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Janssen Brothers

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history makers in pigeon racing!



The Janssen brothers (without Fons) and sister Marie

We can all agree that the pigeons of the Janssen brothers are the world's best-known pigeon colony. Their breeding capabilities are of inestimable value... the Janssen brothers can be seen as true masters of pigeon inbreeding!

Jos van Limpt (aka de 'Klak') from Reusel excelled with direct pigeons from Arendonk, and described them as follows: some pigeons might be able to keep up with the Janssen pigeons in hard and bright weather, but never have I found a pigeon

that was actually better than them! These are the words of a fancier who has been dominating The Netherlands for years with his outstanding Janssen pigeons!

In pigeon racing, the name of Janssen from Arendonk crops up more than any other. The brothers' impact on the development of today's modern racing pigeon cannot be underestimated... There is no denying that their pigeons were of an exceptional standard, setting a new benchmark for today's racing pigeon. The history of the 'Janssen brothers' was a 'self-made story', with a colony that was bred and moulded by the

fancier himself. In one century, a racing pigeon was created in Arendonk that had everything a true racing pigeon should have.

Henri 'Driekske' Janssen, the father of the Janssen brothers from Arendonk, is the founder of one of world's best-known pigeon colonies of all times. He learned the craft by breeding canary birds... this gave him the knowledge and experience that he needed when he committed himself to pigeon fancying. He became the grandmaster of 'inbreeding'... and his sons soon appeared to have inherited his talent! It allowed Charles, Adriaan, Louis, Vic and Jef to build a colony unmatched in the world of pigeon racing, under the name of the 'Janssen brothers Arendonk'. Hardly ever did they add a pigeon from somewhere else... For over 50 years, they continued to breed with their own, trusted stock, and it has paid off. They were pigeon champions long before other fanciers became successful, and they were still champions when many other fanciers were on the wane. Drieske Janssens was a passionate breeder of canary birds, rather than a pigeon breeder: he bred his best 'singers' with strict blood lines. As for pigeons, he coupled uncles and nieces, or aunts and nephews! This was how the Janssen colony took shape, and with a stringent selection,



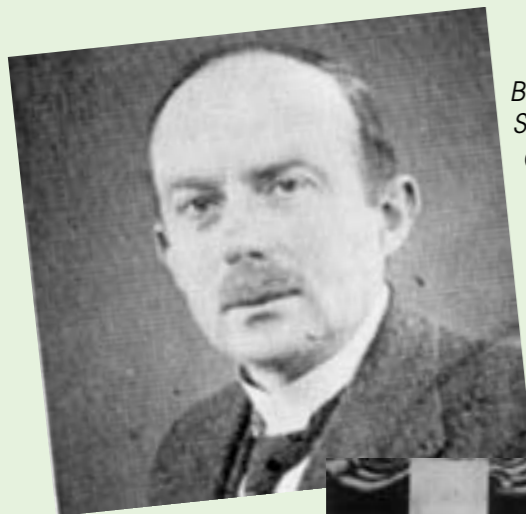
Fons Janssen together with his mother Pauline. Together with father Henri, Fons laid the basis for the Janssen brothers colony. He and Frans were the only of the brothers to get married.



Father Henri Janssen died in 1949. His wife Pauline outlived him for almost 20 years until she died in 1967, at the age of 90.



The First Communion of Charel and Louis



Brouwer Schoeters (Herenthout)

he created one of the purest and most successful pigeon colonies in international pigeon racing!

The basis of the Janssen pigeons

The foundation dates back from the 1930s. Fonske Janssen (who was married, just like Frans, and unlike the other brothers) was a customhouse officer in Herentals when he met brewer Schoeters, from which he could purchase a few descendants of the famous 'Aap' and the 'Bordeauxduivin'. Two of its descendants proved to be very good breeders in Arendonk, with a youngster of the 'Oude Lichte' and a daughter of 'Aap'! The Schoeter pigeons are said to be crossings of the pure 'Wegges' x 'Swiggers', who were in their turn a crossing of 'Wegge x Grooters', which is the same stem as the one that turned Dr. Bricoux in a very successful fancier.



Charel with 'De Rappe' (1935)

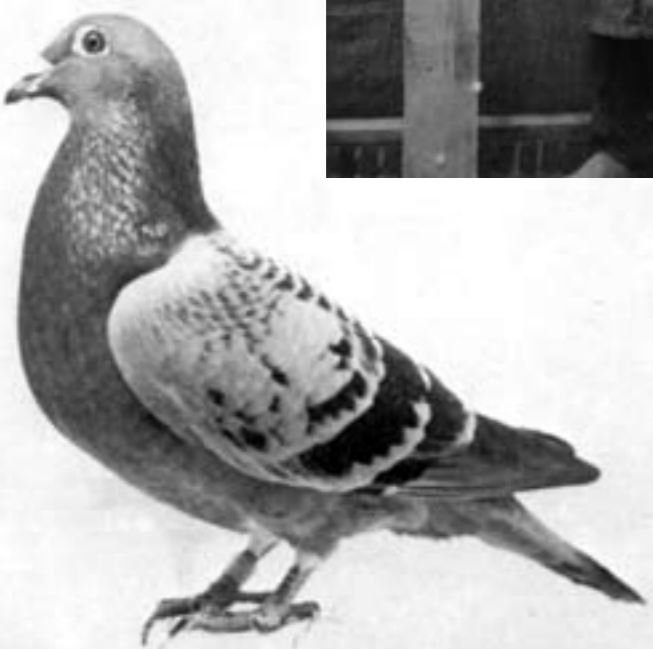
In the development of the Janssen colony, the 'Oude Witoog van 1933' has played a major role. He stems from the 'Schalieblauwe van 32' from the Schoeters' stem, is a grandchild of 'Aap', and was obtained through Cas Goossens, a miller. The 'Late van 35' (later renamed 'Rappe' since he won 15 first prizes) was a half brother (also from 'Schalieblauwe') of the same 'Oude Witoog van 1933' (stock father) and a top-level crack. The 'Wondervoske van 45' was yet another superstar (as great-granddaughter of 'Schalieblauwe') and stems from the 'Vos van 39' x a daughter of 'Dikke duivin van 36' (a full sister of 'Oude Witoog' from '33)! The 'Vosse pigeons' - which are still omnipresent in today's build-up of the colony - are said to originate from the 'Vos van 26', which Fonske Janssen obtained from Ceulemans. The 'Wondervosje van 45' has played an important role as a stock pigeon, she is (via her son 'De Vos 49') grandmother of the amazing stock breeder 'Bange van 51', who was in his turn father of such cracks as 'Bange van 59', 'Stier van 55' etc. One of the best cracks in pigeon racing history, and a true top flyer with no less than 18 first prizes, was the phenomenal Merckx (BE67-6282031) from the Janssen brothers. He was

bred from two grandchildren of the previously mentioned 'Bange van 51', namely 'Donkere Stier 753/63' (a son of 'Stier van 55') x 't kleintje 603/65' (a daughter of 'Bange van 59')! The 'Merckx' turned into a truly exceptional breeder, and was in his turn father of the illustrious '019' (also winner of 18 first prizes), the 'Velo' (15 first prizes and later a super breeder for Raymund Hermes) and the amazing breeder 'Jonge Merckx' (BE70-6243257 and winner of 15 first prizes)... 'Jonge Merckx' was grandfather of 'Raket' (BE73-6276400) and great-grandfather of the 1° Nat Ace pigeon Sprint KBDB in 1982 for Felix Pauwels uit Herne. The 'Jonge Merckx' proved to be a world-class breeder world-wide... countless lofts have been making great results with direct descendants of this 'Wonder pigeon'! And a 'Brother 019' has bred another top pigeon, the 'Schouwman' (BE76-6371905, 6 first prizes). The 'Oude Witoger van 65' (BE65-6371177) can also be considered one of Janssen's illustrious breeding pigeons. Some of its most famous children include the previously mentioned 'Raket', 'Rakkertje' (with four first prizes) and 'Marietje', stock pigeon for the 'Klak'. The 'Geeloger' (BE67-6282027, stems from a grandchild of 'Bange van 51', namely 'Lichte Witoger van 66') was another outstanding pigeon, winning 16 first prizes... but also made a career as top breeder in the lofts of Jules Wouters, as father of 'Jose', the world-famous stock mother of Stan Raeymaeckers!

