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WORDS FROM THE EDITOR.

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 regards 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've 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.

I would like to wish everybody only the best of health during this trying time, be safe, stay inside and look after yourselves. Spend lots of time with your birds.

I wish everyone only the best of luck and best wishes for the coming months.

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A WORD FROM OUR PRESIDENT.

As you are already aware the ANBC Show set down for May 2020 has been cancelled as a consequence of this with State and 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 and Auctions in the coming months and we don't know when this will be changed.

Annual subscriptions and 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 and 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 and also that rings issued by C&CBF of A Brasea would allowed shown at events run by BSNSW except for the STCC event and State challenge.



WORDS FROM OUR 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 regards 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 regards 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 meeting 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 have arised at all of the meetings have 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 Finnimore



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JULY 11TH 2020

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CALCIUM IN BUDGIE'S LIVES.

Calcium is one of the most critical of all dietary needs in budgies. It is poorly understood, and many breeders (me included) have often got it all wrong. Getting calcium wrong is disastrous; just some of the problems that can be caused are:

Rickets, splayed legs, droopy wings, egg-binding in hens, fits and death.

So let's go back to basics – wild budgies. Budgies have never really been studied comprehensively in the wild. Little is known of their diet. Some bits and pieces from other parrot studies help a little though. Seed-eating parrots are known to eat a very wide range of non-seed parts of plants: they usually eat bits of over 100 species of shrubs, trees, etc. It seems likely that budgies get calcium from new shoots on some plants or perhaps even from young bark etc. It is possible that they get calcium from mineral deposits, but since limestone is rare amongst the acid soils and rocks of Australia, mineral sources of dietary calcium are not likely to be common.

My bush budgies are very erratic at eating calcium blocks or cuttlefish or shell grit, indicating a lack of behavioural adaptation in the wild to eating minerals. Some of my bush budgies do consume calcium blocks etc, but in other aviaries they never eat any calcium minerals put out for them. In these aviaries the hens do tend to “fade away” (that is, after a round or two of eggs, they die).

What Should Breeders Do?

Well, let's look at the bad news first. It is well established that all birds including budgies are not able to digest much of the calcium from minerals such as limestone, lime blocks or even from cuttlefish bone. Most of these forms of calcium pass through the birds and you simply get poo full of calcium. In addition, cuttlefish bone is full of bacteria which are not good for budgies' health. No studies exist on what damage the bacteria in cuttlefish do to budgies but rotting seafood is well known for causing stomach upsets (and sometimes death) in humans and other animals.

When budgies eat others' poo, it's thought that this inoculates the digestive systems of the poo eaters with beneficial probiotics from the pooing birds. It could also be a source of semi-digested calcium.

What Is the Best Source of Calcium?

Research has proven that liquid calcium products which also contain Vitamin D3 are by far the best source of available calcium for all birds including budgies. Ideally, these supplements should be fed to hens in particular at least a month prior to commencing breeding each year. Calcium blocks are still a good backup, though.

What is so special about Hens?

All hens of all species of birds are totally different to all female mammals. But they are identical to female dinosaurs. Many dinosaurs and most birds have hollow bones. Air from the lungs goes beyond the lungs into the air sacs and the hollow bones. This makes the breathing far more efficient and the body lighter in weight.

But not all of their bones are hollow. Longer bones like the leg bones are full of marrow just like ours Well not quite. Part of the marrow turns into calcium storage in the lead-up to egg laying. A type of soft bony material forms in the marrow area and it is called medullary bone. This is a calcium reservoir for use in egg shell manufacture.

So, much (but not all) of the eggs laid are coated with the calcium-based shell made by stripping calcium from the medullary bone in the hen's skeleton. The calcium does not go from food to egg shell, much of it goes from food to marrow in the bones and then to egg shells.

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Thus, the hens must have their calcium reserves topped up some weeks prior to pairing up. The hens must be randy too. You must plug into the natural cycle and rhythm of your hens. When a hen is ready to lay eggs, she is aggressive, sexually flirtatious; nest-hole fixated and is also fixated on chewing wood, etc. At this stage she will start laying down calcium ready for egg laying. Put up a hen too early, and her calcium reserves will fail. Take care to select hens for breeding that are agro, are chewing the perches and trying to grab the nearest male.

Vitamin D3

This is the most important chemical for healthy birds. Contrary to what you may read, birds' feet and legs (and perhaps eye lids and beak area) produce large amounts of Vitamin D3. They produce 30 times more Vitamin D3 precursor chemicals on featherless skin than on the skin underneath feathers. Once UVB light hits those bare areas, lots of Vitamin D3 is manufactured. Birds really only need about 30 minutes of direct sunlight per day to form all of the vitamin D3 that they need. Sunlight that has passed through glass, clear plastic or clear fibreglass is useless for Vitamin D3 production. Aviary or bird room lights that produce UVB light (eg Sylvania Reptistar tubes) make up for the missing sunlight. These tubes however only emit UVB light for 6 months, so either tag the tubes with the installation date or write it in your diary so that you can replace them at 6 months. Note that at 6 months, the lights still put out light, but fail to put out UVB light.

Supplementation with dietary Vitamin D3 is very useful to help calcium absorption. It is possible to overdose with Vitamin D3 supplements, but if you use the products as per the label this is most unlikely to occur. The dire warnings given by inexperienced breeders on forums and on Facebook are best ignored.

Shortage of Vitamin D3 and Calcium

Shortage of Vitamin D3 and Calcium can cause:

1. head twitching, poor co-ordination or even full-blown seizures. Unusual behaviour, irritability and aggression can also be seen.
2. Egg binding or deformed or rough shelled eggs. This can kill hens.
3. Rickets is where the bird is stunted and has bent legs, feet or wings.

Broken bones are also very common as is the sudden death of babies (this can relate to phosphorus deficiency as well).

4. Splayed legs or droopy wings in babies can be a mild form of rickets. Chicks absorb a lot of their early calcium from their own egg shell while they are still in the shell. If the shell is deficient in calcium the chick may be in trouble before birth.

5. Both 3 & 4 above can also be caused by genetic factors which make everything much worse. While some scientists just describe this vaguely as "genetic factors", there is much known about it. In high response varieties of meat chickens, (meat) pigs and thoroughbred race horses, bone and cartilage disorders are very common. Varieties of animals such as some chickens, dogs, pigs, horses and show budgies that are selected for VERY RAPID GROWTH rates while young are particularly prone to Developmental Orthopaedic Disease (DOD).

The bones of very fast growing varieties distort and you get severe joint problems as well UNLESS you get the exact ratios of certain elements correct. The precise ratios of calcium to phosphorus to copper are critical. Sadly, no work has been done on the exact ratios for budgies. General calcium to phosphate ratio of 2:1 is considered ideal for most birds. However, seed mixes are often as bad as 1:37 in terms of these chemicals. In the wild, it is assumed that budgies balance this ratio very precisely by eating all sorts of plants etc. Later on in life, budgies raised with bad ratios of these chemicals are very prone to arthritis (joint disease) from the same causes.

