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A word from the editors.....

Dear reader,

First of all, we thank you all for your good wishes for the new year, it was overwhelming to realize how many friends we have.

Since the turn of the year there have been quite a few developments for Aviculture Europe. Important news is that the magazine has a new publisher and Aviculture Europe has become a foundation of which the inaugural meeting took place on Friday January 24, 2014, after the opening ceremony of the Champion



Show. As it happened, 4 of the 5 members of the new foundation had been invited for this opening, and we thank the government of the Champion Show warmly for the occasion and the festive drinks.

So, as of January 24, 2014, the magazine Aviculture Europe has a new publisher in the form of a foundation, in which the following have taken place:

Chair: Elly Vogelaar, Voorschoten (Netherlands)

- Secretary / Treasurer : Nico van Benten, Delft (Netherlands)
- Member : Peter Steeman, Gierle (Belgium)
- Member : Sytse Brown, Sas van Gent (The Netherlands)
- Member : Robert Hoornstra, De Pol Steenwijkerland (Netherlands)

As a reader, you might not notice any differences in the short term. We will continue with this magazine, which is still free for everyone to read and all team members will continue to work without compensation. But in its totality, there are some younger people added, standing in the middle of the hobby, so together we will be able to achieve the best for our readers. Another important thing is that Aviculture Europe is now statutory and notary recorded, allowing it continued existence in any length of years. All comments are as always welcome at redactie@aviculture-europe.nl

We hope you enjoy reading this rich filled February issue. Thanks for your support on behalf of the team of Aviculture Europe,

Nico van Benten

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19th Pigeon Spring Exchange Expo Houten - NL 1 & 2 March 2014

A visit to Europe's one and only Spring Exchange is really worthwhile! It's the starting shot of the new season. You will see the latest developments in pigeon sport in a nice and cosy atmosphere.

Expectations for this 19th show in 2014:

- More than 200 trade stands at Europe's first and biggest Spring Exchange in Holland!
- 130 Pigeon Sport Trade stands,
 20 to 30 stands with Fancy
 Pigeons and over 100 pigeon trade stands.
- All pigeon sport products are available.
- An extra hall with 1,000 square meters added!
- A friendly and cosy set up, with plenty of catering.
- Approximately 10.000 visitors from all over Europe.
- More than 200 trade stands at Europe's first and biggest Spring Exchange in Holland!
- Accredited pigeon clinics





















Location: Expo Center, Meidoorn kade 24, 3992 AE, Houten Houten is near the city of Utrecht, in the centre of Holland, in only one hour by car from Antwerp and even within one hour to German border! Within easy reach (A27 Utrecht - Breda)

> **Opening Hours:** Saturday 9.00 - 17.00 ~ Sunday 9.00 - 15.00

Admission fee: €10,- per person. Children up to 12 years old for free! Free parking

> More information: http://www.proffsport.nl/

EUROPEAN CHAMPION AUSTRALORP

Text and photo: Jan Schaareman.



This Australorp pullet (here photographed at the Maasdal Show) won Best Australorp LF female and European Champion at the European Show for Australorp, held at the Oneto show on 13, 14 and 15 December 2013.

She was awarded the highest possible score of 97 points and won also Reserve Champion of the Oneto Show.

The proud breeder is Jo van Bree from Meijel, NL.

In one of our coming issues we will publish a photo report of the Poultry at the Oneto Show.



Jim Mullan from Great Britain recently joined our team of editors.

Here he is at his home, Flying the flag for the 'American Flying Flight' in the UK. These American Domestic Flying Flight Pigeon are his favorite pigeons and are original stock from Jonny Spahr and Davy Mikes Blackes in the USA.

DIFFERENCE IN BREAST MARKING ZINGEM & BRAKEL MALE Text: Filip Hendrickx, Belgium.

They asked me to write a few lines to explain the difference in breast marking in the Zingem Layer Fowl male and the Brakel male, as this is the most typical difference between the 2 breeds.

There are some more differences, such as in the comb of the female; the rear part of the comb of a Brakel hen falls over to one side, while the Zingem Layer Fowl hen has a straight comb. Also the Zingem Layer hen lays tinted eggs and the Brakel hen lays white eggs... etc.



But the main difference is the breast marking of the roosters. I will describe the roosters in the golden colour, as the Zingem Fowl comes only in Gold and thus this is the easiest way to compare.

In the Brakel male we want a shiny black breast colour with a number of well defined golden Brown bars. The golden brown bars are the same width or a bit smaller than the black bars. This marking is wanted from the neck, over the breast and further downwards to the thighs.

In the Zingems Layer male we want the upper part of the breast in a golden colour, only from the lower part of the breast and the flanks golden brown with some black bars.

