

DINNER AND AGM REPORT



Mr & Mrs A Stephens with Club Patron's Mark and Karen Gilbert.

To enjoy the celebrations of our winners and the Club's Golden Anniversary we could not have wished for a better attendance to the British Barcelona Club's dinner presentation in Bournemouth on Saturday 15th November. We had a full house of 170 members and guests who are a credit to the Club, coming from all over the country. For some, it was a chance to meet up with some old friends and for others an opportunity to make some new ones. The evening commenced with an outstanding four-course meal served by The Days Hotel staff. The service this hotel provides must rank up there with one of the very best in Bournemouth. All food is prepared and cooked on site and nothing is too much trouble for any special requests. It is certainly worth a stay there. The host for the evening was our own President, Nigel Rigiani, who introduced our special guests on the top table, Mike & Jade Sheppard – Palomares from A E James & Son (suppliers of all the corn for each race), Club Patron Mark & Karen Gilbert (Mark donates the lovely glass pigeon engraved decanters for the Barcelona Section winners), Peter & Sue Bennett (Peter donates a presentation plate to each race winner with their winning pigeon on it) and Steve & Nettie Richards (sponsorship from the BHW for adverts and race results). Unfortunately, Ponderosa UK Stud was unable to make the evening but we would like to thank them and all our sponsors for their very kind support and generosity to the Club. I would also like to thank Christine White for all her help and Anne and Robbie Hooper for delivering the flowers to Bournemouth for me.

It was decided rather than have one special



J G Rigg.



J S Storie.



Jane Johns.



M Bulled.



Jim & Hazel Hooper with Reg & Myrtle Venner of Street's great granddaughters and granddaughters at the BBC 50th Anniversary presentation. Left to right: Jim Hooper, Victoria (granddaughter), Tanrith (great granddaughter), Sarah (granddaughter), Tabatha (great granddaughter) and Hazel Hooper.

Guest of Honour to present the awards, we would ask the sponsors of the Club to do the honours for this special occasion. First to be called upon was Jade Sheppard – Palomares who was attending her first ever pigeon presentation and what a wonderful job she did. Next up was Sue Bennett then Nettie Richards who are both old hands at this job. It was originally thought to ask Peter and Steve as well but the ladies are much better to look at. Sorry guys! For the Club's most prestigious race, the Barcelona Blue Riband, the duty fell to Mark & Karen Gilbert who presented 47 out of the 50 trophies won this year for Barcelona.

The Barcelona winner Tony Stephens did a marvellous job saying a few words with some aid from Tony Cowan. This is definitely a dream come true for Tony who has been very consistent from Barcelona for the last few years. I will be writing an article on both Tony and his very good friend Scott Storie who bred his winning pigeon very soon. There were two Spanish Diploma of Merit Award Winners for 2014 who were presented with their certificates and presentation plates by President Nigel Rigiani, Bert Shepherd with Shergar GB07N15256 Flying 670 miles, 4th Open Barcelona National 2012, 337 birds, on 820, 6th Open Barcelona National 2013, 263 birds, on 683,

4th Open Barcelona National 2014, 249 birds, on 672 and Simon Fear with Drenon Expected GB09N62680 Flying 709 miles, 47th Open Barcelona National 2012, 337 birds, on 150, 21st Open Barcelona 2013, 263 birds, on 166, 9th Open Barcelona National 2014, 249 birds, on 516. Many thanks to Steve Richards for taking all the photographs.

THE CUPS & TROPHY WINNERS 2014

Carentan Trophy winners: R Goodier & Sons (B862) – The Norman Fysh Memorial Trophy, The Hyatts Trophy, The Ernie Rivett Memorial Trophy and £150 Ponderosa UK Stud Voucher.

Section winner Special 50th Anniversary Medals: A – J Attrill (A1156), B – R Goodier & Sons (B862), C – B E Milkins (C306), D – R J Lowe (D720), E – T J Greenfield (E320), G – Mr & Mrs M Chaplin (G120), J – N Lane (J279). **Messac Trophy winners:** Mr & Mrs Beckett & Sons (E606) – The British Barcelona Club Trophy, The Everson Sports Champagne Trophy, The Peter Bennett Special Presentation Plate, The Ann Wright nee Nancy Harris Memorial Trophy and £150 Ponderosa UK Stud Voucher. P, B & W Hyatt (C278) – The Cyril Lowe Memorial Trophy and The Lisa Rigiani Memorial Trophy. C Whittingham



Jade Sheppard with R Goodier & Sons.

