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Opening in the wall



Glass drinking trays



Andre, Mohammad and Gerard close to Kuwait Towers



In the land of oil, victims of the oil



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Pictures breeding pigeons

The announced pictures of the pigeons are published on the website – to be more precise, about 90% of the actual breeders can be found here.

For all who haven't tried; in the website we integrated a module (so called live search) that makes it easy to find the pigeon you search for. For example: when you know a certain ringnumber, name or even part of a name of a pigeon, fill this in and the pigeon shall appear on your screen.

The link for this is:

www.gerardkoopman.com/livesearch

Like this it also possible to find pigeons from the past. Furthermore you can make different selections, please try it. Later in this newsletter we shall explain how for example the parents of our best 2012 racers can be found.

Drinking

All lofts are now supplied with measure work drinking options. See the photos on the left. From now on the pigeons drink from glass trays, that are easy to clean with hot water, without detergents. I bought them at the firm Blokker (brand: Pyrex) with a volume of 1,5 litres. Pigeons are now obliged to drink through bars, just like in the basket. We created a space in the wall of the loft and likewise almost no dust or other pollution can get to the water. This method I adopted from Gunter Prange from Meppen (Germany)

References 2012, Verkerk and Coster

We can not mention all who are successful with our pigeons, but we do want to mention G & S Verkerk and R. Coster. Gerard and Bas Verkerk won the provincial race from Mantes la Jolie with 'Eye Catcher' and Roelof Coster was winner of NPO race Troyes with his 'Lady Troyes'.

Of both fanciers a nice report is published on PIPA, including the way the pigeon is bred and raced. The links to these articles are:

Verkerk: www.pipa.be/nl/newsandarticles/news/q-s-

Andre, Sheik & chairman of Qatar Pigeon Foundation, Gerard



Henk Jurriens with Mystic Moon (27th) Gerard with Tuvok (17th) and Kjeld with Maggie Maiden (20th)



Coster: www.pipa.be/nl/newsandarticles/news/roelofcoster-staphorst-nl-wint-3x-goud-in-2-weken

<u>verkerk-reeuwijk-nl-snelste-mantes-la-jolie-tegen-</u>

All in One/Goldcorn

The firm of Beyers frequently informs us about the sales of All in One and Goldcorn. The numbers show a double sale-indexation compared to last year and for us that shows more and more fanciers are satisfied with the 'Koopman'-line. Some really famous fanciers also switched 100% to the use of the 'Koopmanmixture'.

For more information, please check: www..gerardkoopman.com/5/tricks.html

Traveling

Last year we visited China, South-Africa and Kuwait several times. For pictures, go to the homepage of the website and click on 'show photo album' (right bottom side). When you see many pigeons close together, choose to enlarge your view by clicking the '+' button and a detailed map will appear. Click on the small pigeon and the photo's will appear. The system's functions are identical to 'Google Maps'

My own loft

All is just fine, every race we get a better view of what pigeons stand out in the crowd and are the best this year. Parents can be found using live search, as mentioned above. For example you can click on 'David's Son'

For us until now they are (11 races), NL-11-642 'Miss Summum' from: 'David's Son' x 'Zina'

NL-10-062 from: 'Engels 789' x 'Miss Mukdahan' NL-08-322 'Big Surprise' from: 'De Blois' x 'Zina'

NL-10-946 from: 'Blue Star' x 'New Hope' NL-11-528 from: 'Jonge Sprint' x 'Razinda'

NL-11-556 from: 'Sanson' x 'Country Girl'

NL-10-132 from: 'Steveninck 897' x 'Zina'

NL-11-582 'Vakira' from: 'Cassius' x 'Hebberecht 941'

NL-10-075 from: 'Steveninck 897' x 'Zina'

Individually 2012

'Blasco', last year already best short distance racer in combine, won the openings race from Ravenstein against 5,247 birds. He is bred from 'Dutch Man' (sold) x 'Perfect Dream'.

The further result was: 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7 and 8

On May 12th it was a hen from 'Golden Capri' x 'Xamir' (also sold) being clocked first from 486 km from Breuil le Vert/Clermont and winning 6th NPO against 10,037 birds.

The further result was: 9, 11, 12, 13, 18, 22, 23 and 24.



Saleh, Gerard and Mohammad

Two weeks later 'Miss Summum' from 'David's Son' x 'Zina' arrived after almost 8 hours flying time as first on the race from Troyes (534 km). In the overall classification she won 4th NPO against 8,079 birds. Remarkable: one of our best pigeons in last years Million Dollar Race called 'New Emigrant', has exactly the same parents. 'New Emigrant' shall soon return to Ermerveen.

The further results were: 6, 9, 11, 12, 13, 15, 16, 17 etc. (17 in the top 88 of the result)

About 'Paridon', 1st NPO (middle distance) from Quievrain against 6,223 birds, we already informed you before. He is bred from 'De Lorris' x 'Altima'. Also check:

www.gerardkoopman.com/news/1/21/paridon-wint-npo-midfond-vlucht-vanuit-quievrain.html
In a next newsletter I will tell more about the composition of the racing team and I will tell why we enter above everage numbers of pigeons for the races.

I case of questions, do not hesitate to contact us. Good luck and until next time

Gerard & team

U ontvangt deze nieuwsbrief omdat u zich hiervoor heeft aangemeld. U kunt zich $\underline{\text{hier afmelden}}$.

