

# Budgie Bulletin



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### NORTH EAST B.S. NEWSLETTER

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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 1st, 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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### **Editorial**

### **Taking Stock**

By Terry A Tuxford

For me June is the month that ends the breeding season and is assessment time before the start of the show season. It is a good time to judge the past breeding season, asking have we bred sufficient numbers of chicks, does the quality meet our expectations, which young birds will make the show team and which birds should be retained and the ones to go. If all the answers are positive, you are very fortunate indeed and can look forward to the rest of the year with optimism.

However, 2020 is different – there is no show season! Because of the Coronavirus and the requirement from the Government for social distancing and no group gatherings, Budgerigar and other shows are cancelled. Although a great disappointment for many fanciers it is also an opportunity, because alongside the social distancing is the instruction to stay at home to reduce the infection rate, to stop the National Health Service becoming overwhelmed and in turn, save lives.

The great advantage that the lock-down provides is more time to spend with your birds and it would quite logical to extend the breeding season beyond where you would normally end it. It will also give you the chance for maybe some experimental pairing or to give any retirees another go.

For us, the breeding season has not been good. I paired up a little later than usual and everything appeared to go well. Eggs were laid and fertility looked good. Chicks hatched on schedule and were fed well by the hens. However, I noticed that the young were slow-growing, and rings fell off the legs of 10-day old babies. And then they started to die! I lost all but 4 chicks to Fledgling Disease or to give it its proper name - avian polyomavirus. Most species of bird are susceptible to avian polyomavirus, but in Budgerigars it is more commonly know as French Moult as surviving young will commonly shed all primary feathers and often secondary and body feathers as well.

To get advice, I contacted Dr Rob Marshall in Australia. Dr. Rob Marshall is a bird veterinarian with more than 30 years' experience in treating birds. He has kept birds since the age of eight. The age he decided to become a bird veterinarian. Rob presented at London & Southern Counties BS last year and runs the Carlingford Animal Hospital in New South Wales. This is what he said:

Polyomavirus indicates immunosuppression due to physiological stress in the stud. Therefore, breeding must stop, and the next boxes and entire building cleaned and disinfected. Infected nestlings must be culled. Fledglings may recover - you can take advantage of the situation as not all pairs will have the problem so that you can identify the strongest genetic and physiological pairs as a means for strengthening the bloodlines within your stud.

The problem should not happen in the Spring but often happens in winter as a result of weather climatic influences that restrict birds coming into full breeding condition. When introduced to the next box the birds must have a full wing of feathers as a sign of a completed moult and must also carry good weight.

Chlamydia must be considered if fertility is low. Also look for dirty feathers above the cere as a sign of streptococcus. Fungal contamination of the food may also be involved - look for wet nests.

This advice came from Rob in March this year and I had already separated the breeding pairs. The birdroom, cages and nest boxes have been thoroughly cleaned with a powerful broad spectrum virucidal disinfectant. I also use an antibacterial surface cleanser daily, that kills both bacteria and viruses. Pairing up has started again with the hope of more success this time round.

Unfortunately, one of the downsides of movement restriction is no-one is out and about buying birds and to manage this together with extending the breeding season care must be taken to avoid overcrowding. Overcrowding is significantly stressful for our birds and can be the trigger for diseases such as megabacteria and chlamydiosis plus other psychological factors such as aggressiveness.

Despite there being no show season this year I would still advise newcomers to our hobby to join the Budgerigar Society, which is currently offering 2-years membership for the price of one.



### **RINGS**

### 2020 Ring Issue

Additional 2020 rings, as requested by members, have now arrived and are available for collection. A small number of unallocated NE coded rings are also now available.

### 2021 Ring Issue

The NEBS order for 2021 rings (VIOLET) needs to be finalized by the end of August 2020. Our usual NE coded rings will be bulk ordered and will be based on historical ring sales.

All current holders of personally coded rings have now confirmed their requirements for 2021.

However, any member requiring personally coded rings for the first time will need to place their order with me by 12<sup>th</sup> August.

