

**Minutes for the Management Meeting of the NSW Budgerigar Society**  
**Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> March 2020**

Meeting Open: 10.39am

- President Welcome – Welcome, to the march management meeting. There are quite a few apologies, but we can continue.
- Attendance: Mark Finnimore, Justin Magnee, Aaron Beman, Steve Wackwitz, Robert Mead, Ray Rogers, Tony Merriman, Keith Prior, Rita Corbett, Stuart Foster, Jim Baker, David Butters, Jean Painter
- Apologies: Stuart Williams, Ian & Kathy Manton, Andre Ozoux, Myles Henke, Con Tsintarakis.

**Motion to accept the apologies.**

**Moved: J Magnee      Seconded: T Merriman**

**All in Favour          Carried**

- Minutes of previous Management Meeting
  - ◇ *Amendments to the minutes - nil*
  - ◇ *Business arising - nil*

**Motion to accept the previous meeting and any amendments**

**Moved: J Magnee          Seconded: R Rogers**

**All in Favour          Carried**

- Correspondence in
  - ◇ Feathered World Magazine
  - ◇ Hand-outs out the front come collect if interested
  - ◇ Assorted Branch and Associates show schedules
  - ◇ Minutes from the meeting
  - ◇ There is also information in the Secretary report in regard to correspondence
  - ◇ A.B.A. Minutes
  - ◇ Colour and standards
- Correspondence out
  - ◇ Booking for Team Carers and Delegates to A.N.B.C.
  - ◇ Have contacted the Victorian BS regarding the accommodation for cares and delegates

**Management**

- Ring Issue
  - ◇ Management has to set the cost of rings for the following year, passes to general business
  - ◇ Myles has passed on that rings should remain the same as previous years (\$60 per 100)
- Membership Fees for 2021
  - ◇ passes to general business
- New eCommerce site for members only
  - ◇ Rob has handed out a copy of costings for the eCommerce for the website.
  - ◇ A suggestion that we put in place to try and see how it performs and review in a designated time.

**Motion to move that an eCommerce section is to be added to the website, with the section being reviewed in 6 months.**

**Moved: J Magnee      Seconded: T Merriman**

**All in Favour          Carried**

**Purchase of the software of \$290.**

**Moved: K Prior**      **Seconded: J Magnee**  
**All in Favour**      **Carried**

**Fees will be for general sellers \$3 + 12%.**

**Moved: D Butters**      **Seconded: J Magnee**  
**All in Favour**      **Carried**

**Mark up fee will be for wholesales 20%**

**Moved: J Baker**      **Seconded: R Mead**  
**All in Favour**      **Carried**

- A.G.M. voting electronically
  - ◇ There is a suggestion that it, not a good idea as if they cannot be here at an important meeting and votes could be swayed.
  - ◇ The model rules of Fair-Trading states that technology must be used at meetings/or A.G.M. so we will need to encourage this into the meeting.
  - ◇ Mark has made some enquiries about programs that will allow us to do it.

**Motion to move that the B.S.N.S.W. operation committee starts the process so that online voting can to be bought up at the 2020 A.G.M. Operations committee to bring a draft to the July Meeting**

**Moved: J Baker**      **Seconded: J Painter**  
**All in Favour**      **Carried**

## **Reports**

- President's:
  - ◇ As you are already aware the ANBC Show set down for May 2020 has been cancelled & as a consequence of this & with State & Federal Government direction our STCC & selection event has also been cancelled. I have attended most branch annual shows to date & whilst bird numbers have been down exhibitors are mostly on a par with previous years. Congratulations to the winners of these shows who have entered great birds to take out the top awards. All exhibitors are to be thanked as if you didn't attend & work at the shows they would not be the success that they were. With the corona virus now disrupting our events some of our Branches have also had to cancel their Annual Shows & Auctions in the coming months and we don't know when this will be changed. Annual subscriptions & ring costs will remain as they were for 2020. The show committee has recommended to the Management Committee that the Variety points scores be again awarded 1 point to each Any Age, Young or Juvenile bird section and this was accepted & will be implemented for the 2021 season. This should encourage more birds to the bench. Also, it was decided that ring cards would be issued again from the 2021 issue & also that rings issued by C&CBF of A & BRASEA would allow shown at events run by BSNSW except for the STCC event and State challenge. We are entering a difficult time with the Corona Virus altering the way we meet & converse with each other in the coming months & please stay safe.
- Treasurer's: Please see attached

