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I sometimes borrow the club unit for a week and leave my whole team in the club toss unit for 4 days and teach them to go to water and feed. I have not sent droppings off for testing but may well do so this year.

Latebreds often perform well but do take extra management and can hold back your race team early in the training schedule. Pairing up is a couple weeks after the last race, may do it earlier in the future.

Advice and tips: Concentrate on getting a few good stock pairs and try to form two families around them. Build relationship with other fanciers so you can toss together and concentrate on building a family of pigeons that perform on the east line. I have (and recommend) a deep sand floor which is cleaned twice a week.

2014 Lyndhurst Open Winner



John Doyle

Wallace & Doyle (Ken and John) won Lyndhurst Open with SA13 35792 bch - her sire was SA11 38046 (never raced) and dam was SA12 37300 (clocked in Hawker, Parachilna and Lyndhurst YBC).

John does most of the pairing up at breeding time. Most of the birds they keep are down

from both of their old families. John says he would not necessarily put 2 winners together unless he thought they were suited to go together. That's how they pair up - the birds must be suited together.

They usually pair up as soon as the season has finished (which John has planned) and he says he would like to pair up a little earlier but that is not always possible. They like to pair the birds that conform to their type.

John says they will put a bird into the stock loft if it hasn't had a race and has the right breeding and is type of bird their looking for. They don't always use all of their stock birds at breeding time. Ken says apart from worming their birds the only medication they use during the race season is Turbosole. The only vitamins they use on the birds is the pink powder, they don't use any natural remedies such as garlic or apple cider vinegar.

They do use a small seed mix in the birds ration, use a very small amount of barley in their mix and they also feed a lot of peas.

Their first toss is approximately 20 km and Ken says he will train three times a week depending on the weather. They both like racing cocks and hens - which are kept together throughout the race season.

Ken says they do not do anything different whether it be feeding or training for the longer races, and do prefer racing the south east line.

John says he doesn't really have any theories but you have to look at the birds you have and be able to match those together - you have to look at the whole pigeon. John feels the position of your loft on the day with the winds in your favor helps win races - you can do everything you can possibly do but if the elements are against you it's very hard to win. The flyer who Ken most admires is Greg Hamilton.



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