



Budgie Bulletin



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NORTH EAST B.S. NEWSLETTER

Issued bi-monthly for the members.

The opinions and ideas expressed in this newsletter are not necessarily those of the North East Budgerigar Society of South Australia Inc.

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 1st, 2022.

(Also applies to new members who join after October 1st, 2022, who will be financial for 2023)

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
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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 2022 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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Editorial

During a recent visit to a breeder's bird room, I noticed that all of the perches in the breeding cages were made of 12mm dowelling. At the time I wondered if that was a contributing factor to that breeder's consistently poor breeding seasons over many years.

Aside from having a pair of compatible birds in breeding condition in the breeding cage, I believe that the next important requirements are adequate perches, including their diameter, shape and location. Of course it goes without saying that the perches should also be firmly attached to the cage. The budgies of today are hard enough to breed as it is, so they need all the help that we can give them.

There are many options available, and breeders will have their own views on perches. However, I do not believe that 12mm round perches are suitable for the breeding of today's budgies. Nor are badly chewed perches or plastic perches of any diameter.

I have been using a 16mm round perch together with a 15mm square perch for some years. The combination of round and square perches is healthy for the bird's feet forcing them to use a different grip for each type of perch. My observation of the mating of my own birds is that they always mate on the perch which is located the farthest away from the nest box so that is where I always locate the square perch. The square perch definitely seems to allow the hen bird to get a better grip of the perch while being mounted by the cock.

The 16mm round dowelling is readily available, but I have usually had to manufacture my own square perches, cutting them to size using a jig saw. However, in the last couple of years, I have been using 17x17mm tomato stakes (Lattice Makers) made from hard wood and available from Bunnings. Although these stakes are claimed to be 17x17mm they actually range in size from 15x15, 16x16 and 17x17. Some are also rectangular, for example 17x16mm. In other words, they are cheap and nasty tomato stakes but none the less are suitable for budgie perches. It is a good idea to take off the sharp edges using coarse sandpaper or a rasp.

I am not rusted onto the idea of only using 15x15mm square perches. In fact, since using the tomato stakes many that I now use are slightly larger. An UK article that I have read suggested that 5/8 inch square (equating to 16mm) perches were appropriate. One of the budgie forums available on the internet suggests that 19x19mm should be used for exhibition budgies. Their budgies must be bigger than what I have!

Is there a right or wrong size? Probably not, and it is up to breeders to decide the correct perches for their birds. If you are interested in trying 19x19mm you can buy that size tomato stake (Gardman) from Mitre 10 stores (they are all exactly 19x19mm!).

The location of perches within the breeding cage is as important and they should be placed so that the birds have plenty of room to manoeuvre and balance themselves while mating. Perches placed too close to the sides of the breeding cage can result in interference with mating by allowing the tails of the birds to be in contact the side wall. Not all pairs mate while looking at the side walls!

Some wire cage fronts allow for a perch to be at a higher level. While these higher perches are loved by the birds, there should be sufficient space between the perch and the roof of the cage to ensure that the birds have plenty of height to manoeuvre and balance themselves while mating. If not, then I suggest that a perch should not be placed at the higher level.

*******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.**

DID YOU KNOW?

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2022 RINGS

2022 Ring Issue

NE coded club rings for 2022 (Brown) are still available for purchase at 50 cents each in multiples of ten.

To ensure that you have all the rings that you are likely to need for the breeding season, you should purchase all of your rings **now**. If you get halfway through the breeding season and find that you are going to need additional rings, then you may find yourself having to ask other members if they have any spares that can be transferred to you.

A supplementary ring order for 2022 rings can be made in June, however the club will only order rings for those members who have requested them.

Dennis Lomman

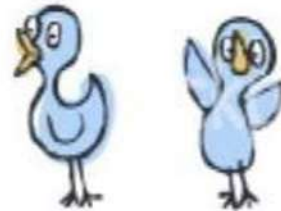
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NEBS is affiliated with The United Bird Societies of South Australia Inc but are you aware that you as individual members can be UBSSA Supporters? For an annual subscription fee of \$15 from July 1 you can contribute to the operating costs of the UBSSA and give it strength through numbers. The UBSSA has an impact on government on matters related to bird keeping that affects all of us. The UBSSA motto is "Strength through Unity". Contact details are on their website www.unitedbirds.asn.au.