The 'Blauwe van 48' was yet another top-class breeder: it was one of the lesser-known Janssen-pigeons (probably because it did not race very often), but was of great importance as well! The pigeon, (with the lines of 'Schalieblauwe van 32') was coupled with 'Schoon Licht van 51' (a daughter of 'Wondervoske'), possibly the best breeding couple ever in the breeding lofts in Arendonk. One of the best-known daughters is 'Blauwke van 54' (with 15 first prizes), a mother of 'Stier van 55' (grandfather of 'Merckx'). Taking a closer look at the pedigrees of a few of the super-cracks of the Janssen brothers, we notice that 'Blauwe van 48' can be found



To the right we have "Stier van 55", father of "Stier van 63", which was in his turn father of the old "Merckx". And "Merckx" was in his turn father of the "019" (picture below)



The 'Oude Merckx' (B67-6282031)





The interior the loft was only covered with tiles



The Janssen family in the 50s
From left to right: Irma, (André Berte), mother Pauline, Jef, Vic, Adriaan, Louis and Charel

success
How did the Janssen brothers manage to maintain the quality of their pigeon colony through inbred? Louis explained to us: "We only bred with winners, and we only selected winners. Later on, when we stopped racing, we only selected pigeons that reached perfection... pigeons with a perfect shape, soft and warm feathers, strong backs and a good eye that marks its intelligence! These pigeons are always taken great care of, and a good health was our top priority. We wanted our lofts to be hygienic and as clean as possible: microbes were short-lived here.

All in all, we could consider the achievements of the Janssen pigeons to be sensational, especially given the continuity of quality. The Janssen pigeons have been at the top for over 50 years, and they are still excellent flyers. Their biggest secret was probably that they were not only very good flyers, but that they were even better breeders! These pigeons passed on their talents very well, because the Janssen brothers were always looking for quality! And although they have achieved great successes in races, they were breeders in the first place, with an exceptional 'feel' and knowledge on how to maintain the quality of their pigeons. This talent was partly inherited, and partly passed on by father 'Drieske', who knew all about breeding bloodlines and stock selection: the purer the stock, the better the quality of the pigeons. With this in mind, only a fancier who

inbreeds can be successful... the Janssen brothers were experts! The inheritance of their pigeons is exceptional and will probably be unmatched!

Janssen pigeons ever so popular
Several big names in pigeon racing owe their success to the Janssen pigeons from Arendonk, which were in many cases the starting point for a groundbreaking career of fanciers such as Jan Grondelaers (Opplabbeek), Gust Hofkens (Merksplas), Tournier (Lommel), Seymus (Aartselaar), Meylemans (Heist op den Berg), Louis Van Loon (Poppel)... and many were to follow in their footsteps. And also in The Netherlands, the Janssen pigeons soon started to make a reputation. Ever since these pigeons contributed to the success of such icons as Jos van Limpt-De Klak (who became world-famous with descendants of 'Schalieblauwe van 32'), Bertie Camphuis and Albert van der Flaes, no other pigeon colony has had such an influence on pigeon racing in The Netherlands. The Pouw brothers, Hans and Evert-Jan Eijerkamp, C. & G. Koopman, Nico van Noordenne, Herman Beverdam, Ad Scharlaekens and many other fanciers have been dominating the field with Janssen pigeons and their descendants. And let's not forget some of today's champions: G. & R. Schulling, Henri van Venrooy, Reedijk-Jongekrijg and many others purchased pigeons directly in Arendonk and bred national top-pigeons and breeders! To this day, the Janssen pigeons are a guaranteed success.

Arendonk has become a sanctuary for foreign pigeon fanciers. They all wanted to see the lofts where famous champions such as 'Merckx', 'Wondervos', the '019' and 'Raket' were born. About every Chinese fancier dreamt of posing with the Janssen brothers. But the now 99-year-old Louis Janssen from Arendonk is the only remaining brother of the best and most well-known pigeon fanciers' family in the world. And Louis was still breeding pigeons. Although he had not been racing



The famous Janssen brothers' water well.



In this picture, the water is tested and approved by (a then still young) doctor Henk de Weerd.



'Schouwman 76'

Jef Janssen (with cap!) is having a chat with Jos van Limpt, aka De Klak, (Klak means cap, but here Jos is without his cap!)



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Britten dachten gereputeerde Belgische duiven te kopen
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BRUSSEL. — Midden 1962 zou een Brugse duivenmeester misschien 33 duiven hebben verkocht aan Britse duivenmeesters voor in totaal ruim 300.000 fr. Duiven die zongingel stonden van het wereldberoemde loek van de gebroeders Janssen uit Arendonk.

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Each day, the brothers received letters from all over the world

any more in the last 25 years, foreign visitors were still waiting in line to buy a true Janssen youngster. But the brothers from Arendonk have always kept a low profile; we could say that the Janssen pigeons owe their reputation to their own achievements. Their eagerness to win prizes and to excel in races, their efforts in maintaining the quality of their colony, the talent to keep their stock to a minimum, despite the fact that a large colony would be much more interesting from a commercial point of view... this is what turned the Janssen brothers into the world-famous family of pigeon fanciers. And that is why they managed to breed a racing pigeon that has everything a top-class pigeon needs to have... a good body with an intelligent head!

The Janssen pigeons are still very popular. In Arendonk, the masters of inbreed have continued to breed the purest stock pigeons possibly. Since the Janssen pigeons come from a fully inbred stock, they are perfectly suited to be crossed with other races... and these crossings have made them so popular. Thousands of fanciers have been breeding with Janssen pigeons, but even more fanciers have been promoting these pigeons without ever having been in Arendonk themselves. And now it's too late: the world's most famous loft has been emptied, and soon, the last 26 Janssen pigeons will be sold... This is the end of an important part of history, an icon that ceases to exist... and that will probably never return!



The brother of the French President François Mitterand in one of the "famous" couches at the Janssen brothers' home



The breeding boxes of the Janssen family. Pay attention to the doors which were used to twilight the pigeons.

Upon their arrival, Charel feeds the pigeons only with small portions, while observing them.

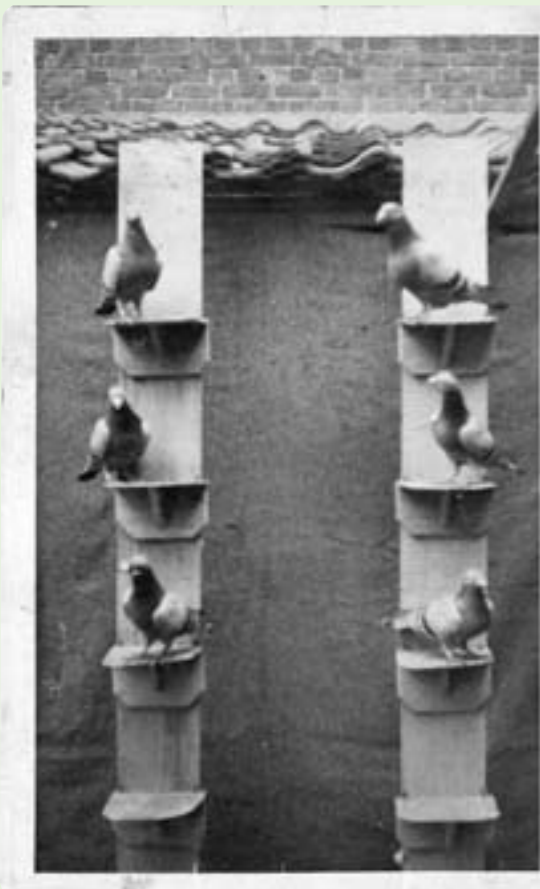


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These six pigeons won the prizes one to six (1937)

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Grote Openbare Duivenverkoop van 36 ALLERBESTE REIS- EN KWEKDUIVEN
van de wonderbare kampioenen

Gebroeders JANSSEN, Schoolstraat 4 - Arendonk
Winnen in 1951, 16 eerste prijzen en van 1945 tot 1951, 80 eerste prijzen.



