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2017 ANBC National Championship

Lacewing Logie Winner

owned by Ernie Wise

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Cover story on page 6

From the Editor

Welcome to the last issue of the Budgerigar for 2017. Remember **submissions** for the first issue next year **are due by the 1st January 2018** with the publication expected to be distributed via Mail Chimp by mid-to-late January.

Hopefully we will have some club submissions with photos about your Christmas festivities for the first issue in 2018.

The cover of this magazine features the Lacewing 2017 ANBC Logie winner along with a story provided by Ernie Wise. I would like to encourage the logie winners who haven't yet provided a story to contact me; only three covers left for 2017.

There are Show results from six shows in this issue. Thanks for providing your results. I like to add photos of the show and the major award winners so try to assign this task to someone at the show.

Check the "What's On" section for your club events. Please notify your shows and functions for the July to December 2018 period to both the Editor, Show Manager and Webmaster.

I resumed the "Juniors in the Spotlight" articles in the last issue. If you know any club junior member or junior family members with an interest in the Budgerigars, ask them if they would like to provide some information about themselves along with a couple of photos for a "Juniors in the Spotlight" article and let me know. **The BSNSW only has a few registered junior members. What else can the BSNSW do to encourage junior members?**

In this issue, there have a few more club reports. Thanks for those reports. It would be great if more Branches and Associated Clubs reported their activities in future issues.

I would also encourage Branches and Associate Clubs to check and update their club contacts.

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

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What's On

November 2017	
25th	Mid-State Budgerigar Club Annual Show
26th	Sydney Lawn Show, St Ives, Sydney NSW - Cancelled
23rd	Sydney Royal Show Aviary Bird Competition Entries open
December 2017	
25th	Merry Christmas
January 2018	
1st	"Budgerigar" submissions deadline
8th	BSNSW Management Meeting, Blacktown
February 2018	
4th	Illawarra Annual Show
7th	Sydney Royal Show Aviary Bird Competition Entries close early-February
11th	Shoalhaven Annual Show
18th	St George Branch Annual Show
25th	Canberra Branch Annual Show
25th	Newcastle Young Bird Show
March 2018	
1st	"Budgerigar" submissions deadline
11th	BSNSW Management Meeting, Blacktown
18th	BRASEA Auction - Bexley, Sydney
25th	South Western Budgerigar Society Annual Show in Junee
TBA	New England Annual Show
26th-27th	Sydney Royal Show Aviary Bird Competition Homebush Sydney (Bump in 25 March)
April 2017	
No event notified	
May 2018	
1st	"Budgerigar" submissions deadline
6th	Macarthur Annual Show
14th	BSNSW Management Meeting, Blacktown
19th	State Team Challenge & State Team Selection
25th-30th	ANBC Nationals – Penrith
June 2018	
17th	BRASEA Auction – Bexley, Sydney
24th	BIS Annual Show
July 2018	
1st	"Budgerigar" submissions deadline
10th	BSNSW Management Meeting, Blacktown
Get in early with your 2018 event dates	
If your event or your event date is missing from this "What's On in 2018" list, please email the BSNSW Editor at editor@budgerigar.com.au and the Show Manager with your show dates	



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www.world-budgerigar.org

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<http://www.anbc.iinet.net.au/index.htm>

General Secretary's Report

Ann Hand, BSNSW General Secretary

Reminder to all Secretaries – If you are part of either a Branch or Association please make sure your returns or annual association applications have been sent in. There are still some outstanding despite three reminders being sent.

Proposed Constitution changes have been sent to Management and Branch delegates for comment to be discussed at November MC meeting, before an open forum where all Branches and Associations can also have their say. It is hoped agreement can be reached asap, as the Review Committee can then look at getting the By-Laws updated.

The next 6 months leading up to the 2018 Nationals will be a very busy time for us all and an outing to really look forward to. I would like to commend the Show Committee for all the hard work and dedication they have shown thus far with their minute attention to detail in their planning for this event.

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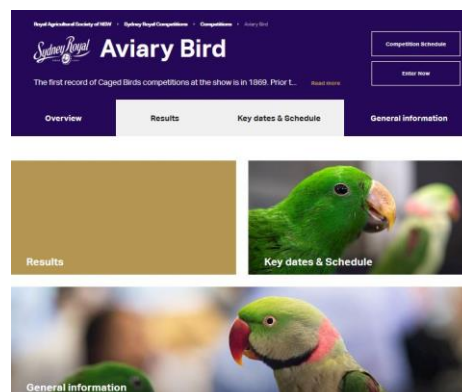
Sydney Royal Aviary Bird Competition

Ian Manton

The Royal Agricultural Society of New South Wales (RAS) have just put their schedule on line for the Sydney Royal Aviary Bird Competition.

Go to <http://www.rasnsw.com.au/sydney-royal-competitions/competitions/aviary-bird/> to view to download schedule. Entries are done online.

The Royal Easter Show will run from 23rd March 2018 to 3rd April 2018, (only 12 days). The Aviary Bird section will be on **26 and 27 March 2018** (Bump in 25 March). Entries **open** 23 Nov. 2017 and **close on 7 Feb 2018**.



Front Cover Story

2017 ANBC National Lacewing

Ernie Wise

My name is Ernie Wise. I was born in Tamworth 77 years ago. In my teens I had fowls, pigeons and finches. When I was seventeen, I got interested in other birds. In 1960, I got married and had three children.

In 1964 I took up Lawn Bowls in which I excelled. I won many championships throughout the years, representing the district and zone on many occasions. Bob Fowler and I won the State Pairs in 1982. We were beaten in the State Triples by the opponent's last bowl in 1983. In 1984 we reached the semi-finals of the State Fours while playing Bowls.

In the Early 1970's, I built an aviary for finches and budgerigars for the children. I got interested in showing the birds, so I joined the Tamworth Birds Society. I also joined the Hastings Valley Bird Club, which later changed the name of their club to the Northern NSW Budgerigar Breeders Association ("Northern NSW").

At my first show in 1982 run by the Tamworth Birds Society, I entered five birds which resulted in three seconds and two thirds. I wanted to improve the quality of my budgies. In 1984, my late cousin Grahame Wise and I went down to Bathurst to purchase birds from Neville Seage. Neville Seage was an ANBC judge who judged at the 1979 and 1989 Nationals. We repeated the trip to Bathurst in 1985 and 1986 for more quality budgies.

In 1991, I imported birds from the United Kingdom in three different shipments. The first lot was in Henry George's shipment. There were 16 birds from different breeders. The best bird in my lot was an outstanding violet dark green Dominate Pied from Geoff Attwood. This bird's son was placed fourth place at the 1994 ANBC Nationals in Perth.

In the second shipment, I got birds from Dave Topliss. I had a lot of success with his birds. On Saturday, 23rd January 1993 at the Budgerigar Society of Australasia, I was awarded Champion Young Hen, Champion Young Bird, and Champion Opposite Sex of the Show. A sister to this hen was Reserve Champion Young Hen. On Sunday, 14th February 1993 at the Northside Branch Annual Show, I was again awarded Champion Young Hen, Champion Young Bird, and Champion Opposite Sex of the Show and another sister to this hen was Reserve Champion Young Hen.