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The faster a baby grows, the smaller the margin for error in the ratios of the key elements. That is, wild or pet shop budgies rarely get these problems, but the much faster growing giant exhibition budgies get them very commonly.

6. Severe calcium deficiency can cause paralysis and often death of previously healthy birds, especially adult females. A rapid feeding of a liquid calcium & Vitamin D3 mix + UVB light exposure may help.

7. General lack of reproductive success, eg failure to lay eggs or even failure to enter the nest box can also be caused by calcium or Vitamin D3 deficiencies.

Vitamin D3

Vitamin D3 used to be classified as a fat soluble vitamin. It is now (much more correctly) classified as a steroid hormone. As a hormone it drives much of the immune systems in all animals including humans and budgies. It is also essential for calcium absorption in both humans and budgies.

With the construction of aviaries and bird rooms where budgies get no direct sunlight, catastrophes are just around the corner. To repeat, budgies need sunlight that has not passed through any clear material, not even glass. The reason is that UVB light, the bit that helps form Vitamin D3 will not travel through glass, clear plastic etc. Natural sunlight or UVB light from Sylvania Reptistar tubes is by far the best way to produce Vitamin D3. Dietary supplements, while useful, are nowhere near as good. Please note that Vitamin D3 naturally formed from sunlight (or from UVB lights) never causes Vitamin D3 poisoning.

The Bottom Line

For health and reproductive success with your budgies, you need:

1. Daily exposure to either direct sunlight or UVB lights for at least 3 hours. Each bird only needs about ½ hour, but it may be in a shaded part of the cage or aviary for part of the day.
2. A liquid calcium/Vitamin D3 mix such as D-3 Liquid Calcium about one day a week.
3. Hens need a 2 or 3 days a week liquid calcium/Vitamin D3 mix in the weeks leading up to egg laying and through the breeding season.
4. Supplementing the birds' feeding with calcium blocks is fine, but use the iodine versions of the blocks. Iodine seems to get hens to become sexually active. The blocks aid in beak shaping which is a lifelong task for parrots.
5. When using general Vitamin and Mineral supplements, use those with higher rates of Vitamin D3, such as Vetafarm's Soluvite D Breeder.

In this article I am indebted to Dr. Michael David Stanford for his scholarly thesis for the Royal College of Veterinary Surgeons on Calcium Metabolism in Grey Parrots: the effect of husbandry (August 2005).

HORSES

At the risk of sounding silly, here follows information on wild horse nutrition by Dr John Kohnke- the leading horse nutritionist in the world:

"Observations of wild American Mustang horses to determine their grazing habits indicated that they roam over large areas of native pasture and naturally select a balanced diet by seeking out a number of plant species. When these species were scientifically analysed to determine their nutrient profile, including mineral and trace-mineral content, it was found that the horses selected plants which provided a balanced and adequate diet. This is in contrast to domesticated horses grazing on 'improved' high yield pastures containing 2-3 plant species which can deny a horse the natural selection of a wide range of pasture species to balance its diet."

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I am certain that wild budgies would behave in exactly the same way in balancing their diets. This is precisely the sort of research that we need to commission on budgies so that we can significantly improve their feeding in captivity. In the meantime, we need to offer as wide a range of (safe) foods as we can. Tree Lucerne, amaranth, endive, gum tree branches, lemon-scented tea tree branches, apple, beetroot, silverbeet, beans, peas, carrot, sweet corn, winter grass, summer grass, panic veldt grass, Guinea grass, chickweed, green seed heads of budgie seeds, barnyard grass (maybe plant some of Barry & Terese's Greens & Grains seed mix), spinach, etc.

Article written by Mr Don Burke.



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11th BSNSW Management meeting, Blacktown RSL Club

FEBRUARY

2nd Illawarra Branch Annual Show
9th Shoalhaven Branch Annual Show
16th St George Branch Annual Show
23rd Canberra Branch Annual Show and Auction
23rd Newcastle Branch Annual Show

MARCH

1st Hills Branch Annual Show
7th BSNSW Management meeting, Blacktown RSL Club
8th South Western NSW Budgerigar Club Annual Show
15th Budgerigar Society of New South Wales Annual Show
22nd BRASEA March Budgerigar Auction
28th BSNSW Judges Panel Meeting

APRIL

5th—7th Royal Agricultural Show (R.A.S) **Cancelled**
19th Penrith Valley Branch Annual Show **Postponed**
25th Wollongong and District Agricultural Society Inc. Annual Show **Postponed**

MAY

2nd BSNSW Management meeting, Blacktown
3rd Macarthur Branch Annual Show **Postponed**
16th S.T.C.C and S.T.C State Selections **Cancelled**
23rd—24th Australian National Budgerigar Championship Show in Bendigo **Cancelled**

JUNE

7th Orana Avicultural Society Annual Show **Postponed**
21st BRASEA June Budgerigar Auction **Cancelled**

JULY

4th Hills District Branch Super Budgerigar Auction
11th BSNSW Management meeting, Blacktown RSL Club
12th Newcastle Young Bird Show
25th Judges Panel Annual General Meeting (AGM)

AUGUST

2nd New England Branch Annual Show
9th Newcastle Branch Annual Auction
12th New England Branch Annual Show
23rd Northside Branch Annual Show

SEPTEMBER





6th West Sydney Branch Annual Show
12th Budgerigar Society of New South Wales Annual General Meeting
13th Pied Budgerigar Society Annual Auction
20th Hunter Branch Annual Show
27th South Western NSW Budgerigar Society Young Bird Show

OCTOBER

11th Canberra Budgerigar Club Annual Show
18th BRASEA October Budgerigar Auction
25th St George / Illawarra Young Bird Show

NOVEMBER

1st Mid State Budgerigar Club Annual Show
14th Judges Panel Meeting
29th BRASEA Annual Sydney Lawn Show

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Penalty and Disqualification Clause for Head Marking

As of January 1st 2020 the Penalty and Disqualification clause for Head Marking in the ANBC standard will be introduced and applied at all future shows.

This article will try and explain how the judges apply this clause and how they interpret the varying degrees of head marking. It is important for Exhibitors to understand what birds will be penalised and what birds will be disqualified.

It is very important that we use the correct terminology in explaining Head Marking. Calling it Head Flecking only infers one type of Head Marking and will be very confusing going forward.

Firstly let's explain the different types of Head Markings.

Flecking. Flecking is the cap feather with a spot in the feather, can be round or elongated but distinctively spotting in the feather and probably the most common form of head marking.

Ticking. This is identified by a vertical strip down the centre of feather and is the second most common form of head marking.

Grizzling. This is the least common form of Head Marking as it usually occurs on certain varieties. The easiest way to explain is that it is a marked feather with no mixed pattern but is usually streaky following the direction of the feather barbs.

