

# **THE FAMILIES AT “FOXWARREN LOFTS”**

We have had pigeons since the 1950's and have enjoyed great success racing and showing at the very top level since 1969. Our small successful team of pigeons were made up with the very best long distance bloodlines of Eric Cannon and Brian Denney. Scroll down to read about the main reference stock birds and for photos of premier race and stock bird through the years can be viewed in the website 'ALBUM'.

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## **Keith Mott's YouTube Channel**

If you enjoy looking at pigeon films, why don't you visit the 'Keith Mott YouTube Channel'? I have been taking photos and shooting film all my life and have visited most of premier pigeon establishments in the UK and Europe in my 50 years writing in the Fancy Press. I have nearly 500 films on the channel which has attracted 6.6 million views worldwide and nearly 16,000 subscribers in a very short time. The channel features many premier racing and show racer loft visits all over Europe, my nine years as a 'Classic' pigeon convoyer taking the birds to France and the countless National and Society shows I have judged at over the years. There are also a few band films on there from the good old days when I was a young man and played drums in several top rock bands, which are very special to me! All the films are tagged, so if you fancy a look, just log in and enter the item you want to see in the box, push the button and you are away! At the time of writing these notes my top film on the YouTube channel is Video 38: Ron McCarthy of Wales and this Show Racer legend's loft visit has had a massive 680,000 views. Just brilliant! (August 2021)

## **Eric & Pat Cannon of Godalming.**

Eric Cannon passed away in July 2000 and I was asked by his wife and pigeon partner, Pat, to arrange his three dispersal sales, which were held in Nottingham, Sutton and Paulton in the autumn of that year. When Eric passed away the sport of pigeon racing lost the 'King' of the Pau National and one of its greatest champions! We were close friends for many years and through that friendship, Eric gifted me young birds direct off his very best 550 mile family. We had children direct off 'Culmer Gold', 'Culmer Bess', 'Culmer Channel Queen', 'Culmer White Flight' and Eric's 1<sup>st</sup> open NFC winner, 'Culmer Marion', and these are the base of our Eric Cannon 550 mile family today. The Cannon loft won countless positions in the N.F.C. through the years, but the highlights have been: 5 times winner of the Langstone Gold Cup, for best average of three N.F.C. races, 16 times 1<sup>st</sup> section in N.F.C. races, 1<sup>st</sup> open Sartilly, 2<sup>nd</sup> open Pau, 4<sup>th</sup> open Pau, 5<sup>th</sup> open Sartilly, 5<sup>th</sup> open Avranches, 6<sup>th</sup> open Pau (twice), 8<sup>th</sup> open Sartilly and so on. Eric and Pat had 74 positions in the first 100 open positions in Pau Grand Nationals and lifted the 3 bird Average from the Pau National six times. Eric Cannon was a good friend and one of the best pigeon fanciers I've ever met!

## **Brian and Thelma Denny of Strensall.**

We are very proud of our wonderful family of Brian's champion 750 mile pigeons here at Claygate and through our many years of friendship, Brian and I, have exchanged youngsters most seasons. He has been very good to us, giving youngsters off some of his best champions, including: 'Blue Pau', 'Tuff Nut', 'Dark Charm', 'Brian's Blue', 'Maxi' and 'Dark Jan'. 'Foxwarren Lofts' has had outstanding success racing Brian's 'Bri-Den' 750 miles family, with our best racer being 'Foxwarren Complete', a granddaughter of Champion 'Blue Pau' and winner of 32<sup>nd</sup> open L&SECC Dax, 2<sup>nd</sup> East Grinstead CC Dax, 29<sup>th</sup> open L&SECC San Sebastian, 116<sup>th</sup> open L&SECC Pau and 109<sup>th</sup> open L&SECC Pau. A wonderful hen! At the start of the 2018 season we have several direct children off Brian's champions in our stock team and a good percentage of our long distance race team are grandchildren of 'Tuff Nut', 'Dark Charm', 'Blue Pau', 'Maxi' and 'Dark Jan', with many of them mated together. Brian and Thelma are two of the nicest people in the sport and their long distance loft of pigeons is one of the best in Europe today!

## REFERANCE STOCK BIRDS

### **Champion “Foxwarren Fred” GB 04 N 01105: Red Chequer Cock – Bred by K. & B. Mott.**

Champion ‘Foxwarren Fred’ is the best 550 mile stock cock we have ever owned and we bred him from the very best of Eric Cannon’s wonderful long distance family. ‘Foxwarren Fred’ is the sire of many premier long distance champions, including: 1<sup>st</sup> Federation Bourges (581 miles), 2<sup>nd</sup> Federation Bourges, 2<sup>nd</sup> Federation Bourges, 2<sup>nd</sup> Federation Bourges, 3<sup>rd</sup> Federation Bourges, 5<sup>th</sup> Federation Bourges, 8<sup>th</sup> Federation Bourges, plus 2<sup>nd</sup> Amalgamation Bourges and is grand sire of 1<sup>st</sup>, 1<sup>st</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup> Federation, 1<sup>st</sup>, 1<sup>st</sup> Amalgamation Bourges (581 miles), 8<sup>th</sup> open NEHU (2,355 birds) in the 2012 and 2013 seasons. He is the sire of Fred Dickson’s champion cock, ‘The Five Times Bourges Cock’, winner of 3<sup>rd</sup>, 5<sup>th</sup>, 8<sup>th</sup> Federation Bourges and sire of 1<sup>st</sup>, 1<sup>st</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup> Federation, 1<sup>st</sup>, 1<sup>st</sup> Amalgamation Bourges. Sire of ‘Foxwarren Fred’ is ‘Culmer Sam’s Lad’ bred by Eric Cannon, the last son of Eric’s Number One stock cock ‘Culmer Sam’, who was the product of Eric’s Fear Brothers cross. Champion ‘Culmer Sam’ was the ultimate stock cock and was the sire of Eric Cannon’s highly successful 550 mile family in the last years. Dam of ‘Foxwarren Fred’ is ‘Culmer Fantasy’, bred by Eric Cannon and she is a daughter of the stock cock, ‘93177’, a half-brother to Champion ‘Culmer Channel Queen’. The parents of ‘93177’, are the champion stock cock ‘Culmer Producer’ when mated to a daughter of ‘Culmer Expected’, winner of 22<sup>nd</sup>, 27<sup>th</sup>, 103<sup>rd</sup> and 231<sup>st</sup> open NFC Pau. The dam of ‘Culmer Fantasy’ is Champion ‘Culmer Bess’, winner of 6<sup>th</sup>, 26<sup>th</sup> and 170<sup>th</sup> open N.F.C. Pau (540 miles), 47<sup>th</sup> open N.F.C. Pau / Saintes, winning the NFC Pau merit award. This brilliant hen was top priced pigeon at Eric Cannon’s dispersal sales, sold for £2,300. Champion ‘Culmer Bess’ is a daughter of the premier Mike Spencer stock cock, when mated to ‘Culmer Joan’, winner of 1<sup>st</sup> section A. 12<sup>th</sup> open NFC Pau, who is a daughter of ‘Culmer Rose’ winner of 30<sup>th</sup>, 56<sup>th</sup>, 131<sup>st</sup>, 389<sup>th</sup> and 541<sup>st</sup> open NFC Pau. ‘Culmer Rose’ was a premier daughter of ‘Culmer Sam’. ‘Culmer Fantasy’ is a full sister to the dam of Champion ‘Night Flight’, winner of 1<sup>st</sup> open Saintes / Pau Grand National in 2003, for Mark Gilbert. ‘Culmer Sam’s Lad’ and ‘Culmer Fantasy’ bred many good winners, including 20<sup>th</sup> open BICC for Gordon Marsh and this great pair are grandparents of Brian Batchelor’s 35<sup>th</sup> open L&SECC Pau (550 miles on the day of liberation) in 2007. ‘Foxwarren Fred’ is the also grand sire of ‘Charlotte’, the winner of 2<sup>nd</sup> open NIPA St. Malo National (1,835 birds) in the 2018 racing season, ‘Our Lass’, the winner of 16<sup>th</sup> open EDC St. Malo National (450 miles) in 2016, ‘Olivia’s Boy’ the winner of 23<sup>rd</sup> open INFC Lamballe National (1,217 birds) in 2021 and great grand sire of 12<sup>th</sup> open National in 2018. ‘Foxwarren Fred’ the champion breeder!

