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Editor Report

Hi everyone and welcome to the April/May issue of Budgerigar, I appreciate the show results and reports that have been sent for this issue. I would still like more photos please be aware that we are predominately a coloured publication photos are needed,

I must say how disappointed I am in the lack of interest I have received with my Spotlight on Juniors section. I am shocked that there is such a lack of desire to promote the future of our hobby .I have never experienced this before with any hobby we have been involved with.

You will notice there are hardly any branch news in this issue, all branches are invited to submit general interest information on their branches.

Good luck to all of the members exhibiting in the State team Challenge Go NSW.

And a big happy Mothers Day to all the Mums especially mine.



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BSNSW Grand Champion Bird of Show Award 2015

Presidents Report



Welcome to the latest edition of the Budgerigar Magazine of NSW. I trust this edition finds you (and your birds) all safe and dry after the very inclement weather. At the time of writing this report I have been 6 days without power at home and not sure when it will be back on. We are dry, have good neighbours and friends, have not had any serious damage and have played lots of scrabble and spent time chatting rather on computers and TV's so all in all are doing ok. My thoughts go out to those who have had damage to their homes and a huge thanks to all the

emergency workers who have done a remarkable job protecting us all.

Since our last magazine we have launched our new website so please jump online and have a look and let us know your thoughts and any improvements you may think of. A big thankyou to Andrew Bourne for all the time and effort that he put into getting the website up and running and to Ian Manton for the many hours of liaising between Andrew and the BSNSW to make the site is as concise as possible and the changeover a smooth one for us all. We are now into phase two of the upgrade which will incorporate getting the membership list and status points back online. We have also identified some formatting and additional content which we will have available on the site as soon as possible. Stay tuned as this is just the beginning with much more to come.



Well done to all Branches and Associated Societies on the running of the Annual Shows to date which appear to have gone very well and were well supported by the exhibitors. We have also just had the BSNSW Annual which was a great day however well down on the number of exhibitors and entries on the day; we will need to give consideration to what format if at all the BSNSW Annual moves forward in. Congratulations to all the winners, in particular to James Matthews on Winning Grand Champion in Show as well as everyone who contributed to the running of the shows. Another notable point at the shows was the initiative of the



Trainee Judges shadowing the Judges which appears to have been introduced with minimal fuss and has presented a great opportunity for the Trainee's to gain some hands on experience whilst having the benefit of the guidance of the more experienced Judges. As we are now heading into the lead up to the STCC which is to be held on Saturday 13th June it is time for all Branches and Associated Societies to give some thought to picking and preparing their team for the day as well as this year's National competition which is

on the following weekend in Western Australia.

The Working Group which was tasked to look at "how the Associates could become part of management" presented a concept at the March Management meeting and has been refining it in consultation with the membership. We will be showcasing some ideas and seeking feedback at the STCC in June and are open to hearing from anyone who would like to provide some insight as to the way forward for the hobby. Well done to our Associate members who have taken the opportunity of joining our management meetings via the Live Streaming, it's great to have you online.

The Live Streaming of the BSNSW Management meetings continues to gain good feedback from those using the service, we did find the limit to the technology last meeting when we lost the audio to those online whilst showing a power point presentation on the live stream as well as projecting it to the Management Team in the room at Blacktown, please bear with us with the glitches as we work out the capabilities of the system and the operator (me). I urge to join the next meeting either online or in person as we need to provide our delegates with direction for the motions which have been proposed and will be voted at the ANBC meeting in Western Australia in June. То register for the May meeting please click here: https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/7781001163514793218

Finally and most importantly it is the time of the year when we seek nominations for all positions on the BSNSW Management Team. This year we have several long standing committee members who will not be taking up their positions in the coming year. We thank them for their contribution



to the hobby and wish them every success with their future plans and of course look forward to continued involvement at Branch level and on the show bench and perhaps one day back on the Management Team. I look forward to hearing from you should you be available to assist on next year's Management Team in particular with the positions of – Treasurer, Show Manager, Secretary, Ring Registrar and

Membership Registrar. I look forward to connecting with you at the STCC or at the May Management Meeting to be held on Monday 11th May at Blacktown RSL at 7.30pm – 11.00pm.

