



# American Racing Pigeon Union



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#### 30<sup>th</sup> ANNUAL NATIONAL YOUTH RACE IN 2024! Karen Clifton, AU Executive Director

It is hard to believe that the 30<sup>th</sup> annual AU National Youth Race is taking place this year! We encourage junior members to participate as this is the only national race just for youth.

The 2024 race and annual convention is being hosted by the Florida Invitational Combine of Orlando.

Junior members may enter one bird each. There is no entry fee to enter the race. Participants must be AU junior members. All participants will receive a certificate or plaque and the winner will also receive a trophy.

Please ship birds to:

Lou Gurino 17716 SE 237<sup>th</sup> Court Umatilla, FL 32784 352-895-4420

Be sure to clearly mark the container "AU National Youth Race." Include the name of the junior member. This will ensure the birds get to the youth race handler and that we are able to identify and acknowledge each junior member participating.

Ship birds between February 15 and June 30, 2024.

On behalf of your national office, we wish you a happy and healthy 2024!

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Faux Clifton

## Matthias Grabs First in the AU's 2023 National Youth Race

Karen Clifton, AU Executive Director



AU 2023 National Youth Race

Galveston County Inv RPC November 24, 2023

Big congratulations goes out to Matthias! His bird took first out of 29 birds that were released.



### Calling all junior members!

Would you like to serve as an AU Youth Ambassador? Your work would be featured in AU publications. It's a great way to get acquainted with other juniors and clubs across the country.

If you like to visit and you like to write, this is a perfect "gig" for you!

Let us hear from you (aupromo@aol.com).



Retrieve lost birds.

It's the right thing to do.

#### HAVE FRIENDS THAT WOULD LIKE TO RACE?

We are so proud of all our junior members! Wouldn't it be fun to have your friends join in the racing?

Do you have a teacher or youth group leader that would let you make a presentation to share the hobby? We have educational material to help others learn about the fun of racing.

If you would like to receive some of this literature, please call on your national office (405-848-5801 or <a href="mailto:aupromo@aol.com">aupromo@aol.com</a>). We will provide this at no cost and help you promote your hobby in any way possible.

## Contest Winners for Dove Brain Teaser which was in our Fall 2023 issue.

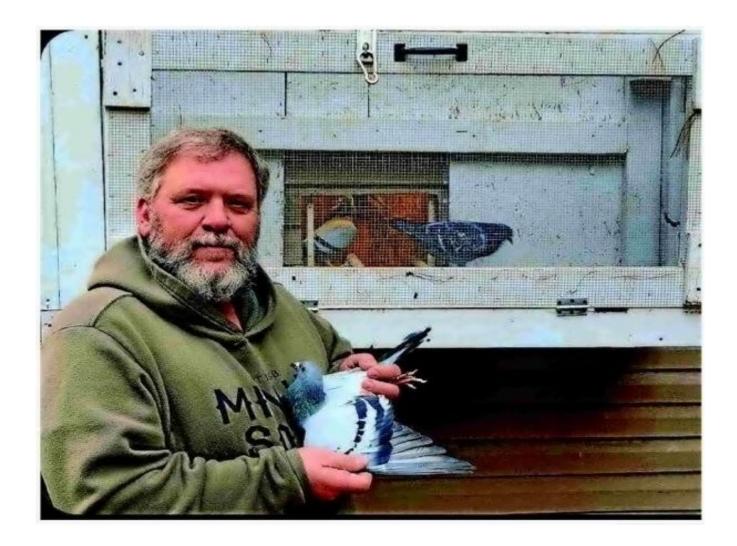
We are excited to announce that Jesse R. and Cirks S. (not pictured) won and received an AU hat with monogram logo. This is an opportunity for juniors to promote their hobby as well.







### 4-H Club takes to the air with Pigeon Racing



Mike Parrish has started a Pigeon Racing program for 4-H youth in Jasper County.

Find the interview with Mike Parrish on website below:

Copy and Paste into google search bar:

https://www.nwitimes.com/4-h-club-takes-to-the-air-with-pigeon-racing/article\_f1255a80-3c94-5693-b2c9-8d304ebb4987.html?utm\_medium=social&utm\_source=email&utm\_campaign=user-share

# Send us your pictures

We'll put them in the Pigeon Tracks! We'd love to see pictures of your pigeons and/or your club. Maybe you have pictures of training them or of the birds flying around their loft. Send us your photos and we'll show you off in the newsletter.



### 4-H Flying Clovers shared their pics . . .



Thank you for letting us enjoy your birds while you were gone. The kids really enjoyed seeing all the cute baby birds, and always want to take some home.

Isabelle and Lily helped take care of Mike's loft while at the 2023 Convention.



# Something to enjoy while the weather is cold outside. Make him your favorite color!

