

From President: Anner Smith & Chairman: Clive Merrills

The club does not normally make comment on rumour and speculation but as the current position is being taken out of all proportion your President and Chairman have taken the view that we should make an exception and add to the race report.

In response to various comments circulating that racing this year is not as good as in previous years and that the transport arrangements are to blame. We believe that some, but not all, of these comments originate from ex-members who for reasons known only to themselves wish to see the Club decline.

Initial examination of racing suggests that this year is no different to other years. However, as always, the Committee examines racing when all information is to hand and research has been carried out. We do not rely on speculation or blame anything without evidence because in any, if not most, cases there are unknown factors at the time of the race which will affect returns.

It was always the intention of the Committee to revisit in depth the question of transportation once the Elenbaas trailer was sold. You will be aware it has been sold but not in time for 2015 transport to be revisited. We will be using the same transport for the Young Bird race and using all available crates to minimise the number in each (this may be as low as 16 to 18 birds in a 22-bird crate -depending on birdage).

When racing and transport have been thoroughly investigated after racing, decisions will be made for 2016 in time for members to be informed prior to the AGM.

Any comments and/or suggestions should be made to the Club in the appropriate way where they will be carefully considered. Any comments appearing in the BHW or Racing Pigeon or on any chat lines will not be acknowledged or replied to.