I look forward to seeing you then.

Harry Charalambous

From the Secretary

It is that time of year again when we as members of the BSNSW must give some thought as to who can best manage the affairs of the society for the year 2015/2016 & submit their names via the nomination of office bearers form enclosed with this copy of Budgerigar. The BSNSW AGM will be held in September2015.

These nominations on the appropriate form must be in the hands of the Societies Secretary **<u>BY NO LATER THAN 1ST JUNE 2015</u>** Please give the nomination of Office Bearers serious thought as this is **your** chance to have your say in the makeup of the Societies Office Bearers. Of course the next step you can take is to turn up & register your vote at the Societies AGM. Should postal votes be required in the case of contested positions, postal vote request forms will be available in the June/July issue of Budgerigar.

Whilst all office bearers positions automatically become vacant at the AGM, I am lead to believe there are 5 current Office bearers who have decided not to seek re- election. They are Treasurer, Show Manager, Ring Registrar, Membership Registrar, & Secretary. Yes it is time, age & distance has caught up with me. The Society is in the process of handing over the reins to the next generation who have the huge responsibility of welding all facets of the Budgerigar fancy together so as to survive into the future. So it is critical that these positions be filled.

Regards Keith Nicholls BSNSW Secretary.

What's on

What's on 2015/16

April

20th Deadline Budgerigar articles

May

- 3rd Macarthur branch Annual Show
- 11th Management meeting
- 15th StGeorge Annual Sale night
- 31st Orana Avicultural Society Annual Show
- 31st BRASEA Auction Bexley

June

- 13th State Team Challenge and selection
- 19th-23rd National Championship

July

- 4th Hills District Branch Auction
- 13th BSNSW Management meeting (to be confirmed)
- 19th BRASEA Auction Brisbane

August

- 8th Newcastle Auction
- 9th Newcastle Young Bird Show
- 16th South West Society Auction Junee Ex Servicemans Club
- 21st St George Branch Annual Auction
- 23rd New England Branch Young Bird Show

September

13th Northside Annual Show

October

- 11th Shoalhaven Branch Young bird classic
- 18th BRASEA Bexley
- 25th St George/Illawarra combined annual Youngstock 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











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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 president@budgerigar.com.au

Thanks for taking part.

Harry Charalambous

After registering, you will receive a confirmation email containing information about joining the webinar.

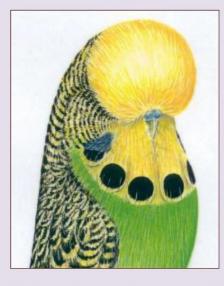
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Preparing your Birds for Show - Spotting.

"The Standard" is published for the guidance of member bodies of the Australian National Budgerigar Council (ANBC) and to provide the basis for judging entries at any event staged by the ANBC.

The Standard has been adopted by most Budgerigar Clubs across Australia and New Zealand as the "ideal" exhibition budgerigar, and as a measure for competition.



The description of perfection of the ideal budgerigar states:

"Mask and Spots - The mask is to be clear, wide and deep, (not cleft) extending beyond two large cheek patches. Where required by variety standards, the mask is to be ornamented by six evenly spaced, large, round throat spots, the outer two being partially covered by the base of the cheek patches".

Whilst we all hope to breed our exhibition budgies with six evenly spaced large, round spots, we rarely do! It is acceptable practice to "spot" our birds prior to a show, to ensure we can get our birds as close to ideal as possible!

I have been breeding and exhibiting budgerigars in Australia for approximately 30 years, and judging for over 10 years. I would NEVER exhibit any of my birds without giving them every best chance to win..... and that always includes spotting.

