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# Editor Report

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I would like to offer my condolences to Barbara Wallis and her family, we as a society have lost an amazing advocate & friend for the breed in Ted however Barbara has lost her life partner and

friend.



Well nearly AGM time such a lot is happening with our Society. A lot of important decisions need to be made to enable the BSNSW to continue and go from strength to strength.

I truly believe that if you are a member that is passionate about your birds and the BSNSW, you need to come to the AGM the more people that attend gives the society, your society the best chance to survive and prosper.

This is of course only my opinion I hope to see so many new faces on the 12th of September at Blacktown RSL

Regards Anna

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#### **Presidents Report**



Welcome to the latest edition of the Budgerigar Magazine of NSW. Since my last report in June most Branches have now held their AGM and elected the committee's for the coming year. Well done to all those that put their hands up to assist their Branch. On a more sombre note the Society has lost two of its long term members. Firstly in July John Macnamara passed away. Our thoughts are with John's family and we remember and acknowledge all the time and effort that John put into the hobby as part of the Northside Branch. Then during August Ted

Wallis lost his long term battle with illness and passed away. Ted will be remembered by all his friends within the Society for the many years of service to the Illawarra Branch and the BSNSW. Ted held many positions within the Society and our thoughts are with Barbara and her family at this time.

We look like we are in for some great spring weather which lends itself well to those of us that have either paired up or about to pair up for the breeding season.

It is that time of the year again where we open up the possibility for you to be involved in the running of the Society and do your bit for the hobby within NSW. The AGM will be held on September 12<sup>th</sup> 10.30am – 1pm at Blacktown RSL and everyone is welcome to come along and put their hand up or cast your vote for those that do.

I wish to thank all the current committee for their contribution to the Society. The Society cannot run itself and it is only through the time and effort of a small group of volunteers that things get done.

The AGM will be followed by the September Management meeting which will also be held at Blacktown RSL 2pm – 5pm.

For those of you that may be travelling to Sydney for the AGM maybe make a weekend of it and stay over on Saturday night for the Northside Show which is being held on Sunday 13<sup>th</sup> September. Remember this will be for Purple rung birds as Young birds with a "last Hooray class for the Black ringers. Click <u>here</u> for your catalogue.

I look forward to seeing you at the AGM.

Harry Charalambous.

#### From The Secretary.

G'day Members it is with a certain amount of sadness & relief that I put pen to paper for Budgerigar for the last time. It has been an absolute pleasure to have worked with President Harry Charalambous & the BSNSW management team over the past year.

Yes Things have come unstuck over the past couple of months & I am not going into that here except to say Please members think very seriously about standing for 1 of the many vacant BSNSW positions at the forthcoming AGM. This Society & its members need your help. The BSNSW has managed to survive a few crises over its 60 odd years but it now faces its largest challenge.

I have stood in as the society's most unqualified treasurer until the AGM & I am lead to believe that all Branches must submit a financial report to me. Please do this ASAP so I can submit a full report to the AGM.

I have now received the results of Branch AGMs from most Branches & I will update the mailing list.

It would be very remiss of me if I did not take the time to thank all out going Office Bearers for their efforts, some over many years. Especially to Barbara & Ted Wallis who under very trying circumstances carried on in their respective positions until it became impossible to continue any further. It is with much sadness to hear that that Ted has passed away The BSNSW & its members will miss Ted as he is an icon in the Budgie hobby & a tireless worker for the BSNSW in particular over many years. Barbara Our deepest sympathy & love are with you & your family in this time of sorrow. Also a huge thank you to Ian & Kathy Manton for picking up the Ring & membership tasks when Ted was seriously ill.

Now a special mention must be made to the 2015 BSNSW Team Carers, Ian Hanington, Andre Ozoux & Craig Buckingham. Fella's you had a huge job on your hands & as usual you stuck in & carried out all the required tasks in a most professional manner & you have done the NSW State Budgerigar Breeders Proud. A huge thanks from all of us.

Well that's it from me. Don't forget if ever you are passing by good old Nabiac there is always a cuppa at the Nico's

Keith Nicholls
Retiring but not dead secretary



**HISTORY OF TED WALLIS** 

This is a story about how Ted and Barbara became interested in budgerigars, and the family often laugh about this tale.