On the 28th May 1995, I had two of the Topliss bloodline brothers, Opaline Cinnamon cock birds placed 2nd and 4th at the Tasmanian Nationals. The Topliss birds were very good over the years, I have won many Best in Show with both old and young birds.

In the third shipment I got two pair of Albinos unfortunately I had no luck at all with these birds.

I have kept records of every bird, Budgerigars, Finches and Quails that I have ever benched. Since my first show in March 1982.

My most recent show successes were at 2017 Newcastle Annual Show where I won Best Dilute, Cinnamon, Lacewing, Fallow and White Cap and at the 2017 Hunter Branch Annual Show with Champion Open Cock Bird, Champion Open Young Bird and Champion Young Bird of Show with a Violet Sky Dominant Pied Spangled Cock. As well as three best of Varieties in Show with Lacewing, Dominant and Non Standard with a white cap dominant pied.



DEPORTMENT AND SHOWMANSHIP:
Ernie Wise with his budgerigar family as he prepares them for showing at the 2014 New England YBS Show.

Photo: Gareth Gardner 091014GGI01
From an article in The Northern Daily Leader, by Rebecca Belt, 20 Oct 2014

Below are a couple of the birds that I exhibited during the 2017 show season.



2017 New England Annual Show
Grand Champion
with a Spangle AOSV cock



2017 New England Annual Show
Best Violet



2017 Newcastle Annual Show
Best Lacewing

At 2016 State Team Challenge Competition, I had my most successful year with five representative birds selected to be on the NSW team to compete at the 2016 ANBC National in Hobart, Tasmania. The new England Team with a small number of exhibitors where runners up with 566 points to the Mid-State Team.



Ernie Wise from New England & Mark Hawke from Mid-State
with all their State Team medals at the 2016 STCC



The New England team at the STCC held on 11 June 2016
at the Dural Sport And Leisure Centre

Photos from Nola Bradford

I have had 34 birds represent NSW at the Nationals with 10 birds in the top three places.

The first National winner was a Lutino Cock in Tasmania in 1988.

My Results at the Nationals are as follows:

Year	Location	Colour & Variety	Sex	Place
May 1986	Adelaide, SA	Light Green Opaline	Cock	3 rd
		Lutino	Cock	11 th
May 1988	Tasmania	Lutino	Cock	1 st
		Grey Green Greywing	Cock	4 th
		Sky Blue Normal in Hens class	Hen	6 th
May 1992	Surfers Paradise, NSW	Dark Green or Olive Normal	Hen	7 th
		Dark Green or Olive Normal	Cock	11 th
		Dominant Pied	Hen	Reserve
May 1994	Perth, WA	Grey Dominant Pied Opaline	Cock	4 th
May 1995	Tasmania	Sky Opaline Cinnamon	Cock	2 nd
		Grey Opaline Cinnamon	Cock	4 th
		Grey Spangle	Cock	Reserve
May 2000	Adelaide, SA	Grey Green Normal	Cock	2 nd
May 2001	Perth, WA	Yellow Spangle Double Factor	Hen	3 rd
		Grey Green Normal	Cock	6 th
		Grey Green Normal in Hens class	Hen	10 th
May 2003	Rockhampton, Nth QLD	Opaline Cinnamon	Cock	Reserve
May 2004	Coffs Harbour, NSW	Grey Normal	Cock	4 th
		Albino	Hen	7 th
May 2012	Geelong, Victoria	Yellow Lacewing	Hen	10 th
June 2013	Toowoomba, Sth QLD	Dilute	Hen	6 th
		Clearbody	cock	Reserve
June 2014	Adelaide, SA	Blue Fallow	Cock	2 nd
		Dilute	Hen	6 th
		Violet Normal	Hen	8 th
June 2015	Mandurah, WA	Dilute	Hen	13 th
		Grey Opaline	Cock	11 th
June 2016	Hobart, Tasmania	Blue Fallow	Cock	2 nd
		Grey Green Opaline	Cock	3 rd
		Dilute	Hen	5 th
		Yellow Fallow	Hen	6 th
		Grey Lacewing	Cock	9 th
May 2017	Mackay, Nth QLD	Yellow Lacewing	Cock	1 st
		Grey Green Clearbody	Hen	3 rd

The second winner was with a Lacewing Cock in Mackay 2017.



A long time between wins, so you never give up.

Photographs by Rod Turnbull

Top three places at the ANBC Nationals from 2017 to 2014



2017 ANBC National
Third Place Clearbody



2016 ANBC National
Second Place Fallow



2016 ANBC National
Third Place Opaline



2014 ANBC National
Second Place Fallow

Using Garlic Juice

Bob Wilson, 49W Exhibition Budgerigars
Source: <http://www.49w.us/garlicjuice.htm>

Using garlic juice to protect budgerigars against mites and worms

I always prefer to use natural remedies over medications when treating my birds. I add crushed garlic to my soft food on a regular basis, sprinkle garlic powder on the wood shavings in nest boxes, and use garlic juice in the drinking water.

I rotate Garlic juice in the drinking water with several other natural additives, on average every six weeks.

As with any additive administered via drinking water it is important to continue each for 5-7 days. At certain times of the year budgies do not drink much (except when raising young or in hot weather) so continuing any treatment for 5-7 days ensures they get a good dose.



Garlic is not only very effective in combating mites of all kinds, it is also a natural de-wormer.



USING GARLIC JUICE:

Most health food stores will have bottles of garlic juice for sale. When using commercial garlic juice, I use approximately 3-5% juice mixed with clean filtered water.

IMPORTANT TO REMEMBER:

With most natural additives you cannot overdose. I just add a good splash so I can smell and taste it in the water.

Water should be changed every one or two days.

ESSENTIAL: Make sure all drinking water is in tube waterers where the birds cannot mess in it. If you have drinking water in an open bowl bird droppings will turn it into bacteria soup in a few minutes, especially in hot weather, and possibly pass infections to all birds that drink from it.

MAKING YOUR OWN GARLIC WATER:

If commercial garlic juice is not available you can make your own Garlic Water using the following steps.



First find some nice fresh garlic.

Separate 3-4 cloves and peel skin from the cloves



Cloves go into the blender with fresh filtered water



Blend the garlic cloves and water on high speed for 2 minutes. Pour the mix into a container or jug to settle for 12- 24 hours.

After 24 hours the mix is ready to use. Add one part of the "garlic water" to five parts of clean filtered water.

The concentrated "garlic water" mix can be safely stored in a refrigerator for several days.

Link to lots more articles on Bob Wilson's website in his **Reference Library**.

Other Additives I Use In Drinking Water.

How To Quarantine New Birds

Bob Wilson, 49W Exhibition Budgerigars

Source: <http://www.49w.us/quarantine.htm>

Quarantine



When buying outcrosses or introducing any new birds to your stud it is always sound practice to quarantine the new arrivals to avoid the introduction of any infections or disease.

