

Jerald Kitchens of Decatur, Ill. recently sent 28 subscriptions, and included in the group were the subscriptions for six junior high schools all donated by the Decatur Pigeon Club. This should serve as an example for other pigeon clubs as an effective way of promoting the Fancy. We congratulate the Decatur Club.

Carolyn Downey of Bethany, Okla., Secretary of the Oklahoma County 4-H Pigeon Club, writes: "I enjoyed your judging at our Oklahoma County National 4-H Pigeon Club Show. I like the way you judge because you explain the points of the breed you judge. I enjoyed your speech at the banquet and the way you reach the younger generation."

R. Lamar Brantley of Wrightsville, Ga., Secretary of the Georgia Pigeon Club, sent a group of 12 subscriptions with this comment: "I have been a breeder of pigeons since 1927 and a reader of the APJ for a number of years and find the APJ to be just the trick for I believe all pigeon fanciers the world over. I get a big kick out of reading Mr. Levi's Question and Answer Dept. and of course all varieties. Keep up the good work."

Edward L. Brooks of Newport News, Va., writes: "Our winter show in Norfolk this past December was a big success with all cages filled. There were over 140 Modena entries alone and a large entry of Fantails and Runts. We are planning on purchasing more cages this year to take care of the expected larger number over last year. Your visit with us at the State Fair of Virginia sure made an impression upon all who came in contact with you. Since your visit our meeting attendance has doubled and our meeting yesterday quadrupled. Since December we have gotten 35 paid members and yesterday we got three new ones. Thanks again for your help."

William J. Shields of Corona, N.Y., Secretary of the Maspeth Pigeon Fanciers, sent us a list of 36 members to receive the APJ, with this comment: "I have always enjoyed the American Pigeon Journal and I have yet to hear anyone in our club who doesn't. In fact, whenever the boys get together they are bound to say 'Did you get this month's Journal?' Please keep up the good work. I know it is appreciated in our club and people who don't get the Journal try to borrow it. We are trying to get the clubs together and have an issue for Flights. Our meeting of combined clubs will be held on February 19 and will be devoted almost exclusively to an issue of the APJ."

Dave Renard of Victoria, B.C., Canada, writes: "I would first like to say that it was indeed a great pleasure talking with you at the Seattle National Show. Visiting such a show one cannot help but learn a great deal and gain new friendships while renewing old acquaintances. I only get around to writing you once a year and that, of course, is to renew my subscription. As always I must congratulate you on the extremely fine job that you do in putting out the finest pigeon magazine in North America that I know of. Each month you publish a better and more informative magazine, and the Specials are in a class of their own. Without the APJ many fanciers would be at a great loss and I do indeed hope that you will keep up with the good work."

Jim Phillips of Kamloops, B.C., Canada, writes: "Here are my impressions of the National Show in Seattle. We had discussed the possibility of going to the show for several weeks and didn't decide until the last moment, this being Friday, January 8th, 1971. We arrived in Seattle around noon Saturday with the Seattle weather being very enjoyable. Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Fagg, Jerry Fagg and myself had travelled to the show together. We are all Kamloops, B.C., Modena fanciers and knew we would be in for a real treat seeing the large displays of Modenas at the pigeon meet. We spent many enjoyable hours going up and down the rows looking at many nice birds, some of which we found unfamiliar to our home area. I must admit I spent most of my time in the section of Modenas. Here I was able to talk to several breeders that I had corresponded with by mail. To meet these people in person was a highlight of the show. We found the fanciers most hospitable and helpful. I hope to attend another National Pigeon Show in the future."

Julius Williams of Teaneck, N.J., Secretary of the Garden State Variety Pigeon Fanciers Ass'n, sent us a list of 25 subscribers, all active members of his organization. The club members have actively supported the APJ for many years.

Brent Stoneking of Norwalk, Calif., writes: "My brother, Brad, and I have just started raising Rollers recently and have had great responses in searching for birds. The articles in the APJ on today's youth state that having birds of any kind is a responsibility. I agree. It also helps the younger people get acquainted with the 'older generation' and vice versa, as they have a mutual interest — their birds. We were lucky to meet such people as Gary Severe, Mike Rodriguez and Ralph Hilton because they are easy to talk to and I guess you might say they have lots of understanding. We have secured some of their birds and are hoping for the best. We really appreciate the APJ and the information within. Sure hope you'll have more Roller articles."

S. Sgt. John F. Koch of Anderson AFB, Island of Guam, writes: "Being on the Island of Guam and not able to raise birds at present, the APJ is my only means of keeping abreast of current news within the Fancy. So you can see now how much I look forward to receiving the APJ every month. My wife Cathy and I are trying to decide what type of birds we want to raise when we return to the States. So far we've narrowed the choice to Rollers, Tipplers, C.L. Tumblers, Muffed Tumblers, Black or Bronze Gazzi Modenas, M.F. Helmets, Racing Homers, Fantails or Ghent Croppers. Just a few types? We are leaning toward Helmets. I'm hoping to buy some good foundation stock from Myron Berger. I imagine Myron is taking a well deserved rest after the '71 Grand National. Being new to the game I don't know many fanciers personally, but if I contribute half as much as he has that'll be saying something. I don't know how he finds the time. Raising pigeons is just like anything else. You only get out what you put in."

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