

This week takes us into North Yorkshire to THIRSK and the weather forecast was reasonable for a good race, initially it looked like being more of a steady race but it ended up a much quicker affair than I thought. The 5,072 birds were liberated at 10 15 am in an East North East wind. The flying distance of 154 miles for the winners was being covered in 3 hrs 08 m recording velocity around 1441.back into lower Central Scotland.

The reports of pigeons returning high in the Sky to their home lofts shows the wind was behind them. Returns again were excellent with most recording over 90% returns. The GPS tracker showed the bird coming up the M6 area and into Longtown, so the east north east wind was pushing them over to the west of the country. With the birds so high then possible some ended up into the western areas of Scotland. But most are there to fight another day.

This week's winner are the masters of the game with two 1st Open federations in a row the outstanding **GWP Macaloney partnership**, who totally dominated the race with 13 of 15 pigeons in the top fifteen of their section.

Their ability to have a team performance most weeks is incredible and I think personally puts them on a different level from others. Their winner is a check yearling hen called "**Redemption**" is a multiple Federation winner of 8 previous cards in top 40 of the Open and she is only a yearling.

The winner is bred out of all the old tested Champion breeders in their stock. With Camelot and Lancelot lines to the fore.

The partnerships hen pigeons this year are being targeted for National level and on this performance must be in with a shout for top honours.



Well done to Paul and Wullie on another outstanding performance.

Andy Eadie sent a photo of his Cambusnethan winner he is calling Bellside Perserverance, a cracking young cock who also takes 4th sect, 9th Open, 5,072 birds. He is raced on the celibate system. Andy commented on another race with excellent returns.

Andy wishes to thank the Chief race controller and assistant for doing a cracking job and let's not forget the drivers and Big Josie Gillon for looking after our birds (only downside Big Josie eats all his dinner before he left Newmains at 9 30pm and we need to Hoover the cabin). Congratulations to all winners in their respective clubs and good luck next week at Bibwith around the 180 miles.



John Hood reported that Graham Shaw had won Chryston club with the same pigeon that won Wooler 2

### **Around the clubs**

New Stevenson -1st,2nd,4th JJK Gillon,3rd,5th JL Kerr

Clarkston -1st,5th L McCalley,2nd,3rd A Stewart,4th D Mitchell

Larkhall-1st Robertson & Scott,2nd W Ramage,3rd,4th N Orr,5th J Finnan

Coatbridge-1st Sharp,Cummings,Durning,2nd D McElroy,3rd J Donnelly,4th Pollock & Cairney,5th J Forsyth

Chryston-1st,5th G Shaw,2nd 3rd A McBurnie,4th W Holland

Cambusnethan/Morningside-1st Eadie & Kelly,2nd JK Miller,3rd T Richardson,4th JJK Gillon,5th D Brook

Dalziel-1st,2nd J King,3rd D Penman,4th R Girwood,5th W&J McFarlane

Uddingston-1st Cameron & Fan,2nd,5th W Millen,3rd W Traynor,4th D Wood

Burnbank- 1st G Lightbody,2nd R Copeland,3rd,4th J Green & Son,5th Cosh,Hannah,Cairney

Airdrie-1st,4th J Murphy,2nd,3rd D Sloan & Son,5th J Barr

Carluke -1st,2nd,4th A Blyth,3rd,5th Graham Bros

Chapelhall-1st H Kidd,2nd G Truesdale,3rd Battersby & Quinn

East Kilbride -1st,2nd R Jukes snr,3rd,4th G Orr,5th D Gillespie

Newmains-1st,2nd,3rd C & E McMillan,4th Eadie & Kelly,5th J & K Miller

Lanark-1st,2nd D Foster & son,3rd,4th J Frood & Son,5th D Burnside

Greenfield-1st,5th M Krivokapic,2nd,3rd,4th D Allison

Blantyre-1st A Morrison,2nd W Gordon,3rd Pollockus & Feelie

Lanarkshire Social Circle-1st,2nd GWP Macaloney,3rd Eadie & Kelly,4th J & K Miller,5th Cameron & Fan

### **Section winners**

#### **North section**

1st,2nd,4th,5th GWP Macaloney  
3rd J Murphy

#### **West section**

1st M Krivokapic  
2nd G Lightbody  
3rd D Allison  
4th R Copeland  
5th W Millen

#### **Centre section**

1st ,2nd,3rd C & E McMillan  
4th Eadie & Kelly  
5th J & K Miller

### **Federation average Leader board**

1st Mio Krivokapic-Greenfield club  
2nd GWP Macaloney-Unaffiliated to a club  
3rd D Allison - Greenfield  
4th Cameron & Fan-Uddingston club  
5th W Millen -Uddingston club

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**Jim Cameron has had a cracking start to the season and wins Uddingston club**



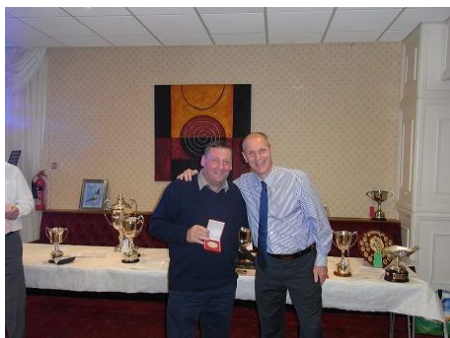
**John King wins another in Dalziel club**



**Big Lloyd wins Clarkston club for Lewis McCalley**



**Andy Eadie (R) wins Cambusnethan/Morningside club**



**Wullie Millen wins West section**



**Alex Blyth wins Carluke club**



**GPS tracker showing route taken by pigeons this week**



**Sharp Cummings Durning win Coatbridge SC**



**Mio Krivokapic wins another in Greenfield club and tops the average board**



**Graham Shaw wins Chryston with the same bird that won Wooler 2 in club**



**Callum McMillan starting to show some excellent form taking the first three in the section and Newmains club**



**Kelly Gillon records another win in New Stevenson with her partnership JJK Gillon**





**Lewis McCalley continues his excellent start to season winning his 2nd race in Clarkston club**



**Lewis McCalley small winning set up**



**George Lightbody wins Burnbank club**



**John Murphy wins Airdrie club**



**Arthur Morrison wins Blantyre club**



**John Murphys of Airdrie club winning loft**