

**WEST OF ENGLAND SOUTH ROAD COMBINE – BEDHAMPTON 25<sup>TH</sup> APRIL 2015**

**310 MEMBERS    27 CLUBS    5774 BIRDS    LIBERATED AT 11AM IN A STRONG SW WIND**

	<b>Name</b>	<b>Club</b>	<b>Bird</b>	<b>Colour</b>	<b>Sex</b>	<b>Distance</b>	<b>AFT</b>	<b>Velocity</b>
1	Mr & Mrs Evans	Gloucester & D	GB14F46981	Cheq	H	86/1250	1:48:07	1411.531
2	Mr & Mrs Phelps	Gloucester & D	GB14D17193	Red	C	87/537	1:49:06	1408.405
3	Mr & Mrs Phelps	Gloucester & D	GB14D17163	Blue	C	87/537	1:49:20	1405.399
4	D Russell & Sons	Gloucester & D	GB14D16819	Blue	H	86/681	1:48:18	1403.887
5	P B & W Hyatt	Charlton Kings	GB11K32764	Blue	C	96/768	2:01:25	1397.897
6	M & G James	Lydney	GB13N82454	Cheq Pd	H	96/1176	2:01:43	1397.858
7	Mr & Mrs Kerr	Gloucester & D	GB14D17417	Blue	C	85/1669	1:48:15	1397.404
8	M & G James	Lydney	GB14R34052	Blue Ch	C	96/1176	2:01:48	1396.902
9	S Hanman	Gloucester & D	GB10J05885	Blue	H	88/411	1:51:14	1396.083
10	M & G James	Lydney	GB13J19501	Blue Ch	C	96/1176	2:01:54	1395.756
11	M & G James	Lydney	GB14N90502	Blue Pd	C	96/1176	2:02:02	1394.231
12	Else & Murray	Gloucester & D	GB14N97261	Blue	C	97/59	2:03:15	1385.631
13	Mr & Mrs Kerr	Gloucester & D	GB14D17430	Mealy	C	85/1669	1:49:15	1384.613
14	Mr & Mrs Kerr	Gloucester & D	GB14D17407	Blue	H	85/1669	1:49:19	1383.769
15	Jenkins & Bullingham	Nailsworth	GB13J07149	Grizzle	C	82/482	1:45:00	1379.160
16	Mr & Mrs Kerr	Gloucester & D	GB14D17434	Cheq	H	85/1669	1:49:59	1375.381
17	Mr & Mrs Phelps	Gloucester & D	GB14D17167	Blue w/f	C	87/537	1:51:56	1372.755
18	R Wellfair	Charlton Kings	GB13P27495	Blue	H	87/712	1:52:09	1371.663
19	R Wellfair	Charlton Kings	GB12H40450	Blue Ch	H	87/712	1:52:25	1368.409
20	Mr & Mrs Peart	Gloucester & D	GB14N14703	Blue	C	83/185	1:46:58	1367.389
21	S Dangerfield	Gloucester & D	GB12N00462	Blue	C	81/1575	1:45:49	1362.120
22	R Wellfair	Charlton Kings	GB13R48931	Blue	H	87/712	1:53:24	1356.543
23	A Jenkins	Charlton Kings	GB13E04795	Blue Ch	C	88/249	1:54:40	1352.869
24	N Orchard	Nailsworth	GB13V41151	Blue	H	81/1476	1:47:00	1346.047
25	P Weems	Chippenham	GB11C15589	Blue	C	63/201	1:22:37	1344.535
26	M & G James	Lydney	GB13D48349	Blue	C	96/1176	2:07:25	1335.322
27	D J Knowles	Bath	GB14N04923	Blue	C	62/576	1:22:15	1333.689
28	J & L Eggerton	Charlton Kings	GB12L39341	Dark Pd	C	96/1706	2:08:06	1332.287
29	W Morris	Gloucester & D	GB13N75200	Dark Ch	C	87/1685	1:56:17	1331.274
30	A Gibb	Gloucester & D	GB14N55757	Dark Ch w/f	H	85/1492	1:53:30	1331.207
31	P Reed	Gloucester & D	GB13N56509	Mealy	C	87/100	1:56:03	1320.293
32	K Hallam	Lydney	GB14L26363	Blue Ch	H	99/1609	2:13:35	1316.445
33	S Hanman	Gloucester & D	GB14N66472	Cheq	H	88/411	1:58:19	1312.503
34	S Eamer	Broad Plain	GB12N75571	Blue	H	79/307	1:46:25	1309.447
35	S Wilcox	Towers	GB12N78495	Blue	H	80/316	1:48:06	1305.369
36	Jenkins & Bullingham	Nailsworth	GB14R26005	Blue Ch	C	82/482	1:51:00	1304.605
37	S J Walker	Synwell	GB14S32783	Blue	H	81/694	1:49:56	1303.099
38	R & J Whiteside	Wraxall Village	GB13N99815	Blue	C	83/1610	1:53:48	1297.803
39	P Weems	Chippenham	GB14D47010	Blue Ch	C	63/201	1:25:36	1297.675
40	T Palmer	Lydney	GB13L26363	Blue Ch	H	92/57	2:04:49	1297.595
41	Howse & Parsons	Chippenham	GB12J03558	Dark Ch	C	54/1398	1:14:20	1297.372
42	Howse & Parsons	Chippenham	GB14J08006	Cheq w/f	C	54/1398	1:14:23	1296.500
43	P V & M Lloyd	Charlton Kings	GB11K05194	Blue	H	87/1302	1:59:07	1296.393
44	A & J Stone	Wraxall Village	GB14R32475	Cheq Pd	C	86/528	1:57:17	1295.052
45	R & J Whiteside	Wraxall Village	GB13R19945	Cheq	C	83/1610	1:54:03	1294.958
46	J Raeburn	Bath	GB13N06301	Blue	C	60/1250	1:22:35	1293.844
47	Luff & Walker	Gloucester & D	GB14N02139	Cheq	C	83/1198	1:53:52	1293.425
48	Luff & Walker	Gloucester & D	GB14N02128	Cheq	C	83/1198	1:53:52	1293.425
49	P B & W Hyatt	Charlton Kings	GB09P46248	Blue	c	96/768	2:11:17	1292.837
50	P Daniels	Bristol West	GB11F34597	Red	H	79/946	1:48:18	1292.576
51	D F & H A Cook	Gloucester & D	GB11K44796	Red Grizzle	C	96/1275	2:11:51	1291.126
52	R & J Whiteside	Wraxall Village	GB13N99808	Cheq	C	83/1610	1:54:25	1290.808
53	G & V Watkins	Wraxall Village	GB14Z79274	Blue	C	88/216	2:00:12	1290.265

