



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 1st January 2013
(Except new members who joined after 1st October 2012)

SINGLE \$15.00 DOUBLE \$22.50

FAMILY Single fee (\$15.00), plus 50% single fee for each person over 18 years of age.
Under 18 years – no charge in family situation)

JUNIOR \$9.75 (65% normal fee)

PENSIONER Single \$12.00 (80% normal fee) Double \$18.00

PARTNERSHIP \$11.25 per person (75% normal fee)

5 YEAR MEMBERSHIP 4 times the applicable membership fee.*

BCSA Membership fee: \$15.00 per person.

Members must be financial with North East Budgerigar Society and BCSA to purchase 2012 rings.
Please ensure that your membership card accompanies your order for rings.

Newsletter will be forwarded to financial country or interstate members bi-monthly.

Metropolitan financial members' newsletters will be available at club meetings.

If not collected they will be posted out 3 times per year.

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EDITORIAL



Christmas Message

The year of 2012 has about come to an end.

This year has been a successful year for the NEBS. We have had good numbers of birds being benched on show days and consistent number of members attending the monthly meetings.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank everybody for their contribution throughout the year and to those for their efforts in putting together monthly entertainment.

The Nationals for 2014 will be held in Adelaide. Birds being rung in green 2013 rings, are birds that will be available to be shown at this major event. I hope you have a successful breeding season in 2013 with the hope that you breed a bird that will be selected to represent South Australia.

On behalf of myself and my family I would like to wish all the NEBS members a very merry christmas and a happy and safe new year.

All the best for the 2013.

Lloyd Edwards
President



Minutes of the North East Budgerigar Society General Meeting

Minutes of the North East Budgerigar Society General Meeting

HELD: Kilburn Hall, 49 Le Hunte St. Kilburn on Wednesday October 10, 2012

WELCOME: President Lloyd Edwards declared the meeting open at 8.10pm

APOLOGIES: Ian Marshall, Brian Marshall, Kate and Bill Davis, Trevor and Tina Wilson-Smith, Alan Hughes

MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING: Taken as read

BUSINESS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES: Nil

CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED:

Provisional Show Schedule for the 2013 and 2014 ANBC Shows

Fleurieu Peninsula Cage Bird Society September Newsletter

Request for a baby budgie

SA Directory of Community Services to update the club's details

Budgie Digest from BSSA for September-October

Budgie Adoption Renewal received from Adelaide Zoo

PMV1 virus update from Biosecurity SA

Mt Gambier Show Schedule for October 20-21st

Southern Cage Bird Newsletter for October

CORRESPONDENCE OUT: Nil

BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE CORRESPONDENCE:

Has anyone got a baby budgie for sale? Nobody

Are we prepared to continue supporting our adopted budgie at the zoo (\$70pa)? Yes

SA now has lifted all restrictions on pigeons entering SA and SA still has had no recorded case of PMV1 virus in any bird

TREASURER'S REPORT: Term deposit \$19,000; Cheque account \$6,356.75; Total \$25,356.75

RING OFFICER REPORT: Reminder to get your Derby and Oaks rings

LIBRARY REPORT: Nil

TRADING TABLE REPORT: Wire mouse traps and jars on special

NEW MEMBERS: Nil.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Show schedules and entry forms for the NEBS/BSSA interclub challenge to be held on Saturday October 27th are available on the table if not already received

GENERAL BUSINESS:

Club Christmas Dinner December 12th at Buckingham Arms; Final price adults \$29.90, pensioners \$27.90, children \$15.90

BCSA Report:

General Meeting held September 28 followed by 2014 National Planning Meeting

Current status movement process now under review

Logan Shield format was reviewed and will continue as an open show

Process for selecting the best hens at the Logan Shield adopted

BCSA website about to be modernized and to include a section for NEBS

NEBS has agreed to sponsor the rosettes for the Australian Yellowfaced Blue at the 2014 nationals

Anyone who would like to sponsor a class for \$150 please let the club know and we will pass this on to the BCSA

LUCKY ENVELOPE: None

SHOW CAGE ENVELOPE: None

ENTERTAINMENT: Red eyes presented by Graeme Alchin and Bruce Stafford

NIGHT SHOW: Judged by Peter Glassenbury

Best Pied: L&H Edwards. A number of the recessive peds were heavily marked on the wings; Best Cinnamonwing: Jack Brink. Bird had a lovely face and good depth of mask

QUESTION AND ANSWER SECTION: Crop feeding was raised and discussed.

Occasional babies dying from a cyst in the neck was raised, with no solution for that one

DOOR PRIZE: \$10 Trading Table voucher to John Enham

NIGHT RAFFLE: First: Colin Norris; Second: Sue Steele; Third: Sue Adams

ANY OTHER BUSINESS FROM THE FLOOR: Nil

REMINDERS:

Please sign attendance sheets

Pick up October magazines from out the front

Don't forget that entries for the UBC show on October 27 close on October 19. Support your club

NEXT MEETING: Wednesday November 14. MEETING CLOSED: 9.00pm.