The 2021 rings are expected to be available as from 15<sup>th</sup> December 2020.

Dennis Lomman Ring Officer 7 August 2020

### **FUTURE NATIONAL SHOWS**

States and Zones have been asked to commit to the next seven-year rotation of hosting national shows in their home states. SA have already committed to 2022 and our state requires no further commitment past that date as our next event would be in 2028.

It is important that organisation for the 2022 event in SA involves new members to gain an understanding of requirements for this state to hold a successful show. Most involved in the current working committees (some have indicated this will be their last hurrah already) will be aged 80 years or more, or close to that age, in 2028. New participants are needed in key roles within the BCSA otherwise SA will simply go the way of Western Australia who have withdrawn already from hosting the 2023 national show.

The above summarises and reformats an email from Peter Glassenbury, President BCSA, to club delegates with a request to pass it on to club members.

### **NATIONAL SHOWS IN ROTATION**

States/Zones have been asked for a definite hard commitment to their staging of the A.N.B.C. Inc. National Show as their turn arises in the rotation. This will be a definite guide going forward for the ANBC Sub-Committee looking into the hosting future shows. The present planned rotation is as follows:

Victoria 2021 (Bendigo)
South Australia 2022 (Adelaide)
Tasmania 2023 (Launceston possible suggestion)
North & Central Queensland 2024
South Queensland 2025 (Brisbane as a recommendation)
New South Wales 2026
Victoria 2027

For this to apply each state must commit to holding the show when it is their turn. There were reasons why WA could not host the show in 2023 such as manpower, cost of venue and distance from airport to venue. SA's turn under this planned rotation would come up again in 2028.

### **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

## Summary of Minutes from the Australian National Budgerigar Council

## Special Meeting for the Advancement of the National Show going forward beyond 2020

- Electronic meeting was held July 31 with representatives from all States/Zones. SA was represented by Peter Glassenbury and Chris Murphy.
- The primary aim of this meeting was "to discuss the ANBC and the annual show going forward into the future and to put a positive focus on enhancing the hobby nationally."
- Negotiations are underway to use the computer program developed by Maureen and Andrew Bourne to manage the scoring at the national show over the past decade. Volunteers will be required to operate the program at future nationals.
- New By-Laws were approved which cover the show contents of the ANBC shipping container and guidelines for managing motions of major significance relating to the show. The complete set of updated By-Laws will now be uploaded to the ANBC website.
- Ongoing matters were alluded to: such as the Federal Government's import
  risk review for psittacine birds (which include budgies), ANBC management
  structure, national show program and State/Zone rotation, age
  demographic which I interpreted to refer to State/Zone organisers (but
  might also mean breeders?), pandemic implications and need for a By-Law
  as a guide for show cancellation, possible contingency of having birds fly in
  to compete without people, and running an online show.
- A Sub-Committee was formed to advance these ongoing matters referencing ideas that have been submitted in papers from the States/Zones and interested parties. The purpose is to keep the national show as "a major part of the hobby moving forward".

Some articles for this magazine are supplied from:
Budgerigarworld.com
The international website for the hobby worldwide,

### \*\*\*\*\*\*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 <u>www.bcsa.com.au</u>. 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 <a href="https://www.bcsa.com.au/nebs/">www.bcsa.com.au/nebs/</a>.

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

**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-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!** 

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.

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:** Nigel Tonkin from South Australia. I would like to follow up on a comment that Allan made that Australia is many years behind and New Zealand is light years behind Europe in regards to the quality of our birds. Marcel, after judging our birds at the Nationals, how do you assess our situation?

**Marcel Buhler:** I think your top birds here are in line with the top birds in Europe but it is still the lack of numbers. There are far more good birds in Europe. You will have to work with the good birds very hard in the future so you can increase the number of good ones in Australia.

**Rick Watts:** The birds in Australia have got a bit of an edge over New Zealand and that is based on pictures on the internet not from personal viewing. I think there is a difference between the UK birds and the Australian. I would not say it is a considerable difference. I just feel that maybe there is probably more availability of good birds in the UK.