**Motion to move that treasures report be accepted**

**Moved: R Mead**      **Seconded: R Corbett**  
**All in Favour**      **Carried**

**Motion to move that Proposed 2020 Budget be accepted**

**Moved: J Baker**      **Seconded: T Merriman**  
**All in Favour**      **Carried**

- Show Manager:

- ◇ B.S.N.S.W. show budget & S.T.C.C. budget

**Motion to accept the proposed budgets for the state show and S.T.C.C.**

**Moved: T Merriman    Seconded: D Butters**

**All in Favour                      Carried**

- ◇ The show season is well underway with numbers on the show bench being generally down on last year. The new ribbons for Intermediate, Novice, and Varieties supplied by the B.S.N.S.W., B.R.A.S.E.A. and AVIONE are well received by all Exhibitors. Congratulations to Ken Denmead on achieving Intermediate status. All of the exhibitor's status points have been upgraded to 1st March 2020. There has been some excellent catering done by some clubs including the Illawarra and Wollongong clubs which should encourage members to show more birds. Another plus is the prize money for Best of Variety winners as these shows are not just about the Overall Winners. I have had a few complaints about inconsistencies in evaluating head markings on birds. Only birds with heavy head markings were to be disqualified. Birds with light head markings should only be penalised in points, disqualifying birds can be very disappointing, particularly to Intermediate and Novice exhibitors

Jim Baker  
Show Manager

- Secretary:

- ◇ I hope those areas who were affected by the bushfires have all experienced some relief with the recent rain. The notification that we forwarded to members in regard to level 2 water exemptions helped during these different times. These restrictions and exemptions have now been lifted.

I wish to thank those clubs who have allowed me to come and have an open discussion in regard to issues affecting our hobby. I am in the middle of writing a report for the Society which I will have ready for the next meeting in May. If anyone would like to send me an email with any concerns or issues that you think we need to address please feel free to contact me. I still have five more clubs that I am looking forward to attending over the upcoming months.

I have attended three meetings on behalf of the society for the Canary and Cage Bird Federation, ACA Animal Care Australia and ABA Associated Birdkeepers of Australia. The main issue that has been raised at all of the meetings has been the Animal Justice Party push to end caged birds has increased in their campaign at Government level. This is an important issue that all branches and associates when having bird sales or annual shows that we must be proactive in endorsing the National Code for Animal Welfare. The show season is upon us and I must take this opportunity to congratulate all exhibitors and prize winners.

Thanking you  
Mark Finimore  
BSNSW Secretary

- Editor:

- ◇ So, the show season is well underway, which is great to see. I hope everybody is doing well on the show bench or as well as possible. I have received a number of enquiries about the magazine as well as a couple of people purchasing the printed magazine. Please if you want to purchase the printed magazine, it is \$40 a year, this allows the society to recoup some of the costs associated to printing this copy of the magazine, the printed magazine comes in full colour with a glossy cover.

I would also like to invite you all to send me any information in regard to the magazine and what you'd like to see in the magazine. As I do have a slightly bad memory, I will not be replying to emails regarding placing things in the magazine until that item is placed in the coming magazine. This allows me to ensure your content, show schedules and anything else actually make it into the magazine.

Thank you also to everybody who has forwarded me their show results promptly after the conclusion of their show, this allows me to get those into the magazine and to give your club and the exhibitors the recognition you all so much deserve. I have been trying to get around to some shows this year even if I'm not showing as I love to hear all of your feedback and input, if you want to say hi at any of the shows please do, I'm more than happy to chat.

To end I'd just like to mention that the schedule for magazine release is in the magazine and please try and have any content to me at least a week before the release date as I cannot ensure your content will go in the magazine if it is not sent before that date.

Good luck to all exhibitors, by the time the next magazine comes out we will be well into May, and on our way to nationals, please start preparing your birds for the state team challenge and good luck everybody.