If you now have an understanding of the different types of head marking, it is important to understand that there can be different shades of marking; very deep in colour and very distinguishable and they can also be very light. Not to be confused with

Head Markings—HEAVY



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Head Markings—LIGHT



Below is the Penalty and Disqualification Clause in Standard at present

Extract from the current ANBC Standard

Heavy Head Markings:

I hope the information above helps Exhibitors select their show team with confidence in knowing which birds will be acceptable and which won't.

Please be accepting of judge's decision as there will always be varying decisions when it comes to interpretation of the standard and its application.



Written by Gary Gazzard on behalf of the NSW Judges Committee

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Coccidiosis

(A personal reflection)

Coccidiosis can cause problems in your stud where if you don't get on top of it quickly you can lose quite a few birds in a matter of days to the extent if you don't get it diagnosed and treated you may not have any birds left within a week. Now I have your attention we need to understand how the disease works.

Coccidiosis is spread when birds eat the droppings of other birds. The infected droppings carry Oocysts which is basically the eggs of the Coccidia. The Oocysts needs moisture and warmth to hatch around (16 degrees to 26 degrees) temperature wise. Coccidiosis usually occurs mostly in the Spring or Autumn when the conditions are very suitable in NSW. Other states may vary until temperature is suitable. Wet weather is another factor where the conditions are suitable (temperature drops when rain falls). The Oocysts can lay dormant for up to 12 months then hatch and infect the birds. The disease moves very rapidly and spreads quickly with birds dying within a day or 2. Once the disease takes hold it is very hard to get on top of. The Oocysts are digested and the gut breaks down the Oocysts which then releases 8 organisms that invade the lining of the gut. They then multiply through several cycles to produce thousands of parasites damaging the gut. Thousands of Oocysts pass out of the bird and then reinfect other birds that are pecking around on the floor. Infected birds look listless and fluffed up their droppings are very green and have blood in them. Birds usually have rapid weight loss and death is within days.

Diagnosis Upon thinking you may have Coccidiosis start treatment as soon as possible and as important is take a bird or and droppings to a vet that is familiar with bird diseases (get a suspected bird to leave droppings on some glad wrap). Wrap the droppings up and take them to a bird vet to confirm what you think you have. (You spend a lot of money purchasing stock and producing the Bird you like to see. Please don't shortcut the diagnosis time is very much against you). The vet will then proscribe the best medicine to fight the disease.

Medication. There are different strengths of medication I am no expert but will try to explain what medications are out there.

Sulfadimidine (Sulfa drugs) Inhibits rather than kills the Coccidiosis germ and is used only as an alternate preventative treatment to stimulate immunity.

Amprolium (Coccivet and some other drugs) Similar to the sulfa drugs Inhibits rather than kills the germ.

Toltrazuril (Baycox and Carlox I assume Carlox is this drug as information is hard to come by). Kills the Coccidiosis germ at all stages and retards the development of infection. These are the medicines of choice if you have an outbreak. I know Baycox was developed for use by the poultry industry. Carlox is produced and sold by Dr Rob Marshall in Carlingford (Sydney).

You may ask why right an article when there is plenty of information out there. The reason I wrote this is my wife and I have just come out the other side of a Coccidiosis outbreak. I thought I knew what was going on with the disease how wrong I was. Some history on our outbreak. One Saturday I noticed 2 birds hunched up on the floor of one of our flights. I caught them and thought gee that looks like cocci. I am lucky enough to have a few spare flight cages. I then caught up around 70 birds into 6 24 inch flight cages. I started treating with a sulfa drug which at the time I thought was a drug that would rid me of the disease. No way. Sunday seen more birds being moved to the unwell cage. I was monitoring the droppings of these birds by using newspaper on the tray of the flight cages. Monday more of the same. I caged a bird up and took droppings down to a vet in Sydney. He diagnosed that it was Coccidiosis and prescribed a better drug. Which I treated over the next week. We lost about 25 birds. Some were culled some died when being treated. Meanwhile the flight was scrubbed clean with F10 and water and the entire floor and perches burned with a small burner to kill the Oocysts.

After a week At this stage I thought I was on top of it. Never get to comfortable with coccidiosis. The birds in the flight cages stayed there for a week the day I let them out I noticed some of Maree's birds looked similar so we caged them all up into the flight cages after cleaning was finished. So another course of medication was started. Maree has some favourites which were caught up immediately and placed in a separate flight cage on their own. Again the flight was scrubbed and the burner used in her flight. We lost around another 25 or birds. Including some of the birds in the breeding boxes and nappy cages. All up I'm thinking we lost around 40 to 60 birds over a course of a months. Most were 2019 bred birds with a very nice Recessive Pied , White cap and Albino top of the list. I really thought I might get out of the hobby during this time. So many young birds dying including some of my best stock. Maybe there was more than sixty. I don't really know you get sick of counting when every day you find more dead. Some hens stopped feeding you aren't game to move chicks around. You become very good at crop feeding you stuff up every now and then but that's life.

Learnings

- Get a vet to diagnose that what you think it is. Is correct.
- I will be using Baycox or Carlox
- Use some Garden Lime in your flights. This helps keep it dry and safe for the birds.
- Good to have some spare flight cages handy.
- Repeat treatment after a week then repeat the treatment again as a cycle of the organism can reinfect the birds.
- Rain and 16 to 26 degrees are ideal things for the Oocysts to stop being dormant.

Article prepared by Paul McCusker Thank god for my wife Maree and good friends Ian and Janice Carroll who caged up birds when I was working they probably saved another 20 by doing that

What to look for in your budgerigar to indicate it has Coccidiosis.

Coccidiosis in birds is caused by an infection of the coccidia parasite. The coccidia oocysts are transmitted from bird to bird by ingestion of contaminated matter. This can occur from:

- Infected droppings Contaminated food or water
- Contaminated soil, dust, or litter
- Exposure to contaminated insects or animals
- Contamination through carriers, such as human handlers, equipment, or clothing

Both infected and recovering birds can shed oocysts in their droppings, even if they present no visible symptoms of an infection. The oocyst has a hard shell that allows it to survive in the environment for a long time, although they are not infective until they sporulate. This development into an infective stage generally takes 1 to 2 days after they are passed from the feces into the environment.

Symptoms

Symptoms of coccidiosis mainly involve the digestive system. As the coccidia replicate, tissue damage that results can cause disruptions in normal digestive and absorption processes, as well as feeding habits. Rapid weight loss can occur, which can lead to severely infected birds that may become susceptible to other diseases and infections. Birds can also be infected without any visible symptoms. Signs can include:

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| - Severe Diarrhea that can be watery, bloody, and or greenish mucus. | - Decreased thirst | - Secondary infection from another infectious agent |
| - Depression | - Decreased growth rate in young birds | - Tremors |
| - Droopiness | - Development of culls | - Convulsions |
| - Inactivity | - Decreased egg production | - Lameness |
| - Loss of appetite | - Ruffles feather | - Emaciation |
| - Weight loss | - Depigmentation or pale skin | - Dehydration |

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The Budgerigar

THE SPANGLE BUDGERIGAR



A young spangle.

