

VICTORIAN HOMING ASSOCIATION



ANNUAL REPORT
AND
BALANCE SHEET

1946



Victorian Homing Association

275 SWAN STREET, RICHMOND, E.1

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NOTICE TO MEMBERS

The Annual Meeting will be held at the V.H.A. Rooms, 275 Swan Street, Richmond, on Monday, 20th January, 1947, at 8 p.m.

BUSINESS

- 1—To Confirm the Minutes of the previous Annual Meeting.
- 2—To receive and adopt the Annual Report and Balance Sheet.
- 3—To receive recommendations for incoming Executive.
- 4—Presentation of Trophies.
- 5—Any other Business.
- 6—Nominations for Office-Bearers, 1947, to be elected at the 1st General Meeting.

Life Membership.—In recognition of his sterling services to your Association over the past years, your Executive at the last Annual Meeting unanimously elected Mr. J. Lyons as a Life Member. We feel sure that all members will readily endorse its action.

LIFE MEMBERS

Messrs. H. Alder, E. Marshall, W. J. Brooks, H. Reid, W. Tawton, E. A. Long, R. Elso, and J. Lyons.

ANNUAL REPORT AND BALANCE SHEET OF THE VICTORIAN HOMING ASSOCIATION

To the Members,
Mr. Chairman and Gentlemen,

It is again my pleasant duty to present to you the Annual Report and Balance Sheet, which is so far as finance is concerned, a most successful year. Members' subscriptions are about the same as that of last year. If clocks had been available our membership would have easily been a record.

Owing to the coal shortage and Railway Strike, we had many set-backs, having to revert to slower moving transport through the Railways, which was most hampering to our birds, leaving days ahead of ordinary schedule, and conveyors not being able to feed and water in transit. Many difficulties had to be overcome during the season. The most important being in lieu of rail, the road transport which your Executive proved most invaluable for results on the homing of our birds.

Social.—Entertainments for members are still compulsorily restricted owing to the continued shortage of all necessary commodities required for same, and, until things return to normal in that respect, little can be done. But although your Committee was greatly handicapped by those conditions, they have done a good job in putting on a social evening for returned men, which was a bumper success. All members on leaving the rooms asked when will we be having our next night.

During the year your official Executive Officers visited several social evenings and a good time was had by all, conversing with members of the various clubs as to the betterment of our sport.

Federations.—Prize money paid out including the Yolla entries was £2,544/4/5, a record. The most successful member was Coats Bros. (Northcote) with 63 points, winning the Trustees' Trophy for the 1946 season. Also winner of Young Birds Derby, the Manton Cup for Young Birds Aggregate, and the H. W. Devlin Memorial Cup. A grand performance, being placed in eleven out of twelve Federation Races. Second to Coats Bros. was E. Nancarrow of the same club. We congratulate these two members on their very creditable performance.

The Produce Race was won by A. Bryant (Northcote).

We also congratulate the following members on their success during the season:—

Young Birds:—

Coats Bros., Korong Vale.
R. Nickless, Korong Vale.
Coats Bros., Wycheproof Derby.

Old Birds:—

Smith Bros., Wycheproof Hospital Event.
Edwards Bros., 1st Ouyen.
H. Thomas, 2nd Ouyen.

E. Nancarrow, 1st Mildura.
A. Bryant, Mildura Produce.
Coats Bros., 3rd Mildura.
V. Carkeek, 4th Mildura.
R. Abbott, 5th Mildura.
Coats Bros., Mildura National Event.

The Yolla Race, organised by the Great Northern Club, was won by Murray Bros.

The H. W. Devlin Memorial Cup for competition in the National Race was won by Coats Bros. (Northcote).

The George Laphorne Commemoration Shield was won by Northcote with 79 points, Malvern running second with 78 points.

The Plasschaert Cup went to E. Nancarrow (Northcote) winner of the Plasschaert Clock Flyers.

A part share of Hospital Race was donated by the winner of the event (Smith Bros., Northcote) to St. Vincent's Hospital.