99-6265183

Lichte van de Beul



Father: 91-6227403
De Beul

GF: 84-6161077
Goede Kapot Borstbeen

GGF: 81-6354157
Grote v/d Stier

GGM: 81-6116665
Duiuin van Jonge Merckx

GM: 81-6116665
Duiuin van Jonge Merckx

GGF: 70-6243257
Jonge Merckx

GGM: 76-6129245
Uit Blauwen op 1 pen, Halfzuster 019

Mother: 95-6274348
Schone duivin van 95, achterkleindochter 019

GF: 94-6261205
Groten Donkeren, Kleinzoon 019

GGF: 91-6680417
Vos van 91

GGM: 85-6377511
Grote Duiuin van 019

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Schone Duiuin van 94, achterkleindochter 019

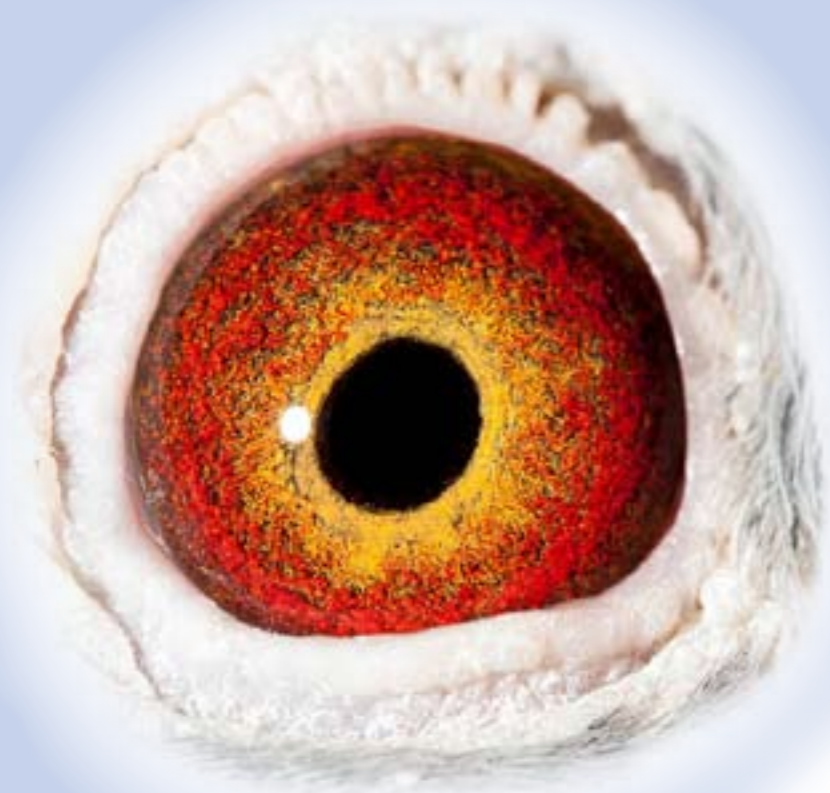
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Duiuin 2 eerste prijzen

Gefammy

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Geschelpt van Groten Donkere



Father: 94-6261205
Groten Donkeren, Kleinzoon 019

GF: 91-6680417
Vos van 91

GGF: 90-6306731
Vos Voliere

GGM: 85-6377509
Goed Vuil Blauw

GM: 85-6377511
Grote Duivin van 019

GGF: 73-6736019
De 019, 18 x 1e Prijs

GGM: 83-6700244
Geschelpt Stier

Mother: 94-6261231 Schone Duivin van 94,
achterkleindochter 019

GF: 87-6337179
Schone Lichten, Kleinzoon 019

GGF: 84-6160990 Lichte van Blauwe van Goed
Duifje 72 x Geschelpt van Blauwe van 69

GGM: 85-6377515
Kleintje van 019

GM: 87-6337256
Duivin 2 eerste prijzen

GGF: 83-6466079 Donkeren van Oude
Witoger 82 met Jong Rakkertje 78

GGM: 84-6160994
Voske Voliere, dochter Oude Vos

Gefammy

00-6548062 Schoon Voske



Gefammy

Father: 98-6278076
Vos van 98

GF: 93-6440306
De Vos Zwartoog Volière

GGF: 90-6306731
Vos van 90

GGM: 85-6377509
Goed Blauw van 85

GM: 87-637115
Jong Donker van 87

GGF: 83-6466031
Van Blauwe Scherpe

GGM: 86-6320885
Kleindochter Jonge Merckx

Mother: 98-6589969
Jong Geschelpt van Rakker

GF: 92-6162729
De Rakker

GGF: 90-6306725
Groten van Blauwen Winterjongen

GGM: 83-6466069
Duif van Jonge Raket

GM: 93-6440307
Geschelpt van Blauwen Winterjongen

GGF: 89-6727919
Blauwen Winterjongen

GGM: 85-6377515
Kleintje van 019, dochter '019'

00-6553131

Late Blauwen van 2000



Father: 95-6274317
Blauwen onder de tafel

GF: 91-6227403
De Beul

GGF: 84-6161077
Goede Kapot Borstbeen

GGM: 81-6116665
Duivin van Jonge Merckx

GM: 88-6693937 Geschelpt uit
Lichte van Blauwe van Goed Duifje

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Goed Duifje 72 x Geschelpt van Blauwe van 69

GGM: 86-6320969 Licht Kweekduifje,
kleindochter Oue Geeloger

Mother: 95-6274330
Licht van Kleinzoon Eksteroog

GF: 94-6261210 Kleinzoon Eksteroog,
achterkleinzoon Raket 76

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Zoon Eksteroog

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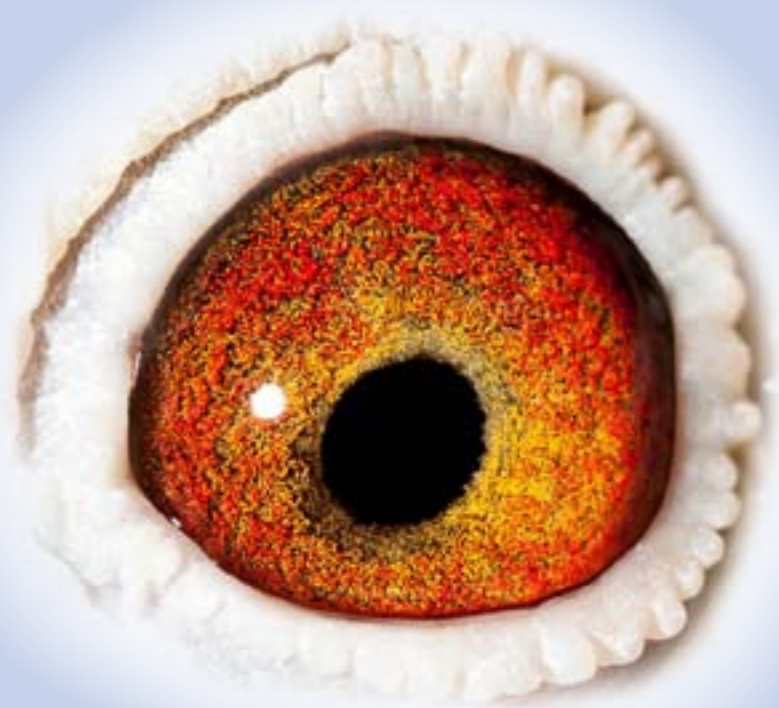
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van Vos, kleindochter Raket 76

GGF: 85-6377520
Kleine van de Vos

GGM: 84-6161051
Geelooske, dochter van Jonge Raket 76

Geffammy

01-6524809 Kleindochter Chantilly



Father: 93-6440331
Zoon Chantilly

GF: 89-6150123
De Chantilly, 1e prijs Chantilly +/- 2000 d.