So, what is "spotting"? It should probably more correctly be called "De-Spotting"! The difference between spotting or not spotting your birds, could well be the difference between winning and not winning!

There are a number of ways to go about it, and various tools one can use:





flat knife blade finger tips (placed under the spot with fingertip pressed onto blade)



flat bladed sweezers

My personal preference for spotting birds (and I am right handed), is to place the bird in my right hand, with the bird's head between my middle finger and thumb, with the index finger pressing lightly onto the top of the birds head. My small and ring finger secures the bird's body.

I then use a pinching motion with my left thumb and index finger to pinch and pull out excess spots. One could use broad, flat tipped sweezers, or a flat knife blade instead of fingers, but fingers work best for me!







Pic 2

Pic 3





A bird with 6 large, round, even spots with always catch the judge's eye - it will look like the spots the Standard depicts as "ideal". Sometimes there are so many spots, that it is very distracting. Once the smaller, uneven spots are removed, the ones left look so much bigger than before you started de-spotting!

So how do I work out which ones to keep, and which ones to remove? You obviously want to leave the biggest, evenest, roundest spots. I pick them up with my fingers (one at a time), and shift them slightly aside. You certainly wouldn't want to accidently pull one of these ones by mistake!

I then look for the "shadow spots". They are often hidden behind the big ones you want to keep. I pinch these shadow spots between my left thumb and index fingers, and pull them out with a slight tug. Next I remove the smaller, unwanted surplus spots. One at a time. I might even pop the bird back in a show cage and give it time to settle and readjust, before taking out the last few.

Note the feinter, lighter-coloured "shadow spots" in Pics 1, 2 and 3. These come out first, followed by smaller spots in Pics 4 and 5. Pic 6 shows all the spots that were removed (don't do this inside at the dinner table, or you'll be in strife)!

Pic 7 shows the "finished" bird ready for show. Pic 8, won Best Opaline in show. If you look at the mask and spots before and after spotting, you can certainly see the difference in this bird. It was unquestionably the difference between winning and not winning!



Before spotting



After spotting (note how much bigger the remaining spots seem to look)



Before spotting



After spotting (note again the remaining spots seem to look larger)

Hopefully you can see why I choose to "spot" my birds before showing them. I usually do this one day prior to show day. And of course, like with everything, practice makes perfect. I would highly recommend that you practice on your non-show birds and be comfortable and happy with your results....before attempting to do this on your best birds on show day!

Article by Kathy Manton, senior panel budgerigar judge, BSNSW Inc.

March 2015

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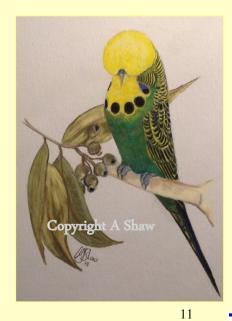
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Results	New England	Anual Show 8th M	larch 2015
Champion Bird of Show	E & D Wise	Opaline AOSV Hen	
Champ Opp Sex in Show	T & Y Smith	Grey Cock	
Champion any age	T & Y Smith	Grey Cock	
Champ any age Opp sex	M hawke	Albino Hen	
Champion Young Bird	E & D Wise	Opaline AOSV Hen	
Champ Opp Sex Young Bird	T & Y Smith	Grey Cock	
Champion Open Young	E & D Wise	Opaline AOSV Hen	
Champ Opp Sex Open Young	T & Y Smith	Grey Cock	
Champion Intermediate	R. Cosgrove	Nornal Green	
Champ Opp Sex Intermediate	Small family	Opaline AOSV	
Champion Novice	R Smith	Opaline Cock	
Champ Opp Sex Novice	R Smith	Opaline Hen	
	Best of Variety		
Normal Green	T & Y Smith	Cinnamonwing green/Blue	T & Y Smith
Greygreen	D & V Punpton	Double Factor yellow/White	E & D Wise
Normal Blue	MHawke	Opaline green/ Blue	D & V Punpton
Normal Violet	T Davis	Opaline AOSV green/ Blue	E & D Wise
Grey	T & Y Smith	Clearbody green/blue	B Cosgrove
Yellow Face Blue	F Duff	Lacewing green/blue	F Duff
Australian Yellow Face Blue	T Davis	Fallow green/blue	M Hawke
Black Eye Yellow/White	E & D Wise	Spangle green/blue	K Segrott
Dilute Yellow/White	E & D Wise	Spangle AOSV green/blue	M Hawke
Lutino	M Hawke	Dominant Pied green/blue	M Hawke
Albino	M Hawke	Recessive Pied green/blue	
Clearwing Green/Blue	T Smart	Dark Eyed Clear	K Segrott
Greywing Green/Blue	T Cooper	Crested ASC / AOSV	K Segrott
	Points from Show		
F Duff	2	Yellow Face & Lacewing	
T Cooper	1	Greywing	
B Cosgvove	1	clearbody	
T Smart	1	Clearwing	
T Davis	2	Violet & Aust Yellow Face	
R Cosgrove	1	Champ Intermediate	
Small Family	1	Opp Sex Intermediate	
R Smith	2	Champ & Opp Sex Novice	