### **“Lady Tuff Nut” GB 09 N 48457: Blue Chequer Hen – Bred by Brian Denney.**

A champion stock hen and daughter of Champion ‘Tuff Nut’, winner of 1<sup>st</sup> section K, 5<sup>th</sup> open NFC Pau (738 miles), 1<sup>st</sup> North East 700 Mile Club, 2<sup>nd</sup> RPRA UK Long Distance Champion, plus other prizes from the long distance. ‘Tuff Nut’ was clocked on the day of liberation from Saintes (573 miles) racing in the Northern Classic Club. This wonderful champion is probably one of the best all round long distance cocks in the UK, being the sire of many champion 750 mile racers, including ‘Northern Lady’, winner of 3<sup>rd</sup> open NFC Tarbes (748 miles) and grand sire of ‘Dark Dancer’, winner of 4<sup>th</sup> open NFC Tarbes, 27<sup>th</sup> open NFC Tarbes, ‘Dark Charm’, winner of 5<sup>th</sup> open NFC Tarbes and ‘John’, winner of 17<sup>th</sup> open NFC Tarbes. THE CHAMPION OF CHAMPIONS! The dam of ‘Lady Tuff Nut’ is one of Brian’s premier stock hens, ‘Cilla’ and she is a granddaughter of Champion ‘Classic Lad’ and Champion ‘Blue Pau’. ‘Classic Lad’ won 1<sup>st</sup> open Northern Classic Club from Saintes (573 miles on the day) and he is a son of the great ‘Blue Pau’. This coupling have proved to be a brilliant mating, being bred from the very best of Brian Denney’s lofts. We have donated several youngster from ‘Lady Tuff Nut’ to charity sales and a late bred was sold at the BHW Blackpool Show Charity Auction for £740, and another in the NFC Phone-In Auction for £600. ‘Lady Tuff Nut’ is the breeder of Federation winners and the long distance ‘master’, Brian Denney has had several young birds back off this wonderful stock hen in recent seasons! ‘Lady Tuff Nut’ is the grand dam of ‘Charlotte’, the winner of 2<sup>nd</sup> open NIPA St. Malo National (450 miles) in the 2018 racing season, ‘Our Lass’, the winner of 16<sup>th</sup> open EDC St. Malo National (450 miles) in 2016, ‘Olivia’s Boy’ the winner of 23<sup>rd</sup> INFC Lamballe (1,217 birds) in 2021 and 26<sup>th</sup> open Falaise National (2,500 birds) in 2019. ‘Lady Tuff Nut’, one of my best 550 miles breeding hens ever in my loft and a daughter of one of the greatest 750 mile champions of all time. World class!

### **“Thelma” GB 15 N 54648: Blue Hen – Bred by Brian Denney.**

'Thelma' is a premier stock hen, being the dam of several premier 550 mile racers, including 'Madam Mott', 'Mott the Hoople' and is also dam of 2<sup>nd</sup> club, 5<sup>th</sup> Federation, 9<sup>th</sup> Combine Carentan (1,263 birds), 15<sup>th</sup> Federation Poitiers, 60<sup>th</sup> open Fougères YB National (235 miles), 12<sup>th</sup> open BBC Fougères National, 16<sup>th</sup> open BICC Fougères National, 6<sup>th</sup> Federation Lyndhurst and 1<sup>st</sup> section G, 50<sup>th</sup> open BBC Berwick National (946 birds). A fantastic breeding hen! She is the premier Brian Denney stock hen, being the daughter of Brian's Champion 'Brian's Blue', winner in 2008 of 1<sup>st</sup> section K, 61<sup>st</sup> open NFC Tarbes Grand National (4,035 birds), NFC record holder being clocked at 748 miles on the day of liberation. He also won 1<sup>st</sup> North East 700 Mile Club, 1<sup>st</sup> RPRA UK Long Distance Champion, plus RPRA Region Long Distance Award. A fantastic performance! The sire of Champion 'Brian's Blue' was bred from Champion 'Classic Lad' winner of 1<sup>st</sup> open Northern Classic Saintes, being clocked at 573 miles on the day of liberation, when mated to 'Brian's Prize', the winner of many premier positions including, 4<sup>th</sup> open Northern Classic Saintes, also being clocked on the day of liberation at 573 miles. The dam of Champion 'Brian's Blue' was 'Foxwarren Pretender' bred by Keith & Betty Mott at 'Foxwarren Lofts' and she flew the English Channel twice as a young bird, recording 4<sup>th</sup> club Guernsey and then as a yearling flew Bergerac (455 miles) on the day of liberation to win 151<sup>st</sup> open L&SECC. 'Pretender's' nest sister, 'Betty M', was gifted to Brian Denney out of the nest and she bred several top performers for the Strensall loft including: 'Elton' winner of 30<sup>th</sup>, 182<sup>nd</sup> open NFC Tarbes (748 miles) and 'Class Blue' winner of 2<sup>nd</sup> section K NFC Fougères. 'Foxwarren Pretender' was loaded to Brian for a season when she bred Champion 'Brian's Blue' and she was a half-sister to our champion racing and breeding hen, 'Foxwarren Complete', with both being daughters of 'Pathfinder' who was bred by Brian Denney out of the wonderful racing and breeding hen, 'Blue Pau'. The dam of 'Thelma' was the top breeding hen, 'Dancer's Daughter', who is a daughter of the champion racer, 'Dark Dancer', winner of 4<sup>th</sup>, 27<sup>th</sup>, 208<sup>th</sup> open NFC Tarbes (748 miles), 1<sup>st</sup> section K, 48<sup>th</sup> open NFC Fougères (394 miles), plus other positions. 'Dark Dancer' is the nest mate to 'Dark Charm', winner of 1<sup>st</sup> section K, 5<sup>th</sup> open NFC Tarbes and brother of our wonderful stock cock, 'Sasha's Boy', grandsire of Champion 'Noble Dream', winner of 1<sup>st</sup> open International Agen (10,510 birds) for Bobby & Anthony Besant in 2015. The dam of 'Dancer's Daughter' was 'Young Cilla' a full sister to our premier stock hen, 'Lady Tuff Nut', being a daughter of Champion 'Tuff Nut' and 'Cilla'. 'Thelma' is half-sister to 'Blue Boy', winner of 12<sup>th</sup>, 130<sup>th</sup> open NFC Tarbes (748 miles), with both being bred direct from Champion 'Brian's Blue'. 'Thelma' is a premier stock hen, being the dam of several top 550 mile racers!

#### **"Foxwarren Complete" GB 01 N 23207: Blue Chequer Hen – Bred & Raced by K. & B. Mott.**

I think our best all-round pigeon was our champion hen, 'Foxwarren Complete', who was a great 550 mile racer and has now proved to be a champion breeder. 'Foxwarren Complete' was the winner of 2003: 32<sup>nd</sup> open L&SECC Dax (530 miles), 2<sup>nd</sup> East Grinstead CC Dax, 2004: 29<sup>th</sup> open L&SECC San Sebastian (560 miles), 2005: 116<sup>th</sup> open L&SECC Pau (552 miles), 2007: 109<sup>th</sup> open L&SECC Pau. A real class hen! Her sire was 'The Cannon Cock' bred by Eric Cannon and this cock was the original pigeon Eric bred for me on me restarting after 'pigeon lung' in 1998 and was a grandson of 'Culmer White Flight' and Champion 'Culmer Sam'. The dam of 'Foxwarren Complete' was the brilliant blue cheque stock hen, 'Pathfinder', bred by Brian Denney and her dam was Champion 'Blue Pau' winner of 41<sup>st</sup>, 201<sup>st</sup> open NFC Pau (738 miles) and dam of many premier long distance racers including Champion 'Classic Lad' winner of 1<sup>st</sup> open Northern Classic Saintes (573 miles on the day of liberation). 'Pathfinder' was lightly raced before being put to stock and in 2001 flew 900 miles in three weeks to record 91<sup>st</sup> open L&SECC Perth, 52<sup>nd</sup> open L&SECC Thurso (520 miles). 'Pathfinder' was a champion breeder, producing many premier 550 mile racers, including 'Foxwarren Complete' and 'Foxwarren Pretender' dam of Champion 'Brian's Blue', the winner for Brian Denney of : 2008: 1<sup>st</sup> section K, 61<sup>st</sup> open NFC Tarbes, being clocked on the day of liberation flying 748 miles, 1<sup>st</sup> RPRA UK Long Distance Champion 2008. 'Foxwarren Complete' proved to be a 'gold mine' stock hen breeding many top 550 mile racers, including Bob and Anthony Besant's champion stock hen, 'Half Crown', dam of Champion 'Noble Dream', winner of 1<sup>st</sup> open International Agen (10,000 birds) in the 2015 racing season. She is great grand dam to Bob and Anthony's, 'Hypo', the winner of 2<sup>nd</sup> open BICC Cholet National (3,410 birds) in 2019, plus 27<sup>th</sup> open BICC Alençon National and 43<sup>rd</sup> open BICC Alençon National, being bred from 'Return', a sister to 'Half Crown'. 'Foxwarren Complete' is also the dam of the fantastic stock hen, 'Foxwarren Northern Complete', dam of many premier 550 mile racers including: 2<sup>nd</sup> Federation Bourges (581 miles), 3<sup>rd</sup> Federation Bourges, 4<sup>th</sup> Federation Bourges, 5<sup>th</sup> Federation Bourges, 8<sup>th</sup> Federation and is grand dam of 1<sup>st</sup>, 1<sup>st</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup> Federation, 1<sup>st</sup>, 1<sup>st</sup> Amalgamation, 8<sup>th</sup> open NEHU (2,355 birds) Bourges (581 miles) in recent seasons. She is the dam of Fred Dickson's champion cock, 'The Five Times Bourges Cock'. 'Foxwarren Complete' is the dam of Ronnie & Jim Young's premier stock cock '48' who is sire of many top racers, including their champion racing and breeding cock, 'The Wee Cock'. This wonderful cock is responsible for many National prize winners, including being the sire of: 'Jack's Legacy' winner of 2017: 1<sup>st</sup> open EDC St. Malo National and grand sire of 'Shallas Lass' winner of 2018: 1<sup>st</sup> open EDC St.