Lloyd Edwards, President

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**Do you want to sponsor a colour series at the 2014 Nationals?
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Contact the B.C.S.A Secretary for more details



Minutes of the North East Budgerigar Society General Meeting

HELD: Kilburn Hall, 49 Le Hunte St. Kilburn on Wednesday November 14, 2012

WELCOME: President Lloyd Edwards declared the meeting open at 8.05pm

APOLOGIES: Peter Glassenbury, Polly Heel, Bill and Kate Davis, Bruce Stafford, Ian Marshall

MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING: Taken as read

BUSINESS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES:

Payment for Christmas dinner on December 12 are due tonight so the booking at the Buckingham Arms can be finalized. Adults \$29.90, pensioners \$27.90, children \$15.90. See Vicki. Start time at Buckingham Arms 7.00pm

NEBS were successful in the Interclub Challenge. Well done to members who supported the club and the show by entering birds

CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED:

Certificate of Thanks from Adelaide Zoo together with two 50% off adult passes as reward for the club generously sponsoring the Budgerigar at the Zoo

Southern Cage Bird Newsletter for November

United Bird Societies of SA Newsletter

Fleurieu Peninsula cage Bird Society Newsletter for November

CORRESPONDENCE OUT: Nil

BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE CORRESPONDENCE:

Two 50% off adult passes to Adelaide Zoo to give away. Taken by Sue Adams

TREASURER'S REPORT:

Term deposit \$19,000; Cheque account \$6,549.44; Total \$25,549.44

Christmas raffle books due back for the draw at the Christmas dinner.

RING OFFICER REPORT: New ring order has arrived. Note that the rings currently being used will be on the birds at the 2014 national show in Adelaide.

LIBRARY REPORT: Nil

TRADING TABLE REPORT: Liquid gold now available as an alternative for Calcivet

NEW MEMBERS:

John, Ferolyn and Ashley Wenham; Debra and Steve Jackson. Welcome to the club

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Committee has set the program for the first half of 2013

January: New Matrix and Blue Series

February: Computer Records

March: Mini Show

April: Variety Identification

May: Rare Variety Mini Show

June: Bird Sale

Lance Jenner is downsizing and has equipment for sale. Breeding cages etc. etc.

Barbara Fisher having a sale day \$20 per bird Sunday November 25th 10am

Dennis has reasonably priced canary seed for sale

GENERAL BUSINESS:

Nil

LUCKY ENVELOPE: Tina and Trevor Wilson-Smith

SHOW CAGE ENVELOPE: Andrew Stock

ENTERTAINMENT: Kelwyn Kakoschke spoke on spangles with emphasis on melanistic spangles illustrated with some exceptional examples. He then moved on to discuss Texas clearbodies and finished by showing a white budgerigar with black markings which is likely a new mutation.

NIGHT SHOW: Judged by Barbara Fisher

Best Blackeyed Self UBC: No award

Best Yellowfaced Blue UBC: Mulley and Stafford

Best Junior UBC: Ashley Wenham

Best Novice UBC: Lucy and Andrew

Best Intermediate UBC: Geoff Murch

Best Open UBC: Mulley and Stafford

Nice to see some junior birds brought in and a large number of birds benched on the night

QUESTION AND ANSWER SECTION: Incorporated into the talk by Kelwyn

DOOR PRIZE: \$10 Trading Table voucher to Ashley Wenham

NIGHT RAFFLE: First: Tim Campbell; Second: Colin Norris; Third: Natasha Kakoschke

ANY OTHER BUSINESS FROM THE FLOOR: Nil

REMINDERS:

Please sign attendance sheets before you leave

NEXT MEETING: Wednesday December 12 which will be the end of year

Christmas dinner at the Buckingham Arms

MEETING CLOSED: 10pm

Lloyd Edwards, President

DERBY AND OAKS NIGHT SHOW

The Committee had decided to make several changes to the Derby and Oaks Night Show in order to encourage more entries from members.

As from the issue of 2013 rings, breeders will be able to nominate either their first 10 or first 20 ring numbers for the D&O Night Show.

There will also be a combined section for both Novice and Intermediate breeders.

The cost will be 50 cents per nominated ring number.

Ring numbers must be nominated and entry fee paid at the time of the initial purchase of rings each year.

All moneys collected will be put into prizes for the best three cocks and best three hens.

Non NEBS members and those members who purchase their rings through other clubs will also be able to enter by simply nominating their first ten or twenty rings and paying the entry fee.

The Show is held on the night of the July General Meeting.

BIRDS ELIGIBLE FOR POINTS AT CLUB NIGHT SHOWS

Members should note several changes to the rules for night shows.

Young birds rung with the two latest ring colours are to be exhibited together (this includes Mini shows).

Young birds rung with the earlier of the two colours cease to be eligible as Young birds at night shows on September 1 of each year, to coincide with the issue of the next ring colour, which then takes over as one of the two eligible ring colours. For example, **purple rung birds cease to exist as Young birds on September 1, 2012.**

UBCs will be judged separately and for them ring colour is immaterial.

Points will be accrued for both Young (as defined above) and UBCs.

Bird of the night will be chosen from Young birds, except for **October and November** when bird of the night will be chosen from UBCs.

Best bird of each status will be chosen from Young birds, except for **October and November** when best of each status will be chosen from UBCs.

