



# Budgie Bulletin



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# NORTH EAST B.S. NEWSLETTER

Issued bi-monthly for the members

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## CLUB OBJECTIVES

TO PROMOTE FEELINGS OF GOOD FELLOWSHIP AND SPORTSMANSHIP AMONG ITS OWN MEMBERS AND ALL OTHER PERSONS INTERESTED IN THE BUDGERIGAR.

TO PROMOTE THE IMPROVEMENT OF EXISTING VARIETIES AND THE PRODUCTION OF NEW ONES.

TO ENDEAVOUR TO PROMOTE, ENCOURAGE AND STIMULATE THE BREEDING OF BUDGERIGARS.

## MEMBERSHIP FEES

All subscriptions become due January 1<sup>st</sup>, 2021

(Also applies to new members who join after October 1<sup>st</sup>, 2020, who will be financial for 2021)

**SINGLE \$20.00, DOUBLE \$30** (Single fee plus 50%)

**FAMILY** Single fee (\$20.00) plus 50% single fee for each person over 18 years of age  
Under 18 years – no charge in family situation

**JUNIOR** \$13 (65% normal fee)

**PENSIONER** Single \$16, Double \$24 (Both 80% of normal fee)

**PARTNERSHIP** \$15 per person (75% of normal single fee)

**For electronic transfer of membership fees use your name as the reference, and Bank SA BSB**

**105-146, Account number 547328040**

**BCSA Membership fee: \$15 per person**

Members must be financial with North East Budgerigar Society and BCSA to purchase 2020 rings.

**Club meets at Kilburn Hall at 49 Le Hunte St, Kilburn, at 7.30pm on the second Wednesday of every month except December**

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Wednesday, March 18, 2020

Dear Members,

The spread of the coronavirus (CORVID-19) as expected has impacted our bird plans going forward into the short to possibly mid-term future. In chronological order, through recent days:

**Monday March 16:** The BSSA Committee cancelled their Murphy Classic Novice and Intermediate Show planned for Saturday March 28<sup>th</sup> including the backup date of April 18<sup>th</sup>, and cancelled their Tuesday April 7<sup>th</sup> General Meeting.

**Tuesday March 17:** The NEBS Committee cancelled their Wednesday April 8<sup>th</sup> General Meeting. The virus is highly contagious, affection at present is ramping up and is potentially lethal to those at the upper end of the membership age structure. So, the April meeting was deemed to be a non-essential social gathering, thus ensuring recommended social distancing as the primary deterrent. The club magazine will be published and distributed electronically or by mail as usual. The show schedules generally distributed at the time of the April meeting may or may not be distributed. Whether or not they remain relevant will be subject to ongoing review as the pandemic unfolds.

**Wednesday March 18:** Received the following notification from the Canary and Cage Bird Federation through whom NEBS is affiliated and takes out public liability insurance: "ALL bird events scheduled prior to 14<sup>th</sup> June 2020, including shows, sales and club meetings should be cancelled immediately". Their current advice is that their public liability insurance will not cover claims associated with the CORVID-19 outbreak. Invoking their advice would go beyond cancellation of our April General Meeting and rub out the May and June General Meetings, the Lloyd Edwards Breeder Show scheduled for Saturday May 9<sup>th</sup>, the Dominant Varieties MiniShow programmed for the May General Meeting and the sale of birds programmed for the June General Meeting. Progress of the virus will be monitored by the Committee in relation to this advice from the Canary and Cage Bird Federation and current and ongoing medical consensus among government bodies.

**Imminent advice from ANBC and or BCV regarding the Bendigo National Show:** This will be communicated to you as soon as formal notification is received via the BCSA. Note that as of today (Wednesday March 18) there are now government imposed restrictions on non-essential indoor meetings exceeding 100 participants, until further notice, which directly relates to this event scheduled for the weekend of May 23-24. The Logan Shield and BCSA Annual Auction is within the BCSA jurisdiction and their programming will be reviewed by that body in due course. The current crisis needs to be taken seriously so please follow the advice of the health professionals to minimise risk. This communication will be printed in the April magazine to reach those who are not connected electronically.

Best wishes,

John Mulley

Secretary, North East Budgerigar Society.

