

# **THE NORTH EAST BUDGERIGAR SOCIETY OF SOUTH AUSTRALIA INCORPORATED**

## **SHOW RULES**

The Show Rules have been updated and become effective on 1/10/2011. They are binding to all present members and all new members who join the Society after this date.

### **1. ANNUAL SHOWS**

- a) Until altered by proper resolution as prescribed in the Rules, the Annual Show (Championship) for any age birds beyond their first molt may be held each year at the Committee's discretion.
- b) The Breeders Show (previous year rung birds) may be held annually at the Committee's discretion.
- c) A Young Stock Show (current year rung birds) may be held at the discretion of the Committee.
- d) Major Awards to extend to Fifth Champion Cock and Fifth Champion Hen for any major show held by the Society.
- e) An Unbroken Cap Championship Show may be held annually at the discretion of the Committee.
- f) Any of the major annual shows held by the Society shall be open to NEBS members as well as financial members of other Societies.

### **2. MONTHLY SHOWS**

- a) These may be held throughout the year on regular meeting nights, and shall cater for such classes as may be determined by the Executive Committee.
- b) The exceptions of the above (a) being; August (Annual General Meeting), December (Family Night), and in the event of the temperature at a monthly show being forecast as over 32 degrees (i.e. 33 degrees or above) at 6.00pm on the night preceding the meeting.

### **3. OTHER SHOWS**

This Society may hold or participate in any other shows as deemed appropriate. This includes inter-club competitions.

#### 4. MANAGEMENT

- a) The management of all shows staged by the Society shall be under the direct control of the Show Manager.
- b) Decisions regarding any show matters made by the Executive Committee in accordance with the Society's rules shall be binding on all exhibitors, and such decisions shall be final.
- c) The Executive Committee, when necessary, may appoint additional Show Committee persons from members to assist in running shows.

#### 5. SHOW ENTERIES

- a) Entries for club major shows must be made on the Society's entry forms. On acceptance of entries the exhibitor shall be bound by the Society's Show Rules.
- b) Entry forms for major shows held by the Society will be available to members, from the Secretary/Show Manager prior to each show.
- c) Completed entry forms, together with entry fees if applicable, must reach the Show Manager by the closing date of entries. Late entries may be accepted after this date with a relative surcharge.
- d) A late entry may be accepted due to extenuating circumstances at the Show Managers discretion.
- e) The Executive Committee may, however, extend the closing date if unforeseen circumstances warrant such action.
- f) After the closing date, the exhibitor will be sent a label for each accepted entry. This label must be fixed to the lower left hand corner of the show cage.
- g) Entry fees for any bird not exhibited will be forfeited.
- h) Entry fees shall be determined by the Executive Committee, including late entry fees.
- i) Until otherwise determined, entries for the monthly shows will be received on the night of showing.
- j) The cancellation of any Major Show during the year due to unforeseen circumstances, with the exception of current weather related policy, will be at the discretion of the Executive Committee and all exhibitors will be notified accordingly.
- k) The show will be cancelled if in the event of the temperature being forecast as over 32 degrees (i.e. 33 degrees or above) at 6.00pm on the night preceding the show.

#### 6. STAGING OF BIRDS

- a) The onus will be on the exhibitor to see that his/her birds are entered in the correct classes, and all birds will be shown at the sole risk of the exhibitor.
- b) All birds must be the *bona fide* property of the exhibitor, and any person attempting to defraud the Society in any way, shall not be allowed to

compete in any show of the Society, without the special sanction of the Executive Committee.

- c) If rings are purchased in joint or partnership names the exhibits are to be entered on the official entry form in the same manner.
- d) The decision as to staging of any exhibit shall be at the absolute discretion of the Show Manager.
- e) Poorly presented show cages which endanger the birds or are deemed unsanitary will not be passed for exhibition.
- f) Unhealthy or sick birds will be removed from the bench at the discretion of the Show Manager at any time prior to, or during the Show.
- g) Any birds placed before the Judges in the wrong classes will be disqualified, and the exhibit marked accordingly on the cage.
- h) Unfinancial persons or persons disqualified from membership shall not be permitted to enter birds in any NEBS show.
- i) Any exhibitor detected of tampering with cage, or exhibit, can be disqualified from showing at the discretion of the Executive Committee and disciplinary action, as per item 11 of the Constitution, can be proceeded with.
- j) No birds with the exception of those covered by 9(c) and 9(e) shall be handled without the express permission and presence of the owner.
- k) Exhibitors shall not be allowed to remove the exhibits until authorized by the Show Manager.
- l) Following a major show all birds must be checked out by a member of the Committee or to the satisfaction of the exhibitor.

