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The initial orders for 2021 canary rings [*if required for distribution at the specialist annual shows at the end of May*] should be finalised by the 1st March 2021. Clubs requiring an order form which must be completed, should contact the *Secretary, Ron Robertson, Email: CCBFA@aapt.net.au*

2021 SHOW & SALE DATES

Owing to the uncertainty of individual state regulations relating to Covid 19 and therefore the inability for member clubs to advise or confirm Show and Sale dates, publication of the associated Directory has been suspended.

Members and potential attendees are advised to check with the relevant club to confirm if a show or sale will be operational and what if any special rules will apply.







VAL STRONGE OBITUARY

We are sad to report that **Val Stronge** has passed away at 99 years of age [d:31st December 2020]. We as the CCBFA are indebted to her and her husband Bill, for the outstanding contribution to the CCBFA.

Bill bred Yorkshire Canaries and won accolades for his expertise. He was a past President of the Federation and was the 21st Guest of Honour in 1966. Val refused any recognition of her continued work after Bill died, was celebrated at the Federation Dinner in 2003. Val was solely missed after she resigned form her roles as Treasurer and secretary of the Feathered World and the Canary and Cage Bird Improvement Society.

Val was a really warm and caring lady who was a role model for honest and hard work. We know that she leaves us blessed to have known her.



DID YOU KNOW

A parrot's brilliant plumage has a special defense against damage because it's feathers contain antibacterial pigments.

Psittacofulvins, a bacteria-resistant pigment that only parrots are known to produce, gives the birds' feathers their red, yellow and green coloration. In a 2011 study in Biology Letters, researchers exposed different colors of feathers to a feather-damaging bacteria strain and found that the pigments helped protect the glorious plumage from degradation.



GENE MUTATION GIVES BUDGERIGARS THEIR COLOURS

What makes the common budgerigar yellow is an entirely different mechanism to what makes a canary yellow.

Why are budgerigars and other parrots so brightly coloured, with their hues of red to yellow? And why are there blue budgies? It isn't from the foods they eat. After more than a century of study, recent findings suggest the answers are found in one key evolutionary genetic change.

In findings published this week in the journal <u>Cell</u>,

scientists from California's Stanford University identified a gene in budgerigars that was uncharacterised and can synthesise unique yellow pigments.

They also found that blue budgies are the result of a single amino acid substitution in the same gene, indicating that all blue budgies derived from a single ancestor.

The study of animal colouration is important because visible indicators provide evidence of individual health, and are hence used by animals when selecting potential mates.

Thomas Cooke, one of the study's lead authors, says budgies are "a great system for studying parrot colours because artificial selection over the last 150 years has resulted in a large number of simple Mendelian genetic traits that affect colour".

Scientists knew parrots produce psittacofulvins, a type of red-to-yellow pigment not found in any other type of vertebrate. They also knew that some budgies were unable to produce yellow pigments, which turned the birds from yellow-and-green – their colour in the wild – to blue. But it wasn't clear which genes and biochemical pathways were involved.

Animals more commonly achieve colouration by consuming organic pigments such as carotenoids produced by plants, algae, bacteria and fungi in their diets. The orange of goldfish and the yellow of common canaries are typical examples of colours achieved by this mechanism.

A 1941 study by Ludwig Auber of the University of Edinburgh noted the interest in budgerigar studies: "This bird which is so easily bred and which, under selection, has developed a great number of varieties in two

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or three decades and practically from the beginning under scientific control, is an object of intense interest for the geneticists."

Now, more than 70 years later, the Stanford team, led by Carlos Bustamante, used genome-wide association mapping to identify a region containing the blue color mutation. The researchers then sequenced the DNA of 234 budgies, 105 of which were blue. They also sequenced 15 museum specimens from Australia.

Those studies pointed to a single mutated gene, dubbed MuPKS, encoding a little-known enzyme in the blue birds.

The researchers also compared feathers of green and yellow versus blue budgies. Those studies showed that MuPKS was highly expressed in birds of both color varieties, but it contained a single amino acid substitution in the blue ones.

To test their findings, the researchers cloned the MuPKS gene and inserted it into yeast to see if the yeast would begin producing yellow pigments. They did.

The researchers say it was a surprise to find that a mutation in MuPKS causes such a noticeable colour change, because similar genes are found in nearly all birds. The difference is that birds outside the parrot family, such as chickens and crows, don't express the enzyme in their feathers, so they aren't yellow.

"Presumably the gene has some function in non-parrots besides pigmentation, but we don't know what that might be," Cooke said.

