



**British Homing World  
Show of the Year**

# **Gala Evening**

**including the  
Presentation of the  
2024 Annual RPR Awards**

**Saturday 18th January 2025**



# Welcome

Good evening,

Welcome to the 2025 Gala Evening at the British Homing World Show of the Year. Can I thank you all for supporting the Show this year.

During the last few months the FCI (International Pigeon Organisation) have asked the RPRA to organise the 2028 Pigeon Olympiad. The previous 2 Olympiads organised in the UK were in Blackpool in 1977 and 1999. While we are still at an early stage the organising of such an event has several hurdles to overcome, i.e. Defra/APHA support to allow pigeons from other countries to enter the UK for the Olympiad. The costs involved in organising an Olympiad are considerable, but I am sure that providing that all interested parties can come together, a joint Olympiad committee can be formed to move this forward.

We must thank the Show Committee, ably led by the Chairman David Trippett, and the Show Stewards who willingly give up their time to support the Show.

Can I also thank the RPRA and BHW staff, along with Show Manager Chris Sutton and BHW Head Officer Richard Chambers, for all the work that they do in helping to organise and advertise the Show.

I congratulate all our successful fanciers, young or old, for their performances in 2024. This year we have had many outstanding performances, on both North and South Road. To those not so successful in 2024 then season 2025 is just round the corner and this might be your year.

I thank you for attending tonight and hope you enjoy your evening.

Best wishes for 2025.

**Les Blacklock**  
RPRA President

# TONIGHT!



Presentation of RPRA Awards (8.30pm)



Viva Disco Dance Fever  
(11pm to 1am)



## **British Homing World Awards 2024**

### **The George Slade Swing Clear Trophy**

0 - 250 Miles

**Mr & Mrs D Kingswood of Alford**  
GB22B05663

### **British Homing World Trophy**

251 - 450 Miles

**Robson Bros, Thompson & Larman of Northumberland**  
NEHU2023BV167

### **The Shy Lass Trophy**

451 Miles and over

**T & A Wilson of Bishops Stortford**  
GB21N01987

### **The Gillian Scott Memorial Trophy**

Best Performance by Hen Flying Over 400 Miles  
**Vendel Segesdy of Didcot**  
GB22N39452



## Royal Pigeon Racing Association Awards 2024

The RPRC receives nominations for awards in three categories: short, middle and long distance. Certain awards are decided on a coefficient, based on the bird's placings compared to the number of birds in the race and the distance raced. Others are decided on a vote by the RPRC Council\*.

We are delighted to celebrate the 2024 winners:

### Young Fanciers - 8 to 15 years old

#### Young Fanciers - Short Distance 0 - 250 miles

**1st Prize** is awarded to **Mullen Bros** of Portadown  
GB23S05441, coefficient score 216.1177  
Zach & Codi receive a trophy, medallion and a cheque for £50

#### Young Fanciers - Middle Distance 251 - 450 miles

**1st Prize** is awarded to **Ethan Nightingale** of Dover  
GB23B08408, coefficient score 185.1058  
Ethan receives a trophy, medallion and a cheque for £50

**2nd Prize** is awarded to **Ethan Nightingale** of Dover  
GB23D13183, coefficient score of 210.7487  
Ethan receives a medallion and a cheque for £30

**3rd Prize** is awarded to **Ethan Nightingale** of Dover  
GB23D13121, coefficient score of 318.1804  
Ethan receives a medallion and a cheque for £20

## **Young Fanciers - Long Distance 451 miles and over\***

**1st Prize** is awarded to **Ethan Nightingale** of Dover  
GB23S04665, 3rd Open BICC, 548 birds, 500m 612y  
Ethan receives a trophy, medallion and a cheque for £50

## **Intermediate Young Fanciers - 16 to 21 years old**

### **Intermediate - Long Distance 451 miles and over\***

**1st Prize** is awarded to **Owen Abery** of Reading  
GB20N08092, 67th BICC, 560m 1320y  
Owen receives a trophy, medallion and a cheque for £50

## **Bamford's Top Flight Schools Championship Trophy** (best performance by a single pigeon)

The 2024 winner is **Beech Grove School, Kent**  
GB24B36186, coefficient score of 33.3333  
The school receives the trophy, a medallion and a cheque for £50

## Adult Awards

The adult awards are also based on short, middle and long distance categories. In addition, the Tony Cornwell Memorial Trophy is awarded for the best all round performance by a single pigeon over the season, and the Louis Massarella Trophy for the best performance by a young bird.

