

Slowest For Several Years

G. Forrest (Hyde Park) won the SAHPA's difficult 690-mile Finke race when only 52 of 513 entrants were home by the third day.

Released at 7 a.m. on Saturday, the winner was clocked at Unley at about 6-8 a.m. Monday to record one the slowest winning velocities for several years.

The return of only 10 p.c. in racetime left a lot to be desired, and many trusty performers failed to reach home in three days.

The North-East club had three of 30 Murray Bridge one of 14, and Claire had none of 14 when its event closed on the fifth day.

Junee Start Delayed

Due to mechanical trouble, the contestants conveyed by road to Junee did not reach the racepoint in time for the early release last Saturday.

Because of the late start, the event was not decided until last Sunday. The full result will be included next week.

Finke Bloodlines

G. Forrest, two-year B.C.H. sire, Taylor, junior Dam. Sister to 3rd S.A.H.P.A. Cook and 4th S.A.H.P.A. Finke, Barker, Dormer (Port Pirie) blood, procured from H. Schultze.

G. Irwin, B. C. yearling, H. sire and dam bred by A. Pearce and which are a mixture of his old successful 1st. Marree derby and 1 st. Marree 5-bird mating crossed with the Bricoux, Janssen, Stassart and a dash of "Whippet" Smith's frill hen (Horseman).

S. J. Gregerson, two year B.C.H. Sire, 1st. S.A.H.P.A.

Maryborough derby, Junior, Pape, dam, sister to 1st. S.A.H. P.A. Cook which is a combination of Pape and the noted Red Williams Bros. hen. 2nd and 5th. S.A.H.P.A. Ballan.

Pigeon Notes By Vin Blanden

L. Pitt, two year G. H. sire and dam are a mixture of the old family of Black Diamond, Marriott and Blanden which Mr. Pitt has blended into a strain of his own, and which has produced a long line of good winners to his loft for many years.

N. Tymms, two year M.H. 42nd Oodnadatta 1968, sire brother to 1st and 2nd S.A.H.P.A. Junnee for M. Bergin, Bricoux, Sion, Stassart, Harrison, dam Harrison.

D. Briaqs, two year B.B.H. sire, Bred by P. Liddy (Nairne) Eitzen, Nelsen, dam 4th S.A.H.P.A. Marree, Williams and Voysey strain.

Club News

The Port Elliot senior aggregate was won by D. Hann, with 96 points from L. Hann 72 and R. Stock 64. The junior award went to E. Joy 30 from J. Brittain, 27 and P. Chibnall, 19 points.

When Millswood chairman, D. Carroll, won the joint union and Southern Federation Oodnadatta event recently, he scored his first win since joining the sport.

The Flinders H. C. aggregate was won by Ray Martin, 103 points with Ray McDonald 94, and Stan Clifton 86, points in second and third places.

All owners will be sorry to read of the recent death of Charlie Newman. The late Mr. Newman was chairman of the S.A.H.P. Combine and his untimely death will leave a gap difficult to fill.

Finke

S.A.H.P.A. (145, 513) — G. Forrest 754; C. Irwin, 750; S. Gregson, 749; L. Pitt, 733; N. Tymms 706, D. Briggs 705, W. Strongman, 703; A. Goodger, 701; C. Rowlands, 649; S. Middleton, 687; M. Zawitkowski, 685; M. Harshegyi, 669; M. Hunter, 666; W. Jackson, 650; C. Hawke, 648; J. Ferguson, 647; D. Bradshaw, 646.8; T. Daly, 646.1; P. Ariola, 643.5; A. McGuire, 643.2; North East (8, 30) — L. Naismith, L. Todd, B. Moores.

Country, Oct. 11

Port Pirie H.S. (Two races). From Benalla, 511 Miles. H. Munn Memorial (12, 55) — A. MacDonald and son 1142, D. and B. Cunningham, 1066; G. Bowring, 1061; — Trophy by M. Bailieu, from Finke, 569 miles (13, 62) — G. Bowring, 726.8; Champion and Noble, 726.1; J. Dorman, 611 — trophies by Little Para Printers and G. Barker.

Whyalla, from Maryborough, 455 miles (13, 96) — A. Bastian, 1450.4; E. Gibbons and son, 1450.40; R. Couzner, 1450.2 — About 25 p.c. returns in day.

Jamestown (two races). From Stirling North, 64 miles (18, 30) — Mrs. L. Williams 1031.7; Mrs. E. Swearse, 1031.5; Mrs. W. Smith, 1028; From Nairne, 128 miles (8, 27) — Mrs. E. Swearse, 1587; Mrs. W. Smith, 1581; Mrs. L. Hole, 1579.

Murray Bridge, from Finke, 712 miles (7, 14) — K. Duell and son — only bird in racetime.

Port Augusta (Flinders H.C.) From Geelong, 537 miles (11, 32) — R. and L. McDonald clocked 10.36.30 a.m., second day, H. Grantham, 12.31.20 p.m., R. Martin, 2.54.0 p.m.