Source: Jeff Glorfield @ https://cosmosmagazine.com



POOPING PIGEONS PROVE PROBLEMATIC FOR PROPERTIES WITH SOLAR PANELS

Pigeons are known for their ability to find their way home, but the numbers taking up residence underneath solar panels are causing a headache for property owners.

Ivan Cindric, who runs a company that cleans and pigeon-proofs solar panels across Brisbane, says the opportunistic birds are flocking to the suburbs to breed.

"Seven years ago we pigeon-proofed three properties over the course of a year and now we service two to six homes every single day," Mr Cindric told ABC Radio Brisbane. "That gap between the solar panels and the roof is a perfect habitat for them. They go in there, they build their nest and they're safe from any predators. Once they start building their nests, they won't stop because, as you can imagine, they're breeding."

Mr Cindric said pigeons were not the most house -proud tenants and the mess they left could attract mice and cockroaches.

"The amount of mess they make on the solar panels and on your roof is absolutely ... disgusting," he said. "Everyone has solar panels because they want to save



money, but you can imagine with all those pigeons pooping all over the panels blocking out the sun, they become quite inefficient. The poop doesn't stop, because they are a phenomenal pooping machines."

Whilst the mess from the birds can make the panels less efficient the birds' faeces can clog gutters and create an environment for plants to grow.

"We've been to many houses where literally the gutters were overflowing with pigeon poop," Mr Cindric said. "Pigeons themselves are also disease carriers — they carry a lot of lice."

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Pigeon nests can also attract mice and cockroaches.

Mr Cindric cautioned those looking for a DIY solution against climbing up on the roof with some chicken wire and a screwdriver.

"If you screw something into your panels you've actually voided the warranty," he said.

He also recommended using specially designed clips and mesh with large enough openings to prevent the panels from overheating.

"The hotter the panel gets, the less efficient they are," he said.

RSPCA spokesperson Michael Beatty said while there were a number of native pigeons, including the crested pigeon, the common grey pigeon was considered a pest.

"They are an introduced European species and legally they have to be put to sleep," Mr Beatty said.

"We can't put them back into the wild because they are taking resources from native birds."

Source: ABC Radio Brisbane



DID YOU KNOW

Mugger crocodiles have been recorded balancing twigs on their nose whilst pretending to be a log to tempt birds into collecting them to build their nests.

It is believed that this is the first known example of tool use in reptiles.



BLUE, GREEN, PINK AND YELLOW COCKATOOS IN SYDNEY'S EASTERN SUBURBS

Cockatoos that appear to have been painted blue, yellow, green and pink have been spotted in Sydney's eastern suburbs. Residents have reported seeing the abnormally coloured sulphurcrested cockatoos in parks, trees and backyards in Watsons Bay, Rose Bay and North Bondi.



Some of the birds are covered with a single colour, but others have a tie-dye appearance with multiple shades through their feathers.

North Bondi resident Kim Novick said she was startled when she saw a bright blue cockatoo among the flock she fed on her balcony each day and said the bird's colour did not seem to be the result of a natural condition. While the body of the bird was blue, the head remained white.

"I called my husband and said, 'my god, look at this'," she said. "The bird was not sticky, its feathers weren't glued or anything like that. It's bizarre, why would anyone want to do that?"

A spokesman for wildlife rescue organisation WIRES said a member of the public had reported seeing blue and yellow-coloured cockatoos flying in Rose Bay about a week ago.

A branch member, who went to inspect the birds, noticed that paint, powder or dye had been used to mark up a nearby road and pathway and while there has been no confirmation of a link, the spokesman said the roadmarking colours appeared to match those on the birds. However Woollahra Council said no council employees were responsible for the marks on the road.

The cockatoos were being monitored, the spokesman said, and the colours on their feathers were fading.

Taronga Zoo bird keepers said the colour of the cockatoos did not reflect a natural mutation and it appeared they had come into contact with a dye or other material.

"It is difficult to know whether this has been purposely done or whether it is the result of an accident," a spokeswoman said.

Source: Sydney Morning Herald

ABORIGINAL ASSOCIATIONS WITH BUDGERIGARS

There's no question the word budgerigar is derived from Aboriginal languages, albeit corrupted by clumsy colonial attempts to record it. Since the earliest inhabitants first set foot on Australian soil more than 50,000 years ago they have known the budgerigar.

As one of the creatures created by the spirits, the budgerigar ancestor also shines in the heavens of Aboriginal astronomy, and in Dreamtime telling has always been there, which, in a way, it has.