The Young Birds Show Cup was won by C. N. Latchford, of Prahran.

The 1946 Show Champion went to T. Delaney, Victoria.

A feature of our Show was the quality of birds shown in the down classes, this is where Tom Delaney romped home with a beautiful Blue Chequer Cock in the Federated Class. Members should take more interest in this class.

OBITUARY.—We offer to all connected with the Association, who have suffered bereavements, our most sincere and heartfelt sympathy.

Again I have pleasure in expressing on behalf of the members their high appreciation of the efficient and untiring efforts of our chairman of the clock committee, Bert Alder, also Messrs. R. Elso, E. A. Long, J. Lyons, G. Smith, and E. Nancarrow for their valuable services at the basketing centres. Also Jack Mifsud who did a great service in the helping to gain road transport.

In conclusion, I should like to express my heartiest appreciation to all who assisted with their valuable help during a very heavy and trying season, just concluded. Not forgetting your President, Mr. R. Elso who has been one of the greatest assets to our Association.

E. BOWLER, Hon. Secretary.

PRESIDENT'S ADDENDUM

The Association has experienced another year of progress. This gratifying result is due, in a high degree, to the influence and work of our Secretary, Mr. E. Bowler. On behalf of the Executive members I have much pleasure in expressing their appreciation of the services rendered by him during another year that has not been free from difficulties. The thanks of the members are also due to Mr. Tom Meehan for acting in lieu of Mr. G. Cochran, who is on leave of absence, on a trip to England. The Secretary has received a letter from George Cochran stating he had a good voyage, and wishing all the best for 1947.

R. ELSO, President.

SUMMARY OF RESULTS

FEDERATION POSITIONS

1st Korong Vale Federation, 23/3/46.

1228 Birds

1—Coats Bros. (N'cote)	969	yds.
2—A. Bryant (N'cote)	967.79	"
3—Hooke & Son (N'cote)	967.71	"
4—J. Rowe (Ivan.)	967.0	"
5—F. Gunther (N'cote)	962	"
6—R. Abbott (Prah.)	955	"
7—E. Nancarrow (N'cote)	953	"
8—W. Samwells (Haw.)	952	"
9—A. Spargo (Malv.)	949	"
10—W. Staggard (Haw.)	948.2	"
11—C. Smith (Haw.)	948.0	"
12—A. Horman (N'cote)	947	"
13—J. Bowers (Haw.)	945.7	"
14—N. Harper (Malv.)	945.3	"
15—C. Jarvis (Kew)	943	"
16—C. Warner (Malv.)	932	"
17—W. Johnson & Son (Gt. Sthn.) ..	931	"
18—J. Daley (N'cote)	926	"
19—E. Hotchins (Ivan.)	924	"
20—G. Baxter (Elst.)	923	"

2nd Korong Vale Federation, 30/3/46.

777 Birds

1—R. Nickless (Ivan.)	949	yds.
2—F. Gunther (N'cote)	944.6	"
3—C. Smith (Haw.)	944	"
4—Morton & Shippick (Rich.)	943	"
5—H. Germain (Rich.)	934	"
6—C. Latchford (Prah.)	929.7	"
7—F. Fletcher (Rich.)	929.6	"
8—H. Perrin (Malv.)	928	"
9—J. Mifsud (Btn.)	926.9	"
10—H. Trevorah (Prah.)	926.4	"
11—A. Bryant (N'cote)	925	"
12—A. Spargo (Malv.)	918	"
13—J. Stevens (Malv.)	917.3	"
14—Coats Bros. (N'cote)	917.1	"
15—J. Taylor (Rich.)	916.2	"
16—A. Beckenham (Haw.)	916.1	"
17—G. Waller (Haw.)	914	"
18—W. Duggan (Gt. Sthn.)	913.8	"
19—R. Williams (Kew)	913.7	"
20—J. Bryce (Gt. Sthn.)	913.3	"

Wycheproof "Derby" Federation, 6/4/46.