The cockerel to the left in the photo is a Brakel, the cockerel to the right is a Zingem Layer Fowl. Photos: Jan Schaareman.

Elsewhere in this issue you can read an extensive report on the European Show for Brakel and Brakel-related breeds.

Zingem rooster. Photo: Jan Schaareman.

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EXTRAORDINAIRY COLLECTION OF PIGEON BOOKS FOR SALE By: Nico van Benten

On reaching the age of 70, I have stopped my business, including the publishing of Aviculture Europe, and now I decided to donate my (almost) entire pigeon book collection and a number of other animals books - a total of 250 pieces - to the Aviculture Europe Foundation.

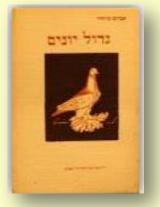
These books are listed in a file that you can download from the website. The intention is that they are going to be sold, basically to the highest bidder and / or the largest number of books in a sale. The revenues are for the Aviculture Europe Foundation as seed money.



Two random books from the collection:

Left: The Pigeon, by Wendell Mitchel Levi. 1992. Size: 22,5 x 29 cm. 667 pages. ISBN 0-910876-01-0. Hardback. In mint condition.

Below: The smallest book, in Hebrew. Size: 12 x 17,5 cm. 87 pages. Paperback. Issued in 1947. Good condition.



All books are in good condition. You are welcome to place your bid, by phone 0031 (0)15-2612187 or email <u>vbc@xs4all.nl</u>

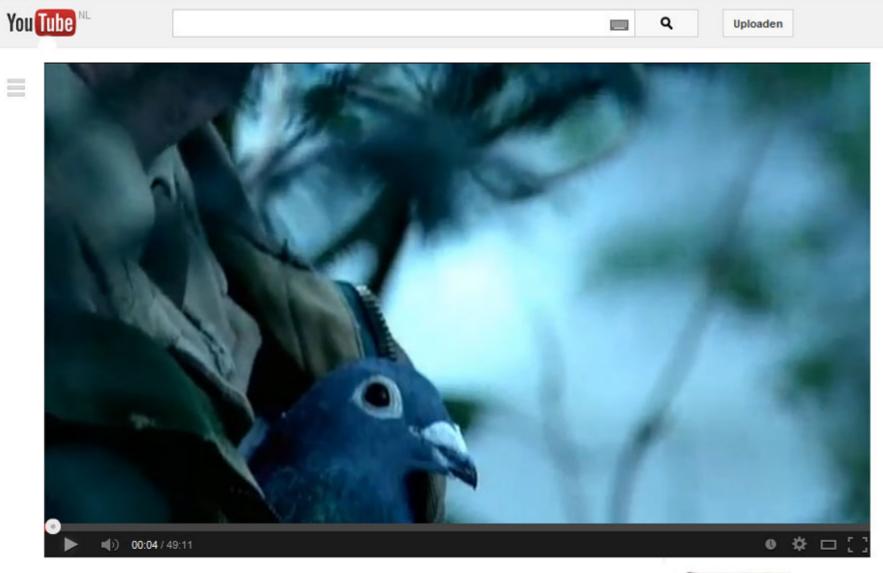
Antique and valuable books preferably to be picked up at my home (Delft, the Netherlands).

Please click the below PDF sign to download the complete list of books.





WAR OF THE BIRDS Great video about the use of pigeons in WWII. Very informative 49 min. video Recommended by Bill Burnside, USA.



WAR OF THE BIRDS.avi http://youtu.be/sZfjbfe5SXM

RESULTS FROM THE COLOURED RACING PIGEONS AT THE RISH FLYING AND FANCY PIGEON SHOW NOVEMBER 2013



Adult Cocks

1st Adult Cock owned by Owen Fitzgerald. Dominant Opal Check



Adult Hens

1st Adult Hen owned by Albert Hogan. Reduced Spread B/C



2nd Adult Cock owned by Hugh Coughlan. Black Pied



2nd adult hen owned by Owen Fitzgerald. Blue Bar Saddle



3rd adult cock owned by Albert Hogan. Ash Yellow



3rd adult hen owned by Albert a Hogan. Brown tiger grizzle





Young cocks

1st young cock and best coloured racing pigeon in show by Albert Hogan. Reduced Spread white tip.

2nd young cock owned by Wes Murphy. Cream bar pied.





Young hens

1st young hen owned by Laurence Choi. Dun Check.

2nd young hen owned by Wes Murphy. Recessive Yellow Pied.



3rd young cock owned by Wes Murphy. Classic Almond.



3rd young hen owned by Wes Murphy. Dominant Opal Pied.



Irish Coloured Racing Pigeon Club website http://www.spanglefish.com/icrpc/index.asp