GGF: 83-6466079
Donkeren van Oude Witoger

GGM: 87-6337256
Duivin 2 x 1e prijs

GM: 91-6680418
Donker van Vos van 90

GGF: 90-6306731
Vos Volière

GGM: 85-6377509
Goed Vuil Blauw

Mother: 95-6274349
Geschelpt van Groten Donkeren

GF: 94-6261205
Groten Donkeren, kleinzoon van '019'

GGF: 91-6680417
Vos van 91

GGM: 85-6377511
Grote duivin van 019

GM: 94-6261231
Schone duivin, achterkleindochter 019

GGF: 87-6337179
Schone Lichten, kleinzoon 019

GGM: 87-6337256
Duivin 2 x 1e prijs

Gefammy

02-6478464 Klein Licht



Father: 95-6274342
Jonge Geschelpte van 95, kleinzoon 019

GF: 94-6261205
Groten Donkeren, kleinzoon '019'

GGF: 91-6680417
Vos van 91

GGM: 85-6377511
Grote duivin van 019

GM: 85-6377511
Grote duivin van 019

GGF: 73-6736019
De '019', 18 x 1e prijs

GGM: 83-6700244
Geschelpt Stier

Mother: 97-6592486
Laat Geschelpt van Beul

GF: 91-6227403
De Beul

GGF: 84-6161077
Goede Kapot Borstbeen

GGM: 81-6116665
Duivin van Jonge Merckx

GM: 95-6274348 Schone duivin van 95,
achterkleindochter '019'

GGF: 94-6261205
Groten Donkeren, kleinzoon '019'

GGM: 94-6261231
Schone duivin, achterkleindochter '019'

Geoffrey

03-6457591 Schoon Licht



Gefammy

Father: 97-6592444
De Klamper

GF: 89-6727919
Blauwen Winterjongen

GGF: 82-6131298
Afgekeurde

GGM: 80-6307776
Duifke van Jonge Merckx

GM: 91-6227401
Licht van Witplak van Oude Lichten

GGF: 81-6116648
De Witplak van Oude Lichten

GGM: 83-6700256
Kleindochter 019

Mother: 01-6365158
Schoon Geschelpt

GF: 93-6440337
Lichte van Blauwen Winterjongen

GGF: 89-6727919
Blauwen Winterjongen

GGM: 85-6377515
Kleintje van 019, dochter '019'

GM: 94-6261212 Jong Blauw van 94,
achterkleindochter 'Jonge Merckx'

GGF: 89-6699714
Lichte van Afgekeurde

GGM: 91-6227405
Blauw Wittikske, kleindochter 'Raket 76'

04-6293144 Late Vos van 2004



Father: 99-6559774
Late Vos van 99

GF: 98-6278076
Jonge Vos, kleinzoon van 'Raket van 76'

GGF: 93-6440306
Vos Zwartoog Volière

GGM: 87-637115
Jong Donker van 87

GM: 98-6589969
Jong Geschelpt van Rakker

GGF: 92-6162729
De Rakker, kleinzoon van 'Raket van 76'

GGM: 93-6440307 Geschelpt van
BlauwenWinterjongen, kleindochter '019'

Mother: 99-6559776
Geschelpt van Goed Kapot Borstbeen

GF: 92-6162747
Donkere van Goede Kapot Borstbeen

GGF: 84-6161077
Goede Kapot Borstbeen uit Stier van 81

GGM: 86-6320969 Licht Kweekduifje,
kleindochter 'Oude Geeloger'

GM: 93-6440376 Geschelpt van
Zoon van Goede Jaarling van 72

GGF: 84-6161024
Donkeren van Zitter van Jonge Merckx

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Geschelpt van 89, kleindochter van 'Raket'

Geoffrey



04-6293191 Septemberman



Father: 94-6261210
Kleinzoon Eksteroog

GF: 89-6150178
Zoon Eksteroog, zoon 'Raket van 76'

GGF: 84-6685755
Eksteroog

GGM: 84-6160994
Voske Volière

GM: 90-6306701
Geschelpt van Afgekeurde

GGF: 82-6131298
Afgekeurde

GGM: 81-6116665
Duiuin van Jonge Merckx

Mother: 02-6477821
Duiuin uit 'Blauwen onder tafel'

GF: 95-6274317
Blauwen Onder De Tafel

GGF: 91-6227403
De Beul

GGM: 88-6693937 Geschelpt uit
Lichte van Blauwe van Goed Duifje

GM: 95-6274330
Licht van 'Kleinzoon Eksteroog'

GGF: 94-6261210
Kleinzoon Eksteroog

GGM: 94-6261202 Kleintje van
'Lichte van Vos', kleindochter 'Raket van 76'

Gefammy

05-6153301

Zoon van Prinses



Father: 00-6553131
Late Blauwen van 2000

GF: 95-6274317
Blauwen onder de tafel

GGF: 91-6227403
De Beul

GGM: 88-6693937 Geschelpt uit
Lichte van Blauwe van Goed Duifje

GM: 95-6274330
Licht van Kleinzoon Eksterroog

GGF: 94-6261210 Kleinzoon Eksterroog,
achterkleinzoon 'Raket 76'

GGM: 94-6261202 Kleintje van
Lichte van Vos, kleindochter 'Raket 76'

Mother: 03-6485765
De Prinses

GF: 97-6592444
De Klamper

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Blauwen Winterjongen

GGM: 91-6227401
Licht van Witplak van Oude Lichten

GM: 91-6227405
Blauw Wittikske, kleindochter 'Raket 76'

GGF: 85-6377520
Kleine van de Vos

GGM: 84-6161051 Geeloogske,
dochter van 'Jonge Raket van 76'

Geoffrey

05-6450535 Schone Vos



Father: 04-6293144
Late Vos van 2004

GF: 99-6559774
Late Vos van 99

GGF: 98-6278076
Jonge Vos, kleinzoon van 'Raket van 76'

GGM: 98-6589969
Jong Geschelpt van Rakker

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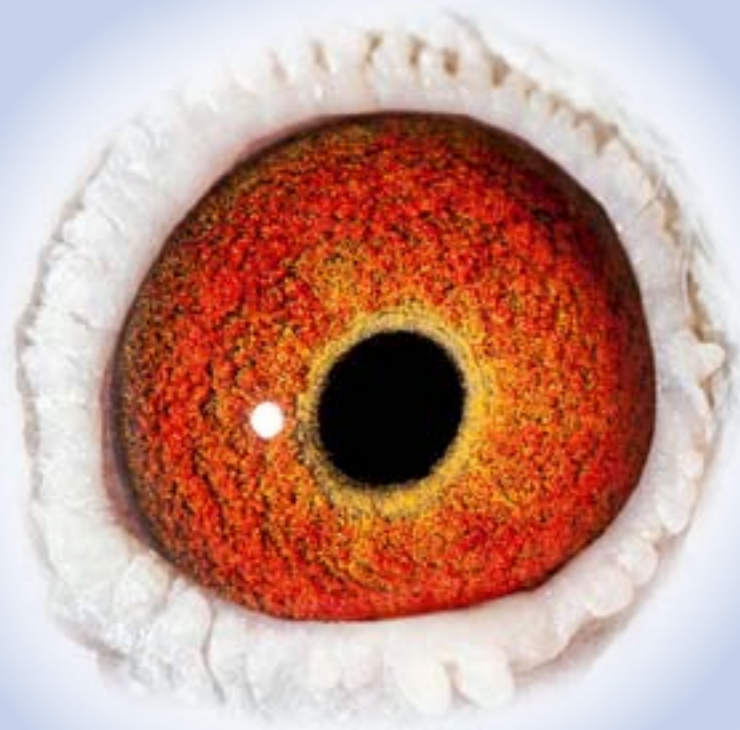
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Gefammy

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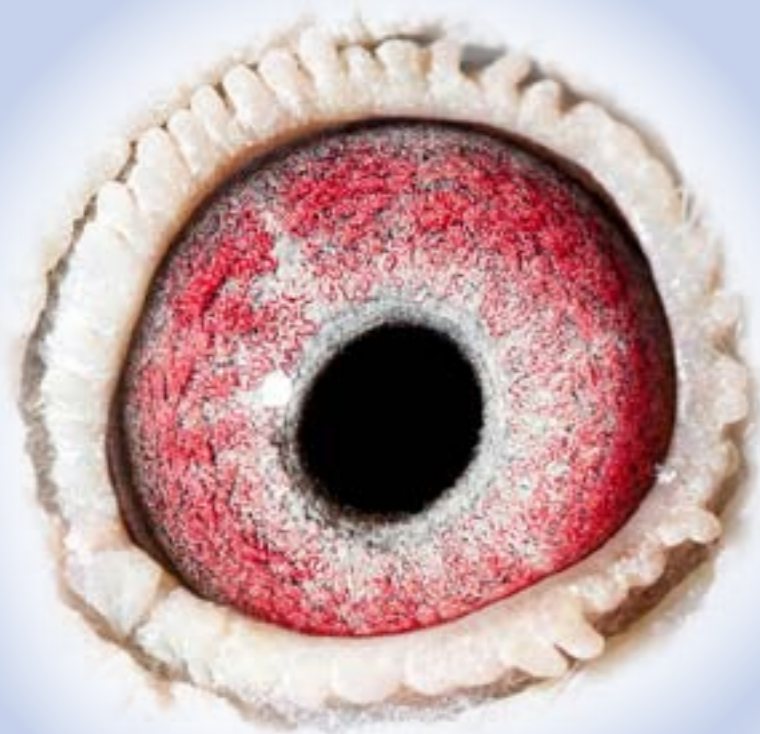
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Blauwen onder de tafel