742 Birds

1—Coats Bros. (N'cote)	1012	yds.
2—G. Waller (Haw.)	1002	"
3—J. Stevens (Malv.)	1001	"
4—J. McColl (Rich.)	1000	"
5—T. Delaney (Vic.)	990	"
6—V. Carkeek (Haw.)	985	"
7—W. Orford (Btn.)	982	"
8—Marshall & Paterson (Gt. Sthn.) ..	972	"
9—E. Boothman (Vic.)	970	"
10—C. Latchford (Prah.)	963	"
11—E. Nancarrow (N'cote)	956	"
12—W. Hartley (Malv.)	954	"
13—H. Perrin (Malv.)	951.9	"
14—F. Longmore (Kew)	951.8	"

15—J. Bowers (Haw.)	950	"
16—A. Beckenham (Haw.)	948	"
17—R. Nickless (Ivan.)	947.8	"
18—L. Tarrant (Rich.)	947	"
19—F. Bowles & Son (Ivan.)	946	"
20—E. Franklin (Cl. Hill)	945	"

Wycheproof "Hospital" Federation, 21/9/46.

2487 Birds

1—Smith Bros. (N'cote)	1287	yds.
2—E. Nancarrow (N'cote)	1286	"
3—V. Carkeek (Haw.)	1280.7	"
4—O'Shannassy Bros. (N'cote)	1280.2	"
5—G. Waller (Haw.)	1278.4	"
6—H. Reid (Vic.)	1278.2	"
7—L. Abikhair (Ivan.)	1277	"
8—C. Latchford (Prah.)	1275	"
9—W. Key (Kew)	1274	"
10—W. Samwells (Haw.)	1273.5	"
11—H. V. Barker (Malv.)	1273.1	"
12—J. Bryce (Gt. Sthn.)	1271.9	"
13—C. Martin (Kew)	1271	"
14—C. Warner (Malv.)	1270	"
15—Coats Bros. (N'cote)	1269.7	"
16—G. Shaw (Haw.)	1269.4	"
17—E. Powell (Prah.)	1268.4	"
18—S. Hampstead (Ivan.)	1268.3	"
19—W. Symes (Malv.)	1267.5	"
20—A. Bryant (N'cote)	1267.3	"

1st Ouyen Federation, 28/9/46.

2259 Birds

1—Edward Bros. (Malv.)	1689	yds.
2—H. Clay (Malv.)	1655	"
3—F. Fletcher (Rich.)	1654	"
4—H. Billing (Malv.)	1653.8	"
5—R. Cochrane (Malv.)	1653.4	"
6—W. Glass (Vic.)	1647.9	"
7—L. Baxter (Elst.)	1647.2	"
8—A. Blease (C.H.)	1633	"
9—H. V. Barker (Malv.)	1632	"
10—K. Redman (Malv.)	1631	"
11—Smith Bros. (N'cote)	1624	"
12—W. Watson (Prah.)	1611	"
13—F. Jackson (Haw.)	1610	"
14—N. Harper (Malv.)	1606	"
15—Murray Bros. (Vic.)	1605	"
16—S. Clarke (Y'ville)	1602	"
17—G. Cloughton (Y'ville)	1601	"
18—T. Collinson (Malv.)	1600	"
19—R. Chandler & Son (Y'ville)	1584	"
20—W. Bliss (Elst.)	1582	"

2nd Ouyen Federation, 5/10/46.

