

Sports

Purton

PIGEON RACING

Wilts Championship Club Winners

Prize money totaling £135 15s., in addition to a number of handsome cups and trophies, was distributed at the annual social of the Wiltshire Championship Pigeon Club, at the Great western Inn, Chippenham on Saturday evening. The club has some 70 members, in all parts of the county, and the awards were for six races on the South Road, four for old birds and two for young birds.

Mr. F. J. Berryman, of Corsham, is the President of the Club. Other officials are: Chairman - Mr. W. C. T. Gundry (Swindon); Secretary - Mr. T. New (Ogbourne St. George).

Prizewinners were :-

- F. E. Griffin, Chippenham, £18 5s. and Bordeaux Cup (only bird on the day), Old Bird Average Cup, Combined Average Cup, and Young Bird Average.
- R. R. Townsend, Swindon, £15, and Nomination Cup and Members' Cup
- G. Reid, Salisbury £15.
- H. Hill, Stratton St. Margaret, £12, and Guernsey Cup and Rose Bowl for best average three Guernsey races.
- W. Southwell, Upavon £10 10s
- T. New & Son, Ogbourne St. George, £10
- A. G. M. Stevens, Lydiard Tregoze, £10
- P. Davis & Son, Bushton, £8, and Nantes Cup.
- R. Houghton, Wilcot, £6
- R. Titcombe, Wootton Bassett, £6
- F. W. Smith, Westbury, £4
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- B. Simmons, Yatton Keynell, £4
- F. Brinkworth, Ogbourne St. George £4
- L. Smith, Warminster, £2

Durnsford and Bunce, Purton, £2

E Cartnell, Lacock, £2

W. D. T. Gaundry, Swindon, £1

Clark and Son, Swindon £1

G. M. Waite, Bassett Down, £1

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OPC Note

The equivalent rate for prize money won is £1 in 1956 = £21.18 in 2013