Sunday, March 22, 2020

Dear Members,

The Committee has recognised that more cancellations are now necessary in line with updates from official government sources and acknowledging that public liability insurance taken out through the Canary and Cage Bird Federation of Australia does not cover meetings for anything related to coronavirus. This is in force for the period up to **June 14**. Since the NEBS Committee cancelled the April General Meeting a few days ago additional cancellations are as follows:

- The national show planned for May has been cancelled by the ANBC
- The Logan Shield planned for May has been cancelled by the BCSA
- Port Pirie Budgerigar Society has cancelled all their events up to **June 14**
- The NEBS Committee have cancelled all events programmed before **June 14**:
  - The May General Meeting
  - The Lloyd Edwards Breeder Show
  - The Dominant Varieties MiniShow planned for the May General Meeting
  - The June 10 General Meeting
  - The sale of birds planned for the June General Meeting.

Beyond that, see the June Budgie Bulletin for information about the Program at NEBS General Meetings from July onwards, The Fisher Annual Show planned for June 20 and the BCSA Annual Auction planned for July 18.

Regarding the Trading Table, Vicki Sanford restocked just prior to these cancellations and is open for business. She can be contacted on 8263 7369 or [vickisanford@bigpond.com](mailto:vickisanford@bigpond.com).

Regarding sale of birds now that our June sale of birds has been cancelled, if you have excess birds for sale that might be useful to other breeders send details to the Secretary on the attached form with price for each bird before the publication of the June Budgie Bulletin. Deadline for inclusion in the magazine will be Wednesday May 27.

Regarding monthly Committee meetings, these will continue roughly on the same schedule to continue to properly manage club business, probably electronically.

Later note: Port Adelaide Enfield Community Council notified the club that as of 5pm Monday March 23 that all community halls are no longer available for meetings until further notice. Existing hall bookings will be held and will not be charged until halls are opened again.

President: Graeme Alchin;      Secretary: John Mulley

## ***Urgent Update for the 2020 ANBC National Show - Bendigo***

To Budgerigar Enthusiasts Everywhere,

In order to protect our Local & National Breeders, Exhibitors & their Families we are very disappointed to advise everyone that the 2020 ANBC National Show in Bendigo has been cancelled due to the Corona Virus.

Victoria will be making a submission to the ANBC to revise the National show schedule as this cancellation potentially means we will not see the National Show in Victoria for another seven years. Victoria has always been the largest show and this cancellation means that we forgo a National show for 15 years.

I have approached the Bendigo Tourism Centre regarding their refund policy and have been advised that:

*All event bookings made through the visitors Centre will be refunded and Accommodation bookings made via the Visitors centre will also be refunded*

Bendigo Tourism have offered to Contact everybody who has paid monies for this event to process a refund so you should be receiving a call shortly.

In the case of Airline travel bookings as we have all made our own arrangement's with the various airlines it will be up to each individual to make their own enquiries.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank the Victorian National Show Committee and others for their tireless energy in organising this major event over the last two years - they include: James Smith, Bruce Wilson, David Charlton, Kathy McCalman, Matt Emond, Peter Thurn, Darren MacFarlane, Leigh Downey, Alistair Bennallack, Dave Ganzer, the Four Judges, those who promised birds for the auction, all of the stewards and all those who have

committed fully to support the show weekend.

The City of Greater Bendigo has been very supportive of this show and most generous with their time so a very special thanks go to Dawn Holland and Kathryn Evans for all of their efforts in the support of our event.

Yours Truly,  
On behalf of the  
BCV National Show Committee

Colin Flanagan

**DID YOU KNOW?**

YOU CAN SELL BIRDS AT ANY CLUB MEETING  
PUT A PRICE ON THE CAGE WITH RUNG NUMBER, YEAR AND SEX  
IF THE BIRD SELLS, THEN DONATE \$2 TO THE CLUB

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Some articles for this magazine are supplied from:  
[Budgerigarworld.com](http://Budgerigarworld.com)  
The international website for the hobby worldwide.

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**2020 RINGS**  
**PLEASE READ THIS!**

**2020 Ring Issue - SOLD OUT!**

It would appear that a lot of members are breeding early this year as they have already purchased their rings and I have SOLD OUT! An early round/s will result in birds being older and more competitive for the Nationals here in Adelaide next year. Good luck at the 2021 pre selection show.