## 7. AGE CLASSIFICATIONS OF BUDGERIGARS

- a) Age classification for NEBS shows is to be determined by year of ring issue and as determined by the NEBS Executive Committee.
- b) For Night Shows held at monthly meetings the classification is as determined by the NEBS Executive Committee.

## 8. SHOW CAGES

- a) All birds to be shown in ANBC Standard Shows Cages, approved by the NEBS.
- b) Drinkers will be plastic and fitted to all cage fronts 4 spaces from the left hand side of the cage level with the perch.
- c) Any Standard Cage will be acceptable on the show bench until the year 2014 showing season when the ANBC standard cage will be adopted fully as to changes in perch size and powder coated cage fronts.
- d) The seed mixture allowed is that of equal parts Canary, Jap Millet and White Millet. Additives are not permitted other than Panicum Seed. Seed will not be accepted on the floor of show cages for night shows but white plastic sheets covering the floor of the show cage is acceptable. This base covering is also acceptable at major shows together with a full covering of seed mixture on the floor of the show cage.

(e) Any deviation from these conditions, except with the express permission of the Executive Committee, will automatically disqualify the entry.

## 9. PRIZE WINNERS

- a) Birds winning awards in all Annual and Monthly Shows must be the property of, and bred by, the exhibitor, except as specified in (f) below.
- b) Birds competing in these classes must bear the correct year seasons rings of any Society providing that the exhibitor is a financial member of that Society and has proof of ring purchase.
- c) All birds winning a Major Award at a show of this Society shall have their ring numbers checked by the Show Manager and Ring Steward, to ascertain they were bred by the exhibitor. Owner of the bird may attend.
- d) In the event of any irregularity in respect of section (c) of this rule, the prize winners so defaulting must be disqualified and the awards correctly adjusted.
- e) Ring numbers of any birds in shows with awards eligible for consideration for Exhibitor Status must be taken as for 9(c), and passed on to the BCSA.
- f) Show schedules may include a single status combined class for non owner bred birds which do not qualify for Major Awards or Status Movement Points.

## 10. THE TROPHIES

- a) Where trophies are donated for unspecific classes the Executive Committee shall have full powers to allocate them suitably.
- b) Trophies presented for specified classes must be awarded according to the wishes of the donor; no alteration to this rule is permissible without the donors consent.
- c) Semi-permanent trophies must be kept in good order by the winner in each particular year, and returned in good condition upon request by a committee person prior the next show.
- d) Trophies may be increased or altered if deemed necessary by the number of entries. This to be at the discretion of the Executive Committee.

## 11. BEHAVIOUR AT SHOW

- a) Any person making themselves objectionable, for any reason at any of the Society's Shows, shall render themselves liable to ejection at the discretion of the Executive Committee persons present.

## 12. JUDGES

- a) Judging shall be in accordance with the ANBC Standard known as 'The Standard'.
- b) All officiating Judges shall be bound by the BCSA Judges Code of Ethics.

- c) A judge shall not withhold any award unless the bird:-
  - 1. Does not represent the variety in which it is entered, or
  - 2. Is diseased in any way, or
  - 3. Has a visible deformity, or
  - 4. Has been subjected to any malpractice.
- d) Judges for the Annual, Young Stock, Breeders and Unbroken Cap Show shall be selected by the Executive Committee and/or Show Committee persons.
- e) Except where here-in-after provided for in Rule 13, the Judges decision will be final.
- f) All other Judges at monthly meetings shall be appointed by the Executive Committee and/or Show Committee persons.

### 13. PROTESTS

- a) Protests to be lodged with the Show Manager within one hour of the doors being open to the public and dealt with at the Show Managers discretion.
- b) Protests to be dealt with before presentations of trophies.

### 14. EXIBITOR STATUS

- a) All matters pertaining to Exhibitor Status will be determined by the BCSA, including eligibility of shows for Status Movement, in line with current rules that they control.

### 15. DEFINITIONS

- a) MAJOR AWARDS: One of the top awards in a Major Annual Show at any specialist budgerigar society within South Australia.
- b) NEBS: North East Budgerigar Society of South Australia Incorporated.
- c) BCSA: Budgerigar Council of South Australia Incorporated.
- d) ANBC: National Budgerigar Council Incorporated.

### 16. REGULATIONS UNPROVIDED FOR

Any matters which are not covered by the foregoing regulations will be considered by the Executive Committee, and their decision shall be binding.