



## Scottish National Racing Pigeon Club 2013 Champion Awards

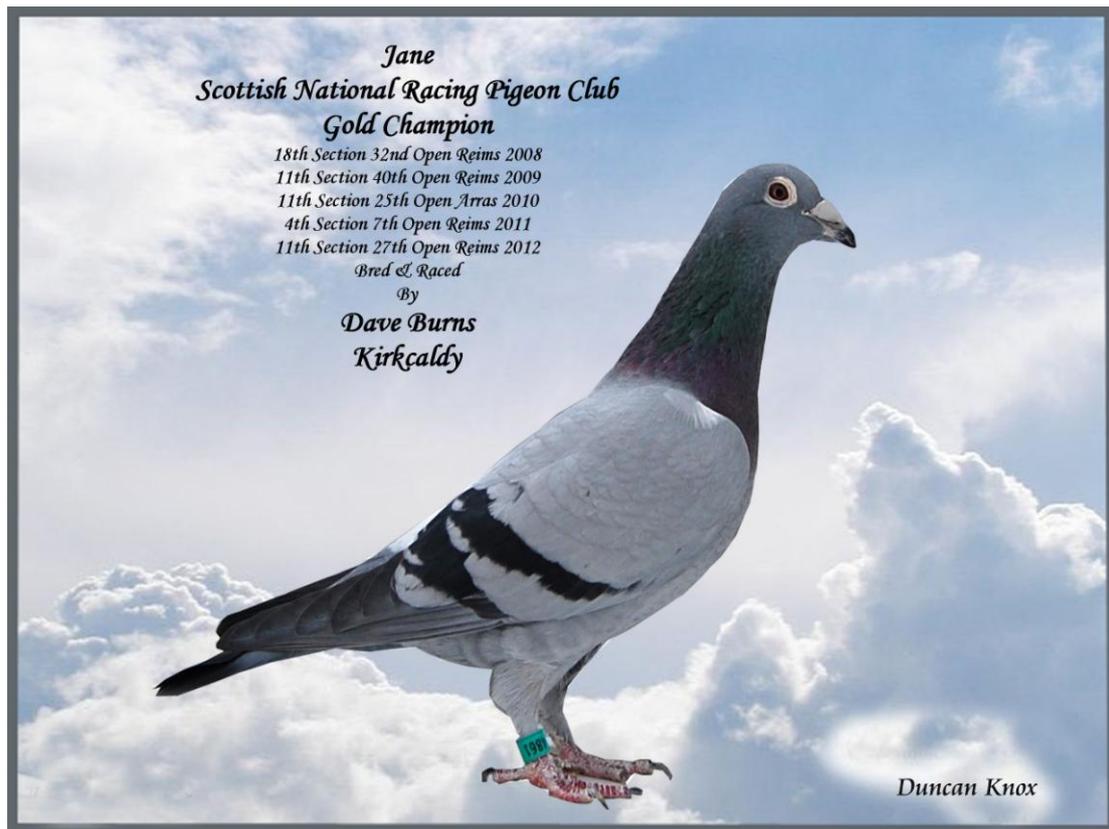
There were six outstanding Scottish National Racing Pigeon club pigeons  
that won Champion Awards in 2013

1 Gold, 4 Silver and 1 Bronze

To win an award a pigeon must win qualifying diplomas in a channel race  
for example a bird winning 3 such diplomas would be eligible for a  
Bronze award 4 would qualify for Silver and subsequently 5 for Gold  
with the ultimate award being the Platinum with 6 diplomas.