**The next opportunity for the club to purchase additional 2020 rings will be in June. Any member needing additional 2020 rings, including personal coded rings, will need to let me know by no later than the 10<sup>th</sup> June. The club will only order rings as required by members.**

As all meetings up to and including June have now been cancelled due to the COVID-19 virus, members can contact me directly on

Email: [dennisem@chariot.net.au](mailto:dennisem@chariot.net.au)

or phone: 83448363.

**REMEMBER – By no later than the 10<sup>th</sup> June.**

Dennis Lomman

Ring Officer

**\*\*\*\*\*NOTICE TO MEMBERS\*\*\*\*\***

**As of the April 2018 Meeting**

**The start time for the meeting will be 7.30pm.**

**The day will still be the second Wednesday of the month.**

## **BCSA and NEBS Websites**

### **BCSA and NEBS Websites**

The **BCSA** website can be viewed at [www.bcsa.com.au](http://www.bcsa.com.au).

Results of all Club and State shows are posted on the website. The Photo Gallery features photos of the winning birds.

The **NEBS** website is a subset of the BCSA website and can be accessed by clicking on the NEBS logo on the BCSA Homepage or directly at

[www.bcsa.com.au/nebs/](http://www.bcsa.com.au/nebs/).

Information available on the site includes the NEBS Monthly Meetings Program and the Night Show Schedule.





# NEBS TRADING TABLE



The Trading Table has a range of products which are available for purchase at the NEBS Monthly Meetings or from Vicki Sanford on (08)82637369 or at [vickisanford@bigpond.com](mailto:vickisanford@bigpond.com)

**Nutritional supplements** which are popular with members include;

Passwell Liquid Gold                      Vetafarm Multivet/Moulting Aid

Passwell Budgie Starter                      Vetafarm Soluvite D

Murphy's Minerals                      Vetafarm Breeding Aid

Calcium & Iodine Bells                      Vetafarm Spark

Mineral Blocks                      Elliott's Sulpha D

Other popular products include Vetafarm Triple C\* **antibiotic**, Vetafarm **Probiotic\*** and Passwell Multi-Cleans **disinfectant** as well as various **Wormers** and **Scaly Face** treatments.

A range of **accessories** are also available including; Mason Jars and Bases, Drinkers, Wire Fronts for Show Cages, Finger Drawers, Show Cage Carriers, Ring Cutters .....**and more!**

Also ***New and Quality Used Show Cages.***

All these products are available at better than the normal retail price. Some items, e.g. those above with an "\*", may not always be immediately available due to their shorter use by dates however they can be readily reordered. Other items can also be ordered on request.

TRADING TABLE  
JUST BEEN RESTOCKED  
Contact Vicki Sanford on  
82637369 or  
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# WE WANT YOU!

## Volunteers needed for the 2021 national show in Adelaide Show Committee

**Transport Coordinator** needed to arrange movement of equipment between the shipping container stored somewhere in Adelaide and the show venue.

**Team Travel Coordinator** needed to arrange movement of State/Zone Teams between the airport and show venue

### Volunteers to assist

Two more SA Bird Carers

Rosette managers

Minders for birds on display after judging

Six for set up and dismantling the Bird Room

Two for cleaning the 84 metal trays as the Bird Room is dismantled

Raffle ticket sellers

Ticket checkers

Registration desk attendants

Several more Stewards

**Let John Mulley know who can pass on to the Event Coordinator Peter Glassenbury and to the relevant Coordinator.** Much needs to be put into place over the next year and a half. Don't listen to anyone who thinks it's too early.

## Vale

Dear Members,

For those who have been in the hobby for some time, you would have known our long time member George Duffield.

George passed away earlier this week.

