



CAPRICORNIA BUDGERIGAR

SOCIETY INC.

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February 2023

Dear Member,

I hope everyone had a very enjoyable festive season with their families and have started the New Year refreshed and optimistic for the remainder of the year.

The show season has now started and our Annual Show is not far away. (Schedule appears later in this newsletter) Everyone should have their show team picked and have commenced preparing their birds. Let's make it our biggest and best yet. I would urge our members to consider showing at some of our neighboring clubs shows. Not only do you get a chance to meet likeminded people but you can compare your birds to other breeder's birds and work out how you are going with your breeding.

Some of our members have already started the breeding season and have rung quite a few chicks. For those that haven't it would be prudent to consider starting shortly, so as to have chicks of a suitable age to hopefully qualify for next year's National Show. An article on preparing for the breeding season appears in this newsletter.

At our next general meeting (03 March) Cheryl and I have been nominated to give a talk on show preparation. I have planned to give a practical demonstration on preparing a bird from scratch to being on the show bench. This should be of valuable interest to many of our members especially the newer members.

Enjoy the read.

Russell Ogden

(Newsletter Editor, CBS Inc.) ogdenrc@bigpond.com

MEMBERS INFORMATION PAGE

- **Committee Members:** Confirmed at AGM

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| President: | Ian Schneider | 0408 287 709 |
| Vice-President: | Kev O'Callaghan | 0411 956 345 |
| Treasurer: | Mark Walker | 0450 655 007 |
| Secretary: | Shayla Evans | 0408 731 846 |

- EMAIL Addresses: To allow for more efficient distribution of club information, please forward a test email or your email address to cbudgerigars@gmail.com and for newsletters to ogdenrc@bigpond.com **Thanks to all those who have forwarded these details previously.**
- **SHOW & WIN!!!!!!!** Starting at our 2022 Breeders Show, you will become eligible to win a \$200 Credit at our Annual Auction by showing at the 3 Major Shows (Breeders 2022, Annual 2023, Young Bird Show 2023). You will receive one ticket for showing 1 to 10 birds, 2 tickets for 11 to 20 entries, etc. After the Young Bird Selection Show in 2021, the winner will be drawn. The more you show, the better chance you have to win. It is only open to CBS Inc members. You must show at all 3 shows unless you are judging the show or are genuinely ill or have a family emergency. The aim of this incentive is to encourage members to show consistently at all 3 shows.
- Services Section: The Club Shirt is now being worn by many members. If you want to purchase one, contact Shayla Evans 0408 731 846 **(Please do not call after 7:00 pm)** Shayla will also have a supply of 2022 rings, (60 cents each and sold in lots of 25, postage is extra \$5.00) and show cages and cage fronts if anyone needs some.
- Future CBS Variety of the Year are as follows: 2023: - Fallow. 2024: - Clearbody. 2025: - Greywing. 2026: - Crested. These are judged at the Annual Show each year.

Preparing for the Breeding Season

The old adage from both business and sport. “*Failing to prepare is preparing to fail*”. Is very pertinent in the breeding of Budgerigars. Now I hear some breeders say “it’s nature, just throw a pair of birds together and they do the rest”. Unfortunately, it doesn’t work that way. If you want to be successful on the show bench and in improving the birds variety and type as well as their health, then you must provide the process to achieve your goals. My own philosophy is, “**To provide an environment where happy, healthy, winning Budgerigars are an inevitability**”. I have not achieved this as yet but it’s something I’m still hoping to achieve by refining my plans and processes.

I must stress here that no matter how many breeding cabinets you have you do not have to fill them all at once. You should only pair up birds that are in **BREEDING CONDITION**. I’ll explain this more fully later. The first step is to make sure your bird room and breeding cabinets have been thoroughly cleaned and disinfected, you do not want any setbacks due to hidden viruses, bacteria or parasites. Next, we make sure all the birds are free of both internal and external parasites by treating them. This should be done regularly throughout the year, anyway. Something that is often overlooked is, are your birds clean? If not bath them as a dirty bird attracts parasites. You shouldn’t need to do anything nutrition wise as your birds should be getting the best nutrition possible anyway.