They moved from Darwin to Sale in Victoria in 1974. Matthew and Karen asked for a pet budgie, so they visited a person called Norman Ross in Sale and purchased one. Norman tried to get Ted to join the Sale and District Cage Bird Club, but Ted said that he was not interested in having any more budgies, or joining a club. After a short time the children thought the budgie was lonely, so they purchased another one from Norman, and he again spoke to Ted about joining the club. Ted eventually agreed to join in 1975 and became Secretary of the Club. However they moved to Mangerton in November, 1977 and rang the Budgerigar Information Officer, Barry Ryan at the time, and Barry told them about the Illawarra Branch, and the rest is history!

Following are positions Ted has held in the BSNSW:

- Chairman of the Illawarra Branch from 1982 to 2014.
- Vice President of the BSNSW from 1988 to 1989.
- President of the BSNSW from 1990 to 2000.
- Ted and Barbara were awarded Life Membership of the BSNSW IN 1996.
- BSNSW Show Manager from 2000 to 2010.
- Was the Show Manager from the inaugural Royal Easter Show at Homebush in 1998 until 2010.
- He was heavily involved in the Australian Championships held in Bankstown, Wollongong, Coffs Harbour and Canberra.
- BSNSW Membership Registrar from 2000 to 2014.
- No doubt Ted would have assisted Barbara also with her position as BSNSW Ring Registrar from 2000 to 2014.
- Ted and Barbara attended their first Australian Championships in Townsville in 1982 and won a National Logie with a Green Normal Cock.
- They attended every National from 1982 until 2013 and made many friends throughout Australia.
- Ted loved his Clearwings and was a member of the Clearwing Budgerigar Society.
- Ted and Barbara travelled thousands of kilometres back and forwards from Mangerton to Sydney for their love of the Society.
- He also spent countless hours planning and running successful BSNSW activities.

Ted was a great "Budgerigar Man" who enjoyed the Fancy, the birds, and the people he met on his journey of aviculture with his wife, Barbara.

HE WILL BE SADLY MISSED AND REMEMBERED BY US ALL.

#### **Budgerigar Society of NSW inc**

#### **Notice of Annual General Meeting**

#### To be held Saturday 12th September 2015

#### At Blacktown RSL Club Second Avenue Blacktown

#### **Time 10-30AM**

The September BSNSW Management Meeting will proceed after the AGM.

**Agenda:** To confirm the Minutes of the 2014 AGM

To receive & consider the Office Bearers Written Reports

To receive and consider the Auditors report

To discuss and vote on any Notices of Motion of an Annual General Meeting Nature

To transact any other business relevant to an Annual General Meeting

To elect the BSNSW Officer bearers for the ensuing 12 months.

Keith Nicholls

**BSNSW Secretary** 

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#### **OFFICE BEARERS**

#### **VALID NOMINATIONS RECEIVED BY MIDNIGHT 1ST JUNE 2015.**

**Note:** I have listed all nomination acceptances/Declines received as of the close of nominations. 1st June 2015

	Position:	Nominee:	Nominated By:	Accept:
	President:	Harry Charalambous	A. Ozoux/. I Hanington	Yes
	Vice Presidents (2)	Andre Ozoux	H. Charalambous/M. Wilton	Yes
		lan Manton	K. Nicholls/ A Ozoux	Decline
	General Secretary:	Mark Wilton	K. Nicholls/H. Charalambous	Yes
	Editor:	Anna Shaw	K. Nicholls/ H. Charalambous	Yes
Chairperson Judges Committee:		tee: (Recor	(Recommendation from the Judges Committee)	

**Chairperson Colour** 

& Standards Committee: Jean Painter A. Ozoux/K. Nicholls Yes

Membership Registrar Keith Nicholls H. Charalambous/ A. Ozoux Yes

Note The BSNSW Operational Committee has accepted the offer from Steve Cummins as stand in ring registrar. I believe Steve Cummins is prepared to accept the ring registrars position if nominated at the AGM.

#### **Vacant Positions Still to be Filled**

Vice President 1, Minutes Secretary, Treasurer, Show Manager Services Section Manager, Trustees(2) Public officer, Auditors(2) Returning Officer, Advertising Manager,

& Web Master

**Keith Nicholls** 

BSNSW General Secretary 19th August 2015

# Mhat's on

### WHAT'S ON 2015/16

# 1st

#### September

#### 12th BSNSW AGM Blacktown RSL

13th Northside Annual Show20th Pied Society Auction

#### October

11th Shoalhaven Branch Young bird classic

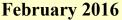
18th BRASEA Bexley

20th deadline for Budgerigar magazine articles

25th St George/Illawarra combined annual Young stock Show

#### November

1st Penrith Valley Annual Show 21st Midstate Budgerigar show



20th Northern NSW Annual Show28th NBC Young Bird show

#### March

13th New England Branch Annual Show



Do you have an event you would like listed here and/or on the web site?

