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Hen Logie Winner owned by Wally Capper
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From the Editor

Welcome to the fifth issue of the Budgerigar for 2017. Remember submissions for the next issue are due by the 1st November 2017 with the publication expected to be distributed via Mail Chimp by mid-November.

I have resumed the "Juniors in the Spotlight" articles that were originally started by Anna Shaw in January 2015. If you know a BSNSW junior member, ask them if they would like to provide some information about themselves along with a few photos for a "Juniors in the Spotlight" article and let me know.

The covers of the magazine continue to feature ANBC Logie winners along with a cover story provided by the breeder. I have sent invitations to all logie winners to provide a story via email, text or phone messages. At this stage, I have received some replies and I am progressing with their stories. I would like to thank Wally Capper for providing his story for this issue and encourage the remaining logie winners to contact me.

Show results are generally reported in the magazine following the show with photos of the show and the major award winners. It is great if you can send your results shortly after the show.

In the last few issues, there have only been a few club reports. I think it is important to have these reports in the magazine and I encourage the Branches and Associated Clubs to report on their activities. I would also encourage Branches and Associate Clubs to check and update their contacts if there have been any changes.

I always try to include a few articles in each issue. If you would like a specific topic covered or have an interesting story, I would like to hear from you. I will reply to your email from editor@budgerigar.com.au to confirm that I have actioned your request before publication of the magazine.

Thanks to everyone who has assisted me to produce this magazine.

Maureen Bourne
BSNSW Editor

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

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Check the "What's On" section for your club events. By now your club should have notified the Show Manager of intended clubs event dates for 2018. This helps to avoid clashes with other shows and events.

What's On

October 2017

8th	Canberra Budgerigar Club Annual Show
15th	BRASEA Auction, Bexley, Sydney - Cancelled
22nd	St George Branch Illawarra YBS
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, St Ives, Sydney NSW - Cancelled

December 2017

Christmas events

Advertise your Christmas functions here

January 2018

February 2018

	Illawarra Annual Show
18th	St George Branch Annual Show
	Royal Cage Bird Show – Entries close
25th	Canberra Annual Show

March 2018

18th	BRASEA Auction - Bexley, Sydney
	South Western Budgerigar Society Annual Show in Junee
	New England Annual Show

April 2018

Royal Cage Bird Show
Homebush Sydney

May 2018

6th	Macarthur Annual Show
19th	State Team Challenge & State Team Selection
25 th -30 th	ANBC Nationals – Penrith

June 2018

17th	BRASEA Auction – Bexley, Sydney
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Get in early with your 2018 event dates

If your event or your event date is missing from this "What's On in 2017-2018" list, please email the BSNSW Editor at editor@budgerigar.com.au and the Show Manager with your show dates



The BSNSW & ANBC are affiliated with the World Budgerigar Organisation;
www.world-budgerigar.org

VALE - JUDY SPADARO

Passed away on 18th July 2017 aged 69 years

During the sixteen years that I was Chairman of Macarthur Branch of the then Budgerigar Society of Australasia (BSA), I was privileged to have both Judy and her husband, Bruce on our Committee. Judy was the Secretary and Bruce was the Treasurer and both were diligent and conscientious in their duties, and more importantly, great fun to be with.

These were the halcyon days of Macarthur and the BSA. As a result, we shared great times at the BSA Annual Dinner and we at Macarthur held socials for our young bird show and fund-raising nights. Judy and Bruce were in attendance at all these functions. I am so pleased that they were members of Macarthur when we won the 1989 Interclub Challenge.

When Bruce passed away Judy continued in the hobby and until her last days was still the Treasurer of Macarthur. I must add that both Bruce and Judy were also the Macarthur Delegates to Management for many years. To both Helen and myself Judy was like a favourite cousin. We shared her early days with cancer and will miss her greatly.

Rest in Peace Dear Judy. You have earned a rest.
Ron Hunt

President's Report

Steve Cummins, BSNSW President

The past year has had its up and downs with some major changes occurring in late 2016 with a lot of the management committee resigning, but in saying that I think we have come out with a more committed and enthusiastic management committee.

The highlight of the year of course was the great result in us winning the 2017 Nationals at Mackay. What a great effort from everyone involved. There were six first time winners, well done. The cooperation from everyone was great and the result did show this. Thank you. The following year is going to be a very busy one with the 2018 National being held at Penrith Panthers. Preparations are already being made and I know that this is going to be a show that will be remembered for all the right things. If you would like to be part of the great event, volunteers are always welcome.

The BSNSW Annual show was a bit of a disappointment as the numbers were way down. The show itself was good and thanks to those who did all the work. I think we need to have a serious look at changing this date.

My job this year has been made a lot easier thanks to the help from the other members of the committee especially Ann Hand who is at times a life saver, thank you. Also thanks to Kathy and Ian Manton and Andrew Bourne for your support in my Ring Registrar role.

I am looking forward to being your President in 2018 and know that it's going to be a good one. I hope you all have a great breeding and show season.

General Secretary's Report

Ann Hand, BSNSW General Secretary

At the December Special General Meeting, I jumped into the deep end to become the Secretary of BSNSW and have again put my hand up for this position for the following year. Thanks to all those previous committee members who stood down I acknowledge the amount of work you all put in and applaud the time spent on behalf of the Society.

At this time many vacated positions brought new members to the Management committee with some new ideas and vision for the future of the Society. As a whole we seem to be working well together and have had many beneficial and interesting debates, but the few hours allocated to night meetings seem to go too quickly and I will be recommending we have a couple of the meetings on a weekend day to enable us to have more than just 3 hours every 2 months to discuss properly the many decisions that need to be made.

We do have sub committees covering different aspects of the Society – Show, Colour & Standards – Judges - Operational – and Review of constitution matters. However, by the time we get through normal agenda items the time is just not there to review properly the recommendations from these committees. The go-to-meeting program set up by Andrew Bourne and used at meetings works well for those who cannot attend for various reasons, but nothing beats face to face meetings.

We have an exciting time in 2018 with the Nationals coming to NSW, hopefully many breeders who do not like to have their good birds travel out of state will be available to bring them to Sydney as this would certainly ensure we win again.

I would ask again for Branches & Association office bearers to please make sure to pass on information from the MC regarding important issues and send returns in, it takes a lot of my time to keep chasing up things. If we all do our little bit we will keep things working much better. Thanks to the many Office bearers and members who have taken the time to either email or phone when they have had a problem, hope I have been of some help to you.

Front Cover Story

2017 ANBC National Hen

Wally Capper

My fascination with Budgerigars began in 1987 while I was living in the country town of Gunnedah. I had a visit from my cousin and her husband who asked me did I know anybody in town with show budgies. It just so happened I did, even though back then I was on the local Greyhound Racing Club Committee and drove the mechanical bunny which the dogs chase at the greyhound races.

I had no interest in birds what so ever. Off we went to have a look at the birds for sale with my cousin and her husband. I was talked into buying a pair, well within 6 weeks out went the Dogs, which I loved for thirty years, and in came a few more pairs of birds from Tim Corliss, a local Budgie breeder and some from Ernie Wise of Tamworth. I am still as keen today as when I kicked off way back in 1987.