Any birds, Young or UBC, entered for club night shows **must be owner bred.**

Birds older than Young birds as defined above are **not eligible** for night shows.

Certificates will replace trophies for bird of the night.

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If you can't come to nightly meetings, you don't have to wait up to 4 months for your magazine.

If you would like to take up this option please contact the club secretary John Mulley



N.E.B.S.& B.S.S.A UNBROKEN CAP
INTERCLUB CHALLENGE

UNBROKEN CAP / YOUNG BIRD SHOW RESULTS

Held on Saturday 27th October 2012 at the
Le Hunte Street Hall, Kilburn.

The INTERCLUB COMPETITION was held and the North East became the eventual winners The scores were NEBS 286 points and B.S.S.A 172 points. Congratulations to all Exhibitors who entered birds in the Show for their respective Clubs. All who attended had a great day.

BEST UNBROKEN CAP BIRD IN SHOW

PETER GLASSENBURY - CINNAMONWING - NEBS

Best Green in Show	MICHAEL COSSLEY-BSSA
Best Grey Green in Show	DENNIS LOMMAN - NEBS
Best Blue in Show	POLLY HEEL - NEBS
Best Visual Violet	DENNIS LOMMAN - NEBS
Best Grey in Show	DENNIS LOMMAN - NEBS
Best Blackeye in Show	PETER GLASSENBURY-NEBS
Best Suffused in Show	ANDREW & LUCY - NEBS
Best Lutino in Show	M & K MURPHY - BSSA
Best Albino in Show	M & K MURPHY - BSSA
Best Clearwing in Show	PETER SIMIC - BSSA
Best Greywing in Show	WAYNE WEIDENHOFER - BSSA
Best Cinnamonwing in Show	PETER GLASSENBURY - NEBS
Best D/ Factor Spangle in Show	MICHAEL COSSLEY - BSSA
Best Opaline in Show	J & W WEIDENHOFER - BSSA
Best Opaline A.O.S.V. in Show	PETER GLASSENBURY - NEBS
Best Clearbody in Show	DENNIS LOMMAN - NEBS
Best Fallow in Show	POLLY HEEL - NEBS
Best Yellowface in Show	DENNIS LOMMAN - NEBS
Best Aust. Yellowface in Show	DIANA TREVARTHEN - NEBS
Best Spangle in Show	DENNIS LOMMAN - NEBS
Best Spangle AOSV in Show	DENNIS LOMMAN - NEBS
Best Dominant Pied in Show	WAYNE & LUISA BANDT - BSSA
Best Danish Rec Pied in Show	MURAY BRAY - NEBS

Best Crested in Show

No Entry

UNBROKEN CAP BIRDS

BEST OPEN BIRD PETER GLASSEN BURY - NEBS - Cinnamonwing

RESERVE OPEN BIRD DENNIS LOMMAN - NEBS - Spangle AOSV

THIRD OPEN BIRD DENNIS LOMMAN - NEBS - Grey

BEST INTERMEDIATE BIRD VICKI SANFORD - NEBS - Clearbody

RESERVE INTER BIRD VICKI SANFORD - NEBS - Opaline

THIRD INTER MEDIATE BIRD VICKI SANFORD - NEBS - Visual Violet

BEST NOVICE BIRD W & L BANDT - BSSA- Dominant Pied

RESERVE NOVICE BIRD ANDREW & LUCY - NEBS -

Cinnamonwing

THIRD NOVICE BIRD LIBBY THOMAS - NEBS - Spangle D/F

YOUNG BIRDS

BEST OPEN YOUNG BIRD SUE ADAMS - BSSA - Blue Cock

RESERVE OPEN YOUNG SUE ADAMS - BSSA - Green Cock

BEST INTERMEDIATE VICKI SANFORD - NEBS - Blue Cock

RESERVE INTERMEDIATE VICKI SANFORD - NEBS Green Cock

BEST NOVICE BIRD ANDREW & LUCY - NEBS - Blue Hen

RESERVE NOVICE BIRD ANDREW & LUCY - NEBS - Blue Cock

Major Award Judges for the day was Mr. Glen Stearnes and Mr Ian Marshall who were ably assisted by John Mulley and Wayne Weidenhofer.

Many thanks to all members who helped throughout the day with setting up the staging, stewarding, ticket writing, ladies in the kitchen for the delicious lunch without all these generous people who give their support our show would not be the success that it is.

Raffle winner on the day was Susanne Steele.

GRAHAM ALCHIN and MARION STAFFORD
Show Manager and Assistant Show Manager

NEBS / BSSA INTERCLUB CHALLENGE RESULTS

<u>CLASS</u>	<u>NEBS</u>		<u>BSSA</u>	
1. GREEN	10	10	11	11
2. GREY GREEN	16	26	5	16
3. BLUE	19	45	2	18
4. VISUAL VIOLET	19	64	2	20
5. GREY	15	79	6	26
6. BLACK EYE	18	97	0	26
7. SUFFUSED	10	107	5	31
8. LUTINO	5	112	10	41
9. ALBINO	6	118	15	56
10. CLEARWING	5	123	15	71
11. GREYWING	0	123	11	82
12. CINNAMONWING	10	133	11	93
13. SPANGLE D/FACTOR	9	142	6	99
14. OPALINE ASC	15	157	6	105
15. OPALINE AOSV	13	170	8	113
16. CLEARBODY	20	190	1	114
17. LACEWING	9	199	12	126
18. FALLOW	11	210	9	135
19. YELLOWFACE BLUE	16	226	5	140
20. AUST YELLOW FACE	11	237	0	140
21. SPANGLE	15	252	4	144
22. SPANGLE AOSV	9	261	12	156
23. DOMINANT PIED	9	270	11	167
24. DANISH REC PIED	16	286	5	172
21. CRESTED	0	286	0	172

FINAL SCORES NORTH EAST 286 points and BSSA 172 points.
Congratulations to the NORTH EAST on winning the trophy this year.

