

“INTERNATIONAL PRESS RELEASE”
THE 16th SUN CITY MILLION DOLLAR
(THE RACE WITH THE PROVEN TRACK RECORD)
(THE GREATEST PIGEON RACE IN THE WORLD)
DUE TO BE HELD IN SUN CITY, SOUTH AFRICA ON
SATURDAY 28th JANUARY 2012.

REPORT TRAINING RACE 22.

A further week of daily training under their belts and the official basketing list appeared on the SCMDPR web site on Friday 20th January 2012 for TRAINING RACE 22, which was due to take place on Saturday 21st January from 131km (approx. 81 miles) and this showed a total of 3,513 pigeons were competing (yet another record entry for this race) and this figure included 2,980 International, which included 269 from the United Kingdom and 36 from Ireland, plus 533 pigeons from South Africa. The liberation then took place at 06-00 in clear, fine and cool conditions, 18c (65f), with little to no wind and a good race was anticipated by the loft managers and Zandy Meyer (Race Director).

CONGRATULATIONS on winning 1st OPEN and “FLYING THE FLAG FOR THEIR COUNTRY” went to SAUER-WANG SYNDICATE from GERMANY with pigeon named SHAO WANG 11 which was officially clocked at 07-41-06.85 to record 1429yppm (48mph), this pigeon has been flying very well in this race series and has won 126th, 123rd, 147th, 187th, then in the last 6 races has won 34th, 66th, 11th, 9th and now 1st Open, a real form horse as we say in the UK. Then 2nd Open went to Kumar Syndicate from United States Of America, 3rd Open to Priddle Of Woolston from United Kingdom who Activated this Punter Pigeon earlier in the week but originally enter by a fancier from the United States Of America, 4th Open to Zdenek Pavlik Racing Pigeons from Germany, 5th Open to Abdulla Al Thani from Qatar, 6th Open to Roodekrans Syndicate from Netherlands, 7th Open to Team Sylt 2000-Kleser from Germany, 8th Open to Team Fasselt – Risthaus from Germany, 9th Open to Kitchenbrand Lofts from South Africa, 10th Open to Flojo Team from Netherlands, 11th Open to Team Stefaniszyn – Mass from Germany, 12th Open to The Farriers from United Kingdom, 13th Open to Famillie Soellner from Germany, 14th Open to Hanna u Horst Flege from Germany, 15th Open to Team Oberhausen from Germany, 16th Open to Mousies Dream Syndicate from Belgium, 17th Open to Gallo and Placeta Loft from United States Of America, 18th Open to Chytil – Herbots from Slovakia, 19th Open to Kitchenbrand Lofts from South Africa and then 20th Open to Heritage Lofts from Australia. These top 20 pigeons were all clocked within 27.15 seconds of the race winner. Then the top 50 pigeons were all clocked within 49.09 seconds of the race winner and the top 100 pigeons were all clocked within 1 minute 32.40 seconds of the race winner. There was 9 different countries represented in the top 20. A total of 3,404 pigeons were officially recorded by 08-36, then 3,470 by 17-40, leaving 43 missing by nightfall and by Sunday evening 3,501 had been officially recorded which meant that just 12 pigeons had failed to return to the lofts.

CONGRATULATIONS for winning 1st UNITED KINGDOM, 12th OPEN and “FLYING THE NATIONAL FLAG” went to THE FARRIERS, with pigeon named AIMEE LEES STAR which was clocked at 07-41-21.25, just 14.40 seconds behind the race winner. This pigeon has already won 2nd, 70th, 1st, 21st, 207th, 172nd, 50th, 115th, 197th, 18th, 63rd, and now 12th Open, plus also winning the Cascade Challenge and Nomination money and I also believe this pigeon has now won 3 x 1st UK in this race series, which really is a fantastic performance in such a quality field. In its last six race its lowest position has been 115th Open. A real form horse and I for one hope it continues on its winning ways. Then 2nd UK, 24th Open The Liver Birds with a pigeon by J + L Davison & Son from Liverpool, with a pigeon that seems to also be running into form with 18th, 16th, 88th, and now 24th Open in its last 8 races, sure Lee & Lindsey Davison will be cheering their pigeon on in Sun City next week, 3rd UK, 30th Open to Champion Fribbo from Frating with his excellent pigeon named after his wife, which has won 41st, 154th, 132nd, 71st, 55th, 13th and now 30th Open during this race series, Lee is the Editor of The Racing Pigeon and The Pictorial and will also going to be travelling out to support his team of pigeon, he originally entered 3 and still has all 3 in the lofts which is a truly remarkable performance, then 4th UK, 31st Open to Guys Lofts with pigeon bred by Graham Guy from Wolverhampton with another pigeon that has already scored numerous times in this race series, 5th UK, 40th Open to Fenlands Lofts with a pigeon bred by Darren Peters from East Heckington,

