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## From the Editor

Welcome to the third 2017 issue of the Budgerigar. Submissions for the next issue are due by the 1st July 2017 with the publication to be distributed via Mail Chimp by mid-July.

It is helpful to get articles, reports and show results to me as early as possible to help me to publish on time. I usually allow one to two pages for show results and a page for reports when I first prepare the next magazine.

Our two big events to be held in May are the State Team Challenge Competition (STCC) and the ANBC Nationals in Mackay. Results for these two shows will be in the next issue and published on the BSNSW and ANBC websites. The cover for the June-July issue will be kept for a NSW class winners; the exhibitor will receive an invitation after the National.

If you can't get to the 2017 ANBC Nationals in Mackay, remember that you can get the results as they are announced from the National 2017 - Show Information website at <http://www.nationalresults.net/display/NAT2017/National+2017+-+Show+Information>.

I'm usually very busy in my other role recording the results for both these events, hopefully there will be some time to catch up with those attending.

Please contact me if you have any ideas or stories for the magazine. I will reply to your email from [editor@budgerigar.com.au](mailto:editor@budgerigar.com.au) to confirm that I have actioned your request before publication of the magazine.

Thanks to those members who have provided ideas or articles for this magazine.

Thanks to everyone who has assisted me to produce this magazine. Thanks to Andrew Bourne, Mark Hawke and Nola Bradford.

**Maureen Bourne**  
**BSNSW Editor**

Could Branches and Associated clubs please provide Club reports plus any adverts for your upcoming events by 1st July 2017?

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## What's on in 2017

### May 2017

20th State Team Challenge & State Team Selection  
Venue: Bulli Showground - [INVITATION](#)

27th & 28th ANBC Nationals – Mackay, QLD  
For Late Registrations & Information go to  
<http://www.capbuds.org/anbc2017.html>

### June 2017

4th Orana Avicultural Society Annual Show

11th BRASEA Auction – Bexley, Sydney

11th Steward School Training  
**Applications close** - [APPLICATION FORM](#)

16th St. George Branch Sale Night - Bexley

24th Steward School Training

24th Judges meetings & Judges Training

25th BIS Annual Show & Mini Auction

### July 2017

1st Hills Super Budgerigar Auction

1st Associated Birdkeepers of Australia  
Free seminar - 9.30am-4pm at Mittagong RSL Club

10th BSNSW Management Meeting

16th BSNSW Annual Show

29th Judges meetings & Judges Training

### August 2017

12th Newcastle Budgerigar Club Annual Auction

13th Newcastle Budgerigar Club Annual Show

18th St. George Branch Auction - Bexley

### September 2017

10th Northside Annual Show

17th BSNSW Management Meeting & AGM

24th New England Annual Show

### October 2017

8th Canberra Budgerigar Club Annual Show

15th BRASEA Auction – Bexley, Sydney

22nd St George Branch Illawarra YBS Show

28th Aviculture's Annual Social Night & Guest of  
Honour Dinner, Canary & Cage Bird Federation  
of Australia – Five Dock, Sydney

30th Hunter Annual Show

### November 2017

5th Penrith Valley Branch Annual Show

11th Judges meetings & Judges Training

12th Central Coast Branch Annual Show

25th Mid-State Budgerigar Club Annual Show

26th Sydney Lawn Show

### December 2017

*Advertise your Christmas functions here*

If your event is missing from this "What's On in 2017" list, please email the BSNSW Editor at [editor@budgerigar.com.au](mailto:editor@budgerigar.com.au).



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## REMINDER

### AGM Nominations Forms

[http://www.budgerigar.com.au/agm-nomination--  
postal-vote-forms.html](http://www.budgerigar.com.au/agm-nomination--postal-vote-forms.html)

**due 31st May 2017**

### Ring Orders

<http://www.budgerigar.com.au/ring-order-forms.html>

**Coded rings orders are due  
31st May 2017**

### Membership Renewal

[http://www.budgerigar.com.au/membership-application-  
or-renewal.html](http://www.budgerigar.com.au/membership-application-or-renewal.html)

**due 30th June 2017**

**Remember to renew your  
membership for 2018 before  
you order rings.**

**Are you a financial member?**

[Link to the BSNSW MEMBERSHIP LIST](#)

## President's Report

### Steve Cummins, BSNSW President

It was great to see a such good attendance at the May 2017 Management Meeting with the office bearers and four branches represented as well as two guests. I encourage more Branch delegates to attend online so they can represent their member's by putting forward ideas and being part of the decision process. A proposal from the Editor to consider returning to a printed Budgerigar magazine was well received and samples were distributed to those present for them to get feedback from their members. A return to the printed magazine would likely result in a membership fee increase to cover the cost. We moved away from the printed magazine because the escalating printing and distribution costs. Many members have seen that as a backward step so it is now back on the table for discussion.

The **Structural Review Committee** reported their progress and the meeting passed two new By-Laws presented by them; see more details on page 11. These two new By-Laws will soon be available from the Officials menu on the BSNSW website at <http://www.budgerigar.com.au/objects-rules-and-by-laws.html>.

The **2018 National planning is progressing well** although there is still a lot of work to do. We will be advertising the 2018 NSW hosted ANBC National in Mackay later this month. The National Shows are a great way to meet fanciers from all over Australia and indeed from all over the world. Check out our website for the Expression of Interest.

**Looking forward to our two big events later this month;** the State Team Challenge Competition in Bulli and the ANBC Nationals in Mackay. All the details can be found on the [What's On](#) and [Events](#) pages of the BSNSW website.

I hope to see a good roll up to support the 16 teams that have entered the STCC. **My sincere thanks go to Dan Strinic** for securing a venue for the STCC at Bulli when we could not locate a suitable venue in Sydney this year. Dan put in a lot of time locating several possible sites. Apologies to those coming from north of Sydney for the extra travel time but no venues north of Sydney were put forward for consideration.

The show season is progressing well; you can see the results for five of these shows that are included in this issue of the magazine. Unfortunately, the Shoalhaven show had to be cancelled and I wish them all the best and hope they can recover and flourish as a Branch.

**The BSNSW have a limited number of 2017 ring available;** no more 2017 rings will be purchased. So, if you think you will need extra rings get in early to order them. Next ring issue for your 2018 rings will not be until January 2018. The ring order price for 2018 is \$60 per 100 rings. It is really important to fully complete the ring order form either online or on paper and to identify your online payments. The issues we have with ring orders often results from members not correctly placing their ring order. **Remember 2018 coded ring orders close on 31st May 2017.**

Best wishes to all. Steve

## General Secretary's Report

### Ann Hand, BSNSW General Secretary

REMINDER – don't forget to get your nominations in for Office Bearers for 2017/18, these close with me on 31st May. All nominations and a bit about each person will be in the July issue of Budgerigar and anyone wishing to have a postal vote can contact me before the end of July and I will forward the form out to you.

This week, I am sending out requests to our Associations for their annual renewals and to Branches for their annual financial returns, advice re new Office Bearers, and ring issue returns for their purchases of uncoded rings. Please get these back to me as soon as possible.

Some members have advised they are not receiving minutes or mail that I have sent out to the Secretaries of both Branches and Associations. These now go to Presidents or Chairpersons and Delegates as well, please pass on this information to your members who have emails or take to your meetings for issues to be discussed. I realise some items may seem boring but in running the BSNSW we really do need feedback from all members on these issues of importance.

Being on Management is interesting and informative, if you wish to be part of the decision making for BSNSW then put your hand up. You can either nominate for a position on Management or be a Delegate for your own Branch and be able to put forward the thoughts and ideas from your club. The online meeting program we now have can be accessed by your computer or even your phone. If BSNSW meetings are not for you then think of a position in your own Branch or Association, this is the best way to become part of breeding and showing your birds.

We have some very exciting times coming up with the STCC, Nationals at Mackay, our BS Annual in July, many local shows and we are now well on the way with planning for the super big event, the 2018 Nationals to be held at Penrith Panthers. We need you to keep the fancy alive and well, even if it only by selling raffle tickets or helping at local shows. Be in it – it is all about the birds.

Ann Hand, BSNSW General Secretary  
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## Front Cover Story

**James Matthews**

When Maureen asked me about doing a story for the magazine, I asked her what about and she said, "it's your article but maybe cover your show results". You'd think that would make it easy but with so much scope it is all the more difficult to know what to put in and what to leave out.

I started putting down thoughts on various topics and quickly realised there was way too much for the space. So here are just a few different things, some of which I hope might give someone a lightbulb moment and help them move towards their goals in this wonderful hobby.

### **My Background**

My first memory of budgies was when I was about four years old. My grandfather had an aviary in the backyard and I used to go with him and check the chicks in the nest boxes. I grew up in the country on land around Tamworth, so a wide variety of animals were part of my early life. I dabbled with a variety of finches, canaries and even some small parrots but budgies always won out.

After winning this year's Royal Easter Show, I was interviewed for the Bush Telegraph and I was asked "Why budgies?" I thought my answer was a good throw-away line but when I think about it again, I think it was a pretty accurate response "I've had other birds but I just gravitate more to budgerigars. They have a boof head like mine!".

I was out of budgies for a while when I went through a divorce but one day a friend asked me to go to an auction with him to give him my opinions on some birds. I came away from the auction with more birds than him and said, "Well I guess I am back in budgies".