THE BUDGERIGAR COUNCIL OF SOUTH AUSTRALIA WOULD LIKE TO ANNOUNCE THAT THE NATIONAL SHOW WILL BE HELD AT THE VICTOR HARBOUR CONFERENCE CENTRE IN MAY 2022. THE EVENT WILL BE STREAMED LIVE AND FREE TO EVERYONE TO VIEW ONLINE. UNFORTUNATELY DUE TO COVID RESTRICTIONS NO PUBLIC ATTENDANCE IS ALLOWABLE. UPDATES WILL OCCUR ON BOTH THE ANBC WEBSITE AND THE BCSA WEBSITE AS WE PROGRESS WITH THE PLANNING. WE LOOK FORWARD TO YOU ENJOYING WHAT WILL BE A WHOLE NEW EXPERIENCE FOR OUR HOBBIES MOST PRESTIGIOUS EVENT.

OFFICIAL UPDATE **NO 2** ON THE ANBC NATIONAL SHOW SCHEDULED FOR MAY 2022

As we previously advised the event is now scheduled to be held at Victor Harbour, a seaside town south of Adelaide around 60 minutes' drive from the Adelaide Airport.

The venue will be the McCracken Country Club, McCracken Drive, Victor Harbour SA 5211 and all seven states and zones have agreed to participate and we are thankful for those positive responses.

The strict Covid regulations remain in place and this is again a key element of the event taking place. A new and major escalation of the Omicron variant 2 is now in play in all states in Australia and this again further justifies the continuance of those strict regulations put in place.

Safety for all remains the key component of the event taking place.

We wish to reiterate the key components remain linked to the event –

- There will be **NO** visitors or attendees to the event other those with official roles to facilitate the operational activities. This includes that same restriction for our local members.
- The venue is not sufficient in size to expand any visitor entry in any case.
- The event will be further restricted to three bird handlers only from each state or zone to control their respective teams. Detailed instructions have issued to states and zones on this aspect.
- States and Zones have been instructed to arrange Hire Cars for their convenience of travel that aligns with flights
- Strict Covid measures will be applied to every person attending – even those in working roles. Masks and RAT daily tests will apply during the event. Any carers or prospective job allocated workers that are not yet fully vaccinated (2+1) need to act promptly to comply. Put simply no JAB no ENTRY.
- Four Judging sessions will be undertaken with 8 each on the two mornings and 6 each afternoon. Judging will commence at 9.00am CST and again around 1.30pm CST.
- The bird auction is now fully allocated for the 32 Auctions postings. This listing will occur from early May and conclude on the Sunday evening of the Championship Show. There will be much less stress on the birds with no requirement for transport other than a final trip from the Breeder to the happy purchaser.
- Live Streaming will be the key element for those unable to attend and this aspect will be further expanded as to access and timeframes in later memos.
- There will be no peripheral meetings including the usual AGM and states and zones will be informed of those future AGM timelines. Likely to be set around two weeks after the actual show.

Final preparations are now being attended and the welcome back to the ANBC show-bench is highly anticipated

Peter Glassenbury

BCSA President 28/3/22



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

Nutritional supplements which are popular with members include;

Passwell Liquid Gold	Vetafarm Multivet/Moulting Aid
Passwell Budgie Starter	Vetafarm Soluvite D
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Calcium & Iodine Bells	Vetafarm Spark
Mineral Blocks	Elliott's Sulpha D

Other popular products include Vetafarm Triple C* **antibiotic**, Vetafarm **Probiotic*** and Passwell Multi-Clens **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!**

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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.

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 (29th 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. Rick mentioned earlier about feeding his birds. There is a big debate going on in this country about the soaking of seed and so on. How does the panel handle this situation?