Mixing birds from multiple studs can stress and cause problems for both new birds, and your existing stud. It is not that either group carries infections or disease, but often adjustment to new gut flora introduced and a change in pecking order is enough to stress them to a point where they are not 100%.

New Birds

Since a move to any new environment triggers stress it is important the quarantine process is a gradual process that allows the new acquisitions to adjust to the new environment, new feeding regime, and eventually mix with your stud without the possibility of any cross contamination.

While many breeders have a different approach, I have a quarantine process that I follow every time new birds are introduced.

1. Since many infections and viruses are spread by air via dander/feather dust all new birds are initially caged in a separate room for several weeks. Care is taken to thoroughly disinfect/wash hands each visit before heading to the main bird room.
2. They are fed standard seed mix, treat seed, and daily spray millet.
3. Starting Day 3 birds are all treated with Ivermectin for mites, and receive garlic water for five days to eliminate any intestinal worms.
4. Next the birds are dosed with Ronivet-12% in drinking water (treatment for Trichomoniasis – Canker) for 7 days, followed by five days of Probiotics.
5. To protect against Megabacteria (Avian Gastric Yeast) a 10 day course of Megabac-S in the drinking water follows, and then another 5 days of Probiotics to help restore normal gut flora.
6. Providing all birds are in good health 2-3 “lesser birds” from the stud are introduced to the holding cage. This introduces the local gut flora to the new arrivals.
7. If all goes well after 7 days the holding cage is now taken to the main birdroom where the birds stay for an additional two weeks before some are gradually released into the flight.



Source: <http://www.49w.us/quarantine.htm>

Federation Dinner 2017

Warren Wilson & Ron Robertson, Canary & Cage Bird Federation of Australia Inc.

Aviculture's Annual Social Night & Guest of Honour Dinner was held on 28th October 2017 at Five Dock in Sydney. Another terrific annual Canary & Cage Bird Federation Dinner celebrating the achievements of Guest of Honour, Richard Law. This tradition commenced in 1955 so quite an Honour for Richard's name to be added to a long list of avicultural greats. Richard was the 92nd recipient of this honour. We had a great night with better weather than the usual August wet and rainy nights of the past Federation dinners.



Warren Wilson presenting Richard Law with his Guest of Honour Certificate.



Richard and Kerry Law with the CCBFA Guest of Honour Roll.



Manly Warringah Avicultural table. Photo taken by Jason Forrest.



Yvonne Farrell, Jayson Forrest and his mother Noelene Forrest

Photos from the CCBFA FaceBook page - <https://www.facebook.com/CCBFA/>

Budgerigar Improvement Society Seminar

Wayne Doull, Budgerigar Improvement Society

The Budgerigar Improvement Society hosted a Seminar for members addressing the finer points of judging and breeding exhibition budgerigars. The seminar was presented by John Scoble on 21st October 2017.



The seminar was a huge success, being well supported by members who appreciated the experience and knowledge demonstrated by John on the day.

It was a very enjoyable day, with special thanks to John, Terry and Heather, and all the members who participated and brought birds along. Special thanks, also goes to Stuart Williams for his sponsorship, but most of all, a **big** thank you to all the members for their generous donations and support.

A very well received and memorable day was had by all. The winning budgerigar was bred by Bobbie Winnard, with his very nice young spangle. Thanks go to all the members who supported the day by bringing birds and participating in the seminar.



John Scoble explaining finer points about birds.



Bobbie Winnard with Stuart Williams.

John Boss with Peter Wheeler, examining birds and products.



Bud Cape admiring the birds.



Discussions with Wayne Doull, Geoff Wood, Graham Mackander, Bud Cape and John Swift.



Paul Bayliss, Tim Gleeson and Wayne Altman examine a bird.



John Scoble and Rob Pepper.



Steve Draper and Terry Bevan working on the BBQ.

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18th February 2018

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25th February 2018

**CANBERRA BRANCH
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for more details and other events.**

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Bucko's Soft Food Mix

Craig Buckingham, Hills Branch

As you can see by the recipe below, this soft food mixture is fairly comprehensive in relation to the amount of various ingredients used. Once I have made this quantity set out in the recipe, it will feed 24 breeding cabinets, nappy cage and two flights of birds each day for three days. Please note you will need to throw away any leftover in dishes each day. Keep remainder in an air tight container in the refrigerator.

Soft food is fed as an add on to their normal seed mixes, grit, mineral blocks, water additives and greens, not in place of. In my experience with this soft food mix, once the birds have come accustomed to it, you will need to maintain feeding this everyday through the breeding season or at the very least five out of seven days.

If this is achieved you will notice excellent crop milk from the hen when feeding chicks and very full crops for the remainder of their growth in the nest.

Obviously this soft food cannot produce Grand Champions only good genetics and good luck can do that, however it should allow any bird you breed and feed on this recipe, to reach its FULL potential.

Once the breeding season has finished, I will only make enough to feed the young bird flight, until they reach about eight months old.

Now if you find this recipe both too involved and too costly, then you can make a more basic version, using only, hulled oats, fledgling mix, murphy's minerals and grated carrot. While this will not pack the same punch as the more comprehensive mix, it will be much better than doing nothing at all.

Good luck with the breeding season, if you decide to utilise this recipe, please let me know you experience and thoughts.



BUCKO'S SOFTFOOD RECIPE



INTO A LARGE MIXING BOWL, PLACE

- 4 CUPS, BLACK PARROT PELLETS
- 8 CUPS, ELENBEE FLEDGLING MIX
- 8 CUPS, HULLED OATS
- 8 CUPS, ELENBEE GREENS & GRAINS
- ½ CUP, AVIAN VITALITY AFRICANA

MIX ALL DRY INGREDIENTS TOGETHER, THEN ADD

- 50 MLS, VETAFARM BREEDING OIL

MIX INTO DRY INGREDIENTS, MAKING SURE ALL DRY INGREDIENTS ARE COATED WITH OIL

TO OIL COATED MIXTURE ADD

- 25 GRAMS, MURPHY'S MINERALS
- 25 GRAMS, BVM POWDER
- 10 GRAMS, VETAFARM SOLUVITE D BREEDER

MIX POWDERS THROUGH, THEN ADD THE FOLLOWING

- 2 X CARROTS GRATED FINELY
- 1 X FENNEL BULB GRATED FINELY
- 2 X PUNNETS OF MUNG BEANS
- 1 X CUP OF ENGLISH SPINACH OR SILVERBEET FINELY CHOPPED
- 3 X HARD BOILED EGGS FINELY CHOPPED (SHELL REMOVED)

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Culling

Jim Calder, The Australian Budgerigar Society Inc. South QLD

Culling is the act of selecting or sorting out a stud of birds with the intention of keeping those that are wanted and those to get rid of that are not wanted.