Malo National and 'Our Lass' winner of 2016: 16<sup>th</sup> open EDC St. Malo National. The fantastic 'Foxwarren Complete'!

**"Foxwarren Katie" GB 08 N 00202: Blue Hen – Bred by K. & B. Mott.**

'Katie' has always been stock, being the dam of several premier winners and has been very successful in the show pen, winning many firsts in open events, including BIS at the Esher Open Show. She is the last daughter of our fantastic original Number Two Eric Cannon stock pair and dam of several premier 550 mile racers. 'Katie' is dam of several top racers, including a yearling blue chequer cock, winner of 1<sup>st</sup> club, 2<sup>nd</sup> Federation, 12<sup>th</sup> New North Amalgamation Arras (377 miles) in a north east wind for Fred Dickson in the 2013 season. 'Katie' is the same bred as a long list of premier 550 mile racers including 'Foxwarren Express' winner of 23<sup>rd</sup> open L&SECC San Sebastian (560 miles) and grand dam of 1<sup>st</sup> Northern Amalgamation Bourges (582 miles). The sire of 'Foxwarren Katie' is 'Culmer Prince' (GB 00 N 12615) blue cock, bred by Eric Cannon. This champion breeder is one of the best 550 mile stock cock I've ever owned and is a direct son of Champion 'Culmer Marion', winner of 1<sup>st</sup> open NFC Sartilly in 1990, when mated to a daughter of 'Culmer Expected', winner of 22<sup>nd</sup>, 27<sup>th</sup>, 103<sup>rd</sup>, 231<sup>st</sup> open NFC Pau, who is a granddaughter of 'Culmer Rose' winner of 30<sup>th</sup>, 56<sup>th</sup>, 131<sup>st</sup>, 389<sup>th</sup> and 541<sup>st</sup> open NFC Pau. 'Culmer Rose' is a daughter of the champion breeding cock 'Culmer Sam'. The dam of 'Foxwarren Katie' was 'Culmer Rocket Queen' (GB 00 P 10821) blue hen, bred by Eric Cannon. One of the best long distance stock hens I've ever owned and was a champion breeder! Dam of many winners and is a daughter of 'Culmer White Flight', winner of many positions in the NFC, including 1<sup>st</sup> Section A. 14<sup>th</sup> open NFC Pau, when mated to Champion 'Culmer Channel Queen', winner of 23<sup>rd</sup>, 29<sup>th</sup>, 98<sup>th</sup> and 183<sup>rd</sup> open NFC Pau and winner of the NFC Pau merit award, also 346<sup>th</sup> open Young Bird National. This wonderful hen is a daughter of the champion stock cock 'Culmer Producer', who is a son of 'Culmer Pat', winner of 27<sup>th</sup>, 80<sup>th</sup>, 104<sup>th</sup> open N.F.C. Pau and dam of 1<sup>st</sup> open NFC Pau for G. Stovin. 'Culmer Rocket Queen' is a full sister to 'Culmer Superstar' and '80993'; the highest priced young bird at Eric Cannon's dispersal sales, being sold for £520.

**"Northern Expected" NEHU 09 NOR 671: Blue Chequer Cock – Bred by Fred Dickson.**

The champion long distance racing and breeding cock, 'Northern Expected', recorded 1<sup>st</sup> club, 1<sup>st</sup> Federation, 1<sup>st</sup> New North Amalgamation and 8<sup>th</sup> North of England Homing Union open result (2,355 birds) in the 2013 season. This wonderful round about cock has now flown Bourges (581 miles) three times and won 1<sup>st</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Federation. A fantastic achievement! The parents of this champion cock were, the 'Five Times Bourges Cock' and 'The 589 Hen'. 'Northern Expected's' half-brother, a son of the 'Five Times Bourges Cock' and 'Foxwarren Northerner' also recorded 1<sup>st</sup> club, 1<sup>st</sup> Federation, 1<sup>st</sup> Amalgamation Bourges in the 2012 season. 'Northern Expected' is a son of Fred's champion 'Five Times Bourges Cock', winner of 3<sup>rd</sup>, 5<sup>th</sup>, 8<sup>th</sup> Federation Bourges (581 miles), which was killed by a Sparrowhawk early in 2013. The 'Five Times Bourges Cock' was son of our champion breeder, 'Foxwarren Fred', a red chequer cock bred by us at Claygate and he has proved to be one of the best 550 mile stock cocks we have ever owned and was bred from the very best of Eric Cannon's wonderful long distance family. 'Foxwarren Fred' is the sire of many premier long distance champions including: 1<sup>st</sup> Federation Bourges (581 miles), 2<sup>nd</sup> Federation Bourges, 2<sup>nd</sup> Federation Bourges, 2<sup>nd</sup> Federation Bourges, 3<sup>rd</sup> Federation Bourges, 5<sup>th</sup> Federation Bourges, 8<sup>th</sup> Federation Bourges, plus 2<sup>nd</sup> Amalgamation Bourges and is grand sire of 1<sup>st</sup>, 1<sup>st</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup> Federation, 1<sup>st</sup>, 1<sup>st</sup> Amalgamation Bourges (581 miles) in the 2012 and 2013 seasons. 'Foxwarren Fred' is the grand sire of 'Charlotte', the winner of 2<sup>nd</sup> open NIPA St. Malo National in the 2018 racing season and 'Our Lass', the winner of 16<sup>th</sup> open EDC St. Malo National (450 miles) in 2016. Sire of 'Foxwarren Fred' is 'Culmer Sam's Lad' bred by Eric Cannon, the last son of Eric's Number One stock cock 'Culmer Sam', who was the product of Eric's Fear Brothers cross. Champion 'Culmer Sam' was the ultimate stock cock and was the sire of Eric Cannon's highly successful 550 mile family. Dam of 'Foxwarren Fred' is 'Culmer Fantasy' bred by Eric Cannon. 'Culmer Fantasy' is a daughter of Champion 'Culmer Bess', winner of 6<sup>th</sup>, 26<sup>th</sup> and 170<sup>th</sup> open N.F.C. Pau (540 miles), 47<sup>th</sup> open N.F.C. Pau / Saintes, winning the NFC Pau merit award. The 'Five Time Bourges Cock' was the sire of two 1<sup>st</sup> open Amalgamation Bourges (581 miles) winners and his dam, bred by Keith & Betty Mott, was the champion stock hen, 'Foxwarren Northern Complete', and she was the dam of 2<sup>nd</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup>, 5<sup>th</sup> 8<sup>th</sup> Federation Bourges (581 miles). The dam of 'Northern Expected' was 'The 589 Hen' and she was bred by Ced & Clive Allwright from their best Eric Cannon and 'El Ced' bloodlines. 'Northern Expected' is the grand sire of 'Charlotte', the winner of 2<sup>nd</sup> open NIPA St. Malo National (450 miles) in the 2018 racing season. He is the sire of several premier 550 mile racers and is also grand sire of 'Madam Mott', 'Mott the Hoople', 'Olivia's Boy' and 2<sup>nd</sup> club, 5<sup>th</sup> Federation, 9<sup>th</sup> Combine Carentan (1,263 birds), 15<sup>th</sup> Federation Poitiers, 60<sup>th</sup> open Fougères YB National (235 miles), 33<sup>rd</sup> open Poitiers National, 12<sup>th</sup> open BBC Fougères National, 16<sup>th</sup> open BICC Fougères National, 127<sup>th</sup> open BBC Fougères National, 135<sup>th</sup>

open NFC Coutances National, 21<sup>st</sup> open CSCFC Guernsey, 6<sup>th</sup> Federation Lyndhurst, 1<sup>st</sup> section G, 50<sup>th</sup> open BBC Berwick National and 23<sup>rd</sup> open INFC Lamballe National. 'Northern Expected' a champion racer and breeder!

