



Scottish National Racing Pigeon Club

Arras Old Bird and Yearling National

1st Open C & G Cameron Arbroath

For our first venture over the Channel in 5 years we were with the Up North Combine for this race, the pigeons were released at 10.am on Friday 18th July, there was no wind reported at the race point.

The 1st Open winner was the outstanding C & G Cameron partnership of Arbroath who crowned what can only be described as a dream season winning 2 nationals with the SNRPC Eastbourne and Arras and 2 nationals with the SNFC Billerica and Ypres.

Glen and Charlie clocked the only bird on the day at 21.32 with a velocity of 1267 for the 498 mile trip. The National winner was a 3 year old blue hen "Pamona" two week prior to Arras Pamona was 3rd Open SNRPC Eastbourne as a yearling she was 10th Open Billerica and 10th open SNFC Huntingdon she also had 2 SNFC prizes as a 2 year old. The sire of Pamona is a son of the renowned Branch the partnerships top performer and breeder the sire was also grandsire of 4th open SNFC Ypres on the same day as Pomona's win his nestmate is grandsire of Branch 1st & 3rd open Roye and is the main breeding line in the loft. Branch was paired to a direct Malfait of Jabbeke hen a daughter of Remco 1st open Agen. The dam of Pamona is a blue hen gifted by Peter Keogh Broxburn from his excellent Algarve pair. 2nd section 5th open is a 3 year old cock who is a half brother of Branch being from the same sire who is a son of Leon Messiaen's best pigeon De Perpignan 2249 was 8th open SNRPC Eastbourne in 2024 and 20th open SNRPC Eastbourne in 2025.



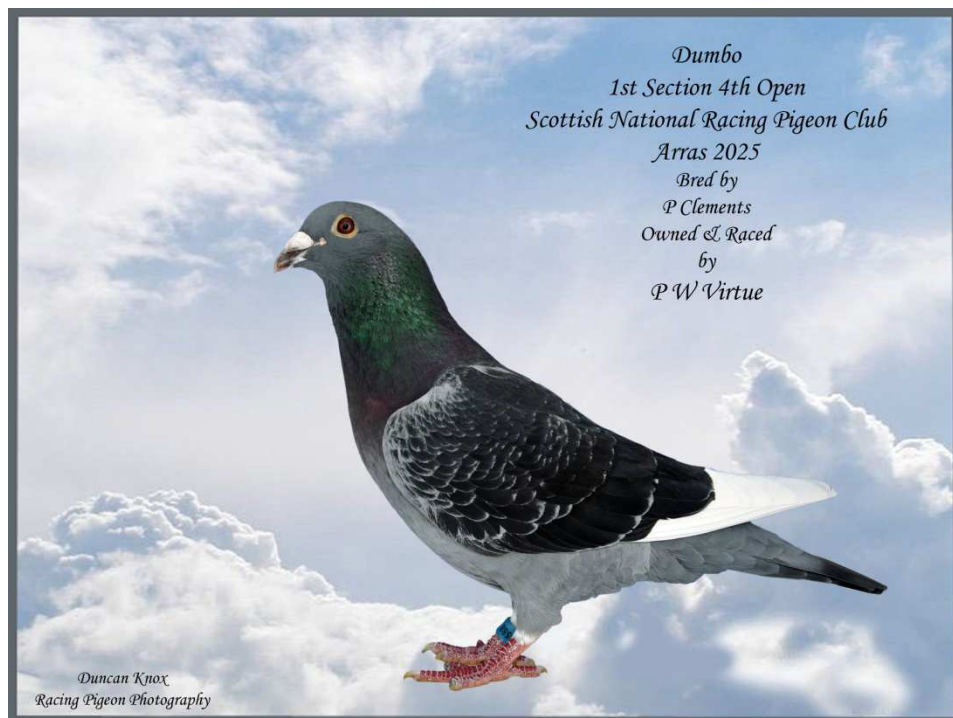
Glen with the Arras winner "Pomona"

2nd Open 1st Section D John Hadfield Blackburn



Second Open 1st section D is the very consistent John Hadfield of Blackburn John timed his two year old blue hen at 09.55 on a velocity of 807, John is another fancier who is enjoying an excellent season, He has been knocking at the door for a few seasons now and it's only a matter of time before he takes the No1 spot. Johns 2 year old blue hen was paired mid-March and reared two youngsters she was then put on roundabout and started racing on 10th May from Darlington she had 4 further races including SNRPC Billericay where she scored a minor position she was then re-paired for Arras and sent sitting 4 days. Her 2nd flight was just bursting through and consequently she threw her 3rd flight on both wings, she is bred from a combination of long distance pigeons John has acquired over the years.

