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Dear Mr Kakoschke

Thank you for your correspondence of 4 November 2021 concerning Government recognition of racing pigeons in Australia.

I appreciate your dedication and commitment to developing the sport of Pigeon Racing in Australia. It is the responsibility of Sport Australia to review recognition of an organisation as a National Sporting Organisation (NSO) or a National Sporting Organisation for people with disability (NSOD).

NSOs and NSODs seeking formal recognition must satisfy a list of criteria, which assist Sport Australia to determine whether an organisation is considered the pre-eminent body in Australia for the sport it represents, and has adequate corporate governance and oversight. Further details of the recognition criteria is available at:  
[www.sportaus.gov.au/recognition\\_of\\_national\\_sporting\\_organisations](http://www.sportaus.gov.au/recognition_of_national_sporting_organisations).

Sport Australia has been advised of your interest in seeking NSO recognition, and will notify you when the next opportunity to apply for recognition opens.

Thank you for raising this matter.

Yours sincerely

Richard Colbeck

My father raced under the "Venetian" loft  
name in the 60's + 70's, in Tasmania  
Cheers  
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