### **"Northern Star" NEHU 10 NOR 2035: Blue Chequer Hen – Bred by Fred Dickson.**

'Northern Star' flew Bourges (581 miles) once and won 1<sup>st</sup> club, 2<sup>nd</sup> Federation in the 2012 season, being clocked on the day of liberation and is a daughter of the champion Eric Cannon stock pair, 'Foxwarren Fred' and 'Northern Producer'. This wonderful hen is the sister to several premier 580 mile racers, including 1<sup>st</sup> Federation Bourges (581 miles) and is half-sister to the 'Five Times Bourges Cock', winner of 3<sup>rd</sup>, 5<sup>th</sup>, 8<sup>th</sup> Federation Bourges and sire of 1<sup>st</sup>, 1<sup>st</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup> Federation, 1<sup>st</sup>, 1<sup>st</sup> Amalgamation Bourges. Sire of 'Northern Star' is 'Foxwarren Fred', one the best 550 mile stock cocks we have ever owned and bred from the very best of Eric Cannon's wonderful long distance family. 'Foxwarren Fred' is the sire of many premier long distance champions including: 1<sup>st</sup> Federation Bourges (581 miles), 2<sup>nd</sup> Federation Bourges, 2<sup>nd</sup> Federation Bourges, 2<sup>nd</sup> Federation Bourges, 3<sup>rd</sup> Federation Bourges, 5<sup>th</sup> Federation Bourges, 8<sup>th</sup> Federation Bourges, plus 2<sup>nd</sup> Amalgamation and is grand sire of 1<sup>st</sup>, 1<sup>st</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup> Federation, 1<sup>st</sup>, 1<sup>st</sup> Amalgamation, 8<sup>th</sup> open NEHU (2,355 birds) Bourges (581 miles) in the 2012 and 2013 seasons. 'Foxwarren Fred' is the grand sire of 'Charlotte', the winner of 2<sup>nd</sup> open NIPA St. Malo National in the 2018 racing season and 'Our Lass', the winner of 16<sup>th</sup> open EDC St. Malo National (450 miles) in 2016. He is the sire of the champion cock, 'The Five Times Bourges Cock', winner of 3<sup>rd</sup>, 5<sup>th</sup>, 8<sup>th</sup> Federation Bourges and sire of 1<sup>st</sup>, 1<sup>st</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup> Federation, 1<sup>st</sup>, 1<sup>st</sup> Amalgamation Bourges. Sire of 'Foxwarren Fred' is 'Culmer Sam's Lad' bred by Eric Cannon, the last son of Eric's Number One stock cock 'Culmer Sam', who was the product of Eric's Fear Brothers cross. Champion 'Culmer Sam' was the ultimate stock cock and was the sire of Eric Cannon's highly successful 550 mile family. Dam of 'Foxwarren Fred' is 'Culmer Fantasy' bred by Eric Cannon. 'Culmer Fantasy' is a daughter of Champion 'Culmer Bess', winner of 6<sup>th</sup>, 26<sup>th</sup> and 170<sup>th</sup> open N.F.C. Pau (540 miles), 47<sup>th</sup> open N.F.C. Pau / Saintes, winning the NFC Pau merit award. The dam of 'Northern Star' is 'Northern Producer', bred by Fred Dickson. This hen was a champion breeder of 580 mile winners with different cocks, including 1<sup>st</sup> Federation, 25<sup>th</sup> Amalgamation Bourges (581 miles), 1<sup>st</sup> Federation Bourges, 2<sup>nd</sup> Federation Bourges in 2012, 4<sup>th</sup> Federation Claremont and grand dam of 4<sup>th</sup> Federation Bourges in 2011. On her sire's side she is bred down from Eric Cannon's Champion 'Culmer Gold', winner of 21<sup>st</sup>, 70<sup>th</sup>, 83<sup>rd</sup>, 103<sup>rd</sup>, 111<sup>th</sup> open NFC Pau (550 miles), 164<sup>th</sup> open NFC Nantes, winning the NFC Pau Merit Award, Best Average Nantes / Pau, also 9<sup>th</sup> and 11<sup>th</sup> open Combine. 'Culmer Gold' was the champion of all Eric Cannon's champions! The dam of 'Northern Producer' was '598', bred by Ced & Clive Allwright from their champion 'El Ced' and Eric Cannon bloodlines. 'Northern Producer' bred 1<sup>st</sup> Federation winners with both 'Foxwarren Fred' and 'Foxwarren Prince'. 'Northern Star' is the grand dam of 'Charlotte', winner of 2<sup>nd</sup> open NIPA St. Malo National (450 miles) in the 2018 racing season. She is the dam of several premier 550 mile racers and is also grand dam of 'Madam Mott', 'Mott the Hoople', 'Olivia's Boy' and 2<sup>nd</sup> club, 5<sup>th</sup> Federation, 9<sup>th</sup> Combine Carentan (1,263 birds), 15<sup>th</sup> Federation Poitiers, 60<sup>th</sup> open Fougères YB National (235 miles), 33<sup>rd</sup> open Poitiers National, 12<sup>th</sup> open BBC Fougères National, 16<sup>th</sup> open BICC Fougères National, 135<sup>th</sup> open NFC Coutances National, 21<sup>st</sup> open CSCFC Guernsey, 6<sup>th</sup> Federation Lyndhurst, 1<sup>st</sup> section G, 50<sup>th</sup> open BBC Berwick National and 23<sup>rd</sup> open INFC Lamballe National. A fantastic racing and breeding hen!

### **"Foxwarren Renegade" GB 15 N 06903: Blue Chequer Cock – Bred by K. & B. Mott.**

'Foxwarren Renegade' is a premier stock cock, being the sire of several premier 550 mile racers, including 'Madam Mott' and 'Mott the Hoople', and is also sire of 2<sup>nd</sup> club, 5<sup>th</sup> Federation, 9<sup>th</sup> Combine Carentan (1,263 birds), 15<sup>th</sup> Federation Poitiers, 60<sup>th</sup> open Fougères YB National (235 miles), 12<sup>th</sup> open BBC Fougères National, 16<sup>th</sup> open BICC Fougères National, 6<sup>th</sup> Federation Lyndhurst. A fantastic breeding cock! He is a full brother to 'Young Expected' the sire of 'Charlotte', winner of 2<sup>nd</sup> open NIPA St. Malo National (450 miles) in the 2018 racing season and 'Olivia's Boy' the winner of 23<sup>rd</sup> open INFC Lamballe National (446 miles) in 2021. 'Renegade' is a son of the champion long distance racing cock, 'Northern Expected', who recorded: 1<sup>st</sup> club, 1<sup>st</sup> Federation, 1<sup>st</sup> New North Amalgamation and 8<sup>th</sup> North of England Homing Union open result (2,355 birds) in the 2013 season. This wonderful round about cock has now flown Bourges (581 miles) three times and won 1<sup>st</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Federation. A fantastic achievement! Dam of 'Foxwarren Renegade' is the premier racing hen, 'Northern Star', which was bred and raced by Fred Dickson. 'Northern Star' flew Bourges (581 miles) once and won 1<sup>st</sup> club, 2<sup>nd</sup> Federation in the 2012 season, being clocked on the day of liberation and is a daughter of the champion Eric Cannon stock pair, 'Foxwarren Fred' and 'Northern Producer'. This wonderful hen is the sister to several premier 580 mile racers, including 1<sup>st</sup> Federation Bourges (581 miles) and is half-sister to the 'Five Times Bourges Cock', winner of 3<sup>rd</sup>, 5<sup>th</sup>, 8<sup>th</sup> Federation Bourges and sire of 1<sup>st</sup>, 1<sup>st</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup> Federation, 1<sup>st</sup>, 1<sup>st</sup> Amalgamation Bourges. Sire of 'Northern Star' is

'Foxwarren Fred', one the best 550 mile stock cocks we have ever owned and bred from the very best of Eric Cannon's wonderful long distance family. A fantastic racing and breeding cock!