### Short Distance 0 - 250 miles

**1st Prize** is awarded to **John Eastburn** of Hull  
GB23C17376, coefficient score of 7.1122  
He receives the Selby Thomas Memorial Trophy, a medallion  
and a cheque for £100

**2nd Prize** is awarded to **Les Green** of Manchester  
GB21C41009, coefficient score of 8.4050  
He receives a medallion and a cheque for £60

**3rd Prize** is awarded to **B & P Crowe & S & J Worrall** of Widnes  
GB22A88876, coefficient score of 14.9975  
They receive a medallion and a cheque for £40

### Middle Distance 251 - 450 miles

**1st Prize** is awarded to **G Treharne & Son** of Ebbw Vale  
GB21C38419, coefficient score of 3.2000  
They receive the Preston Trophy, a medallion and a cheque for £100

**2nd Prize** is awarded to **G Treharne & Son** of Ebbw Vale  
GB21C38459, coefficient score of 4.0076  
They receive a medallion and a cheque for £60

**3rd Prize** is awarded to **G & R Jones** of Barnsley  
GB20D29320, coefficient score of 6.3932  
They receive a medallion and a cheque for £40

## Adult Awards

### Long Distance 451 miles and over\*

**1st Prize** is awarded to **Ron Williamson** of Newry  
GB23D68724, 1st of 1501 birds, 460m 882y, 1083ypr  
Ron receives the Queen's Coronation Cup, a medallion and £100

**2nd Prize** is awarded to **Alan Parker** of Clitheroe  
NWHU20E4002, 1st of 120 birds, 746m 566y, 971ypr  
Alan receives a medallion and a cheque for £60

**3rd Prize** is awarded to **G Oliver & Son** of Leeds  
GB21N75584, 37th of 1480 birds, 740m 1745y, 780ypr  
They receive a medallion and a cheque for £40

### Tony Cornwell Memorial Trophy

(best all round performance by a single pigeon)

**1st Prize** is awarded to **Mr & Mrs Kingswood** of Alford  
GB22D43586, coefficient score of 6.9946  
They receive the trophy, a medallion and a cheque for £100

**2nd Prize** is awarded to **G Treharne & Son** of Ebbw Vale  
GB20C38419, coefficient score of 9.1524  
They receive a medallion and a cheque for £60

**3rd Prize** is awarded to **T & S Perkins & Seymour** of Peterborough  
GB21Z55557, coefficient score of 9.3625  
They receive a medallion and a cheque for £40

### Louis Massarella Trophy

(best performance by a young bird)

**1st Prize** is awarded to **Bingham & Seaton** of Belfast  
GB24C63148, coefficient score of 3.1176  
They receive the trophy, a medallion and a cheque for £100

**2nd Prize** is awarded to **David Calvin** of Portadown  
GB24X14331, coefficient score of 5.0903  
Davy receives a medallion and a cheque for £60

**3rd Prize** is awarded to **B & K Hawes** of Harlow  
GB24C44447, coefficient score of 5.4072  
They receive a medallion and a cheque for £40



## **RPRA One Loft Young Birds Race 2024**

Tonight we celebrate the winners of the RPRA One Loft Young Birds Race, together with the Ace Pigeon and the Two Bird Average winners. In total 556 young birds entered the loft.

### **Young Birds Final Race**

Liberated Saturday 14th September 2024 (08:35am) from Dunbar, SE Scotland, a distance of 226 miles 610 yards. 44 birds marked.

#### **Winner of the 2024 RPRA One Loft Young Birds Final Race**

**Mr & Mrs Andy Gregson:** Ring No GB24B24634 at 1007.1361 ypm  
Prize: £10,000, an RPRA trophy and medallion

#### **Winner of the 2024 RPRA One Loft Young Birds Ace Pigeon**

**Mr & Mrs Andy Gregson:** Ring No GB24B24634 at avge velocity 678.60 ypm  
Prize: £2,880, an RPRA trophy and medallion

#### **Winner of the 2024 RPRA One Loft Young Birds Two Bird Average**

**Mr & Mrs Andy Gregson:**  
Ring Nos GB24B24634 (1st) and GB24B24633 (6th)  
Combined flying time 110,235 seconds  
Prize: £180, an RPRA trophy and medallion

To enter the 2025 One Loft Race please visit  
[www.rpraoneloft.org/southern](http://www.rpraoneloft.org/southern)



## 2024 Show Proceeds Charity Donations

BPFL Medical Research Team	£2,000
SHINE	£2,000

We are very proud to say that since our first show in 1973 a total of

**£2,732,080**

has been donated to charities

**The BHW Show of the Year Committee  
records its grateful thanks  
to our class sponsors for their generosity**

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for sponsoring the first Star and Garter ring  
Classes 13 to 16

## Many Thanks...

to ALL of our show sponsors, donors of raffle prizes, and donors of pigeons for the charity auction for their support and generosity, in particular



***The next BHW Show of the Year takes place on  
17th-18th January 2026.  
We hope to see you there!***