

Poor start to race

Another bad get-away resulted on Saturday when about 4,500 SAHPA birds were reluctant to leave Maryborough — less than 50 p.c made home in the day.

Released in overcast weather at 8 a.m. (Eastern time), the contestants were hesitant in departing.

R. Blyth, Hampstead, clocked the winner just after 4.20 p.m. to win from clubmate, H. Webber, with K. Shinkfield, Skyline Continental, just behind in third place.

Despite the poor start, and the resultant large gaps between many arrivals later, the first 50 or more birds came home closely on each others tails.

The total of 4,130 birds representing 252 owners competed in the major association race.

The Union and Combine flew slow races from Oodnadatta, 540 miles, when the leaders did not reach Adelaide until Sunday afternoon.

T. Jacobs won the Union's event and the Combine's race went to F. Taylor.

Results

Maryborough

SAHPA (252, 4130) — R. Blyth 1073, H. Webber 1071, Shinkfield 1070, J. Pryor 1069, C. Henderson 1067.6, M. Hatch 1067.3, W. Jackson 1066.7, G. Hogarth 1066.3, K. Shinkfield 1066.2, M. Murphy 1066.1, A. Cook 1065.8, H. Woollett 1065.4, S. Szabo 1064.7, J. Bested 1064.6, K. Smoker 1064.4, W. Jackson 1064, H. Webber 1063.9, L. Pitt 1063.39, H. Thain and Son 1063.36, D. McLeay 1063.31 — subject to check.

SAHPA Jr. (19, 120) — J. Bell 1042, G. Miller 1029, D. Isgar 1027, C. Stevens 992.2, A. Neindorf 992.1.

ELIZABETH (14, 106) — P. and J. Looker 9.7.48, A. Clark 9.15.56, G. Clark 9.19.29, Stirling (11, 89) — L. Hart 8.48.0, G. Bout 8.55.9, Muller and Son 8.55.20, Gowler (7, 115) — J. Bergen 9.15.3, Lock 9.25.26, R. Muller 9.37.53, North-East (17, 290) — Thede and Henchan 8.56.14, G. Paterson 8.56.31, J. Mann 9.1.34, Nairne (8, 92) — C. Schmidt and Son 8.25.11, C. Patterson 8.27.36, Pimlott Bros. 8.30.5, Port Elliot (6, 59) — D. Hann (two birds) 10.1.30, G. Stock 10.29.53, Salisbury (13, 128) — I. Wareing 9.10.46, J. Doyle 9.15.4, D. Middleton 9.16.59, Salisbury Jr. (5, 15) — Whiting Bros. 9.5.50, Alexandra (3, 22) — T. Hains 8.49.0, B. Clark 9.30.40, Mrs. L. Hains 9.38.30.

Oodnadatta

SAPU (47, 263) — T. Jacobs 857, H. Hobby 855.08, L. Patrone 855.03, Jackson Bros. and Son 823, C. Rayner 821, and K. Moyle 819.7, W. and K. Moyle 819.7, W. and

K. Moyle 819.5, A. Weightman 817, L. Patrone 816, W. and K. Moyle 815, SAHPC — F. Taylor 18.44.37, J. Kostka 18.39.0, E. Mitchell and Son 18.50.11, J. Conley 19.26.9, F. Morris 19.13.40, J. Atkinson 19.35.15, J. Heyhoe 19.35.50, D. and G. Edwards 19.13.25, Lancaster and Son 19.35.46, R. Rosser 19.40.31 — subject to check.

Country Sept. 5

SOLOMONTOWN. From Horscham (14, 125) — R. Hobba 920, P. Pavlich 878, Argent and Legg 796 — trophies by A. Morris and P. Johnson.

KEITH. From Bendigo, 225 miles (5, 32) — A. Sanderson 647, S. Standfield 622, S. Mitchell 382 — trophy by C. Weston.

CLARE. From Marree, 290 miles (6, 37) — T. and D. Wilson 1201, A. Gertau 1200, M. Paul 1194 — trophies by R. Prowse and The White Hut.

STRATHALBYN. From Marree, 391 miles (10, 44) — A. Chenoweth 9.43.0, R. Morphett 9.48.21, J. Allan and Son 9.48.11.

WHYALLA (two races). From Barton derby, 330 miles (20, 115) — Mrs. F. Preuss 1531.8, L. Raymond and Son 1531.6, G. and I. Smith 1528. From Naracoorte derby, 329 miles (18, 118) — R. Willard 1060, A. Willard 1059, C. Reece 1024.

WAIKERIE. From Pimba derby, 275 miles (8, 26) — A. Noack 5.46.0, Atze Bros. 5.58.0, A. Boehm 6.0.0.

MURRAY BRIDGE. From Marree (13, 88) — H. Juergens 1184, R. and S. Smith 1136, R. Kuchel 1128. Juniors — L. Ridley 1138.

PORT PIRIE. From Oodnadatta, 418 miles (17, 119) — S. Staker and Son 1043, D. and B. Cunningham 1035, A. MacDonald and Son 990 — trophy by John Funnell.

PORT AUGUSTA (Flinders H.C.). From Keith, 293 miles (25, 204) — R. Grantham 1059.7, D. Press 1059.4, D. Press 1059.3.

LOXTON. From Naracoorte, 172 miles (10, 73) — A. Goldney 982, H. Hobbs 919, I. Lange 885 — trophy by T. and M. Dorward.

MOUNT GAMBIER (two races). From Burra — J. Butler 9.14.14, J. Butler 9.18.42, J. Roberts 10.4.11, From Ararat — J. Butler 4.33.46, E. Lewis and Son 4.40.30, L. Dalby 4.37.20.

Club News

C. Harvey, 54 points, won the Nairne aggregate from I. and P. Pfeiler 50, and B. Townsend and Son 37. In a club of 13 members, the first and second placegetters were never out of the first five owners in the whole series. Grand feats were recorded by W. and K. Moyle, three birds in the first ten, and L. Patrone, two birds, in the Union's 540-mile Oodnadatta event on Sunday.

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.

METROPOLITAN, AUGUST 18

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. Gould, 1.189.07; A. Whaite, 1.188.71; H. Gould, 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; Lytteldyke Bros., 1.075.44. Victor Harbor, from Marree, 418 miles (8, 30) — Stock and Lintern, 1.037 ypm.; E. Evans, 957; R. Reid, 948. Woodville, from Marree, 360 miles (14, 136) — M. Keyoe, 1.201.62 ypm.; R. Waye, 1.199.65; W. Richardson and Son, 1.195.6.

SAHPA Tarcoola Open, flown

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, 1.1.45.9.

Port Pirie, from Nhili (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 Kingoonya 253 miles (7, 61) — P. C. Couzner, 1.112.5 ypm.; E. 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. Dobzynski, 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 Wolsley, 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.

Record entries in North Derby

B. Boulderstone won the SAHPA young bird North Derby on Saturday, August 5, from a record nomination of 6,151 birds representing 363 owners.

Released at Tarcoola at 8 a.m., the bird was clocked just before 1.10 p.m., flying the 606km. at a velocity of 32.686 m.p.s. (metres per second).

Returns on the day were very good, with little separating the first 30 placegetters.

Results. — B. Boulderstone

sec.; R. and A. Fullgrabe, 24.34; W. and K. Moyle, 24.25; T. Saunders and son, 24.24; D. Briggs and son, 24.21; R. Brown, 24.13; E. R. Bedford, 24.07; G. Beauchamp, 24.03; R. Brown, 24.01; A. Whittington, 24; J. Conley,