The Standard

Mask and Spots:

The mask is to be clear, wide and deep, (not cleft) extending beyond two large cheek patches ornamented by six evenly spaced, large, round black marked throat spots with ground colour centers, the outer two being partially covered by the base of the cheek patches.

General Body Colour:

Back, rump, breast, flanks and underparts to be a solid and even shade throughout.

Markings:

On cheeks, back of head and neck—black, clearly defined and symmetrical on the appropriate ground colour.

Wing Markings:

Each covert and flight feather of appropriate ground colour with fine black marking near the edge.

Eyes:

Black with a white iris ring.

Body Colour

Full intensity.

Feet & Legs

Blue/Grey, Pink or a mixture of both.

Note 1: Tail feathers edged with black may carry a darker quill.

Note 2: Ground colour, body colour and light clearly defined black markings near the edge of each covert is acceptable for wing markings on Spangle Opaline.

Spangle Group: This includes Yellow Faced Blue Series, Greywing, Cinnamonwing, Opaline and Fallow combinations with Spangle. The standard for each of these birds is as for Spangle modified by the requirements of the variety and colour with which it is combined.

Distinguishing Features based on colour

Colour	Cheek Patch	Tail Quill	Tail Feather
Light Green	Violet and/or Silvery White	Neutral	Yellow or Yellow Edged with Black.
Dark Green	Violet and/or Silvery White	Neutral	Yellow or Yellow Edged with Black.
Olive	Violet and/or Silvery White	Neutral	Yellow or Yellow Edged with Black.
Grey Green	Grey and/or Silvery White	Neutral	Yellow or Yellow Edged with Black.
Sky Blue	Violet and/or Silvery White	Neutral	White or White Edged with Black
Cobalt	Violet and/or Silvery White	Neutral	White or White Edged with Black
Mauve	Violet and/or Silvery White	Neutral	White or White Edged with Black
Violet	Violet and/or Silvery White	Neutral	White or White Edged with Black
Grey	Grey and/or Silvery White	Neutral	White or White Edged with Black

Breeding expectations

	Cock	Hen
1.	Spangle S.F	Normal
	50% Spangle S.F 50% Normal	
2.	Spangle D.F	Normal
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	25% Normal 25% Spangle D.F 50% Spangle S.F	
4.	Spangle S.F	Spangle D.F
	50% Spangle S.F 50% Spangle D.F	
5.	Spangle D.F	Spangle D.F
	100% Spangle D.F	

THE DOUBLE FACTOR SPANGLE BUDGERIGAR

The Standard

Mask and Spots:

The mask is to be clear, wide and deep, (not cleft) extending beyond two large cheek patches.

General Body Colour:

Back, rump, breast, flanks, and underparts to be solid and even shade throughout.

Markings:

To be absent from all areas. Wings corresponding to body colour.

Eyes:

Black with a white iris ring.

Primary Flights:

Approaching full body colour

Body Colour:

Full intensity.

Feet & Legs:

Blue / Grey, Pink or a mixture of both.

Spangle Double Factor Group:

This includes Yellow Faced Blue series. The standard for these birds is as or Spangle Double Factor White modified by the applicable Yellow Faced Blue colour with which it is combined.

Distinguishing Features based on colour

Colour	Cheek Patch	Tail Quill	Tail Feather
Yellow (Buttercup)	Silvery White	Neutral	Approaching full body colour
Dark Green	Silvery White	Neutral	Approaching full body colour

Breeding expectations (As seen over the page)

Types of Spangle classes on the show bench in Australia.

Normal Spangle

A bird containing only the spangle variety and no other standard variety.

Spangle AOSV

A bird containing the Spangle variety combined with any other standard variety.

Double Factor Spangle

A bird containing two Spangle genetics and no visible markings. Distinguished from Ino's by the black eye.



Normal Spangle



Spangle AOSV



Double Factor Spangle

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"Something we should all remember."

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MEGABACTERIA IN BIRDS

Megabacteria, which are cigarette-shaped organisms about 20 times the size of most common bacteria, live in the digestive tract of some birds. First identified in Australian Budgerigars in the early 1990s, they have the potential to ulcerate the lining of the bird's glandular stomach. This leads to loss of blood and tissue fluid, predisposes the bird to secondary infection with other organisms and interferes with normal digestion. Initially, as the ulceration begins, the birds develop diarrhea and become fluffed and quiet. As the disease progresses, the birds start to lose weight and as the ulcers deepen and start to bleed the birds become anemic. Consequently they have trouble maintaining normal blood pressure and, as a result, their feet become pale and cold to the touch. In severe outbreaks, 50% or more of the birds can die.

Megabacteria infection is diagnosed usually by microscopic examination of a bird's droppings. However, our understanding of the disease that Megabacteria cause has changed since the organism was first identified. We used to believe that if the organism was found in a bird's droppings, then this would be the cause of any digestive tract health problem the bird was experiencing and that the bird should be immediately treated. We now realise that this is not necessarily the case. We now know that although the organism can cause disease in its own right, it is more often a secondary agent, only becoming involved after some other disease or poor management practice has already weakened the birds, making them more vulnerable to disease generally.

Recent work at the University of Melbourne has also shown that the organism is not a bacterium at all but rather a yeast and indeed the pattern of disease it causes is more typical of yeasts rather than many bacteria. As a result of this recent work, the organism has been renamed and now should be called by its correct name Avian Gastric Yeast. However, the term Megabacteria is so entrenched that its use is likely to persist.

It seems that Megabacteria are now fairly endemic in our Australian Budgerigar flocks, with many young birds being passively exposed from a young age to the organism either directly from their parents or other birds or droppings in the aviary. Fortunately with ongoing good care, this low-grade continuous exposure does not cause disease in many cases but rather encourages the development of a natural immunity to the organism. Disease comes when birds are exposed to a level of organism to which the natural immunity they have developed is not strong enough to protect them.

Typically, because of these factors, disease is seen most commonly in the post-weaning time. Young birds have simply not been alive long enough to develop the strong natural immunity of the adult and yet are under multiple stresses that are inherent in the weaning process such as separation from their parents, establishing themselves in the new aviary, and learning to feed and water themselves. Superimposed on this, any other stresses such as overcrowding, low hygiene, poor nutrition or failure to provide good control of other diseases during this time set the stage for a massive outbreak and particularly high losses.

Around the time the organism was first being identified, Assoc. Professor Louie Fillipich of the University of Queensland trialled an extensive range of antimicrobial agents to see which were effective against Megabacteria. He found only one, an antiyeast/antifungal drug called Amphotericin B. In Australia, this is available under several brand names. There used to be a Squibb product called Fungilin™, which contained Amphotericin B as a thick orange syrup. Birds would not drink this but it was useful in crop tubing individual birds. Unfortunately, Squibb no longer manufactures this product. Vetafarm, an Australian company based in Wagga Wagga, New South Wales produces a water-soluble yellow Amphotericin B-based powder called Megabac S™.