I'm really lucky that I have found a life partner who not only understands the love of the budgies but is also actively involved. Pam has bred Japanese bantams for over 25 years herself so the bird obsession is there.

For the last couple of years, Pam and I have crossed over into the others domain – Pam has taken on Goldenface and I have Muscovy ducks. Just recently I have taken on a couple of pair of Appleyard ducks from a friend who has brain cancer to keep his line going.



One of my "little" drakes

### **My Birds**

My two main varieties are Cinnamon and the Spangle varieties. I didn't plan it that way but that is where the best quality birds started coming from and I went with the flow and paired up to maximise the quality.

Once I've done my annual cull, I normally have a breeding team of around 150 birds – 60 cocks and 90 hens. You need extra hens as they are more likely not to be in condition when you want to pair some up and you seem to lose more hens during a season.

I've lost count of the number of times I've been asked whose line my birds are. There are many ways to create a line of birds. I have done it by looking for birds with a feature that I need. When I bring them in, I try to consolidate the features on to one bird. There are birds from dozens of different breeders that have gone into the melting pot for me to get what I have today.

It seems to me that too many people today are looking for the instant solution and are not willing to put in the hard yards.

Like most things you need to go through a form of apprenticeship where you learn things and grow your knowledge.

A mistake I made the first time I was in the hobby was trying to keep too many varieties (especially ones that didn't go together) without having the depth in the "Mainstream" varieties.

If you like a recessive or "lesser" variety then by all means keep it but until you have the depth in stock you can't keep three or four of these as everything will suffer. I'm in the fortunate position of now having sufficient depth and can afford to work on other varieties.

Two years ago, I decided to try and see if using "pet shop" birds as feeder pairs would work. There was all the "noise" about the problems of the show budgies. So I bought birds from a few different backyard aviaries and paired them up to see how they worked. I obviously wasn't worried about their fertility but on how they sat on the eggs and raised the chicks.

I can say from the sample I tried that they had the same issues as my "show birds". They still had broken eggs, addled eggs, not feeding chicks when they hatched, removing down, feather plucking and scalping chicks. Those that didn't do any of these things did a very good job (and I'm still using those ones) but I ended up keeping about 5 pairs out of the 20 pairs I started with.

Last year I decided to try the same thing with Clearwings. I got some stock from Ian & Kathy Manton and from Geoff Thomas from the North Coast and had much more pleasing results.

## Show Preparation

This is a subject all on its own as there is so much you can do to help your birds look their best. I don't do as much show preparation as I should, a fact I try to rationalise with working full time not allowing me to do things (like spraying the birds) when I would like to.

You need to work out what you can realistically do with your available time and that is what you do.

There are two areas in show preparation that are relatively easy but I find it amazing how many people let themselves down in these areas. People go through so much to breed birds that they feel good about showing other people then they let the bird down by not giving it the opportunity to show at its best.

The first area is the show cage. The number of cages that are just plain dirty, both inside and out, is terrible. The dirty cage is the first thing your eyes are drawn to rather than the bird. It would be like going to a job interview with your lunch split all down the front of your shirt – the person inside the shirt is still the same but the first impression is of the mess on the shirt and not of the person.

The second one is cleaning up the mask or plucking spots. At some shows I would say almost half of the birds have not had any work done in this area. Still with the interview analogy it is like going there with "bed hair". Just a little work on removing the excess spots that cover the main ones can draw people's eyes to your bird instead of them just glancing and keeping going. The way to get better at this is to practice, don't wait until you need to prepare your show team before you do it for the first time.

## Showing

I really enjoy showing the birds as it is the only honest way of comparing your birds with those of others. You have the judges who do that but also you get to look at the birds through your own eyes and see things for yourself when they are next to other birds.



Branch members support the Illawarra Show with just a few less than a 100 birds.

For me the Nationals are the pinnacle of the exhibition tree with the State Team Challenge Competition (STCC) a close second.

As I write this it is three weeks out from the STCC and between myself and Pam we have 71 birds covering 19 classes that are in holding cages for the Branch selection night.



Starting to narrow down the possible birds for this year's STCC selection night

Some of them won't make it to the selection night as there are about a dozen that have their tails coming down and I am sweating on them

being long enough by the night. There is a Spangle Opaline hen that I would love to be able to put in the Hen class but in my heart, I know that her tail won't be down in time, but I always live in hope that somehow a miracle may happen!

We went through the young birds about seven weeks before the STCC to decide what were realistic chances for the selection night and this gave us the 71. Among that we started with 21 AOSV Spangles and with a great deal of effort whittled them down to 10, with 6 of those being hens.

We kept so many of the hens in contention as they will be strong contenders to make the Hens class for any that don't make the AOSV Spangle class.

At the 2016 STCC, I had 25 birds selected in the Penrith Valley team and 17 of these finished in the top 20, with three of them selected to represent NSW in Hobart.

Since the Hills Annual show in 2016, I have won eight Grand Champions with five different birds. Seven of the eight Grand Champions have been Cinnamon or Spangle with the other one being a Normal from a Spangle x Spangle pairing. Below are Presentations photos for six of the shows.





#### 2016 -2017 Grand Champions for James Matthews

<p>2016 Hills District 40th Annual Show</p> <p>James Matthews receiving the trophy with Fred Cardona and Craig Buckingham</p>	<p>2016 Macarthur Branch Annual Show</p> <p>James Matthews receiving his award with Macarthur Chairperson David Butters</p>	<p>2016 BSNSW Annual Show</p> <p>Won by James Matthews and trophy presented by Jim Baker</p>
<p>2016 Northside Annual Show</p> <p>Won by James Matthews and trophy presented by Margaret MacNamara</p>	<p>2016 Penrith Valley Annual Show</p> <p>Won by James Matthews and prize presented by Steve Cummins</p>	<p>2017 Canberra Annual Show</p> <p>Won by James Matthews and prize presented by Luke Dodge and Stuart Forster</p>

**One thing I recommend to everyone is to get along to shows and volunteer to do stewarding.**

It is really easy and you can learn so much just by looking and listening. A lot of the judges will make comments as they are looking at the birds and you can't help but pick things up. It might just be about how a bird is behaving or a particular fault it is displaying but that immediate "hands-on" type feedback will teach you more than any amount of reading on the subject will give you.

#### 2016 -2017 Champions for James Matthews

<p>2016 Illawarra &amp; St George Young Bird Show</p>  <p><b>Grand Champion &amp; Champion Young</b> Photograph by Andrew Bourne</p>	<p>2017 Canberra Branch Annual Show</p>  <p><b>Grand Champion</b> Photograph by Mikayla Burke, Canberra Branch</p>	<p>2016 Hills District 40th Annual Show</p>  <p><b>Reserve Champion Open Young</b> Photographs by Nola Bradford</p>
<p>2017 Illawarra Annual Show</p>  <p><b>Grand Champion &amp; Champion Any Age</b> Photograph by Maureen Bourne</p>	<p>2016 BSNSW Annual Show</p>  <p><b>Grand Champion &amp; Champion Young</b> Photograph by Andrew Bourne</p>	<p>2016 BSNSW Annual Show</p>  <p><b>Reserve Champion Any Age Hen</b> Also Champion Any Age hen at St George, Illawarra, Hunter and Northside shows in 2016. Photograph by Andrew Bourne</p>

#### BSNSW Best of Variety in Show Competition

The BSNSW Best of Variety in Show Competition has been designed to encourage entries in the shows. In 2016, I won the overall competition with 80 variety points. The three highest varieties were Greywing with 15 points, Spangle with 14 points and Cinnamonwing with 13 points.

I encourage all exhibitors to attend as many shows as they can and to give your bird their best chance by preparing them well for the shows. As mentioned earlier always show in a well maintained clean show cage and clean up the mask or plucking spots.

Hope to see at the shows.

VARIETY	2016POINTS
Normal Grey Green	7
Yellow Face	6
Dilute	9
Greywing	15
Cinnamonwing	13
Spangle DF	6
Spangle	14
Spangle AOSV	9
Non Standard	1
<b>Total</b>	<b>80</b>

## ANBC Nationals and State Team Challenge Competition



**2013 ANBC Nationals  
Third Place - Greywing**

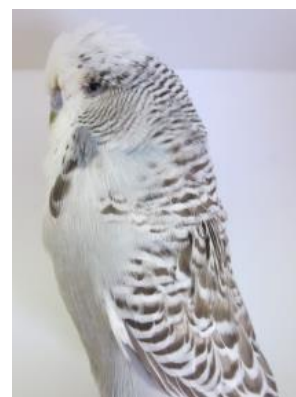
Photographed by Rod Turnbull



**2016 BSNSW STCC  
Second Place - Spangle DF**



**2016 BSNSW STCC  
Second Place - Spangle**



**2016 BSNSW STCC  
Third Place - Cinnamonwing**

2016 State Team Challenge Competition on Saturday, 11 June 2016 at Dural Sports & Leisure Centre  
Team: PENRITH VALLEY: Exhibitor: James Matthews Number entered: 25 Number of Places: 17 Points:190

Photographed by Nola Bradford

Show Year	Show Host	Class	Class Name	Place
2016	TAS	21	SPANGLE	6
2016	TAS	15	SPANGLE DOUBLE FACTOR	6
2016	TAS	14	CINNAMONWING	14
2015	WA	17	OPALINE AOSV	5
2015	WA	17	OPALINE AOSV	9
2013	SthQLD	13	GREYWING	3
2013	SthQLD	15	SPANGLE DOUBLE FACTOR	7

I have had seven birds go to the Nationals in the last four years with the best placing being my Greywing which came third. I'm still aiming for a Logie winner, I thought my best chance was my Greywing hen last year but while she won the class she was dropped from the team for a twisted tail feather so she never even got the chance. I thought one of her sons may have a chance this year until a Noisy Miner swooped down and killed him by pecking him in the head through the wire. Nothing is ever easy!