Please forward details to BSNSW.committee@gmail.com





7<sup>th</sup> July AGM 2015 Well attended meeting for the AGM. Perennial Chairman: Tony Mills re-elected

Secretary Wally Capper; Continuing on capably in this position even though he has been through some tough times recently after surgery.

Treasurer; Tony Murphy

Delegates; Wally Capper and Barry Wise Auditors; David Rowley and Trevor Jones continuing his membership despite having recently sold his birds. Good to see as he is a good member and gives of his time to new members.

Show Manager; Barry Wise, along with Michael Bannister and Merv Thompson. Ring and Membership Officer: Barry

Wise

Catering: Warren McKinley Publicity Officer: Tony Murphy

# Central Coast Branch of the B.S. N.S.W Inc.

Presents their 2015 Annual Show

Sunday 15th November 2015

#### **VENUE**

Kariong Sport and Recreation Centre Mitchell Drive Kariong (at Gosford exit on M1 freeway)

- Clearwing Society Challenge Event
- <u>BS NSW Inc. Members Best of Variety in Show</u> <u>Competition event</u>

The Branch invites you to come and exhibit your birds and enjoy a good social day with good food available from our catering section.

Show Schedules Available early October by phoning Ray
Condon on (02)49736481 or looking on the BS NSW
Website

# ST.GEORGE and ILLAWARRA 39<sup>TH</sup> YOUNG BIRD SHOW

25th OCTOBER, 2015

#### BEXLEY SCHOOL OF ARTS 476 FOREST RD, BEXLEY

A VARIETY SHOW WITH ADULT PLUMAGE & UNBROKEN CAP CLASSES Note: Purple Rung Birds

Schedules available from your Branch Secretary or Jim Baker on 9601 1495 OR on the Society Website

Breakfast, morning tea and lunch will be available at the venue.

ENQUIRIES: Jim Baker 9601 1495 David Thorsby 9576 5504

CREST/CLEARWING CHALLENGE EVENT BSNSW Inc Members Best of Variety Award Points.

#### Northside Branch



42<sup>nd</sup> Annual Variety Show

Sunday, 13<sup>th</sup> September 2015.

St.Ives Showground, Douglas Pickering Pavilion
Mona Vale Road, St Ives. NSW.

Have the day at Northside!

- BRASEA Awards for Violet, Lutino, Light Green and Junior
- 2014 (Black) rung birds will be in a special 'last hoorah' class
- Elenbee Trade Stand
- Breakfast, bacon egg & sausage sandwiches
- Lunch, 3 course sit down meal, only \$15
- Bird Sales Breeders are invited to sell birds on the day (10% donation on sales to Northside Branch)

Show schedules are available on BSNSW websites

All enquiries on 04021 48021 or email pauloneill1@optusnet.com.au for schedule or email entry form

Email entries by Friday 11h September or

Phone Entries on Friday 11th September phone 9987-4907 between 7pm
& 9.30pm

Cost: \$1 per cage, max of \$20 Benching: 8.00am to 9.00am

# Breeders Directory

#### **Borg and Skivington**

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Varieties include: Normal, Opalines, Cinnamon, Dom & Rec Pied, Spangle, Lutino and Clearbody.

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#### Jim Baker

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- 26 Birds have represented NSW at National Level with one National Winner
- Latest success
   – Adelaide National 2nd fallow, Violet 8th, Grey/ Yellow Dilute 6th

Visitors welcome

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- 11 Birds have represented NSW
- 4 Times Best Old Cock with an Albino
- Grand Champion Newcastle 2010 YB Show
- 1st placed Albino 2013 STCC

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Advertise your Aviary birds etc.
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### Geoff O'Connor

#### Newcastle

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- 1st & 2nd Clearwings, 1st NViolet & 3rd A.O.S.V Opaline at 2013 State Team competition
- 2013 Grand Champion at Macarther AS & New England
   A S
- 2014 three Grand Champions

#### All enquiries

Email:

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This place is available for \$50.00 per annum



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# Spotlight on Juniors



Meet Abbey Maree Hunt, she is the youngest of Ron Hunts six grandchildren and the only one that shows an interest in birds. Rons four sons are not in the least interested however Abbeys mother Julie has exhibited cats and Jack Russel Terriers and bred canaries so this might be the start we need. Abby is shown here holding her favorite budgie an Albino named Kirby.