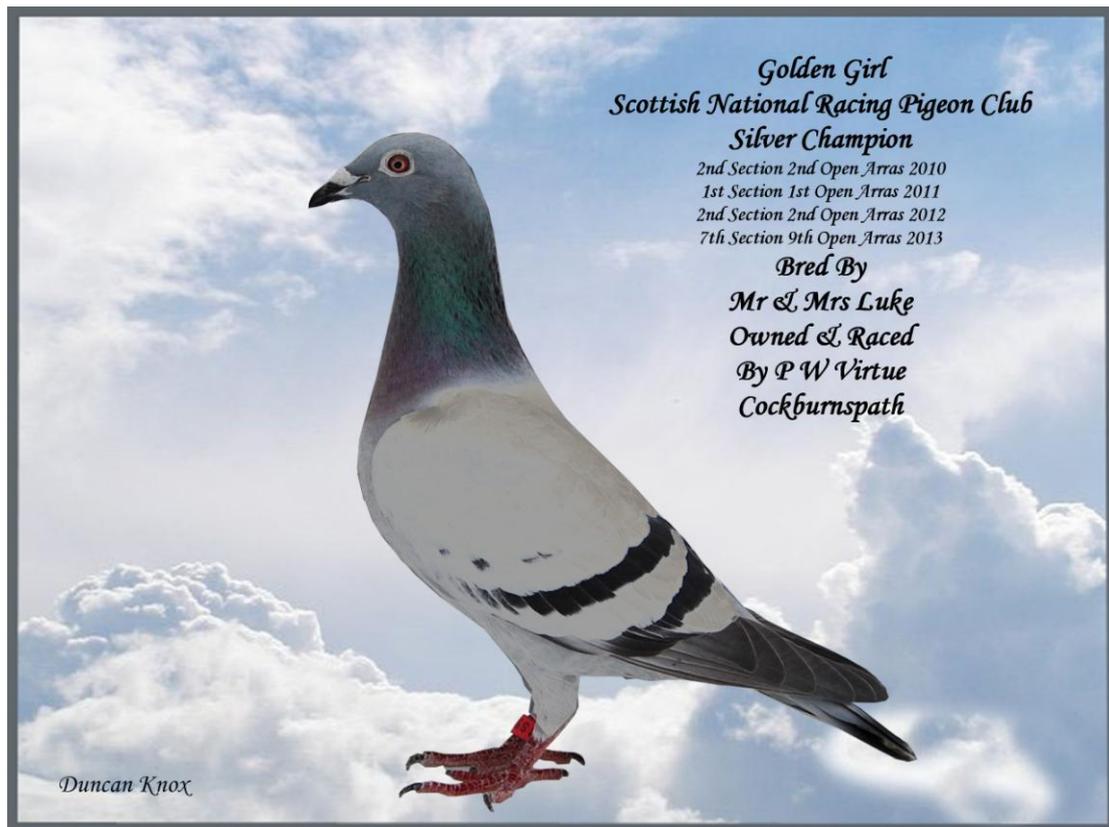
The Gold Award winner this year was raced by one of our very best  
distance fanciers Dave Burns of Kirkcaldy, Dave's winner is a 5 year old  
blue hen "Jane" she has been an outstanding performer for him winning  
the following positions 18<sup>th</sup> section 32 open Reims 2008, 11<sup>th</sup> section 40<sup>th</sup>  
open Reims 2009, 11<sup>th</sup> section 25<sup>th</sup> open Arras 2010 4<sup>th</sup> section 7<sup>th</sup> open  
Reims 2011 and 11<sup>th</sup> section 27<sup>th</sup> open Reims in 2012, tremendous flying  
she is a very worthy winner of this prestigious award. Reims is a distance  
of 564 miles to Dave's loft with Arras on 472 miles.

Her breeding is from his Dennis Dall lines which have been highly  
successful for Dave.



*Jane* SNRPC Gold Champion Award winner 2013.