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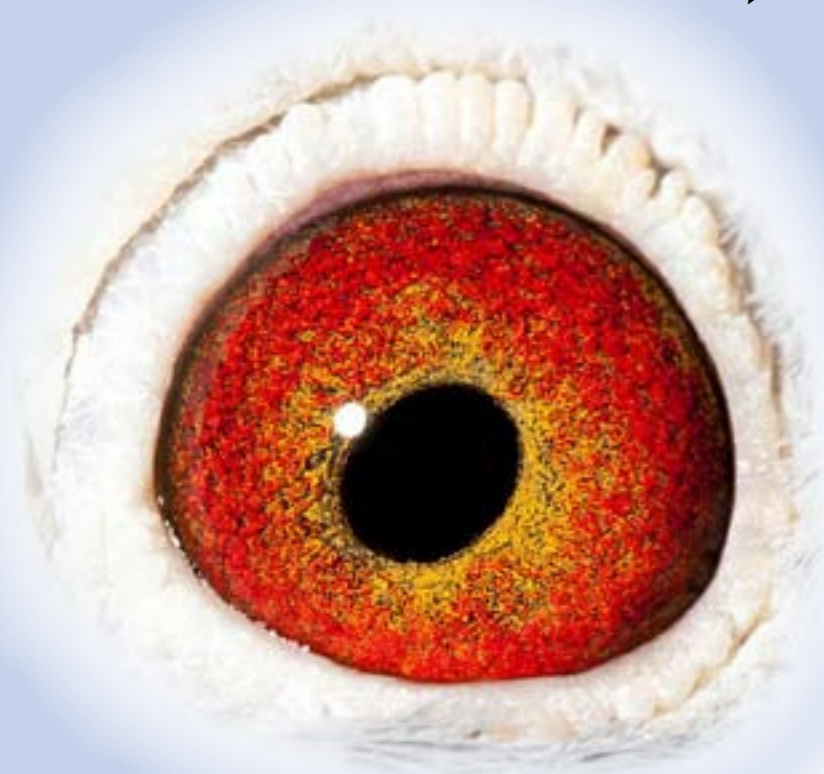
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Gefammy

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Duivin van 'Raket 76'

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Gefammy

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Mother: 03-6485765
De Prinses

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Blauwen Winterjongen

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Licht van Witplak van Oude Lichten

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Blauw Wittikske, kleindochter 'Raket 76'

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dochter van 'Jonge Raket van 76'

Geoffrey

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Blauwe doffer van 2008



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Late Blauwe van Prinses

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Jong Witpenneke

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achterkleinzoon '019'

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Donker van Vos van 90

Gefammy

08-6374035 Geschelpt Winterjong



Gefammy

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Septemberman

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De Prinses

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Laat Blauw duivin



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Duivin van 'Raket 76'

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achterkleindochter Raket

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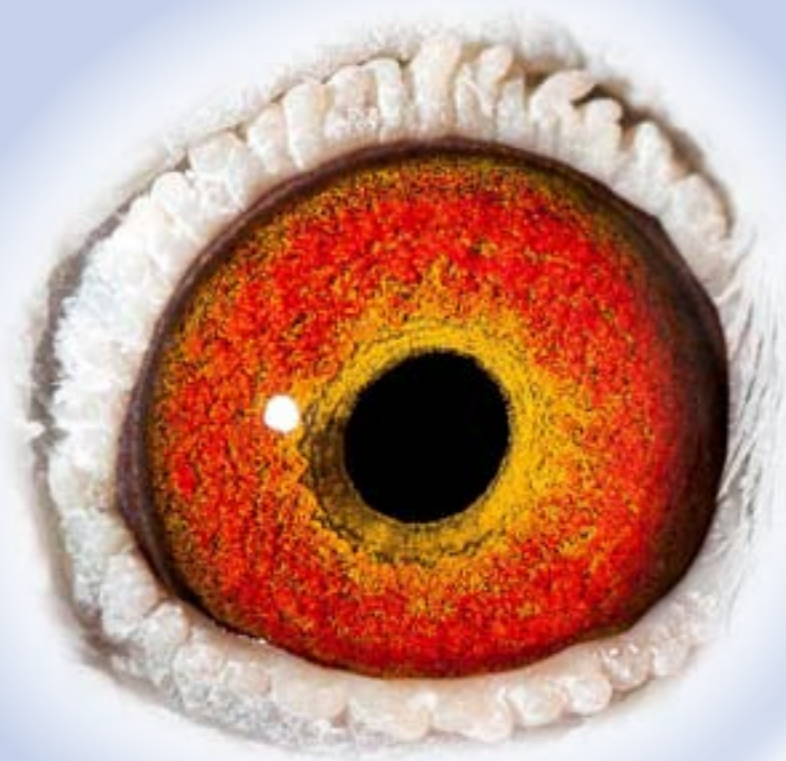
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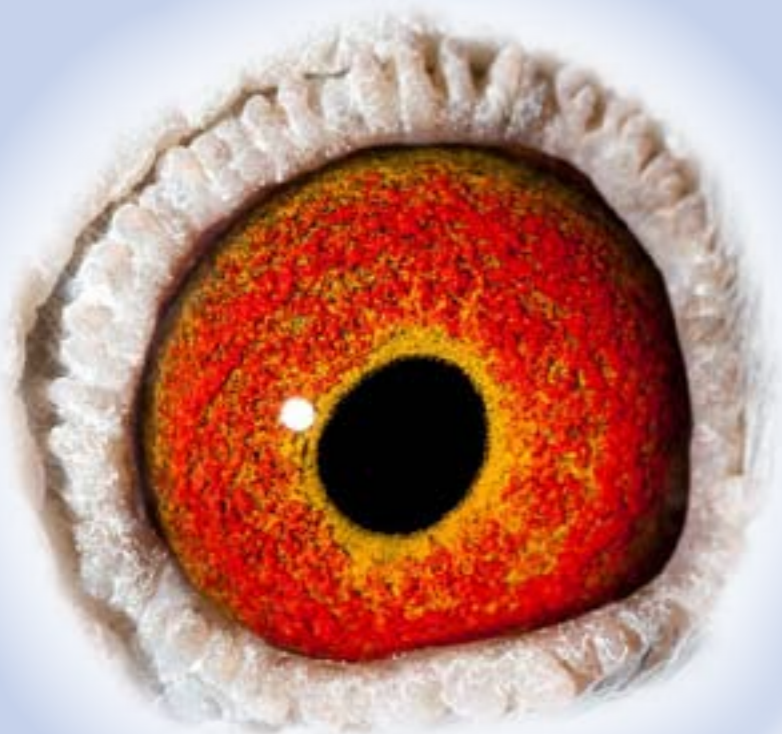
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Gefammy

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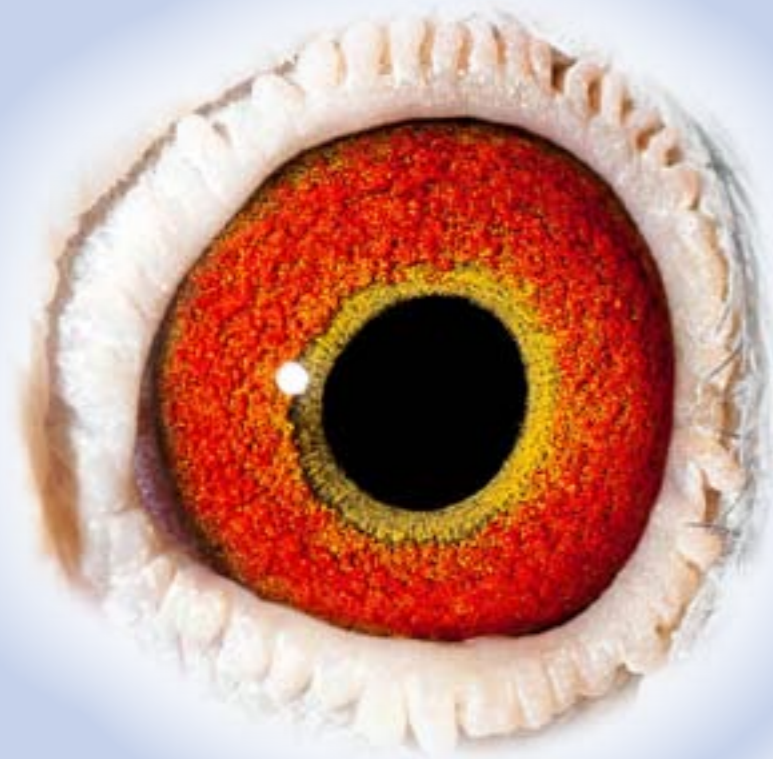
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Gefammy

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Gefammy

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World-wide successes with pigeons from the Janssen Brothers!