PURPOSE OF CULLING

- ◆ Keep stock numbers to optimum manageable levels.
- ◆ Provide income to maintain hobby
- ◆ Eliminate unwanted, unnecessary and undesirable genetic features.
- ◆ Maintain genetic balance within the stud
- ◆ Assist new fanciers with stock of the appropriate quality.

FACTORS TO CONSIDER WHEN DETERMINING THE SIZE OF ESTABLISHMENT

- ◆ Available time to devote to hobby
- ◆ Available space and housing.
- ◆ Noise considerations i.e. neighbours
- ◆ Numbers of varieties intended to keep
- ◆ Budget: how much money can you afford to spend
- ◆ Local council regulations.
- ◆ Ultimate goal or rationale behind keeping budgies; just a hobby for fun or a challenge to be the best breeder in the land.
- ◆ Availability of quality stock.
- ◆ Critical mass - creating a happy, noisy environment.
- ◆ The above considerations are fairly straight forward.

SOME GUIDELINES

- ◆ Allow a minimum of one minute per pair per day every day.
- ◆ Allow a minimum of 150 mm of aviary perch space per bird with sufficient capacity for young stock.
- ◆ Keep aviaries/bird rooms as far from neighbour's homes as possible to minimise noise complaints.
- ◆ Need to maintain at least 10 birds per variety.
- ◆ Some local government authorities will have by-laws governing the keeping of budgies and these must be adhered to.
- ◆ Start small and build up as quality improves.

- ◆ It is sometimes difficult to get budgies to breed unless a critical mass is achieved. Studs below 20 birds often run into this difficulty.

BASIC METHODOLOGIES

There is no perfect method which suits everybody and the breeder undertaking the cull needs to determine the main purpose or goal to be achieved then decide on the best method to achieve that goal.

Continuous culling is carried out continuously throughout the year. The breeder constantly makes judgements as to the desirability of keeping certain individuals and selects birds to be cleared out of the stud on a continuous basis.

Batch culling is where the breeder carries out a cull at one time or at regular intervals such as annually or six monthly.

BASIC PHILOSOPHIES

There are two basic philosophies that can be used when culling; either by quota or by quality as well as two basic methodologies.

Culling by Quota

- ◆ Culling by quota entails setting pre-determined quotas for each sex and colour variety or feature to be considered.
- ◆ A typical quota could be 40% cocks and 60% hens made up of 40% normals, 20% Lutinos, 20% opalines, 15% others.
- ◆ A quota system could also impose age limits such as 50% current rung and 50% other years.

Culling by Quality

Culling by quality entails setting a minimum quality standard and disposing of all birds that fail to meet that standard.

Source:

<http://www.absbudgieclub.org.au/More-articles.html>

Mid State Budgerigar Club News

Mark Hawke, , Publicity Officer

What a great 📁 rollup for the organisation of our upcoming 2017 MBC Annual Show.

Our club is in a very strong position at the moment, we have even raised the prize money 💰.

I'd like to thank the Cow and Calf Hotel in Wellington for putting on a lovely meal 🍽️ and providing us with their function room.

So, test yourself & your birds 🦜 against the Best Club in NSW at our show.

Join us for a super weekend with two evening dinners on 24th and 25th of November at The Robin Hood Hotel, Orange.

The event also includes a mini Budgerigar Auction of donated birds from MBC members.

Show Date is Saturday 25th November at the Orange Show Ground.

Hope to see you all there.



Photographs from the Penrith Valley FaceBook page

St. George Branch News

Nola Bradford, Publicity Officer

September & October 2017:

Our annual three-monthly Table Show for Young Birds commenced in September and was well supported, as well as at the October meeting, and it was pleasing to see some birds in our meeting hall.

In September our Monthly Lucky Member Draw had jackpotted to \$180 and Tony Merriman was the lucky winner. It reverted back to \$20 at the October meeting, but it was not won, so will increase by \$20 each month until the member drawn out is in attendance at the meeting. Our feature at our October meeting was Nola Bradford's power point presentation of this year's Australian National Budgerigar Championship Show held in Mackay, North Queensland.

Hills Branch News

Ray Galbraith, Publicity Officer

At the **August Meeting** a number of members were in attendance wearing the new Branch Shirts, bearing the Hills Logo (Slate Grey with Blue Logo). These shirts have been coupled with a Black Vest for those cooler conditions.

This month's lecture and open judging was postponed, with an open forum being conducted under the direction of new **Branch President, Daniel Childs**. Members had the opportunity to express their wishes for future meeting content and allowed **Event Co-Ordinator, Ken Mitchell**, to gain an understanding of the members desires.

The Table Show was well supported by members, with winners on the night, each month, being awarded vouchers that can be redeemed from the Services Section at the member discretion, for a wide range of products from a number of reputable suppliers.

The **September Meeting** made the members think that they were still at home watching an episode of **Master Chef**; when they were entertained by **Craig Buckingham** conducting a lecture on wet food mix, that he serves up to his stud of champions. With Food Mixer and Blender working overtime, to prepare the various elements of his superfood. Craig then had his arms deep in a large bowl of mixture which would not have been out of place as salad on a dinner table. At the completion of his lecture, Craig provided samples of his mix to members and visitors, along with the recipe for his creation.



The **October Meeting** allowed for an educational lecture from one of the branch's long serving members, **Dave Sterritt**, who addressed the question of **Artificial Insemination** relating to the exhibition budgerigar. Members were outlined the many reasons for the use of this invaluable skill when endeavouring to maximise the breeding program of any exhibitor. Dave then undertook a practical demonstration and invited the members and visitors present to participate, under his skilled tutelage.

The monthly branch Table Show attracted a selection of birds across the various classes, with the Old Bird being excluded from winning Bird of the Night, thus giving the Young Birds the opportunity to compete against their own age group. Both Young and Old Classes are awarded Winners Vouchers, that can be presented to the Services Section.

The **November Meeting** will see the members enjoying our annual night at the flicks; when Nola and Bruce Bradford attend the Branch, with pictures of the birds who represented New South Wales, at the 2017 National Titles in Mackay, North Queensland. Combined with this meeting, members enjoy a supper of pizza hosted by club president. Daniel Childs. This meeting is well supported by the members and affords the opportunity to view the best birds from across Australia for the 2016/2017 competition year.

Visitors are always welcome at Hill Branch. An open invitation is extended on behalf of our president to join our members, have a cuppa and talk budgerigars.

2018 ANBC National News Update

BSNSW Show Committee

PROGRESS ON PLANNING FOR THE ANBC CHAMPIONSHIP SHOW

Sponsorship of the Variety rosettes at the ANBC Show each year is very popular and although not advertised to date it has been forthcoming already by people in State and Interstate so there are very few left. The work in securing the sponsorship has been done by the Show Committee members.

However, sponsorship can be given and accepted in many different ways. If you are looking to support the National Championship event through a donation of any kind, I am sure that the Show Committee will be able to offer you good advertising for your Club, Branch, Association or Business and discuss anything else you have in mind. Contact Jean Painter 0409 907 113.