(E270) – The Diana English Rose Trophy. GG & CJ Cooper (C778) – The Arthur James Stowell Memorial Trophy.

Section Winner special 50th Anniversary Medals. A – R S Harbour (A473), B – Mr & Mrs L Cowley (B96), C – P, B & W Hyatt (C278), D – P J Wells (D435) E – Mr & Mrs Beckett & Sons (E606), G – Mr & Mrs T Welch (G37), H – K Johnstone (H1168) J – N Lane (J279). R S Harbour (A473) – The Clarendon Shield for 1st bird on to the IOW. Mr & Mrs L Cowley (B96) – The Dorset Cup for best velocity in to Dorset and The Trevor Perrett Memorial Trophy for first bird in charity nomination. Mr & Mrs A W Roberts (B436) – The C B Philpott Shield for best velocity in to Devon. Mr & Mrs B Frost (B89) – The Pat & Alec Griggs Trophy for best velocity in to Somerset. P Barlow (C223) – The Joyce Stephenson Shield for the first bird in ladies nomination.

Niort Trophy Winners. Mr & Mrs L Cowley (B96) – Mr & Mrs Hooper Trophy, The Everson Sports & Trophies Cup and the Peter Bennett Special Presentation Plate, The Guernsey Racing Pigeon Club Trophy (best 2 bird average in race time), The Andy Parsons Trophy (best velocity in to Section B), The P J Build & Maintenance Trophy (best velocity into Dorset), The Cottrell, Richmond & Son Trophy (best velocity by a hen in to Dorset). M, G & M Ayles (B490) - The Cottrell, Richmond & Son Trophy (best velocity by a cock in to Dorset). B Sheppard (C290) – The R J Clarke Trophy (best 2-bird average in to Wiltshire). J Attrill (A1156) – The Ray Hoare & Claire Trophy (best velocity in to Section A). C & J Rogers & N Sales (C211) – Mr & Mrs Hooper Trophy (best velocity in to Section C).



S Coxell.



S R & W H Knox.



V J Richards.



W Castledine.



Dave Davies collecting trophies on behalf of M, G & M Ayles from Sue Bennett.

Mr & Mrs A Shore (E101) – The J M Binns Trophy (best velocity in to Section E). R Beaconsfield (C318) – The Mr & Mrs E & M Wright Trophy (best velocity into Wiltshire). J & T Barnett & Dtr (E409) – The Mr & Mrs John Mellor Trophy (best velocity into Shropshire). Mr & Mrs M Gower (B85) – The London Lad's Trophy (best velocity in to Hampshire).

Section Winner special 50th Anniversary Medals: A – J Attrill (A1156), B – Mr & Mrs L Cowley (B96), C – C & J Rogers & N Sales (C211), D – F Lloyd & E Kelly (D65) E – Mr & Mrs A Shore (E101), G – Mr & Mrs T Welch (G37), H – G Moon (H228).



The Medallion Men of Salisbury.

Fougères OB Winners. M Bullied (J58) – photograph of the winning pigeon. **Section Winner special 50th Anniversary Medals:** A – Wearn Bros 1 & Neilson (A122), B – Mr & Mrs M Gower (B85), C – Mr & Mrs M & C Brown (C77), D – D J Smith (D694) E – B & S Stone (E617), G – K J Abbott (G918), H – G Moon (H228), J – M Bullied (J58).

Barcelona Trophy Winners: A Stephens

(B181) – The Harkers Challenge Trophy, Ron Michieson Challenge Trophy, Spanish Challenge Trophy, The Woodsider Trophy, The Doug Horwood Memorial Salver, The Eileen Bunn Memorial Challenge Trophy, The Ron Michieson Memorial Rose Bowl, The Mr & Mrs Stephenson Challenge Cup, The Arthur Bartlett Memorial Trophy, The Albert Padfield Blue Riband Memorial Trophy, The LA Bartlett Trophy, The Peter Rigiani



V Shaw & Son with Nettie Richards.



M&M S Fear.



A J Turner.



C Gadsden.



C Ret & Dtr.



D Whitefield.