My stud of birds goes back to the imports from the early 1990's. The main line that I concentrated on was from the Binks bloodline. I purchased a brother to Garry Gazzard's BSNSW Show winner from his Hancock Binks imports. Since then I have only bought in selective birds from the best bloodlines that I could afford and have moulded my birds today from these additions to my stud.

These days I keep between 100 to 150 birds. The main varieties that I keep include Normals, Cinnamons, Dominant Pieds and Spangles. With Greywings and Lacewings, I only keep about 3 pairs of each.

I really prefer and enjoy the challenge of breeding more so than the showing side of birds but over the years I have won numerous Grand Champions and Best of Variety at Shows.

I have also had 20 or so NSW State Representatives go to the Nationals where I have been lucky enough to win five times. The Variety's I have won are Cinnamonwing (2003), Greywing (2009) Greywing (2013) Lacewing (2014) then in 2017 the Hens class. I have also had two 2nd places and two 3rd placings.

Right: Wally Capper accepting his Greywing Logie at the 2009 ANBC National in Burnie, Tasmania. Wally Capper won his fifth Logies at the 2017 ANBC National Championship Show in Mackay, QLD. Photograph by Rod Turnbull



2017 ANBC National
First Place – Hen



2014 ANBC National
First Place – Lacewing
Photographs by Rod Turnbull



2013 ANBC National
First Place – Greywing



2009 ANBC National
First Place – Greywing
Photographs by Rod Turnbull



2005 ANBC National
Second Place – Dominant Pied
Photographs by Wally Capper

No photo available

2003 ANBC National
First Place – Cinnamonwing

The ANBC hens class winner this year is out of one of my best pair of Budgies that I have had for many years for producing quality youngsters. The father of this winning hen is a Light Green normal bred by my mate, Craig Barnett, and the mum is a Grey Green Cinnamon of mine. They bred 20 chicks over four rounds in 2015 and 2016. The ANBC hen remains unbeaten on the show bench winning Grand Champion at the 2017 Newcastle Young Bird Show, 2017 Hills Annual Show as well as winning the Hens class at 2017 State Team Competition Challenge and 2017 ANBC National Championship Show. Her older brother, a Grey Green Normal, has won Grand Champion at both the 2016 & 2017 Newcastle Annual Show.



Brother to my National hen winning won Grand
Champion at 2016 & 2017 Newcastle Annual
Photographs by Heather Foster



Photographs by Santo Calabrese



Grand Champion at the 2017 Hills Annual Show
as well as winning the Hens class at 2017

I have been a member of the BSNSW virtually since I started in Budgerigars. I have been a member of the Hunter Branch BSNSW since 1992 and I still am. Over the years I have held many and varied positions within the Branch, as the years catch up with me I still am an active club member but to a lesser degree than in past years. Currently, I am a Trainee Judge for BSNSW and even though I am in my twilight years I am enjoying it immensely I only wish I did it many years ago when I was younger. So, come on you younger fellows become a Trainee it is a great learning curb in this enjoyable hobby of ours.

So, my advice to aspiring Budgerigar breeders is to take your time and look and listen also try and align yourself with a knowledgeable mentor and above all have plenty of patience. Rome was not built in a day and breeding quality budgerigars does not happen overnight, REMEMBER PATIENCE IS A VIRTUE.

To the BSNSW Inc many thanks for inviting me to tell my story of my Budgerigar journey.

2017 BSNSW Annual Show

Bruce Bradford, BSNSW Show Secretary



Matthew Troy wins Grand Champion at the 2017 BSNSW Annual Show
Photographs from the BSNSW Facebook page

The Seven Hills Sports High School was the venue for this year's BSNSW Annual Show where Garry Gazzard, Kathy Manton and Andre Ozoux judged the 259 birds benched by 31 exhibitors, many of whom had travelled a long distance to participate in this prestigious event. Even though the number of entries was down this year, the Judges made comment on the good quality of the birds shown.

Thanks to Sectional Stewards, Steve Wackwitz, Tony Merriman and James Matthews who were kept busy looking after the Judges, under the watchful eye of Show Manager, Jim Baker. Dan and Sue Strinic carried out the Show Secretarial duties on Wednesday and Thursday evening, and were busy at the show recording the results of the winning birds, for which we thank them.



Judges: Garry Gazzard, Kathy Manton & Andre Ozoux with Steward, Steve Wackwitz.



Judges, workers and invitee, John Boss having lunch.



Ian Manton and Ray Galbraith at the barbecue.



Stuart & Julie Williams, Bird Boxes Galore trade stand.

Photographs by Nola Bradford

A continuous morning tea was available and Ray Galbraith and Richard Abraham looked after everyone with a tasty barbecue during the morning and at lunch time.

Our thanks to Julie and Stuart Williams of Bird Boxes Galore for setting up their trade stand and their sponsorship, and to Barry and Terese Ryan of Elenbee Seeds for their donation of seed.



Grand Champion, Matthew Troy of Troy Family receiving award. From Steve Cummins
Photographs by Nola Bradford



Grand Champion – Cinnamonwing Green

MAJOR AWARDS

GRAND CHAMPION			Troy Family
BSNSW Grand Champion Medallion, Harley Yardley Perpetual Trophy, and Special Trophy			
ANY AGE	CHAMPION ANY AGE BIRD	Craig Duncan	
	CHAMPION ANY AGE BIRD OPEN	Allan Reid	
	RESERVE CHAMPION ANY AGE BIRD OPEN	James Matthews	
	CHAMPION ANY AGE BIRD INTERMEDIATE/NOVICE	Craig Duncan	
	RESERVE CHAMPION ANY AGE BIRD INTERMEDIATE/NOVICE	Tony Cook	
YOUNG	CHAMPION YOUNG BIRD	Troy Family	
	CHAMPION YOUNG BIRD OPEN	Tony Butt	
	RESERVE CHAMPION BIRD YOUNG OPEN	Allan Reid	
	CHAMPION YOUNG BIRD INTERMEDIATE	Troy Family	
	RESERVE CHAMPION YOUNG BIRD INTERMEDIATE	David Dunn	
	CHAMPION YOUNG BIRD NOVICE	Daniel Child	
	RESERVE CHAMPION YOUNG BIRD NOVICE	Steve Cummins	
JUVENILE	CHAMPION JUVENILE BIRD	James Matthews	
	CHAMPION JUVENILE BIRD OPEN	James Matthews	
	RESERVE CHAMPION JUVENILE BIRD OPEN	Wayne Altman	
	CHAMPION JUVENILE BIRD INTERMEDIATE	Myles Henke	
	RESERVE CHAMPION JUVENILE BIRD INTERMEDIATE	Myles Henke	
	CHAMPION JUVENILE BIRD NOVICE	Daniel Child	
	RESERVE CHAMPION JUVENILE BIRD NOVICE	Tony Cook	
UNBROKEN CAPPED	CHAMPION UNBROKEN CAPPED BIRD	Leon Chenhall	
	CHAMPION UNBROKEN CAPPED BIRD OPEN	Jim Baker	
	RESERVE CHAMPION UNBROKEN CAPPED BIRD OPEN	Maree Robertson	
	CHAMPION UN BROKEN CAPPED BIRD RESTRICTED	Leon Chenhall	
	RESERVE CHAMPION UN BROKEN CAPPED BIRD RESTRICTED	Troy Family	