## **LATEST NEWS UPDATES (JANUARY 2022)**

### **Main achievements breeding winners for others in recent seasons**

'Foxwarren Lofts' have a wonderful record of breeding countless top class winners for themselves and other fanciers over many years. The Keith and Betty Mott loft in Claygate has gifted a lot of youngsters to their friends and charity auctions over the years, and in the 2013 season their birds produced several premier prize winners including 1<sup>st</sup> open Combine, 1<sup>st</sup> open Amalgamation, 1<sup>st</sup> Federation (twice), and 2<sup>nd</sup> Federation (twice) in that season. The loft has recently produced 1<sup>st</sup> open Combine two years on the trot and their birds have also produced 1<sup>st</sup> open Amalgamation Bourges (581 miles) two years on the trot. The 'Foxwarren Lofts' stock birds have bred or been involved in the production in recent seasons of pigeons to win: 1<sup>st</sup> open National (twice), 2<sup>nd</sup> open National (three times), 3<sup>rd</sup> open National, 1<sup>st</sup> open Amalgamation (twice), 1<sup>st</sup> open Combine (five times), 1<sup>st</sup> open International Agen (10,510 birds) 2015 and the NFC Tarbes record holder, being clocked at 748 miles on the day of liberation, plus many other good winners.

**2008:** One of Brian Denney's greatest champions was 'Brian's Blue', winner in 2008 of 1<sup>st</sup> section K, 61<sup>st</sup> open NFC Tarbes Grand National (4,035 birds), NFC record holder being clocked at 748 miles on the day of liberation. He also won 1<sup>st</sup> North East 700 Mile Club, 1<sup>st</sup> RPRA UK Long Distance Champion, plus RPRA Region Long Distance Award. A fantastic performance! The dam of Champion 'Brian's Blue' was 'Foxwarren Pretender' bred by Keith & Betty Mott at 'Foxwarren Lofts' and she flew the English Channel twice as a young birds, recording 4<sup>th</sup> club Guernsey and then as a yearling flew Bergerac (455 miles) on the day of liberation to win 151<sup>st</sup> open L&SECC. 'Pretender's' nest sister, 'Betty M', was gifted to Brian Denney out of the nest and she bred several top performers for the Strensall loft including: 'Elton' winner of 30<sup>th</sup>, 182<sup>nd</sup> open NFC Tarbes (748 miles) and 'Class Blue' winner of 2<sup>nd</sup> section K NFC Fougères. 'Foxwarren Pretender' was loaded to Brian for a season when she bred Champion 'Brian's Blue' and she was a half-sister to our champion racing and breeding hen, 'Foxwarren Complete', being a daughter of 'Pathfinder' who was bred by Brian Denney out of the wonderful racing and breeding hen, 'Blue Pau'. Champion 'Brian's Blue' proved to be a great breeder of winners, including: 'Blue Boy', winner of 12<sup>th</sup>, 130<sup>th</sup> open NFC Tarbes (748 miles).

**2011:** After Clive Turner's great success in 2011 when he won 1<sup>st</sup> open London & South East Classic Club Alençon (1,811 birds), he repeated his very high quality performances the following season, winning 1<sup>st</sup> Horsham RPC, 1<sup>st</sup> South Coast Federation, 1<sup>st</sup> Combine Saintes (374 miles), 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> Horsham RPC, 1<sup>st</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup> South Coast Federation (800 birds) Fougères (192 miles), plus many other premier prizes in the club and Federation. Clive won the Combine from Saintes with his good widowhood mealy pied cock, 'The Saintes Cock', and he was bred by Keith & Betty Mott of Claygate from two Busschaert / Staf Van Reet stock birds bred by Richard and Ken O'Connor of South Norwood. The Saintes Combine winner was Irish bred in 2010 and had very little racing, but as well as winning the Combine he won several top positions inland in the strong Horsham club that season. His sire was the mealy pied stock cock, 'Young Roman', who was the sire of several good winners and is son of the champion Busschaert, 'Roman Nose', winner of four times 1<sup>st</sup> Federation, when mated to the Paul Arnold / Staf Van Reet hen, 'Dawn', winner of 1<sup>st</sup> Combine. The dam of 'The Saintes Cock' was a daughter of the O'Connor's 'Champion of Champions', 'Batman', winner of 17 first prizes, including five times 1<sup>st</sup> Federation and 4<sup>th</sup> open Combine. Champion 'Batman' was a Busschaert and half-brother to Champion 'Roman Nose'. A fantastic family of winners! Clive's 3<sup>rd</sup> South Coast Federation Fougères winner in the 2012 season was also bred from Keith & Betty Mott blood line.

**2013:** Keith and Betty's small team of Mark and Dick Evans / Gaby Vandenabeele stock birds have really been breeding fantastic and have produced some brilliant racers, including 1<sup>st</sup> open Combine and 2<sup>nd</sup> Three Borders Federation in 2013. The key pigeon has been the blue WF, 'Myrtle Exile' and she has produced premier winners with two of Keith's M. & D. Evans stock cocks. The partner's Gaby Vandenabeele stock birds were mostly bred by Mark & Dick Evans of Whitley Bridge and 'Myrtle Exile' is a granddaughter of the world famous Champion 'Golden Gaby', winner of 1<sup>st</sup> open National Orleans (12,875 birds). What a fantastic breeding hen! 'Myrtle Exile' produced, being paired to Keith and Betty's grandson of 'Pre-Olympic', a

cock they gifted to their great mate, Terry Haley of Watford and he recorded as a young bird in the 2013 season: 14<sup>th</sup> Spelthorne open Yeovil (650 birds), flew the L&SECC Guernsey Young Bird Classic (a really bad race), was then clocked from the NFC Carentan (France) Young Bird National to record 415<sup>th</sup> open (3,330 birds) and seven days later was turned 205 miles North Road to Aycliffe to win 1<sup>st</sup> club (by 20 minutes), 1<sup>st</sup> Thames Valley Federation, 1<sup>st</sup> open North Thames NR Combine. The 2017 saw Terry Haley win 1<sup>st</sup> club, 1<sup>st</sup> Thames Valley, 1<sup>st</sup> North Thames NR Combine again from Aycliffe (205 miles) with his good blue hen young bird, 'Misty Missile' and she is a granddaughter of the 'Watford Wizard'. 'Myrtle Exile' and their grandson of the two 'Myrtle Lofts' legends, 'Shadow' and 'Lord of the Rings', 'Myrtle Supremacy' was their original pair of stock birds from Mark & Dick Evans and they have been mate together for most of the time Keith and Betty own them and they have proved to be a champion pair of breeders. 'White Tail', a daughter of 'Myrtle Supremacy' and 'Myrtle Exile' produced 2<sup>nd</sup>, 5<sup>th</sup>, 5<sup>th</sup>, 12<sup>th</sup>, 13<sup>th</sup>, 14<sup>th</sup>, 24<sup>th</sup> Federation in recent seasons for Colin Crook and Andy Iddenden. A fantastic Gaby Vandenabeele stock pair!