John Mulley

Secretary, North East Budgerigar Society

# **CONTINUED FROM FEBRUARY BUDGIE BULLETIN.....**

## **(Avian Gastric Yeast previously referred to as Megabacteria)**

### **The Avian Gastric Yeast Experience**

Belinda Brice

Kanyana Wildlife Rehabilitation Centre

#### **HUSBANDRY AND HYGIENE**

Even though AGY has a limited survival time once outside a bird's body, good husbandry practices and strict hygiene measures should be undertaken when dealing with any sick bird. Infected birds need to be housed separately and basic barrier nursing needs to take place. Infected birds need to be cleaned, treated and fed last to reduce the chance of cross infection. Every cage/hotbox must be thoroughly cleaned and disinfected daily so as to remove any faeces, vomit or regurgitated material. All items from the cage or hotbox, including perches, food bowls, plastic tubes/crop needles and syringes used to feed/treat infected birds, need to be washed in hot, soapy water, rinsed and then disinfected after each use. Plant browse needs to be changed daily. At Kanyana we routinely use F100 SC veterinary disinfectant ([www.healthandhygiene.co.za](http://www.healthandhygiene.co.za)). Clean handling towels are used each time for each bird. One also needs to wash and disinfect one's hands before and after handling each bird.

#### **TREATMENT**

There have been a few trials done looking at the treatment of birds with AGY infection (Phalen DN, 2005; Filippich LJ and Perry RA, 1993). Amphotericin B is the drug that is most often used to treat AGY infections. This antifungal drug seems to be safe and effective. Amphotericin B is a polyene macrolide antifungal which binds sterols, especially ergosterol in the cell wall of the fungus. This alters the permeability of the fungal cell wall leading to fungal death. Amphotericin B is not systemically absorbed from the gastrointestinal tract after it has been given orally. It can therefore be given in much higher doses compared to the intravenous route. Many different dosages have been recommended.

At Kanyana we use a dose rate of 50mg/kg (as per Wattle Grove Veterinary Hospital, Perth). Phalen has used 100mg/kg, twice a day for 14 days but is now using 25mg/kg, twice a day (Phalen, 2014). On finding a bird AGY positive at Kanyana, treatment is implemented if the bird is not looking too debilitated. All AGY positive birds are housed in our Isolation facility. We have found that if a sick AGY positive bird is not treated, it will die. Birds that are emaciated do not respond to treatment and these birds are euthanased on admission. Experience has shown that if the body weight of a chronically ill galah is below 200g, the bird will die, so we have a policy to euthanise these birds on admission.

Kanyana uses Fungilin™ (Amphotericin B) lozenges (Bristol-Myers Squibb) that are intended for human use. Your veterinary surgeon will have to supply you with a prescription to obtain them. They are given twice a day (BID) for 20 days. The lozenges are convenient to use when treating individual birds. Fungilin™ is administered directly into the crop by plastic tube or crop needle. The lozenges do not dissolve totally in the added liquid. A 5 or 10ml syringe is then used to draw up as much of the medication as possible. A flexible, soft, lubricated plastic tube is then attached to the syringe and the medication is given directly into the empty crop. It is vital that the medication is given on an empty crop so all food needs to be removed at least 30 minutes before the medication is administered and it must be put back 30 minutes after treatment.

It is important to also weigh the bird daily. It is necessary to give supplementary feeding to these ill AGY positive parrots. We normally tube feed them 2 to 4 times a day (depending on their age and weight). Birds normally start to regain their appetite in 3 to 5 days after treatment begins. Soluvet (Vetfarm, New South Wales) is added to their drinking water whilst they are on Fungilin™ treatment. This is to ensure that vitamin levels (especially vitamin D) are maintained whilst the birds are indoors for an extended time with no access to sunlight. They are not given parrot seed or grit whilst they are on treatment. This is because their gastrointestinal tracts are very sensitive and bleeding might occur if they are fed any hard seeds and grit. Instead we give

them dove seed and rolled oats until they recover.

It is also very important to reduce stress on the sick bird. It is best to reduce access to the area they are housed in, keep the area quiet and cover the heated hotbox with a curtain for the bird to hide behind. We keep adult birds at 30°C and fledglings at 33°C. We do not give fruits that ferment easily like grapes or melon. We normally give AGY birds a chunk of apple and a piece of orange daily. Broad-spectrum antibiotics may need to be given to control any secondary bacterial infection if the bird is very sick. Probiotics may also be helpful post antibiotic treatment.

A study by A. Gestier showed that treated budgerigars became faecal negative for AGY within 5 days after being given water medicated with Amphotericin B and cyclodextrin (makes the Amphotericin B water soluble). At Kanyana, if after 7 days the bird has improved and is looking well, a faecal sample can be screened for AGY. If no AGY are seen in the faeces, the bird can be moved into a larger cage outside of the isolation unit, but it *must complete the entire course* of treatment. During this time it must still be housed separately and not with other birds. Many sick birds spend the entire treatment time in the isolation unit. The faeces must be tested again about 5-7 days post 20 days of treatment. Depending on the result, the bird is moved outside to a large flight aviary or medication continued. Only rarely do we see a bird that is still shedding AGY 20 days post Amphotericin B treatment. In our experience approximately 99% of previous AGY positive birds are negative post treatment.

