

QUESTIONS & ANSWER SHEET  
FIVE MINUTES WITH – Barry Trewin

Name –	Barry Trewin
Age (optional) –	38
Where are you -	Ballarat, Victoria, Australia
Which club and/or Fed do you race in –	The Goldfields Pigeon Federation The Mallee Classic Internationale - Event Manager
Family –	Wife and two sons (Sam and Brandon).
What is your occupation –	I am the Director of a Mortgage Consultant Company, And the Lending Manager for LawFund in Ballarat.
When and where did you start in pigeon racing –	I started in Pigeons in 1976 and started flying/racing in 1978. I was 1 of 2 of the members that reformed defunct Sea Lake Racing Pigeon Club.
How long have you been racing pigeons for -	On and off since starting in 1978, due to work commitments, I had pigeons prior to this but had not raced.
What are the main families of pigeons that you race –	Janssen's & Muelemans,
Which of those families have performed best for you –	Both
What has been the highlight of your pigeon racing “career” –	Managing the Mallee Classic Internationale and every time I toss or race my birds, I love to watch them diving for the lofts. This is the magic part of pigeons, the enjoyment.
Who in pigeon racing has inspired you the most –	Richard Clingan, he gave me new ideas on motivation and feeding, this took me in a very different direction to most other pigeon fanciers. He got me thinking of things that people told me couldn't be done, and there is nothing better than proving them wrong!
In general terms, what do you feed your race team –	I feed a High Carbohydrate mix, that the local feed store makes specifically for me. Richard Clingan helped with

the break down of grains.

And your stock birds – High Protein during Breeding season and in the off season they get Barley.

Do you read pigeon related magazines and newspapers – Yes, you cannot ever get enough information if you want to stay at the top end of any business or sport.

If so, which ones – The Australian Racing Pigeon Journal and Steven van Breemens "Winning" magazine. Any others I can lay my hands on as well as pigeon related websites!

Finally, what do you believe must happen to ensure a strong future for pigeon racing in Australia – We need a National body to co-ordinate the sport as a unified body. There are by far too many people without the proper skills needed, to take the sport forward, running our organisations and making decisions which is detrimental to the development of the sport. We need professional business people and also marketing people, to help make the changes needed. Let's move forward!

Can you email me some photos (like 4 or 5) of you with pigeons inside your lofts or outside your loft with pigeons around you, preferably not just holding your favourite one? And please dress for the photos. So please no flannelette shirts, no thongs, no booze t-shirts and no daggy hats. Present yourself as if pigeon racing depends on it!