2017 BSNSW ANNUAL SHOW		
Pairs, Teams and Collections	CHAMPION PAIR	McCusker & Moyle
	CHAMPION TEAM	Pam Hewitt
	CHAMPION COLLECTION	Wackwitz Family
	CHAMPION BUSH BUDGIE	Craig Geering

BEST OF VARIETY WINNERS

VARIETY	BEST OF VARIETY	ANY AGE	YOUNG	JUVENILE or UnBroken Cap
NORMAL GREEN	DAVID DUNN	CRAIG GEERING	DAVID DUNN	CRAIG GEERING
NORMAL GREY GREEN	LEON CHENHALL	CRAIG DUNCAN	LEON CHENHALL	JASON TINKER
NORMAL BLUE	ANTHONY STARCEVIC	-	ANTHONY STARCEVIC	WAYNE ALTMAN
NORMAL VIOLET	ALLAN REID	JIM BAKER	ALLAN REID	
NORMAL GREY	TONY COOK	TONY COOK	LEON CHENHALL	CRAIG GEERING
NORMAL YELLOW FACE	JAMES MATTHEWS	WOOLENDEN & DAROSA	JAMES MATTHEWS	CRAIG GEERING
NORMAL GOLDEN FACE	PAM HEWITT	PAM HEWITT	PAM HEWITT	PAM HEWITT
BLACK EYED SELF	R & S CONDON	R & S CONDON	RAY & SUE CONDON	-
DILUTE	RAY GALBRAITH	RAY GALBRAITH	WACKWITZ FAMILY	-
LUTINO	MYLES HENKE	RAY GALBRAITH	MYLES HENKE	TONY COOK
ALBINO	ANTHONY STARCEVIC	-	ANTHONY STARCEVIC	PAUL O'NEILL
CLEARWING	G & M LYNCH	G & M LYNCH	G & M LYNCH	G & M LYNCH
GREYWING	MYLES HENKE	JAMES MATTHEWS	MYLES HENKE	JOHN BOSS
CINNAMONWING	TROY FAMILY	JAMES MATTHEWS	TROY FAMILY	MYLES HENKE
SPANGLE DOUBLE FACTOR	ALLAN REID	ALLAN REID	ALLAN REID	JIM BAKER
OPALINE	DANIEL CHILD	-	DANIEL CHILD	LEON CHENHALL
OPALINE AOSV	STEVEN CUMMINS	STEVEN CUMMINS	JOHN BOSS	WAYNE ALTMAN
CLEARBODY	J & E WALLACE	J & E WALLACE	J & E WALLACE	TROY FAMILY
LACEWING	JIM BAKER	B & N BRADFORD	JIM BAKER	-
FALLOW	B & N BRADFORD	B & N BRADFORD	TROY FAMILY	B & N BRADFORD
SPANGLE	TONY BUTT	JAMES MATTHEWS	TONY BUTT	TROY FAMILY
SPANGLE AOSV	ALLAN REID	ALLAN REID	JAMES MATTHEWS	JAMES MATTHEWS
DOMINANT PIED	TONY BUTT	TONY BUTT	TONY BUTT	JIM BAKER
RECESSIVE PIED	TONY BUTT	TONY BUTT	TONY BUTT	MYLES HENKE
SADDLEBACK	CRAIG GEERING	CRAIG GEERING	-	-
DARK EYED CLEAR	TONY BUTT	TONY BUTT	TONY BUTT	TONY BUTT
DARK WING	R & S CONDON	R & S CONDON	RAY & SUE CONDON	-
CRESTED	PAUL O'NEILL	PAUL O'NEILL	PAUL O'NEIL	CRAIG GEERING
WHITECAP	ANTHONY STARCEVIC	-	ANTHONY STARCEVIC	ANTHONY STARCEVIC
NON STANDARD	TROY FAMILY	-	ROY FAMILY	-

Full results and more photos are available from the BSNSW website:

<http://www.budgerigar.com.au/2017-BSNSW-Annual-show-results.html>



Reserve Champion Young Intermediate
Normal Green, David Dunn.



Reserve Champion Any Age
Intermediate/Novice
Grey Normal, Tony Cook.



Reserve Champion Juvenile
Lutino, Tony Cook.



Champion Open Any Age
Spangle Double Factor, Allan Reid.



Res. Champion Any Age, Green
Cinnamonwing, James Matthews.



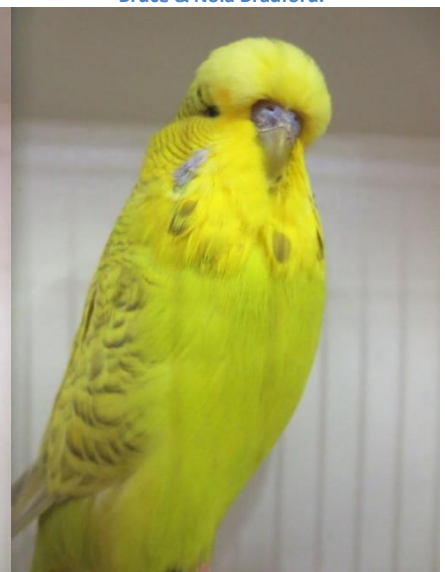
Best Fallow
Bruce & Nola Bradford.



Champion Young Open
Green Dominant Pied, Tony Butt.



Best Crested
Paul O'Neill.
Photographs by Nola Bradford



Best Darkwing
Ray & Sue Condon.



Jean Painter organizing prizes with Steve Cummins at the 2017 BSNSW Annual.



James Matthews receiving his Reserve Champion Any Age Open prize from Jim Baker.



Allan Reid receiving his Champion Any Age Open prize presented by Jim Baker.



Tony Cook receiving his Reserve Champion Any Age Intermediate/Novice prize presented by Jim Baker.



Maree Robertson receiving her Reserve Champion Unbroken Capped Open prize presented by Jean Painter.



Wayne Altman receiving his Reserve Champion Juvenile Open prize presented by Jean Painter.

Photographs by Nola Bradford



Leon Chenhall receiving Champion Open & Restricted Unbroken Capped prize from Jean Painter.



David Dunn receives the Reserve Champion Young Bird Intermediate prize presented by Jim Baker.



Craig Duncan who won Champion Any Age & Intermediate/Novice receiving show cage from Steve Cummins.



Tony Butt who won Champion Young Bird Open receiving show cage from Jim Baker.



Myles Henke and family won Champion & Reserve Champion Juvenile Intermediate. Show cage presented by James Baker.



Daniel Child who won Champion Young Bird Novice receiving a show cage presented by Jim Baker.

Photographs by Nola Bradford

Thanks to The Hills Branch for the cartage and use of their staging and the barbecue equipment. Branches and Associates, together with some individual members, each donated \$40 for Breeders Awards, which was much appreciated, and some wonderful prizes selected and purchased by Jean Painter were given out to the successful breeders. Show cages were presented to the winners of the Champion Awards.