Warren Wilson: Having judged in New Zealand I can say that probably the very best birds in New Zealand would be competitive here. Take away the top line of birds and they are behind us. In the UK the birds I saw and judged, some of our very best birds here would probably be competitive but may not win in the UK but they would not run last. But certainly once we got off our very top birds here then we would be a fair way behind particularly in some of the breeder's aviaries over there. I think we can only breed what we have got and try to improve and if we ever get back to imports again be very selective and bring in the features that we need rather than a stab in the dark approach across the board. There are some very nice birds in New Zealand. Some of the class winners and some of the seconds and thirds there would go very well in the UK, if they were presented properly. I am not saying they would all win but we would not be disgraced. We should not be thinking we are that far behind with our top birds we just need more of the buggers.

*Nigel Tonkin made the following comment:* Do not underestimate the quality you have in New Zealand. I would say the top birds in New Zealand would certainly be very competitive over here but they seemingly drop off more rapidly than ours do.

**Alan Gamble:** I am not saying we would win, but we could hold our heads high, but we do drop off very quickly.

Ron Pearce: I think the top Australian birds would do very well in the UK. In Europe now there are two or three breeders who are so far ahead of anyone else around - there is a guy in Holland called Jac Cuyten and the best of his would make yours look like pets as they do most of the birds in England. There is a gentleman in Switzerland Daniel Lutolf and some of his top birds are just unbelievable. We don't have any in the UK as good as his. There are two or three breeders, including Jo Mannes, whose birds are so far in front of anyone else's. They are just amazing. Marcel, Ricky and I went to Daniel Lutolf's a couple of months ago and his top birds we just drooled over. They had heads like buckets. At the end of the day you can only compete with what you have got, and the best of what you have got is very good here. Don't put yourself down as the best of what you have got here is excellent.

**Editorial comment in the context of 2020:** The answers given in 2007 have a common thread: we have some birds that would be competitive in the UK and Europe but lack the depth compared with UK and Europe. That may still be the case but there remain some excellent birds in Australia in the aviaries of the top breeders. Since 2007 the amount of head feather in birds in the UK and Europe appears to have significantly increased. For Australia, the question is what do we want the Australian Standard to look like.

John Mulley

# CONTINUED FROM JUNE BUDGIE BULLETIN...... (Avian Gastric Yeast previously referred to as Megabacteria) The Avian Gastric Yeast Experience

Belinda Brice, Kanyana Wildlife Rehabilitation Centre

### AGY TRENDS SEEN AT KANYANA

During the months of October and November we tend to see higher numbers of newly fledged ringneck parrots (twenty-eights) and red-capped parrots with AGY infection. In the colder months of April, May and June, AGY is predominately found in galahs. In 2012 Doneley described a weight loss syndrome in juvenile wild galahs in Queensland. They were all emaciated and suffering from diarrhoea. Many of the birds died despite being given supportive care, much as is the case seen at Kanyana. Two suspected pathogens were identified namely AGY as well as *Spironucleus* spp.

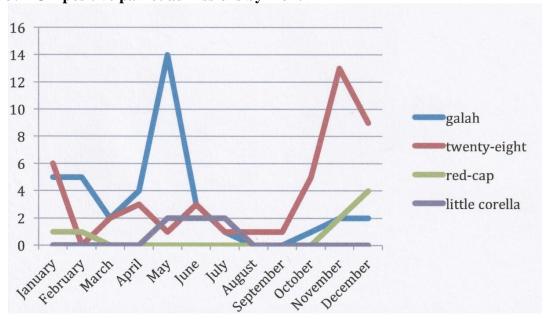


Chart 3: AGY positive parrot admissions by month

### OUTCOME OF AGY POSITIVE PARROTS AT KANYANA

Outcome of AGY positive parrots at Kanyana can be seen in Chart 4 below. Unfortunately, the majority of AGY positive parrots died or had to be euthanised on admission. Just under 8% (3/39) of previous AGY positive galahs and 38% (17/45) of ringneck parrots were successfully released back into the wild. Unfortunately, all previous AGY positive little corellas and red-capped parrots were euthanised or died.