A E Shepherd



D. Wilton & Son

Memorial Trophy, The Cyril Medway Memorial Trophy, The Mr & Mrs Ken Hine Memorial Trophy and The Peter Bennett Special Presentation Plate. Gosling & Jarvis (J767) – The Bert Bryant Challenge Cup, The Ron Youde Memorial Trophy, The BBC Appreciation Trophy, The Hillside Greater Distance Trophy and the John Parish Memorial

Trophy. A Cowan (A954) – The Bert Wiffen Memorial Shield, The G Stubbs Memorial Trophy, The Mr & Mrs A Brant Challenge Cup and The A Hoare & Son Memorial Trophy. A E Shepherd (A620) – The Gladys Stephenson Memorial Trophy, The H Sopp Challenge Cup, The Spanish Trophy, The G H Hall Rose Bowl and The Mr & Mrs G S Maskell Challenge Cup. Mr & Mrs J & H Hooper (C1) – The Willcox Trophy, The Horace Baker Memorial Trophy, The W Bowen Challenge

Trophy, The Olwen Padfield Memorial Trophy, The Christine Humphreys Memorial Trophy and The Reg & Myrtle Venner Memorial Rose Bowl. A J Turner (G772) – The Jack Edwards Memorial Trophy and The A H Woodward & Son Challenge Cup. Mr & Mrs T & C Welch (G37) – The Ron Bissett Memorial Trophy, The Barcelona Olympic Challenge Cup and The Frank Lloyd Memorial Trophy. Mr & Mrs L Hawkins (J754) – The Strugglers Challenge Cup. Mr & Mrs S Fear (D152) – The Middlesex Challenge Trophy and The Hands & Castree Challenge Trophy. J G Rigg (E756) – The Gordon Hare Challenge Cup, The Emma Bate Memorial Cup, The Eachway Surprise Challenge Trophy and The Jack Bate Memorial Trophy. J P Halstead (B355) – The W Gale Challenge Cup and The Ken Otton Memorial Trophy. W Castledine (A638) – The Gazette Challenge Trophy. Dickson Brothers (C1013) – The Churchill Challenge Trophy. J Ludlam (C49) – The A G Mullholland & Son Avon Trophy. Section Winner special 50th Anniversary Medals. A – A Cowan (A954), B – A Stephens (B181), C – Mr & Mrs J & H Hooper (C1), D – Mr & Mrs S Fear (D152) E – J G Rigg (E756), G – A J Turner (G772), J – Gosling & Jarvis (J767).

Bordeaux Trophy Winners: V Shaw & Son (J748) – The Master Jason Rigiani Memorial Trophy, The Jane Witts Memorial Trophy and the Peter Bennett Special Presentation Plate. M Bulled (J58) – The Guernsey Silver Can Trophy. M Gilbert (D1102) – The Betty Rigiani Memorial Trophy and



R Thomas,



A Stephens



J Attrill.



M & M A Shore.



M & M L Hawkins.



P Newton



Dickson Bros.



Gosling & Jarvis with Nigel Rigani.

The Sue Bradshaw Memorial Trophy. V J Richards (C1163) – Mr & Mrs Hooper Trophy and The Leaholm Trophy. J S Storie (B829) – Whitefield Printing Services Trophy. J G Rigg (E756) – Jason & Naomi Hart Memorial Trophy. W P Aherne (D540) – Mr & Mrs W Stephenson Shield. P Newton (C556) – The Trevor Dodd & Grandson Trophy. Mr & Mrs D J Newman & Son (D678) – The Trevor Cox Rose Bowl. W Healy (H361) – The N C

Wilson Memorial Trophy. **Section Winner special 50th Anniversary Medals:** A – C Ret & Dtr (A1070), B – Mr & Mrs M Gower (B85), C – V J Richards (C1163), D – M Gilbert (D1102) E – J G Rigg (E756), G – Crammond & Langstaff (G206), H – W Healy (H361), J – V Shaw & Son (J748).

Fougères YB Trophies Winners: Mr & Mrs T Welch (G37) - The Petlife International Harkers Trophy, The Mr & Mrs F Sopp Challenge Trophy,

The H Sopp Challenge Cup & The Alan Tullett Trophy. D Wilton & Son (J401) - The Bilco Consolation Challenge Cup & The Major Buckingham Challenge Trophy. D Melinte (D260) - The Harry Matthey Salver. R Thomas (A812) - The C A Harris Hampshire Cup & The Ray Hoare & Son Challenge Trophy. J Richard & Son (E519) - The Longton Shield. Mr & Mrs A Shore (E101) - The Croxton & Harrison Trophy. R S Harbour (A473) -



M & M Beckett & Sons



M&M J & H Hooper



M&M M Gower.