Pam and I are now going to each of the Nationals, she says it is the only way she can get me to leave the birds for long enough to have any sort of holiday. She's probably right there!

I must say I definitely prefer the current situation with the Nationals where the three birds per class that go away are benched and the top two get points.

A number of years ago, the three went away but only two were benched. I had a Dominant Pied go away to the Gold Coast as the number

two selection but on the day the carers decided to replace him with the third bird as he had a severe case of "humping the perch"! That was way before the live streaming of results so you had to wait an interminable time to find out that your bird didn't even make it onto the bench to be judged.

### A few sayings I like

I don't have room to expound on these but here are a few sayings that I like. I can talk about birds all day so feel free to ask me what the heck they mean if you can't work them out or if you just want to talk about the birds:

- Buy the worst house in the best street
- The harder you work the luckier you get
- Build the barn and then worry about painting it
- The only stupid question is the one you don't ask

Good luck with your breeding and showing – may all your eggs be full and your chicks' be champions.

## Survival of the Fittest

Jennifer Bell, Penrith Valley Branch

Many, many years ago I contemplated raising ducks for a living, yes, truly! I did a lot of reading on the subject before deciding not to go ahead. Part of the reading I did had to do with selection of breeding birds and the concept which has stuck with me is that you need to value birds who can reproduce under trying conditions – not birds which reproduce only when conditions are optimal. The birds which can do this will very likely pass on this positive attribute to their progeny.

Breeders of exhibition budgerigars mostly try to optimise the breeding conditions we provide for our birds – best conditions, best nutrition, best veterinary care etc. Are we making our studs weaker by producing birds which lack the resilience to cope with conditions which might arise which are less-than-optimal? Are these birds more likely to succumb to disease? Are these birds more likely to develop problems associated with stress? Are we producing generations of birds which do not exhibit survival or counter-survival characteristics because we protect them so much?

Breeders battle with problems such as poor fertility, short breeding life, vices including feather plucking, genetic abnormalities, etc.

### **What happens in the wild population?**

They don't survive to reproduce!

Qualifying that, in a wild population of any sort, a mutation which is beneficial has a fair chance of being passed down and infiltrating the population over succeeding generations; a mutation or vice or fault which is not favourable to survival gets swallowed up. Implications for breeders of exhibition birds are that we are trying to reinforce what we see as positive attributes – and at the same time we sometimes unwittingly, and sometimes knowingly, reinforce counter-survival traits. We compound this by providing conditions which conceal these traits.

Here is an example of pro-survival traits: a cock bird has been siring large fertile rounds for at least three years, his chicks exhibit the same traits. He is attentive to the chicks he is rearing without attacking them. The chicks are hearty and healthy, mature quickly and can fly straightaway from your hand when released to the flight. Because the cock bird is such a good father, you have allowed him three rounds in a row and the last round is when weather conditions are getting uncomfortable. I am not recommending you do this! This bird is displaying survival traits which are valuable – particularly so because he has not died of exhaustion! Similarly, an ageing hen who lays large, fertile clutches where even chick No. 7 hatches and leaves the nest successfully is valuable in your stud. The comment arising in your mind is “they must be pet-shop birds!” and they could be. But in improving your exhibition birds, these survival traits must be rated just as importantly as exhibition characteristics and be part of the selection process for the breeding season.

Is a bird which survives a major disease or injury and then goes on to produce healthy chicks valuable? I think so! Is a bird which comes back from national competition and then produces healthy chicks valuable? I think so! I am sure you can come up with example of your own. Think of the stressors in your breeding environment and consider the birds which are coping well with that stress. I am not suggesting you deliberately apply stress to your birds, but perhaps observe and take advantage of stresses which do occur. Perhaps a hen has died and the cock bird has raised a large clutch of chicks solo. Perhaps when you were away on holiday and your nephew was looking after your birds they went short on feed, or you suffered a plague of mice, a cold snap or a heat-wave. Achieve a positive outcome from the stresses which you would ordinarily think of as negative.

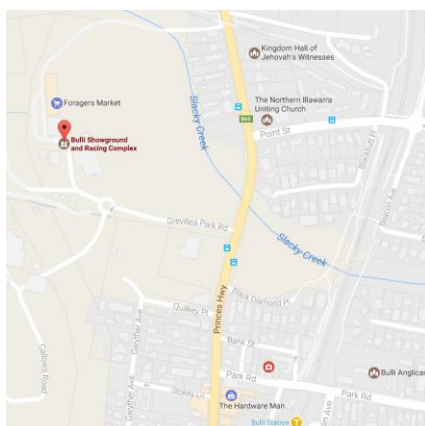
## 2017 May Events

### Budgerigar Society of New South Wales Inc.

#### 2017 State Team Challenge Competition and the NSW State Team Selection

When: **Saturday, 20th May 2017**

Where: **Bulli Show Ground Pavilion**  
Grevillea Park Rd, Bulli NSW



The invitation with class details and conditions of entry is available from the What's On page on the BSNSW Website at <http://www.budgerigar.com.au/whats-on.html>

### 43<sup>rd</sup> AUSTRALIAN NATIONAL BUDGERIGAR COUNCIL CHAMPIONSHIP SHOW



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QUEENSLAND NORTH AND CENTRAL ZONE BUDGERIGAR COUNCIL



The Queensland North and Central Zone Budgerigar Council would like to extend an invitation all fanciers, their family and friends to join us at the Mackay Entertainment and Convention Centre, in Mackay for the 2017 Australian National Budgerigar Council Championship Show.

**Friday 26<sup>th</sup> May – Wednesday 31<sup>st</sup> May 2017**

**Show: 27<sup>th</sup> and 28<sup>th</sup> May 2017**

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<http://www.capbuds.org/anbc2017.html>

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Scott Enksen, Show Co-ordinator: Mobile: 0419776837, email: [scotteriksen73@gmail.com](mailto:scotteriksen73@gmail.com)

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**16<sup>th</sup> June – St George Sale Night Bexley**

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### ORANA AVICULTURAL SOCIETY INC.

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**33<sup>rd</sup> ANNUAL SHOW**

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## 2017 June Events



### **BRASEA Auction Bexley, Sydney**

Bexley School of Arts  
472-476 Forest Road  
Bexley

**11th June 2017**

Viewing times: 8-9am  
Auctions commence: 9:00am  
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### **ST. GEORGE BRANCH BSNSW SALE NIGHT**

**Friday, 16<sup>th</sup> June, 2017**

**Venue: Bexley School of Arts,  
476 Forest Road, Bexley**

**St. George Members  
only to sell birds**

**ALL PRICES ARE TO BE CLEARLY MARKED  
ON CAGES WITH SELLERS' NAME**

**\*MOST VARIETIES AVAILABLE\*  
Viewing From 8am**

**Sale Commences at 8:30am**

**Enquiries: Bruce & Nola Bradford  
Tel: 02 9344 0779**

### **Stewards' School**

**24th June 2017**

Beverley Park Special School,  
Beverley Road, Campbelltown.

**Applications close 11th June 2017**

**Contact Ray Galbraith**

**via email [boxer73@bigpond.net.au](mailto:boxer73@bigpond.net.au)**



**2011 ANBC National Stewards in Canberra**  
Photograph taken by Nola Bradford



### **BUDGERIGAR IMPROVEMENT SOCIETY**

**36<sup>th</sup> Annual Show with Mini Auction  
25<sup>th</sup> June 2017 at Penrith Paceway Club**

Champion Cash & Prize  
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All Proceeds from this action go to Budgerigar Improvement Society. Birds will be on Display from 10am and auction to be held after Judging is completed.