You should by this stage have a plan of which varieties you want or need to breed, don’t do it on the run, give it some thought, and write it down. Now comes the most important part, so grab a note book and pencil, a comfy chair and a cuppa (or your favourite beverage) and go and sit in the flights and **OBSERVE** your birds. I like to look at the hens first as I feel they are the most important part of the equation, but that’s just my opinion and many prefer to choose the cocks first. For the hens do they have a nut brown cere? This is considered the ideal but not all hens follow the rules. This is why it is important to **observe** your birds, I once had a hen that always had a bright blue cere (I once showed her as a cockbird before realising she was a hen) and she was one of my most prolific breeders. Do the prospective birds have full flights and tails and good feather condition? This is the same for both sexes, if not, and this is why it’s important to know your birds, you may still use them and they may never pass on the trait or you can just take the chance.

Are the hens chewing the perches or any wood in the flight? A good idea is to have a breeding box nearby but inaccessible and **observe** if they are trying to get to it. Hollow logs in the flight do the same job, Are the prospective hens more aggressive towards other hens than usual? Are they flirting with the cockbirds? Do the cockbirds have bright blue ceres, are they very active, strutting around, butting ceres with other cockbirds and chasing hens?

Catch up the prospective birds and check that they are carrying a bit more weight than when they are in show condition especially so for the hens. Raising a clutch of chicks is quite taxing on the birds and they will lose weight. The hen even more so with the egg laying process. While you have the hen check for pelvic dilation this is especially important for

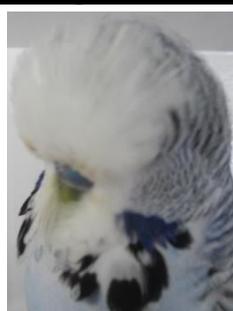
maiden hens, if it is not dilated forget about using her until it is, as she will either not lay or have problems.

You should have made notes on each bird while doing this **observation**, that's what the note book was for. Now repeat the exercise the next day or even for a couple of days, compare the notes and if they are consistent for your desired pair introduce them to a breeding cabinet. If not, has something changed with one or both sides of your proposed pairing? Maybe consider a different pairing instead depending on the extent of the change. Some breeders leave the birds in the breeding cabinet for seven to ten days to bond before attaching the nest box, others attach them immediately. Do what ever is best for you.

I previously stated that you should not need to change the bird's nutrition, and if all is well you shouldn't, as a sudden change can bring on an unwanted moult. If you have a pair that you really want to put down, but they are underweight or not quite in feather condition e.g. still coming out of a moult or the cere is not quite right, then place them in a holding cage. You can now increase the food intake by introducing a tonic seed or breeding aid, but be **observant** as to the improved condition or an unwanted moult, before introducing them to a breeding cabinet. I recommend that once you have paired up that you increase the calcium intake slightly as the hens will have an increased need at this time.

During this process always keep in mind the ideal budgerigar as per the Standard of Perfection. Talk to as many breeders as you can and get their ideas, these are just my ideas, sort through them and make up your own mind as to which suits you best. Good luck with your upcoming breeding season.

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Annual Show.

Saturday, 18th March 2023.

**Venue: NORTH ROCKHAMPTON STATE HIGH SCHOOL HALL,
Berserker Street North R'ton.**

Judge: TBA

Chief Steward: Ian Schneider

Show Secretary: Russell Ogden

**Entries: All entries must be on CBS approved entry forms
(provided)**

**Entries need exhibitors to use the class numbers as per
the schedule in this newsletter.**

Entry Fee: 50 cents per bird. Team of Three \$1:00 per team

**Entries Close: Monday 13th March, at 9 pm. ogdenrc@bigpond.com ph 0437025793
Late entries will not be accepted.**

Benching: by 10:00 am

Judging: 10:00 am

**All persons responsible for winning exhibits must be present for checking of
rings on completion of judging or exhibits will be disqualified.**

Presentation of Trophies : Approximately 30 minutes after completion of judging.

Release of birds to follow presentation. The Chief Steward will advise time.

Food and drinks will be available throughout the day.

Please Note:

- Club show rules must be strictly adhered to.
- Proof of ownership must be produced for all winning exhibits, CBS rings excluded.
- Drinkers must be in show cages.
- Standard seed mix to be used as floor covering in cages.
- Cage stickers to be adhered on the RIGHT hand side of cage.
- It is the Exhibitor's responsibility to ensure all of their birds are nominated in the correct classes and mark cages accordingly.
- **All birds entered must be Owner-bred.**

CAPRICORNIA BUDGERIGAR SOCIETY INC. BREEDERS SHOW AWARDS LIST

Grand Champion of Show.

Ch. Opposite Sex of Show.

Ch. Young Bird of Show

Ch. Intermediate Bird of Show

Ch. Beginner Bird of Show.

Ch. Nestfeather of Show.

Ch Derby Bird.