Outcome of AGY positive birds 50 45 number of parrots 40 35 30 25 20 15 10 5 euthanased died released/transferred dall twenty-eight red parrot little corella rainbow lorikeet

Chart 4: Outcome of AGY positive parrots by species

### **REFERENCES**

1. Doneley B. Weight loss syndrome in juvenile free-living galahs. 2012. Proceedings Annual Conference Australasian Association of Avian Veterinarians and Unusual and Exotic Pet Veterinarians. 9-11.

### TO BE CONTINUED.....



### THE RED, ORANGE OR PINK BUDGIE

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The greatest dream of budgie breeders is to have and breed RED, ORANGE or PINK budgies. Imagine it, a stunning BLOOD-RED budgie, or a fire engine RED budgie, or a luminous FLAMINGO PINK budgie.



This is a digitally created image of what a blackeyed yellow pink/red might look like. Note that it is highly unlikely that a pink/red could ever have white wings, head & mask. Perhaps a White Cap green pink lutino (or WC yellow DF spangle pink or WC blackeyed yellow pink) might at least have a white cap and a pink/red body colour plus white wings. See the discussion below.

Well, I believe that these colours have almost certainly turned up already! ...And no-one noticed. I will explain this shortly.

But first, let's look at what RED pigment really is. RED is a sub-mutation of budgie yellow pigment. Only green-series budgies can therefore carry RED, ORANGE or PINK pigment. Blue series parrots can never carry any red pigment, so blue Rosellas, blue Scarlet-Chested Parrots and blue Eclectus parrots have no RED colour at all. Parrots such as Macaws that do have both Blue and Red colours are similar to a yellowfaced blue budgie – ie members of the yellowfaced blue (more correctly referred to as par blue) or green series of macaws.

Of the 37 species of Australian parrots, 32 species have visible orange, red or pink plumage colours. Pink is just diluted RED and orange is just RED and YELLOW mixed together. Thus, most Australian Parrots carry RED pigment, it is a very common sub-mutation of the basic YELLOW gene.

Thus, sooner or later, the RED mutation will turn up in budgies.....But we may not see it. Why???

Well, consider the Bourke Parrot, it is mostly a dull brown, boring bird to look at (it does, however show a little pink on its lower abdomen). But, the brown body colour is made up of blue, yellow and PINK! All mixed together. When skilled breeders removed the blue colour (to essentially produce a yellow Bourke parrot), the spectacular PINK pigment showed through. Today, the Bourke Parrot has gone from dull

brown to one of the world's most spectacular PINK parrots!



Above is pretty much what a red mutant budgie might look like. This is an Electric Blue cinnamon spangle budgie in the green series. Its body colour features patches of both Dark Green and a brownish green. The brownish green areas could just as easily have been caused by red pigment (green mixed with red produces brown).

If a PINK, ORANGE or RED budgie turned up, it could only turn up in a green series bird as these colours are part of the yellow gene. If it did turn up in a green bird, the odds are that the RED or PINK would mix with the green body colour to

produce a dirty brown colour. This bird would go unnoticed and would be very unlikely to be bred from. Only if it turned up in a clear yellow budgie would the red, pink or orange colour be clearly visible.

If a PINK, ORANGE or RED budgie turned up, the odds are that the red pigment would be restricted to a very SMALL AREA, as it is in many parrots. The closely-related Fig parrots have tiny areas of RED pigment. The tiny and very exposed and visible budgie might not survive long if it had extensive red colour. Desert dwellers live out in the open and thus must have better camouflage than forest dwelling birds.

If a PINK, ORANGE or RED budgie turned up, to actually see the red pigment, we would need to cross it to either a Lutino, a dilute, a blackeyed yellow or other type of yellow budgie. Once the green body colour is replaced by yellow, the PINK, ORANGE or RED would stand out.

