

Michael J. Zippler of Pittsburgh, Pa., writes: "While many big names have passed on, the pigeon fraternity is as good and big as ever. The year 1974 will mark 50 years of breeding Konigsberg Moorheads for me and I enjoy every minute of it."

P. J. Langland of Palos Heights, Ill., writes: "I look forward to your magazine each month and both my wife and I enjoy reading its very interesting articles. It's been very helpful to me and also keeps me in touch with so many other pigeon fanciers that I have met."

William R. Brown of Des Moines, Iowa, writes: "We recently held our Rare Breeds Club meet in Des Moines in conjunction with the Iowa State Pigeon Association annual show, December 1-2. What a pleasure it was for me to meet Dr. John T. Ervin for the first time."

Tom Barnhart of Lima, Ohio, writes: "I feel I should comment that your January issue was the best I've read in the 14 years I've received your magazine. Those 14 years included some good Special issues, but this one was outstanding in that it was not a Special and included so many good informative articles on so many different breeds and different subjects."

J. D. Van Doorn of Middelburg, Netherlands, writes: "As a reader of the fantastic American Pigeon Journal during many years I have already given you names of new subscribers. Now I can give you the name of another new subscriber, it's T. dem Uyl of Hilversum. Keep on doing this good work for the Pigeon Fancy. It's marvellous to receive such a fine magazine as pigeon fanciers."

Chris A. Kuskulis of San Bernardino, Calif., writes: "I am fairly new to the Pigeon Fancy and when I started I was looking for the breed that suited me the best. With the help of a fantastic man named George Gulla and his recommendation to the APJ I have a young kit of Rollers. They're nothing to compare with George's but they are young and improving daily. Keep up the good work for a superlative magazine. Thanks to the APJ and George Gulla."

Alexander J. Scorgie of Slacks Creek, Queensland, Australia, writes: "I am now in the process of building new lofts at my new premises. It makes a lot of work moving when you keep pigeons. Firstly I had to demolish the old lofts as the buyers of my Taringa property did not require them all. Now I have to start all over again and erect new ones. I am still keeping the same three breeds, namely Birmingham Rollers, Flying Tumbler, and Performing Tumblers. I think the birds will like it here as I have now a country outlook instead of a city and the birds will have quite a bit of air space to work in."

Nelson Flettre of Turtle Lake, Wis., writes: "I got out of the service November 14, 1973, and am living in Wisconsin. Many times I had wished that I had a copy of the APJ while in Germany. I saw a few German pigeon lofts and some fine birds, but I couldn't get to them because I was always rushed for time. I always looked through the Stars and Stripes, the Army newspaper, hoping for an article about pigeons. Then two months before I was released, they ran a whole page on a man in the Air Force who raised Racing Homers. I read and re-read that page. It was really nice. I am hoping to get back with my birds soon."

Robert A. Kight of Norfolk, Va., writes: "I was glad to see the article in the December issue complaining about other breeders not answering letters. I am having the same experience and what is happening is that the new breeders and young people are getting awfully discouraged by their letters not being answered. Our future lies in our young people who are interested in pigeons. I have had some breeders tell me that they are too busy. I can hardly believe this because I work 12 hours a day and am never too busy to answer letters or to help anyone, whether they are adults or children, in teaching them what little I know. Someone said at our Fall Show (Tidewater Fancy Pigeon Club, Dec. 1-2) that there are two kinds of breeders: 1. The nicest kind of person who will go out of his way to help, teach, and so forth. 2. A real stinker."

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