## **Annual Special Show in Zwönitz 2013**

Each of us said goodbye to our 2012 breeding and show season and welcomed in the New Year. The premier show and highlight for our group is always our Annual Specialty Show for Swallows and Shields held in Zwönitz. It offers each of us an opportunity to meet and greet our breeder friends. Exhibiting our birds with a wish that they may achieve even higher marks than our birds did the year before.

This year was no different, everything started off with excitement and high anticipation for each of us. Then late Friday night after the show hall was closed and before the hall was opened on Saturday morning everything changed and this show became a show that will be remembered for many years to come. A well planned and executed robbery took place. The robbery of 82 outstanding Saxon Fairy Swallow's in different colors and patterns were stolen. Those breeders exhibiting their Red Spangled Fairy Swallows presented a unique collection of 18 pigeons in an extraordinary high quality and suddenly they were all gone. In the Black Spangled Fairy collection the burglars took away 22 birds. When the show hall opened on Saturday morning it was soon discovered that cages were empty and our breeder friends suddenly became overwhelmed with shock, followed by anger and a gut retching pain! This terrible-terrible incident had suddenly taken our happiness to sadness that became the mood for the remainder of the show.

For those that have been stripped of their prized Fairy's, our hearts are filled with understanding and our sincere sympathy. These birds represented years and years of hard work and dedication to a high level of perfection. When something like this happens, it happens to all of us and not only those with their personal loss. Those empty cages also left emptiness for all of us that were present... Decades of devotion and passion was stolen during this unforgettable night. Our passion for the "Fairy Swallow" has suffered a loss beyond words, as these high quality genetic pieces of fine art will be a major setback for us. For those that were responsible for the pain we've suffered, you have made each of us stronger and committed to bringing some closer to this incident. We will not rest until they are found and reprimanded for their actions.

We wish all the breeders internal strength in order to overcome this incredible loss. We will join our friends, learn from this incident and become stronger as an organization.

A special thank you goes out to all those that organized this event, help set it up, judged our birds and broke the show down and put it away. It is your assistance that makes our Zwönitz Pigeon Show/Club the "premier show" that it is...and we thank you for that.

Please enjoy the photos of the pigeons. Some birds you will be viewing for the last time!

Have a great breeding season and we're looking forward to seeing you next year.

Andreas Reuter



Saxon Fullhead

black white bars

Klaus Hentschel, V 97 BVE



Saxon Fullhead yellow white bars Klaus Hentschel, V 97 E



Saxon Fullhead blue white bars Martin Elze, V 97 EKB



Saxon Fullhead blck spangled Klaus Hentschel, hv 96 E



Saxon Fullhead red spangled Klaus Hentschel, V 97 SVB



Saxon Fullhead yellow spangled Klaus Hentschel, hv 96 E



Saxon Fullhed blue spangled Martin Elze, V 97 EP



Saxon Fullhead blue barless H.-Ulrich Lemnitz, hv 96 E



Saxon Silesian Swallow blue white bars Michael Gallasch, V 97 SVB



Saxon Silesian Swallow black white bars Jürgen Noll, V 97 SVB



Saxon Silesian Swallow red white bars Gert Melzer, hv 96 E



Saxon Silesian Swallow yellow white bars Heinz Mosig, sg 95 E



Saxon Silesian Swallow silver white bars Christoph Klemm, hv 96 E



Saxon Silesian Swallow black spangled Gert Melzer, sg 95 E



Saxon Silesian Swallow red spangled Heinz Mosig, hv 96 EP



Saxon Silesian Swallow blue black bars Leo Kunath, V 97 SVB



Saxon Silesian Swallow silver barless Daniel Klemm, V 97 SVB



Saxon Silesian Swallow blue checker Dieter Junghänel, hv 96 LVEM



Saxon Slilesian Swallow silver checker Kurt Melzer, hv 96 E



Saxon Silesian Swallow red checker Stefan Heidrich, sg 95 RZ



Saxon Fair Swallow black white bars Rudi Kreher, V 97 SVB



Saxon Fairy Swallow blue white bars Klaus Burkhardt, V 97 SVB



Saxon Fairy Swallow red white bars Kurt Melzer, V 97 SVB



Saxon Fairy Swallow silver white bars Kurt Melzer, hv 96 KVE



Saxon Fairy Swallow black spangled Horst Schmidt, V 97 SVB



Saxon Fairy swallow yellow white bars Klaus Burkhardt, hv 96 EP1



Saxon Fairy Swallow red spangled Jürgen Noll, V 97 SVB



Saxon Fairy Swallow yellow spangled Klaus Burkhardt, V 97 SVB



Saxon Fairy Swallow blue spangled Christoph Klemm, hv 96 EP



Saxon Fairy Swallow blue black bars Klaus Dieter Müller, V 97 SVB



Saxon Fairy Swallow silver Klaus Dieter Müller, V 97 EKB



Saxon Shield black white bars Steffen Grund, V 97 SVB



Saxon Shield red white bars Andreas Reuter, hv 96 LVE



Saxon Shield black spangled Gottfried Oertel, hv 96 E



Saxon Shield yellow spangled Werner Grund, V 97 LVE



Saxon Shield crested red white bars Wilfried Metzner, hv 96 EP



Saxon Shield crested black spangled Wilfried Metzner, sg 95 E



Saxon Shield double crested black white bars Reinhard Rothe, V 97 E-Ged.



Saxon Shield double crested red white bars Reinhard Rothe, V 97 SVB



Saxon Shield double crested yellow white bars Louis Verelst, sg 95 E



Saxon Shield double crested silver white bars Peter Stolze, sg 95 RZ



Saxon Shield double crested black spangled Horst Schmidt, V 97 SVB



Saxon Shield double crested silver spangled Reinhard Rothe