

## **Russell Somerville**

The Barossa Valley Racing Pigeon Club formed in 1990 has been conducting a fundraiser squeaker sale since our inception.

We conducted them in our small clubrooms , out in the open air under the gumtrees near the club, on the footy club verandah , in the tennis clubrooms all at the Lyndoch Rec park. We now have a fantastic large airconditioned facility at the Curdnatta Park Hall at Sandy Creek.

A number of years ago we had a club member back the club in putting up a \$1,000 prize for the highest placed sale bird during the next flying season. We never had to call upon this member for his money as all our sales from then on were incredibly successful and over the years we have paid out many \$1,000 plus prizes.

The last few years have seen the prize jackpot to \$4,500 in this current season.

With the season approaching the end it was Michael Donnellan contact us to say his hen SA22 17228 BB had achieved 22<sup>nd</sup> place open in the tough Coober Pedy race. After confirming that indeed it was a sale bird we had to wait till seasons end to declare Michael the lucky winner of the \$4,500.

We congratulate Michael and look forward to seeing all our guests at this years fundraiser on Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> DECEMBER Curdnatta Park Hall SANDY CREEK.

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