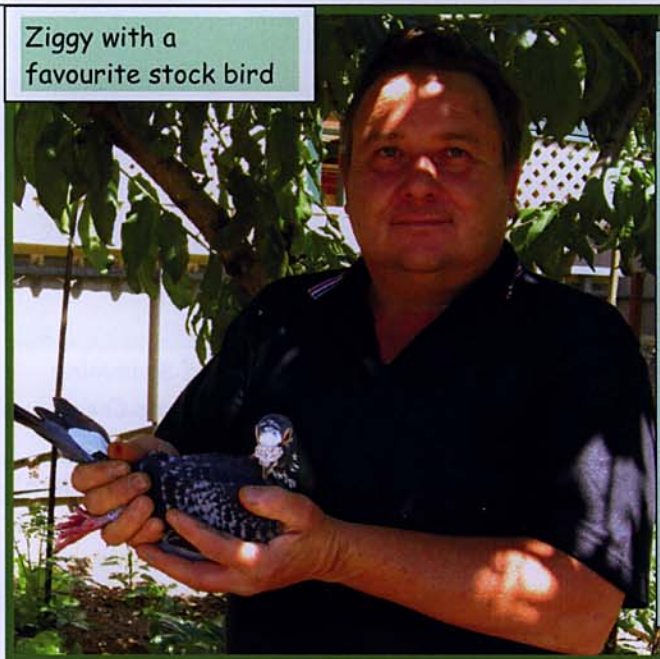


Ziggy Zyczko - Lyndhurst Open #2 Winner - SA05 23960 BCH

Ziggy has been flying Pigeons for around 20 years having started with the Hampstead Club in the mid 80's. He moved to the Millswood Club in 1989, then West Torrens in 1991, but flew only a few Races a year because of Work commitments, then returned to Millswood in 1994.

Ziggy with a favourite stock bird



Up until his son Stefan (aged 20) started flying two years ago, Ziggy has been the lone Pigeon Fancier in the Zyczko household. His second son Raymond (aged 14) has also began assisting with feeding, cleaning and watering as Ziggy's Work commitments interfered with Pigeon management.

His birds are mixtures of Kakoschke (purchases from the Greg Kakoschke Sale), Artie Morris, Dangerfield, Pryor and Verco. He introduced some Janssens some two seasons ago with some success. He notes that the 'old Port stuff' has been very good to him and to others (to whom he has gifted Pigeons).

Ziggy finds that the Dangerfields and Janssens worked best for him on the North line, and the Kakoschke, Morris, Pryor, Verco worked best on the East line. His Alice Springs birds are generally Morris/Kakoschke, and he notes that he has never failed to get an Alice Springs bird from the teams sent and he gets approximately 60% home - a fine record.

Ziggy bred from 20 pairs in 2006 Season and started with around 100 young and 30 old birds. As he had decided that 2006 would be his last Season, he put more work and management into the birds than normal, and reaped the rewards with 3rd Aggregate SAHPA and 1st SAHPA Lyndhurst, 2nd SAHPA Moulamein Open, 4th Moulamein S.A.D and 19th Lyndhurst Y.B.C.

Significant people in his flying career have been Bill Verco (if you wanted to know something, just ask Bill!), and Kelvin Kakoschke (general knowledge and breeding genetics). In addition, he thinks that listening to all Club Members and then sifting out the gems was always worth the effort.

Ziggy's program for 2006 was consistent with his previous years - worming three times a year (pre breeding, pre Racing and pre SAHPA Races), plenty of vitamins, green feed, good grain and exercise to get the birds working well around the loft. He provided tosses at 15, 25, 40, 60, 80, 100 miles, then down to Sellicks Beach, then over the hills to Mt Barker or Nairne, then on the SAHPA unit.

For Association Races he used daily short tosses for the team to be raced that week in addition to the Association toss. This was usually from Lonsdale where son Stefan worked.

The winning bird from Lyndhurst was a Janssen - sire a Bill Bilecki - loan bird and the dam a $\frac{1}{2}$ Janssen x Paterson/Kakoschke.

The second bird (they landed together) was also a Janssen - sire bred through Verco and Pearson birds, and the dam from K. Kakoschke (this bird had been raced by Ziggy and had won a Club and a Group race).

Ziggy's interests outside Pigeons are Family, Cars (customized) and his Vineyard.