2018 ANBC National

BSNSW Show Committee

PROGRESS ON PLANNING FOR THE ANBC CHAMPIONSHIP SHOW

AT PENRITH, SYDNEY ON THE 24TH TO 28TH MAY 2018

- ✓ Venue at Penrith Panthers secured for the above dates.
- ✓ Cost for Venue accepted.
- ✓ \$20,000 grant from Destination NSW
- ✓ \$10,000 received from ANBC
- ✓ Logies ordered and paid for by ANBC
- ✓ Container of equipment put together by Dave Ganzer will be ready for 2018 show. Minimal cost to States and Zones.
- ✓ 2nd visitation to the Venue booked for next week to finalise prices of functions, accommodations and excursions for the registration form to be completed.
- ✓ Hotel accommodation at Mercure Hotel 120 rooms reserved & price set.
- ✓ Dinner and Cruise on the Paddle Steamer booked for Saturday evening.
- ✓ Four Judges invited and accepted.
- ✓ A master of ceremonies for the weekend invited and accepted.
- ✓ Booked the Auctioneer for the Sunday Auction.
- ✓ Invitations ready to go to the people locally and Interstate who regularly assist at the Nationals.
- ✓ List of Areas where help/assistance is required from our BSNSW Members
- ✓ Sponsorship from Golden Cob secured.
- ✓ An Advert for the 2018 National was put on the website
- ✓ Some people have already volunteered to assist in different areas.

1001 Things still to do!

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

New South Wales are not only putting a team of excellent budgerigars together again in 2018 but we are the hosts for the National Show at Penrith Panthers on the 25th to 28th May. It is exciting, and we can be very proud of the National events in our State held previously. It's also a tremendous amount of planning and organising, and we need many people to put their hands up to either be the designated and recognised organiser for a specific area of responsibility, or be willing to give the organisers their assistance in that area.

Listed below are some area I hope you feel you can contribute to and we would love to hear from you ASAP. Please ring Jim Baker, National Show Manager 9601 1495.

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|--------------------------------------|---|-------------------------|
| 1. REGISTRATIONS -
Maureen Bourne | 7. RAFFLES | 11. SECURITY- |
| 2. REGISTRATION STAND | 8. TRADE STANDS
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Parasites of Budgerigars - A Practical Guide

Hamish Baron BVSc (Hons)

Avian Reptile and Exotic Pet Hospital, University of Sydney, NSW

General husbandry advice is easy to come by in our great hobby. Everyone has their own secrets on how to get the best out of their birds, or how to bring them into condition for breeding or showing. This article is designed to share knowledge about the parasites which commonly infect our birds.

The full article is available from <http://nzbudgerigarsociety.co.nz/wp-content/uploads/2014/10/Budgerigar-PARASITES.pdf>

Cnemidocoptic Mites (scaley leg & face mites)

This is one of the most important parasites for budgerigar fanciers. This mite is common in budgerigars and it is our responsibility to help share the knowledge to other fanciers in order to help limit its effects on our birds.

The mite, which burrows into the skin to lay its eggs, causes grey-white encrustations around the cere, the beak, the intersection of the upper and lower beak. If left untreated, it can result in severe distortion of the beak. Prolonged infection can cause massive enlargement of the legs, feet and beak and result in necrosis (tissue death).

In budgerigars, this mite is especially important because of the tight fitting rings that we use. It is my experience that infections with *cnemidocoptes* often result in skin thickening (hyperkeratosis) which causes the ring to become even tighter and can cut off the blood supply to the leg below it. In these cases, the ring needs to be removed and in some severe instances, the affected leg amputated.

The good news is that it is really easy to prevent *cnemidocptes* from becoming a problem in your aviary by thoroughly examining birds before purchasing them. If you do notice your birds with scale around their face and feet there are many topical formulations which you can apply to clear the mite infestation quickly and effectively.

Clinical syndrome

The "scaly leg and face" mite (*Cnemidocoptes species*) seen in budgerigars, canaries, and other small birds causes thickening of the skin with honey-combed masses on non-feathered skin, especially around the beak and on the legs.

Diagnosis

Easily diagnosed by its clinical appearance in commonly affected species (budgies and canaries) (Fig 3).



Figure 3. Classical clinical appearance of *cnemidocoptes* mites

Mallophaga spp. - Feather Lice

These lice are classified as "biting and chewing" lice and cause feather damage by chewing on the feather barbules and shaft.

Despite popular belief, this species of lice do not suck blood.

Clinical syndrome

In my experience with feather lice, the budgerigars present with various different symptoms.

Most drastically, I have seen birds whose flight feathers have been so debilitated by the lice that they are unable to gain lift when flying, and as a result end up on the aviary floor.

Less seriously, there are birds with severe irritation and restlessness with some feather damage to the emerging feathers as they leave the quills.

Diagnosis

Lice can be visualised on flight feathers when they are held up to the light. Visually they appear as a white dot sitting close to the feather shaft.

Microscopically, we see evidence that the entire life cycle is carried out on the budgerigar with eggs attached in clusters around the shaft of the feather.

Feather and Quill Mites

There are many different species of feather mites and I believe there needs to be further investigation with regards to their involvement in feather loss.

They have been proven to cause feather loss and thickening of the skin with heavy infestations but are fairly widely accepted to be otherwise harmless.

The mites live in the groove between the feather barbs, with different species preferring different feather types or even different areas of feathers.

Quill mites live in the region around growing feathers. Some quill mites feed on keratin (the tissue that feathers and hair are made of), but syringophilid mites pierce the quill wall and feed on feather follicle tissue fluid.

It is because of this feeding practice that I feel further investigation is warranted as this could severely damage growing feathers.

Diagnosis

Microscopic examination of feathers will reveal mites on the feather shaft (Fig 4).



Figure 4. Feather mites on gross examination and under microscopic examination showing their predilection for life close to the feather shaft.

Dermanyssus Gallinae - The Red Mite

This mite is a blood sucker that hides in cracks and crevices, most commonly in the dark corners of nest boxes or wooden breeding cages.

They feed on birds mostly at night whilst they are resting, or in the dark confines of the nest box.

One of the most challenging factors when considering the control of red mite is its ability to survive in the environment.

These mites are able to survive for up to a year without a blood meal and therefore environmental control is vital.

Life Cycle

Because this mite multiplies rapidly in the warmer months of summer, its lifecycle is brief. Eggs are laid in cracks by females following engorgement on a blood meal. They hatch within 72 hours under warm, humid conditions. The larvae moult into nymphs which also feed on the budgerigar before maturing to adults.

Important points

The mites can cause intense irritation, restlessness and self trauma to the feathers. These mites can leave the budgerigar and feed on humans who come into contact with the birds, it is important to realise, however, that the mite cannot multiply without the avian host. Sitting hens and nestlings are most susceptible and heavy infestations can result in death in small nestlings.

Exhibition Budgerigars FaceBook Group



The Exhibition Budgerigars FaceBook Group was started by Bob Wilson seven years ago and now has over 42 thousand members and growing. This is a fabulous FaceBook group that is well worth following; there is always something new being posted or shared.

There are currently ten administrators. They are Bob Wilson, Regina Scates, David McCahonand, Habib Ur Rehman Sherani, Moheb Nabil, Joshua Anthony, Shahir Mahmoud, Tania Ok, Виталий Пышняк and Farhan Khan.