Invitations to certain businesses connected with our hobby, offering them the opportunity to have a Trade Stand within the Marquee over the two show days will be sent out this week. If you have been contemplating this and do not receive an invitation by the end of November contact Bruce Bradford on (02) 9344 0779.

Management meeting attendees on Saturday the 18th November were shown the sketch plans for the layout within the Marquee expertly prepared by Ray Galbraith. Arrangements for the erection of the stage, room divisions for the bird housing and preparation areas, the Auction birds, the photography room, the required security for the birds, the Canteen, trade stand separation area etc. have been approved by Management and will be undertaken by a company connected with Panthers and expert at doing this on a regular basis

Approval was also given for using another company used to setting up and supplying all the audio / visual equipment for Panthers within the Marquee, including the big screens 12' by 9' at the side of the stage where you will see the birds in detail, and a whole lot more.

The Show Committee have already discussed with both companies what is required by us in the two areas and are satisfied that this will all be done in advance of the event.



Dave Ganzer from South. Queensland is already assembling all the contents of the container which has been purchased with the approval of the ANBC and he will be arranging delivery of the container.

We have permission from Panthers to put the container immediately next to the Marquee entrance. Inside this container will be most of the items required for The National Show e.g. show cages, holding cages etc. etc.

We hope to confirm our booking for an ideal hall in the Hills area for the STCC next year. The Management Committee have given permission for the Show Committee to purchase protective floor covering at a cost of approximately \$500. This floor covering can be easily rolled up, stored and used again. We are seeking a five year contract for the hire of this hall.

NATIONAL STEWARDS

All those who have applied or volunteered to be Stewards at the National 2018 will be contacted early next year and invited to a practice meeting in April by Ray Galbraith, BSNSW Chief Steward.

If you are willing to assist in any capacity at the National Show at Penrith in May 2018 and be part of the excitement at the event please get in touch with Jean Painter, Show Committee Secretary.

The BSNSW will be aiming to have Registration Forms out by the end of 2017. The forms will be on the BSNSW website at <https://budgerigar.com.au/> when finalised.

Information to help with your planning:

The venue for the 2018 ANBC National is at Penrith Panthers (<http://penrith.panthers.com.au/>)

Consider becoming a member of Penrith Panthers for easy access to the club and discounts during the Nationals weekend (<http://penrith.panthers.com.au/membership/>).



The BSNSW have reserved rooms at the Mercure Penrith hotel for the event (<http://www.mercurepenrith.com.au/>). The hotel is within the Penrith Panthers complex. If you want to reserve a room, **ring to make your reservation** and let them know you will be attending the **Budgerigar National Show** to get the discounted price (**Don't book online to get the discounted price and conditions**). Discounted Price for a Standard Room is \$179 per night (room only) with payment at the hotel and free cancellation if cancelled 24 hour prior to booking while Standard Rooms are still available.

Mercure Penrith, Panther Place, PENRITH, NSW, 2750

Phone (02) 4721 7700

Email: H9877@accor.com

For those participant that will be flying to the event the BSNSW recommends that you organise your flights to arrive between 10.30am and 2.30pm to avoid the peak traffic times.

For information about the Sydney Airport, we recommend that you visit the Sydney Airport website at <https://www.sydneyairport.com.au/>.

Transfer from the airport can be arranged with Penrith MiniBus Services. For more information visit <http://www.penrithminibus.com.au/airport-shuttle/>. Enquiries: (02) 4733 5161, INT: +61 2 4733 5161 Email: minibus@penrithminibus.com.au



[Other transport options](#) are also available from the Sydney Airport website.

Our major sponsor is **Destination NSW**, we recommend that you visit their website while planning your holiday.

- Penrith Accommodation: <http://www.sydney.com/destinations/sydney/sydney-west/penrith/accommodation>
- Penrith Attractions: <http://www.sydney.com/destinations/sydney/sydney-west/penrith/attractions>
- What's On in Sydney - May 2018: <http://www.sydney.com/events/may>

If you need further information, please email:

Registration, 2018 ANBC National
2018national@budgerigar.com.au

2018 Variety Sponsorship National Show

With the BSNSW being the hosts of the ANBC Event in May 2018 we are seeking sponsorship for the 27 Varieties in the ANBC Show.

Sponsors can be Individuals, Branches, Clubs, Societies, Companies or Families in our own State, other parts of Australia or anywhere in the World. So, if you or anyone you know would like to be a Sponsor please advise Jean Painter by email jean.painter@bigpond.com or by telephone (02) 4889 4926 by the 15th December. 2017. **Be quick as there are only a few varieties left to sponsor.**

There are 21 birds in each Variety class and for your sponsorship money of \$200 you will receive:

- Your name/ group or company name in the centre disc of all of the 21 rosettes of the Variety of your choice. (First come first served).
- Acknowledgement in our Budgerigar magazine.
- Acknowledgement in the video that will play throughout the two days of the National Show.
- Acknowledgement in the Results Booklet.
- Acknowledgement on the BSNSW Website.
- Listing on a large sign at the venue.

We only get to host the National Budgerigar Event once every seven years, so here is an opportunity to get together with family, friends and fellow Club members in order to sponsor a Variety and make this a most memorable event.



Display of Variety Rosettes at the 2015 ANBC National. Photograph by Nola Bradford

2017 Canberra Budgerigar Club Annual Show Results

Ann Hand, CBC Show Manager

On 8th October 2017, the Canberra Budgerigar Club held their second annual show which again was a great success. Unfortunately, the venue had to be changed to a Council Community Hall with carpet on the floor but with the use of sprays there was no problem cleaning up. Thanks to all who travelled to participate and made the day a very friendly gathering.

MAJOR AWARDS			
GRAND CHAMPION		EWING COOKE	
CHAMPION YOUNG	G & M Chandler	CHAMPION ANY AGE	Ewing Cooke
Champion Open Young	G & M Chandler	Champion Opposite Sex Any Age	Ewing Cooke
Champion Opp. Sex Open Young	Ewing Cooke	CHAMPION UNBROKEN CAP	Jim Baker
Champion Intermediate Young	Dianne Pinney		
Champion Opp. Sex Intermediate Young	Wendy McGlynn	CHAMPION PAIR	Evans Family
Champion Novice Young	S & L Dodge	BEST CLEARWING	Barbara Wallis
Champion Opp. Sex Novice Young	S & L Dodge	BEST CRESTED	Foster & Corbett