UBC Show Results

Society: MOUNT GAMBIER

Date Held: 21st October 2012

Number of UBC birds benched: 140

Judges: Steve Grech and Bruce Stafford

Major Results:

	Exhibitor	Variety	
Supreme UBC	Nigel Tonkin	Cobalt	
Reseve UBC	Geoff Tonkin	Clearbody	
Best Pair UBC	N/A		

Sectional Results:

	Exhibitor	Variety	
Champion Status			
Best UBC	Geoff Tonkin	Clearbody	
Reseve UBC	Geoff Tonkin	Sky Blue	
Open Status			
Best UBC	Nigel Tonkin	Cobalt	
Reseve UBC	Nigel Tonkin	Opaline Cobalt	
Intermediate Status			
Best UBC	Frank Tilley	Light Green	
Reseve UBC	Frank Tilley	Light Green	
Beginner Status			
Best UBC	Keith Hopkins	Opaline AOSV	
Reseve UBC	Laurie Barber	Light Green	

Series Awards

Variety	Exhibitor	Status	Variety	Exhibitor	Status
Green	Frank Tilley	Int	Opaline AOSV	Keith Hopkins	Beg
Grey Green	Laurie Barber	Beg	Clearbody	Geoff Tonkin	Cham
Blue	Nigel Tonkin	Open	Lacewing	N/A	
Violet	N/A		Fallow	Leigh McNaughton	Beg
Grey	Nigel Tonkin	Open	English Yellowface	Neville Richardson	Int
Blackeyed Self	Nigel Tonkin	Open	Australian Yellowface	Nigel Tonkin	Open
Suffused	Frank Tilley	Int	Spangle Normal	Frank Tilley	Int
Lutino	Neville Richardson	Int	Spangle AOSV	Nigel Tonkin	Open
Albino	Neil Fitzgibbon	Int	Dominant Pied	Doreece Brunton	Int
Clearwing	Doreece Brunton	Int	Recessive Pied	N/A	
Greywing	Nigel Tonkin	Open	AOSV	N/A	
Cinnamon	Neil Fitzgibbon	Int	AOV	Neville Richardson	Int
D/F Spangle	Jeremy Brown	Beg	Crest	N/A	
Opaline	Leigh McNaughton	Beg			



Diploma Show Results

Society: MOUNT GAMBIER

Date Held:	20th October 2012
Number of Young birds benched:	134
Number of Adult birds benched:	10
Judges:	Steve Grech + Bruce Stafford

Major Results:	Exhibitor	Variety	Sex
Grand Champion Budgerigar	Nigel Tonkin	CIN SKY	C
Opposite Sex To Grand Champion Budgerigar			
Champion Young Budgerigar (Diploma)	Nigel Tonkin	CIN SKY	C
Opposite Sex To Champion Young Budgerigar	Laurie Barber	OPN GGN	H
Champion Adult Budgerigar	Nigel Tonkin	CIN GRY	H
Opposite Sex To Champion Adult Budgerigar	Neville Richardson	SPN OPN GGN	C
Best Pair In Show			

Sectional Results:	Exhibitor	Variety	Sex
Champion Status			
Best Young Budgerigar	Nil		
Opposite Sex To Best Young Budgerigar	Nil		
Best Adult Budgerigar	Nil		
Opposite Sex To Best Adult Budgerigar	Nil		
Open Status			
Best Young Budgerigar	Nigel Tonkin	CIN SKY	C
Opposite Sex To Best Young Budgerigar	Nigel Tonkin	OPN YLF GRY	H
Best Adult Budgerigar	Nigel Tonkin	CIN GRY	H
Opposite Sex To Best Adult Budgerigar	Nil		
Intermediate Status			
Best Young Budgerigar	Holmes Family	GGN	C
Opposite Sex To Best Young Budgerigar	Neil Fitzgibbon	ALB	H
Best Adult Budgerigar	Neville Richardson	SPN OPN GGN	C
Opposite Sex To Best Adult Budgerigar	Nil		
Beginner Status			
Best Young Budgerigar	Laurie Barber	OPN GGN	H
Opposite Sex To Best Young Budgerigar	Laurie Barber	GRY	C
Best Adult Budgerigar	Laurie Barber	SPN GGN	C
Opposite Sex To Best Adult Budgerigar	Kaylee Fisher	YLF BLU (ENG)	H