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Monday 22nd June 2015

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BSNSW 61st Annual Show March 2015

Below Allan Reids Champion Open Young Hen







Below Champ opp sex Novice Owned by Jason Tinker

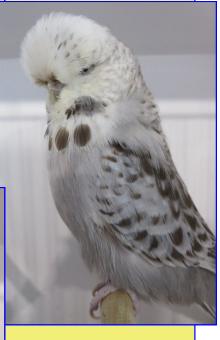


Left Champion Open Young Cock owned by Abi Haider Right Champion Intermediate Cock owned by Mark Wilton

Nola Bradford photos this page

Left Grand champion and Champion Old bird Owned by James Matthews

Below Champ Old Hen and Champion Opp Sex Owned by James Matthews





BSNSW 61st Annual Show March 2015



James Matthews being presented his Grand Champion trophy by Harry



Cody Shaw Champion Novice Bird receiving his Rob Marshall book from Kathy Manton



Abi Haider receiving his Champion open young award from James Matthews

Jason Tinker Champ Opposite sex



Mark Wilton receiving his award from Kathy



James Matthews with his Champion Bird of show award with artist Anna Shaw





Our much loved photographer Nola Bradford with Alan Reid caught taking photos.





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Tireless workers Ian Manton and Bruce Bradford

BUDGERIGA	R SOCIET	Y OF N.S.W. Inc			
ANNUAL SHOW 2015					
GRAND CHAMPION	J	ames Mathews			
Champion Young Bird	r N	lark Wilton			
Champion Young Opp. Sex	С	raig Sutherland			
Champion Any Age	James Matthews				
Champion Any Age Opp. Sex	James Matthews				
Other Any Age Awards	Cock	Hen			
Reserve Champion	A Reid	A Reid			
2 nd Reserve Champion	J Matthews	J Matthews			
3 rd Reserve Champion	I & K Manton	J Matthews			
4 th Reserve Champion	I & K Manton	A Reid			
5 th Reserve Champion	I & K Manton	I & K Manton			
Champion Open Young	А	bi Haider			
Champion Open Young Opp. Sex Allan Reid					
Other Open Young Awards	Cock	Hen			
Reserve Champion	J Matthews	J Matthews			
2 nd Reserve Champion	J Matthews	A Reid			
3 rd Reserve Champion	R Roarty	R Roarty			
4 th Reserve Champion	A Reid	J Matthews			
5 th Reserve Champion	I & K Manton	J Matthews			
Champion Intermediate Mark Wilton					
Champion Intermediate Opp. Sex Craig Sutherland					
Other Intermediate Awards	Cock	Hen			
Reserve Champion	M Wilton	R & A Rogers			
2 nd Reserve Champion	C Sutherland	A Dalrymple			
3 rd Reserve Champion	C Sutherland	M Wilton			
4 th Reserve Champion	A Clifton	R & A Rogers			
5 th Reserve Champion	R & A Rogers	R & A Rogers			