This is not always easily available but at the time of writing can be purchased through their web site or through your veterinarian. Being water soluble, it is useful where large numbers of birds need to be treated. Squibb also produces Amphotericin B in tablets, called Fungilin™ lozenges. Although designed for human use, they can be adapted for use

MEGABACTERIA IN BIRDS CONTINUED

This article by Dr. Colin Walker is supplied by
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Usually a tablet is crushed into 6ml of water and 0.25ml per 50 gram body weight of this solution is given to sick birds daily. The tablet is not easy to dissolve, however it eventually forms a yellow suspension that will flow through a crop needle. Alternatively, one tablet can be dissolved into 80ml of water and provided ad lib to unwell birds. The usual suggested treatment time is at least ten days. Do, however, remember that many birds such as Budgerigars are not obligate drinkers. Unlike other birds, such as pigeons, which will rush to a drinker if deprived of water for only a few hours, Budgerigars and some other birds can go without water for 20 days and still look basically normal on the perch. Although medicated water is provided, there is no guarantee that the birds are getting the drug.

Acids are another group of therapeutic agents that may help in managing Megabacteria. Initially this might seem a little strange. Stress disrupts the normal bowel bacteria and in the process interferes with lactic acid production. This lactic acid keeps the pH of the healthy bird's bowel on the weakly acidic side, and in the process helps to protect it from disease. With stress, this innate protective mechanism can be lost. It is thought that by lowering (ie acidifying) gastric pH, an intestinal and stomach environment is created that not only makes it difficult for Megabacteria to establish in uninfected birds but also makes it difficult for Megabacteria to multiply in birds that are already infected. Usually, either citric acid (a white crystalline powder) at a dose of 1 teaspoon (3 grams) to 4.5B 6 litres or apple cider vinegar (acetic acid) 5B 10ml to 1 litre, are used. As these acids are natural nutrients, at the above doses there is no risk of a toxic reaction and thus can be used quite freely. Their use also helps ensure that droppings build up an acidic dressing in the aviary, helping to inhibit Megabacterial survival in the environment.

Probiotics are also thought to be of use through promoting health generally and by helping lower digestive tract pH through the production of lactic acid.

So, what should you do if your veterinarian tells you that your birds have Megabacteria? The correct answer depends on whether the birds are unwell and if so, how many are affected. Being a stress-based disease, only part of the answer involves the use of medication.

If all of the birds appear clinically normal, the appropriate thing to do is simply provide good care. With good management practices and the maintenance of a good aviary environment, the organism is unlikely to cause disease and the low-grade ongoing exposure is likely to strengthen the birds' developing immunity.

If small numbers of birds occasionally become unwell (and the majority of aviaries fit into this group), a three-point plan is followed:

1. Megabacteria exposure to further birds is reduced by separating the unwell birds from the rest of the flock and then cleaning the aviary thoroughly. Unwell birds are treated with Amphotericin B (usually a Fungilin™ lozenge solution of 0.25ml per 50 gram body weight daily for at least ten days via crop tube). There may also be benefit in treating severely unwell birds with a broad-spectrum antibiotic to control any secondary bacterial infection. Baytril™ at a dose of 1 drop per 100 gram body weight twice daily per bird is a good choice.
2. Aviary management and environment are reviewed to identify any predisposing stresses that may have triggered the outbreak. To be thorough, this should involve a veterinary health profile to screen for any other concurrent health problems.
3. Ongoing good care is provided so that the majority of birds are best placed to resist the disease. Acids or probiotics can be placed in the water, mixed freshly each day, until a period without new birds becoming unwell occurs.







If large numbers of birds become unwell, then the same basic procedure is followed. It may no longer, however, be practical to crop tube individual unwell birds with Amphotericin B, and so water-based medications containing Amphotericin B (Fungilin™ lozenge or Megabac S™) may need to be used. In aviaries with severe ongoing problems, the regular use of acids or probiotics, e.g. two days per week may decrease the chance of severe disease outbreaks. 29



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Colour	Visual Colour	Year	Upcoming year
Red		2018	2024
Black		2019	2025
Dark Green		2020	2026
Violet		2021	2027
Dark Brown		2022	2028
Dark Blue		2023	2029



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Show Results

2020



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If you have any show results,
Images or information regarding any
show you may have held, attended
or have seen in your passings
online.

Please email them to me at
editor@budgerigar.com.au



Illawarra Branch Annual Show 2020



Major Awards

Grand Champion	John Barden
Champion Young Bird	Myles Henke
Champion Any Age	John Barden
Champion Any Age Opposite Sex	James Matthews
Champion Open Young	Myles Henke
Champion Open Young Opposite Sex	John Barden
Champion Intermediate Young	Waseem Youhana
Champion Intermediate Young Opposite Sex	Adrian Corner
Champion Novice Young	Len Hutchinson
Champion Novice Young Opposite Sex	Len Hutchinson
Best Team	Cameron & Myers
Best Pair	John Barden
Best Collection	S & D Wackwitz
Best Bush Budgie	Paul Kelly



Variety Awards

Normal Green	John Barden
Normal Grey Green	John Barden
Normal Blue	Bob Gibson
Normal Violet	Jim Baker
Normal Grey	Bob Gibson
Normal Yellowface	James Matthews
Australian Goldenface	Peter House
Black Eyed Self	James Matthews
Dilute	Jennifer Bell
Lutino	S & D Strinic
Albino	S & D Strinic
Clearwing	S & D Wackwitz
Greywing	James Matthews
Cinnamonwing	John Barden
Spangle Double Factor	James Matthews
Normal Opaline	Bob Gibson
Opaline AOSV	James Matthews
Clearbody	Jim Baker
Lacewing	Martin Gorrie
Fallow	S & D Wackwitz
Normal Spangle	James Matthews
Spangle AOSV	James Matthews
Dominant Pied	John Barden
Recessive Pied	Myles Henke
Darkwing	Pam Hewitt
Dark Eyed Clear	Myles Henke
White Cap ASC	Sullivan Family
Crested	S & D Wackwitz



Illawarra Branch Annual Show 2020



The Illawarra Budgerigar 60th Annual Show was held on 2 February 2020, the weather was good with it not being too hot, they were all benched by 9am and ready to judge, the judges on the day were Andre Ozoux, Barry Wise, Tony Butt and Craig Buckingham.

Judging was finished by 12.00 and the Grand Champion was a Grey Green Cinnamon Dominant Pied Cock owned by John Barden. It was lunchtime, being our 60th Show to celebrate.

We had a catered lunch for \$5.00 each and a special cake with Illawarra Logo 60th show on it. Everyone was happy and full.

After lunch exhibitors could take their birds down from the bench. Everyone then helped to take down staging, which was a big help and much appreciated.