Treated birds may well relapse after release, particularly during stressful periods such as breeding. Whether they remain negative or start shedding the AGY organism after release is not known. More research is needed to ascertain if these treated birds are cured or if they continue to shed AGY at very low levels. On average, previously AGY positive birds are released 4-6 weeks after initial admission to Kanyana.

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**TO BE CONTINUED.....**



**A further question and answer from the proceedings of the International Forum as part of the 2007 ANBC Show hosted in Adelaide by the BCSA with comment at the end on the context of the answer fast forwarded to 2020.**



### INTERNATIONAL FORUM

On the Tuesday evening (29<sup>th</sup> May) of the 2007 ANBC Nationals held in Adelaide South Australia, a very interesting forum was attended by about sixty fanciers.

The forum panel were Marcel Buhler from Switzerland: Ricky Watts from The United Kingdom: Warren Wilson from New South Wales: Alan Gamble from New Zealand: Ron Pearce from The United Kingdom.

**Question:** *Roy Blair from Tasmania. To Marcel - with Recessive Pieds these days the hens, especially the hens we have, they have barring across the forehead. We don't believe it is typical flecking and I was wondering how you handle the problem.* Editors Note: To the right is a photograph of one of Marcel's & Ron's Recessive Pieds.

**Marcel:** Barring is flecking. Most of the Recessive Pieds on the continent are flecked. We are in the same position with Recessive Pieds as most of you are down here with Normals. That was the same problem in the Spangle and the Opaline Cinnamon classes. The best ones are flecked and over the next five to ten years we will have to work very hard on our Recessive Pieds to try to clean them up. As Ron told you before it is the breeding process where you need to try to improve them. Try to select birds that are not too heavy flecked. It is selective breeding.



**Ron Pearce:** I have never bred one (Recessive Pied). My partner (Marcel) breeds them. We have just had a big controversy in the UK over the past couple of years. Our good ones have been crossed out to Normals and we (our partnership) have some very, very good Recessive Pieds but they have dark wings. When you look at the Standard it states between 10% to 20% wing markings. Some of the birds far exceed that and we have had a lot of controversy over the past two or three years whether those birds with dark wings should be winning. They are far the best birds so you are not alone in having those sorts of problems.

I will tell you something that happened to me a few years ago. I was judging in Belgium and a very well known exhibitor came up to me and said "I'm a little upset with your judging Ron". Of course when someone who is eminent says that to you, then you think "what I have done"? So I said "well let's go take a look at your birds". We had a look and he said "this is a top bird Ron". I said "yes, it is a beautiful bird, but it has a slight problem, it has no tail". He said "Don't worry about that Ron". He said "Look at this bird over here – she is one of the best birds in the show." I said "Yes she probably is but there is a slight problem". He said "what is that Ron"? I said "It has no flights". He said "Don't worry about that".

Look it is like this, when breeding budgerigars the thing is not to turn out the bird with the biggest head, with the biggest body but no flights or no tail. The clever thing is to turn out the bird, a huge bird with huge head with flights and tail. No matter whether it is flecking, or dark wing markings on Pieds, whatever, as a breeder you have to balance these problems. The guy with the bird with no flights, well every single top breeder in England would have birds at home with no flights, it is epidemic in birds now that if you have birds with feather, you have feather problems; it is how you balance these problems. These are the birds you keep at home. The

birds you put on the show bench displays how you have actually manipulated the problems. How you have managed them.

As it happens this well known breeder asked me to have a look at his aviary a couple of days later and I understood at that point why he was badgering me about not putting up his birds, even though they were fabulous. 85% of his birds had serious feather problems. If you breed 100 birds a year and you have 10% of feather problems you can live with it, but if you breed 100 birds with 85% of serious feather problems then you are going down a blind alley. You will back into the wall. It is all about managing the problems.