**Auctioneer on the day  
Thank you Stuart Williams (Major Sponsor)**

For more information on the day of the show please don't hesitate to contact  
Bittina Ely on (0412) 022603 & Wayne Doull (0412)312 840  
Email: [Budgerigar.improvement.society@gmail.com](mailto:Budgerigar.improvement.society@gmail.com)

## Budgerigar Genetics Made Simple

Ken Yorke (1991)

### A CRASH COURSE IN GENETICS

*All of the colours and physical characteristics of the budgerigar are controlled by genetic instructions. While some of these physical characteristics can be modified by environmental forces such as diet, health, injury, climate etc. the basic characteristics of any budgerigar are determined by a set of genetic instructions it receives from each of its parents at conception. These instructions that the budgerigar receives remain basically unaltered in its body for its entire life and are partially inherited by its own offspring.*

*These instructions are known as genes; sometimes simply called factors. Connected strings of these genes are called chromosomes. Just like a string of beads, where the beads are genes and a string of beads is a chromosome. These genes, as do the chromosomes, occur in matching pairs. Think of two essentially similar strings of beads laid side by side with the beads of the same colour directly beside each other.*

*Different literary sources at different times have stated that the budgerigar has somewhere between 13 and 60 pairs of chromosomes in each cell. Irrespective of the exact number, all of the colour and marking factors, such as Violet, Opaline, Pied etc., that budgerigar breeders are most interested in are dispersed around these pairs of chromosomes.*

*In general, most of the common varieties of budgerigar owe their appearance to individual factors. That is, the presence of a particular factor in either single or double dose is enough to change its appearance.*

*Since there are probably more varieties of budgerigar than there are numbers of chromosomes within the budgerigar then it seems logical that some of these chromosomes are home to more than just one type of factor.*

*All budgerigars have the same number of essentially identical chromosomes.*

*A Greywing budgerigar for instance has nothing extra nor anything less in the way of factors (genes) than say a Pied budgerigar. The difference between the two genetically is in the way certain of their genes in specific places on specific chromosomes have undergone some kind of chemical change. This change results in what is known as a mutation. Think of it as a particular random bead changing colour.*

*With the exception of the Sex Linked factors, all factors must occur in pairs. Any individual pair of genes can be configured in any of three possible states:*

- *two original non-mutant (Normal wild type) genes;*
- *two mutant genes; or*
- *one mutant gene with one non-mutant gene.*

*Birds which have two non-mutant genes will appear the same as the normal wild light green budgerigar as far as that particular characteristic is concerned. Birds with two mutant genes will usually show the new mutant characteristic, possibly a change in colour or wing pattern or just about anything.*

*Birds with one mutant gene and one non-mutant gene have conflicting instructions and their physical appearance depends on which instruction is the stronger. If the mutant gene is stronger than the non-mutant then this mutation is said to be Dominant. If the mutant gene is weaker than the non-mutant gene then this mutation is Recessive. Such a bird is said to be Split for that mutant characteristic. If the mutant and non-mutant genes are of approximately the same "strength" then a compromise is reached and this is known as Semi-Dominant.*

*Thinking back to the string of beads analogy, if a black coloured bead represents a normal wild characteristic, then a mutation of that bead might be white coloured bead. Therefore, at that point on a pair of strings you could have either two black beads, two white beads or one black and one white.*

Extending the analogy a bit further, if the black beads has an inbuilt instruction to make say, a bird black and a white bead the instruction to make a bird white, then the following is possible:

- two black beads create a black bird,
- two white beads create a white bird.
- One white and one black bead could have three possibilities:
  - If White is recessive then you will have a black bird split for white,
  - If White is Dominant you will have a White bird (a single factor white),
  - If white is semi-dominant you get a compromise mixture of black and white, that is a Grey bird.

I'm sure that any professional geneticist would have a heart attack at some of the over-simplifications made in the above explanations but this is designed to give only a very simple grounding in genetics.

<http://users.tpg.com.au/users/kyorke/p244.htm>

## 2018 NSW hosted National

### PENRITH 2018

THE BUDGERIGAR SOCIETY OF NEW SOUTH WALES ARE  
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COMPETITION ON THE 25<sup>TH</sup> TO 28<sup>TH</sup> MAY 2018 AT PENRITH,  
WESTERN SYDNEY.

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At the National 2017 'Expression of Interest' Forms will be available, or you can contact Maureen Bourne: Tel. 02 6176 0389 or email her at [2018national@budgerigar.com.au](mailto:2018national@budgerigar.com.au) and one will be sent to you.

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## Dianne & Garry Pymont Interview

### Mark Hawke & Garry Pymont

I've known Garry for around 15 to 20 years. We first met when I travelled with Wayne Cusack over to the local Twin-Towns Annual Show, that year it was in Forbes. Back then it alternated between Forbes and Parkes each year.

Garry is a top bloke and a real club man always providing his best birds for club and state and has had plenty of success at state and national level with a super pied line and his crests are coming to the fore.

It's been a pleasure to know Garry and his lovely wife Dianne as their hospitality the other day was to be commended. So, congratulations on all your achievements in the hobby and if going by your magnificent stud it's a name that will be prominent for years to come. That's D & G Pymont.



#### **What started your interest in budgerigars?**

*I had a short stint in my pre-teen years and then my son wanted some budgies for his 9th birthday and it grew from there.*

#### **How long have you been in the hobby?**

*I started in the hobby just over 20 years ago, although it took a while to get to show birds.*

#### **What Club & level do you show at?**

*I show with Mid-State Budgerigar Club at open level.*

#### **What varieties do you keep?**

*I have the normals, cinnamons, opalines, spangles, crests, both types of yellowface, and recessive pied and a few greywings.*



#### **What is your best memory in the hobby?**

*The best memories were sharing the early wins with my son, Dan, when he was still interested.*

#### **Whose bird room would you like to spend a day in having a one to one budgie chat?**

*Gordon Chandler, although I have done it many times I still manage to learn something.*

#### **Whose bloodlines have influenced your stud?**

*Gordon Chandler, Ray Welshman, Geoff Wood and a couple of Garry Watson and Peter Baker birds are the main lines.*

#### **Name your three top budgerigar breeders in Australia in any order?**

*Just look at the national results and that gives the answer.*



2012 ANBC National  
2<sup>nd</sup> Dominate Pied  
Photograph by Rod Turnbull

#### **What was your best ever bird and for what reason?**

*The dominate pied hen that came 2nd in Geelong and her brother that all my current peds go back to.*

#### **If you could only show at one show, which would it be?**

*STCC for the Nationals.*

**Are you in a relationship?**

Married to Dianne for 36 years



Dianne & Gary Pymont at the Gold Coast  
Photograph provided by Gary Pymont

**Name the person you would most like to have dinner with?**

My wife of course.

**What is your favourite food & restaurant?**

Love seafood but favourite restaurant is our local Thai.

**What would you do if you won the lottery?**

Spend it.

**Do you have any other hobbies?**

Golf, I do a little charity work and go for the odd dirt bike ride [nothing too serious] and I enjoy travelling.

**What is your favourite movie & actor?**

Forrest Gump [it explains so much]

Arnie makes a great hero [villain]

**What football team do you follow?**

Roosters.

**Occupation?**

My story is I have been on long service leave for two years but do not have a job to go back to work.

**Is there anything in budgies that really irritates you?**

Same as in everything, a lot of people are too concerned about themselves and do not work as a team.



Above:  
Gary Pymont's  
aviary



Below:  
Gary Pymont &  
Reg Bohringer in  
Gary's aviary

Photographs provided  
by Mark Hawke

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## BSNSW Structural Review Committee

The Structural Review Committee was established as an advisory committee at the BSNSW Management Committee (BSNSW MC) meeting on the 9<sup>th</sup> January 2017. The aim of the committee is to follow on from the work done by the BSNSW Working Group (BSNSW WG) with the intention of setting up a structure to review, modify and implement recommendations from the Working Group as published in the [Budgerigar June-July 2016](#) issue pp 10-13 and Report on the Review of the Objects, Rules and By-Laws as published in the [Budgerigar August-September 2016](#) issue pp 11-12.

The current members on the committee are:

- **Barry Wise**, Vice President of the BSNSW and member of both the BSNSW Hunter Branch and the Newcastle Budgerigar Club.
- **David Butters**, Chairperson of the BSNSW Macarthur Branch and member of the Canberra Budgerigar Club;
- **Geoff Hand**, President of the Canberra Budgerigar Club, a member of South Western NSW Budgerigar Society and a BSNSW member;
- **Maureen Bourne**, Editor of the BSNSW and member of the BSNSW.

There is a vacancy on the committee for a BSNSW member, if you are passionate about helping to restructure the BSNSW, please send an expression of interest with details of your membership background and skills to Ann Hand, BSNSW Secretary. Committee members should ideally be able to represent both Branch and Associate Societies members and seek information on a variety of issues from BSNSW & Associate members and past document. As a general rule, we hold our meetings using the BSNSW online meeting program, Go-To-Meeting and emails to share documents.

At the BSNSW MC meeting on the 13th March 2017 meeting, a review of the Objects, Rules and By-Laws was agreed and passed as the main focus of this committee.

At the May 2017 BSNSW MC meeting, the committee presented two new By-Laws. These were By-Law 8.1 Operations Committee and 8.2 Structural Review Committee that come under BY-LAW 8: Management Committee Delegation to Sub Committees. These new By-Laws will shortly be added to the current Objects, Rules and By-Laws that is available on the BSNSW website from the Officials menu at <http://www.budgerigar.com.au/objects-rules-and-by-laws.html>.

The current Objects, Rules and By-Laws document is being restructured into three separate documents. The first document will contain the Vision and Objects. The current Rules section of the document will be renamed the Constitution; this will become the second document. The third document would contain the By-Laws. The main reason for splitting the document is that only changes to the vision, objects and constitution need to be registered with the Registrar of NSW Fair Trading.

The recommendation is for the Constitution to follow the Model Rules from the NSW Fair Trading website ([About the Constitution page](#) and [Model Constitution page](#)) with modifications. All amendments will be documented. There is a need to consider and document the committee's recommendations for the overall structural changes as part of this process.

**BSNSW members are encouraged to contact anyone of the committee members with their comments or suggestions as we progress with our recommendations for the restructure of the BSNSW.**

The BSNSW has an open attendance option for their Management Meetings. Members are reminded that you can attend the management meeting as a guest (this gives you a voice but not a vote) either in person or online using the BSNSW online meeting program on your computer or phone.