It would be an impossible task to name all the top successes that have been achieved thanks to pigeons from Janssen, just because that list keeps growing every week: we still find new pigeons or fanciers that were successful with Janssen pigeons. So we would like to excuse us for the fact that the following list is incomplete. Our list is based on references that were sent in after a request by PIPA. Almost 90% of the pigeons that were born in Arendonk in the last few seasons have moved to China and Taiwan, which makes it difficult to monitor their results. That is why we compiled a list of the most well-known names, and a couple of fanciers who were able to purchase a pigeon in Arendonk recently, making instant results!



Hans Eijerkamp & Sons, Brummen (NL)

They have booked immense successes with Janssen-pigeons from Arendonk. It all started with the purchase of 'Oude Bange van 64' (the very last son of 'Oude Bange van 51'), bringing a true breeding champion from Arendonk to their lofts: one of his sons, 'Olympiade Bange 552/67' (Olympiad pigeon Sports class Brussels '71) soon proved to be a true champion, and their interest in Janssen pigeons grew even stronger. And other champions, such as 'Jonge Generaal (Olympiad pigeon Bazel '97), 'Flits' (7 first prizes), 'Miss Saigon' (2nd Sprint pigeon in The Netherlands WHZB in 2000), and top-class pigeon 'Ché' (1st Nat Orleans 14,285 p.) etc. are all descendants from the noble Janssen colony, which is very present in the lofts of Eijerkamp!



Andre Roodhooft, Pulderbos

He is a good friend of the Janssens, and an expert in Janssen pigeons. Not only did he visit Schoolstraat n° 6 regularly as an employee of the company Natural, he also introduced the pigeons in his own loft, in the build-up of his own colony. They formed the basis for great successes achieved by the Roodhooft colony, making him the number one fancier in the big 'Union Antwerp', where he won no less than 12 titles as 'King', he was multiple 'General Champion' and 'Emperor of Union Antwerp'!

Gerard, Michel & Annemie Vanhee, Wervik (B)

The successful pigeon fanciers' family Vanhee from Wervik purchased a few pigeons in Arendonk as well, aiming to win at the Nationals for youngsters and to gather points for the 'General Championship Belgium'. It soon turned out to be a major success; the Janssen pigeons had a



great share in winning a 1st National and an ace pigeon. For instance, 'Domingo' (BE88-3108151, 100% Janssen) won the 1st National La Souterraine 1988, and 'Tobiaske Patrick Pure' won the 2nd national La Souterraine! Earlier on, the world-famous 'Patrick'-line at Vanhee consisted for 50% of Janssen, as the mother of 'Patrick' was a direct Janssen pigeon (a daughter of 'Oude Lichte van 50')!



Comb. v.d. Wiel-Schreuder, Luyksgestel (NL)

A long time ago, this combination had two direct Janssen pigeons. Especially the 'Kleinzoon van de Geeloger' (BE88-6717663) bred a top-class breeding hen, namely 'Jonge Janssen 4000' (NL97-2614000), which bred some unmatched descendants in pigeon racing: she was mother of 'Grote Krasstrik 37' (2 first prizes) and his nest sister 'Toppertje 38' (4 first prizes)... and grandmother of, among others, 'Blue Flash' 1st NPO Montluçon 5,178 p. and 'Wonder Woman' (daughter 'Toppertje 38') herself 1st Nat Ace pigeon one-day middle distance 2005 with 3rd NPO Argenton 8,001 p., 4th NPO Montluçon 9,546 p., 5th Limoges 5,927 p.!

De Scheemaecker Bros, Schoten (B)

They were also good friends of the Janssen brothers, and their pigeons have had a great impact on the achievements of the De Scheemaecker family, with several provincial victories, all thanks to the purchase of 'Stier van 55' (grandfather of the legendary 'Merckx' in Arendonk)! The best well-known bird from the



Janssen family in Schoten was 'Nationaaltje', which won two National first prizes in no less than six weeks: Limoges Derby and La Souterraine!



Dick Marijnissen, St.Willebrod (NL)

His major successes are largely based on Janssen pigeons, some of them purchased from 'De Klak'. One of his loft's stock hens was 'Lichte Roodoger' (NL91-2660776), which stems from a combination of world lines: 'Oude Witoger' x 'Schouwman' x 'Scherpe van 83'. In the past few seasons, Dick has won 1st Emperor General several times, and 1st NPO Sens 24,451 d. in 2010, successes he owes to the invaluable Janssen pigeons from Arendonk!

Herman & Dennis Beverdam, GB Enter (NL)

They had the privilege to have met all of the Janssen brothers. In the course of time, since the 1960s, they obtained several direct Janssens in the Schoolstraat. They were often advised by Charles,



and each one of them was a true top-class bird. These amazing flyers have made countless successes, first in the Twente province, and then in Province 9. And to this day, the Janssen pigeons play an important role in their lofts. The Janssen stock allows for easy breeding and crossing. They had some unforgettable moments in Arendonk, and Herman regrets that everything is over now.



Raymund Hermes, Hamm-Sieg (D)

The pigeon colony of this German butcher is largely based on Janssen pigeons. His stock father, 'Piet', a son of the top-class breeding couple 'Oude Vd Bosch x Janssenduivin' was a 50% Janssen... but he was also interested in direct Janssen pigeons from Arendonk... direct children of '019', 'Merckx', 'Oude Scherpe' and also 'Velo' (a superior first-prize winner and a full brother of '019') were transferred to Hamm an Sieg in Germany. And soon, Herr Hermes's colony dominated the field, winning multiple 1st national ace pigeons and 1st National victories (Pau, Dax, Perpignan...) with a colony that mainly consisted of Janssen lines.

Brothers Michel and Henk van Bortel, Kaatsheuvel (NL)

They were the most feared enemies in Middle Brabant: year after year, some amazing results were made. Their key to success? pure Janssen

pigeons! Their colony was based around the Janssen-line for almost 100%, which was purchased in Arendonk, and was cherished in the lofts in Kaatsheuvel. Hundreds of Dutch and foreign fanciers found their way to success with pure Janssen pigeons from the Boxtel brothers!



Luc Van Mechelen, Oud-Turnhout (B)

He has achieved some outstanding results with his descendants of direct Janssen pigeons. For instance, he bought the 'Super Chantilly' (BE99-6565060, a grandchild of 'Chantilly') in Arendonk. It proved to be a top-class breeder: his direct descendants have won for example 1st Prov Blois (for E. Limbourg), 2nd Prov Orleans 3,325 p., 1st Lok & 19th Prov Orleans 2,646 p., 1st Melun 1,398 p. (the fastest of 13,017 p.), 1st Ace pigeon Pre Olympiad Dortmund '09 (for Stickers-Donckers), 3rd Nat Argenton 4,804 p., 1st Lok & 69th Nat Zone Bourges 10,535 p., 1st Heidelberg 1,326 p., 6th Nat Ace pigeon Sprint youngsters KBDB '11 (for Stickers-Donckers), 48th Intprov Vierzon 11,062 p., etc... A 'Grandson Beul' (BE04-6293244) is in his turn (great)grandfather of the 1st Nat Zone Bourges 9,146 p. & 4th Nat 22,476 p. '10, 36th Nat Chateauroux 17,189 p. '10, 1st Lok & 29th Nat Bourges 17,138 p., 73rd Nat Bourges 24,676 p., etc... And a 'Zoon Schone Blauwe Links' (BE06-6056123) was a breeder of super class pigeon 'Young Ace' (BE10-6171667), winner of 4th Nat Ace pigeon middle distance Youngsters KBDB 2010! Some very impressive results, no doubt about that!