Fred Dickson of Cramlington sent four birds to the Bourges (581 miles) race in 2013 and with the race turning out to be a very hard push home, the birds clocked in the Combine on the day of liberation could be counted on the fingers of one hand. Fred lives at the top end of the NEHU and clocked his good Eric Cannon blue chequer cock, 'Northern Expected', at 06.03hrs next morning to record 1<sup>st</sup> club, 1<sup>st</sup> Federation, 1<sup>st</sup> New North Amalgamation and 8<sup>th</sup> North of England Homing Union open result (2,355 birds). This wonderful round about cock has flown Bourges (581 miles) three times and won 1<sup>st</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Federation. A fantastic achievement! 'Northern Expected's' half-brother, a 100% Eric Cannon blue chequer cock, recorded 1<sup>st</sup> club, 1<sup>st</sup> Federation, 1<sup>st</sup> Amalgamation Bourges in the 2012 season and his dam, 'Foxwarren Northerner' was bred by Keith & Betty Mott. 'Northern Expected' is a son of Fred's champion 'Five Times Bourges Cock' which was killed by a Sparrowhawk in front of the Cramlington loft and was the winner of 3<sup>rd</sup>, 5<sup>th</sup>, 8<sup>th</sup> Federation Bourges and sire of 1<sup>st</sup>, 1<sup>st</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup> Federation, 1<sup>st</sup>, 1<sup>st</sup> Amalgamation Bourges (581 miles). 'The Five Times Bourges Cock' was bred from 'Foxwarren Fred', a red chequer cock bred by Keith and Betty at Claygate and he has proved to be one of the best 550 mile stock cocks they have ever owned and was bred from the very best of Eric Cannon's wonderful long distance family. 'Foxwarren Fred' is the sire of many premier long distance champions including: 1<sup>st</sup> Federation Bourges (581 miles), 2<sup>nd</sup> Federation Bourges, 2<sup>nd</sup> Federation Bourges, 2<sup>nd</sup> Federation Bourges, 3<sup>rd</sup> Federation Bourges, 5<sup>th</sup> Federation Bourges, 8<sup>th</sup> Federation Bourges, plus 2<sup>nd</sup> Amalgamation Bourges and is grand sire of 1<sup>st</sup>, 1<sup>st</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup> Federation, 1<sup>st</sup>, 1<sup>st</sup> Amalgamation Bourges (581 miles) in the 2012 and 2013 seasons. 'Foxwarren Fred' is the grand sire of 'Charlotte', the winner of 2nd open NIPA St. Malo National in the 2018 racing season and 'Our Lass', the winner of 16<sup>th</sup> open EDC St. Malo National (450 miles) in 2016. Later in the 2013 season Fred Dickson won with a yearling blue chequer cock bred by Keith and Betty, and he recorded 1<sup>st</sup> club, 2<sup>nd</sup> Federation, 12<sup>th</sup> New North Amalgamation Arras (377 miles) in a strong north east wind. This game cock was a son of the good Eric Cannon stock hen, 'Foxwarren Katie' when mated to a son of the Number 1 Brian Denney stock pair, 'Sasha's Boy' and 'Lady Tuff Nut'. 'Foxwarren Katie' is a granddaughter of the Eric Cannon champions: 'Culmer Marion' winner of 1<sup>st</sup> open NFC Sartilly and 'Culmer Channel Queen' the NFC Pau Merit Award winner. 'Sasha's Boy' is a full brother to 'Dark Charm' and 'Dark Dancer', with 'Lady Tuff Nut' being a daughter of the champion of all champions, 'Tuff Nut'. This Brian Denney stock pair have produced Federation winners and 'Sasha's Boy' is grandsire of 1<sup>st</sup> open International Agen (10,500 birds) in the 2015 racing season. There were several other good winners bred from Keith and Betty Mott's birds in the 2013 season including: Clive Turner who recoded 2<sup>nd</sup> open London & South East Classic Club Bergerac (450 miles) with a pigeon bred from K.& B. Mott birds.

**2015:** Bobby and Anthony Besant won 1<sup>st</sup> open International Agen (10,500 birds) in the 2015 season and they named their winner 'Noble Dream', and their wonderful champion is a two year dark cock, raced on the widowhood system. Bobby remarked at the time that he thought it was a decent time when he came in from Agen and 'Noble Dream' did his usual party trick of landing in next doors tree before coming in to the loft to be clocked. He had won several premier positions before his Agen (499 miles) International win, including 3<sup>rd</sup> Three Borders Federation, 4<sup>th</sup> SMT Combine (699 birds) Nort sur Erdre (278 miles) as a yearling in the 2014 season. The dam of Champion 'Noble Dream' was the dark pied hen, 'Half Crown' and she was bred by Keith and Betty Mott of Claygate. She was one of three sisters that the Motts gifted to Bobby and Anthony in 2009 and Keith donated a full brother to the BHW Blackpool Show Charity auction in 2010, which raised for £740 for charity. 'Half Crown' was also the grand dam of Bob and Anthony's second bird clocked on the day from the Agen International and she was crossed out with Mat Rakes and Geoff Cooper pigeons to produce this game dark cock. The sire of 'Half Crown' was the champion stock cock, 'Sasha's Boy' and he was bred by Brian Denney. He was bred for the stock loft from Brian's champion stock pair, 'Maxi' and 'Dark Jan' and is a full brother to the champion racing cocks, 'Dark Charm', 'Dark Dancer' and half-brother to 'The Chequer Cock'. 'Sasha's Boy' had proved to be outstanding at stock and had bred several top 550

mile racers, including Federation winners! The dam of 'Half Crown' was our champion hen, 'Foxwarren Complete'.

I think our best all-round pigeon was our champion hen, 'Foxwarren Complete', who was a great 550 mile racer and has now proved to be a champion breeder. 'Foxwarren Complete' was the winner of 2003: 32<sup>nd</sup> open L&SECC Dax (530 miles), 2<sup>nd</sup> East Grinstead CC Dax, 2004: 29<sup>th</sup> open L&SECC San Sebastian (560 miles), 2005: 116<sup>th</sup> open L&SECC Pau (552 miles), 2007: 109<sup>th</sup> open L&SECC Pau. A real class hen! Her sire was 'The Cannon Cock' bred by Eric Cannon and this cock was the original pigeon Eric bred for me on me restarting after 'pigeon lung' in 1998 and was a grandson of 'Culmer White Flight' and Champion 'Culmer Sam'. The dam of 'Foxwarren Complete' was the brilliant blue cheque stock hen, 'Pathfinder', bred by Brian Denney and her dam was Champion 'Blue Pau' winner of 41<sup>st</sup>, 201<sup>st</sup> open NFC Pau (738 miles) and dam of many premier long distance racers including Champion 'Classic Lad' winner of 1<sup>st</sup> open Northern Classic Saintes (573 miles on the day of liberation). 'Pathfinder' was lightly raced before being put to stock and in 2001 flew 900 miles in three weeks to record 91<sup>st</sup> open L&SECC Perth, 52<sup>nd</sup> open L&SECC Thurso (520 miles). 'Pathfinder' was a champion breeder, producing many premier 550 mile racers, including 'Foxwarren Complete' and 'Foxwarren Pretender' dam of Champion 'Brian's Blue', the winner for Brian Denney of : 2008: 1<sup>st</sup> section K, 61<sup>st</sup> open NFC Tarbes, being clocked on the day of liberation flying 748 miles, 1<sup>st</sup> RPRA UK Long Distance Champion 2008. 'Foxwarren Complete' proved to be a 'gold mine' stock hen breeding many top 550 mile racers, including Bob and Anthony Besant's champion stock hen, 'Half Crown', dam of Champion 'Noble Dream', winner of 1<sup>st</sup> open International Agen (10,000 birds) in the 2015 racing season. She is great grand dam to Bob and Anthony's, 'Hypo', the winner of 2<sup>nd</sup> open BICC Cholet National (3,410 birds) in 2019, plus 27<sup>th</sup> open BICC Alencon National and 43<sup>rd</sup> open BICC Alencon National, being bred from 'Return', a sister to 'Half Crown'. 'Foxwarren Complete' is also the dam of the fantastic stock hen, 'Foxwarren Northern Complete', dam of many premier 550 mile racers including: 2<sup>nd</sup> Federation Bourges (581 miles), 3<sup>rd</sup> Federation Bourges, 4<sup>th</sup> Federation Bourges, 5<sup>th</sup> Federation Bourges, 8<sup>th</sup> Federation and is grand dam of 1<sup>st</sup>, 1<sup>st</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup> Federation, 1<sup>st</sup>, 1<sup>st</sup> Amalgamation, 8<sup>th</sup> open NEHU (2,355 birds) Bourges (581 miles) in recent seasons. She is the dam of Fred Dickson's champion cock, 'The Five Times Bourges Cock'. 'Foxwarren Complete' is the dam of Ronnie & Jim Young's premier stock cock '48' who is sire of many top racers, including their champion racing and breeding cock, 'The Wee Cock'. This wonderful cock is responsible for many National prize winners, including being the sire of: 'Jack's Legacy' winner of 2017: 1<sup>st</sup> open EDC St. Malo National and grand sire of 'Shallas Lass' winner of 2018: 1<sup>st</sup> open EDC St. Malo National and 'Our Lass' winner of 2016: 16<sup>th</sup> open EDC St. Malo National. The fantastic 'Foxwarren Complete'!