You need to look at The Standard and if it says the birds should be clean, then don't accept people saying "but it's a good bird – don't worry about that fault". That is the wrong way to go. You have to breed the good bird without the fault and that is the clever breeder. Jo Mannes has hundreds and hundreds of wonderful birds and they are not flecked – they have not got feather problems. Every year he eliminates them and he has a wonderful stud of birds with wings, tails, and clean heads. It is all about skill of breeding birds to The Standard and it is as simple as that.

### **Editorial comment in the context of 2020:**

Ron Pearce makes some very good points in relation to feather problems. We can all relate to feather problems (dropped tails, missing flights) with the national show now advanced back to May and as anyone with any understanding of budgerigar husbandry knows, too close to the main moult. Fortunately, these are mostly temporary feather problems and these feathers generally grow back in time. But if there are many birds with this problem and the feathers don't grow back then "Houston, we have a problem". As for the original question regarding Recessive Pieds, it is a numbers game to get the quality bird WITH the correct varietal features. Same goes especially for the other difficult varieties: Clearwings, Black Eyed Self's and Cresteds.

John Mulley

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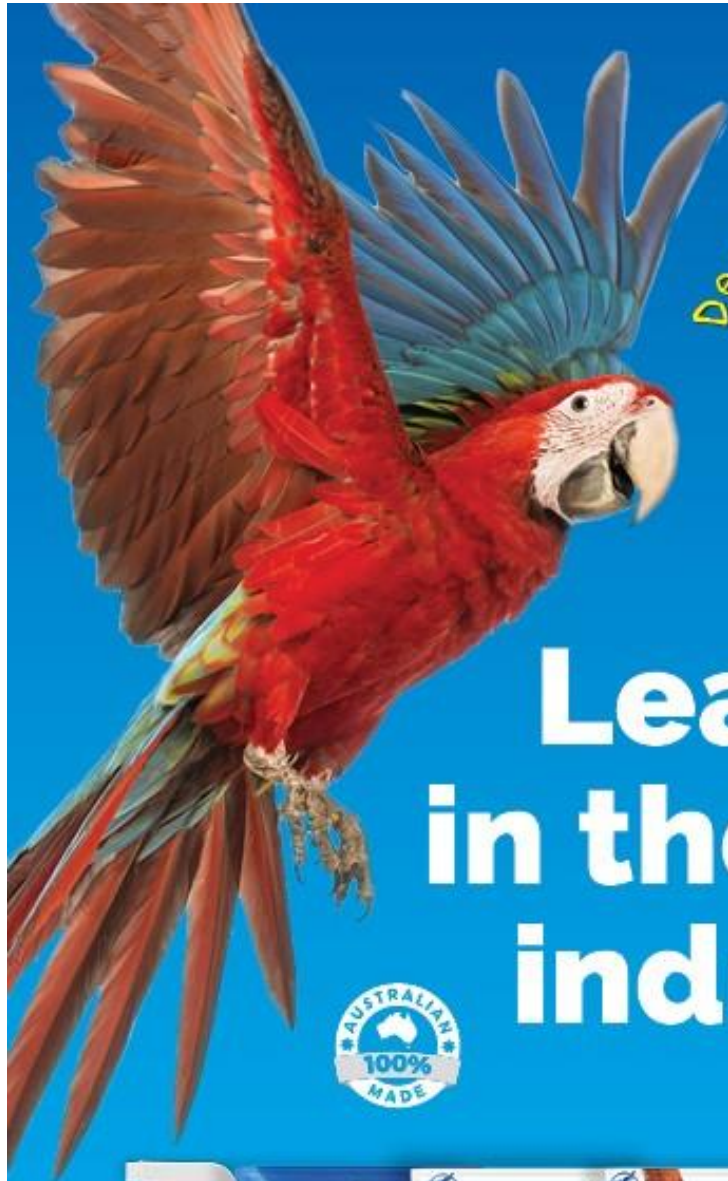
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# Minutes of the North East Budgerigar Society General Meeting

HELD: Kilburn Hall, 49 Le Hunte St. Kilburn on Wednesday February 12, 2020, at 7.30pm

WELCOME: President Graeme Alchin welcomed members

APOLOGIES: Paul Schroeder; NUMBER OF MEMBERS ATTENDING: 26

MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING: Taken as read

BUSINESS FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES: Most members have renewed their 2020 memberships or informed us if they are not renewing. Thanks for enabling the club to keep the membership records up to date

CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED: Budgie Digest for Jan-Feb from BSSA; Adelaide Animal Expo offering the club free space on April 4-5. CORRESPONDENCE OUT: Nil

TREASURER'S REPORT: Term Deposit \$12,500.00, Incentive Saver \$6,499.06, Cheque Account \$3,384.54, Total \$22,383.60

RING OFFICER REPORT: 2020 rings selling fast

TRADING TABLE REPORT: Large range of items on the Trading Table many of which were described by Vicki

BCSA REPORT: BCSA meeting was held January 31. Planning for the 2021 nationals in Adelaide is well advanced with most Coordinators for the various roles appointed or in progress. Rosette sponsorship is being sought. Back in 2014 NEBS sponsored the Golden Faced Blue, which is our club logo. Tonight we agreed to do that again in 2021. Sponsorship to cover the cost of the 21 rosettes is \$200

NEW MEMBERS and VISITORS: Graham McCallum from Booleroo Centre has joined NEBS and Barbara Fisher paid us a visit after a long absence

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND GENERAL BUSINESS:

1. MiniShow schedule for next month is on the table to take. **Note that there is a change of address for sending entries.** Marcus Strudwicke is the man and it was noted that closing date for entries is March 4 (not May 4 as erroneously printed)
2. Graham Bell has the Diplomas and Rosettes completed for our Breeder Show, Annual Show and Interclub Challenge. Thanks Graham
3. Trophies have been assembled for the Lloyd Edwards Breeder Show and the Fisher Annual Show to be held in May and June respectively
4. Luke Jamieson revolutionised the way we managed our shows by writing user friendly computer programs to manage the electronics. These programs needed extending and Wayne Bandt from the BSSA volunteered to do this. Development and testing is now complete. Thanks Wayne
5. Graham Bell called for any excess rosettes that people may wish to recycle as he is expert in refurbishing rosettes

GADGET CORNER: Dennis extolled the virtues of a \$6.95 stainless steel strainer for sprouting seed after finding a retail source, which he passed on to members

ENTERTAINMENT: Ian Marshall gave a detailed presentation on show preparation from the viewpoint of a Judge and SA Bird Carer

NIGHT SHOW RESULTS:

Judge's Comments: Shiralee Reardon was the judge for the night and commended those who made an effort to bring birds along, especially the Bird of the Night for which there were five entries. It was good to see a fine example of a Darkwing benched in Class 5

Best Novice: Michael Smith with a Darkwing; Best Open: Dennis Lomman with a Normal Light Green; Bird of the Night for double points (Fallow): John Mulley

NIGHT RAFFLE WINNERS: Bob Deverson, John Farrugia-Gay and Shiralee Reardon



LUCKY ENVELOPE: Not filled; ANY OTHER BUSINESS FROM THE FLOOR: Nil  
NEXT MEETING: March 11, MiniShow Recessive Varieties

REMINDERS: Remember to collect your magazines out the front; Remember to take a show schedule for next month; Could the Committee come forward for a quick Committee Meeting please

MEETING CLOSED: ~9.00pm

Graeme Alchin, Chairperson

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## Minutes of the North East Budgerigar Society General Meeting

HELD: Kilburn Hall, 49 Le Hunte St. Kilburn on Wednesday March 11, 2020, at 7.30pm

WELCOME: President Graeme Alchin welcomed members

APOLOGIES: Marshall Family, Paul Schroeder, Ken and Janet Harris, Sue and Colin Norris

NUMBER OF MEMBERS ATTENDING: 20

MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING: Taken as read

BUSINESS FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES: Nil

CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED:

1. Bruce Wilson from Victoria asking if anyone in SA is interested in sponsoring rosettes for a class at the Bendigo nationals at \$250 per class
2. Port Adelaide Enfield Council asking if we consent as a club to be included in their activities guide for the area
3. BRASEA March Auction catalogue and Autumn Bulletin from the Association of Specialist Budgerigar Societies. Copies are on the Table to take

CORRESPONDENCE OUT: Positive reply to Port Adelaide Enfield Council

TREASURER'S REPORT: Term Deposit \$12,500.00, Incentive Saver \$6,556.04, Cheque Account \$3,451.87, Total \$22,507.91

RING OFFICER REPORT: NEBS has run out of rings all of which were preordered. Further supplies need to be part of the mid year supplementary ring order

TRADING TABLE REPORT: Stock includes new show cage, ring cutters, artery clamps for spotting, show cage liners, etc. etc.