***David Butters, Barry Wise, Geoff Hand and Maureen Bourne***  
***BSNSW SRSC Members***

## Judges News

### Jean Painter, BSNSW Judges Panel Chairperson

*The Judges Committee held a meeting and Training Day at Beverley Park Special School on Saturday, 6th May 2017.*

*This event commenced at 9.30 a.m. with a Judges Committee Meeting prior to the Training Sessions then a Colour and Standards Meeting was held at approximately 2.15 p.m.*

*Five Trainees in Barry Wise, Troy Cooper, Wally Capper, Chris Rogers, James Matthews and one Cadet, Mark Wilton attended the training session.*



*Their training began with a written test where they had to complete as much as they could in half an hour. There were two classes of birds to judge for the practical session which had to be placed 1st to 12th in the first class and 1st to 7th in the second with identification of varieties and colours included.*

*A new assessment process was used for the practical sessions which gave the Committee greater insight into the strengths and weaknesses of each Trainee or Cadet.*

*Unfortunately, Craig Barnett has had to pull out of the program for family reasons, but stated that he was enjoying it and will return sometime in the future when his commitments are less pressing.*

*The Judges Committee discussed the forthcoming State Team Challenge. Permission was requested and gained from Management to trial a slight variation to the Judging procedures written up in our Objects, Rules and By-Laws. We believe that this change will assist in eliminating delays and helping the smooth running on the day.*

*The Colour and Standards Committee which is also the Judges Committee discussed the information from the ANBC. Andre Ozoux, our Chairperson, will be taking our views to the ANBC Standards Meeting in Mackay.*

*A reminder to members that there is a BSNSW Stewards School to be held at Beverley Park Special School in Campbelltown on Saturday, 24th June 2017. More details are on the 2017 June Events page (pp 13). The Application form is available from the [What's On](#) page of the BSNSW website. To apply contact Ray Galbraith, via email [boxer73@bigpond.net.au](mailto:boxer73@bigpond.net.au); the closing date for application is 11th June 2017.*

*Jean Painter  
Chairperson  
BSNSW Judges Panel*

## The Gould Award

The World Budgerigar Organisation (WBO) created the prestigious Gould Award for Meritorious Services to the World of Budgerigars to commence as from 2011. The Gould Medal and Certificate both have the WBO logo and John Gould in the design. The Gould Medal and Certificate are awarded to the winner.



The Gould Medal



The Gould Certificate

The criteria for the Gould Award are as follows:

- The award to be presented to a person who is still alive or who died within 12 months of nomination.
- A maximum of one award per year to be allocated.
- The Awards Committee to have the right not to award it in any year, regardless of nominations.
- Any member society can nominate only one person per year from any part of the world.
- Nominations will commence as from 1st January 2011.
- Closing date for nominations to be 31st December each year.
- Biographical notes of up to 200 words to accompany the nominations.
- All nominations to be sent to the Secretary of the WBO

## World Budgerigar Organisation

The Gould Awards Committee to consist of one fancier from each of the 5 continents together with the Chairman & Secretary as ex-officio.

### 2012 Gould Award Winner JO MANNES – GERMANY



Jo Mannes receiving his award from Gerd Bleicher (WBO Chairman) & Ghalib Al-Nasser (WBO Secretary)

Jo received his award for the work undertaken to change the appearance of the modern exhibition budgerigar from the early 1990s to what we see on the show bench today. His influence on the development of the modern day budgerigar can be seen worldwide. Jo's depth of knowledge on breeding has been made known to other breeders through his contribution in lectures, articles and books. His success on the show bench in Europe is unsurpassed.

### 2013 Gould Award Winner WARREN WILSON – AUSTRALIA



Warren Wilson receiving his award from Gerd Bleicher (WBO Chairman) & Jean Painter (B.S. of N.S.W. President)

Warren received his award in recognition for the work carried out in support of breeding the lesser varieties through his organisation BRASEA, which he established many years ago. Also for running auctions to support and sponsor many specialist organisations throughout the World. He set up a special radio program to spread the word of our hobby throughout the World and provide sound advice to anyone with problems.

### **2014 Gould Award Winner GHALIB AL-NASSER – UK**



**Ghalib Al-Nasser with his Gould Award and Certificate.**



**Ghalib receiving his Gould Award from Gerd Bleicher, WBO Chairman, with the presence of the WBO delegates at their meeting in Istanbul.**

Ghalib received his award, after being nominated by four countries, in recognition of his outstanding contribution to the specialist and rare varieties of budgerigars over a period of forty years in breeding, showing, lecturing and writing about them worldwide.

Ghalib was also recognised for his commitment to the Budgerigar Society and his contribution to and involvement in running and organising many societies and shows in the U.K. In particular since inception of the national Specialist & Rare Variety show in the U.K.

Ghalib's contribution to the WBO, as secretary since 1997 and delegate since 1992, in introducing many countries to the organisation and constant engagement to keep organisations worldwide in contact with each other has also been recognised.

He is a global ambassador for the hobby and in demand for judging and lecturing all over the world and has, so far, judged in 30 countries over the 6 continents.

### **2015 Gould Award Winner GERD BLEICHER – GERMANY**



**Gerd Bleicher (WBO Chairman) receiving his award in the presence of Roger Carr (WBO immediate Past Chairman), Beverley Hutt (B.S. President), Ghalib Al-Nasser (WBO Secretary) and Carlos Ramôa (WBO Vice Chairman)**

Gerd received his award, after being nominated by two countries, for his outstanding contribution to his German society the DSV; acting in many positions including chairman of the society from 1968 to 1972, 1973 to 1979 and continuously since 1998. His vast contribution as a writer in many magazines internationally, as well as lecturing around the world was also taken into consideration.

He has been WBO Chairman since 2006, promoting the hobby world-wide. Also, he was recognised as a breeder of excellence in promoting many varieties, in particular the Anthracite variety, and as an international judge.

### **2016 Gould Award Winner GREN NORRIS – United Kingdom**



**Gren Norris receiving his award in the presence of Grant Findlay (WBO Vice Chairman), Ghalib Al-Nasser (WBO Secretary), Carlos Ramôa (WBO Chairman) & Gerd Bleicher (WBO Immediate Past Chairman)**

Gren received his award in recognition of his long service to the fancy for over 60 years (since 1954) as a breeder of top quality budgerigars both in the normal varieties as well as the specialist & rare varieties.

He is a well-respected judge and a very successful exhibitor with his wife Pat winning major awards at all the top shows including the B.S. Club Show. He shares his wealth of knowledge by helping newcomers to the hobby in the form of lecturing all over the country. He also served on the Budgerigar Society General Council for 23 years and their past President.

## 2017 Gould Award Nominations

At the January 2017 BSNSW Management Meeting, the St George Branch requested and gain approval to nominate Henry George OAM for the World Budgerigar Organisation Gould Award 2017.

### John Gould

#### *John Gould's portrait*



John Gould (1804-1881),  
by Thomas Herbert Maguire, 1849  
[National Library of Australia, nla.pic-an9547887](http://nla.pic-an9547887)

### Links for Further Reading

#### *Australian Museum: John Gould*

With the obsession of a collector and an eye for artistic talent, John Gould succeeded in creating one of the most recognisable and long-lasting brand names in natural history. Explore the activities of this legendary 'bird man'.

<https://australianmuseum.net.au/john-gould>

#### *Lithography in the time of Gould*

The principle of lithography was discovered in Germany in 1798 by Aloys Senefelder. Lithography is a method of drawing on the stone with pen-and-ink, chalk, or crayon. The paper was then placed on the stone, run through a special printing press and the ink design transferred in reverse to the paper. John & Elizabeth Gould used lithography to publish their work. Gould's artists drew directly onto stone and used lithography to produce their images.

<https://australianmuseum.net.au/lithography-in-the-time-of-gould>

#### *John Gould - From Wikipedia*

John Gould has been considered the father of bird study in Australia. Gould's work is referenced in [Charles Darwin's book, \*On the Origin of Species\*](#).

[https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/John\\_Gould](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/John_Gould)

#### *Gould, John (1804–1881) - AH Chisholm*

John Gould (1804-1881), zoologist, was born on 14 September 1804 at Lyme Regis, Dorset, England.

<http://adb.anu.edu.au/biography/gould-john-2113>

#### *The Birds of Great Britain by John Gould, 1873*

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## News from the Show Manager

### Jim Baker, Show Manager

#### State Team Challenge Competition (STCC)

The STCC will be held at Bulli Showground Pavilion on Saturday, 20th May 2017. The Showground is behind Bulli Greyhound track, approx. one kilometer south of the bottom of Bulli Pass.

There will be 16 teams competing in the 2017 STCC. Thank you for all teams for advising the Show Secretary, Bruce Bradford by the due date. Time now to encourage and assist members to prepare their bird for the STCC.

Set up will start at 7am on the morning of the show, so we will need plenty of helpers. Letters have been sent out to Clubs for assistance.

Catering will be available for breakfast and food will be available all day at the Canteen.

There is plenty of grassed areas adjacent to the Pavilion with good toilet and shower facilities if people coming wish to camp overnight free of charge.

#### BSNSW Status Re-Grades

No members have upgraded their status since the last magazine. The BSNSW Website has been updated with Status Points and Variety Points up to the 29<sup>th</sup> April 2017.

#### 2017 BSNSW Best of Variety in Show Competition

The 2017 variety competition is well underway, so if you want to win an individual variety or the overall get involved and support the Clubs and Branches at their shows during the year.