Bob Wilson has been an administrator for seven years and Regina Scates for six years. See their FaceBook profile below.



Rules

This group welcomes members around the World who Breed & Exhibit Budgerigars. We use FaceBook to provide a vehicle to make new contacts, meet other breeders, ask questions, share ideas and techniques, make comments on the hobby, post comments on shows, and share photos of our birds.

We hope you enjoy the group and invite your friends to join us too.

PLEASE BE CONSIDERATE WHEN POSTING:

This is a budgerigar group. Do not post anything totally unrelated.

Keep your comments to posts positive and constructive.

All Members are welcome to post photos, ask questions, and make comments provided they are about EXHIBITION BUDGERIGARS.

Any off-topic posts, advertising, birds for sale, links promoting other groups or websites, or negative personal remarks directed towards other Members will be deleted and the Member posting will be banned from our group. - No exceptions.

Posts with Names or Phone Numbers on or below the photo are considered Advertising and will be deleted.

Please also remember to POST IN ENGLISH so our Admins understand and can help you.

PLEASE NOTE - We now review all posts before they appear on our page. Please be patient when you post... our Admins will approve your post when they next log in.



ALSO - Please post all your budgie related questions on our group page. That is what our page is for. DO NOT message them to Admins. We have plenty of experienced Members ready to help you when Admins are off-line, at work, or sleeping.

Budgie Clubs are welcome to list their meetings and shows in advance of the date. Results and Reports of any show must be posted within 10 days of the date the show was held.

Soft Food Mix

Emad E Belhaj; Member of Exhibition Budgerigar

Thanks to Emad for sharing his recipe for the soft food mix and schedule for his birds supplementary feeding routine.

Preparation:

The mixture of grain consists of:

Corn 1000g	Soybeans 125g
Barley 125g	Wheat germ 125g
Oats 125g	Rice 125g
Yellow lentils 125g	Pea 125g
Curcuma 25g	Fenugreek 75g
Nigella 50g	Thyme 25g
Rosemary 25g	Salt 25g
Pollen 50g	Cerelac 125g
Pollen for the palm tree 50g	Garlic dried 25g
Special vitamins for birds 200g	

Mix and then grind; it should be a little rough and not too soft.

- First:** Add two tablespoons of grain mixture for each egg.
- Second:** The egg is cooked on water for 15-20 minutes, then it is cut into very small pieces.
- Thirdly:** The medium sized carrot is cleaned and then cut into very small pieces.
- Finally:** Mix the egg and the carrot and two tablespoons of the ground grain mixture



The supplementary feeding schedule below outlines the routine followed by Emad.

Day	Food		Vitamins
	Morning	Afternoon	
Saturday	Egg Mix	Cultured Wheat	Calci-Lux + Omni-Vit
Sunday		Vegetable Mixture	
Monday		Trigonella Cultured	Calci-Lux + Muta-Vit
Tuesday	Egg Mix	Vegetable Mixture	
Wednesday		Oats Culture	Calci-Lux + Omni-Vit
Thursday		Fruitiness	
Friday	Egg Mix		

For more information about the vitamins listed above go to the [Supplements for birds page on the Oropharma website](#).

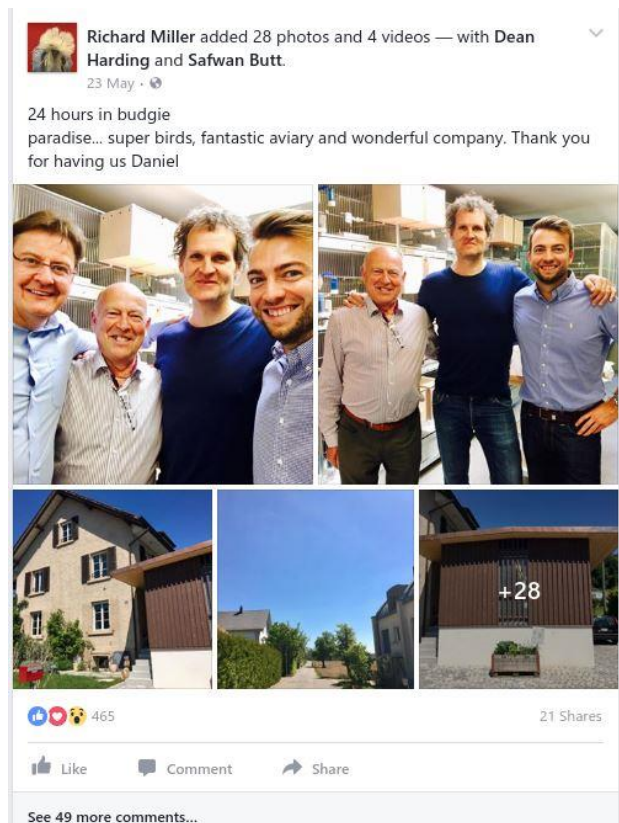


Richard Miller's FaceBook Page

Maureen Bourne, BSNSW Editor

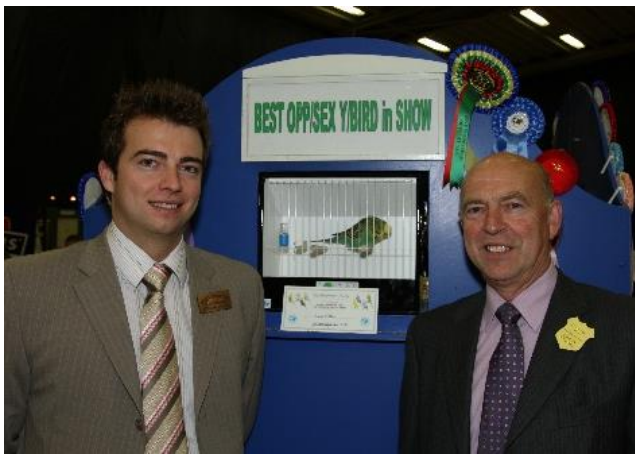
Many thanks to Richard Miller, a Member of Exhibition Budgerigar FaceBook Group and a Champion Breeder and International Judge from the United Kingdom for agreeing to share some of his photos and posts from his FaceBook page.





I encourage our readers to explore Richard Miller's FaceBook page. These posts are just a sample of what you could find when you go to [Richard Miller's Face Book page](#).





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Spotlight on Juniors

Name: Lachlan Clark

Age: Thirteen

Branch: MIA (Murrumbidgee Irrigation Area)

Hi, my name is Lachlan. I joined the MIA branch earlier this year. I first got into bush budgerigars when I was 11. I was very lucky, my grandfather worked with Horatio French we went to visit him one weekend to see what the difference was between bush budgies and show budgies (a lot).

I got my first exhibition budgerigars at the age of 12 from Horatio as you know they are all the Gary Watson bloodline birds, so I am off to a good start. In the first year, we colony bred them. We did OK and we bred a few babies.

During the second school holidays this year, I went to northern NSW and whilst I was away my grandfather built me an enclosed breeding room for my birds, he is still in the process of extended the breeding room and building a flight area to give me a bit more room.

After I came home, I was talking to Horatio and I asked if he could come out and help pair up the budgies for breeding. After about a week he came out. He brought out a nice dominant pied cock bird to put with a little yellowface hen, I hope they will start to breed soon.