who won 5th Open in The Final Race last year, 6th UK, 43rd Open to Crammond and Langstaff from Fontwell, who have also had a great race series so far and also won the first four open positions in the NFC in the UK in 2011, 7th UK, 51st Open to Geordie Boys with a pigeon bred by Ian Stafford from Tyne & Wear, whose pigeons have been scoring well in this race series, 8th UK, 52nd Open to P and D. Clarke from Sevenash, with yet another pigeon that has scored numerous times in this race series, 9th UK, 66th Open to Mr & Mrs Birchall, 10th UK, 73rd Open to N+A Evans and Cuthbert from Wolviston, who have had a fantastic race series in 2011/12 race series winning a Brand New Motor Car for 1st Open Car Race Hot Spot 1, 11th UK, 92nd Open to Sussex Syndicate, 12th UK, 99th Open to Manchester Maestros, with pigeon bred by Crehan & O'Connor from Salford who team of pigeons has excelled throughout this race series, 13th UK, 101st Open to Pet Sop Boys and Girls with a pigeon bred by John Alderslade from Bridlington, 14th UK, 107th Open another for the Manchester Maestros and also bred by Crehan & O'Connor from Salford, 15th UK, 119th Open to Gray and Fannan from York with a pigeon bred by C. Vasey, which has been doing well in recent weeks, 16th UK, 137th Open another foe N+A Evans and Cuthbert from Wolviston, 17th UK, 143rd Open to Blanford Lofts with their good pigeon Caysie Jo that is currently leading the UK averages and also 3rd Open, another pigeon that has scored numerous time in this race series, 18th UK, 146th Open a third pigeon for N+A Evans and Cuthbert, 19th UK, 175th Open to Steve Whit from Wilmington with the same pigeon that won 1st UK, 5th Open in the previous race and then 20th UK, 189th Open to Woodhouse Lofts with a pigeon bred by Nev Proctor from Brown Edge. Another truly fantastic result for the United Kingdom Team and a total of 261 UK pigeons were officially clocked by 08-36, then 263 by 17-40, leaving 6 to return to the lofts. A further 5 pigeons returned during Sunday, leaving just one pigeon to return to base camp.

CONGRATULATIONS for winning 1st IRELAND, 116th OPEN and "FLYING THE NATIONAL FLAG" goes to MAURICE O'DONNELL with his pigeon named JOES DELIGHT which was clocked at 07-44-17.20, just 1 minute and 45.95 seconds behind the race winner, his team of pigeons have flown exceptionally well during this race series and Maurice will be hoping they hold their form for the Final Race as he will be travelling out to Sun City to support his race team, 2nd Ireland, 271st Open to Fays, 3rd Ireland, 331st Open to Paul Poole and Son, 4th Ireland, 350th Open another for Maurice O'Donnell, 5th Ireland, 630th Open to Gery Daly - Beaumont Birds and then 6th Ireland, 976th Open to Bernard Smyth. A good team result for the Irish Team who had 35 pigeons clocked by 08-36, leaving one pigeon to return to the lofts. Unfortunately the missing pigeon did not return on Sunday.

GLOBAL NOMINATION for TRAINING RACE 22 showed that the UNITED KINGDOM TEAM members THE FARRIERS took 12th OPEN with pigeons named AIMEE LEES STAR and bred by BRIAN GREENLEY from MALTON and walked off with a cool US\$493 (approx. £329). This pigeon has already picked up other Nomination money in earlier races and also won the Cascades Challenge, plus 3 x 1st UK. GUYS LOFTS took 31st OPEN with GRAHAMS CHOICE bred by GRAHAM GUY from WOLVERHAMPTON and won him US\$127-50c (£85). Hope These two pigeons keep on coming well guys. ANOTHER GREAT UNITED KINGDOM TEAM PERFORMANCE.

The CASCADE CHALLENGE was a new competition introduced two years ago and it has created a great deal of interest. It is basically a SINGLE PIGEON NOMINATION and any pigeon can be entered for just US\$10 (approx. £6.50p) but the "POT OF GOLD" can only be won if one of these nominated pigeons actually wins 1st OPEN, if not it is like the National Lottery, it just rolls over to the following nomination race or until somebody finally wins the jackpot. You do not have to enter the same pigeon in every nomination race, the choice is yours.

CASCADE CHALLENGE for TRAINING RACE 22 showed a total of over US\$15,000-00c (approx. £10,000) and had attracted 204 nominations with 17 from the UK and just 2 from Ireland. This cash prize was won by SAUER-WANG SYNDICATE from GERMANY with their great pigeon SHAO WANG 11. The nearest UNITED KINGDOM pigeon took 12th OPEN for THE FARRIERS with his consistent pigeon named AIMEE LEES STAR bred by BRIAN GREENLEY from MALTON. The nearest IRELAND pigeon took 350th OPEN for MAURICE O'DONNELL with his pigeon named PANACKY PEET. WELL DONE TO THESE TWO FANCIERS.