Series Awards - Young Birds Only

Variety	Exhibitor	Status	Variety	Exhibitor	Status
Green	Neil Fitzgibbon	Int	Opaline AOSV	Neil Fitzgibbon	Int
Grey Green	Holmes Family	Int	Clearbody	Neville Richardson	Int
Blue	Nigel Tonkin	Open	Lacewing	Nigel Tonkin	Open
Violet	N/A		Fallow	N/A	
Grey	Laurie Barber	Beg	English Yellowface	Neil Fitzgibbon	Int
Blackeyed Self	Laurie Barber	Beg	Australian Yellowface	Nigel Tonkin	Open
Suffused	Nigel Tonkin	Open	Spangle Normal	Frank Tilley	Int
Lutino	Neville Richardson	Int	Spangle AOSV	Nigel Tonkin	Open
Albino	Neil Fitzgibbon	Int	Dominant Pied	Laurie Barber	Beg
Clearwing	Doreece Brunton	Int	Recessive Pied	Nigel Tonkin	Open

Greywing	David Botha	Int	AOSV	N/A	
Cinnamon	Nigel Tonkin	Open	AOV	N/A	
D/F Spangle	Neville Richardson	Int	Crest	N/A	
Opaline	Laurie Barber	Beg			

**NORTH EAST BUDGERIGAR SOCIETY
RARE VARIETY MINI SHOW
Wednesday 8th May, 2013**

Entry is for **owner bred 2012 Gold and 2013 Green rung birds to be exhibited together.** No double rung birds.

Entry fee is 50 cents per bird.

The 1st, 2nd & 3rd positions overall will be decided on points accumulated.

Prizes will be Trading Table vouchers: 1st \$20, 2nd \$15, 3rd \$10

These will be awarded to Open, Intermediate and Novice Exhibitors.

Exhibitors must be current financial members of the North East Budgerigar Society

Forward entry form to **Marion Stafford, 20 Kelsey St., Kidman Park. SA. 5025**

by Wednesday 1st May, 2013. **Phone 8356 0579**

STAMPED SELF-ADDRESSED ENVELOPE INCLUDED WITH ENTRIES PLEASE

- Class 1. Normal visual violet
- Class 2. **Normal double factor** Australian yellowfaced blue
- Class 3. Australian yellowfaced AOSV (**including single factor Australian yellowfaced blue**)
- Class 4. *Blackeyed self
- Class 5. *Suffused
- Class 6. *Clearwing
- Class 7. *Greywing
- Class 8. *Clearbody
- Class 9. *Fallow
- Class 10. *Danish recessive pied
- Class 11. *Crested, darkeyed clear or darkwing

Intermediate Breeders place 'I' and Novice Breeders place 'N' on entry forms

*Classes 4-11 include any of the four colours: green, blue, English yellowfaced blue and double factor Australian yellowfaced blue

NO SEED IN CAGES PLEASE

HOT WEATHER POLICY: If on the previous evening the temperature forecast is above 32 degrees NO BIRDS WILL BE BENCHED

NORTH EAST BUDGERIGAR SOCIETY
MINI SHOW
Wednesday 13th March 2013

Entry is for **owner bred 2012 Gold and 2013 Green rung birds to be exhibited together.** No double rung birds.

Entry fee is 50 cents per bird.

The 1st, 2nd & 3rd positions will be decided overall on points accumulated.

Prizes will be Trading Table vouchers: 1st \$20, 2nd \$15, 3rd \$10

These will be awarded to Open, Intermediate and Novice Exhibitors.

Exhibitors must be current financial members of the North East Budgerigar Society

Forward entry form to the ASSISTANT SHOW MANAGER

Mrs Marion Stafford, 20 Kelsey Street, KIDMAN PARK 5025,

With a self addressed stamped envelope by Wednesday 6th March.

- Class 1. Green Series
- Class 2. Blue Series (*Excluding visual violet)
- Class 3. Normal English Yellow Faced (*Excl. Aust. yellowfaced)
- Class 3. Lutino
- Class 4. **Albino
- Class 5. **Cinnamonwing
- Class 6. **Spangle Double Factor
- Class 7. **Opaline ASC / AOSV
- Class 8. **Lacewing
- Class 10. **Normal Spangle ASC
- Class 11. **Spangle AOSV
- Class 12. **Dominant Pied

Intermediate Breeders place 'I' and Novice Breeders place 'N' on entry forms.

*Exclusions are varieties benched in the May Rare Variety Mini Show

**Classes 4-12 include 3 colours: green, blue and English yellowfaced blue

NO SEED IN CAGES PLEASE

HOT WEATHER POLICY: If on the previous evening the temperature forecast is **above 32 degrees NO BIRDS WILL BE BENCHED**

SHOW SCHEDULE FOR MONTHLY NIGHT SHOWS 2013

- Class 1** **Normals (GreenSeries, Blue Series, Normal English Yellowfaced Blue Series & Normal Double Factor Australian Yellowfaced Blue Series)**
- Class 2** **Suffused, Blackeyed Self, Clearwing, Greywing, Fallow & Recessive Pied**
- Class 3** **Lutino, Albino, Cinnamonwing, Opaline ASC & AOSV, Clearbody & Lacewing**
- Class 4** **Spangle Double Factor, Spangle ASC & AOSV & Dominant Pied**
- Class 5** **Crested, Darkeyed Clear, Darkwing & Saddleback**