If a PINK, ORANGE or RED budgie turned up, as noted above, only a tiny area of PINK, ORANGE or RED would most likely occur. Thus, skilled breeders would need to work very hard to select for birds with ever more areas of PINK or RED – much as breeders have done with RED-FRONTED Turquoisine parrots.

My guess is that this mutation will turn up and be developed to a very high level in Asia, probably China. Budgies are very popular in China and their breeders are amongst the world's best...think of the Red Cap Oranda goldfish. This is arguably the world's greatest ever breeding triumph. They started with a dark brown wild fish and removed the greenish pigment to reveal the orange underneath. Then they amplified the orange to red. Then they introduced the pied mutation to create a pied red & white fish. Next, they modified the pied pattern to have the red area only on the top of the head, and lastly, they selected for a warty growth underneath the red area to create a three-dimensional red cap.



If a PINK, ORANGE or RED budgie fails to turn up, then one day, scientists might take the RED gene from a related parrot and insert it into a budgie embryo. The science for this is not there yet, so the cost to get this work done would be enormous; way beyond our resources in the budgie world.

### WHAT TO DO TO GET A RED BUDGIE

As I said above, the budgie with some PINK, ORANGE or RED pigment is probably out there right now — most likely at a pet shop.....and no-one has spotted it!!! It is just a miserable little bird with a brown smudge on its otherwise green body. If breeders went out looking for new mutations more, then our hobby would be full of so many more new colours. AND EVENTUALLY ONE THAT IS RED RED!!!

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### INCOME REPORT FOR NORTHEAST BUDGERIGAR CLUB FOR 2019-2020

Hi Everyone, Well it's that time of year again. This year we have actually made a small profit! This is partly due to not having any large outgoing expenses. Also, due to Covid 19 we haven't had the added expense of the show season, trophies, supplied meals etc. But it has also meant we haven't had the income producing tender sale, night raffles or BCSA lunches. The rest of this year is still uncertain as this virus is still active in Australia. Hopefully we will be having a Tender Sale this month and looking forward to NEBS hosting the UBC Show in October. I look forward to seeing what the coming year brings for our bird club.

Vicki Sanford, Treasurer NEBS.

### INCOME/EXPENDITURE FOR 2019-2020

INCOME		EXPENDITURE
\$ 583.70	Raffles	\$ 228.90
2,339.10	Trading Table	1,736.43
845.00	NEBS Subscriptions	0.00
465.00	BCSA Fees	445.00
2,100.00	Rings	1,937.50
55.00	Shows/Show Lunches	581.00
0.00	Sundries	166.41
55.50	Postage/Secretarial Expenses	430.42
880.00	XMAS & Social Functions	790.00
26.00	Donations	30.00
0.00	Trailer Reg. & Ins./Affiliation Fees	464.00
384.91	Interest Bank Accounts/Incentive Saver	0.00
258.20	Canteen/BCSA Lunches	53.40
300.00	Hall Rent	412.50
0.00	Tender Sale	0.00
\$ 8,292.41	TOTALS	\$ 7,285.56
	INCOME OVER EXPENDITURE	1,006.85
\$ 8,292.41	FINAL TOTALS	\$ 8,292.41

Audited and found correct (by records produced) by Auditor. NORTHEAST BUDGERIGAR SOCIETY INC.