Rick Watts: Personally I don't feed soaked seed, the only thing I soak is millet sprays and the only reason I soak them is for cleanliness. We get our millet sprays in boxes of 15 kilos and everybody must understand that when these sprays are brought in from wherever, it could be China or elsewhere, they come in on huge container ships and the vermin must be horrendous. There is no way they can control the vermin. I have had boxes of sprays and you can see that

vermin have tampered with the boxes by the holes in them. Even so, I can open the boxes and the paper has been disturbed and you can even find mice droppings in there. These millet sprays have also been fumigated when leaving the ships so I soak them in Benadine for twenty four hours prior to using and then I strain off the surplus water.

Marcel Buhler: My birds get soft food 365 days of the year. I use soaked seed, like oats wheat and mung bean daily. They also get sweet corn, beans, carrots, etc. They get it in big pots in the breeding cages and on trays in the flights.

Warren Wilson: For years, I used soaked seed but when the English birds arrived, so did a lot of problems and my vet suggested I cut it out because of bacterial diseases. My own mixture of soft food I feed contains twenty six grains and a whole lot of other products including egg & biscuit, etc and it is fed dry. The only things my birds get that are classed as wet feed is carrots, corn and spinach.

Alan Gamble: We had exactly the same problems with soaked seed. We in New Zealand are at a huge disadvantage to the rest of the world. The only seeds we are able to buy that are able to germinate would be canary, a little of millet and sunflower – everything else has to be imported into New Zealand and then treated. The seed once it is treated loses all its goodness. We used to soak sunflower and anything else we could throw in. It wouldn't matter whether we soaked the seed in Heptane or whatever disinfecting solution we like, we could always trace a smell and if you let the sprouting process go too long you ended up with fungi or mould. When we got autopsies performed on our birds, we found these bacteria had spread throughout the stud. Poultry or chicken starter is the basis of our soft food. We give a little fruit salad of various vegetables including beetroot, carrot, and broccoli - just about any vegetable we can get our hands on. We add a little kelp powder, a little biscuit, a little lorikeet mix to sweeten it up, and it is amazing the amount of that mixture our birds eat. In fact it would probably be a good third of their seed intake. The seed generally that we buy in our country is all fumigated and we store it in a container at my work. We keep it in a very cool condition and I normally buy at least one year's worth at a time. This is to give us consistency throughout the entire year. Generally speaking, it would be nice to have the mixture of seeds you have in this country but that is impossible in New Zealand. Millet sprays we do feed them but again it is all heat treated so what we have to do is feed these extras. Our birds are very large eaters of soft food. The chicken starter is animal based protein and that is making up for some of the parts we are missing out on. You people have such a huge advantage in this country as you have seed that can germinate. But we definitely do not soak our seeds.

Editorial comment in the context of 2022: Some unexpected comments from the panel. I do not think we have the problem of vermin infecting our millet sprays and see no problem feeding sprouting seed when done properly. I prefer to call it sprouting seed rather than soaked seed because what we are looking for is seed with shoots about a millimetre long to maximise nutritional value. Sprouting seed for me is primarily fed in the breeding and nursery cages and to a limited extent in the aviary up until the birds move past their first moult. Then, apart from the odd vegetable and frequent branches of salt bush I go back entirely to dry seed in the aviary. I find that continually feeding moist sprouting seed to the adults leads to clogged vents on some of the birds which if not noticed and removed can kill them by blocking their vents. So, a couple of times a week I offer a limited amount of mostly the same seeds as used for the sprouting seed mix, but dry. The primary all year-round seed mix remains canary seed, white millet and jap millet. Proportion of canary seed is reduced for the first month of autumn in an attempt to induce and synchronise the usual April moult.

John Mulley



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The Spangle: From an Australian perspective *by John Mulley*

The Spangle is one of a few new budgerigar mutations recognised over the past 50 years. The Spangle appeared in 1971, the Saddleback in 1975, the Blackface in 1992, the Anthracite in 1998 and the White Cap in 2003. All represent new varieties apart from the White Cap which is a colour variant sitting within the allelic green-golden face-yellow face-white cap-blue colour spectrum. These colours are determined by varying amounts and distribution of the yellow pigment psittacofulvin controlled by mutations in the MuPKS gene affecting the enzyme polyketide synthase. Spangles are bred in all the above colours and those colours can be overlaid with the grey, violet and dark factor colour modifiers controlled by additional genes.