Next was the raffle with 4 bags of Budgie Blue plus other prizes. Followed by the presentation with Dan and myself handing out the prizes. Everyone was allowed to leave after the raffle around 2.30pm.

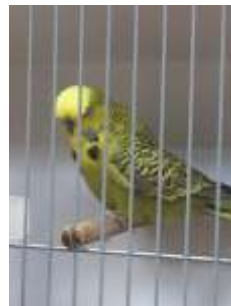
It was a great Day

The Illawarra Branch would like to thank all Exhibitors, helpers, stewards and Judges on the day.

Thank you.

Waler Bell

Show Manager.



Congratulations to all exhibitors!



Shoalhaven Branch Annual Show 2020



Major Awards

Grand Champion	John Barden
Champion Any Age Bird	John Barden
Champion Any Age Opposite Sex	James Matthews
Res Champion Cock Any Age.	James Matthews
Res Champion Hen Any Age	Sullivan Family
Champion Young Bird	Adrian Corner
Champion Open Young	Foster & Corbett
Champion Opp Sex Open Young	John Braden
Res Champion Open Young	John Boss
Res. Champion Opp Sex Open Young	John Boss
Champion Intermediate Young	Adrian Corner
Champion Opp Sex Inter Young	Adrian Corner
Res Champion Inter. Young	S & D Strinic
Res. Champion Opp Sex Inter. Young	Adrian Corner
Champion Novice Young	Les Morris
Champion Opp Sex Novice Young	Les Morris
Res Champion Novice Young	Les Morris
Res. Champion Opp Sex Novice	B&K Prior
Best Pair	John Barden
Best Team	Cameron & Myers
Best Collection	S&D Wackwitz
Best Bush Budgerigar	Darren Burgess

Despite the wet weather, 28 exhibitors benched 271 birds for the Shoalhaven Branch's 2020 Annual Show on Sunday, 9th February.

Judges Kathy Manton, Wayne Doull and Allen McCauley, with the help of an excellent team of stewards, finalised the judging by midday. The hall cleared by 2pm, allowing visitors to battle the weather home in daylight.

An Any Age Normal Pied exhibited by John Barden was our Grand Champion, a fine example of the breed, winning its second show in a row having taken out honours at Illawarra the previous week.

The Intermediate section was won by Adrian Corner's Normal Greygreen from a field of good quality birds. Adrian has had success at many shows lately and should progress to be an Open breeder in a short time.

A Gilgandra visitor, Les Morris, was the proud Novice champion. Once again it was pleasing to see such quality birds and increased numbers in this division.

An auction of donated birds to defray expenses was a success and the Club thanks all contributors and our auctioneer, James Matthews.

The Shoalhaven Branch would like to thank the judges, Elenbee Bird Supplies, Illawarra Branch members, catering manager Ernestine Evans and her lovely assistant, Molly and each exhibitor and visitor who participated in the event for their support and providing the ingredients for a successful 36th Annual Show.

Congratulations to all the winners and we hope that everyone is able to return in 2021.

Variety Awards

Normal Green	John Boss
Normal Grey Green	Adrian Corner
Normal Blue	Chenhall Family
Normal Violet	Jim Baker
Normal Grey	Bob Gibson
Normal Yellowface	B&K Prior
Australian Goldenface	Peter House
Black Eyed Self	James Matthews
Dilute	Terry Bevan
Lutino	Dianne Pinney
Albino	S&D Strinic
Clearwing	S&D Wackwitz
Greywing	James Matthews
Cinnamonwing	John Boss
Spangle Double Factor	James Matthews
Normal Opaline	Bob Gibson
Opaline AOSV	James Matthews
Clearbody	Terry Bevan
Lacewing	Adrian Corner
Fallow	S&D Wackwitz
Normal Spangle	Chenhall Family
Spangle AOSV	James Matthews
Dominant Pied	John Barden
Recessive Pied	Jim Baker
Darkwing	Pam Hewitt
Dark Eyed Clear	Chenhall Family
White Cap ASC	Terry Bevan
Crested	Foster & Corbett
Non Standard	Dianne Pinney



Orana Avicultural Society Annual Show 2019



Major Awards

Grand Champion	Wayne Cusack
Champion Opposite Sex	Andrew Cusack
Champion Young	Paul Bayliss
Champion Any Age	Wayne Cusack
Champion Any Age Opposite Sex	John Boss
Champion Open Young	Paul Bayliss
Champion Open Young	Andrew Cusack
Champion Intermediate	L & G Mackander
Champion Intermediate Young Opposite Sex	Robyn Cosgrove
Champion Novice Young	John Spicer
Champion Novice Young Opposite Sex	Bud Cape
Best Pair	Andrew Cusack



Variety Awards

Normal Green	John Boss
Normal Grey Green	Andrew Cusack
Normal Blue	Bud Cape
Normal Violet	Robyn Cosgrove
Normal Grey	John Spicer
Normal Yellowface	Wayne Cusack
Black Eyed Self	Wayne Cusack
Dilute	Wayne Cusack
Lutino	Paul Bayliss
Albino	L & G Mackander
Clearwing	Andrew Cusack
Greywing	Anlezark & Bohringer
Cinnamonwing	Paul bayliss
Spangle Double Factor	John Boss
Normal Opaline	Greg Oates
Opaline AOSV	Wayne Cusack
Lacewing	Andrew Cusack
Normal Spangle	Wayne Cusack
Spangle AOSV	Andrew Cusack
Dominant Pied	Wayne Cusack
Recessive Pied	Anlezark & Bohringer
Saddleback	Wayne Cusack
Dark Eyed Clear	Anlezark & Bohringer
Crested	Bob Cosgrove

Congratulations to all exhibitors!

These show results have been included as they were missed in last years agazine and all exhibitors of any show deserve recognition. Please ensure you send your show results ASAP after the conclusion of your show.



St George Branch Annual Show 2020



Major Awards

Grand Champion	Tony Podesta
Champion Any Age	Tony Podesta
Champion Any Age Opposite Sex	Greg Gregoriou
Champion Open Young	Laurie Cuachi
Champion Open Young Opposite Sex	John Hewitt
Champion Intermediate Young	Tony Podesta
Champion Intermediate Young Opposite Sex	Mark Wilton
Champion Novice Young	Brian Waters
Champion Novice Young Opposite Sex	Damien Kerr
Best Young Pair	Brian Waters
Best Old Pair	John Wallace
Best Team	Brian Waters
Best Collection	S&D Wackwitz
Best Junior Exhibitor	Wilson Family—Analise Wilson
Best Lady Exhibit	Steven Wilson—Tara Wilson
Best Bush Budgerigar	Darren Burgess