VARIETY AWARDS			
VARIETY	BEST IN SHOW	ANY AGE	YOUNG
NORMAL GREEN	Ewing Cooke	Ewing Cooke	G & M Chandler
NORMAL GREYGREEN	Ewing Cooke	Ewing Cooke	G & M Chandler
NORMAL BLUE	G & M Chandler	G & M Chandler	Cameron & Myers
NORMAL VIOLET	Jim Baker	Tess Kilpatrick	Jim Baker
NORMAL GREY	Tess Kilpatrick	Tess Kilpatrick	Tess Kilpatrick
YELLOWFACED BLUE	Dennis Henry	Evans Family	Dennis Henry
GOLDENFACED BLUE	Ewing Cooke	-	Ewing Cooke
LUTINO	Darrel Perkiss	Darrel Perkiss	Dennis Henry
ALBINO	Dianne Pinney	-	Dianne Pinney
CLEARWING	Barbara Wallis	Evans Family	Barbara Wallis
GREYWING	Bob Cowburn	-	Bob Cowburn
CINNAMONWING	A & M Bourne	A & M Bourne	A & M Bourne
SPANGLE DOUBLE FACTOR	Ewing Cooke	Tony Butt	Ewing Cooke
OPALINE	Wendy McGlynn	Ewing Cooke	Wendy McGlynn
OPALINE AOSV	Cameron & Myers	Cameron & Myers	Dave Butters
CLEARBODY	Jim Baker	-	Jim Baker
LACEWING	Jim Baker	Jim Baker	Jim Baker
FALLOW	Harro	Evans Family	Harro
SPANGLE	Bob Cowburn	Tess Kilpatrick	Bob Cowburn
SPANGLE AOSV	Cameron & Myers	Dave Butters	Cameron & Myers
DOMINANT PIED	Dennis Henry	Evans Family	Dennis Henry
RECESSIVE PIED	Tony Butt	Tony Butt	Tony Butt
DARK EYED CLEAR	Bob Cowburn	-	Bob Cowburn
CRESTED	Foster & Corbett	Foster & Corbett	Foster & Corbett

Note: No entries in the BLACK EYED SELF or DILUTE classes.

2017 St George & Illawarra Young Bird Show

Nola Bradford, St George Branch

Our Combined 41st Young Bird Show was held at the Bexley School of Arts and 32 exhibitors travelled from the Illawarra region, the far South Coast and metropolitan Sydney to exhibit 275 entries. Our Judges were Craig Buckingham, Tony Butt and Kathy Manton who commented on the high quality of birds presented to them for judging. It was a Variety Show with Adult Plumage and Unbroken Caps separated. Thank you to the many members from other branches who assisted in the various duties throughout the day, and Elenbee Bird Supplies set up their well-stocked trade stand which was very much appreciated.

Major results were:

- CHAMPION ADULT FEATHER - Greg Gregoriou;
- BEST ADULT FEATHER OPEN - Greg Gregoriou;
- BEST ADULT FEATHER INTERMEDIATE - Myles Henke;
- BEST ADULT FEATHER NOVICE - Grant Fitzpatrick;
- CHAMPION UNBROKEN CAP - Mark Perez;
- BEST UNBROKEN CAP OPEN - Mark Perez;
- BEST UNBROKEN CAP INTERMEDIATE - Ken Liley;
- BEST UNBROKEN CAP NOVICE - Brian Martin.



Champion Adult Feather owned by Greg Gregoriou.



Champion Unbroken Cap owned by Mark Perez.



Best Adult Feather Spangle AOSV owned by James Matthews.



Best Adult Feather Intermediate owned by Myles Henke.



Best Unbroken Cap Novice owned by Brian Martin.

Photographs taken by Nola Bradford



Display of major award winners.



Display of special award winners.



Xxxx and Warren Wilson at the St. George & Illawarra YBS.



Bruce Cameron at the St. George & Illawarra YBS.

Photographs from BSNSW FaceBook Page



Judges: Tony Butt, Craig Buckingham and Kathy Manton.



Having lunch after judging.



Bruce Bradford presenting award to Greg Gregoriou for Champion Adult Feather.



Myles Henke and family at presentation time.



Exhibitors watching the judging at the St. George & Illawarra YBS.

Photographs taken by Nola Bradford

Photographs from FaceBook

The Illawarra Branch will host this show next year. Hope to see you there.

2017 St George & Illawarra Young Bird Show

MAJOR AWARDS	ADULT FEATHER	UNBROKEN CAP
CHAMPION	Greg Gregoriou	Mark Perez
BEST OPEN	Greg Gregoriou	Mark Perez
BEST INTERMEDIATE	Myles Henke	K E & S Liley
BEST NOVICE	Grant Fitzpatrick	Brian Martin

BEST OF VARIETY	ADULT FEATHER	UNBROKEN CAP
Normal Green	Waseem Youhana	Paul Muir
Normal Grey Green	Greg Gregoriou	James Matthews
Normal Blue	Abi Haider	Mark Perez
Normal Violet	Jim Baker	-
Normal Grey	McCauley & O'Regan	K & S Liley
Yellow Face Blue	Abi Haider	Cameron & Myers
Aust. Golden face	Pam Hewitt	Pam Hewitt
Black Eyed Self	Ray Galbraith	Wilson Family
Dilute	Wilson Family	-
Lutino	Ray Galbraith	Brian Waters
Albino	Waseem Youhana	Brian Waters
Clearwing	G & M Lynch	G & M Lynch
Greywing	Ron Roarty	James Matthews
Cinnamonwing	Myles Henke	Mark Perez
Spangle DF	John Barden	James Matthews
Opaline	Greg Gregoriou	Paul Muir
Opaline AOSV	Ramzi Gorail	K & S Liley
Clearbody	Jim Baker	-
Lacewing	S & L Leggett	K & S Liley
Fallow	Myles Henke	B & N Bradford
Spangle	McCauley & O'Regan	James Baker
Spangle AOSV	James Matthews	Craig Geering
Dominant Pied	Abi Haider	Mark Perez
Recessive Pied	Myles Henke	Jim Baker
Dark Wing	-	Pam Hewitt
White Cap	Anthony Starcevic	-
Crested	Painter & Berry	S & D Wackwitz
Non Standard	Matthew Troy	B & N Bradford

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2017 Hunter Young Bird Show Results

Angus Cameron, Hunter Branch

Our thanks go out to all who participated in the 2017 Hunter Branch Annual Show. Special thank you to our Judges, our Stewards, and all the dedicated Club Members who volunteered their time and effort both before, during and after the Show. So much work and assistance is done behind the scenes, you are the people who make this Club worth being a part of, and a pleasure to work with.

We would also thank the non-members from other Clubs who also assisted, and worked all day.

We look forward to next year's event and meeting up with our many friends and competitors.

Thank you to all.