I would like to thank Horatio & Estelle French, Glen Schiller, Brian Goldsmith, Steve Thomas and Gary Watson and most off all my grandfather (Charlie Green) because if it wasn't for them I would not have exhibition budgerigars or the aviary set up that I have.

I have breed some nice spangles, dark green dominant Pied, light green dominant Pied and light green opaline babies. I hope to breed some more numbers to give me more choice next breeding season.

Note from the Editor:

Thanks Lachlan for a very well written article.

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2017 West Sydney Show Results

Myles Henke, West Sydney Branch

The 2017 West Sydney Annual Show was held on Sunday the 30 of July at the Blacktown Showground Pavilion. Laurie Cauchi had a great day winning Grand Champion, Opposite Sex Any Age and Champion Open Young. The winner for the Mega Exhibitor Prize for the most entries benched was Charlie Halasz. Thanks to all the exhibitor for their entries and to all those who helped with the running of the show. Many thanks to Terese and Barry Ryan from Elenbee Bird Supplies for providing a Trade Stand at the show.



Abi Haider wins
Champion Juvenile



Laurie Cauchi wins Grand Champion,
Opposite sex Any Age and Champion Open Young



Woolfenden & DaRosa wins
Champion Novice Young



Craig Geering wins
Champion Bush Budgie



James Matthews wins Champion Any Age
and Opposite Sex Open Young



Opposite Sex Novice Young
Waseem Youhana



Myles Henke wins Champion Intermediate Young and Opposite Sex
Intermediate Young



Charlie Halasz won the Mega Exhibitor Prize
for the most entries benched

Photographs by Paul McCusker

Grand Champion	Laurie Cauchi
Champion Any Age	James Matthews
Opposite sex Any Age	Laurie Cauchi
Champion Open Young	Laurie Cauchi
Opposite Sex Open Young	James Matthews
Champion Intermediate Young	Myles Henke
Opposite Sex Intermediate Young	Myles Henke
Champion Novice Young	Woolfenden & DaRosa
Opposite Sex Novice Young	Waseem Youhana
Champion Juvenile	Abi Haider
Champion Nest Feather	Abi Haider
Champion Bush Budgie	Craig Geering
Best of Variety	Winner
Green	Joe Youhana
Grey Green	James Matthews
Blue	Craig Sutherland
Violet	Mark Wilton
Grey	Pam Hewitt
Yellow Faced	Abi Haider
Golden Faced	Pam Hewitt
Black Eyed Self	Ray Galbraith
Dilute	Steve Leggett
Lutino	Ray Galbraith
Albino	Joe Youhana
Clearwing	G & M Lynch
Greywing	Myles Henke
Cinnamon	James Matthews
Spangle Double Factor	McCusker & Moyle
Opaline	Laurie Cauchi
Opaline AOSV	Myles Henke
Clearbody	J & E Wallace
Lacewing	James Matthews
Fallow	Mark Wilton
Spangle	Laurie Cauchi
Spangle AOSV	James Matthews
Dominant Pied	Laurie Cauchi
Recessive Pied	Myles Henke
Darkwing	Wilson Family
Saddleback	Craig Geering
Dark Eyed Clear	Joe Elias
Crested	Craig Geering
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2017 Newcastle Annual Show Results

Paul McCusker, NBC Show Manager

The 2017 Newcastle Budgerigar Club Annual Show was held on Sunday the 13th August 2017 at the Wallsend Community Centre.

Wally Capper won Grand Champion and A&C Druery won Champion Young.

Just a word of thanks to everyone who supported our Auction and Show without your support this event doesn't happen. A special thanks to Team Newcastle from those who loaded staging, swept floors and just helped in general. It was a team effort. I'm sure Darren would support my words of thanks. Special mention to my wife Maree and Darren's family who put their life on hold while we committed our weekend to these events.



Photographs by Paul McCusker

GRAND CHAMPION	WALLY CAPPER
CHAMPION OPPOSITE SEX	A&C DRUERY
CHAMPION YOUNG	A&C DRUERY
CHAMPION YOUNG OPPOSITE SEX	JUPP & SCHEERER
CHAMPION ANY AGE	WALLY CAPPER
CHAMPION ANY AGE OPPOSITE SEX	A&C DRUERY
CHAMPION JUVENILE	MICK KIME
CHAMPION JUVENILE OPPOSITE SEX	JUPP & SCHEERER
CHAMPION OPEN YOUNG	A&C DRUERY
OPPOSITE SEX OPEN YOUNG	JUPP & SCHEERER
CHAMPION INTERMEDIATE YOUNG	GREG PARKER
CHAMPION INTERMEDIATE YOUNG OPPOSITE SEX	WARREN MCKINLAY
CHAMPION NOVICE OVERALL YOUNG	GEORGE ANDERSON
CHAMPION NOVICE OVERALL YOUNG OPPOSITE SEX	BRUCE WHITING
CHAMPION NOVICE AMATEUR YOUNG	GEORGE ANDERSON
CHAMPION NOVICE AMATEUR YOUNG OPPOSITE SEX	BRUCE WHITING
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BEST NORMAL GREY GREEN	WALLY CAPPER
BEST NORMAL BLUE	A&C DRUERY
BEST NORMAL VIOLET	JUPP & SCHEERER
BEST NORMAL GREY	CLIFF CAMERON
BEST YELLOW FACED	J EDWARDS
BEST GOLDEN FACED	G & M LYNCH
BEST BLACK EYED SELF	RAY CONDON
BEST DILUTE	ERNIE WISE
BEST LUTINO	WAYNE INGHAM
BEST ALBINO	A&C DRUERY
BEST CLEARWING	G & M LYNCH
BEST GREYWING	-
BEST CINNAMONWING	ERNIE WISE
BEST SPANGLE DOUBLE FACTOR	WALLY CAPPER
BEST OPALINE	A&C DRUERY
BEST OPALINE AOSV	WALLY CAPPER
BEST CLEARBODY	JUPP & SCHEERER
BEST LACEWING	ERNIE WISE
BEST FALLOW	ERNIE WISE
BEST SPANGLE	BRUCE WHITING
BEST SPANGLE AOSV	JUPP & SCHEERER
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2017 Northside Annual Show Results