Ch Derby Bird- Beginner.

Derby Bird Cock and Hen.

CBS Variety Bird.

Best Team of 3, must be all same Sex.

Jack Martin Trophy, plus \$25.00 Cash Prize.

O'Callaghan Family Trophy.

Mitton Family Trophy.

Rod and Val Gardiner Trophy.

CBS Trophy.

CBS Trophy.

Noel Shanahan Memorial Trophy.

CBS Trophy.

Share the Derby Rings Prize Pool.

CBS Trophy.

\$10.00 cash prize.

OPEN, INTERMEDIATE, BEGINNER CLASSES each recieve.

Ch. Any Age Cock

\$15.00 cash prize

Ch. Any Age Hen

\$15.00 cash prize

Ch. Young Cock

\$15.00 cash prize

Ch. Young Hen

\$15.00 cash prize

Ch. Nestfeather

\$15.00 cash prize

Ch. Any Age Cock (Reserve)

\$10.00 cash prize

Ch. Any Age Hen (Reserve)

\$10.00 cash prize

Ch. Young Cock (Reserve)

\$10.00 cash prize

Ch. Young Hen (Reserve)

\$10.00 cash prize

Ch. Nestfeather (Reserve)

\$10.00 cash prize

Champion of each of 27 ANBC Variety & AOSV:

\$15.00 cash prize per variety

BUDGERIGAR SCHEDULE for CBS Inc. SHOWS

| VARIETY | ANY AGE COCK | ANY AGE HEN | YOUNG BIRD COCK | YOUNG BIRD HEN | NEST FEATHER |
|--|--------------|-------------|-----------------|----------------|--------------|
| NORMAL GREEN | 1 | 101 | 201 | 301 | 401 |
| NORMAL GREY GREEN | 2 | 102 | 202 | 302 | 402 |
| NORMAL BLUE | 3 | 103 | 203 | 303 | 403 |
| NORMAL VIOLET | 4 | 104 | 204 | 304 | 404 |
| NORMAL GREY | 5 | 105 | 205 | 305 | 405 |
| YELLOW FACED BLUE (Normal Only) | 6 | 106 | 206 | 306 | 406 |
| AUSTRALIAN GOLDEN FACED BLUE (Normal Only) | 7 | 107 | 207 | 307 | 407 |
| BLACK EYED SELF | 8 | 108 | 208 | 308 | 408 |
| DILUTE | 9 | 109 | 209 | 309 | 409 |
| LUTINO | 10 | 110 | 210 | 310 | 410 |
| ALBINO | 11 | 111 | 211 | 311 | 411 |
| DARK EYED CLEAR | 12 | 112 | 212 | 312 | 412 |
| CLEARWING | 13 | 113 | 213 | 313 | 413 |
| GREYWING | 14 | 114 | 214 | 314 | 414 |
| CINNAMONWING | 15 | 115 | 215 | 315 | 415 |
| SPANGLE DOUBLE FACTOR | 16 | 116 | 216 | 316 | 416 |
| OPALINE | 17 | 117 | 217 | 317 | 417 |
| OPALINE A.O.S.V. (Includes Blackeye, Clearwing, Greywing, Cinnamonwing) | 18 | 118 | 218 | 318 | 418 |
| CLEARBODY (includes Opaline) | 19 | 119 | 219 | 319 | 419 |
| LACEWING (includes Opaline) | 20 | 120 | 220 | 320 | 420 |
| Fallow | 21 | 121 | 221 | 321 | 421 |
| SPANGLE (Normal Only, not class 23 combination) | 22 | 122 | 222 | 322 | 422 |
| SPANGLE A.O.S.V. (includes Greywing, Cinnamonwing, Opaline, Fallow) | 23 | 123 | 223 | 323 | 423 |
| DOMINATE PIED (includes Greywing, Cinnamonwing, Opaline, Fallow, Spangle) | 24 | 124 | 224 | 324 | 424 |
| DANISH RECECIVE PIED (includes Greywing, Cinnamon, Opaline, Fallow, Spangle) | 25 | 125 | 225 | 325 | 425 |
| CRESTED | 26 | 126 | 226 | 326 | 426 |
| AUSTRALIAN WHITE CAP | 27 | 127 | 227 | 327 | 427 |
| A.O.V. / A.O.S.V. (includes Darkwing, Saddleback) | 28 | 128 | 228 | 328 | 428 |

Please Note :- only combinations of sections 8 to 15 is Yellow Faced Blue. See ANBC matrix at https://anbc.iinet.net.au/uploads/9/8/7/0/9870161/2019_anbc_estandard_2019_master.pdf for combinations of other sections 16-25

Some Outback Humor

An old station hand named Billy was overseeing his stock in a remote pasture in the outback when suddenly a brand-new BMW advanced toward him out of a cloud of dust.