Grand Champion	James Matthews	
Major Awards	Best of Variety	Winner
<i>Champion Opposite Sex In Show</i>	<i>Normal Green</i>	<i>Alan Druery</i>
<i>Jupp & Scheerer</i>	<i>Normal Grey Green</i>	<i>Wally Capper</i>
<i>Champion Any Age Bird</i> <i>James Matthews</i>	<i>Normal Blue</i>	<i>Alan Druery</i>
	<i>Normal Violet</i>	<i>R & M Vidler</i>
<i>Champion Any Age Opposite Sex</i> <i>Alan Druery</i>	<i>Normal Grey</i>	<i>Cliff Cameron</i>
	<i>Normal Yellow Faced</i>	<i>Alan Druery</i>
<i>Champion Young Bird in Show</i> <i>E & D Wise</i>	<i>Normal Golden Faced</i>	<i>Pam Hewitt</i>
	<i>Black Eyed Self Colour</i>	<i>Wayne Cusack</i>
<i>Champion Open Young Bird</i> <i>E & D Wise</i>	<i>Dilute</i>	<i>Wayne Cusack</i>
	<i>Lutino</i>	<i>Tim Gleeson</i>
<i>Champion Open Young Opposite Sex</i> <i>Jupp & Scheerer</i>	<i>Albino</i>	<i>Alan Druery</i>
	<i>Clearwing</i>	<i>G & M Lynch</i>
<i>Champion Juvenile</i> <i>Craig Barnett</i>	<i>Greywing</i>	<i>James Matthews</i>
	<i>Cinnamonwing</i>	<i>Craig Barnett</i>
<i>Champion Juvenile Opposite Sex</i> <i>Craig Barnett</i>	<i>Spangle Double Factor</i>	<i>James Matthews</i>
	<i>Normal Opaline</i>	<i>Alan Druery</i>
<i>Champion Intermediate Young Bird</i> <i>Orlando</i>	<i>Opaline AOSV</i>	<i>Wayne Cusack</i>
	<i>Texas Clearbody</i>	<i>Tim Gleason</i>
<i>Champion Intermediate Young Opposite Sex</i> <i>Warren McKinlay</i>	<i>Lacewing</i>	<i>E & D Wise</i>
	<i>Fallow</i>	<i>Tony Mills</i>
<i>Champion Novice Young Bird</i> <i>Bruce Whiting</i>	<i>Spangle Normal</i>	<i>James Matthews</i>
	<i>Spangle AOSV</i>	<i>Jupp & Scheerer</i>
<i>Champion Novice Young Opposite Sex</i> <i>Steve Bernadino</i>	<i>Dominant Pied</i>	<i>E & D Wise</i>
	<i>Recessive Pied</i>	<i>R & A Williams</i>
<i>Champion Restricted Old</i> <i>Warren McKinlay</i>	<i>Saddleback, Dark Eyed</i>	<i>R & A Williams</i>
	<i>Clear, Darkwing</i>	
<i>Champion Restricted Old Opposite Sex</i> <i>Warren McKinlay</i>	<i>Crested</i>	<i>B & M Wise</i>
	<i>Non-Standard</i>	<i>E & D Wise</i>
	<i>Australian Bush</i> <i>Budgerigar</i>	<i>Garry Job</i>

2017 Penrith Valley Annual Show Results

Jennifer Bell, Penrith Valley Branch

The 2017 Penrith Valley Annual Show was held on the 5th November 2017 at the St Mary's Tennis Court Club House. On behalf of Penrith Valley Branch, we would like to thank everybody who entered and attended our show today, with almost 300 entries in the show. The day was a great success with many laughs and even some tears. The auction was a hit raising some \$\$\$ for the club.

We would also like to thank every single person that helped make today happen and everybody who helped out from various clubs around or offered to help. On behalf of Penrith Valley, we would like to congratulate everybody on all wins and to thank our judges for taking the time out to attend. Thankyou everybody, see you next year :)

Grand Champion	Myles Henke	
Major Awards	Best of Variety	Winner
Champion Any Age Myles Henke	Normal Green	Cameron & Myers
	Normal Grey Green	Myles Henke
Champion Opposite Sex Any Age I & K Manton	Normal Blue	Cameron & Myers
	Normal Violet	Jim Baker
Champion Open Young Cameron & Myers	Normal Grey	Tony Cook
	Normal Yellow Faced	Abi Haider
Champion Open Opposite Sex Young Steve Draper	Normal Golden Faced	R & A Rogers
	Black Eyed Self Colour	Jennifer Bell
Champion Intermediate Myles Henke	Dilute	I & K Manton
	Lutino	Myles Henke
Champion Intermediate Opposite Sex Waseem Youhana	Albino	Myles Henke
	Clearwing	I & K Manton
Champion Novice Steve Cummins	Greywing	Myles Henke
	Cinnamonwing	-
Champion Novice Opposite Sex Steve Cummins	Spangle Double Factor	Ron Roarty
	Opaline	John Barden
Champion Open Juvenile Ron Roarty	Opaline AOSV	Steve Cummins
	Clearbody	Troy Family
Champion Opposite Sex Open Juvenile John Barden	Lacewing	Jim Baker
	Fallow	Jennifer Bell
Champion Restricted Juvenile Woolfenden and Da Rosa	Spangle	Steve Draper
	Spangle AOSV	Ron Roarty
Champion Restricted Juvenile Opposite Sex Myles Henke	Dominant Pied	Ron Roarty
	Recessive Pied	Myles Henke
	Saddleback, Dark Eyed Clear, Darkwing	McCusker & Moyle
	Crested	R & A Rogers
	Non-Standard	Troy Family

Photos from the 2017 Penrith Valley Annual Show



Photographs from the Penrith Valley FaceBook page

2017 South Western NSW Spring Show Report

Wendy McGlynn, South Western NSW

On Sunday 5th November, SWNSW held their club's own young bird spring show at the Junee Ex-Services Memorial Hall. This show is friendly competition between SWNSW, Border Districts, MIA and CBC. With 17 exhibitors bringing along 125 birds to be judged by Gary Watson a good day was had by all. The overall winners were Brian Goldsmith for Best Young Bird in Show, Darrell Perkiss for Reserve Young Bird in Show and Tony Butt for Best Unbroken Cap.