Champion Novice	Shaw Family
Champion Novice Opp. Sex	Jason Tinker
	Cock Hen
	J Tinker J Tinker
2 nd Reserve Champion	J Tinker M Angus
3 rd Reserve Champion	Spiteri & Kanaan Charalambous Family
4 th Reserve Champion	Spiteri & Kanaan M Angus
	K Donohue Spiteri & Kanaan
OTHER MAJOR AWARDS	
Champion Pair J Matt	hews Champion Team J Matthews
Champion Collection A Reid	Champion Bush
	Budgerigar G Gordon
Bob Gorman Memorial Award -	Most Successful Exhibitor – J Matthews
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Normal Blue - I & K Manton	Normal Violet - A Reid
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Dilute - R Galbraith	Lutino - A Reid
Albino - R & A Rogers	Clearwing - I & K Manton
Greywing - J Matthews	Cinnamonwing - J Tinker
Spangle Double Factor - J Matthews	Opaline - I & K Manton
Opaline AOSV - J Matthews	Clearbody - R & A Rogers
Lacewing - B & N Bradford	Fallow - B & N Bradford
Spangle (non-compound) - J Matthe	ws Spangle AOSV - C Sutherland
Dominant Pied - A Reid	Recessive Pied - J Baker
Darkwing - R & S Condon	Saddleback - no entries
Dark Eyed Clear - K Denmeade	Crested - R & A Rogers
Non Standard - J Matthews	

Judges : Gary Gazzard, J Painter, T Bevan

Trainee judge Mark Wilton and Geoff Mansfield with judges Jean Painter, Gary Gazzard and Terry Bevan





Amazing view of the rosettes on the winning birds cages .



Harry Abbey and Craig Comparing notes





Cody and Mark Shaw with Andre Ozoux

The Trophy table.



John Hogarth photos this page



BSNSW Annual Show 2015 Trophy table



Panoramic view of the Trophies and sponsors



Champion Novice Cody Shaw with Craig Buckingham and Pam Hewitt





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18th ROYAL EASTER SHOW AT HOMEBUSH - 26TH/27TH MARCH, 2015

(Words and Photographs by Nola Bradford)

A lovely display of Budgerigars, Canaries, Lovebirds, Parrots and Finches were on show for the first two days of the Royal Easter Show in the Wynne Pavillion. A large of number of visitors viewed the birds and asked the Stewards numerous questions about their hobby. Avian Specialist Veterinarian, Dr. Mike Cannon checked on the birds over the two days to ensure they were all in good health. The birds were judged in front of the public on the staging, and this created a lot of favourable comments, as it could be seen how much detail was given to choose the best birds. Stewards ensured all birds had a fresh supply of water and millet sprays or treats after judging. Informative pamphlets and magazines were also handed out to anyone showing interest in our hobby.

Kathy Manton was the Chief Steward and was on hand to supervise the smooth running of the event, with the assistance of the Stewards, Ray Galbraith, Ian Manton, Bruce and Nola Bradford, and junior member of Northside Branch, Errol Bousfield. The Judges were Andre Ozoux and Jim Baker and an enthusiastic public watched the winners being selected with great interest. The Lacewing, Black Eyed Yellow, Cinnamonwing and Spangle classes were particularly strong and the two top awards came out of the Spangle and Cinnamon classes. Grand Champion was a Grey Spangle Cock and the Reserve Grand Champion was a Greygreen Cinnamon Cock and both were owned by James Matthews. The Junior Budgerigar was won by Ebony Wilson.

The Australian Bush Budgerigar was won by Tania Sepulveda and the Junior Bush Budgerigar was won by Holly Wilson. Errol Bousfield won the Champion and Reserve Champion Miniature which was judged by Dr. Marc Noakes.