The driver, a young man in a Bryony suit, Gucci shoes, Rayban sunglasses and YSL tie, leaned out the window and asked the old man, "If I tell you exactly how many cows and calves you have in your herd, will you give me a calf?"

Billy looks at the young man, who is clearly a yuppie, then looks at his peacefully grazing animals and calmly answers, "Sure, why not?"

The yuppie parks his car whips out his Dell notebook computer, connects it to his Cingular Razr V3 cell phone, and surfs to a NASA page on the internet, where he calls up a CBS satellite to get a current Google Earth image of the area supplied by the co-ordinates from his Navman GPS system. Within seconds, he received an email on his Palm Pilot that the image has been processed and the data stored.

He then accesses an MS-SQL database through an ODBC connected Excel spreadsheet with email on his Blackberry and, after a few minutes, receives a response.

Finally, he prints out a full-colour, 150-page report on his hi-tech, miniaturized HP laserjet printer, turns to Billy and says. "You have exactly 1,586 cows and calves."

That's right. Well, you'll be helping yourself to one of me animals, then, since you won it fair and square." Says Billy.

He watches the smartly dressed yuppie select one of the animals and looks on in amusement as the man gingerly picks it up and stuffs it into the boot of his car. As the yuppie is carefully brushing the dust and hair off his suit, Billy says. "Hey, if I can tell you exactly what work you do and where you come from, will you give me back my calf?"

The yuppie thinks about it for a second, wondering what this wrinkled up dirt encrusted uneducated old man could possibly know? He grins and then says. "Okay, old fella, why not? I'm a believer in fair play."

You're a Politician and you work in Canberra." Says Billy

"Wow! That's correct," says the yuppie, "but tell me how on earth did you guess that?"

No guessing required," answered Billy, "you showed up here even though nobody called you. You wanted to get paid for an answer I already knew, to a question I never asked. You used millions of dollars' worth of equipment trying to show me how much smarter than me you are. And you don't know a thing about how working people make a living, or about cows, for that matter. This is a herd of sheep. Now give me back my dog."

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Calendar of Events – 2023

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| Jan 15 Sunday | ABS Inc Auction | Brisbane | | |
| Feb 03 TBC | CBS Committee meeting. Venue North R'ton High School. 6:00pm Discuss Auction (Invitations) Annual Show | | | |
| Feb 03 | General Meeting | North Rockhampton High School (NRHS) | 7:15pm | Table Show: Any Age, Young Birds and Nestfeather classes. FEATURE: #2 from list |
| Feb 03 | Judges Meeting to follow General Meeting | | | |
| March 03 | General Meeting | North Rockhampton High School (NRHS) | 7:15pm | Table Show: Any Age, Young Birds and Nestfeather classes. FEATURE: #4 |
| March 13 Monday | Entries due for Annual Show by 8pm | E-Mail or Phone Show Secretary, Russell Ogden | | |
| March 18 Saturday | 55 th ANNUAL SHOW Judge: TBA Selling Section included | NRHS Hall Berserker St | Bench by 10:00am | A/A, Y/B rung 2022, Nestfeathers rung 2023 |
| School Hols 31/3-17/4 | | | | |
| April 7-10 | EASTER FRIDAY & MONDAY | | | |
| April 01 Saturday | WRBS Auction | Brisbane | | |
| April 12 | CBS Auction Entries due | | | |
| April 14 No clash with Wynnum | General Meeting | North Rockhampton High School (NRHS) | 7:15pm | Table Show: Any Age, Young Birds and Nestfeather classes. FEATURE: #3 |
| April 14 TBC | CBS Committee Meeting. Venue: NRHS. Time: 6pm Discuss Zone & ANBC Agendas, Club Trip, Judge for Oct Show, Auction (Show Cages, Duties, Dinner venue, etc), YB Show | | | |
| May 13 Sat | CBS Inc YOUNG BIRD SELECTION SHOW | Day of Show Entries close at 8:30am VENUE: TBA | Benching at 10:00am | Young Birds rung 22 and Nestfeathers rung 23 Judging start 10:15am |
| May 13 Sat | General Meeting | To follow Young Bird Show . Approx 12:30pm | | |
| May 27 Saturday | N&CQ ZONE Meetings | Venue: TBC MACKAY | 3:00pm Judges Meeting 3:30pm Zone Delegates Meet | |
| May 28 Sunday | N&CQ ZONE CHAMPIONSHIP SHOW | Venue: TBC MACKAY | | |
| June 2-4 | ANBC Show | BALLARAT Vic | | See ANBC Webpage for all details |
| June 17 Saturday | Auction Setup | | 2-4pm | |
| June 17 | Auction Dinner | TBA | 6:00pm | |
| June 18 Sunday | CBS Inc Auction | North Rockhampton High School (NRHS) | | |
| | SQBBA Auction? | | | |
| School Hols 23/6-10/7 | | | | |