Best Young Bird Open – Darrell Perkiss



Best Young Bird Intermediate – Brian Goldsmith



Best Young Bird Novice – Eric Whitton



Best Res Young Bird Open – Tony Butt



Best Res Young Bird Intermediate – Brian Goldsmith



Best Res Young Bird Novice – Steve Thomas



Photos provided by Wendy McGlynn

2017 Central Coast Annual Show Results

Grand Champion	James Matthews	
Major Awards	Best of Variety	Winner
<i>Champion Any Age Bird James Matthews</i>	<i>Normal Green</i>	<i>Craig Duncan</i>
	<i>Normal Grey Green</i>	<i>Craig Duncan</i>
<i>Champion Any Age Opposite Sex James Matthews</i>	<i>Normal Blue</i>	<i>McCusker & Moyle</i>
	<i>Normal Violet</i>	<i>McKinlay & Smith</i>
<i>Champion Young Bird in Show James Matthews</i>	<i>Normal Grey</i>	<i>R & A Williams</i>
	<i>Normal Yellow Faced</i>	<i>McKinlay & Smith</i>
<i>Champion Open Young Bird James Matthews</i>	<i>Normal Golden Faced</i>	<i>Pam Hewitt</i>
	<i>Black Eyed Self Colour</i>	<i>Mick Auckett</i>
<i>Champion Open Young Opposite Sex James Matthews</i>	<i>Dilute</i>	<i>James Matthews</i>
	<i>Lutino</i>	<i>McKinlay & Smith</i>
<i>Champion Juvenile James Matthews</i>	<i>Albino</i>	<i>Garry Job</i>
	<i>Clearwing</i>	<i>Ray & Sue Condon</i>
<i>Champion Intermediate Young Bird McKinlay & Smith</i>	<i>Greywing</i>	<i>James Matthews</i>
	<i>Cinnamonwing</i>	<i>James Matthews</i>
<i>Champion Intermediate Young Opposite Sex McKinlay & Smith</i>	<i>Spangle Double Factor</i>	<i>James Matthews</i>
	<i>Opaline</i>	<i>Garry Job</i>
<i>Champion Novice Young Bird H & J Smith</i>	<i>Opaline AOSV</i>	<i>James Matthews</i>
	<i>Clearbody</i>	<i>Troy Family</i>
<i>Champion Novice Young Opposite Sex Bruce Whiting</i>	<i>Spangle</i>	<i>James Matthews</i>
	<i>Spangle AOSV</i>	<i>James Matthews</i>
<i>Champion Restricted Any Age Craig Duncan</i>	<i>Dominant Pied</i>	<i>McCusker & Moyle</i>
	<i>Recessive Pied</i>	<i>R K Pitt</i>
<i>Champion Restricted Any Age Opposite Sex McKinlay & Smith</i>	<i>Dark Eyed Clear</i>	<i>H & J Smith</i>
	<i>Darkwing</i>	<i>Ray & Sue Condon</i>
	<i>Crested</i>	<i>Garry Job</i>

Results have been provided by the Editor from a photograph posted of the results page on FaceBook, Show Managers or Show Secretaries are reminded to send results to both the BSNSW Show Manager and the BSNSW Editor.



Photos by Paul McCusker

Show Manager's Report

Jim Baker, Show Manager

Two points have been awarded to variety winners of the BSNSW Annual Show held on 16 July 2017. A certificate of achievement will be awarded to all winners including any joint winners.

BSNSW Status Re-Grades

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

RE-GRADED TO INTERMEDIATE

Exhibitor	Club
S & L Dodge	Canberra Budgerigar Club

RE-GRADED TO OPEN

Exhibitor	Club
W McGlynn	South Western NSW

These grading are as of the 4th November 2017

The [BSNSW membership list](#) on the website has been updated with Status Points as of 4th November 2017. [Variety Points](#) also published on the BSNSW website.

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 4th November 2017

2017 Best of Variety Competition	Points
James Matthews	51
Jim Baker	24
Pam Hewitt	22
Tony Butt	20
A & C Druery	18
Mario Capasso	13
E & D Wise	13
Robyn Cosgrove	13
G & M Lynch	13
Craig Buckingham	11
McCusker & Moyle	11
Myles Henke	10
Anlezark & Bohringer	9
John Boss	

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

For the 2017 season, the winners are determined by adding the points together for each Variety for all approved shows.

VARIETY	LEADERS	2017 POINTS
Normal Green	Dave Dunn	3
Normal Grey Green	James Matthews	5
Normal Blue	Mario Capasso	5
Normal Violet	Jim Baker	6
Normal Grey	Pam Hewitt	3
Yellow Face	James Matthews Woolfenden & DaRosa	2
Golden Face	Pam Hewitt	16
Black Eyed Self	R & S Condon	4
Dilute	James Matthews	4
Lutino	Dianne Pinney	4
Albino	Wayne Altman Marie Robertson	3
Clearwing	G & M Lynch	12
Greywing	James Matthews	9
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	9
Fallow	Myles Henke E & D Wise	3
Spangle	James Matthews	11
Spangle AOSV	James Matthews	10
Dominant Pied	Laurie Cauchi Tony Butt	3
Recessive Pied	Tony Butt	10
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	Matthew Troy	3

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

Judges Chairperson's Report

Jean Painter, Judges Panel Chairperson

The Judges had a very good Training Day at Gary Gazzard's place in Newcastle on 7th October 2017; all who attended enjoyed the day very much and learnt a great deal. We thank Gary for arranging this day and providing his usual welcoming hospitality. Craig Buckingham has kindly offered to have a training day at his home in the New Year. Date to be advised.

On the 11th November 2017, meetings were held at Beverley Park School commencing with the Committee Meeting followed by a Training Session. This session included individual discussions with the Trainee and Cadet Judges on their progress to date. Finally, a Panel Meeting was held with only four other Panel Members attending.

We are very pleased to advise that there have been three promotions and congratulate those people on their excellent progress. Robert Pepper is now a Probationary Judge and Wally Capper and James Matthews are on the Cadet Judges level. Well done to all of you. There are some more whom we are sure will be promoted on securing the required number of practical assessments as they also show promise.

Topics that arose during the day were:

- **Judges Fees:** Some time ago the fee was set at \$50. When invited, the Judge must also be asked if there will be accommodation or travelling expenses as well. Many Judging appointments incur much greater expense than the \$50 fee. Yet some Judges have been receiving only \$30 the old fee instead. Some have not been paid at the Show (usually an oversight) and some have not been reimbursed for accommodation expenses. It has been suggested that if a Judge has a long distance to travel the Club at least should offer him/her a billet for the night at the home of a member who will not be exhibiting at that show. Please draw this information to the attention of your Show Committee for the future. Thank you.
- **Show Preparation:** Judges are concerned at the lack of attention they have encountered in exhibitors presenting birds at Shows in DIRTY cages with the birds themselves obviously not being prepared for the Show by spraying, plucking spots etc. There is no excuse for this and if an exhibitor is not familiar with how to prepare birds/show cages they should seek assistance from the Club/fellow budgerigar breeders. All Clubs and Branches should have a demonstration of these essential preparations on a regular basis.
- White Cap Variety will be a display class at the National in 2018, so we will probably need to include a class for them at the STCC to select the NSW contributions to the National class. All the birds in this class at the National will receive a special medallion.

Should anyone in late Intermediate or Open status be considering application to the Judges Training Program please contact Jean Painter at jean.painter@bigpond.com.

Coming Events



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 Hotel –
Burrendong Way, Orange

Schedule will be available on BSNSW website
early October

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Go to the [Illawarra Branch club page](#) on the
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18th February 2018
ST. GEORGE ANNUAL SHOW
25th February 2018
CANBERRA BRANCH ANNUAL SHOW

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59th ANNUAL SHOW **SUNDAY, 18th FEBRUARY 2018**

VENUE: Bexley School of Arts,
476 Forest Road, Bexley.

Phone entries:

Thursday, 15th February 2018
between 6.30 pm and 9 pm
to Ken Liley on **0438-292-965**

Enquiries and Schedules from Show Manager,
Jim Baker on **0413-980-334**

Irene Darman Memorial Award:
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Schedules will be available online on the BSNSW
website prior to the show.

CANBERRA BRANCH 44th ANNUAL SHOW

featuring Any Age and Young Birds

Sunday, 25 February, 2018

Show Manager: Andrew Bourne
Schedules available closer to the date

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Phone entries to Show Manager on Thursday,
22 February, 2018 between 6pm and 10pm
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