Ian Sheffield, President of the Parrot Society of Australia, accompanied by his wife, Jennifer and other club members joined us with their tame Major Mitchell Cockatoo called "Gozo", Alexandrine Parrot "Koiki" and Pink Galah "Gazza". The public really enjoy the interaction with these birds and love having their photo taken with them on their shoulder or hand. This is the fourth year that Ian has brought his birds to the Show and finds it a great opportunity to share his pets especially with young wheelchair bound and special children.

This is also the fourth year that a Junior Section was provided for each of the categories, and 37 birds were benched overall in the Canary, Finch, Parrot and Budgerigar sections. This year an aviary was supplied and erected by Les Turner Aviaries and one of the members of the Finch Society of Australia did the landscaping and another member supplied the birds. It was a lovely exhibition and was a new and popular addition to the Wynne Pavilion. The Society also presented a power point presentation of 200 photos which ran continuously throughout the show.

Another point of interest is the fact that the winner of the Normal Sky Blue class is a bird that is nearly 10 years old, and is owned by Ian and Kathy Manton. It was rung in 2006 and has won the Normal Blue class at the RAS Show five times. Quite an achievement! The bird still looks very good and loves being shown.

Variety Award Winners were: NORMAL GREEN 1 & K Manton . NORMAL GREYGREEN 1 & K Manton. NORMAL BLUE I & K Manton. NORMAL GREY Carlo Arfi. BLACK EYED YELLOW Carlo Arfi. LUTINO Ray Galbraith. ALBINO Ray Galbraith. CLEARWING I & K Manton. GREYWING James Matthews. CINNAMONWING James Matthews. DOUBLE FACTOR SPANGLE Errol Bousfield. OPALINE Carlo Arfi. OPALINE AOSV 1&K LACEWING B & N Bradford. FALLOW B & N Bradford. YELLOW FACE BLUE Carlo Arfi. Manton. SPANGLE James Matthews. DOMINANT PIED B & N Bradford. RECESSIVE PIED Carlo Arfi. CREST NON STANDARD Wilson Family. PAIRS Ray Galbraith. TEAM OR COLLECTION B & N Bradford. Carlo Arfi. CHAMPION AUSTRALIAN BUSH BUDGERIGAR Tania Sepulveda. **CHAMPION &** AOSV Wilson Family. RESERVE CHAMPION MINIATURE Errol Bousfield.





Left Grand Champion Sydney Royal Grey Spangle Cock owned by James Matthews

Right: Reserve Grand Champion owned by James Matthews



Right Wayne Burton RAS Official with James Matthews.

Below Left: The Team, Bruce Bradford, Nola Bradford, Eroll Bousfield, Ray Galbraith, Ian Manton, Kathy Manton and Andre Ozoux



Below Right RAS Official Wayne Burton with Errol Bousfield

Bottom photo Kathy Manton With her "Old Bird" Blue Normal Cock







A.N.B.C. HISTORIAN REPORT NATIONAL COMPETITION 2014, SOUTH AUSTRALIA.

South Australian Budgerigar Council, hosted this year's National Competition, the 40th. What a great job they did for such a small Council with limited membership.

The Hotel Grand Chancellor on Hindley Street was the Venue for every major function associated with the competition as well as the two days of Competition. All staged on the Hotels Function floor, which had ample room in the main Ballroom for the Judging and comfortable viewing of the birds during judging and off to the side the previously Judged classes. A very close secure holding area enabled easy efficient movement of the caged birds to and from the Ballroom. There was also plenty of space in the foyer for all Sponsors present to display their wares, and all in all a very pleasant Show.

The minimum down side being the second year of the two bird trial and the increase in classes. While the class increase was well received except the exhibition class, it was noted that the decrease back from twenty-one birds to fourteen detracted a little again and the classes which were not fully represented were quite obvious. It also does not help as exhibitors who had the reserve bird selected in their home zone and did not travel were conspicuous by their absence. Hopefully with the return of the three birds per class and on the bench next year we will attract more exhibitors to attend and enjoy a great weekend in Budgerigars.