2419 Birds

1—H. Thomas (Haw.)	1053	yds.
2—R. Nickless (Ivan.)	1051	"
3—L. Baxter (Elst.)	1047	"
4—T. Meehan (Vic.)	1046	"
5—E. Franklin (C. Hill)	1043	"
6—E. Nancarrow (N'cote)	1039	"
7—Coats Bros. (N'cote)	1035.9	"
8—C. Latchford (Vic.)	1035.3	"
9—E. Webber (N'cote)	1035.2	"
10—A. Spargo (Malv.)	1035	"
11—D. Ince (Ivan.)	1034.7	"

Victorian Homing Association--Income and Expenditure Account, 1946

RECEIPTS

To Cash Balance from previous year	£482 10 4
" Outstanding Accounts 1945	24 2 10
" Subscriptions 331 Annuities	£124 2 6
" 46 New Members	11 10 0
" Subscriptions 18 Affiliations	135 12 6
" Sale of Metal Rings, 23,735 @ 1½d.	9 9 0
" Sale of Metal Rings, 18,685 @ 4½d.	143 13 3
" Sale of Rubber Rings, 38,857	348 15 6
" Sale of Verification Books	96 2 0
" Sale of Basket Labels	4 18 0
" Sale of Diplomas	5 7 3
" Conveying Fees	3 5 0
" Federation Entries and Pools	579 4 10
" Derby Entries	1,340 12 7
" Produce Entries	138 17 0
" Measurements	391 13 4
" Clock Thimbles	46 19 0
" Donations	33 17 3
" Postage	32 7 9
" Insurance on Clocks	16 11
" Show	5 8 0
" Building Funds	37 5 6
" Smoke Social	31 1 9
" Rings Re-registered, 1,764	44 10 0
" Basket Funds	44 2 0
" Peas 198 Bags	129 2 9
" Yolla Race Entries	216 3 0
" Clubs Overpaid	313 1 6
	19 1
	£4,639 17 11
Less Outstanding Accounts	55 15 1
	£4,584 2 10

ASSETS

To Balance Cash in Hand	£542 9 0
" Outstanding Accounts	55 15 1
" Metal Rings, 3,665	11 0 0
" Rubber Rings, 9,452	23 12 6
" Receipt and Verification Books	2 9 6
" Basket Labels	6 0 0
" Diplomas	27 10 0
" Maps and Utensils	20 10 0
" Safe	7 7 0
	£696 13 1

EXPENDITURE

By Telephone Charges and Rent	£14 5 3
" Federations and Pools	£1,700 12 7
" Derby Race	138 17 0
" Produce Race	391 13 4
	2,231 2 11
" Hospital Donations	31 6 9
" Trustees (Building Fund)	42 11 9
" Yolla Race	313 1 6
" Shows	30 9 0
" Conveying and General	573 16 0
" Peas 198 Bags	216 3 0
" Printing	28 18 5
" Writing Diplomas	5 12 6
" Measurements	46 9 0
" Metal Rings, 25,000	72 7 10
" Rubber Rings, 35,000	76 10 6
" Insurance	9 4 2
" Troughs, 70	10 10 0
" Room Steward	5 0 0
" Presentations	13 3 0
" Advertisement	1 11 0
" Smoke Social	51 13 0
" Basket Funds	126 0 0
" Clock Thimbles, 1,000	32 16 3
" Secretary's Allowance	60 0 0
" Assistant Secretary's Allowance	20 0 0
" Treasurer's Allowance	15 0 0
" Auditors' Fees	2 2 0
" Petty Cash	10 0 0
" Bank Charges	2 0 0
" Cash in Bank	£779 2 2
" Less Unpresented Cheques	236 13 2
	542 9 0
	£4,584 2 10

LIABILITIES

By Special Ring Money held in Trust	£333 17 6
" Building Funds	94 6 9
" Overpaid Refund	19 1
" Measurements	10 0
" Surplus in Cash and Assets	266 19 9
	£696 13 1

Audited and found correct:—

J. Mifsud, J. Moody, Honorary Auditors.

20th January, 1947

Trustees' Balance Sheet

Trustees:

Messrs. H. REID, H. ALDER, W. J. BROOKS, E. ELSON, E. BOWLER.