2017 BSNBW - Northside Branch Annual Show was held on the 10th September 2017.

Major Awards	Winner	Club
Grand Champion	James Matthews	Penrith Valley
Champion Any Age Bird	James Matthews	Penrith Valley
Champion Any Age Bird Opposite Sex	James Matthews	Penrith Valley
Best Open Young - 2016 Gold Ring	James Matthews	Penrith Valley
Best Open Young Opp Sex - 2016 Gold Ring	James Matthews	Penrith Valley
Best Intermediate Young - 2016 Gold Ring	Geoff Hill	-
Best Interm. Young Opp Sex - 2016 Gold Ring	Paul O'Neill	Northside
Best Novice Young - 2016 Gold Ring	Angelo Ariston	Hills
Best Novice Young Opp Sex - 2016 Gold Ring	Woolfenden & Da Rosa	Penrith Valley
Champion Juvenile - 2017 Blue Ring	Woolfenden & Da Rosa	Penrith Valley
Champion Juv Opp Sex - 2017 Blue Ring	Dennis Beckett	Northside
Johnny Mac Best example of a Variety	McCusker & Moyle	Newcastle
Best Of Variety		
Normal Green - Light, Dark or Olive	Dennis Beckett	Northside
Normal Grey Green	James Matthews	Penrith Valley
Normal Blue Sky Cobalt Mauve	Dennis Beckett	Northside
Normal Violet	Dennis Beckett	Northside
Normal Grey	Pam & Vic Giles	Northside
Normal Yellow Faced Blue	Woolfenden & Da Rosa	Penrith Valley
Australian Golden Face	Pam Hewitt	Penrith Valley
Blackeyed Self - Yellow or White	Ray & Sue Condon	Central Coast
Dilute (Suffused) - Yellow or White	Gerry & Michael Lynch	Northside
Red Eyed Self - Lutino	-	
Red Eyed Self - Albino	Maree Robertson	Newcastle
Clearwing ASC	Ray & Sue Condon	Central Coast
Greywing ASC	James Matthews	Penrith Valley
Cinnamonwing ASC	James Matthews	Penrith Valley
Spangle Double Factor - Yellow or White	McCusker & Moyle	Newcastle
Opaline ASC	Geoff Hill	-
Opaline AOSV	Kathy Sharp	Northside
Clearbody ASV/ASC	Woolfenden & Da Rosa	Penrith Valley
Lacewing ASV - Yellow or White	-	
Fallow ASV/ASC	-	
Spangle (Non compound)	James Matthews	Penrith Valley
Spangle AOSV	James Matthews	Penrith Valley
Dominant Pied ASV/ASC	Woolfenden & Da Rosa	Penrith Valley
Recessive Pied ASV/ASC	Grant Fitzpatrick	Penrith Valley
Saddleback & Darkwing ASV/ASC	Ray & Sue Condon	Central Coast
Dark Eye Clear ASV/ASC	Joe Elias	St. George
Crest ASV/ASC	Paul O'Neill	Northside
Bush Budgerigar	Kerri O'Neill	Northside
Best Pair	Brenda Downie	Northside

BRASEA Awards		
Dilute	Gerry & Michael Lynch	Northside
Clearwing	Ray & Sue Condon	Central Coast
Clearbody	Woolfenden & Da Rosa	Penrith Valley
Crested	Paul O'Neill	Northside

Results provided by Paul O'Neill, BSNSW Northside Branch, Show Secretary



Grand Champion



James Mathewa receiving award for Grand Champion



Paul McCusker



Champion Any Age Bird



Champion Juvenile



Best Intermediate Young



Best Novice Young



Champion Any Age Bird
Opposite Sex



Champion Juvenile
Opposite Sex



Best Intermediate Young
Opposite Sex



Best Novice Young
Opposite Sex

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Show Manager's Report

Jim Baker, Show Manager

BSNSW Status Re-Grades

Congratulations to the seven members listed below who have had their status upgraded.

RE-GRADED TO INTERMEDIATE

Exhibitor	Club
L&G Mackander	Hills
Waseem Youhana	Penrith Valley
Woolfenden & DaRosa	Penrith Valley
Daniel Child	Hills
Tony Cook	Penrith Valley

RE-GRADED TO OPEN

Exhibitor	Club
G & K Parker	Hills
Troy Family	Penrith Valley

These grading are as of the 10th September 2017 (excluding 2017 BIS show results).

The [BSNSW membership list](#) on the website has been updated with Status Points and Variety Points as of 10th September 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 10th September 2017

2017 Best of Variety Competition	Points
James Matthews	48
Pam Hewitt	20
A & C Druery	18
Tony Butt	18
Jim Baker	16
Mario Capasso	13
E & D Wise	13
Robyn Cosgrove	13
G & M Lynch	11
Craig Buckingham	11
McCusker & Moyle	11
Myles Henke	10
Anlezark & Bohringer	9
John Boss	9

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 have been awarded to variety winners of the BSNSW Annual Show. A certificate of achievement will be awarded to all winners including any joint winners.

VARIETY	LEADERS	2017 POINTS
Normal Green	Dave Dunn	3
Normal Grey Green	James Matthews	4
Normal Blue	Mario Capasso	5
Normal Violet	Jim Baker	4
Normal Grey	Pam Hewitt	3
Yellow Face	James Matthews Woolfenden & DaRosa	2
Golden Face	Pam Hewitt	14
Black Eyed Self	R & S Condon	4
Dilute	James Matthews	4
Lutino	Dianne Pinney	4
Albino	Wayne Altman Maree Robertson	3
Clearwing	G & M Lynch	10
Greywing	James Matthews	8
Cinnamonwing	James Matthews	8
Spangle DF	McCusker & Moyle	4
Opaline	Craig Buckingham	3
Opaline AOSV	Wally Capper	3
Clearbody	Troy family	6
Lacewing	Jim Baker	7
Fallow	Myles Henke E & D Wise	3
Spangle	James Matthews	11
Spangle AOSV	James Matthews	9
Dominant Pied	Laurie Cauchi Tony Butt	3
Recessive Pied	Tony Butt	8
Dark Eyed Clear	Joe Elias	5
Saddleback	Craig Geering	2
Darkwing	R & S Condon	6
Crested	R & A Rogers P O'Neil	3
Non Standard	9 exhibitors	1
See BSNSW What's On page for dates and show schedules		

Summary of the Show Managers Report to the BSNSW AGM

A very successful year for the BSNSW in achieving our win at the 2017 Nationals in Mackay for the first time since it was held in Canberra in 2011.

There was a very disappointing response to the Annual Show held in July as only 30 exhibitors showed out of a membership of 500 plus. To try and resurrect this show for next year, I have suggested that the BSNSW Annual Show be taken to the country New South Wales areas and will ask for branches or clubs or affiliated societies who are interested in hosting it to contact the Show Manager (Jim Baker) or Show Secretary (Jean Painter). Read the Show Managers report in the AGM reports for more details. This is a great opportunity for country areas to host a big show, to get the local community involved through sponsorship, advertising and visits to the show with perhaps a Novelty class for a pet budgie in a decorated cage, an Auction or sale of birds and a barbecue selling food and drinks outside the hall. Hopefully it will also encourage exhibitors to travel, see other parts of New South Wales and improve the social life within the Budgerigar Fraternity.

Brief Outline for the National at Penrith in 2018: The Show Committee plan to visit the venue at Penrith to iron out a lot of unanswered questions. Namely accommodation costs, transport arrangements, costs of tours to be organized, transport of bird teams to Penrith and interstate visitors. Sponsorship of \$10,000 has been received from ANBC also Golden Cob are sponsoring the number of shirts required for the running of the 2018 National. Name tag Lanyards will be organized shortly. Also note that Golden Cob will also be supplying the required amounts of seeds and millet sprays required. Rosettes for the National cost \$4,800.00 plus \$320.00 freight have been ordered. The Show Committee discussed and wholeheartedly supports the Container deal put forward by Dave Ganzer.