## BALANCES OF BANK ACCOUNTS AS AT 30<sup>TH</sup> JUNE, 2020

AC AT 20TH LUNE 2019	\$ 3,178.52
BALANCE OF CHEQUE ACCOUNT AS AT 30TH JUNE, 2019	8,215.50
Plus Incomes 2019/2020 (Does not incl. Interest from Incent. Saver)	\$ 11,394.02
TOTAL Torontors to Incent Saver)	7,285.56
Less Expenditure 2019/2020 (Does not incl. Transfers to Incent. Saver)	500.00
Less money transferred to Incentive Saver	\$ 3,608.46
BALANCE OF CHEQUE ACCOUNT AS AT 30 <sup>TH</sup> JUNE, 2020	
AT 20TH HINE 2019	\$ 6,148.77
BALANCE OF INCENTIVE SAVER ACCOUNT AT 30TH JUNE, 2019	500.00
Plus Deposits transferred from Cheque Account	70.21
Plus Interest received for 2019/2020	6.70
Plus Refund Service Fee (missed interest)	\$ 6,725.68
BALANCE OF INCENTIVE SAVER ACCOUNT AS AT 30 <sup>TH</sup> JUNE, 2020	
AS AT 20TH HINE 2019	\$ 12,500.00
BALANCE OF TERM DEPOSIT AS AT 30™ JUNE, 2019	306.25
Interest transferred to Cheque Account	\$ 12,500.00
BALANCE OF TERM DEPOSIT AS AT 30 <sup>TH</sup> JUNE, 2020	
CHEQUE ACCOUNT BALANCES AS AT 30 <sup>TH</sup> JUNE, 2020	\$ 3,608.46
INCENTIVE SAVER ACCOUNT BALANCES AS AT 30 TH JUNE, 2020	\$ 6,725.68
TERM DEPOSIT BALANCE AS AT 30™ JUNE, 2020	\$ 12,500.00
TOTAL BANK BALANCES AS AT 30 <sup>TH</sup> JUNE, 2020	\$ 22,834.14
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TOTAL BANK FUNDS AS AT 30 <sup>TH</sup> JUNE, 2020	\$ 22,834.14
TOTAL BANK FUNDS AS AT 30 <sup>TH</sup> JUNE, 2019	21,827.29
NET PROFIT AS AT 30 <sup>TH</sup> JUNE, 2020	\$ 1,006.85
NET PROFIT AS AT 30 JOINE, 2020	

CHEQUES OUTSTANDING	EST. VALUE OF ASSETS 30TH JUNE, 2020	
Nil	PA System	\$ 450.00
	Trailer	2,400.00
	Projector/Laminator	800.00
	Bond for Hall	100.00
	Staging	2,200.00
	Cutlery/Brooms/Drinks	150.00
	Cash Floats on Hand	120.00
	Trading Table Stock	1,250.00
	TOTAL EST. VALUE	\$7,470.00

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## Minutes of the North East Budgerigar Society General Meeting

HELD: Kilburn Hall, 49 Le Hunte St. Kilburn on Wednesday July 8, 2020, at 7.30pm WELCOME: President Graeme Alchin welcomed members back to this our first meeting since March This meeting is conducted under the club's COVID SAFE plan which involves the following:

- 1. 1.5 meter physical distancing
- 2. One person per two squar meters
- 3. Use of hand sanitiser on entry and exit
- 4. Placing name and phone number or email address on the attendance record upon entry
- 5. No birds, no supper and no tea and coffee tonight
- 6. Please abide by the signage displayed in the hall that addresses hygiene
- 7. Please go home if you have a fever, cough, sore throat, shortness of breath or have traveled overseas in the past month

APOLOGIES: Krystal Scanlon, Sue and Colin Norris, Marcus Strudwicke, Janet Smith, Paul Schroeder, Marshall Family, Sue Adams

NUMBER OF MEMBERS ATTENDING: 14; MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING: Taken as read BUSINESS FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES: Nil

CORRESPONDENCE: Inwards and outwards between NEBS and Port Adelaide Enfield Council regarding hall bookings and the inplementation of a COVID – SAFE Step 3 plan allowing this meeting to proceed. Inwards and outwards between NEBS and Nigel Tonkin regarding formation of the Tonkin-Schutz partnership. June Newsletter from United Birds

TREASURER'S REPORT: Financial report for 2019-20 is being compiled. NEBS is looking for an auditor – see Vicki if you can assist