##### 2017 Leaders as of 29<sup>th</sup> April 2017

2017 Best of Variety Competition	Points
James Matthews	30
Pam Hewitt	10
Mario Capasso	9
McCusker & Moyle	8
A & C Druery	7
Craig Buckingham	7
Cliff Cameron	7
E & D Wise	7
Jim Baker	7
Troy Family	6
Myles Henke	6
Wally Capper	6
Gary Gazzard	6

#### Variety Points Score for the 2017 Best of Variety in Show Competition

For the 2017 season, the winners will be determined by adding the points together for each Variety for all approved shows. Two points will be awarded to variety winners of the BSNSW Annual Show to be held on 16 July 2017. A certificate of achievement will be awarded to all winners including any joint winners.

VARIETY	LEADERS	2017 POINTS
Normal Green	Dave Dunn	2
Normal Grey Green	James Matthews	2
Normal Blue	Mario Capasso	3
Normal Violet	Craig Buckingham Jim Baker Darren Burgess	2
Normal Grey	Pam Hewitt Cliff Cameron	2
Yellow Face	10 exhibitors	1
Golden Face	Pam Hewitt	8
Black Eyed Self	James Matthews Peter Dodd	2
Dilute	James Matthews	3
Lutino	Dianne Pinney G Gregoriou Dennis Henry	2
Albino	Wayne Altman	3
Clearwing	G & M Lynch	4
Greywing	James Matthews	5
Cinnamonwing	James Matthews	4
Spangle DF	10 exhibitors	1
Opaline	Cameron & Myers Cliff Cameron	2
Opaline AOSV	Cameron & Myers Cliff Cameron	2
Clearbody	Troy family	6
Lacewing	Jim Baker	3
Fallow	Myles Henke	3
Spangle	James Matthews	8
Spangle AOSV	James Matthews	5
Dominant Pied	Laurie Cauchi	3
Recessive Pied	Tony Butt	3
Dark Eyed Clear	Joe Elias	3
Saddleback	N/A	0
Darkwing	R & S Condon	3
Crested	R & A Rogers	3
Non Standard	5 exhibitors	1

See [BSNSW What's On](#) page  
for dates and show schedules

## 2017 New England Annual Show Results

### Terry Smart, New England Branch

The New England Annual Show was held on the 12<sup>th</sup> March 2017 at the Nemingha Hall in Tamworth, NSW. Thank you to all exhibitors, sponsors, club members that made our show the success it was. A special mention to our two judges, Jim Baker, Dale Cameron(QLD) and trainee judge Wally Capper who did a great job.

GRAND CHAMPION BIRD OF SHOW	SPANGLE AOSV COCK	E & D WISE
OPPOSITE SEX BIRD OF SHOW	NORMAL GREY GREEN	Gary Gazzard
Champion Open Young	Spangle AOSV	E & D Wise
Opposite Sex Open Young	Normal Grey Green	Gary Gazzard
Champion Intermediate	Spangle AOSV	Orlando Fox
Opposite Sex Intermediate	Opaline AOSV	Orlando Fox
Champion Novice	Cinnamon Wing	Noel Taylor
Opposite Sex Novice	Spangle AOSV	R & M Vidler
<b>BEST JUNIOR</b>	<b>LOGAN FLETCHER</b>	

BEST OF VARIETY	WINNER
Normal Green	E & D Wise
Normal Grey Green	Gary Gazzard
Normal Blue	T & Y Smith
Normal Violet	E & D Wise
Normal Grey	Gary Gazzard
Yellow Face	T & Y Smith
Australian Yellow Face	E & D Wise
Black Eyed Self	Mick Auckett
Dilute	Mick Auckett
Lutino	E & D Wise
Albino	Maree Robertson
Clearwing	Mick Auckett
Greywing	Troy Cooper
Cinnamonwing	Gary Gazzard
Spangle Double Factor	McCusker & Moyle
Opaline	Gary Gazzard
Opaline AOSV	Orlando Fox
Clearbody	Orlando Fox
Lacewing	Ingham & Langdon
Fallow	E & D Wise
Spangle	Ingham & Langdon
Spangle AOSV	E & D Wise
Dominant Pied	Gary Gazzard
Recessive Pied	J Fox
Saddle Back	No entry
Darkwing	E & D Wise
Dark Eyed Clear	McCusker & Moyle
Crested	No entry
Non Standard	Gary Gazzard
Bush Budgerigar	D Swanton



Ernie Wise

Logan Fletcher  
with Troy Cooper & Ernie Wise



Garry Gazzard, Troy Cooper,  
Steve Cummins & Kevin Burgess

Noel Taylor (foreground)  
& Kevin Burgess



Orlando Fox being congratulated  
by Barry Wise

Troy Cooper with Rod Vidler

Photographed by Paul McCusker

## 2017 South Western NSW Annual Show Results

### Wendy McGlynn, South Western NSW Budgerigar Society inc.

Our 22<sup>nd</sup> Annual show was held on Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> March at the Junee Ex-Services Memorial club. Twenty-Seven exhibitors from SWNSW, MIA, Canberra Club, Macarthur Branch, Mid-State, Border District VIC and Canberra Branch benched approximately 330 birds. The weekend kick off with the judges Alan McCauley, Peter Thurn and Brett Martin invited to the Saturday night dinner with members at the Ex-services club where good conversation was had by all.

Thank you to all (members and non-members) with the setting up of the hall Saturday afternoon, pencilling and stewarding on the day and the final clean up. Thank you to Terese for her Elenbee Bird Seeds trade stall.

The judges had a steady flow of quality birds to judge on the day, so for those of you east of the blue mountains come over the great divide and enjoy a great weekend in Junee. There is plenty accommodation and things to do and see.



Champion Any Age  
Exhibited by Gordon Chandler



Champion Intermediate  
Exhibited by Brian Goldsmith



Judges Alan McCauley, Peter Thurn and Brett Martin hard at work



Trophy Table



Show Manager Darrell doing his duties



Hard working at catering &  
raffle ticket selling

Photographs provided by Wendy McGlynn

## 2017 South Western NSW Annual Show Results

MAJOR AWARD	EXHIBITOR
<b>Grand Champion</b>	<b>Anlezark &amp; Bohringer</b>
Champion Pied in Show	David Kelleher
Champion Young Bird in Show	Anlezark & Bohringer
Roy McDermott Memorial Trophy	Tony Butt
Best Crested in Show	Gary Pymont
Best Clearwing in Show	Horatio French
Champion Any Age	Gordon Chandler
Champion Any Age Opposite Sex	Gordon Chandler
Res Champion Any Age Cock	Wayne Cusack
Res Champion Any Age Hen	Ewan Cooke
Champion Open Young	Anlezark & Bohringer
Champion Open Young Opposite Sex	David Kelleher
Rex Champion Open Young Cock	David Kelleher
Rex Champion Open Young Hen	Ewan Cooke
Champion Intermediate	Brian Goldsmith
Champion Intermediate Opposite Sex	Horatio French
Res Champion Intermediate Cock	Ron Hornery
Res Champion Intermediate Hen	Horatio French
Champion Novice	Col Anderson
Champion Novice Opposite Sex	Steve Thomas
Res Champion Novice Cock	Steve Thomas
Res Champion Novice Hen	Simon Woods
Champion Unbroken Cap	Tony Butt
Res Champion Unbroken Cap	Eric Whitton
Best Novice Opaline ASC	Simon Woods

BEST VARIETY	EXHIBITOR
Normal Green ASC	Anlezark & Bohringer
Normal Grey Green ASC	David Kelleher
Normal Blue ASC	Anlezark & Bohringer
Normal Violet ASC	Gary Pymont
Normal Grey ASC	David Kelleher
Normal Yellow Faced Blue ASC	Horatio French
Normal Yellow Faced Op. Cin ASC	Andrew Cusack
Australian Golden Face ASC	Gary Pymont
Black Eyed Self ASC	Wayne Cusack
Dilute ASC	Wayne Cusack
Lutino	Dianne Pinney
Albino	Col Anderson
Clearwing ASC	Horatio French
Greywing ASC	Anlezark & Bohringer
Cinnamonwing ASC	Gary Pymont
Spangle DF ASC	Ewan Cooke
Opaline ASC	Wayne Cusack
Opaline AOSV/ASC	Andrew Cusack
Clearbody ASV/ASC	Hilton Smith
Lacewing ASV/ASC	David Kelleher
Fallow ASV/ASC	Dave Butters
Spangle Normal ASC	Anlezark & Bohringer
Spangle AOSV/ASV	Gordon Chandler
Aust Band Dom Pied	Tony Butt
Dutch Dom Pied	Bob Pitt
Dom Clear Flight Pied	Tony Butt
Variegated Dom Pied	David Kelleher
Double Factor Dom Pied	Bob Pitt
Danish Recessive Pied	Tony Butt
Dark Eyed Clear ASC	Hilton Smith
Crested ASV/ASC	Gary Pymont
Non-Standard NSV/NSC	Bob Pitt
Best Pair	Dianne Pinney

## Associated Birdkeepers of Australia FREE SEMINAR

The Associated Birdkeepers of Australia (ABA) will be running a free seminar on **1<sup>st</sup> July 2017** at **Mittagong RSL Club NSW**. The seminar is an information day starting at 9.30am to 4pm. The ABA has invited representatives from the Ministers office to update bird keepers on the progress with the new Quarantine Facility at Mickleham VIC and the Psittacine Import Risk Analysis by Biosecurity.