Variety Awards

Normal Green	Tony Podesta
Normal Grey Green	Tony Podesta
Normal Blue	Greg Gregoriou
Normal Violet	Jim Baker
Normal Grey	Tony Podesta
Normal Yellowface	Tony Podesta
Australian Goldenface	Peter House
Black Eyed Self	Ray Galbraith
Dilute	K & S Liley
Lutino	Greg Gregoriou
Albino	John Wallace
Clearwing	S&D Wackwitz
Greywing	Phil Ashby
Cinnamonwing	Tony Podesta
Spangle Double Factor	Mark Wilton
Normal Opaline	Terry Hammerton
Opaline AOSV	K & S Liley
Clearbody	John Wallace
Lacewing	Jim Baker
Fallow	S & D Wackwitz
Normal Spangle	Laurie Cauchi
Spangle AOSV	K & S Liley
Dominant Pied	Ken Denmeade
Dominant Pied AOSV	Ron Roarty
Recessive Pied	Jim Baker
Dark Eyed Clear	Bob Pitt
White Cap ASC	Jim Baker
Crested	S & D Wackwitz
Non Standard	B & N Bradford





St George Branch Annual Show 2020



BEXLEY SCHOOL OF ARTS WAS THE VENUE FOR OUR 61ST ANNUAL SHOW WHICH WAS HELD ON SUNDAY, 16TH FEBRUARY, AND WAS VERY SUCCESSFUL. THANKS TO JOHN CARTER, ANDRE OZOUX AND JAMES MATTHEWS WHO JUDGED THE 249 BIRDS WHICH WERE BENCHED. OUR SHOW MANGER, JIM BAKER WAS APPRECIATIVE OF THE HELP AND ASSISTANCE GIVEN IN ALL AREAS BY OUR MEMBERS, ESPECIALLY KEN LILEY WHO ATTENDED TO ALL THE COMPUTER WORK FOR THE RING-IN AND ON THE DAY. IT WAS PLEASING TO SEE THE MEMBERS FROM OTHER BRANCHES WHO ALSO HELPED WHERE NECESSARY.

THANKS TO DIANNE WACKWITZ, BRENDA BAKER AND NOLA BRADFORD WHO ORGANISED EARLY MORNING BREAKFAST, CONTINUOUS MORNING TEA AND LUNCHESES FOR EVERYONE. ELENBEE BIRD SUPPLIES SET UP A WELL-STOCKED TRADE TABLE FOR THE EXHIBITORS TO PURCHASE THEIR BIRD ROOM REQUIREMENTS.

WE WERE VERY FORTUNATE TO HAVE SOME WONDERFUL SPONSORS WHO SUPPLIED MAJOR PRIZES, NAMELY GOLDEN COB, VETAFARM, BIRDSVILLE, AND BRASEA (ASBS). THANKS ALSO TO OUR ST.GEORGE MEMBERS WHO SPONSORED OUR VARIETY AWARDS.





Canberra Branch BSNSW Annual Show 2020



GRAND CHAMPION		FOSTER & CORBETT
Champion Any Age		James Matthews
Champion Any Age Opposite Sex		James Matthews
Champion Young		Foster & Corbett
Champion Open Young		Foster & Corbett
Champion Open Young Opposite Sex		James Matthews
Champion Intermediate Young		Luke Dodge
Champion Intermediate Young Opposite Sex		Eric Whitton
Champion Novice		Rob Mead
Champion Novice Opposite Sex		Damien Moat
SPECIAL BEST OF VARIETY AWARDS		
Don Geary Memorial Award	Albino	Foster & Corbett
BRASEA Award	Clearwing	Steve Wackwitz
BRASEA Award	Whitecap	Jim Baker
BRASEA Award	Clearbody	Jim Baker
Crest Club of Australia	Crested	G & D Pymont
BEST OF VARIETY AWARDS		
<u>Normal Green</u>		John Barden
Normal Grey Green		Foster & Corbett
Normal Blue		Mark Chandler
Normal Violet		Jim Baker
Normal Grey		Mario Capasso
Normal Yellow Faced Blue		Mario Capasso
Normal Australian Golden Face		G & D Pymont
Black Eyed Self Colour		James Matthews
Dilute		Pam Hewitt
Lutino		Tess Kilpatrick.
Albino		Foster & Corbett
Clearwing		Steve Wackwitz
Greywing		James Matthews
Cinnamonwing		G & D Pymont
Spangle Double Factor		James Matthews
Opaline		Mark Chandler
Opaline AOSV		James Matthews
Clearbody		Jim Baker
Lacewing		Jim Baker
Fallow		David Hodgson
Spangle Normal		James Matthews
<u>Spangle AOSV</u>		Eric Whitton
Dominant Pied		John Barden
Recessive Pied		Jim Baker
Dark Eyed Clear		James Matthews
Darkwing		Pam Hewitt
Whitecap		Jim Baker
Crested		G & D Pymont



Canberra Branch BSNSW Annual Show 2020



The Show ran very well, despite the fact that numbers were down on last year. This was due to the poor breeding season many breeders had experienced with the excessive heat, and in some cases probably the fires and smoke. But it did not detract from the day, I believe everyone enjoyed their day. We also had a lot of visitors from the general public, when asked they all said they saw it in an advertisement in a local, free paper. The paper did us proud by including a picture of the budgie which also attracted the attention of children.

Jean, Kathy and Craig did an excellent job with the judging, and I would also like to thank them for their assistance with some other tasks. James Matthews conducted an excellent auction, only two lots failing to attract buyers. Our thanks goes to the vendors for entering their birds, and we would like to thank Darren Mellross for donating two very good birds. Also, Ian Manton for his manning of the EFTPOS machine!

Our Raffle was also a great success, First Prize was won by one of our newest members, second to a workmate of a member, and third to a member of the Shoalhaven branch. Thankyou to those who purchased tickets. And also, to those who returned their unsold books of tickets as this is very important.

The writer's partnership of Foster & Corbett was the breeder of the Grand Champion, Champion Young and Champion Open Young, Luke Dodge again won Intermediate Young, and Rob Mead our State Webmaster, won Champion Novice. As you will see in the Show Results, there was a good mix of winners for all the other awards.

There are so many people to thank for their help with a show. There is the set up and take down, the clerical, the Stewards, the Runners, the canteen, the cleaning up in general. We thank you for your efforts, they were much appreciated.

Last, but definitely not least, we are grateful to our sponsors for their very generous support, some of whom have been supporting us for many years. And also the branch members who provided sponsorship. We have a lot to be thankful for.

Hope to see you next year.