1st 2nd 3rd Section B 4th 6th & 7th P W Virtue Cockburnspath



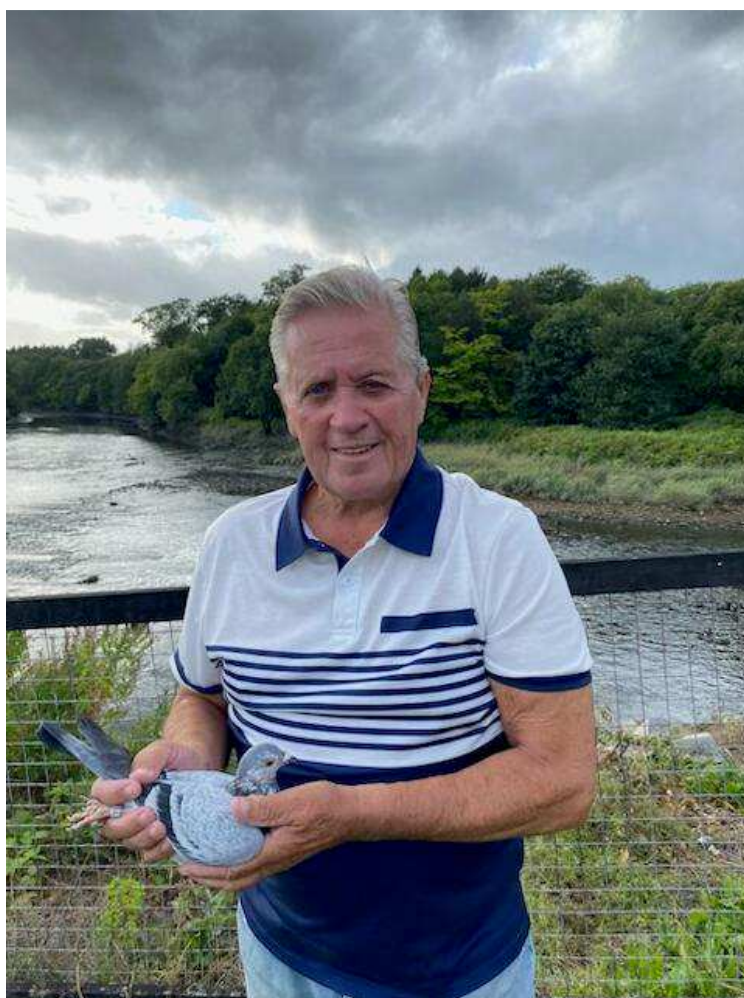
Yet another outstanding performance from Peter's team at Cockburnspath out of the 16 pigeons on the open result Peter had 5 of them taking 4th 6th 7th 11th and 14th open. Peters section winner was bred by Paul Clements of the Wirral he has been very consistent in national racing having won 5th open Brighton, 7th Open Eastbourne, 22nd open Billericay, 45th Huntingdon and 61st open Brighton. His sire is a son of the Blair & Brodie cock 1st open Arras. This cock has left a long line of national prize winners. His dam is Pauls best stock hen she is the dam and g/dam of 7 top national prize winners from Bordeaux including 1st section with the Midland National 594 miles. Peters 2nd section winner also has an impressive record she has won 6th open Arras 19th open Eastbourne and 24th open Eastbourne she is a son of Whitey winner of 7 national prizes. Her dam has been twice 4th open Billericay plus other positions she is a granddaughter of Tufty who is sire of 1st, 2nd and 3rd open Reims. 3rd section is a two year old pied hen and has previously won 47th open YB National 7th open Arras 9th open Eastbourne and 32nd open Billericay her sire is Whitey and the dam is a granddaughter of Maarten the outstanding Jan Aarden stock cock.

2nd Section D 3rd Open Peter Keogh Broxburn



Peter's 4 year old blue cock timed mid-morning second day he is a home bred pigeon his sire was "The Quiet Man" who scored 8 times in national races and is now at stockhe sired peters 3rd open Carentan and is the grandsire of his Arras winner. His dam is bred down from a Robert Cormack cock when paired to a daughter of Gordon Wilson's Rondy 1st North section 58th open Roye 582 miles. As a two year old he scored in 3 inland nationals last season he was stopped early which proved a good decision as he won prizes in two nationals flown on roundabout but paired up for SNFC Brighton winning 11th section 118 open he then went to Arras feeding a big youngster, a daughter off his has to date won three inland national certificates.

3rd Section D 8th Open Robert Hamilton Cambus



Roberts 8th open 3rd section winner is a 2 year old grizzle hen as a youngster he flew the complete programme to Huntingdon where he was just out the result as a yearling he again flew the full programme and was very consistent in the club.

This season she had 4 races including SNRPC Billericay where she was 15th open and sent sitting 12 days 4 weeks later she was sent to Arras. She was bred from Roberts Geoff Kirkland snake family birds.

1st Yearling National Robert Nisbet Dunbar



Myself and our Dunbar club members were delighted to see Robert getting this latest success he has been racing extremely well over the last few seasons just missing the 2024 Brighton National where he was 2nd open. Robert is in his 90th year but is still very much a threat in club fed and national racing. The Yearling winner a nice red pied hen was bred by club mate Adam Luke. Robert has been involved with racing pigeons for around 80 years starting off with his father and grandfather when he was 10 years old in his home town of Tranent.

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