BCSA REPORT: BCSA continues to look for interested parties to sponsor rosettes for a class at the Adelaide nationals in 2021 for an amount of \$200. See Shiralee who is coordinating. NEBS as a club has committed to sponsoring the Golden Faced Blues

NEW MEMBERS and VISITORS: Nil

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND GENERAL BUSINESS:

6. Someone in the Gawler area recently moved to SA from Victoria is looking for two pairs of birds. Anyone around there with any for sale?
7. An extension to the UBC Trophy base has been actioned to provide space for 28 more shields
8. Novice and Intermediate Future Champion Show Schedules from the BSSA are on the table to take. A great opportunity to compete amongst your peers

ENTERTAINMENT: Judging the Recessive Varieties MiniShow with comments from the judges Shiralee Reardon and John Mulley. Nice to see 50 birds on the night and so many conforming to their varietal features

**MINISHOW RESULTS:**

Novice: First Michael Smith; Second Markus Strudwicke; Third Ian and Gina Wise

Intermediate: First Vicki Sanford; Second Geoff Murch

Open: First Dennis Lomman; Second Graeme Alchin; Third Lloyd and Helen Edwards

NIGHT RAFFLE WINNERS: First Barry Hayes; Second Marcus Strudwicke; Third Graeme Alchin

LUCKY ENVELOPE: Geoff Murch

ANY OTHER BUSINESS FROM THE FLOOR: Nil

NEXT MEETING: April 8. Bird of the Night Opaline and Opaline AOSV. Entertainment will be a discussion of outcrosses for more of the recessive varieties

REMINDERS: Collect your show schedules for the Novice Intermediate show

MEETING CLOSED: ~9.00pm

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## NATIONAL CLASS WINNERS WHO REPRESENTED NEBS IN THE LOGAN SHIELD

1996	Helen Brooks	Fallow	Cairns
1997	Rob McKie	Opaline	Melbourne
2000	John Mulley	Opaline AOSV	Adelaide
2001	M & R Rafferty	Opaline AOSV	Freemantle
2002	S & C Norris	Dominant Pied	Hobart
2003	John Mulley	Blackeyed Self	Cairns
2007	Marshall Family	Albino	Adelaide
2009	Peter Glassenbury	Blackeyed Self	Burnie
2014	Dennis Lomman	Normal Violet	Adelaide
2014	Marshall Family	Recessive Pied	Adelaide
2014	D & R Lange	Crested	Adelaide
2018	Troy Holmes	Normal Grey Green	Penrith

## NATIONAL JUDGING APPOINTMENTS WHILE A NEBS MEMBER

1994, Malcolm Loveridge, Perth;  
1999, Shiralee Reardon, Gold Coast; 2000, Peter Glassenbury and Nigel Tonkin,  
Adelaide; 2002, Malcolm Loveridge, Hobart, 2003, Peter Glassenbury, Cairns;  
2007, Nigel Tonkin and Peter Glassenbury, Adelaide; 2008, Peter Glassenbury,  
Busselton; 2010, Malcolm Loveridge, Rockhampton, 2012, Peter Glassenbury, Geelong;  
2014, Nigel Tonkin, Adelaide, 2019, Peter Glassenbury, Brisbane

## NATIONAL SHOW MANAGER WHILE A NEBS MEMBER

2000 & 2007, Bruce Stafford, Adelaide; 2010, Nigel Tonkin,  
Rockhampton; 2014, Doug Lange, Adelaide

## NEBS LIFE MEMBERS

Gordon Lowe (dec); Bob Hancock (dec); Betty Fisher (dec); John Fisher (dec); Arthur Harvey (dec);  
Coral Harvey(dec); Julie Kakoschke; Kelwyn Kakoschke; Brian Marshall; Bette Marshall; Bruce Stafford;  
MarionStafford; Lloyd Edwards; John Mulley; Graham Bell; Helen Edwards; Lea Todd; Dennis Lomman

Please notify the Club Secretary if you know of any errors or omissions in the above