M & M L Cowley



M Gilbert.

The Bert Elliott Memorial Trophy. P J Entwistle (D664) - The Davis Challenge Trophy. J P Halstead (B355) - The Whitefield Printing Services Trophy. D E Fox (C619) - The F Churchill & Son Gloucester Trophy. D J Smith (D694) - The Mr & Mrs Keith Davison Trophy. **Section Winner special 50th Anniversary Medals:** A - R Thomas (A812), B - Mr & Mrs M Gower (B85), C - G M Beech (C919), D - D Melinte (D260) E - J Richard & Son (E519), G - Mr & Mrs T Welch (G37), H - P Davies (H483), J - D Wilton & Son (J401).

Fougères OH Trophy Winners: C Gadsden (D72) - The Crowley & Green Donated. S Coxell (J759) - The Nigel Rigiani Donated. Section Winner an engraved plaque. A - Wearn Bros 1 & Neilson (A122), B - J Johns (B903), C - D Williams (C287), D - C Gadsden (D72) E - B & S Stone (E617), G - Mr & Mrs Chaplin (G120), H - W Healy (H361), J - S Coxell (J759).

Average Trophies: A Stephens (B181) - The F E Griffin Memorial Trophy. Gosling & Jarvis (J767) - The Tony Hustler Memorial Trophy & The Tommy Rae Memorial Trophy. Mr & Mrs T Welch (G37) - The Mr & Mrs B J Reeves Challenge, P Newton (C556) - The E G Bracey Trophy.

AGM Report

The 2014 AGM was opened at 2.30pm with 24 members and Committee attending. Apologies were given to those Committee members who were unable to attend. The minutes of the 2013 AGM were passed as any matters arising covered.



M & M T Welch

There was one question from the floor regarding outside organisations and where on the accounts it shows how much income received. The Secretary explained that any income from other organisations is shown on the income for each race under other organisations. The accounts were then accepted and passed. We received 89 resignations which were accepted with regret. As it was the end of 2014 business all offices were declared vacant and Tony Whitehurst kindly stood in as temporary Chairman. The 2015 BBC Committee and Officials are as follows: President - Nigel Rigiani, Chairman - Michael Shepherd, Vice President - Richard Spooner, there were no inclusions to Life Vice Presidents as before they are Jim Hooper, Mrs Hazel Hooper and Richard Green, Life Vice Presidents serving on Committee - Dave Whitefield, Mrs Ingrid Jurd and Mr Roger Hurst, Committee - Bob Alty, Martin Norman, Jill Rogers, Anne Spooner and Eric Ilsley, Secretary/Treasurer - Clare Norman, Weather Advisor - Steve Appleby, Convoyer - Nigel Rigiani and Auditors - Jill Rogers, Richard Spooner and Dave Whitefield. The result of the ballot: 132 papers returned, 4 unsigned and not counted. **Proposition 1** Proposed by M & E Shepherd. (D468). Delete Club Rule 13 and Insert New Club Rule 13. To read: Publication in the fancy press of

race results, alterations to the rules or regulations, shall be deemed notice to all members. 91 for, 28 against, 9 abstentions. **Proposition 2.** Proposed by P J Wells. (D435). Delete Race Rule 9 and Insert New Race Rule 9. To read: Form A to be in the Secretary's hands 5 days before the date of marking of each race. Form B to be delivered with the birds at the marking station. Form A received after the given date, may be returned to the competitor with notification that his birds cannot be accepted. Extra birds will be accepted on the day of marking, but limited to no more than original entry (room permitting). No extra pools/noms to be added. Birds to be paid for at the markings. 24 for, 104 against, 0 abstentions. Finally, permission was given to destroy old documents and the AGM closed at 3pm.

Your £20 subscriptions for 2015 are now due and must be paid before 1st April, 2015. Gold Rings for the Young Bird Gold Ring Nomination Scheme are available at £5 per ring. Prizes are awarded for Open and Section positions on a pro rata basis. Application forms for new members are available on the website or by telephoning me and I will put one in the post for you. You can contact me on Tel: 023 8057 3919 Email: secretary@britishbarcelonaclub.com

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BBC winners 2014.