The melanistic Spangle is a phenotypic variation. Their genetic or other basis is not clear, but they emerge from the nest looking like normals except for their tails, which are yellow (green series) or white (blue series). During successive moults their wings take on the Spangle pattern. The double factor form of the melanistic Spangle has clear wings like the conventional Spangle Double Factor but with body colour suffusion suggesting that excess melanin may be the basis for the melanistic Spangle.

The Spangle is often referred to as a dominant mutation, but this is not the case. There are three discrete phenotypes depending upon the presence in a budgerigar of none, one or two Spangle mutations. The Spangle mutation is in fact partially (or semi-) dominant since the single factor and double factor expressions of the Spangle mutation are very different. Differences between single factor and double factor expression also exist for the dominant pied, Yellow Face, Golden Face and Anthracite mutations.

The Spangle mutation is characterised by the wing pattern which resembles a similar mutation in poultry. The variety underwent rapid improvement in size and feather with some incredible representatives appearing at shows in both single and double factor forms. This seems to have occurred at the expense of the sharp Spangle wing markings in the single factor form that were so striking when the mutation first appeared.

The Standard for the Spangle (single factor) describes a fine black marking near (not at) the edge of each wing covert and flight feather. The black marking on the wing covert is in the same position as in the normal budgerigar, but narrower, and the edging which is grey in normals is white in the Spangle. The fine black markings are generally lost in opaline Spangles which can display a beautiful, marbled effect on their wings. The sharp markings in cinnamon normal Spangles can be barely visible and at a distance these birds can resemble incredible clearwings.

To preserve the Spangle wing pattern most show schedules in Australia separate single factor Spangle into two classes -Spangle and Spangle Any Other Standard Variety (AOSV). The Spangle AOSV class includes Spangle combined with Greywing, Cinnamonwing, Opaline or Fallow but most birds benched are composites of Spangle with Cinnamonwing or Opaline. Spangle Opalines display mottling where the rump meets the tail feather and are more prone to flecking. Subtle combinations of Spangle with Black Eyed Self, Dilute, Clearwing, Clearbody or Lacewing are non-Standard and can only be shown, if they must, if a club has an Any Other Non-Standard Variety class. Spangle content can be recognised by a bi-coloured cheek patch and/or wing patterning where wing markings are sufficiently visible. Red Eyed Self breeders commonly hide Spangle under Lutino and Albino since it acts as a modifier to help eliminate body colour suffusion by reducing melanin.

Selection of genetic modifiers to enhance the quality of wing markings in the normal Spangle could theoretically be undertaken. However, it's doubtful that many pursue that course since Type (size, balance, feather etc) is worth 60% of the overall score when judged, so selection for those features takes priority. The Spangle in the Australian Standard belongs to the variety grouping where emphasis is placed on markings and/or varietal features to assign the remaining 40% of the mark. The original Spangles had clear centred target shaped spots due to partial loss of melanin, but such spots are not so common nowadays and usually manifest as crescent shaped flecks. Careful "spotting" in Spangles can improve the visualisation of "spots" to three defined regions on each side of the mask.

An amusing statement perpetuated in some of the earlier literature is that the quality of normals is enhanced by breeding through a Spangle outcross. That works only if the Spangle outcross, or any other non-Spangle outcross, is superior to the variety targeted for improvement. Mendelian genetics does not predict otherwise.

The Standard for the Spangle Double Factor describes a yellow or white bird with no markings and no colour suffusion. This results from further reduction of melanin associated with carrying a double dose of the Spangle mutation in the one bird. The body colour according to the Australian Standard needs to be an even shade of ground colour (yellow in the green series and white in the blue series). This gives it a similar appearance to the Red Eyed Selves and Dark Eyed Clears where the three varieties differ only by eye colour and presence or absence of an iris ring. There is a view that excluding the coloured collar in the Spangle Double Factor Standard is an opportunity lost for making this bird visually distinct from Red Eyed Selves and Dark Eyed Clears.