Abby bred three dark green last year and they are split blue type two so she has hopes of breeding Violet and or Mauves.

Fanciers in Queensland reading this might be able to foster this interest.

# BSNSW BRANCH MEETINGS

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Secretary Mark Goodsell
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Ph: 96764030 Secretary: Mark Wilton 0438567820

Email: westsydneybudgie@hotmail.com



# NBA Winners 2015



Nola Bradford photo's

Above Henry George SQLD first in the Green class.
Judges comment
Outstanding bird with good width of head and shoulder



Above Henry George S QLD
First in the blue class
Judges comment: A power bird, excellent
condition good shoulder and lovely top end

Below Henry George SQLD First GG class Judges comment :brilliant showmanship with good colour, cap and mask

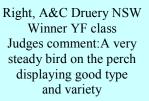


Below, Henry George SQLD
First in Violet class
Judges comment: Lovely bird good colour is slightly flecked but still a worthy winner





Left D Charlton Vic Winner grey class Judges comment, in best condition with width and depth of mask







Left Bill kirstenfeldt SQLD Winner AYF class Judges comment, has excellent variety double factor with good colour and condition

Right, Russel & Sheryl Ogden Nth & C QLD Winner BE Self Judges comment: Has all the modern features in all aspects





Left, Brett Martin VIC Winner Dilute class Judges Comment: Good Condition with great body strength, good shoulder and lovely face

Right, Jeff Leong VIC Winner Lutino class Judges comments: Powerful bird super colour, excellent condition and very stylish





Left, Cec and Brenda
Gearing WA
Winner Albino class
Judges comments: Fantastic
condition, great outline
shoulder head and lovely face



Right, Kakoschke and Rice SA Winner Clearwing class Judges comment Strong hen with good colour beautiful line and depth of mask



Left Alan Baxter Vic Winner GW class Judges comments: Powerful Hen lovely colour and showed well



Right John barden NSW Winner DFS class Judges comments: Powerful bird good condition, super width across shoulders



Left Henry George SQLD Winner Cinnamon class Judges comments: Lovely top end beautiful condition



Right Henry George SQLD Winner Opaline class Judges comments: Strong powerful hen who showed she was the winner



Left Kakoschke & Rice SA Winner Opaline AOSV class Judges comment: Solid bird with superb head qualities, beautiful Melanin

Right J&W Weidenhofer SA Winner Clearbody class Judges comments: Outstanding bird with clear definition of body and flight colour





Left Bill Kirstenfeldt SQLD Winner Lacewing class Judges comments: Strong in body big shoulder with big head and cap

Right Keith and Carrol Gough
SQLD
Winner Fallow Class
Judges comments: Outstanding
big strong in excellent feather
good facial feather & depth of
mask





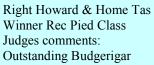
Left J Ennis Vic Winner spangle class Outstanding bird excellent quality

Right Cec & Brenda Gearing
WA
Winner AOSV Spangle class
Judges comment Powerful
bird strong through shoulder
good width and depth of
mask





Left Henry George SQLD Winner Dom Pied Class Judges comments: Excellent condition lovely face and cap good outline







Left K& S Alsop Vic Winner crest class Judges comments: Good bird with perfect crest

Right Bruce Schuster Nth C Qld Winner Dark eye clear Judges comment: Definite winner showing a bit of head feather



Right Ray & German Vic Winner Hen Class Judges comments: Powerful bird with nice cap and mask



All Photos Nola Bradford



#### BSNSW AGM & Management Meeting September 12th 2015 10.30am - 5pm

Join us for a webinar on Sep 12, 2015 at 10:30 AM AEST.

#### Register now!

https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/2161021203813588482

The intention is for the AGM to be held between 10.30am - 1pm and then break for lunch with the Management Meeting to be held between 2pm - 5pm.

Thank you to all those that took part in our last Management Meeting Live Streaming. It proved to be a success so we will be continuing to Live Stream the meetings on an ongoing basis.