Other speaker on the day include:

**Daniel Gowland** - Chairman of the Orange bellied Parrot Recovery Program

**Dr Mike Cannon** - Bird diseases

**Lyn Campbell** - Experiences with importing rare poultry into Australia

**Phil Murphy** - Experiences with importing racing pigeons into Australia

And more speakers to be announced when confirmed.

A light lunch will be provided for all attendees.

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## 2017 Northern NSW Annual Show Grand Champion



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## 2017 Sydney Royal Aviary Bird Show Results

### Ian Manton, Chief Sectional Steward

The 2017 Sydney Royal Aviary Bird Show was held on 6th & 7th April in a different hall pavilion than in previous years. This year the Aviary Birds were next to the Show Bag Pavilion in Hall 3, which is part of the Sydney Royal main display area, in an area named "Pet Pavilion".

There were many commercial stands and other public exhibitions that attracted more people (who also then looked at the bird exhibits), and whom otherwise would have given the birds a miss had we been in a separate area. The new site if used again, gives the hobby of bird-keeping a greater exposure and potential to attract new members.

Hopefully we can encourage more Budgerigar Society members to exhibit next year, so we can create an even greater impact and possibly attract new people to the hobby.

There were just over 450 birds entered with 97 in the budgerigar section. This included 59 BSNSW "Exhibition" birds, 16 Birds of Colour, 2 Bush Budgerigars and 22 Junior Exhibits.

Judges Wayne Doull and Kathy Manton enthusiastically worked their way through all the budgerigar exhibits, with some keen debate on a few classes. They later commented that the Cinnamonwing and Spangle classes were particularly strong.

As the judging results were completed Stewards, Brenda & Ian, went all hi-tech entering the results via I-pad (a new innovation by the RAS).

James Matthews again scooped the pool by taking out Grand Champion with a lovely Cinnamonwing Grey Green Cock, and Reserve Grand Champion with a young Spangle Grey Cock. Then, just to complete the day, he also won best Colour Budgerigar with a Normal Violet cock. **Congratulations James!**

After judging, the stewards Andre Ozoux, Jim & Brenda Baker, Ray Galbraith, Ian & Kathy Manton (who backed up after judging duties), ensured the birds were well cared for with water and seed sprays being topped up regularly. They were also available to answer questions from the public and in promote the Budgerigar Society and our hobby. The Society is fortunate to have such members to give up their time for such events.

#### Summary of Results

GRAND CHAMPION			JAMES MATTHEWS
Reserve Grand Champion, Champion Old Bird & Champion Young Bird			
Best of Variety			
Normal Light Green	Jim Baker	Normal Dark Green or Olive	Jim Baker
Normal Grey Green	James Matthews	Normal Sky Blue	Braidan Swan
Normal Violet	Andre Ozoux	Normal Grey	Braidan Swan
Blackeye Self	Wilson Family	Lutino	Ray Galbraith
Albino	Ray Galbraith	Clearwing	Wilson Family
Cinnamonwing	James Matthews	Opaline	Andre Ozoux
Opaline AOSV	Andre Ozoux	Clearbody	Andre Ozoux
Lacewing	Jim Baker	Spangle	James Matthews
Yellowface Blue	Andre Ozoux	Dominant Pied	Jim Baker
Recessive Pied	Jim Baker	AOSV	Wilson Family
Pair	Ray Galbraith		

## 2017 Sydney Royal Aviary Bird Show



Judge, Kathy Manton, with James Matthews, who really scooped the pool, taking out Grand Champion, Reserve Grand Champion, Champion Bird of Colour, and numerous Best of Variety awards.



Grand Champion owned by James Matthews  
Won with a lovely Cinnamonwing Grey Green Cock



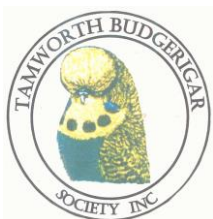
Kathy Manton (Judge) and Ian Manton (Chief Steward)  
with Jim & Brenda Baker (Stewards)



A selection of James Matthews' winning birds

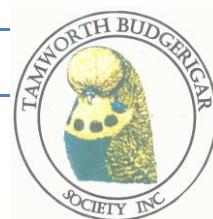
## 2017 Tamworth Annual Show Results

Paul Hull, Tamworth Budgerigar Society



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The Tamworth Budgerigar Society Annual Show was held on Sunday, 30 April 2017 at Tamworth Rugby Hall. We had 250 entries with 24 exhibitors in total.

A big thank you goes to our Judge Kathy Manton and Trainee Judges Wally Capper and Barry Wise for judging the birds on the day. They did an exceptional job.

A dinner was held the night before the show so that both old and new members of our club got together and talk birds all night.

Tamworth Budgerigar Society would like to thank all the exhibitors and judges for taking part in the show.



Grand Champion  
Owned by Ken Seagrott



Champion Young  
Owned by Geoff Cameron



Open Young Opposite Sex  
Owned by Geoff Cameron



The Tamworth Annual Show

Photographed by Paul Hull

## 2017 Tamworth Annual Show Results

<b>GRAND CHAMPION OF SHOW</b>						Ken Seagrott	
<b>GRAND CHAMPION OPPOSITE SEX</b>						P & D Hull	
	<b>OLD</b>	<b>OPEN OLD</b>	<b>RESTRICTED OLD</b>	<b>YOUNG</b>	<b>OPEN YOUNG</b>	<b>INTERMEDIATE YOUNG</b>	<b>NOVICE YOUNG</b>
<b>CHAMPION BIRD</b>	Ken Seagrott	Ken Seagrott	Warren McKinlay	Geoff Cameron	Geoff Cameron	Robyn Cosgrove	Rodger Smith
<b>CHAMPION OPPOSITE SEX</b>	Warren McKinlay	Doug Swanton	Gavin Tilse	P & D Hull	Geoff Cameron	P & D Hull	Steve Sharp
<b>Best Spangle in Show</b>			<b>Christopher Pipe Perpetual Trophy</b>			<b>Warren McKinlay</b>	
<b>Best Cinnamonwing in Show</b>			<i>Trophy Donated by Brian Edgecock</i>			<b>Robyn Cosgrove</b>	
<b>Best Pied in Show</b>			<i>Trophy Donated by Doug Swanton</i>			<b>Small Family</b>	
<b>Best Yellow Face in Show</b>			<i>Trophy Donated by Brian Edgecock</i>			<b>Noel Taylor</b>	
<b>Best Junior in Show</b>			<i>Trophy Donated by Brian Edgecock</i>			<b>Logan Fletcher</b>	
<b>VARIETY</b>		<b>BEST YOUNG</b>		<b>BEST OLD</b>		<b>BEST VARIETY</b>	
<b>NORMAL GREEN</b>		Robyn Cosgrove		Ken Seagrott		Ken Seagrott	
<b>NORMAL GREY GREEN</b>		Master Family		Ken Seagrott		Ken Seagrott	
<b>NORMAL BLUE</b>		Geoff Cameron				Geoff Cameron	
<b>NORMAL VIOLET</b>		Warren McKinlay		Dave Punton		Warren McKinlay	
<b>NORMAL GREY</b>		Geoff Cameron		Ray Galbraith		Geoff Cameron	
<b>YELLOW FACE BLUE</b>		Noel Taylor		Warren McKinlay		Noel Taylor	
<b>AUSTRALIAN GOLDENFACE</b>		P & D Hull				P & D Hull	
<b>YELLOW FACE AOSV</b>		Whitney & Harris		Warren McKinlay		Warren McKinlay	
<b>BLACK EYED SELF</b>		Ray Galbraith				Ray Galbraith	
<b>DILUTE</b>		Logan Fletcher		Ray Galbraith		Ray Galbraith	
<b>LUTINO</b>		Geoff Cameron		R & A Smith		R & A Smith	
<b>ALBINO</b>		Dave Punton				Dave Punton	
<b>CLEARWING</b>		Bob Cosgrove				Bob Cosgrove	
<b>GREYWING</b>		Robyn Cosgrove				Robyn Cosgrove	
<b>CINNAMONWING</b>		Robyn Cosgrove		K & D Burgess		Robyn Cosgrove	
<b>SPANGLE DOUBLE FACTOR</b>		Doug Swanton		Warren McKinlay		Warren McKinlay	
<b>OPALINE ASV</b>		Small Family		Robyn Cosgrove		Small Family	
<b>OPALINE AOSV</b>		P & D Hull		Doug Swanton		P & D Hull	
<b>CLEARBODY</b>							
<b>LACEWING</b>		R & A Smith		R & A Smith		R & A Smith	
<b>FALLOW</b>		Ken McLean				Ken McLean	
<b>SPANGLE</b>		Geoff Cameron		Gavin Tilse		Gavin Tilse	
<b>DOMINANT PIED</b>		Small Family		R & A Smith		Small Family	
<b>RECESSIVE PIED</b>		Robyn Cosgrove		Ken Seagrott		Ken Seagrott	
<b>CRESTED</b>		Ken Seagrott		K & D Burgess		Ken Seagrott	
<b>DARK EYED CLEAR</b>		Gavin Tilse		K & D Burgess		Gavin Tilse	
<b>NON-STANDARD</b>		Logan Fletcher				Logan Fletcher	
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## 2017 Macarthur Annual Show Results

### David Butters, Macarthur Branch

The 2017 Macarthur Annual Show was held in Picton, NSW on the 7<sup>th</sup> May 2017.

