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## Message from the President

Perry Mueller

At this time last year, we were busy getting ready for the Purebred Special. Hopefully, this spring we can get a faster start on some of our club business.

First, we need to nominate our Annual Show site and judge. Remember, if you nominate a show site, we will need to have a club member live near or attend to be the "member in charge". This is usually the District Director, but if he is not attending, he will have to appoint someone. According to our judging program, our Annual Show judge must be selected from our list of qualified judges or we have the option of using a foreign judge. Our list of qualified judges are: Steve Ball, Bill Griebel, Dave Harris, Perry Mueller, Gary Romig, Leon Stephens, Mike Swanson, Gloria Wiesgram.

Second, we need to nominate our Club Officers for the years 2012-2013. This will include: President, Vice President, Secretary-Treasurer, Western Director, Central Director, Eastern Director, and Canadian Director.

Tim Starr will be our Election Commissioner again so please send your nomination to him.

## Message from the Secretary/Treasurer

Elliot Yeske

Hello everyone, the year is starting out very cold and remaining that way here in Minnesota. We have a lot of snow and not much melting going on yet. Several members of the USC visited the Europaschau in Zwonitz, Germany this past January. What a show it was, it was nice to see so many from the US attending. Nate Wayne and I traveled together as we have in the past. We had a great time visiting friends in Germany as well as the Netherlands.

Some other news is that we sold out of the size 11mm bands for this year. At this writing I still have 190 8mm bands left. I have to sell the bands on a first come first serve basis. It hard to tell each year how many bands we need to order as a club the last few years we have had left over size 8mm. The club does not make much money on the bands but we do this for our members. Other years we have had 11mm bands left over as well. I try to order what I think we can sell it does vary from year to year and keep in mind that we send in order early in the year to the NPA. Members that do not get bands because we are sold out can order them from NPA of venders like Foy's pigeon supplies.

Membership dues, we still have several members that have not renewed their membership to the USC. Dues are still only \$10 per year with the great newsletter Gary puts out. I think \$10 for dues is a real bargain. Please check the membership list to see if your dues have expired and get your dues mailed to me soon. Members not paid up by April 15th will have to be dropped.

I know that some areas have started their breeding season. I hope you all have great season and raise many swallows.

See more photos of Swallows and other Color Pigeons inside this issue. Photos by: Reiner Fuchs of the German Swallow and Shield Club from the Zwönitz Show January 8 & 9, 2011.



Left: European Champion blue spangle Saxon Fairy Swallow. Exhibitor: Hans-Ulrich-Lemnitz

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## Message from the Vice President

Frank Bailey

These past three months have been very busy for some of us that elected to travel to Europe in order to attend the 2011 Show in Zwönitz, Germany. This show was dedicated to exhibiting Europe's best Saxon Color Pigeons with a special invitation to Europe's Ice Pigeon Club. This year it was held on January 8 & 9, 2011 and it hosted approximately 2,500 birds. There were exhibitors from France, Switzerland, Austria, Belgium, Netherlands, Czech Republic and Germany. It was wonderful seeing old friends, meeting new ones and interacting with several members of our USC from here in the USA.. Several of you have asked me about future shows worthy of attending. So I have asked and here is what I am being told: A visit and ten day stay in Germany in 2012 would umbrella two shows that promises to offer fanciers of pigeons the thrill of a lifetime. I was told that the show

committee is planning on hosting the largest show ever with approximately 92,000 animals (50,000 pigeons plus chickens, rabbits) in Leipzig, Germany

- December 7-9, 2012 Europe Show in Leipzig, Germany
- December 14-16, 2012 VDT-Schau German Pigeon Show in Nürnberg, Germany
- Right here in the USA...

Come the second weekend of November, we have a show being hosted by the LAPC (Los Angeles Pigeon Club). It is a celebration of their 100 Year Anniversary. I am plugging this show as I think it offers great weather and birds of high quality being exhibited. It would be great seeing many of you their exhibiting your birds.

I am very excited about my 2011 matings and I hope that you are equally as optimistic about breeding that special bird worthy of showing later this year.



European Champion, crested red tiger swallow - Wolfgang Dubrau. Photo: Reiner Fuchs

### Request for

**Club OFFICER nominations**

**Please nominate for the district director in your district**

Include nominations for

**Annual Meet location and the judge**

(pick judge from list to the right or you may write in a European judge).

