



**Malcolm Coulston**

### **LYNDHURST YBC 1<sup>st</sup> 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup>**

MV Lofts had three hens land together to finish 1<sup>st</sup> 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> in the Lyndhurst YBC from 4751 birds and 219 flyers. The YBC winner AUS 12 22268 BBH was bred by Adelaide Premier Lofts from imported Bosua lines.

The 2<sup>nd</sup> place SA 12 38742 BBH was bred from a Geert Munnik cock from Adelaide Premier Lofts and TRP 04 1714 "The Zander Hen" from S. Zander's No 1 Pair and is Gaby Vandenabeele blood that originally come from the Lu Brothers sale.

The 3<sup>rd</sup> placed SA 12 38665 BCPH is a cross of Flor Engels, Vandenabeele and Houben.

### **WARRNAMBOOL SAD 1<sup>ST</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup>**

141 owners and 2040 birds, was won by SA 12 38681 BBH, when looking at her pedigree we see her dam was 1<sup>st</sup> Adelaide 10,000 for R Billing and has the 1<sup>st</sup> Temora of Grant Paterson in her background. The Sire has Grant's number one stock cock (Full brother to J Pryor's number one cock, off Lot 53 and Lot 60) in his pedigree. The dam of 2<sup>nd</sup> is a full sister to the sire of 3<sup>rd</sup> YBC 2013, and is a Flor Engels, Vandenabeele and Houben cross.

### **TERANG 10 Bird 1st and 3rd**

The same day the loft was 1<sup>st</sup> SAHPA YBC they also took out the 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> places in the Terang 10 bird special with 115 owners and 815 birds competing. The winner, SA 11 27401 BCH, was bred Greg Hodgins, and the sire is G Vandenabeele from Jack Vanderlinden and the dam is a Lindsay Smith Busschaert. The 3<sup>rd</sup> place hen was also from the No 1 hen TRP 04 1714 "The Zander Hen" and a Leo Hereman's cock.

### **LYNDHURST OPEN 1<sup>st</sup> 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup>**

With five places in the top 10 this was another sensational performance. The Lyndhurst Open winner SA 12 38817 BBH is from a hen bred by K Saggars and is Gaby Vandenabeele bloodlines, she is a granddaughter of Gaby's top stock cock "Wittenbuik". The Sire is also Gaby Vandenabeele.

### **EQUAL SAHPA BIRD of THE YEAR 2013**

SA 12 38810 BCH was placed 7<sup>th</sup> Lyndhurst YBC and 4<sup>th</sup> Lyndhurst Open to be equal bird of the year with Greg Hamilton's "Pocket Rocket". She is a daughter of the 2011 SAHPA Bird of the Year for Coulston and Cleveland and is a granddaughter of the number one stock hen, TRP 04 1714 from S. Zander Number 1 pair. The original pair of Vandenabeele's being purchased at the Lu Brothers sale.

The team of Malcolm Coulston and loft manager Ken Waters start the season with 200 youngsters plus 2 and 3 year olds. They breed from around 40 pairs and most are in single pens.

The main families are Vandenabeele, Hereman's, Flor Engels, Janssen and old Aussie blood. Feeding for the racing season is done with a commercial racing mix which is from Thomastown fodder in Victoria and mainly consists of peas, wheat, maize, milo, safflower and some small seeds to which Ken adds some canary seed and millet as the race distance increases. The birds were separated for the 2013 season and were worked in the mornings only, with Hens being flown first then the cocks after their training they were fed as much as they can eat. The birds were trained twice a week on their own, hens one day and cocks the next, always to Port Wakefield.



Before the season starts Ken treats the birds with Doxy-T for respiratory problems and Emtryl for canker, this is repeated just before the Association races start and that is the only medication given for the year.

Ken would like to see a new Association transport unit, maybe a tray top setup, and a smaller unit for towing if numbers increase.

The MV Loft's team were Champion flyers of the SAHPA in 2013 with 252 points, the second highest on record.



SA 12 38817 BBH 1<sup>st</sup> SAHPA  
Lyndhurst Open 2013 3885 birds