Thank you also to those that provided feedback after the last meeting as we endeavor to continue to improve the experience for all involved. It is still very early days so we thank you for your participation and feedback.

Register now so you can log on and participate in the meeting if you cannot come along and be there in person.

Please forward any feedback on the meeting to <a href="mailto:president@budgerigar.com.au">president@budgerigar.com.au</a>

Thanks for taking part.

Harry Charalambous

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# JUMP ON THE TRAIN, OR STOP THE TRAIN

By Peter van Amelsvoort



This is not an article about the Dutch Railways or to get advice on the quickest way to Hapert, Karlsruhe or Doncaster. However, to realize your ambitions on the shortest route, not through the many roads to Rome, put your compass to the south if you live in the Netherlands. On my literature reading list in high school was a relatively short book, a novella by Joseph Eichendorff titled "Aus dem Leben eines Tauge Nichts". A youthful romantic who enjoys going to the south and on his way he tells about what he encounters and what he dreams about he might encounter. No great literature but an inspiration for the youthful mind, maybe it was just adolescent or the natural human urge to discover what there is to see in the world. Daydreaming is nothing strange to budgie breeders but to really see the greener grass in the other field, you will have to go there and walk through the grass. This means you will have to travel to see and feel whats there. This is the same in the budgie fancy, you will have to go and visit the breeder to see his show-and stockbirds and to see and hear what way he is reaching his goal. Budgerigar breeders in the budgies fancy are now at a crossroad and wonder what direction to take. Leaving the crossroads on your choosen path the journey might be further then your bycicle can bring you in a day. Do we have to go to the cradle of budgie world the United Kingdom? On facebook certain breeders manifest with birds with beautiful heads. To our eastern neighbors who have a tendency to eredicate extreme birds of the showbench. Were they limit the length of the birds. Even the opposite trend is comming our way, the small colour budgie. Lovers of the so called "monsterbird" sometimes show them, but over all the negative comments, just keep them at home to breed their own ideal. Daydreaming is forty years later still a pleasant pastime. Conclusion as in the book; Standing at the crossroads you will have to choose your path only to find out later you took the wrong one. Still this is better then standing still not being able to choose. Standing at these crossroads to make our journey to see and feel the greener grass, we chose to go south. We found the field in Wurenloss Switserland at Daniel Luetolfs. It was a few years ago since we visited Daniel last, so it was time to see the changes he was after and what direction he picked. He wasn't the only breeder we visited in april 2015, but the right example for this article.



Visiting Wurenlos together with my friends Henk Fidder, Appie van Gelder and Jos Reijnders.

#### BRIEF IMPRESSION FROM HENK FIDDER

April 2015 I had the possibility to accompany some Dutch colleague breeders for a visit to Daniel Luetolf. Just returned from his visit to Australia the stud of Daniel is full swing up and running. We were able to admire the breeding couples 2015 and the offspring from the first breeding round. The visit to Daniel was the high light of several visits I had recently. I have been out of the hobby for more than thirty years now and my ideal was still that form the birds in the late seventies. In my opinion the modern birds seems to be to extreme. I had some catching up to do and change my vision of the ideal bird seeing Daniel's big birds with their big fluffy feathered heads. His name was mentioned during several visits we had before visiting Daniel. Big "monster birds" were mentioned and I could visualize them vividly. What I saw was completely different, lovely shapes birds with great type and stance and an enormous blow with dence feathering. A real power bird, after seeing them I again have to change my vision of a modern ideal.

#### THE CHANGE

Daniel Luetolf is known as a man who seeks the border with his birds in the budgies sport. Ten to fifteen years ago the depth of the masks on his birds impressed the budgie fancy. Along with this he developed long feathers and more volume to the feathers. These features mixed developed a special feathertype which we also see in other species such as pigeons and chickens. A hairy feathering and a degeneration of the barbs. Extreme birds were also described as viable feather dusters. Another stage in the

