

The Adelaide Pigeon Club-Australia's most exciting club!

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MAY 2017 NEWSLETTER

The birds have been working well for the last few weeks despite being harassed on a regular basis by a pair of peregrines. Tossing will begin within the next few days. The last few months have been difficult with losses caused by a goshawk, the peregrines and the rotavirus. However, the good news is the SAHPA membership voted to race this year with its first race on 1st July. Our first race will be the following week on 8th July with our full program listed below.

Members in 2017 will be competing for a total prize pool of **\$112,000 (\$22,400 per race)**.
The prizes are as follows:

- 1st \$10000**
- 2nd \$2400**
- 3rd \$1600**
- 4th \$1000**
- 5th \$750**
- 6th - 7th \$600**
- 8th - 10th \$400**
- 11th - 15th \$300**
- 16th - 25th \$200**
- 26th - 30th \$150**

In addition, there is a \$200.00 prize available in the 5 races for any member gaining three places in the top 30 from their 4 birds. The Aggregate Points and Bird of the Year winners will receive a trophy plus a cash prize of \$500.00 and \$200.00, respectively.

Our races this year are:

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| 8 th July | Stirling North (Approx 253 klms) |
| 22 nd July | Hawker (Approx 309 klms) |
| 12 th August | Lyndhurst (Approx 487 klms) |
| 2 nd September | The Twins (Approx 610 klms) |
| 30 th September | Marla (Approx 947 klms) |

The dates of the races will change should the SAHPA alter its race program.

The next newsletter will be sent **around the end of June** after the Electronic Timing Rings have been fitted and the spare birds allocated. We recently put Electronic Timing Rings on 20 birds to test the equipment before the start of the season but don't intend to do the remainder until about 10-12 days before the first race as we want to leave the allocation of the spare birds until then.

APC Committee
Brian, Penny and Rolf