Thank you  
Justin Magnee  
Editor BSNSW

- Colour and Standard:

- ◇ The B.S.N.S.W. Colour and Standards have received a proposal from the A.N.B.C. Colour and Standards on the Black-Eyed Self Solution. This Committee contacted Black Eyed Self breeders in N.S.W. namely Peter Dodd, Gary Gazzard, Ken Yorke and others for their input for this proposal. We also contacted S/W Queensland for their thoughts (which is attached). Ken Yorke's reply is also attached. This Committee believes that the Standard for the Black-Eyed Self should remain as is and the Grey factor Black Eyed Self remains in the Dilute Class. To change the Standard and allow the Grey Yellow to be shown here, we believe the yellow buttercup feature essential to this variety would be lost. Therefore, this Committee recommends to B.S.N.S.W. Management to vote against the proposal and keep the current Standard for the Black-Eyed Self remain the same with Grey factor Black Eyed to be shown in the Dilute class. B.S.N.S.W. needs to reply to A.N.B.C. Colour and Standards by the end of March.

Chairman of Colour and Standards  
Andre Ozoux

**Motion that B.S.N.S.W. vote against the proposal and keep the current Standard for the Black-Eyed Self remains the same with Grey factor Black Eyed to be shown in the Dilute class.**

**Moved: J Baker      Seconded: J Magnee**

**All in Favour      Carried**

- Judges Report:

- ◇ We have a Panel Meeting and Training Day on Saturday 28<sup>th</sup> March so will have a report on that in May and perhaps in the magazine.

Around the Shows the head marking new rule has caused an upset because people were expecting the disqualification to be of birds with heavy black or dark markings in the head area of the bird as we have all been very surprised to see such birds winning a National award. However, the decree from the A.N.B.C. meant that if most of the head feathers on the bird had markings then it should be disqualified regardless of the depth of colour and size of those markings and that is what our Judges were told to do. It will be very interesting to see how the new rule is applied by our National Judges in May this year. Our two new trainees are progressing very well.

## **FOOTNOTE**

- ◇ A meeting is being held in Victoria this week beginning 9<sup>th</sup> March to decide if the A.N.B.C. National will go ahead and I expect that it will not, as people will not be keen to get on planes or be in close proximity to others. By May there will be many more affected by the Coronavirus. I also believe that there is a motion being considered in other State/s to rescind the Head Marking rule. If that is acceptable then there needs to be something to replace it as we need to discourage the head marking on our birds in a unified manner, or we need to give the new rule time to work as the ultimate aim is to have no head markings at all in areas where there should not be. **The Judges Meeting for the 28<sup>th</sup> March has been cancelled.**

Jean Painter  
Chairperson  
B.S.N.S.W. Judges' Panel

- Membership:

- ◇ As at 6th March B.S.N.S.W. had 413 financial members and 11 associate members.

Reminder new memberships received from 1st January are charged the full rate. This membership covers the remainder of 2019/20 financial year and the 20/21 financial year.

Renewals will only cover the remainder of the current 2019/20 financial year.

- Ring register:

- ◇ We have 2300 2020 un-coded rings available.

2019 ring returns are overdue. Failure to meet these obligations risks future ring orders being rejected. As yet I haven't received any monthly ring returns for 2020, please get them sent in ASAP.

- Webmaster: nearly 2500 using the website and in the process of setting emails for clubs

- R.A.S.:

- ◇ R.A.S. entries are:

<b>BIRD GROUP</b>	<b>2020</b>	<b>2019</b>
Budgies	121	111
Canaries	79	62
Finches	145	174
Lovebirds	139	114
Parrots	89	80
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>573</b>	<b>542</b>

- ◇ There is a meeting of the "Bird Group", and R.A.S. Officials set for Monday (9/3/20) 3.30 pm at R.A.S. Offices. I doubt that I will be able to attend due to the amount of work I have on now.
- ◇ As the Budgerigars are the featured species this year it would be great if someone could be there – anyone able to attend?

### **Motion to accept the Reports**

**Moved: K Prior            Seconded: R Rogers**

**All in Favour            Carried**

### **General Business**

- Ring Issue:

- ◇ We made a commitment to the Associated Clubs regarding rings and the use of their ring, and B.S. branch shows.
- ◇ A suggestion was made to have registered database associate rings.