INCOME

To Rent of Property, Shakespeare Place	£156	0	0
" Rent of Room, Swan Street	50	16	0
" Building Fund	66	14	6
" Sale of Doors	6	0	0
	£279	10	6

EXPENDITURE

By Electric Light Account	£5	12	6
" Telephone Charges and Rent	9	5	0
" Rates	36	15	0
" Interest on Mortgage	12	18	11
" Insurance	4	0	10
" Tax	1	7	9
" Presentation	5	5	0
" Plumbing	2	15	0
" Miscellaneous	14	6	
" Petty Cash	15	0	
" Bank Charges	10	0	
" Balance to Accumulation Account	199	11	0
	£279	10	6

Assets and Liabilities

ASSETS

Property, Shakespeare Place	£1,100	0	0
Hall and Land, Swan Street	1,600	0	0
	£2,700	0	0

LIABILITIES

Mortgage on Property	£637	19	11
Assets in Excess of Liabilities	2,062	0	1
	£2,700	0	0

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20th January, 1947

Honorary Secretary:

E. BOWLER, 25 Stillman Street, Burnley (Phone JA 2996)

12—W. Johnson & Son (Gt. Sthn.)	1034	"
13—J. Stevens (Malv.)	1033	"
14—F. Martorana (Elst.)	1032.4	"
15—N. Harper (Malv.)	1032.3	"
16—A. Wilson (Prah.)	1031	"
17—H. Holding (Rich.)	1030.4	"
18—A. Stubbs (Rich.)	1030.3	"
19—W. Key (Kew)	1029	"
20—A. Horman (N'cote)	1027	"

1st Mildura Federation, 12/10/46.

1738 Birds

1—E. Nancarrow (N'cote)	1306	yds.
2—A. McDonald & Son (Y'ville)	1301	"
3—S. Clarke (Y'ville)	1296	"
4—A. Wilson (Prah.)	1295.7	"
5—P. Murphy (Elst.)	1295.0	"
6—F. Thorne (Vic.)	1294	"
7—R. Farnell (Prah.)	1292	"
8—J. Eason (N'cote)	1290	"
9—L. Baxter (Elst.)	1284	"
10—Coats Bros. (N'cote)	1282	"
11—P. Roberts (Y'ville)	1281	"
12—R. Nickless (Ivan.)	1278	"
13—Tammie Bros. (Gt. Sthn.)	1276	"
14—Honig & Son (Gt. Sthn.)	1270.7	"
15—J. Moody (Elst.)	1270.2	"
16—T. White (Rich.)	1269	"
17—V. Carkeek (Haw.)	1268.1	"
18—G. Shaw (Haw.)	1268.0	"
19—O. Anderson (Haw.)	1266.3	"
20—L. Savory (Haw.)	1266.0	"

Mildura "Produce" Federation, 19/10/46.

1459 Birds

1—A. Bryant (N'cote)	1213	yds.
2—T. Collinson (Malv.)	1210	"
3—B. Waddell (C. Hill)	1209	"
4—H. Perrin (Malv.)	1208.5	"
5—H. V. Barker (Malv.)	1208.2	"
6—V. Carkeek (Haw.)	1207	"
7—F. Fletcher (Rich.)	1205.5	"
8—Coats Bros. (N'cote)	1205.3	"
9—Hunter & Son (Elst.)	1204.8	"
10—G. Baxter (Malv.)	1204.1	"
11—L. Selover (Rich.)	1203	"
12—T. White (Rich.)	1202	"
13—T. Meehan (Vic.)	1201	"
14—H. C. Andrews (Elst.)	1199.8	"
15—W. Johnson & Son (Gt. Sthn.)	1199.2	"
16—A. Flavell (Elst.)	1198	"
17—J. Mifsud (Bt.)	1197	"
18—W. Wilson (C. Hill)	1196	"
19—R. Allan (C. Hill)	1194	"
20—Gardiner & Nicholls (Gt. Sthn.)	1193	"

3rd Mildura Federation, 26/10/46.