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| July 07 | General Meeting | North Rockhampton High School (NRHS) | 7:15pm | Table Show: Any Age, Young Birds (rung 23) and Nestfeather classes. FEATURE: #1 |
| July 07 TBC | Committee Meeting. Venue: NRHS Time: 6:00pm Discuss AGM, | | | |
| ??? | BRASEA Auction? | | | |
| August 04 | ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING and General Meeting | North Rockhampton High School (NRHS) | 7:15pm | NO BIRDS NO FEATURE |
| August ?? | Newcastle Auction | | | |
| August ?&? | MORETON CLUB AUCTION and CLUB TRIP. | | | |
| September 01 | General Meeting | North Rockhampton High School (NRHS) | 7:15pm | Table Show: Any Age, Young Birds and Nestfeather classes. FEATURE: #5 |
| October 06 Friday TBC | Committee Meeting. Venue: NRHS Time: 6:00pm Discuss Calendar of Events 24, Venue booking, End of Year Event, Donation for Meeting Venue, Judge for Annual Show 2024 | | | |
| School hols 15/9-3/10 | | | | |
| October 06 Friday SCRAP?? | General Meeting | North Rockhampton High School (NRHS) | 7:15pm | Table Show: Any Age, Young Birds and Nestfeather classes. FEATURE: #6 |
| October 09 Monday | Entries for October Breeders Show due tonight 8:00pm | E-Mail or Phone Show Secretary. | | |
| October 14 Saturday | 55 th BREEDERS SHOW Judge: TBA Selling Section included | NRHS Hall Berserker St | Bench by 10:00am | A/A, Y/B rung 2023, Nestfeathers rung 2023 |
| November 03 Friday | General Meeting | North Rockhampton High School (NRHS) | 7:15pm | Table Show: Any Age, Young Birds and Nestfeather classes. FEATURE: #7 |
| November 26 Sunday | CHRISTMAS BREAK UP & Lawn Show??? | Venue: TBA, probably Gladstone. | 12:30 Lunch 1:45 Show | Any Age, Young Birds and Nestfeather classes.\ |
| November 26 Sunday | General Meeting | | 2:30pm | |
| School Hols 1/12 → 2024. Merry Christmas to all CBS Inc Members and Families. 2024 Rings available on December 15, 2023. | | | | |

Features for 2023:

1. Getting 'Bang for your Buck" with an Outcross. John Agnew
2. How to pair for features/feather/type. Ian Schneider
3. Breeding and showing Spangles and Dom Pieds. Rod Vidler
4. Show Preparation. Russell & Cheryl
5. Breeding to improve Recessive Varieties. Scott Eriksen
6. Feeding, supplementary foods. All members to share
7. Breeding and showing Sex-linked Varieties. Kev O'Callaghan
8. Question and Answer forum. All members
9. Members bring a handy hint. All members
10. Update on breeding season. All members
11. Bring a bird or 3 or 4, tweezers and steady hands

MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION / RENEWAL
2023

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Forward to: Capricornia Budgerigar Society Inc.

Secretary: P.O. Box 10165

Frenchville 4701

Surname: _____

Christian Name: _____ (all if
partnership)

Address: _____

Email: _____ **This is vital to
allow prompt delivery of information to all members.

Phone Number: _____ Mobile:

***I agree to keep my birds in a suitable environment and use appropriate
husbandry practices.***

My current exhibition status is
(Open, Intermediate, Beginner.)

Applicant's Signature.....

Proposer's Name.....Proposer's
Signature.....

Date.....

Please make cheques payable to: " Capricornia Budgerigar Society
Inc."

Membership Rates for 2022:

Senior: \$40.00

Partnership: \$40.00

Family: \$40.00

Memberships due by January 01 each year. Membership after June 30 will be \$20
for remainder of current year.

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