Reedijk-Jongekrijg, Puffershoek (NL)

Gerard Reedijk and Elly Jongekrijg have had numerous successful seasons, including Olympiad pigeons, all thanks to the move of direct Janssen pigeons to Puffershoek in The Netherlands. And more recently, the direct Janssen youngsters have once more demonstrated their value in the breeding loft: the BE06-6056064 'Sjef' has bred three individual first prize winners and was



grandfather of '682/08', winner of four first prizes ... The BE07-6404550 'Victor' bred three first prize winners and was grandfather of three first prize winners.



G. & R. Schuiling, Wijhe (NL)

Multiple national champions Gerard and Remco Schuiling bred their exceptional 'Britney' from a 100% Janssen hen, a granddaughter of four direct Janssen pigeons. 'Britney' recently won 1st Olympiad pigeon one-day middle distance in The Netherlands 2007, a 6th Nat. ace pigeon one-day middle distance and a 7th Nat. ace pigeon middle distance 2006 with six first prizes. A full brother of 'Britney' has won two first prizes and other children of 'Moeder Britney' have been breeding top-class pigeons as well: (inter)national successes for today's Janssen pigeons at the lofts of Schuiling!

Romain Legiest, Oostakker (B)

His first visit to Arendonk dates back from 1970, when he bought a round of eggs from the brothers Janssen. These pigeons soon formed the basis for numerous successes, countless first prizes



and provincial victories. Top-class pigeons such as 'Goede Sproet', 'Hengst', 'Late TV' and 'Jonge Witneus' were exceptional Janssen-based flyers. Romain's confidence in Janssen pigeons grew stronger, so he kept on reinforcing his colony with the birds from Arendonk until 2007 and 2008. These pigeons allowed him to reach a high level for over 35 years, becoming possibly the best grand middle distance-fancier in East-Flanders today!



C. & G. Koopman, Ermerveen (NL)

Today's number one stock basically owes its success to the legendary Janssen brothers. Janssen x Van Loon turned to be the magic formula for tens of successful years. Of course, it all started with the amazing couple 'De 48' x 'Het Gouden Duifje' (direct Janssen). And this couple bred icons such as 'De Zitter' (two first prizes), 'Beatrixdoffer' (a first prize against 10,828 p.) and the best grandchildren include 'Ons Louis' (1st NPO Bourges) and 'Zeno' (Olympiad pigeon Utrecht 1995) ... These are renowned pigeons with an international list of achievements.

Leonard Sheldon (UK)

Direct Janssen pigeons have been playing a key role in pigeon racing in the United Kingdom, and Leonard Sheldon was the main man behind

Janssen in the UK: his BE06-6056080 'Few Dollars More' has bred winners of three first prizes, six second prizes and nine third prizes, including a 3rd Nat. 2,298 p. ... The BE07-6310387 'September Princess' bred two first prizes, seven second prizes and four third prizes, including a 3rd Nat. 2,298 p. ... and the BE08-6336855 'Eleven Eleven hen' bred one first prize, two second prizes and two third prize winners. These are obviously some outstanding direct Janssen breeding pigeons.

Henri van Venrooy, Deurne (NL)

Since his first visit in Arendonk in the 1980s, Henri van Venrooy is fond of the world-famous Janssen stock. A cock of his top-class breeding couple was BE07-6310398 'Vince', a direct Janssen and father of among others 'Dani' (6th, 10th, 13th prov. winner), 'Delano' (1st Lessines 1,008 p.), 'Solo' (2x first los vooruit), etc. 'Vince' stems from the BE04-6293144 'Late Vos van 04' x BE03-6457591 'Schoon Licht'.



Jan van de Pasch, Grubbenvorst (NL)

National multiple winners Jan and Leanne van de Pasch owe much of their success to the cock BE96-6598538 'Lowieke' which has a unique breeding value and which is father of several top flyers, such as 'Truuske' (Olympiad pigeon Lievin and 1st Nat. ace pigeon around), 'Alexander' (Olympiad pigeon Blackpool and 1st Nat. ace pigeon middle distance), 'Robinneke 700' (Olympiad pigeon Blackpool and 2x first Nat. ace pigeon), 'Maxima' (1st Nat. hen in 2001 & 2002), etc! This is already the fifth generation of descendants of 'Lowieke' that has been excelling internationally.

Piet van Hoolwerff wrote:

The entire Zaanstreek is built around Jansen pigeons, because Jan Loods got all of his pigeons from the Janssen collection from Henk van Boxtel. His best pigeon, and also stock pigeon, was the

'217', the 'Best Sprint pigeon of The Netherlands' and stock mother of the Zaanstreek.

A second reinforcement with direct Janssen pigeons came from Leen Klopman, who had at least 20 direct Janssen pigeons from Arendonk, descending from top-class Janssen breeders: for instance two sons of 'Jonge Merckx', of 'Vos Volière', 'Schone 45', 'Schouwman', 'Geeloo', '019' etc... This fancier had an excellent breeding loft, and about half of the fanciers from the Zaanstreek region obtained pigeons from him.

Boudewijn Pouw, Utrecht (NL)

Boudewijn obtained Janssen pigeons via the Pouw brothers from Nederhorst den Berg: for instance pigeons from 'Nasser' (1st against 32,000 p.) and from the lines of 'Gebroken Poot' (grandchild 019 of the Janssen brothers); these bloodlines resulted in NL07-1614715 (1st Epehy against 3,453 p.). His brother bred the NL08-1298105, which was winner of 1st Mantes la Jolie 1,992 p., 1st Peronne 1,469 p., 2nd Peronne 2,172 p., and which also won 9th National ace pigeon sprint NPO and 9th Nat. ace pigeon sprint WHZB in 2010.

Roberto Marziale, Canada

About 10 years ago, I had a son of a pigeon that the late Mr. Chris Peeman had purchased directly from the Janssen Brothers. He called it the 'Louis the Janssen Cock'. This pigeon has been breeding multiple winners... the bloodline is still present in my loft.

Elton Dinga, USA

I won the 1st Champion Bird in America's King Cup - One Loft Race in Florida with a bird bred from an Inbred grandson of 019 in 2005.

Steven van Breemen, Hilversum (NL)

I managed to create a super-class stock with one hen that was bred from direct Janssen pigeons (a brother 'Merckx' x a daughter of 'Geeloo'). This stock has been performing at the top for over 35 years. These pigeons are also mentioned in Ad Schaerlaeckens's book on the Janssen colony.

J.C. de Zwart, Steenwijk (NL)

In the years 1983, 1984 and 1985 I have made top results with descendants of a 100% Janssen couple 'Zoon oude geeloo' x 'duif uit de lijn van de scherpen' ('The young geeloo' x 'klein blauwke'). In 1986, after the death of my wife, I had sold everything. After I had made a move, I

repurchased a few descendants from this super-class couple, from which I created a good line, winning for example 'General emperor' from province Friesland in 2002, as the combination Mulder-De Zwart.

Jan Karsten, Wierden (NL)

Years ago, I started off mainly with Janssen pigeons from Arendonk. I obtained them through different fanciers that owned such pigeons. In recent years, I crossed my Janssen pigeons with other races, for instance Van Loon pigeons. This has proved to be a success, and as you know, the Van Loon pigeons have much of the Janssen lines in them.

Martin Martens, Waarschoot (B)

He had a super-breeder in his loft, namely 'Schone Witoog Janssen 806/89'. The pigeon won itself two first prizes and two second prizes, before it was purchased by Martin. His four grandparents were all direct Janssen Arendonk pigeons. In Waarschoot, he was father of no less than 10 different first prize winners in only six years time, most importantly the 'Super Speed 080/96' (himself winner of five first prizes, including 1st Prov Blois), and the 'Janssen 918/95 (1st Chartres 279 p., 2nd Chartres 412 p... but most of all a top-class breeder and the father of 'Eldorado'). The 'Schone Witoog Janssen 806/89' was also grandfather of 'Eldorado' (1st Prov. Ace pigeon middle distance Youngsters KBDB '00) and 'Ronaldo' (7th Prov Ace pigeon middle distance youngsters KBDB '97)!

Nico Koetsier, Culemborg (NL)

He is the son-in-law of the Blom brothers from Culemborg, who have passed away in the meantime. In the 1970s to the 1980, they obtained more than 150 direct pigeons... Nico used them to build his own colony, and in March 2011, he paid his final visit to Schoolstraat 6. "If you purchased 10 pigeons in Arendonk, you knew that seven of them were going to be very good, and three of them would be exceptional." And since Nico raced his pigeons, the good ones remained in his loft. Several direct Janssen pigeons have won first prizes!