The Spangle Double Factor frequently has a "fault" (in terms of exhibition but not necessarily in terms of pleasing visual appearance) which is the above-mentioned collar of body colour suffusion (green in the yellow bird and blue or grey in the white bird). The coloured collar is indicative of a Spangle Double Factor bred on a Normal background. The collar is eliminated by breeding Double Factor Spangles on a Cinnamonwing and/or Opaline background, both of which act as modifiers that negatively affect body colour suffusion. Hence, the proliferation of poorly marked Spangle Opalines and Spangle Cinnamonwings that some may say belong in the breeding team for Spangle Double Factors rather than in the show team. Since these can be substantial in Type, if not for variety, others wanted a class so that they can show them. The Spangle AOSV class has been created to keep them out of the conventional Spangle class where the wing markings are the primary feature that defines the Spangle variety.



**Budgerigar
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BCSA AUCTION EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST

To be held on Saturday July 16th, 2022

Enfield Community Centre, 540 Regency Rd., Enfield

Cocks: limited to 2019 bred and younger

Hens: limited to 2020 bred and younger

50/50 split is preferred, more hens gladly accepted, a lesser split relating to cocks may see bird selection numbers reduced and/or not included in the catalogue.

A 10% commission to the BCSA will apply with a minimum of \$5 per lot. A handling fee of \$5 for unsold lots will apply. Any birds with major permanent deformities and disabilities or evidence of illness will not be accepted on the day and a \$5 commission will still apply. Buyers to negotiate directly with the vendor for passed in birds. Unsold birds will be returned at owner's expense.

AUCTION: Limited to approximately 180 lots

The emphasis is on quality rather than quantity

Number of lots (refer below) to the Auction Coordinator by

ABSOLUTE DEADLINE MONDAY MAY 16th, 2022

Initially, 10 auction lots only, per Vendor

Dependent upon numbers submitted this may be increased for selected vendors if warranted by the average sale price for their lots in previous years.

Please indicate in the Expression of Interest to the Coordinator the number of additional auction birds if space is available *if you have further auction birds.*

Vendors will be invited to submit **photos of their best two auction birds for inclusion in the catalogue. Photos will need to be provided at the same time as their bird details.**

AUCTION CONTACT and COORDINATOR

Dennis Lomman 0402125965; dennisem@chariot.net.au for expressions of interest and submission of lots for inclusion in the auction catalogue. Please use standardized terminology for Variety and Variety combinations followed by Colour as per the MATRIX in the Standard when describing lots.

John Mulley 0488224446; jmulley@bigpond.net.au for other organizational matters.

It will be appreciated if Vendors and others could accept assigned tasks on the day and participate in the cleanup of the hall after the auction.

NOTE: The BCSA will hold its AGM on the morning of the Auction at the same venue but in a separate room at 9.00am and prior to viewing the auction birds. This provides an opportunity for BCSA members to attend their AGM.

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SPECIAL EVENTS

Gawler & Districts Bird Expo

3 April 2022 @ 11:00 am - 2:00 pm

Gawler Harness Racing Complex, 1961 Two Wells Road
Gawler, SA 5118

All Enquiries: Trevor - 08 8524 8068 Brian - 08 82648310 Arthur - 08 8251 3470

Lower Murray Bird Club Bird Expo

24 April 2022 @ 11:00 am - 1:00 pm

Murray Bridge Racing Club, 342 Brinkley Road, GIFFORD HILL
Murray Bridge, SA

All Enquiries: Colin Elix 0418 813 493

Port Pirie/Port Augusta Bird Expo

29 May 2022 @ 10:00 am - 1:00 pm

Port Pirie Basketball Stadium, Grey Terrace
Port Pirie, South Australia 5600

All Enquiries: Brian Reichelt breich@bigpond.net.au

Riverland Bird Expo

26 June 2022 @ 12:00 pm - 2:00 pm

Riverland Exhibition Centre, Sturt Highway Barmera, SA

All Enquiries: Bob Lowe 08 8588 7158

Barossa Bird Expo

17 July 2022 @ 11:00 am - 1:00 pm

Tanunda Showgrounds Pavillion, 29 Elizabeth St, Tanunda SA 5352

All Enquiries: Paul Kremmer 0437 323 170

The United Bird Societies of South Australia Inc.

