

RAMBO YANG AND DENNIS GAO

BEST RESULTS: 4th and 8th Assoc. Coober Pedy 2018. 6th SALDC Border Village 2018. 7th Mt. Willoughby 2017

HOW WE STARTED: Both Rambo and Dennis raced pigeons in China. Dennis started when he lived in North China (inner Mongolia) 16 years ago. In China last year there were 400,000 members in at least 3,000 clubs. A very popular sport there with expensive birds and big prize money. His uncle had birds and he was



interested and his cousin introduced him to actually racing them. Mainly only one loft races because people have little space where they live. The one-loft version is much more popular. Most people live in small apartments and might only have a couple of pairs of stock birds. Rambo started racing pigeons about 20

years ago in China (Tianjin) but Rambo had his own loft. He only flew a couple of years then stopped until he came to Australia but he always had pigeons as a child. Rambo came to Australia 7 years ago and Dennis about four years ago. They met via the Animal Expo when Dennis was asked if he would like to volunteer to help as he could speak Mandarin. During that time Rambo met Dennis and they became friends. In 2016 Dennis moved house so he asked Rambo if he would like to be a partner. So Rambo became the racer and Dennis the breeder and their first year flying was 2017. When Dennis started racing pigeons in Australia birds were acquired from Tony Perkins who donated a couple of pairs and Tony introduced him to the North Suburban Club. Tony was his greatest help in getting started. Pigeons were also obtained from Tim Fawcett's auction site. They also purchased birds from auctions such as Andrew Muirhead's (purchased around ten birds virtually all Gabbys plus Andrew's old bloodlines) also W & C Myers. Peter Burke helped a lot and his birds seem to do very well in their loft.

BREEDING: Around 30 pairs of stock birds (some are just used as the feeders) and breed three rounds a season. Pairing is done in late September. Long distance birds are paired together and imports together also old bloodlines to old bloodlines. Prefer young stock birds to breed from. The loft has four sections with a walkway. Hens and cocks are separated from July. Prefer hens to cocks but they both do well. This year will be their first year they will attempt Alice Springs - previously to Marla and Border Village.

FEEDING: Mainly peas around 60 pc the rest corn, wheat, safflower and milo. Some canary mix during breeding and moulting. Uses vitamin and probiotic.