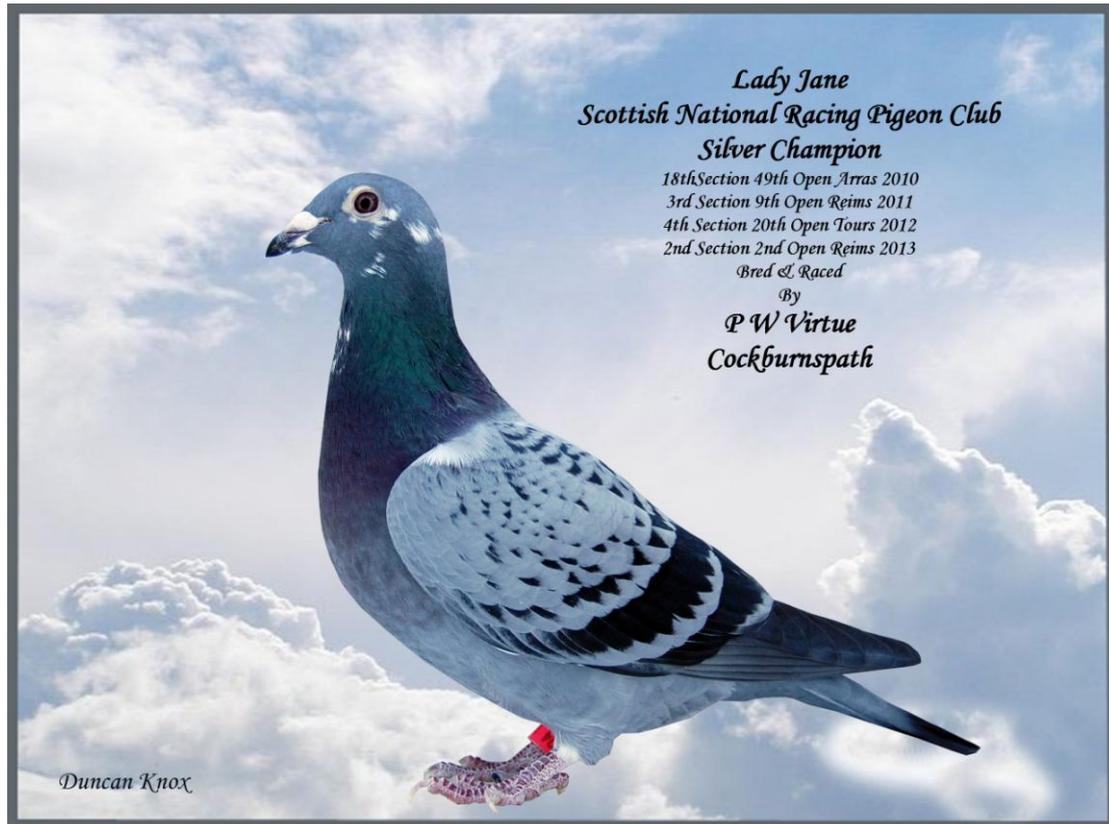
The Silver awards this year were won by Peter Virtue of Cockburnspath with two, John Anderson of Anstruther and George Anderson of Scone Perth. The first of Peters is the fabulous Golden Girl bred by a friend of his Adam Luke of Dunbar from his Jeff Van Winkle family this was a half brother and sister pairing, the Van Winkles have been a revelation for Adam notching up countless winners in club and fed, Adam is a past double National winner with the SNRPC winning the Inland National from Portsmouth and the Young Bird National from Peterborough. Golden Girl has been an absolute racing machine for Peter not only is she a National winner in her own right from Arras she also has the following top positions to her name twice 2<sup>nd</sup> section 2<sup>nd</sup> open Arras and 7<sup>th</sup> section 9<sup>th</sup> open Arras.