The SUN CITY OVERALL GRAND AVERAGES after 26 races shows as follows:- 1st to RMC LOFT from UNITED STATES OF AMERICA with pigeon named DOUBLE DELIGHT which has a combined flying time of 46-38-20.93 and is currently leading this classification by 28 minutes and 55.64 seconds. There are currently 4 different countries represented in the top 10. The first UNITED KINGDOM pigeon holds onto 3rd OPEN belongs to BLANEFIELD LOFTS with their very consistent pigeon CAYSIE JO with a combined flying time 47-14-13.65 and is currently leading the next UK pigeon by a clear 59 minutes 45.78 seconds. It is fantastic to see the UK team doing so well in this category actually have 9 pigeons in the top 95 in this classification, which really is a remarkable achievement in a race of this class. The first IRISH pigeon holds 285th OPEN and belongs to PHILIP + MARK SMITH with their pigeon named SILVER WINGS, with a combined flying time of 53-18-54.58 which is currently leading this classification by well over six and a half hours. WELL DONE TO ALL CONCERNED.

*******THE FOLLOWING RACE PROGRAMME******* "THE FINAL RACE" will then take place on SATURDAY 28th JANUARY 2012 from 550km (342 miles). Of course the weather conditions will have to be right for all of these races to take place on the appointed days, if not they will be basketed and liberated on another day when the weather forecast is favourable and the Race Director's decision will be final. The object of this great race from day one has always been to get as many pigeons to "THE FINAL RACE" on 28th JANUARY as possible and give

all fanciers/competitors/entrants a fair chance in the "FINAL RACE". Only races of 50km (approx. 31 miles) will count towards the SUN CITY OVERALL ACE PIGEON AVERAGES, which has a total of three cash prizes of US\$10,000 (approx. £6,666), US\$5,000 (approx. £3,333) and US\$2,500 (approx. £1,666) for 1st, 2nd and 3rd in this category. THE KNOCKOUT FINAL will also take place on the FINAL RACE and US\$25,000 (£16,667) will be won by the first one clocked from the remaining 84 pigeons, of which 10 pigeons are representing the UNITED KINGDOM TEAM. GOOD LUCK TO ALL CONCERNED.

GOOD LUCK TO ALL CONCERNED AND REGULAR "PRESS RELEASES", "NEWSLETTERS" AND "UPDATES" WILL BE SENT OUT TO ALL COMPETITORS/ENTRANTS AND SYNDICATE SHAREHOLDERS ON A WEEKLY BASIS OVER THE NEXT FEW MONTHS. ALSO WEEKLY "PRESS RELEASES" WILL BE SENT OUT TO BOTH OUR WEEKLY PIGEON PUBLICATIONS NAMELY THE "BHW" AND "RP" PLUS IT WILL ALSO BE ON MY OWN WEB SITE www.regencylofts.com FOR ALL TO VIEW.

I would also just like to notify fanciers that my weekly "INTERNATIONAL PRESS RELEASE", "NEWSLETTERS" and "UPDATES" can now also be seen on the following pigeon web sites:- www.regencylofts.com www.iprr.co.uk www.elimarpigeons.com www.pigeonportal.com www.pigeonglobe.co.uk www.cyberpigeon.co.uk www.pigeonbasics.com www.pigeoncare.nl www.star-pigeons.com www.pigeonnetwork.com plus of course they will also be in the "BRITISH HOMING WORLD" and "THE RACING PIGEON" for all to see.

If you have any questions about any aspect of the SUN CITY MILLION DOLLAR PIGEON RACE, then please contact me as soon as possible on [01279-812005](tel:01279-812005) or my mobile [07860-568216](tel:07860-568216) or email me on reglofts@aol.com and I will do my best to answer any of your questions or queries.

IF ANY PIGEON FANCIER IN THE UNITED KINGDOM OR IRELAND WOULD LIKE TO RECEIVE MY WEEKLY "INTERNATIONAL PRESS RELEASES", "NEWSLETTERS" AND "UPDATES" BY EMAIL, THEN ALL THEY HAVE TO DO IS EMAIL ME THEIR ACTUAL EMAIL ADDRESS AND I WILL ADD THEM TO MY DATABASE AND FORWARD THEM ALL THE INFORMATION BY EMAIL ON A REGULAR BASIS.