Judges News

Jean Painter, Judges Panel Chairperson

The Judges Panel held a Training Day and their Annual General Meeting on Saturday 29th July at Campbelltown. Jean Painter is Chairperson and Secretary of the Judges Panel and Kathy Manton is Appointments Secretary. Craig Buckingham, Gary Gazzard, Andre Ozoux, and Jean Painter were re-elected to the Judges Committee and Terry Bevan was elected in place of Andrew Bourne. However, Andrew wishes to remain involved with the Judges Training Program by providing assignment activities that can be completed on-line.

There will be a Training Day for our Trainee and Cadet Judges at Gary Gazzard's on the 7th October and a Training Day and Panel Meeting at Campbelltown on the 11th November. We wish to encourage Branches and Clubs to invite the Cadet Judges to Judge their Shows. They will have a Senior Panel Judge present.

Keith Nicholls is now on the retired Judges List and Richard Bucior has resigned from the Panel. We thank them both for their long-time contributions to the BSNSW Judges Panel and we wish them all the best in their plans for the future.

The Team Carers gave a report on the STCC and the NSW Team. Very happy with the birds and the great judging results and the Carers did an excellent job. Congratulations to the breeders, judges carers and all those who assisted with the STCC. Fantastic result with NSW winning the National.!!!

There was discussion on the fact that some Annual Shows this year included a Section for unbroken caps which was queried. The result on this is that at the Management on Saturday 17.9.17 Delegates have been asked to take this topic back to their Branches for a vote on whether they support having unbroken caps at Shows, and bring the result to the November Management Meeting. This decision should not be taken lightly. The welfare of these Young Birds should be discussed as well as the importance of their contribution in entries at the Shows etc.

2017 October Events



2017 ANNUAL SHOW

Sunday 8th October 2017

Yass Show Ground, YASS

Judges: Jean Painter, John Carter, Mario Capasso.

BSNSW Inc. Members – Best of Variety in Show Competition.

(Points for Best of Variety Young and Any Age)

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Ann Hand 0487801217 or (02) 62276071, or downloading
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ENQUIRIES:

Jim Baker 0413 980 334

Dan Strinic 02 4283 4355

CREST/CLEARWING CHALLENGE EVENT

**BSNSW Inc Members Best of Variety
Award Points.**

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

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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.

BSNSW Inc

HUNTER BRANCH

2017 ANNUAL SHOW

29th October 2017

Thomas Morgan Pavilion, Maitland Showground

Judges: Craig Buckingham, Terry Bevan, Allan Reid, Mark Wilton

Show Manager: Paul McCusker ----- Phone 0412531316

Benching of birds between 7am to 8.30am

Schedule & Auction Catalogue posted on BSNSW Website

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8th October 2017

**CANBERRA BUDGERIGAR CLUB
ANNUAL SHOW**

22nd October 2017

ST. GEORGE and ILLAWARRA YBS

Annual Show
Sunday 5th of November 2017
St Marys Tennis Court Club House



Central Coast Branch

of the BSNSW Inc.
Presents their

2017 Annual Show

Sunday, 12th November 2016

Kariong Sport and Recreation Centre

Mitchell Drive, Kariong

(at Gosford exit on M1 freeway)

- **Clearwing Society Challenge Event**
- **BS NSW Inc. Members Best of Variety in Show Competition event**

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

Show Schedules available early October by phoning
Ray Condon on (02) 4973 6481
or looking on the BSNSW Website



**MID-STATE
BUDGERIGAR
CLUB**

ANNUAL SHOW

SATURDAY

25TH NOVEMBER 2017

**Orange Showground main pavilion
Leeds Parade, Orange**

Auction of Quality Birds
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Social get together will be held both Friday
and Saturday nights at the Robin Hood
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Branch & Associate Reports

Darren Burgess, Illawarra and Shoalhaven Branches

The Illawarra and Shoalhaven Branches Lawn Show and Social Day was held on 20 August 2017. A Big thank you to Barbara Myers and Bruce Cameron for hosting the Lawn Show between Illawarra and Shoalhaven Budgerigar Society Branches. John Bardon won the young bird class and Bob Gibson won the gold ring class.

The weather, the food and the budgies in Lawn Show were good but the people were great. There should be more Social Events like this between clubs. In years gone by, this used to be a regular activity for many clubs. They are great Social days for catching up with Budgie mates! Others agreed and commented that you learn more by this using members' homes and seeing their birds and aviaries.



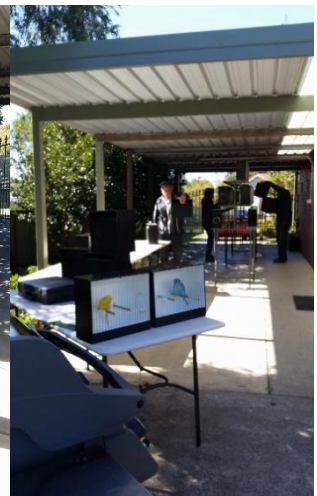
Barbara Myers and Bruce Cameron
hosted the Lawn Show



John Bardon and Terry Evans



Catching up with Budgie mates



Illawarra and Shoalhaven
Branches Lawn Show

Photographs from Darren Burgess's post on the BSNSW Facebook page

South Western NSW Budgerigar Society, Wendy McGlynn



Our Annual General Meeting was held on Sunday 20th August at our newly completed club room. Thank you to the members who attended and well done to the following members who received annual awards.

The first award is the Claude Ball shield which is awarded to a member who receives the

highest points at the State Team Challenge Competition (STCC). This year's winner is Tony Butt who received 119 points.

The STCC was entered by a number of our members as the SWNSW club and with some surprising results. From the STCC our club had nine birds out of a total of 78 selected to represent NSW at the Nationals. It was a remarkable result for our country club and congratulations to those members and their birds on their achievements.



Tony Butt – Claude Ball Shield



Geoff Hill, David Kelleher and Tony Butt holding their class winning rosettes along with Matt Hurst's rosettes



Second award for the day was Table show winners. Open – Tony Butt, Intermediate – Wendy McGlynn and Novice – Eric Whitton

At the conclusion of the meeting the following members were elected for 2017/18.

President Tony Butt

Secretary Lance Rodd

Treasurer Wendy McGlynn

Show Manager

Darrel Perkiss

Show Secretary

Ann Hand

Colour and Standards Report 2017

Andre Ozoux, Chairperson of BSNSW Colour and Standards Committee

The BSNSW Colour and Standards Committee (C&SC), comprising of myself as Chairperson with Craig Buckingham, Jean Painter, Gary Gazzard and Andrew Bourne as Committee members, have held meetings on the same days as the Judges meetings since the same five people have been on both Committees.

The Committee have discussed the Agendas for the ANBC Meetings as detailed below and also any relevant matters re the ANBC Standard. Since the ANBC are now holding online meetings at least twice during the year it is now imperative that any Colour and Standard Matters on the agenda be discussed fully with the BSNSW Colour and Standards Committee before such meetings take place. At the Nationals in Mackay on the 29th May the following business was passed with all States and Zones attending. Changes to the Standard were made to the following: Description of Perfection (pp 23), Penalty and Disqualification Clauses (pp48), The Australian White Cap and Australian White Cap Double Factor is now in the Standard (pp 44-45). the cheek patch on the Darkwing Cinnamon (pp44). For other matters and full details of changes, read the full report to be published in the AGM Minutes, FaceBook and the BSNSW Website.

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