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The Fantail Special

We are pleased to present the September 1992 Fantail Special. We would like to thank the coordinator of this issue, John Moppin, who helped make this issue a success. Credit is also due to all the Fantail fanciers around the U.S., Canada and the World who contributed their advertising, articles and photographs. We appreciate everyone's support and patience in this long awaited issue.

Attention API Readers

We would like to take this opportunity to apologize for the lateness of the APJ in recent months. We have had several difficulties over the past few months including the death of my brother during the National Young Bird Show, which is the reason we could not attend this year.

We would also like to inform our readers that we are NOT going out of business nor have we filed for bankruptcy. These rumors are untrue and unfounded. We are behind in our mailing schedule, that is all.

We appreciate all of your calls and letters to our office about being late and about these rumors that are going around. We also appreciate your patience and cooperation in this matter. It is our intention to correct this problem as soon as possible.

Feel free to call our office anytime and talk to me. - Wm. L. "Mike" Worley, Editor & Owner

Visitors At The APJ

Clifton Padgett, Whitewater, Kansas and Orval Riggins, Wichita, Kansas, were recent visitors to the American Pigeon Journal office. We appreciate everyone's visits here and welcome anyone who wishes to see us to stop by.

Dick Barr Hospitalized

The many friends of Dick Barr of Cowiche, Wash., will want to know that Dick has suffered a very serious accident. He attended and showed his Giant Homers at the Northwest Winter Show in Puyallup, Wash., on Nov. 28 and 29, 1992. On the 30th, he was going to store his carrying cases over head in his garage. Some how he fell from the ladder or rafters striking his head on the cement floor. He was unconscious for three days and in intensive care at St. Elizabeth Hospital in Yakima. He will be hospitalized for some time. We don't know yet how long. He is regaining some strength but does have pneumonia. So far he is unable to talk although he seems to recognize family and friends.

I'm sure his wife Jan and the family will appreciate the interest and prayers of the many who have visited with him at the Nationals and other shows he has attended over the years. Dick has always loved the shows and the many friends he has made while attending.

His address is Dick Barr, 1271 Thompson Road, Cowiche, Wash. 98923.

In talking with Jan recently, she told me that the doctors estimate it will be at least three months and maybe up to six before Dick will be back on his feet.

The above information comes from Dan Harvey, 2901 Hillcrest Dr., Yakima, Wash. 98901.

– Preface –

This will be the fifth Fantail Special the APJ has printed and the second I've coordinated. The first two were coordinated by one of the Masters in the Fantail fancy Gerald Champ. The Fantail Specials Mr. Champ coordinated were in March of 1961 and December of 1968.

The third APJ Fantail Special was coordinated by one of the men who probably did more in the development of the Tailmark Fantail than anyone to date – Harry Little. The Fantail Special Mr. Little coordinated was printed in July of 1977.

As for the fourth Special, I had the honor of coordinating it and having it printed in September of 1985.

I'd like to take this time to thank all of you. The people who make up the Fantail Fancy. For without your articles and advertising, this Special would not have been possible. Thank you one and all!

I would also like to dedicate this Fantail Special to four men who have passed away since the last Special. These four men will be greatly missed by all of us and the Fantail Fancy may never be quite the same without them.

Earl Clark

Bob Evans

Ray Ostrander

Bill Warner

Again thank you for your support in putting together another great Fantail Special

John Moppin, Coordinator

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On Page 41 of the APJ May/June 1992 issue under the story "WPCC Holds Two Meets On The East Coast", the photos with the captions that say bred and exhibited by L & B Beer should say EXHIBITED BY L & B BEER. This error was the APJ's mistake entirely and not the fault of L & B Beer. We apologize for this error.