G. Rischmüller, Barntrup (D)

In 2003, fancier G. Rischmüller purchased youngsters of original Janssen pigeons from breeder H. Van Venrooy from The Netherlands. These pigeons have been breeding excellent flyers; a direct son flew

12/11 Prizes in 2011, including a 1st, 3rd, 5th, 7th, 9th, 29th and 33rd prize.

SG Rothkopf K-D-M (D)

We have purchased youngsters from original Janssen pigeons in 1998, and in 1999, we won 1st Champion Region 19 Bayern. Since then, we have won about 30 first prizes in big races, 1st reg. champion, 1st regional club champion, 1st RV-Championships... We can only say that the pigeons of the Janssen brothers are "top, top, top".

Sergio Mazzacani, Milano (It)

My best stock pigeon (ring 47663/95) was a 1st national cat. sport in 1999, Italian championships and 1st national pigeon for Olympiad in Blackpool 99. From these lines, I have won the Italian championship Sprint in 2001, 2003, 2005 and 2009, best Italian loft in 2001-2002-2005 and 2nd and 7th nat.cat sprint 2012! The pedigree from this cock: the father is a son of BE78, '6121277 son famous 019' - the mother is BE83-6700224 and stems from 'Oude geeloo' x 'Jonge Merckx 70'. The mother comes from Comb Van Heteren (NL) and originates from two direct Janssens with the lines of Bange- Merckx 70- Schouwman.



Gerard & Bas Verkerk, Reeuwijk (NL)

The grandparents of Do and Benji (4th National ace pigeon allround, 10th national Ace pigeon >500km and 6th national ace pigeon yearlings in the 'best of the best' competition in 2006) are direct Janssen pigeons obtained through Rimmelzwaan, and were sold on PIPA.

Anibal Lamas, Orange (Fr)

I have had Janssen pigeons for over 15 years, which I purchased at an auction of Jef Plevoets, who bought them directly from the Janssens. I have had excellent results in the Sprint ever since.

Papdi Imre, Bordany (Hung)

I was successful with the hen "Florence Griffith Joyner 847". She won a race of 310 km in Ágfalva in 2010. I am proud of this hen. I would like to say thank you to the Janssen brothers for this pigeon! They have been a unique treasure for breeders since decades! In my opinion, the Janssen pigeons have had the biggest influence on modern pigeon racing in the previous 70 years, and up to this day!



Eddy & Maarten Leutenez, Kruishoutem (B)

The 'Janssen Duivin BE91-2917767' (granddaughter of 'Schouwman 905/76' and 'Blauwe Geeloger 108/87') was bred from two direct Janssen Arendonk pigeons, and was a top-class breeder in the loft in Kruishoutem. She was among others grandmother of 1st Nat. La Souterraine 14,967 p. '99, 2 x 2nd Prov La Souterraine, 3rd Nat La Souterraine '96, 8th Nat La Souterraine '95 etc... and mother of the 1st Dourdan 1,425 p., 3rd Prov La Souterraine 2,152 p., 3rd Intprov Vierzon 3,594 p., 6th Prov Vierzon 4,490 p., 8th Intprov Chateauroux 6,838 p., 9th Nat La Souterraine 8,175 p., 32nd Nat La Souterraine 14,967 p. To conclude, these were world-class Janssen pigeons!

Frans & Geert Willaert, Moerzeke (B)

Owners of several direct Janssen pigeons, including some of which parents are in the auction, for instance the direct Janssen cock BE09-62336579 (from 'Late Blauwe 2000' x 'Prinses 03'), which is father of: 89th National classification youngsters 2011 over the four national races. Another Janssen hen, the 6233655/09 (from 'de Blauwe 543/07' x 'Geschelpt Winterjong 035/08') is the mother of: 8/457 Quievrain - 17/582 Ecoeu - 29/404 Noyon - 39/582 Ecoeu etc. Through Piet Manders, they bought a hen (NL07-1906530) with Janssen-lines ('Vos 85' x 'Vechter' x 'Klamper' line),



which is the mother of among others 1/292 Noyon - 3/437 La Souterraine - 3/166 Bourges - 7/1,326 La Souterraine - 8/420 Blois - 8/836 Bourges - 25/3,285 Prov Bourges - 39/4,082 Prov La Souterraine - 42/2,162 Prov Blois, and 90th National classification youngsters 2011 over the four national races.

Geoffrey Harris, Dunedin (New Zealand)

My foundation Janssen cock bred 8 Young Bird Classic winners and hundreds of club race winners for me and other fanciers here in Dunedin and other parts of New Zealand. His Sire is bred from BE80-6305969 (a son of legend "019" x BE79-6649015 daughter of De Kleine); His mother is bred from BE82-6131963 (g/son of The "Old Vos") x BE80-6825832 (daughter of 'Van Grote Stier', and g/daughter of 'The Geeloger'). He lived until he was almost 20 years old; an amazing Janssen cock.

Heinz Willi Ritz, Jüchen (D)

The loft of Heinz Willi is for 90% based on the Janssen-Arendonk pigeons, he bought more than 72 original Janssen birds! These birds have made him one of the greatest champions in Germany! The Ritz birds have won first prizes and championships all over the world. In 2009, Heinz Willi won 1st RV Champion youngsters and 1st Best Youngster RV 6-6; in 2010 he won again the 1st RV Champion youngsters, 2nd RV Champion yearlings etc...

Raoul Verstraete, Oostakker (B)

He made a trip to Arendonk, together with his close neighbour Romain Legiest, where they bought a round of eggs that formed the basis for a number of amazing cracks that were born in Oostakker... For instance 'Zotje 79' (2 x 2nd Nat La Souterraine, 1st Limoges, 1st Orleans, 1st Dourdan and 5 x 'top 20' National!), 'Goed Rudy van 75' (3 x 2nd Prov), 'Meteoor' (1st Prov Champion middle distance KBDB '75), 'F16' (4 x 1st Orleans), 'Satelliet' (4 x 1st Dourdan, 2 x 1st Orleans), and super crack



'Zilveren' (3 x 1st as a yearling)! The descendants of these super-class pigeons still have a great impact in today's international pigeon racing!



Ad Scharlaekens, Baarle Nassau (NL)

Ad Scharlaekens is an expert on the Janssen pigeons, and author of a wonderful book: 'Gebr. Janssen, de beroemdste duivenliefhebbers aller tijden' (The Janssen brothers, the best-known pigeon fanciers of all times), which beautifully illustrates the history of the Janssen brothers. Ad did find out what these pigeons are capable of: between 1976 and 1982, he won no less than seven times top-12 National in Orleans (Rayon 3) in less than six years time, including a 1st, 3rd, 4th, 4th, 6th National. The Janssen pigeons also formed the basis for numerous successes that were achieved by Scharlaeken's colony, including wonderful victories, ace pigeons and important titles!

Jos van Limpt (alias de 'Klak'), Reusel (NL)

His father Kees worked together with Adriaan Janssen in a cigar factory, so it is no surprise that the Janssen brothers were regular suppliers for his son Jos van Limpt, who continued fancying after the war, in which his father died. The 'Klak' built his colony with Janssen pigeons exclusively, and these 'Klak'-pigeons have been dominating races



in East-Brabant for over 40 years. Several other lofts from The Netherlands also built up a colony with these pigeons. The names of 'Jong Koppel', 'Vechter' and 'Witpenneke' (the parents of the legendary '46' Verbarth), 'Marietje', 'Dure'... are still known in international pigeon racing! He told us that you might possibly find pigeons that are as good as the Janssen pigeons, but you will never find better ones, ever! That explains why he only used Janssen pigeons himself!



Joop Groenen, Ooij bij Nijmegen (NL)

I have had Janssen pigeons for over 50 years. In 1962, I caught a pigeon of the Janssen brothers, and thanks to my teacher, I was allowed to keep it. Each one of its feathers was invaluable. With the descendants of this pigeon I became youth champion of the Netherlands. To this day, I can still keep up with the best lofts of the Netherlands, especially because the Janssen strain is still leading the pack, even today. I have been one of the first general champions in the 8th Department (with 4,000 members on average) for the last twelve years consecutively.