Congratulations to Mr & Mrs Evans of Gloucester & DFC for topping the Combine together with the Alan Payne Trophy and £30 prize money Mr & Mrs Phelps of Gloucester win £30 prize money for 2<sup>nd</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup>.

Any objections in writing to the Combine Secretary within 7 days of publication Alen Gibb, 21 Sussex Gardens, Hucclecote, Gloucester GL3 3SW – email: secretary@woescr.com

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**BIRDAGE AND WINNING VELOCITIES IN ALL CLUBS TOGETHER WITH POINTS SCORED & POINTS STATUS**

<b>CLUB</b>	<b>BIRDS</b>	<b>MEMBERS</b>	<b>VEL.</b>	<b>PTS.</b>	<b>OB TOTAL</b>	<b>OB POSITION</b>
Bath	176	13	1333.689	22	33	6=
Bridgewater Cent.	32	2	1026.768	1	1	27
Bridgewater & D	98	6	1208.441	8	30	13=
Bristol West	241	18	1292.576	17	32	8=
Broad Plain	189	12	1309.447	21	35	3=
Carlingcott	407	13	1280.869	15	31	10=
Charlton Kings	271	11	1397.897	26	30	13=
Chippenham	324	15	1344.535	23	29	16=
Crewkerne	182	10	1087.310	3	29	16=
Farrington Gurney	270	19	1252.753	12	30	13=
Frome SR	41	3	1190.853	5	18	23
Glastonbury	494	18	1222.351	10	33	6=
Gloucester & D	473	22	1411.531	27	32	8=
Lydney	169	10	1397.858	25	34	5
Midsomer Norton	334	15	1261.486	14	31	10=
Minehead	40	7	1114.114	4	29	16=
Nailsworth	126	9	1379.160	24	31	10=
Sedgemoor	292	15	1235.279	11	35	3=
Sharpness	90	5	1221.515	9	9	26
Sodbury Vale	197	12	1290.817	16	28	20=
Stroud Valley	66	7	1254.174	13	16	25
Synwell & D	142	12	1303.099	19	27	22
Taunton SR	140	17	1051.523	2	29	16=
Towers	251	11	1305.369	20	40	1
Warminster	26	3	1197.666	6	16	24
Worle E-W	239	12	1207.899	7	28	20=
Wraxhall Village	323	13	1297.803	18	37	2

**Convoyer's Report:** We arrived on site on 2.15am and water was placed before the birds before we turned in for some sleep. The weather was such that we did not rise until 7am when water was topped up. The weather was not suitable for liberation with full cloud cover and some rain. A fairly strong SW wind was blowing. Following consultation with the race advisor during the morning the weather was clearing from the west but the wind was still strong. Eventually we had some cloud but plenty of blue sky and sunshine – visibility was very good although the wind was still quite strong. A liberation was decided for 11am and the birds released and appeared to leave the site immediately over a nearby hill. There were a few ‘sticky’ crates which meant the birds in those were slightly delayed from leaving the vehicle – please ensure the hinges are well oiled. I saw no birds flying into trees which were at least 80 yards from the transporters. I could not move further away due to the wet ground. The Kent Cosmopolitan Federation was on site with me. Last year they were bogged down in the field and spent £800+ in getting towed out. Their convoyer was pleased with the Combine liberation and saw no problems.

I understand there have been various rumours circulating regarding the liberation which are untrue. The Secretary is aware of these and is making enquiries – he will be publishing a full report on events at and near Bedhampton for your information.

Martin Pike – Chief Convoyer

**Secretary's Note:** I have spoken with a number of people present at our liberation and nearby. No one has blamed our convoyer for the difficulties in this race so to see comments on the internet is a shame – especially when one of own committee is openly blaming the convoyer stating ‘he had no faith in him’ – such comments are totally out of order. Remember that Martin gave us the best YB racing this Combine has had in years. Later today or tomorrow I will be publishing a full report on my findings in speaking with others which I am sure will find that the main problem for such a difficult race was the strength of the wind soon after leaving the site. One other comment on the internet basically accused me of lying to members when I knew there were problems with the lib but told everyone that all was fine. I only tell you what I have been told and am not very happy at being called a liar.

Alen Gibb