*Golden Girl* SNRPC Silver Champion Award winner

Peter Virtue of Cockburnspath

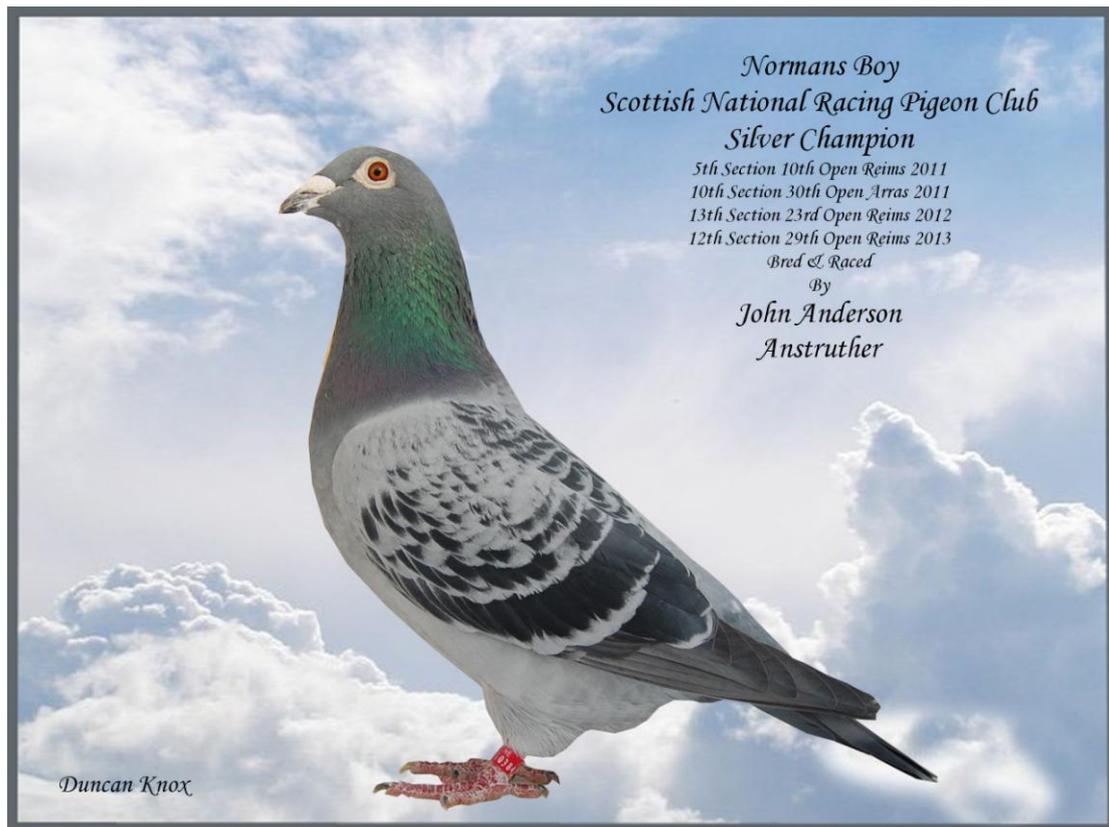
The second Silver Champion owned Peter Virtue is his great hen Lady Jane this hen is typical of the Virtue family a wonderful handling pigeon with a beautiful eye consistent with the Jan Aarden strain which plays a hugely important part in the success of the Peter Virtue family. Her record of performances speak for themselves 18<sup>th</sup> section 49<sup>th</sup> open Arras, 3<sup>rd</sup> section 9<sup>th</sup> open Reims, 4<sup>th</sup> section 20<sup>th</sup> open Tours and 2<sup>nd</sup> section 2<sup>nd</sup> open Reims. Another very well deserved Silver Champion winner.



Lady Jane SNRPC Silver Champion Award winner

John Anderson of Anstruther

John's Silver Champion Normans Boy holds a great record in distance racing he is another fine example of a long distance champion. John is a top class fancier with many great national positions to his name in his years in the sport. Normans Boy is bred out his chequer hen that scored three times from Reims for John, she was bred down from a Red hen John got from Sam Ovens out his Robert Cormack stock, Jocky King pigeons feature in the breeding also.