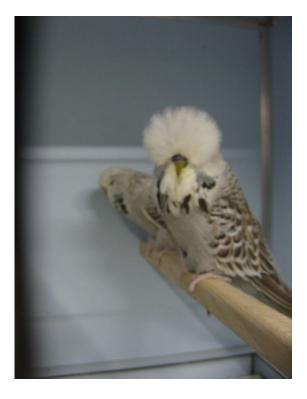
development was the direction of the feathering, this was more down from the cere, but also sideways on the neck shape /backskul. Emphasis was at the time on the top-end of the birds, historical it is the basis of the English birds. In history breeders like Alf Ormerod, Andre Vermeir, Jo Mannes for example managed to distinguish in this area. Seeing minimal differences, buy these birds and their future development on these small differences is the strength of breeders with foresight and vision. Progress is one of the elements that makes budgerigars sport attractive. The gene pool of the budgerigar gives you many possibilities. Every advance also causes debate among breeders and sometimes division. This division has not only disadvantages, the positive side of this is that there are trends set. Sometimes features develope into extremes and go to far, remedial action should then be taken. Daniel Luetolf his phase of the "monster birds' is already behind him and he took preventive and corrective measures by modeling the prototype to create a new ideal.





This grey cinnamon cock shows us the direction Daniel went to improve his birds. The modern bird with the actual blow and the bouncing headfeathers often misses the backskull and neck. In this bird we see both features prevealing, and it has the right wedged shape combined with a natural blow and expression. Looking closely you can also see the corrective measures that were taken on the lenght of the main wingfeathers.

#### **EXPRESSION**



This grey cinnamon cock is showing a great blow and expression while in the breedingcage. This picture got a lot of possitive reactions on facebook, like"nice body feather", "what a blow"and "finally type is back"

Breeders see we are going the right direction with improvement in a lot off ereas. So jump on the train and join the party



#### THE SHOWBIRD IS COMMING BACK.



We see a big improvement in the bodyfeathers aswell its more close to the body so the bird can show its bodyshape again. This tight body feather is a big improvement compared to the all buff bird. To keep the head feathers the right lenght is an art on its own. In this grey hen you can see all the above features combined, its an art like I said before to breed a bird like that. The picture was made while the hen was already in the breedingcage for a while, hence the wingcarriage.

#### **DENCE FEATHERS**



This darkgreen spangle cock shows us its possible to combine the natural blow with the dence feather, it also shows an improvement on the hairy feather.

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#### CANARY and CAGE BIRD FEDERATION OF AUSTRALIA Inc Guest of Honour Dinner 2015 - Jim Baker

(Text and photograph by Nola Bradford)

Eighty people attended this year's Guest of Honour Dinner on Saturday, 22<sup>nd</sup> August at the pleasant venue of Ottimo House in Fivedock to celebrate Jim Baker's achievements in his years within Aviculture. St George Branch of the BSNSW and The Red Factor Canary Club "put forward" Jim's achievements within the criteria for nomination of this award.

Jim was first introduced into birds, mainly Canaries, Borders and Red Factors by his uncle Herb of Ramsgate and also helped by his Mother at about the age of 13. He bred Borders for a few years then changed solely to the Red Factor variety in 1963/4. He joined the Red Factor Canary Club of Australia in late 1968, first showing in the 1969 Annual Show, winning a 2<sup>nd</sup> place with a heavily variegated Apricot Hen.

He became a Panel Judge of The Red Factor Canary Club of Australia in 1972 until 1997, and was also a breeder of Gloster Canaries and Judge for 10 years. He was Show Secretary of the Red Factor Club for 25 years. He achieved Champion Red Factory Canary at the Royal Easter Show in 1976 and his greatest win with Red Factor being Grand Champion at the Red Factor Canary Club of Australia Annual Show in 1977 where there were 670 birds in the show and winning with an Apricot Cock Bird. He is also a member of the Zebra Finch Society.

He joined The St George Branch of the Budgerigar Society in 1998 first showing budgerigars in 1999, with his first major result being 6<sup>th</sup> Place in the National in 2002, with a Lutino Cock Bird. In later years he won 9th Place in the Nationals in 2012 with a Clearbody Cock, and 8<sup>th</sup> place in the 2015 Nationals with a Lacewing Cock. Jim also has achieved many variety winners over the years, with a few Champions on the way, but his speciality is breeding Recessive Pieds and the Lacewing variety.

Jim and Brenda have travelled to the Australian National Budgerigar Championships around Australia for many years, and have enjoyed the competitive and social atmosphere of these occasions.

He has held the office of Show Secretary and Show Manager for the St George Branch Budgerigar Society and is a Senior Panel Judge for the B.S.N.S.W. and currently the Minutes Secretary for the B.S.N.S.W. Jim was invited to Judge at the 2015 Royal Easter Show. He still finds breeding Budgerigars a great challenge and continues to strive for breeding excellence.



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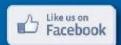
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