1519 Birds

1—Coats Bros. (N'cote)	1242	yds.
2—M. Scriven & Son (Vic.)	1240	"
3—W. Glass (Vic.)	1234	"
4—E. Boothman (Vic.)	1233	"
5—C. Latchford (Prah.)	1229	"
6—Murray Bros. (Vic.)	1228	"
7—R. Leeworthy (Haw.)	1226.6	"
8—E. Nancarrow (N'cote)	1226.5	"

9—O. Anderson (Haw.)	1225	"
10—C. Taylor (Y'ville)	1223	"
11—R. Nickless (Ivan.)	1222.96	"
12—M. Synnott (Elst.)	1222.919	"
13—R. Thorne (Elst.)	1222.918	"
14—A. Stubbs (Rich.)	1217	"
15—L. Savory (Haw.)	1215	"
16—V. Carkeek (Haw.)	1213	"
17—A. Horman (N'cote)	1209	"
18—T. Meehan (Vic.)	1208	"
19—H. Thomas (Haw.)	1207.8	"
20—O'Shannassy Bros. (N'cote)	1207.6	"

4th Mildura Federation, 2/11/46.

1344 Birds

1—V. Carkeek (Haw.)	1341	yds.
2—L. Savory (Haw.)	1340	"
3—G. Shaw (Haw.)	1339	"
4—H. Perrin (Malv.)	1338	"
5—H. V. Barker (Malv.)	1336	"
6—Murray Bros. (Vic.)	1334	"
7—W. Bugg & Son (Malv.)	1333.9	"
8—O. Anderson (Haw.)	1333.8	"
9—Coats Bros. (N'cote)	1333.6	"
10—E. Nancarrow (N'cote)	1332.7	"
11—R. Williams (Kew)	1332.6	"
12—C. & D. Potter (Haw.)	1330.7	"
13—A. Flavell (Elst.)	1330.3	"
14—F. Fletcher (Rich.)	1330.1	"
15—G. Bryce	1327	"
16—L. C. Brown (Malv.)	1326	"
17—T. Collinson (Malv.)	1324	"
18—S. Clarke (Y'ville)	1322	"
19—F. Thorne (Elst.)	1321.8	"
20—C. Latchford (Prah.)	1321.6	"

5th Mildura Federation, 16/11/46.

1101 Birds

1—R. Abbott (Prah.)	1028	yds.
2—R. Allan (C. Hill)	1027	"
3—A. Wilson (Prah.)	1026.9	"
4—Coats Bros. (N'cote)	1026.22	"
5—H. V. Barker (Malv.)	1026.20	"
6—E. Nancarrow (N'cote)	1025	"
7—A. Spargo (Malv.)	1024	"
8—J. Mifsud (Btn.)	1021	"
9—M. Glass (Vic.)	1020	"
10—M. Scriven & Son (Vic.)	1019	"
11—A. Horman (N'cote)	1018.8	"
12—O. Anderson (Haw.)	1018.6	"
13—Rowbottom & Harris (Rich.)	1017	"
14—Stone Bros. (Ivan.)	1016	"
15—R. Nickless (Ivan.)	1014	"
16—L. Abikhair (Ivan.)	1013.9	"
17—H. Germain (Rich.)	1013.1	"
18—F. Fletcher (Rich.)	1012	"
19—E. Boothman (Vic.)	1011.8	"
20—H. Holding (Rich.)	1011.1	"

Mildura National Race, 16/11/46.

459 Birds

1—Coats Bros. (N'cote)	1026.22	yds.
2—H. V. Barker (Malv.)	1026.20	"
3—E. Nancarrow (N'cote)	1025	"
4—A. Spargo (Malv.)	1024	"
5—J. Mifsud (Btn.)	1021	"

6—M. Scriven & Son (Vic.)	1019	"
7—A. Horman (N'cote)	1018.8	"
8—O. Anderson (Haw.)	1018.6	"
9—Rowbottom & Harris (Rich.)	1017	"
10—R. Nickless (Ivan.)	1014	"
11—E. Boothman (Vic.)	1011.8	"
12—H. Holding (Rich.)	1011.16	"
13—C. Latchford (Prah.)	1011.11	"
14—T. Meehan (Vic.)	1009	"
15—W. Orford (Btn.)	1003	"
16—G. Smith (Elst.)	1002	"
17—C. Warner (Malv.)	1001.5	"
18—T. Howie (Malv.)	1001	"
19—Edwards Bros. (Malv.)	991.6	"
20—E. Kelly (Malv.)	991.3	"

Yolla Race, 29/9/46.

