

W&K Moyle - SA09 19353 BCPH

SALDC Alice Springs Winner - 1334kms - 92 Owners/ 502 Birds

Ken flies as Moyle W & K which is the name of the partnership of his father William (Bing) and Ken as they had been flying since 1955. Pryor to that, Bing raced pigeons from 1939 - 1941.

Highlights of his racing career have been four Alice Springs winners since 2000, and including 2004, 2010, and 2012 (plus numerous SAHPA placings). The 2010 Alice Springs race winner was bred and raced by Barry Murphy from birds gifted to Barry by Bing and Ken.

Ken has concentrated his racing around Alice Springs and the other distance races in the last three years. As a youngster **SA09 19353 BCPH** was clock bird from The Twins and also clock bird in her final race from Roxby Downs prior to flying Alice Springs. She also flew Alice Springs in 2011. Her breeding can be described as follows.

The sire is inbred to our previous two Alice winners & numerous Alice placings. The grand sire is a brother to 1st Alice 2000. The grand dam is a grand daughter of 1st Alice 2004 which in turn was a daughter of 1st Alice 2000.

The mother of 1st Alice Springs 2012 has Donovan/Pryor breeding (being a grand daughter of 1st Alice for Brian Donovan). In summary 1st Alice Springs 2012 contains five 1st Alice Springs winners in her breeding.



Ken Moyle with his 94 year old Mum, Elsie Moyle. Elsie was a keen supporter of Ken and father Bing Moyle in their pigeon racing activities).



Ken breeds from 20 pairs of pigeons and aims to raise about 80 youngsters. The family is one which he and his father have created over 50 years with judicious outcrosses of likely pigeons. The family is based on Vin Blanden birds plus a key outcross bred by **Brian Stevens of Riverton SA.**

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This bird (AUB97 0342 BCH) was raced by Bing and Ken and won the 2000 Alice Springs race.

The Birds are hopper fed on a mix of peas (40%), Wheat (15%), Maize (15%), Milo (15%), and Barley (15%), plus some small seeds at the end of the day. The mixture is not varied day to day or week to week. All birds get cider vinegar in water once per week and multi vitamins once per week. No medication is provided even as a preventative solution. Sick or ill birds (on the odd occasion it occurs) are culled.

Cocks and hens are separated around two months prior to racing and are kept separated for the rest of the season. Loft training starts about 8 weeks before racing and toss training about 4 weeks before racing. Toss training commences from Pt Wakefield (about 80kms).

Breeding birds are hopper fed 90% peas and 5% wheat and 5% milo. The birds are mated around the end of October, and his best race birds are generally bred from 'well performed' hens. He uses cocks from well performed breeding pairs and from consistent race cocks. Because of this he has a generally inbred loft of breeders. This was reason that Ian Edwards and Ken decided to import some of the best long distance blood they could find from Europe. These have been crossed into Ken's family with some promising results.

Ken's most significant difficulty flying pigeons is that he lives at one location and races from another, and that he continues to 'work' - hence his time is at a premium.