GRAND CHAMPION		Paul Muir	
CHAMPION ANY AGE		James Matthews	
CHAMPION OPPOSITE SEX ANY AGE		James Mathews	
CHAMPION YOUNG BIRD		Paul Muir	
CHAMPION OPEN YOUNG		Paul Muir	
CHAMPION YOUNG OPPOSITE SEX		James Mathews	
CHAMPION INTERMEDIATE YOUNG		Leon Chenhall	
CHAMPION INTERMEDIATE YOUNG OPPOSITE SEX		Dan & Sue Strinic	
CHAMPION NOVICE YOUNG		Waseem Youhana	
CHAMPION NOVICE YOUNG OPPOSITE SEX		Waseem Youhana	
CHAMPION HEN		James Matthews	
CHAMPION DOMINANT PIED		Tony Butt	
BEST AUSTRALIAN GOLDENFACED BLUE		Pam Hewitt	
CHAMPION PAIR		James Matthews	
CHAMPION TEAM OR COLLECTION		James Matthews	
BEST LACEWING		Jim Baker	
VARIETY	BEST OLD	BEST YOUNG	Overall
NORMAL GREEN	Tony Butt	Cameron & Myers	Cameron & Myers
NORMAL GREY GREEN	Ewing Cooke	Bendall & Perkiss	Bendall & Perkiss
NORMAL BLUE		Cameron & Myers	Cameron & Myers
NORMAL VIOLET	Jim Baker	Bendall & Perkiss	Jim Baker
NORMAL GREY	David Butters	Ewing Cooke	Ewing Cooke
YELLOW FACED BLUE		James Matthews	James Matthews
AUST. GOLDENFACED BLUE	Pam Hewitt	Pam Hewitt	Pam Hewitt
BLACK EYED SELF		James Matthews	James Matthews
DILUTE		McCauley & O'Regan	McCauley & O'Regan
LUTINO	Dianne Pinney	Paul Muir	Dianne Pinney
ALBINO	Evans Family	Terry Hammerton	Evans Family
CLEARWING	G & M Lynch	G & M Lynch	G & M Lynch
GREYWING	James Matthews	James Matthews	James Matthews
CINNAMONWING	James Matthews	Paul Muir	Paul Muir
SPANGLE DF	Ewing Cooke	Tony Butt	Tony Butt
OPALINE	Cameron & Myers	Dan & Sue Strinic	Cameron & Myers
OPALINE AOSV	Bendall & Perkiss	James Matthews	James Matthews
CLEARBODY		Jim Baker	Jim Baker
LACEWING	Jim Baker	Jim Baker	Jim Baker
FALLOW	David Butters	Evans Family	David Butters
SPANGLE	James Matthews	James Matthews	James Matthews
SPANGLE AOSV	Dennis Tipping	James Matthews	Dennis Tipping
BANDED DOMINANT PIED	Tony Butt	Bendall & Perkiss	Tony Butt
VAR. DOMINANT PIED	Tony Butt	Jim Baker	Tony Butt
RECESSIVE PIED	Tony Butt	Tony Butt	Tony Butt
DARK EYED CLEAR	Tony Butt	Tony Butt	Tony Butt

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Seed moths are a common pest found in birdseed and other seed- or grain-based foods.

### **Identifying Seed Moths**

Typically, moths found in birdseed are Indian meal moths. Adult moths lay microscopic eggs in the seed, which hatch into larvae. The larvae are 1/4 inch, cream-colored wormlike creatures with brown heads. They feed on the seeds and grains in the bird food. When mature, the larvae spin web-like cocoons around themselves and enter the pupa stage, where they metamorphosize into adult moths. The adults are grey with brown-tipped wings. Adult moths live about one week and do not eat. Females can lay more than 200 eggs in or around accessible food. It takes about seven weeks for the eggs to develop into adult moths.

Source: [http://www.ehow.com/how\\_6105247\\_rid-moths-bird-seed.html](http://www.ehow.com/how_6105247_rid-moths-bird-seed.html)

### **Eliminating Seed Moths**

Freezing the seed for 48 hours is one way of killing the moths for small quantities seed.

Diatomaceous Earth, Fossil Shell Flour, food grade, can be added to seed; it coats the seed, kills the larvae and breaks the moth cycle. <http://www.avianvitality.com/p/prd1/1479114681/product/fossil-shell-flour-fr-%2412.00>

Dose Rate for birds: Half to one teaspoon per 5 kilos of seed; mix through the seed thoroughly.

## Branch & Associate Reports

### MID-STATE, Mark Hawke

The Mid-State Budgerigar Club (MBC) Meeting & Social BBQ was held at Garry & Diane Pymont's place on 23<sup>rd</sup> March 2017. There was a good role of MBC members meeting; what a great day with beautiful weather at Forbes.

Matty Campbell and Reg Bohringer gave a few tips to MBC members. They recommended catching your birds six weeks out from a show and spraying them every day with plenty of water. Stop a week before show time. But remember MBC members do NOT de-spot your birds for MBC selections but do spot them for the STCC at Bulli. I personally would leave a spare spot behind just in case. Have a look at the [video from FaceBook that show an easy way to spray your birds](#).



Inside Garry Pymont's breeding room



At the Mid-State meeting and BBQ



At the Mid-State meeting and BBQ



Matthew Campbell cooking the BBQ



Mandy & Reg Bohringer conducting the Mid-State meeting.

Photos from Mark Hawke's FaceBook post

### ST. GEORGE BRANCH NEWS, Nola Bradford

**MARCH MEETING:** Nola Bradford's power point presentation of the 2016 ANBC Championship Show in Hobart, Tasmania was shown to members, so that they could see and discuss the first, second and third placed birds. There was no table show at this meeting.

**APRIL MEETING:** Once again Nola Bradford entertained the members with another power point presentation of the 2015 and 2016 birds which were selected at the State Team Selection at Dural to fly the next week to Mandurah and Hobart for the Australian National Budgerigar Championships. These two presentations had not been shown at the Branch before, and let everyone see the teams that were selected to represent New South Wales.

Warren Wilson judged the 27 birds benched, and he stated he was pleased with the quality shown.

**Results:** Jim Baker "scooped the pool" by winning Best Normal, Best Self Colour, Best AOV. & Best Overall Winner.

The member drawn out for the \$80 Lucky Member was not in attendance, so it jackpots to \$100 in May.

**Reminder:** At our June meeting we will be having a Sale Night of St. George members' birds, so come along and buy some reasonable priced stock.

## CLEARWING BUDGERIGAR SOCIETY, Warren Wilson

### CLEARWING 2017 Challenge Certificate Award

**Now On**

Please keep the results coming in for the 2017 calendar year.

*If you have won a Major Clearwing award at a Show or Lawn Show (not a Table Show) please make sure your win is returned to CBSA and counted.*

*Points are Awarded if you win Any Age sections and/or Young Bird Sections check if you are unsure.*

## CRESTED BUDGERIGAR SOCIETY OF AUSTRALIA, Warren Wilson



The Crest Golden Birds has been revitalised and as well as an Australia Wide winner on the max points, the highest point scorer in each Zone will receive an award, a Certificate of merit and a Crest Prize.

The 2016 overall winner is Thanh Vu, NSW.

Send in your 2017 wins now.

## CANARY & CAGE BIRD FEDERATION, Warren Wilson



The date of the **Canary & Cage Bird Federation**

**Dinner** has changed - the

Dinner is **now on 28th October 2017**. We have

moved the dinner hopeful

for warmer weather to encourage more to attend especially the older folk who don't like to go out on a cold night.

It's a great night out, contact Warren Wilson if your planning to attend the Canary & Cage Bird Federation Dinner.

**Guest of Honour for 2017 is Richard Law**, a Finch Breeder from the Hunter Valley NSW.

CANARY & CAGE BIRD FEDERATION  
OF AUSTRALIA INC.

### Federation Dinner 2017

GUESTS OF HONOUR

**Richard Law**

28th October 2017

Ottimo House, 120 Great North Road, Five Dock

7pm

\$65 per head

The evening is held in a private reception lounge with:

- A five course à la carte meal with all wine, soft drink, and water [not spirits];
  - A dance floor and easy listening music, a DJ;
  - An MC to fill the night with excitement;
  - Lucky door prizes - plus a raffle;
  - Easy parking at rear and side streets.
- Special dietary requirements catered for.

#### Bookings

Warren Wilson: 02 9747 6642 Ron Robertson: 02 9452 2396  
warren@brasea.com birdclubs@aapt.net.au

Payment at time of booking would be appreciated.

Final numbers Sunday 22 October 2017

No refunds after this date.

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## 2017 ANBC National Registration

# 43<sup>rd</sup> AUSTRALIAN NATIONAL BUDGERIGAR COUNCIL CHAMPIONSHIP SHOW



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The Queensland North and Central Zone Budgerigar Council would like to extend an invitation to all fanciers, their family and friends to join us at the Mackay Entertainment and Convention Centre, in Mackay for the 2017 Australian National Budgerigar Council Championship Show.

**Friday 26<sup>th</sup> May – Wednesday 31<sup>st</sup> May 2017**

**Show: 27<sup>th</sup> and 28<sup>th</sup> May 2017**

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