RING OFFICER REPORT: No 2020 rings left but the Supplementary 2020 ring order has been submitted. Coded ring orders for 2021 will be finalised at the August meeting. Dennis will be contacting those who order personally coded rings over the next few weeks. Historical useage will determine how many NE rings will be ordered. Later note: the 2020 Supplementary order arrived 10/07/2020

TRADING TABLE REPORT: There has been a buildup of supplies with no meetings. Vicki gave a rundown on what is available

### BCSA REPORT:

- 1. Since the last meeting in March the National Show in Bendigo has been postponed until 2021 and the Adelaide National Show moved from 2021 to 2022
- 2. The BCSA auction has been tentatively scheduled for August 29 pending a decision by the BCSA by the end of this week on whether that event can comply with the COVID SAFE plan required for use of the Enfield Community Centre. Major concern would be how to enforce the 1.5 meter physical distancing and keeping people moving when viewing birds. **Any comments from the floor?**
- 3. The following ideas have been proposed for better recognition of individuals at the State Selection Show, with certificates pesented at the AGM:
  - a. Award of a certificate for the best bird in each status and best in show at the Logan Shield. This would require benching Novice and Intermediate cages with coloured dots on the front of the cage so that they could be easily identified for separate judging at the end of the show. Members saw no problem with this
  - b. Award of a certificate for the bird in each status deemed to be most useful for scoring points for the BCSA Team at the national show the following week in line with the principle that all varieties are equally important for the Team
  - c. Award of a certificate for the bird in each status that actually scores the highest number of points at the national show one week later. That would remove the subjectivity associated with choosing the best bird at the Logan Shield where we can't predict the success or otherwise the following week for the SA representatives in each class
  - d. Another idea from the floor was to base the awards on aggregate points at the Logan Shield or at the national show

e. NEBS will discuss at our next Committee meeting. It was noted that Certificates are already presented each year for the most successful exhibiter in each status during he year

NEW MEMBERS and VISITORS: Former member Beau Schutz and Juniors Oliver Schutz and Elena Norman. Welcome to Ray Field tonight

### ANNOUNCEMENTS AND GENERAL BUSINESS:

- 1. Date for the UBC Show has been moved forward one week to Saturday October 17. Final decision on holding this show will be made about mid August to allow sufficient time for organising this event if it goes ahead. Since this is an interclub event both NEBS and BSSA would need to be in agreement if it is to proceed
- 2. Nomination forms for Committee positions are on the table. The new Committee will be put in place at the August AGM. Current vacant positions include Show Manager, Trading Table Officer and a Committee position
- 3. Assuming COVID-19 remains suppressed in SA the August meeting will have the sale of birds which had to be cancelled back in June. It will be carried out under the same COVID SAFE plan as for this meeting and sellers will be asked to handle their own cages at all times
- 4. Nomination forms for the sale of birds by tender at the August meeting are on the table and if you already know approximately how many sale birds you plan to enter see John tonight for the tender cards to put on the front of the cages which will save you the cost of postage

ENTERTAINMENT: Outcrosses to improve those varieties not covered at the meeting last October, or any other variety as requested from the floor. Interactive wide ranging discussion covered Greywing, Clearwing, Dilute and Red Eyed Selfs

SHOW RESULTS: Tonight's show was cancelled as we concentrate on implementing and following the club's COVID – SAFE plan

NIGHT RAFFLE WINNERS: Kate Davis, Lloyd Edwards and Michael Smith LUCKY ENVELOPE: Not filled; ANY OTHER BUSINESS FROM THE FLOOR: Nil NEXT MEETING: August 12 will be the AGM and our annual sale of birds by tender assuming no change from the current COVID-19 situation

REMINDERS: Collect your entry sheets for the bird sale and nomination forms for Committee positions which are required for the AGM in August

MEETING CLOSED: ~9.00pm

Graeme Alchin, Chairperson

## THE NORTH EAST BUDGERIGAR SOCIETY HONOURS AND AWARDS ......IN THE BCSA ERA

### 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; Marion Stafford; Lloyd Edwards; John Mulley; Graham Bell; Helen Edwards; Lea Todd; Dennis Lomman

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