Friday night meet and greet, renewing of friendships seemed a little flat and fragmented as everyone chose to sit at a table in their own groups and not mingle as much as was hoped. The weekend was opened and it was reported all teams in the holding area and looking well. Confirmed by a positive vet report. Most teams were in Thursday allowing the birds a full day of rest, which seems to be a great initiative and positive for the birds.

Saturday started well with minimum grissles from the carers and a good spread of keen enthusiastic exhibitors from all zones all seated and waiting for the Judging to begin. The two Judging teams were introduced. Nigel Tonkin (S.A.) partnering Stephen Mow (Vic.) and Linda Patten (New Zealand.) partnering Kevin O'Callaghan (North Queensland.). This I believe was the first time we have we have hosted a Judge from New Zealand at the A.N.B.C. Competition. Congratulations to Linda Patten. The Show was again backed up by a great multi state team of volunteers . Fabulous effort so congratulations again go to Maureen & Andrew Bourne (A.C.T.) on the computer, Rod Turnbull & James Bader (Vic.) photographers, Carol Gough (Sth. Qld.) deciphering and collating the Judge's comments for the live streaming, and Luke Fletcher (Tassie) for his web live streaming to the world. Also the B.C.S.A. Organising Committee headed up by Peter Glassenbury and all his fellow contributors.

Odd numbered Classes on Saturday, Judged in good time. The in house video streaming was hampered by multi lighting and shadows, which also caused a few Judging problems as it unsettled the birds when moved from one end of the staging to the other. We all know it's not easy. Saturday evening dinner was in the Hotels main restaurant and unfortunately only 49 people attended on what was reported a lovely meal. Again I believe this function will have to be reviewed as to continuing to be a viable entertaining associated event included in the weekend.

Sunday morning everyone again in their seats for the resumption of competition with the even numbered classes to be Judged. N.S.W. was holding a slender lead from Vic. Judges were held in their same teams for the judging, no rotation. After the first hour Victoria had only picked up a few points and in the main were scoring on par with N.S.W. but then shot ahead and were never headed winning by 37 points, 10 less than 2013 but a good win. Congratulations to Victoria and especially their team carers Bruce Wilson, Phil Hoadley, and James Bader. Also to all the team carers from every zone, as they cannot afford anything to go wrong without a backup.

Final Results. 1. Victoria. 539.

2. N.S.W.	502.
3. S.A.	438.
4. Sth. Qld.	368.
5. W.A.	362.
6. Tassie.	269.
7. Nth. Qld.	247.

Again 26 Classes. Point scoring for 25 classes and the Demo class. (Dark eyed clears.)

Multiple winners were again in the mix with two wins each for the perennials Sheppard & Flanagan partnership (Vic.), Leigh Downey (Vic.), Mark Hawke (N.S.W.), and the Rowe Bros. (Vic.), one point scoring Class and the Exhibition Class. Congratulations to the multi winners and all the other individual winners . First place by Zones were; Vic. 10. N.S.W. 9. S.A. 3. Sth. Qld. 2. W.A. 2. Nth. Qld. 1. & Tassie just failed to record a first place.

The live streaming of results, photo's, and comments was greatly received as far away as the U.K. and thousands of hits on the sight were recorded.

As the Show evolves now after the trials it can only become greater, with the extra classes and their improvement as exhibition budgerigars, so we should all work nationally harmoniously to make it an ongoing success and leave future tinkering alone. I commented on last year's report as to date changes, associated with winter holidays, school holidays, more expensive accommodation, air travel etc. Plenty of exhibitors have also commented to me as to not being sufficiently informed as to these changes and also hope that the council listens to them and does not proceed with anymore changes except moving back to the last full weekend in May that worked so well I again attended the Colour and Standards meeting. Talking in circles again, year after year, not seeming to achieve much. The Judges meeting and presentation of a variety was the same from all reports. There are a few individualistic views that insist on being heard going on and on and achieve nothing of consequence to the enhancement of the hobby.