******SPECIAL NOTICE TO ALL COMPETING FANCIERS****** I LIKE TO GIVE ALL ENTRANTS THE CREDIT THEY TRULY DESERVE WHEN THEIR PIGEON OR PIGEONS SCORE IN THE RACE RESULTS. I CAN ONLY PUT DOWN THE INFORMATION I HAVE ON FILE IN MY DATABASE AND SOMETIMES OF COURSE THAT IS INCORRECT OR OUT OF DATE, SO PLEASE IF YOU HAVE A PIGEON OR PIGEONS ENTERED IN THIS RACE, LET ME HAVE YOUR CHRISTIAN NAME AND THE TOWN YOU LIVE IN SO I CAN THEN GIVE YOU THE CREDIT YOU AND YOUR PIGEON OR PIGEONS DESERVE WHEN YOU DO WELL. PLEASE JUST EMAIL ME YOUR FULL DETAILS TO reglofts@aol.com OR CALL ME ON [01279-812005](tel:01279-812005) OR [07860-568216](tel:07860-568216) AND THEN I CAN UPDATE MY DATABASE WITH YOUR CORRECT DETAILS AND GIVE YOU THE CREDIT YOU AND YOUR PIGEON/S DESERVE.

Unfortunately, as much as I would like to I can't mention all the pigeons clocked but any entrant/competitor or pigeon fancier can just log onto www.scmdpr.com and hit the Results & Listings button on the top left hand side of the home page and this will give you all the past racing results of this 2011/12 race series. ENJOY THE EXPERIENCE OF EACH RACE AS IT HAPPENS ON THE INTERNET THROUGHTOUT THE WINTER MONTHS.

*****PLEASE PUT THIS NEW DATE IN YOUR DIARY***** It now looks like the proposed race date for the 17th Sun City Million Dollar Pigeon Race, which had been arranged and fixed for Saturday 26th January 2013 will now take place on **SATURDAY 2nd FEBRUARY 2013**, as the FCI Pigeon Olympiad in Slovakia has now been arranged on our original race date. Of course, I will confirm all details when official confirmation is received from Air Sport Internationale.

If anybody would like to book and confirm their places for the 17th SCMDPR, all you have to do is give me a telephone call on [01279-812005](tel:01279-812005) or [07860-568216](tel:07860-568216) (mobile) or text my mobile or email me at reglofts@aol.com and I will be only too pleased to book and reserve spaces for your pigeons on whichever shipment you would like to use to get your pigeons to Sun City, South Africa. Two shipments are proposed and these will be around the middle of May and the second in early July 2012.

*****CAN YOU BE OF ANY ASSISTANCE TO THE SUN CITY MILLION DOLLAR PIGEON RACE?****** Many pigeon fanciers from literally all over the world read my weekly International Press Releases on a regular basis and I get scores of emails from fanciers in numerous other countries that currently do not enter this great race. So why not get in touch with me as soon as possible and see if you can act as a Country Shipper for fanciers in your country. We are always looking for more entries, especially from countries that have never participated. Since this race started way back in 1997 around 45/50 different countries have already participated, but we as race organisers would love to see even more countries taking part and joining in the fun. If you are interested or you know somebody that might be interested in working closely with us, then please contact me as soon as possible by telephone, facsimile or email.

They new RULES/REGULATIONS BROCHURE, ENTRY FORMS for the 17th SUN CITY MILLION DOLLAR PIGEON RACE are now available. If you would like me to send you a copy, just contact me as soon as possible and I will

be only too pleased to forward one on to you by return of post. Whilst stocks last I will also enclose a DVD on the 16th SCMDPR for you to enjoy, which gives you a great insight to what actually happens in Sun City.

I WOULD LIKE TO CLOSE THIS INTERNATIONAL PRESS RELEASE BY WISHING THE BEST OF LUCK TO EVERY FANCIER, ENTRANT, COMPETITOR OR SYNDICATE THAT STILL HAVE PIGEONS LEFT TO FLY IN THE FINAL RACE AND WITH WELL OVER US\$1 MILLION AMERICAN DOLLARS (APPROX. £667,000 STERLING) UP FOR ALLOCATED PRIZE MONEY IN THIS RACE SOMEBODY IS GOING TO WALK AWAY WITH THE "POT OF GOLD" FIRST PRIZE OF US\$200,000 (APPROX. £133,350 STERLING). A TOTAL OF 300 CASH PRIZES ARE UP FOR GRABS IN THIS FINAL RACE AND IT LOOK LIKE THERE WILL BE IN THE REGION OF 3,500 PIGEONS COMPETING FROM 36 DIFFERENT COUNTRIES AND JUST ONE WILL BE ABLE TO PROUDLY BOAST THAT THE ARE NOW "CHAMPION OF THE WORLD". GOOD LUCK TO ALL CONCERNED.

Paul Smith.

United Kingdom Race Team Shipper & International Race Co-ordinator for The 16th Sun City Million Dollar (The Greatest & Biggest One Loft Pigeon Race In The World Today! and also "The Race With The Proven Track Record"), which is due to be held in Sun City Resort, South Africa on Saturday 28th January 2012.

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