NO ENTRY FEE. **No double rung birds** except for unbroken caps

Note that classes 2-5 now include the four colours: Green, Blue, English yellowfaced blue and Double Factor Australian yellowfaced blue

Sections for Junior, Novice, Intermediate and Open. Owner bred Young birds rung with the two latest ring colours are to be exhibited together. UBCs will be judged separately and for them ring colour is immaterial. Old birds will not accrue points

Young birds rung with the earlier of the two latest ring colours cease to be eligible as Young birds on December 31 of each year. For example, gold rung birds cease to exist as Young birds on December 31, 2013

Points will be accrued monthly at the club night shows (other than at Mini Shows) for both Young (as defined above) and UBCs. 1st = 3 points, 2nd = 2 points, 3rd = 1 point

Bird of the night will be awarded a certificate and be chosen from Young birds, except for October and November, when bird of the night will be chosen from UBCs

Best bird of each status will be awarded a certificate and be chosen from Young birds, except for October and November when best of each status will be chosen from UBCs

At the end of each calendar year the member with the highest aggregate points in each Section will be awarded a \$30 Trading Table Voucher or a Show Cage. **To be eligible a member must show birds at a minimum of three monthly night shows**

HOT WEATHER POLICY: If on the previous evening the temperature forecast is **above 32 degrees** NO BIRDS WILL BE BENCHED



Talking Birds – April 2011 - Critical Caring

There are few worse feelings in bird keeping than the realisation that something is terribly wrong with one of your most valued birds.

The typical characteristics of a bird fluffed, looking sleepy and hunched on the perch, immediately send the alarm bells ringing and your mind racing to solve the problem.

The first thing to remember is that birds are masters of deception. Hiding illness from their keepers is just nature; this behaviour is as much a tool for survival as flight. In a bird's natural habitat, the sick and the weak will always be the first pick for potential predators and nobody wants to be the easy meal. A bird that is outwardly looking sick is no longer strong enough to put on the show and is more likely to be staring death in the eye rather than feeling just a little down.

So even before we begin to work through the possible causes of the original problem, there is something that needs to be done very quickly if these birds that are physically showing signs of illness are to be saved.

Administering First Aid – All sick birds will be dehydrated and lacking in energy, particularly if they have progressed to a point that they have ceased eating or drinking. Supplying fluids and energy to sick birds is absolutely critical. Without the fluid and energy needed to fight back against illness, any kind of treatment for the initial disease is useless. Being confident with a crop needle is an incredibly valuable skill to have in these situations. A bit of quick thinking and the direct administration of some Poly Aid for carbs and Spark Liquid to rehydrate has saved the lives of hundreds, possibly thousands of sick birds over the years. Be sure to have at least a few first aid essentials in the cupboard, in times of crisis they are priceless.

The Hospital Box – The hospital box is an absolute necessity for any serious bird keeper. The box needs some form of heating and a way to measure temperature, too hot and your bird will stress and dehydrate. A temperature between 25-27 degrees is about right for most species. It also needs to be in a quite, low stress environment with soft, dim light during the day and just a small amount of light at night. Many sick birds will take the opportunity to eat a small amount during the night, if it is pitch black eating becomes difficult. Try not to handle the bird too frequently or disturb unnecessarily.

Recovery – Once we have administered first aid and put the bird into a hospital box, the next step is to identify the cause of illness and begin treatment, you may need to contact your veterinarian for identification and treatment of certain diseases.

However, the bird's recovery back to full health will most likely fall to you. For birds that are eating and drinking voluntarily, a high-energy food is best - plain canary seed is a good choice for a recovery diet. For birds that are only eating small amounts or not eating at all, a critical care food

will need to be force fed to ensure ongoing energy, fat; protein and fluids are available. Crittacare Avian is a good way to accomplish this with good amounts of the above nutrients in a cooked and easily digested formula. Crittacare Avian is also fortified with Probiotic and Pre-digestives to assist the digestive system in the break down of food and the re-establishment of healthy gut flora after stress and antibiotics. Additional doses of pure Probiotic can also be beneficial after antibiotic treatment

Not all birds that are discovered as being ill successfully recover, there is always going to be the odd bird that we can't save no matter what we do. However, having a good knowledge of the steps to take in an emergency, the right tools at hand will make a huge difference to the number of birds that you will get strong recoveries from.

If you are interested in anything mentioned in this article or would like more information of on first aid in birds, please don't hesitate to contact Vetafarm.

Yellow Faced Blue

The Yellow Faced Blue was first identified in 1936 at two English establishments although it was later discovered that a further English establishment had been breeding this variety for a number of years without being aware of the fact – refer 'World of Budgerigars' Cyril H. Rogers

The *Budgerigar Bulletin* No 39 of June 1936 wrote that a new variety had arrived referred to as Golden Cobalts, Yellow Masked or Yellow Faced.

Could it be that from these early writings that the initial birds were Type 11 or Golden Faced (Australian Yellow Faced) – the Type 11 and Australian Yellow Faced seem likely to be the one and the same as promoted from a number of writings?