The Auction on the Sunday after the completion of the Judging is now a socially integral part of the weekend, and eagerly awaited, after viewing the pairs over the two days. Some very nice pairs of budgerigars too. Peter Thurn gave of his time to auction the birds and add a bit of humour to a conclusion of a great day.

Sunday night's Presentation Dinner was a great affair and very well supported. Not a huge amount of formalities but all handled with ease and in a short simple timeframe. The A.N.B.C. Secretary had the pleasure of Inducting Peter Thurn (Vic) into the Hall of Fame for showing excellence. By winning the Clearbody class this year he achieved seven wins and was duly inducted. A great feat congratulations Peter.

We conducted the auction of the A.N.B.C. Standard Budgerigar Framed Prints again to raise funds for Future National Shows, but I believe this Auction is now dead and should not be pursued anymore.

The A.N.B.C. Delegates met on the Monday and all the business and motions were dealt with I hope in an orderly manner.

We have a new ring registrar and supplier so there are no further coded rings for a year or two.

The Australian Capital Territory Budgerigar Association put forward a submission to the Delegates and was discussed at length and the Secretary is to reply in writing as to their decision. There were also a lot of redundant motions.

There were limited tours and one cancelled due to weather, not everything can be controlled by committees. While Monday evenings entertainment was a Lecture by Daniel Lutolf from Switzerland a very successful breeder and exhibitor in recent years in Europe. This was well supported by around 200 people and I believe it was quite informative in the breeding of budgerigars as to enhancement of particular styles and shapes required for the current exhibition budgerigar.

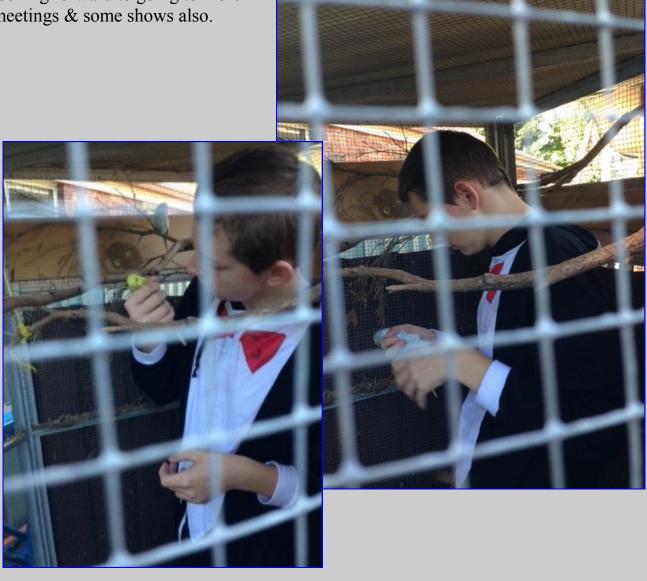
Western Australia is the host zone for 2015 and their location is Mandurah, south of Perth in a lovely area of W.A. Mandurah Convention Centre is the location for the National Competition with plenty of accommodation within walking distance, so it should be great. Something to look forward to and don't forget three birds on the bench in all classes so bigger and better all round.

Leigh A. Downey.



Hey my name is Justan & I am 14 years old. Mum & I are only just started with budgies, we got some a few weeks ago and I was the one who transferred them from cage to avairy (so I get bitten not her), Mum joined a group on face book & thanks to some really nice people we were told about a meeting of Penrith Valley our local budgie group, so mum & I talked about going, we ended up deciding that we would do this together so we went to the meeting, let me tell you we met some really nice people there, they all welcomed us & have offered any help we need or advice, we are both

looking forward to going to more meetings & some shows also.



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