**2016:** The 2016 was another very successful season for our pigeons, with several premier winners being reported to us. Ronnie & Jim Young of Northern Ireland have had good success racing our birds since 2004 and they have had the very best of the Eric Cannon and Brian Denney bloodlines. The 2016 season saw their excellent blue hen, 'Bonnie Lass' record 2<sup>nd</sup> open St. Malo National, with only 17 birds home in race time and she was bred from a Eric Cannon stock bird from 'Foxwarren Lofts'. The partners also recorded 16<sup>th</sup> open National in the same race from St. Malo, with their blue chequer hen, 'Our Lass' and she was also mainly our Eric Cannon and Brian Denney bloodlines. The next two seasons saw Ronnie and Jim win 1<sup>st</sup> open National twice. The 2017 St. Malo National winner, with only two birds' home in race time was, 'Jack's Legacy' and he also contained our Eric Cannon and Brian Denney bloodlines. The partner's 2018 St. Malo National winner, with only eight birds' home in race time, was 'Shallas Lass' and she is a granddaughter of 'Bonny Lass' the 2<sup>nd</sup> open St. Malo National winner of 2016. The partners two original stock cocks they obtained from us in 2004 were '48' and '52' and both figure in the breeding of all they premier national pigeons, when crossed with the Jack Anderson pigeons. The champion breeder, 'The Wee Cock' was a son of 'The 48 Cock' and he was a son of 'Foxwarren Complete' when mated to 'Foxwarren Black Splash', who was a grandson of 'Culmer Gold' and 'Culmer Sam'. 'The 52 Cock' was a son of my champion Number 2 Eric Cannon stock pair, 'Culmer Prince' and 'Culmer Rocket Queen'. Another great hen of world class quality was the Eric Cannon blue hen, 'Foxwarren Northerner' and I bred her for Fred Dickson in 2005, with her dam being 'Foxwarren Express', winner of 23<sup>rd</sup> open London & South East Classic Club San Sebastian (560 miles) and BOS at the Esher Open Show, being beaten by a loft mate. She bred several top 560 mile racers at Fred's loft in Northumberland, including 1<sup>st</sup> Amalgamation Bourges (580 miles) and when Fred retired from the sport 'Foxwarren Northerner' came back to my loft in Claygate. Ronnie and Jim were looking for a good hen, so I sent her out to them in Northern Ireland and she is the grand dam of 'Bonny Lass', winner of 2<sup>nd</sup> open EDC St. Malo National and great grand dam of 'Shallas Lass', winner of 1<sup>st</sup> open EDC St. Malo National. What a stock hen! Another top breeding hen for the Young loft was a daughter of 'Foxwarren Fred' and 'Lady Tuff Nut' and she was the dam of 'Our Lass', the winner of 16<sup>th</sup> open EDC St. Malo National (450 miles) in 2016. Congratulation to Ronnie and Jim on their brilliant achievements!



**2017:** Terry Haley hit the 'jackpot' again in the 2017 racing season and finished it off in a very special fashion, when he recorded 1<sup>st</sup> Combine twice in seven days. Just brilliant! The Aycliffe young bird win, Terry's fifth Combine winner, was a great buzz for me personally, as the winning blue hen, now named 'Misty Missile', was a granddaughter of 'The Watford Wizard', the Gaby Vandenebeeck cock we bred for Terry. 'Misty Missile' and 'The Watford Wizard' both won 1<sup>st</sup> Watford NR Club, 1<sup>st</sup> Thames Valley Federation, 1<sup>st</sup> North Thames NR Combine Aycliffe as young birds. Amazing! We had several other good winners reported in the 2017 season, including 2<sup>nd</sup> open National. Mick Parish's first pigeon on the clock from the very hard Barcelona race was an Eric Cannon pigeon and grandson of 'Foxwarren Ryan' and 'Foxwarren Katie'.

**2018:** The NIPA in Northern Ireland held its annual St. Malo (450 miles) National on the same weekend as the NFC Tarbes Grand National in the 2018 season and as everyone knows it turned out to be one of the hardest weekends of the year for pigeon racing. Members of the NIPA sent 1,841 birds and only seven game pigeons were clocked in on the day of liberation. I think it is fair to say that racing pigeons out of France into Northern Ireland is one of the hardest routes in the UK and to get these seven pigeons home on the Friday was a fantastic achievement! I got a phone call from David Coulter of Maghaberry in Northern Ireland on the Sunday to tell me the good news that he clocked on the day from the St. Malo National to win 2<sup>nd</sup> open and the blue chequer hen was bred from two stock birds bred at the Keith & Betty Mott's loft in Claygate. I really enjoy those phone calls and Betty and I would like to thank David for taking the trouble to let us know. When I asked the delighted David about the St. Malo National, he told me, 'the blue chequer hen is now named, 'Charlotte', after our second granddaughter and she was bred from 'Foxwarren Contraband', a daughter of Champion 'Foxwarren Fred' and 'Lady Tuff Nut' when mated to, 'Young Expected', a son of the 'Bourges Pair', 'Northern Expected' and 'Northern Star'. 'Charlotte' was not raced as a young bird, but was lightly trained. In the 2017 season as a yearling she had three inland races and a Talbenny (195 miles), plus a Penzance 305 (miles). In 2018 'Charlotte' had three inland races, one Talbenny race, where she won 1<sup>st</sup> club doing 1422yph velocity. She was then being set up for the Bude race two weeks after, but the NIPA cancelled and had an inland race due to weather conditions. After the birds are on the channel I don't like bringing them back into Ireland, so her next race was the St. Malo National and in between she was flown at home one hour morning and night, seven days a week, not missing a day. She was sent to the St. Malo National (450 miles) sitting 14 day old eggs and after her near 13 hour fly, was clocked on the day of liberation looking as 'fit as a butchers dog'. My wife, Siobhan, and my granddaughter, Olivia, are both very interested in the pigeons and like to spend time with the birds. It was such a hard race and my family and I are highly delighted with the result'.

In the week after David Coulter's phone call I had three more fanciers phone me, telling me about more winning pigeons bred from Keith & Betty Mott stock birds. They say, when it rains, it pours! Two of our best friends, Steve and Tessa Howard of Guildford recently won 2<sup>nd</sup> and 33<sup>rd</sup> open BICC Poitiers and the sire of 'Gee Force', their 33<sup>rd</sup> open winner was bred by us. The cock was another son of the 'Bourges Pair', 'Northern Expected' and 'Northern Star'. The premier fancier, Dave Johnson of St Austell in Cornwall recently won 12<sup>th</sup> open BICC Cholet (292 miles) and the dam of that game pigeon was bred by us in Claygate. She was bred around the champion breeder, 'Foxwarren Fred'. Terry Haley of Watford has been one of our closest friends since the early 1970's and he always has a couple of youngsters off us every year, with one the 'Watford Wizard', going on to win 1<sup>st</sup> Combine Aycliffe. Terry had a youngster, '04367', off 'Foxwarren Renegade' and 'Thelma' in the 2017 season, which has gone on and proved quite handy. 'Foxwarren Renegade' is yet another son of the 'Bourges Pair' and 'Thelma' was bred by Brian Denney and is a daughter of Champion 'Brian's Blue', the NCF record holder, being clocked at 748 miles from Tarbes on the day of liberation. As a young bird '04367' flew some very hard channel races and was then turned 290 mile north road to Berwick and returned home in a very strong south wind. In the 2018 season, as a yearling, she had five hard channel races and was in the clock five times, to record: 2<sup>nd</sup> club, 5<sup>th</sup> Inter Counties Federation (899 birds), 9<sup>th</sup> UBI Combine (1,263 birds) Carentan and was first bird on the clock from the longest old bird race, to with 15<sup>th</sup> Inter Counties Federation Poitiers. Terry had another youngster off 'Foxwarren Renegade' and 'Thelma' in 2018 and this time it was the blue chequer cock, '17845'. Terry sent four babies to the hard BBC Fougères (235 miles) young bird National and clocked two in good time to record: 7<sup>th</sup> and 60<sup>th</sup> open. '17845' was second bird on the ETS to win 60<sup>th</sup> open National. The 2018 season has seen our stock breed 2<sup>nd</sup>, 12<sup>th</sup>, 33<sup>rd</sup>, 60<sup>th</sup> open National, 9<sup>th</sup> open Combine and 15<sup>th</sup> Federation in the longest old bird race. Well done to all those fanciers!

**2019:** The eleven Keith & Betty Mott stock pairs have bred or been involved in the production of pigeons in the 2019 season to win: 2<sup>nd</sup> open National, 3<sup>rd</sup> open National, 12<sup>th</sup> open National, 16<sup>th</sup> open National, 19<sup>th</sup> open National, 26<sup>th</sup> open National, 29<sup>th</sup> open National, 127<sup>th</sup> open National, 135<sup>th</sup> open National, 6<sup>th</sup> Federa-

tion, 11<sup>th</sup> Federation, 21<sup>st</sup> open CSCFC and 62<sup>nd</sup> open International. These are all produced from our Eric Cannon and Brian Denney bloodlines, including the champion breeders, 'Foxwarren Fred' and 'Lady Tuff Nut', apart from 29<sup>th</sup> open BICC Cholet National (2,859 birds) which we bred from our M. & D. Evans / Gaby Vandenabeele stock birds. Children of our champion Eric Cannon stock pair, 'The Bourges Pair', produced 2<sup>nd</sup> open National St. Malo, 33<sup>rd</sup> open National Poitiers, 9<sup>th</sup> UBI Combine, 15<sup>th</sup> Federation Poitiers, 60<sup>th</sup> open YB National in the 2018 season and now again in the 2019 season four of their children have bred: 12<sup>th</sup> open BBC Fougères National, 16<sup>th</sup> open BICC Fougères National, 127<sup>th</sup> open BBC Fougères National, 135<sup>th</sup> open NFC Coutances National, 21<sup>st</sup> open CSCFC Guernsey, 6<sup>th</sup> Federation Lyndhurst. I think it is common knowledge that 'The Bourges Pair' are the Eric Cannon champion racers: 'Northern Expected' grandson of 'Foxwarren Fred' and 'Northern Star' daughter of 'Foxwarren Fred'.