Send all nominations by **April 15** to Tim Starr:

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### **Eligible judges :**

Mike Swanson

Leon Stephens

Perry Mueller

Bill Griebel

Dave Harris

Steve Ball

Gloria Weisgram

Write-in European

Photos from the Show in Zwönitz; by Reiner Fuchs or Gary Romig as credited



European Champion - Egbert Bierig



European Champion - Hans Gorges



European Champion - Horst Schmidt



European Champion - Cor van der Post



"E" rated red fairy - Kurt Melzer. Photo: GR



"E" rated blue fairy - Cor van der Post. Photo: GR



"E" rated yellow fairy - Klaus Burkhardt. Photo: GR



"E" rated blue check - Bernd Erler. Photo: GR

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European Champion - Reiner Wolf



European Champion - Wilfried Metzner



European Champion - Werner Grund



European Champion - Waldemar Neuhäusser



European Champion - Reinhard Rothe



"S" rated red Old German Moorhead - Andre Klein



European Champion - Stefan Heidrich



European Champion - Gerd Unger

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European Champion - Manfred Richter



European Champion - Friedrich Fiedler



Champion - Hermann Eisenschmid



European Champion - Gunter Wagner



European Champion - Hartmut Winkler



European Champion - Andreas Heyer



European Champion - Joachim Graupner



"HS" rated crested Moon Pigeon - Dieter Kunstmann

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European Champion - Rainer Eisen



European Champion - Werner Hesse



European Champion - Gert Melzer



European Champion - Gotthard Merkel



Champion - Dr. Hans-Joachim Pfundt



"E" rated Saxon Spot - Gotthard Merkel. Photo: GR



"S" rated Porcelain Ice - Lothar Fukker. Photo: GR



"E" rated blue Priest - Reiner Wolf. Photo: GR

# United Swallow Club Western District Meet At the San Diego NPA Grand National January 8 & 9, 2011 • Show Results

*Compiled by Dave Holloway*

## Silesian Swallows

*Judges: Layne Gardner, John Navant, Dave Holloway*

Mike Swanson	Silver Barless	OC #192	S94-1	
Mike Swanson	Silver Barless	OC #175	S94	
Mike Swanson	Silver Barless	OH #131	G92	
Mike Swanson	Silver Barless	OH #12	S94	
Kaylee Skistimas	Silver Check	OH #1716	S93-1	
Kaylee Skistimas	Silver Check	OH #1712	S93-2	
Mike Swanson	Silver Barless	YC #384	S93-1	
Mike Swanson	Silver Barless	YC #350	S93-2	
Mike Swanson	Silver Barless	YH #326	S95	Best Silesian
Mike Swanson	Silver Barless	YH #403	S93	
Kaylee Skistimas	Silver Check	YH #1510	S94	
Kaylee Skistimas	Silver Check	YH #1520	G92	
Kaylee Skistimas	Blue Black Bar	YH #356	S93	
Kaylee Skistimas	Silver Dun Bar	YH #1519	G92	



*Judges: Frank Walsh, Mike Swanson, Layne Gardner*

## Fairy Swallows

*Judges: Layne Gardner, John Navant, Dave Holloway*

Mike Swanson	Blue white bar	OC #222	S95	Best Fairy
Mike Swanson	Blue white bar	OC #159	S93-1	
Mike Swanson	Blue white bar	OC #831	S93-2	
Mike Swanson	Blue white bar	OH #133	S93-2	
Mike Swanson	Blue white bar	OH #165	S93-1	
Mike Swanson	Blue white bar	OH #100	S94	
Mike Swanson	Blue white bar	YC #320	S95	
Mike Swanson	Blue white bar	YC #395	S94	
Mike Swanson	Blue white bar	YC #480	S93	
Mike Swanson	Blue white bar	YH #329	S94	
Mike Swanson	Blue white bar	YH #376	G92	
Mike Swanson	Blue white bar	YH #300	S93	
John Heppner	Yellow white bar	YH #710	G91	



*Champion Swallow by Jay Beals*

## Thuringer Swallows

*Judges: Layne Gardner, Frank Walsh, Mike Swanson*

Tony Brancato	Blue barless	YC #2298	S93	
Tony Brancato	Blue barless	YH #2790	S94	Best Thuringer Swallow



*Best Fairy Swallow by Mike Swanson*

## Thuringer Wing Pigeons

*Judges: Layne Gardner, Frank Walsh, Mike Swanson*

Tony Brancato	Red barless	OC #878	S94	
Dave Holloway	Gray Ash Red Bar	OC #519	S94	
Dave Holloway	Gray barless	OC #2369	S93	
Dave Holloway	Ash Red check	OC #589	S94	
Jay Beals	Black barless	OC #249	HS96	Champion Swallow
Dave Holloway	Blue Spangle	OH #2311	S93	
Dave Holloway	Cream Bar	OH #548	S94	
Tony Brancato	Red barless	OH #?	S93	
Perry Mueller	Blue barless	YC #128	S95	
Perry Mueller	Blue barless	YC #106	HS96	Res. Champion
Jay Beals	Black barless	YC #309	S95	
Jay Beals	Black barless	YH #303	HS96	
Perry Mueller	Blue barless	YH #117	S95-1	
Perry Mueller	Blue barless	YH #119	S95-2	



*Best Thuringer Swallow by Tony Brancato*