The first two pairings that were identified as being the 'commencement' of this new coloured budgerigar were as follows:

1. Dark Green/White cock paired to a Greywing Mauve hen that produced a "Yellow masked Greywing Mauve hen. (/ refers to a bird being split for - and this terminology means a genetic trait and or colour that is carried, but not visually seen). (Mrs G. Lait of Grimsby being the breeder)
2. Dark Green/Blue cock paired to a 'Green' hen having turquoise suffusion on breast, flanks and rump, these producing 3 Yellow masked Cobalt cocks. It is commented in the previously mentioned book that "In light of present day knowledge this 'Green' hen was undoubtedly an actual Yellow Faced bird herself, as no Normal Blue birds appeared amongst her young by a Dark Green/Blue cock'
(Mr Jack Long of Gorleston-on-Sea being the breeder)

With the knowledge that we have today if the "Green" hen was a Yellow Faced then she must have been single factor Golden Faced i.e. Australian Yellow Faced with a normal blue allele as well. The dark green split blue cock would have to have been split Yellow Faced blue rather than split blue for the pairing to produce no normal blue chicks (though much depends upon how many chicks were actually bred).

Over time various results from numerous pairings suggested that two distinct Yellow Faced ‘Types’ were in existence.

In many a writing Type 1 and Type 11 is used to separate the two Yellow Faced variations. To simplify this article I will call Type 1 English Yellow Faced and Type 2 Australian Yellow Faced or Golden Faced.

There was a combined attempt in the early part of 1960 by Cyril Rogers of the United Kingdom and Professor T.G. Taylor, Cyril Warner, Matthew Bender and John Papin all of the United States of America to solve the inheritance of the English Yellow Faced and the Golden Faced noting that prior to this research, fanciers would or could be unknowingly pairing the two variations together.

One can only wonder if these colour variations might have occurred prior to the recorded dates, and they may have, as ‘Budgerigars in Bush and Aviary’ *Neville W. Cayley* quotes the fact that a European establishment in 1888 had 48 aviaries with “from sixty to eighty couples; in the upper story young birds were placed in comparison of from four to five hundred, so I had in view more than **fifteen thousand budgerigars**’. At another establishment in Europe in 1913 they had on average between some **eighty thousand** and **one hundred thousand** budgerigars at a time – this number grew to around **one hundred and twenty thousand** and all were destroyed after the August of 1914 on the declaration of war, thus one could imagine the variable of colours / mutations and other potentials that were destroyed in this one event.

With the English Yellow Faced and the Golden Faced, single factor and double factors of each occur.

For simplifying the article, when pairing to Yellow Faced, I will refer to Normals only, thus if I say Green it will be a Normal Green of any colour / shade and if I say Blue it will be a Normal Blue of any colour / shade.

Once readers go through this article, they will realise that the scenario can relate to all varieties in the Green and Blue series.

Yellow Faced Blue

I will set the scene a little by noting that when pairing a pure Green to a Blue that only Greens will be produced and all of these Greens will be split for Blue.

A Green split for Blue paired to a Blue will, on average, produce half Greens split for Blue and half Blues.

If a pure Green was paired to a Yellow Faced Blue (single factor), the result would be all Green with half split Yellow Faced Blue and half split Blue.

Up until recent times I would have used the term ‘masking’ Yellow Faced and split for blue in the one sentence. Even though this may be technically correct, I believe fanciers who might have been of the same mindset would be best to use the terminology split Yellow Faced or split Blue (or split Greywing) etc to ensure that we do not confuse new fanciers to the hobby.

As has been correctly pointed out to me the following all could be used; masking, carries, split or heterozygous for, but as I want to minimise confusion I will for this exercise stay with ‘split for’.

Diverting temporarily, we use the term masking with Ino’s – e.g. Masking Spangle, Cinnamonwing, and Green etc.

It is worth mentioning at this point that a Green cannot be split for Blue and split Yellow Faced Blue at the same time – it is either one or the other dependant on the pairing.

As explained to me by John Mulley of South Australia, a geneticist and budgerigar breeder of note.

“Green, Blue and Yellow Faced are three alleles of the same gene. Four alleles if we take into account both the English Yellow Faced and the Australian (Golden Faced) Yellow Faced. Multicellular organisms like us and birds are diploid i.e. chromosomes exist in pairs, where for each gene a chromosome can carry one allele. Two chromosomes mean for each gene there can only be two doses (or two alleles). Therefore, we can’t have a green bird split for both blue and Yellow Faced blue, because we have chromosomes in pairs, rather than in triplicate”.

My belief has been for years that on pairing a Green split Yellow Faced Blue to a Blue I would have produced Yellow Faced Blue, Blue, Green split for Yellow Faced Blue and Green split for Blue but after continually reading many a book the result should be **that all of the chicks that are blue in colour will be Yellow Faced Blue only**. This is because the split Yellow Faced blue gene comes attached with a yellow face, so has to become a visual Yellow Faced when it combines with its partner’s blue gene.