Our good friend, Terry Haley of Watford had an excellent 2019 racing season, with the highlights being three times 1<sup>st</sup> section National and a 1<sup>st</sup> open National. His first young bird race was from Lyndhurst (76 miles) and Terry recorded: 1<sup>st</sup>, 6<sup>th</sup>, 7<sup>th</sup>, 8<sup>th</sup>, 9<sup>th</sup> Inter Counties Federation, with 1,902 birds competing. The second pigeon on the ETS to record 6<sup>th</sup> Federation Lyndhurst was the blue chequer hen, 'Madam Mott', and she was bred by Keith & Betty Mott, from our Pair 6, 'Foxwarren Renegade' and 'Thelma'. 'Foxwarren Renegade' is a son of 'The Bourges Pair' and 'Thelma' was bred by Brian Denny and is a daughter of Champion 'Brian's Blue', the NFC record holder, being clocked at 748 miles from Tarbes on the day of liberation. The following week after the Lyndhurst race, 'Madam Mott' was Terry's fancied pigeon, being all pools and snowball. She was first pigeon home and lost the race by a minute after the two flirt bird flew up and kept her flying around home for over two minutes. She finished up 7<sup>th</sup> club and still won the pools. 'Madam Mott' went on to win: 2<sup>nd</sup> section, 12<sup>th</sup> open BBC Fougères (YB) National (743 birds) and 8<sup>th</sup> section, 16<sup>th</sup> open BICC Fougères (YB) National (1,944 birds). This is the third year that Terry has had youngster off Pair 6 and all three have been top prize winners for him. The 'Watford Wizard' has a pair of youngsters off us every season to race and the second youngster this in 2019, '11053', recorded 17<sup>th</sup> section, 127<sup>th</sup> open BBC Fougères (YB) National. The 'Foxwarren Lofts' stock birds have bred or been involved in the production in recent seasons of pigeons to win: 1<sup>st</sup> open National (twice), 2<sup>nd</sup> open National (three times), 3<sup>rd</sup> open National, 1<sup>st</sup> open Amalgamation (twice), 1<sup>st</sup> open Combine (five times), 1<sup>st</sup> open International Agen (10,510 birds) 2015 and the NFC Tarbes record holder, being clocked at 748 miles on the day of liberation, plus many other good winners.

**2020:** Like every other pigeon racer in the UK, David Coulter was patiently awaiting for the Covid 19 'lock down' to finish so he could start his 2020 pigeon racing campaign. The first race for the Coulter loft was Corrin in Southern Ireland, which is 195 mile fly to his garden in Belfast. His first bird on the clock was his yearling blue chequer cock, 'Fast Charlie', flying in his first race of his life and recorded 1<sup>st</sup> club, with over 200 birds competing. This game cock was raced on the natural system and is a full brother to David's 2018: 2<sup>nd</sup> open NIPA St. Malo National winner, 'Charlotte'. Terry Haley's great 2019 young hen, 'Madam Mott' is a cousin to 'Charlotte' and 'Fast Charlie', with them all being bred from sons of my champion 'Bourges Pair'. The 2020 season saw 'Madam Mott' record 32<sup>nd</sup> UBI Combine Falaise (925 birds) before returning home from a race a couple of weeks late damaged and was stopped for the rest of the season. I bred Terry his usual couple of youngsters in 2020 and the blue chequer hen off 'Foxwarren Bad Company' and 'Foxwarren Blush' won 59<sup>th</sup> open BICC Coutances (1,282 birds). It was a very bad race, with Terry sending ten birds and only getting the one on the day, clocking at 20.00 hours. Steve and Tessa Howard clocked a three year old blue chequer cock bred by us from 'Foxwarren Ryan' and 'Foxwarren Connie', from Bordeaux (460 miles) on the day of liberation to win 10<sup>th</sup> Solent Federation.

**2021:** Congratulations to David and Siobhan Coulter of Maghaberry in Northern Ireland for his great performance in the Irish National Flying Club Lamballe (450 miles) Friendship National race on 9<sup>th</sup> July 2021. The 1,217 birds entered were liberated at 09.15hrs in a no wind situation and it turned out to be a very hard race, with only 67 birds clocked in Ireland in race time. David clocked his good natural blue chequer cock, 'Olivia's Boy' at first light on the second morning to record 23<sup>rd</sup> open. This game pigeon is a full brother to David's great hen, 'Charlotte' winner of 2018: 2<sup>nd</sup> open NIPA St. Malo National (450 miles) 1,835 bird, 1<sup>st</sup> club Talbenny (195 miles) and 'Fast Charlie' winner of 2020: 1<sup>st</sup> club Corrin (195 miles) 200 birds. All three of these outstanding racers were bred from stock birds bred by us at 'Foxwarren Lofts' in Claygate. The sire is 'Young Expected' a son of our famous Eric Cannon 'Bourges Pair', who were champions at racing and breeding. 'Northern Expected' and 'Northern Star' both flew 581 miles on the day of liberation for my dear friend Fred Dickson. The 'Bourges Pair' have left behind a long line of top class racers! Terry Haley's great young hen, 'Madam Mott' and Bill Young's wonderful 'Mott the Hoople' are cousins to 'Charlotte', 'Fast Charlie' and 'Olivia's Boy', with them all being bred from sons of my champion 'Bourges Pair'. The dam is 'Foxwarren Contraband' and she is the dam of several premier 550 mile racers, including 'Charlotte', win-

ner of 2<sup>nd</sup> open NIPA St. Malo National (450 miles) in 2018, 'Fast Charlie' and now 'Olivia's Boy'. 'Foxwarren Contraband' is a sister to 'The 99 Stock Hen' the dam of 'Our Lass', winner of 16<sup>th</sup> open EDC St. Malo National (450 miles) in 2016. 'Foxwarren Contraband' is a daughter of our champion stock pair, 'Foxwarren Fred' and 'Lady Tuff Nut'. Well done to David on yet another great National performance! Congratulations also to Bill Young of Byfleet for his great performance in the BBC Berwick (323 miles) National race on 28<sup>th</sup> June 2021. It was a bad weekend, with the 945 birds entered being liberated at 05.30hrs on the Monday morning. Day pigeons were far and few between and Bill clocked his good natural blue chequer cock, 'Mott the Hoople' after nearly eleven and a half hours on the wing, to win section G by two hours, with only three birds being clocked in the section on the day of liberation. 'Mott the Hoople' recorded 1<sup>st</sup> Sect G, 50<sup>th</sup> open BBC Berwick and in the previous season flew Narbonne and Bordeaux. A wonderful performance! This game cock was bred by us at 'Foxwarren Lofts' from our wonderful Number 6 stock pair, 'Foxwarren Renegade' and 'Thelma', who are from the very best Eric Cannon and Brian Denney long distance bloodlines. Well done to Steve and Tessa Howard of Guilford for their great performance in the British Barcelona Club Thurso (521 miles) National race on 16<sup>th</sup> July. It was a good weekend, with the 576 birds entered being liberated at 05.00hrs on the Friday morning. Day pigeon returns were very good, with 25 game pigeons being clocked on the day of liberation. Steve sent three birds and clocked all three to record: 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup> section G, 38<sup>th</sup>, 54<sup>th</sup>, 82<sup>nd</sup> open National. There was only four pigeons clocked in race time in section G and Steve clocked three of them down in Surrey. His first pigeon on the clock to win the section was his natural mealy cock, 'Heinz' and he was bred by Steve's good friend, Peter Taylor from 'Foxwarren Lofts' stock birds. His basic breeding is Ponderosa Muller / Aarden being bred around 'Ponderosa Tony' and 'Ponderosa Prince', a pair of Muller / Aarden stock birds that Tony Hayne and Mary Bartlett gifted to me several years ago. They were bred around Champion 'Red Rising Sun', the winner of 1<sup>st</sup> open National Dax (6,397 birds) and 39<sup>th</sup> open International Bergerac (20,643 birds). Steve's second bird on the ETS from Thurso was a Keith Mott / Ray Hammond blue chequer cock named 'Woodside 80'. Well done to Steve and Tessa on a brilliant performance!

#### **KEITH MOTT (JANUARY 2022).**