Stuart Foster
Chairman

BSNSW Canberra Branch



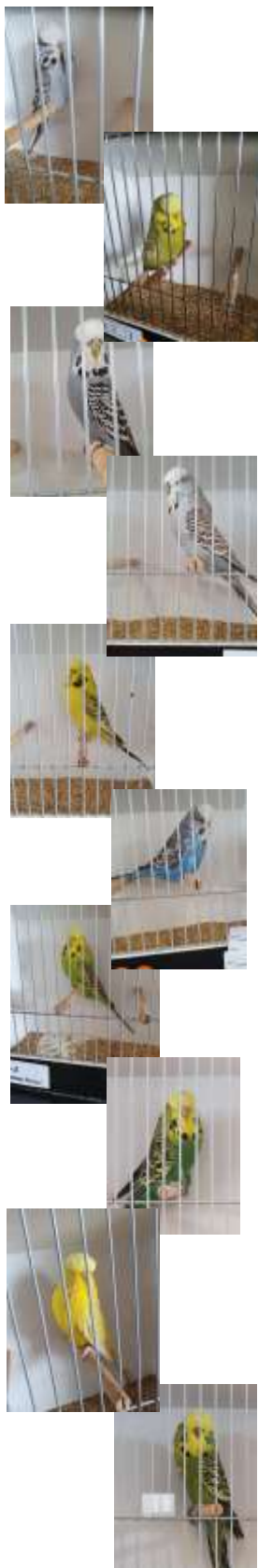


Newcastle Branch Annual Show 2020



Major Awards

Grand Champion	Gary Gazzard
Champion Opposite Sex	Gary Gazzard
Champion Young	Gary Gazzard
Champion Young Opposite Sex	Gary Gazzard
Champion Any Age	Gary Gazzard
Champion Any Age Opp Sex	Wally Capper
Champion Open Young	Gary Gazzard
Champion Open Young Opp Sex	Gary Gazzard
Champion Intermediate Young	John Swift
Champion Intermediate Young Opp Sex	Mick Kime
Champion Novice Young	Trent Hill
Champion Novice Young Opp Sex	Trent Hill
Champion Novice Amateur Young	Trent Hill
Champion Novice Amateur Young Opposite Sex	Trent Hill
Champion Beginner/Junior	Luke Lyons
Champion Beginner / Junior opp sex	Riley Mann
Point score winner overall	Leona Adam
Point score Winner Open	Maree & Paul McCusker
Point score Winner Intermediate	Leona Adam
Point score Winner Novice	Peter Ryan
Point score Winner Beginner / Junior	Riley Mann
Best Pair , Team, Collection	Leona Adam



Variety Awards

Normal Green	Gary Gazzard
Normal Grey Green	Gary Gazzard
Normal Blue	T & S Corliss
Normal Violet	Wally Capper
Normal Grey	G & K Parker
Normal Yellowface	Riley Mann
Black Eyed Self	Gary Gazzard
Dilute	Gary Gazzard
Lutino	Peter Ryan
Albino	Warren McKinlay
Clearwing	G & M Lynch
Greywing	Troy Cooper
Cinnamonwing	A & C Druery
Spangle Double Factor	G & K Parker
Normal Opaline	Mick Kime
Opaline AOSV	Wayne Ingham
Clearbody	Jupp & Scheerer
Lacewing	Wayne Ingham
Fallow	Maree & Paul McCusker
Normal Spangle	Gary Gazzard
Spangle AOSV	Gary Gazzard
Dominant Pied	Luke Lyons
Recessive Pied	Maree & Paul McCusker
Saddleback	Ken Yorke
Darkwing	Ken Yorke
White Cap ASC	Gary Gazzard
Crested	T & S Corliss



Hills Branch Annual Show 2020



Major Awards

Grand Champion	Barry Wise
Reserve Champion	Adrian Corner
Champion Any Age	Barry Wise
Champion Any Age Opposite Sex	K Mitchell
Champion Young	Adrian Corner
Champion Young Any Age	Tony Podesta
Champion Open Young	Matthew Troy
Champion Open Young Opposite Sex	John Barden
Champion Intermediate Young	Adrian Corner
Champion Intermediate Young Opposite Sex	Tony Podesta
Champion Novice Young	Trent Hill
Champion Novice Young Opposite Sex	A & E Grima
Champion Albino Trophy	K Mitchell
Sanfilippo Perpetual—Black eyed self colour	James Matthews
Welshman Perpetual - Grey Green	Barry Wise
Keith Nicholls—Normal Green	Dave Dunn



Variety Awards

Normal Green	Dave Dunn
Normal Grey Green	Barry Wise
Normal Blue	Adrian Corner
Normal Violet	Allan Reid
Normal Grey	Tony Podesta
Normal Yellowface	Tony Podesta
Australian Goldenface	Pam Hewitt
Black Eyed Self	James Matthews
Dilute	Myles Henke
Lutino	A & E Grima
Albino	K Mitchell
Clearwing	Peter Dodd
Greywing	James Matthews
Cinnamonwing	Myles Henke
Spangle Double Factor	K Mitchell
Normal Opaline	Adrian Corner
Opaline AOSV	John Barden
Clearbody	Matthew Troy
Lacewing	Barry Wise
Fallow	Stephen Wackwitz
Normal Spangle	James Matthews
Spangle AOSV	Matthew Troy
Dominant Pied	John Barden
Recessive Pied	Tony Butt
Dark wing	Pam Hewitt
White Cap ASC	Jim Baker
Crested	Barry Wise
Non Standard	Matthew Troy





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Major Awards

Grand Champion	James Matthews
Champion Any Age	James Matthews
Champion Any Age Opposite Sex	James Matthews
Champion Open Young Any Age	James Matthews
Champion Open Young Opposite Sex Any Age	James Matthews
Champion Restricted Any Age	Tony Podesta
Champion Restricted Opp Sex any age	Tony Podesta
Champion Young Bird	Tony Podesta
Champion Opp Sex Young Bird	Adrian Corner
Champion Open Young	Foster & Corbett
Champion Open Young Opp Sex	James Matthews
Champion Intermediate Young	Tony Podesta
Champion Intermediate Young Opp Sex	Adrian Corner
Champion Novice Young	Trent Hill
Champion Novice Young Opp Sex	Trent Hill
Champion Pair	I & K Manton
Champion Team	I & K Manton
Champion Collection	Wackwitz Family
Champion Bush Budgie	Darren Burgess

Variety Awards

Normal Green	Tony Podesta
Normal Grey Green	Adrian Corner
Normal Blue	Trent Hill
Normal Violet	Jim Baker
Normal Grey	Tony Podesta
Normal Yellowface	Tony Podesta
Australian Goldenface	Peter House
Black Eyed Self	Ray Galbraith
Dilute	I & K Manton
Lutino	Tony Cook
Albino	Ray Galbraith
Dark Eyed Clear	Charlie Halasz
Clearwing	Wackwitz Family
Greywing	James Matthews
Cinnamonwing	Tony Podesta
Spangle Double Factor	James Matthews
Normal Opaline	Adrian Corner
Opaline AOSV	James Matthews
Clearbody	Jim Baker
Lacewing	Adrian Corner
Fallow	Steven Wilson
Normal Spangle	James Matthews
Spangle AOSV	Phil Ashby
Dominant Pied	Clifton Family
Recessive Pied	Jim Baker
Darkwing	Pam Hewitt
White Cap ASC	Jim Baker
Crested	Jean Painter
Non Standard	B & N Bradford



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