

ROGER DELMOTTE

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West of Flanders Province - Belgium

Winner in 2011 of :
1st Provincial Poitiers /
2.014 pigeons.



Mr. Roger Delmotte (89 years) is one of the typical old generation fanciers; they still see the pigeon sport as their pure hobby.

They even don't think about selling a pigeon.

That's why sometimes in these kind of "secret lofts", we can find the purest gold!

At his age, Mr. Delmotte is still very healthy, training his pigeons on 25 km, driving them by bicycle, and driving back. 2 – 3 times a week he is doing this. All his life he was a top fancier, keeping a small number of pigeons in his lofts. His old basis are the pigeons of top champion MARC POLLIN.

Since a couple of years, his new neighbour is John Meurysse, who used to be a top champion in my area; together with his father Willy he lived at 2 km from my house. His father used to be my father's best friend ... a couple of years ago Willy died in 1 second from a heart attack at the age of 62; i still remember all of us were in a kind of shock, hearing this terrible news.

The 1st Provincial Winner of Roger Delmotte.

"Blauwe Poitiers" B09-3011886.

This is a real good pigeon; he was raced as a young bird at the lofts of John Meurysse, who lives about 100 Meter (!!) from the lofts of Roger Delmotte.

There he participated to all the National races for young birds.

Then John Meurysse gave this pigeon to Roger Delmotte, as a present, because Roger is taking care of John's pigeons when he is working at the hospital.

As a yearling Roger gave a hen to this cock, at his new loft, and very amazing was that the cock never returned to his original loft.

When he was basketed to the first race as a yearling, John and Roger thought he would return to his original loft, but he didn't; he even had to cross his original loft, to reach his new home, at the back of Roger's house. This "Blauwe Poitiers" 886, winner of 1st Provincial Poitiers / 2.014 pigeons, allready won 2nd Provincial on the same race last year against 964 pigeons, beaten by 9 seconds ... Grandmaster Gaby Vandabeele, who lives a couple of Kms from Mr. Roger Delmotte and John Meurysse (see the picture of the roundabout).





And you know what dear pigeon friends, normally this "Blauwe Poitiers" 886 should have won 1st Provincial last year as well; because Roger Delmotte doesn't use the electronic clocking system ("it's not worthy at my age, to buy one... "), he lost 1 minute to clock the gummi ring ... 89 years old and he was a little nervous, because he felt that his pigeon was the potential winner. These are another 3 top results, won by the same "Blauwe Poitiers 886" :

- 25° Provincial Tours / 3.085 pigeons
- 41° Provincial Limoges / 2.960 pigeons
- 54° Provincial Poitiers / 2696 pigeons

"James Bond" B01-4055007

This pigeon "Blauwe Poitiers" 886 and his nest brother "Choco Bond" B09-3011885, winner of 16th National Limoges / 19.373 pigeons this year (see pedigree), are from the golden breeding line, called "James Bond 007" of Willy & John Meurysse.

In another article we will give you a list of winners which have been bred out of this famous "James Bond"-line. 1 word : Amazing !

"James Bond" was 6th National Ace Pigeon Long Distance KBDB at the lofts of John and Willy Meurysse; he won in his career :

- 8° National Cahors / 9.270 pigeons
- 21° National Souillac Zone / 2.777 pigeons
- 51° National Cahors / 7.340 pigeons
- 97° National Limoges Zone / 6.076 pigeons
- 399° National Brive / 20.298 pigeons

His origin goes back to a small but very strong fancier since many years, called Marc Piens (living in my village ZINGEM), winner of 1st Places in all the championships (young birds – yearlings – old birds in our middle distance – club in 2010.

Even at my loft, i raced a pigeon directly from the loft of John and Willy Meurysse, and won 1st Souillac in the strong Club of Gent and 31° National; we lost this pigeon last year on Montauban National, after 5 nights of basketing and very bad weather.

After his racing career the "James Bond" became a golden breeder.

In the pedigree of the 1st Provincial Poitiers-winner, we find back the pigeons of Mr. Charles Van Lancker as well, a top champion living in a place called OUDENAARDE, also a couple of Kms of my place.

In the pedigree of the Poitiers-winner of Roger Delmotte, we find back the "Cunego" of Charles Van Lancker, winner of :

- 1° Interprovincial Argenton / 2.220 pigeons
- 16° Interprovincial Vierzon / 16.724 pigeons
- 17° Interprovincial Chateauroux / 3.167 pigeons
- 31° Interprovincial Vierzon / 19.059 pigeons
- 50° Interprovincial Argenton / 2.119 pigeons

Here we get in touch with another golden breeding line, the one of the "Old Grizzle" 777/94, which bred so many winners on the great middle distance races.

We give you one more example; from brother to the "Old Grizzle", same Charles Van Lancker bred the "319", winner of :

- 1° Interprovincial Argenton / 5.066 pigeons
- 4° Interprovincial Chateauroux / 4.854 pigeons
- 8° Interprovincial Chateauroux / 2.793 pigeons
- 18° Interprovincial Argenton / 2.119 pigeons
- 82° Interprovincial Chateauroux / 3.167 pigeons

In next article we will explain more about the golden line of « James Bond » of John Meurysse, as well as the famous grizzles and blue winners of Charles Van Lancker.

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