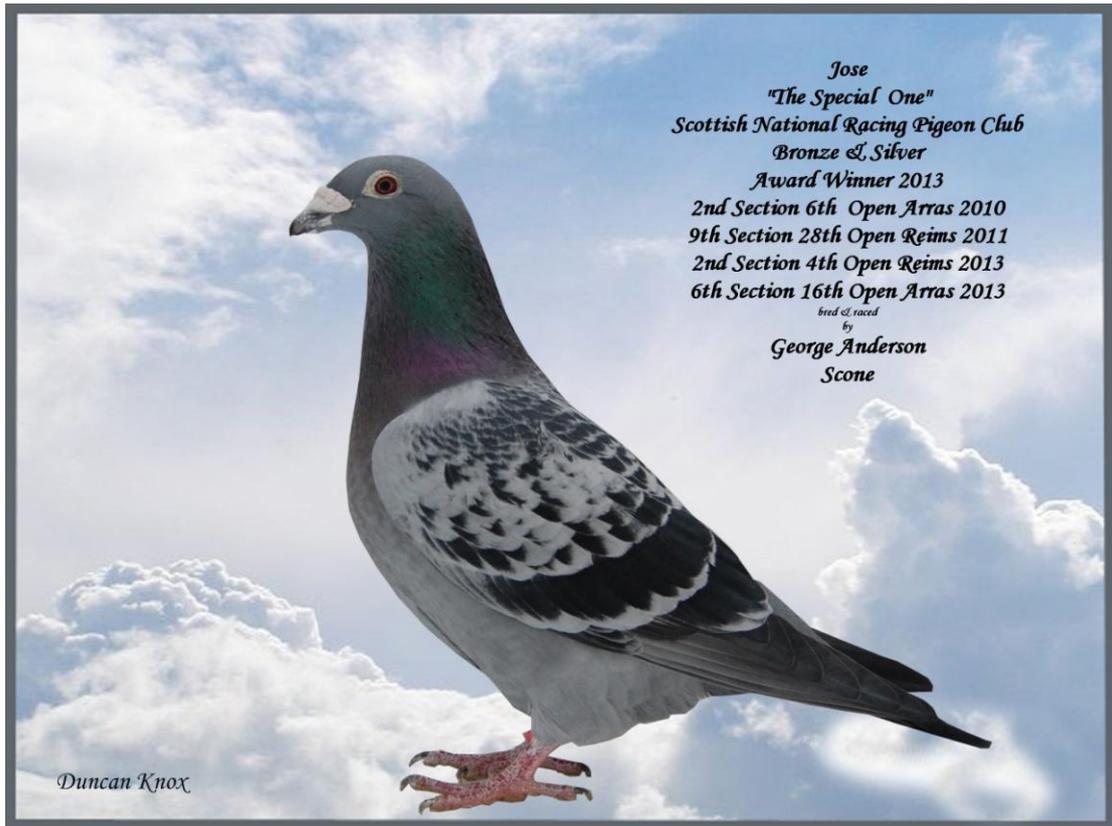


Norman's Boy SNRPC Silver Champion Award winner

#### George Anderson Scone Perthshire

One of the most outstanding pigeons of the year was undoubtedly George Anderson's blue chec cock **Jose** he is the winner of a Bronze and a Silver award this year, his road to success started in 2010 where he was 2<sup>nd</sup> section 16<sup>th</sup> open Arras then in 2011 he was 9<sup>th</sup> section 28<sup>th</sup> open Reims this past season he had a great performance from Reims again winning 2<sup>nd</sup> section 4<sup>th</sup> open the following week he was at Arras where he won 6<sup>th</sup> section 16<sup>th</sup> open.

The sire of Jose is bred from a line of Up North Combine Bourges winners his grandsire is a full brother to Carlton Comet who was 2<sup>nd</sup> combine from Bourges the grand dam is Wear side lass 1<sup>st</sup> UNC Bourges. Jose's dam is bred from the best of the late Jimmy Keir bloodlines down from his Cholet hen when paired to her own grandson.



Jose (The Special One) Bronze & Silver Champion

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