- ◇ Bi laws will need to be changed
- ◇ Management has to set the cost of rings for the following year, passes to general business
- ◇ Myles has passed on that rings should remain the same as previous years (\$60 per 100)

**Motion to amend the by-laws to put in place that we go back to carrying ring cards and selected associates, (Cage bird and BRASEA) are allowed to show at branch shows and, not the S.T.C.C. and A.N.B.C. annual shows**

**Moved: J Baker          Seconded: D Butters**

**All in Favour          Carried**

- Membership fees

◇ Leave as is

**All in favour**

- Variety point is serving a disservice as there is no point showing one any age and one young bird as only one will win the points, A point for Any age and a point for a young bird

**Motion to move that points in the variety points competition be r reinstated to original concept & points will be awarded for Any Age Birds, Young Birds and Juvenile birds B.S.N.S.W. shows**

**Moved: J Painter          Seconded: J Baker**

**All in Favour          Carried**

- Novice and intermediate ribbons have been a success, some shows have stapled the ribbons to the score sheet, so they are all handed out together, and something should be added to the magazine to suggest to the members an idea to hand them out.
- Thank you for coming and participating in the talks and thank you to the clubs that have already held their show,

Close of Meeting: 1.11 pm

## BSNSW Pricing for Ecommerce Cost

One off purchase Auction and Shop software to be installed onto BSNSW website  
which will also require additional server space \$290.00

### Stripe Fees

Domestic Cards = 1.75% + .30c transaction fee of total selling price  
International cards = 2.9% + 30c transaction Fee of total selling price

### Paypal

Domestic transactions = 2.6% + \$0.30 of the total selling price.  
International transactions = the rate is 3.6% + \$0.30 of the total selling price

Site will automatically work out parcel weight & postage according to Australia post rates

### Auction software (ebay Pricing)

Auction Listing Fees under \$100 max 10 days	\$1.65
Auction Listing fees over \$100 max 10 days	\$3.85
Final Purchase price including postage fee	10.9%

### What are we going to Charge

Listing Fee - suggest to combine what ebay charge above and make a flat fee	\$3.00
Final purchase Price	10% - 15%

Buy It now listing price	\$3.00
Final purchasing price	10% - 15%

Products purchased from wholesalers - cost inc gst + 30 – 40% markup

**BUDGERIGAR SOCIETY OF NEW SOUTH WALES Inc.**  
**TREASURER'S REPORT**  
**29 February 2020**

**TOTAL as at cob 2 January 2020**

**\$88101.58**

	BALANCE AS AT 2/01/2020	
<b>GENERAL ACCOUNT</b>	<b>\$28147.76</b>	
<b>Income</b>		
Membership	\$ 580.00	
Affiliate Subscription	\$ 0.00	
Printed magazine	\$ 101.00	
Annual Show Sponsorship	\$ 240.00	
Budgerigar – Advertising	\$ 0.00	
Ring Sales	\$ 180.00	
Ring Sales Postage	\$ 30.00	
General		
Services Section	\$ 0.00	
Unallocated	\$ 15.00	
<b>Sub Total</b>	<b><u>\$ 1116.00</u></b>	
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 1116.00</b>	
<b>Expenditure</b>		
Annual Show	\$ 0.00	
State Team Challenge		
19/02/20 Venue	\$ 1000.00	
19/02/20 Lunches 2019 Show	\$ 270.10	
General		
16/01/20 Office expenses	\$ 66.56	
16/01/20 Telephone G to M	\$ 588.00	
Budgerigar		
16/01/20+24/02/20 JPO – Printing	\$ 647.32	
16/01/20+24/02/20 JPO – Postage	\$ 353.10	
16/01/20+24/02/20 JPO – Honorarium	\$ 800.00	
Rings		
Postage		
Various Dates Australia Post	<u>\$ 973.49</u>	
<b>Sub Total</b>	<b><u>\$ 4698.57</u></b>	
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 4698.57</b>	
<b>Total General Account</b>	<b>\$ 24565.19</b>	<b>\$28147.76</b>
		(+ \$285.59) on bank statement

Bank Statement ( as at cob 29/02/20) \$24279.60

Note: Due to the time between meetings and the urgency of payment, I have issued payments detailed above.



<b>TERM DEPOSIT</b>	\$56793.80	
Income		
Interest	\$ 0.00	
Deposit	\$ 0.00	
Expenditure	<u>\$ 0.00</u>	
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$56793.80</b>	<b>\$56793.80</b>

Reinvested for 6 months at 1.10% interest, due on 29/06/20. Interest deposit of \$313.23 due on 29/06/20

<b>NATIONAL SHOW ACCOUNT</b>	\$ 3160.02	
Income	\$ 0.00	
Funds Transfer to Term Deposit	<u>\$ 0.00</u>	
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 3160.02</b>	<b>\$ 3160.02</b>

**TOTAL as at NAB cob 29 February 2020** **\$84519.01**

Bank Statement Balance **\$84233.42**

David Butters  
Treasurer  
7 March 2020