Annual Seminar

24 July 2022 8.30 am - 4.30 pm

Sferas Convention Centre 191 Reservoir Road, Modbury SA 5091

All Enquiries: Brian Reichelt breich@bigpond.net.au

Minutes of the North East Budgerigar Society

General Meeting

HELD: Kilburn Hall, 49 Le Hunte St. Kilburn on Wednesday March 9, 2022, at 7.30pm

WELCOME: President Graeme Alchin opened the meeting. Duty COVID Marshall for the night: Dennis Lomman. Please ensure that you have registered using the hall QR code or filled in the attendance register. Masks are still required. Tea, coffee and nibbles are available in individual bags for you to help yourself during the meeting since we need to be seated for eating and drinking.

APOLOGIES: John Mulley, Paul Shroeder, Marcus Strudwicke, Jonathan Trubshaw.

NUMBER ATTENDING: 19

MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING: Taken as read.

BUSINESS FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES: Nil.

CORRESPONDENCE:

Letter from United Birds, expressing concern about the impact on our hobby if we vote for any candidates for the Animal Justice Party at the State election. This letter has been forwarded on to the NEBS membership through the email distribution list. For those not on email, a hard copy is on the table to read if you want more information on this concerning development.

From George England, the BSSA Show Manager, advising of the Novice and Intermediate Show to be held on Saturday March 26. Sue Adams has brought along show schedules that are on the table to take and the schedule has been distributed electronically to the membership for those not present tonight.

National show update. Venue Victor Harbour Convention Centre. Date May 28-29.

- All states and zones have committed to sending a team
- Attendance restricted to those with official roles
- Strict Covid measures will be applied every day to every official attending
- There will be four judging sessions over the two days to accommodate the 28 classes
- The national bird auction will be undertaken electronically through the 32 auctions
- Judging will be live streamed across Australia

TREASURER'S REPORT: Total \$21,331.63.

RING OFFICER REPORT: Some 700 rings remain available for 2022.

TRADING TABLE REPORT: Usual items available as well as show cages and bags of cuttlefish.

NEW MEMBERS: Nil

BCSA REPORT:

Planning is now well advanced for the national show. Members will start to see promotional material for the Nationals as soon as details regarding the live streaming are finalised. For example, how do members access the live streaming?

Show schedule for the Logan Shield has been finalised and will be released to members next month.

The BCSA Live Auction is going ahead in July. A flyer calling for expressions of interest to place birds in the auction will be issued later this month.

ENTERTAINMENT: Judging the Dominant Varieties MiniShow. Thanks to the judges Ian Marshal and Jim Butterworth.

MINISHOW RESULTS:

Disappointingly only 20 birds were benched from only three members.

Open : 1st Dennis Lomman 2nd Lloyd Edwards

Intermediate : No entries

Novice : 1st Ian & Gina Wise

JUDGES COMMENTS: Given as classes were judged.

Several standout birds picked themselves in their respective classes. Unfortunately, what was probably the standout bird of the night was disqualified because it had no tail feathers.

NIGHT RAFFLE WINNERS:

First Kate Davis

Second Graeme Alchin

Third Murray Bray

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND GENERAL BUSINESS:

The show schedules for both the Lloyd Edwards Breeder Show and the Logan Shield will be distributed next month.

Reminder that there will be a sale of birds here at the June meeting and in July at the BCSA auction.

Geoff Murch has some breeding cages to give away. If members did not receive the email regarding these cages then see Dennis after the meeting for Geoff's mobile number.

NEXT MEETING: The next meeting will be Wednesday April 13. This will be a pairs night where we bring in pairs of birds and explain why we paired them up that way. Bird of the night will be Young Dominant Pied.

REMINDERS: Nil

MEETING CLOSED: 8.50pm

Graeme Alchin, Chairperson

MEETING CLOSED: 9.10pm.

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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

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