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As I pen these notes the pigeon racing season is nearly over with only two races for young birds left, Woolaston near Birmingham 185 miles, and Cheltenham, Gloucestershire 212 miles.

Lets hope that these two races prove as successful as the previous eight. This without doubt is one of the best seasons ever for our young birds with few losses. Our comprehensive training has paid dividends and the excellent weather has also played its

part with our babies romping home each week. Soon we will enter another important stage in the pigeon fanciers calendar namely "The Moults".

Pigeons must have an excellent moult if they are to race successfully the following season. Although a natural process in the pigeons life, the fancier also plays his part to ensure that the pigeon progresses through the moult without any hiccups and finishes with excellent new feathering for the next year. When a pigeon moults successfully they look superb, even those that have not performed well.

Y B Results-Flookburgh 1 52miles
1st W. Minnican & Son. 2nd & 6th Reeves Bros & Grandson. 3rd J. Morton. 4th & 5th D. Creighton.
The winning pigeon took 1hr 11mins 51secs.
Flookburgh 2
1st & 6th D. Creighton. 2nd W. Minnican & Son. 3rd 4th 5th S.

Crellin.
The winning bird took 57mins 58secs.
Garstany 71 miles
1st & 2nd Reeves Bros & Grandson. 3rd J. Morton. 4th & 6th D. Creighton. 5th W. Minnican & Son.
The winning bird took 1hr 33mins 15secs.
Leyland 85 miles
1st 4th & 6th D. Creighton. 2nd W. Minnican & Son. 3rd & 5th S. Crellin.
The winning bird took 1hr 51mins 16secs.
Leyland 2
1st 2nd & 6th D. Creighton 3rd S. Crellin. 4th & 5th J. Morton.
The winning bird took 1hr 36mins 54secs.
Appleton Clymn 110 miles
1st 2nd 4th & 5th D. Creighton. 3rd J. Morton. 6th S. Crellin.
The winning bird took 2hr 11mins 50secs.
Appleton 2
1st 3rd 5th & 6th D. Creighton. 2nd W. Minnican. 4th S. Crellin.
The winning bird took 2hr 21mins 58secs.
Stafford 2 150 miles
1st J. Morton 2nd 4th & 6th W. Minnican & Son. 3rd & 5th S. Crellin.

The winning bird took 3hrs 43mins. Minnican & Son's pigeon took 3hr 43mins 02secs, a close finish. This was a testing race for the young birds, for the first time they faced a head wind and had to work hard to get home. I am pleased to report they did this without much difficulty with almost 100% returns.

I would like to close this report by sincerely thanking the ladies in the community shop for their generous grant. This will enable us to carry on a little longer and purchase some much needed equipment. Many thanks, Old Grizzle.

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