800 Birds

1—Murray Bros. (Vic.)	1378	yds.
2—C. Warner (Malv.)	1376	"
3—A. Horman (N'cote)	1375	"
4—H. Marshall (Gt. Sthn.)	1374	"
5—McLean (Malv.)	1373	"
6—Tammie Bros. (Gt. Sthn.)	1372	"
7—Day & Son (E.)	1370	"
8—F. Walker (G.N.)	1368.9	"
9—E. Cottle (E.)	1368.6	"
10—E. Robertson (M.)	1367	"
11—G. Whaley (G.N.)	1366.5	"
12—H. Germain (Rich.)	1366.0	"
13—A. Simmonds (G.N.)	1362	"
14—L. Abikhair (Ivan.)	1360	"
15—K. Evans (Y'ville)	1360	"
16—L. Rose (G.N.)	1359.9	"
17—S. Jones (Gt. Sthn.)	1359.4	"
18—M. Wray (G.N.)	1357	"
19—Coats Bros. (N'cote)	1354	"
20—F. Gunther (N'cote)	1350	"

Victoria Special—Broken Hill Race.

534 Birds

	Correct Time	
1—A. Flavell (E.)	11.48.19	"
2—L. Baxter (E.)	11.52.17	"
3—Gardiner & Nicholls (G.S.)	11.49.45	"
4—V. Harley (M.)	12.1.48	"
5—H. Clay (M.)	12.32.27	"
6—R. Bryce (G.S.)	12.30.56	"
7—J. Mifsud (B.)	12.42.4	"
8—R. Nickless (I.)	12.54.27	"
9—Coats Bros. (N.)	12.54.0	"
10—R. Abbott (P.)	13.4.40	"
11—Rowbottom & Harris (R.)	13.3.42	"
12—W. Johnson (G.S.)	13.9.5	"
13—H. V. Barker (M.)	13.22.53	"
14—C. Latchford (P.)	13.25.32	"

Second Day Clocking

	Time	
15—G. Falla & Son (Y.)	5.43.20	"
16—O. Anderson (H.)	5.54.0	"
17—A. Bryant (N.)	6.11.0	"
18—B. Waddell (C.H.)	6.20.0	"
19—A. Crump (R.)	6.32.0	"
20—T. Delaney (V.)	6.36.30	"

AROUND THE CLUBS

Richmond.—After a very heavy year and drag on our resources, it is gratifying to say the club is in a good financial position. £69 was given in special prizes out of club funds. The most successful member was A. Stubbs, winning the club's aggregate for old birds. J. McColl taking the Young Birds. Messrs. H. Alder and C. Smith who are life members of the club, spoke very highly of the club's activities, and at the Annual Meeting, gave their word for the support and progress of the club.

Victoria.—The past year's racing has been a very successful one for our members. In the Young Bird Races, nine prizes out of sixty were taken in the federation races, and in the old birds, 47 prizes out of 160 in the eight federation races, also eight prizes out of 20 in the National and six places out of 20 at Broken Hill. These figures show just how well the members of the club flew last season. The club is very strong at the present time.

The club young bird average was won by T. Boothman, a good start on his return from the Army Pigeon Service. The old birds average was won again by Vic. Barker. There is no doubt about his consistency. He is a danger in any race.

We were very pleased that one of our members should win the Broken Hill Race and we hasten to congratulate Arthur Flavell on his good bird. There is no argument about the birds that homed on that day. They're really good pigeons, every one of them. The victory of Murray Bros. in the Yolla Race was very pleasing to all. These two good sports thoroughly deserved their fine win. There are no better workers in our club, or in any other for that matter.

Now we look forward to 1947 and wish all flyers every success in the coming year's racing.