In fact as John Mulley explains: *“The result is about half Greens split Blue and the rest Yellow Faced Blues. You can’t get Blues out of that mating because the Green split Yellow Faced Blue does not have a blue allele. To get Blue offspring you have to have a Blue allele in each of the parents. The Yellow Faced Blue allele needs to be considered as an entity distinct from the Blue allele. We need to get used to calling the alternative forms of the same gene alleles”.*

English Yellow Faced Blue

For those new in the hobby, the double factor form of the English Yellow Faced is visually as per its normal counterpart (white faced) and is shown as the variety it portrays. When paired, the fancier is in for a potential population explosion of Yellow Faced.

The Single Factor will have a cream face ranging from light to darker shades.

Australian Yellow Faced Blue

With the Australian Yellow Faced Blue the Yellow in the face is Golden in both the single and double factor forms.

The Australian Yellow Faced Double Factor is reasonably free of ‘yellow wash’ through the body and is the true exhibition bird whereas the Australian Yellow Faced Single Factor has considerable ‘yellow wash’ through the body.

Some fanciers will unintentionally show the latter as Normal Greens and if Yellow Faced Grey as Grey Greens.

Yellow Faced and Albino

I approached Ken Yorke as to why an Albino can have a yellow face in lieu of ‘masking’ this colour. Ken uses Black pigment in lieu of Melanin in his response – I have included Melanin in () to hopefully simplify the explanation.

The response from Ken Yorke:

Unfortunately science is still working out the chemical pathways for the manufacture and distribution of yellow pigment in parrots.

The Ino gene is reasonably well known as far as the science is concerned. While I do not class myself as an expert in the chemistry of pigments, the science behind black pigment (melanin) manufacture and distribution is also reasonably well known. The Ino gene affects the distribution of black pigment (melanin) (it severely reduces the quantity of visible black that your eye sees). The Ino gene has no known scientific effect in the manufacture or distribution of yellow pigment.

In other words the production of black pigment (melanin) and production of yellow pigment are completely different genetic and biochemical processes

In a Blue Ino (albino) the Ino gene severely reduces the visible black pigment (melanin). Black pigment (plus some other structural changes in a feather) causes blue colouration. Virtually no black pigment (melanin) and you get virtually no blue colour, i.e. it appears white (the base colour of a feather with no pigments or practically no pigments). A marginal increase in the black pigment (melanin) gets a marginal increase in the blue colour and hence we see White suffused with blue. A Green Ino (Lutino) has exactly the same process except that it has additional yellow pigment hence you get a Yellow bird. A marginal increase in black pigment (melanin) gives you a Yellow bird with green suffusion. The Ino gene does not affect yellow pigment in any way. Hence Yellow Faced albinos.

THE STANDARD WORDING

ENGLISH YELLOW FACED - Standard

The following taken from the WBO Colour Standard - reflects what I believe should be within ***The Standard*** (Australia).

General body colour:	as the corresponding white face variety.
Mask:	lemon yellow which should extend over the frontal and crown with no more than minimal intrusion into the undulations at the back of the head. The frontal and crown should be clear and free from all markings.
Markings:	on cheeks, back of head, neck and wings may have a light flush of lemon yellow visible in the otherwise white areas at the edge of the markings.
Tail feathers:	lemon yellow overlay on the white areas of the secondary tail feathers is permissible.

In contrast, this is the current wording in Australia via ***The Standard*** being a generic standard for both the English and Australian versions but is closer to the Australian:

As for the Normal Blue Series, but with a deep bright yellow mask and frontal. Secondary and Tertiary tails may carry yellow pigmentation. All other exhibition features as for corresponding nominated non Yellow Faced Blue or White varieties.

AUSTRALIAN YELLOW FACED - Standard

The following taken from the WBO is modified fractionally to reflect what I believe should be within *The Standard* (Australia).

General body colour:	as the corresponding white face variety.
Mask:	buttercup yellow which should extend over the frontal and crown which will continue through the otherwise white areas of the undulations at the back of the head. The frontal and crown must be clear and free from all markings.
Markings:	on cheeks, back of head, neck and wings may have a light flush of yellow visible in the otherwise white areas at the edge of the markings.
Tail feathers:	a deep yellow overlay on the otherwise white areas of the secondary tail feathers.

NOTE from the WBO Standard

Australian Yellow Faced (Golden Faced) can be bred in single factor forms **but it is mandatory that only the double factor forms are exhibited** since that is the only form that is blue.

Spillage of yellow colour from the mask in Australian Yellow Faced double factor is permissible but should be no more than minimal and confined to the area of the body adjacent to the bottom edge of the mask.

Again, in Contrast, this is the current wording in Australia via *The Standard* as previously explained and is a generic standard for both:

As for the Normal Blue Series, but with a deep bright yellow mask and frontal. Secondary and Tertiary tails may carry yellow pigmentation. All other exhibition features as for corresponding nominated non Yellow Faced Blue or White varieties.

AMENDED THE STANDARD PENDING

The wording is being changed to remedy the anomaly of the one standard for both and is to occur in the next amended version of *The Standard* and hopefully reflects some if not all of the intent above.

I trust this simplistic article in some way assists fanciers to understand the Yellow Faced variety a little more.

I thank John and Ken for their valued input plus the WBO for their wording from their Colour Standard.

As John comments “I just tell people breeding Yellow Faced blue is just like breeding blue. Both are mutations away from green, and both are recessive to green”.

Nigel T