The oldest evidence of the budgie is a foot bone found in Rackham's Roost in the World Heritage-listed fossil ground of Riversleigh in north-western Queensland. It's estimated to be at least 1.1–2.8 million years old, considerably pre-dating anatomically modern humans.

Strongly associated with the getting of wisdom, the budgie is embedded in paintings, stories, songs and ceremonies of many different Aboriginal nations.

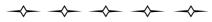
In the continent's harsh heart, the birds served as bellwethers, heralding rain and signposting food and water for nomadic



desert groups who closely observed their seasonal movements.

Budgerigars famously feature in the Tjukurrpa – The Dreaming – depicted in the art of the Warlpiri people whose country is centred in the Northern Territory's Tanami Desert. Here, the budgerigar is known as ngatijirri and is a recurring motif in the art of its custodians, expressed by both the footprints of the birds on the ground and cross-sectional views of the birds in flight. These artful expressions of country offer clues to the location of water and ceremonial sites. Young desert men are taught the ancient wisdom of the Budgerigar Dreaming path, learning key locations through songlines and sand drawings during initiation ceremonies. The birds often bear witness to key events of Aboriginal law.

Thrown onto the ashes of small fires and with all the feathers singed off, they also made good eating and provided valuable protein. The eggs and baby birds were considered delicacies right across the tribal groups whose territory they shared.



WILD BIRD BACTERIA WARNING

Infections caused by bacteria carried by wild birds has spiked in Victoria's Alpine region, prompting a health warning.

Twenty-four cases of psittacosis were reported to Victorian health authorities since 1st September last– the highest number of notifications for this time period in eight years. Ten of those cases were residents of the Alpine local government area, where wild birds are abundant, which is more cases than expected for that region. Many of them had indirect contact with wild birds through lawn mowing, gardening, or through outdoor maintenance.

Psittacosis is a rare type of lung infection (pneumonia) caused by a bacterium, Chlamydia psittaci. It's carried by wild birds in feathers, dander, secretions or droppings, which can be inhaled.

Deputy chief health officer, Annaliese van Diemen urged people in the Alpine region to avoid close contact with wild birds if possible. Symptoms including headaches, fever, chills, muscle pains and a dry cough develop one to two weeks after exposure.



SAUSAGE ADDICTED KOOKABURRA TOO FAT TO FLY

However it wasn't health worries that were the threat. The female kookaburra actually became so obese from barbecue handouts she could not fly when attacked by dogs in a Mosman park. In Sydney.

After weighing in at 540g, 40 per cent heavier than a typical adult bird, the kookaburra was sent to bird boot camp to shed weight, prompting a warning from Taronga Zoo that we are killing our wildlife with kindness.



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THE DRACULA PARROT IS INTIMIDATING

With the body of a parrot and the head of a vulture, the Dracula parrot is unnerving and beautiful all at once.

ALSO KNOWN as Pesquet's parrot or the vulturine parrot, the Dracula parrot is found only in the cloud forests in the foothills and lower mountains of New Guinea.

Like silk lining flashing from inside a weathered overcoat, its brilliant scarlet plumage contrasts perfectly with its dusty grey chest, back, and tail. These striking feathers have made it a target of local poaches, which, together with increasing habitat loss, has driven the species to dangerously low numbers.

The Dracula parrot is a large, heavy bird, stretching to almost half a metre from beak to tail and weighing in at almost a kilogram. It maintains all that bulk by feeding almost exclusively on figs, which researchers suspect is why it ended up with its strange semi-bald head.

Just as vultures lost the feathers on their head as an adaptation for feeding on bloody carcasses, it's thought that the Dracula parrot did the same in response to its diet of sticky fruits – the lack of feathers around its beak and eyes mean it's able to avoid turning its face into a matted mess.

It's such a perfect solution to the parrot's syrupy diet that Matt Cameron, an Australian parrot expert, asks, "If avoiding soiled and matted head feathers is a significant advantage to individuals, it is surprising that bald-headedness is not more widespread among the other fruiteating parrots."

The Dracula parrot is the sole member of the Psittrichasinae subfamily of Indian Ocean island parrots – a sign that it is unique even among its own kind. To give you an idea of just how unique it is, here's a quick rundown of the 'true parrot' families.

The true parrot superfamily Psittacoidea is divided into three families. There's the Psittacinae family of African parrots, which encompasses 11

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known species, one of the most famous of which is the grey parrot (*Psittacus erithacus*) from sub-Saharan Africa, Madagascar, and the Arabian Peninsula.

There's the Psittaculidae family of Asian and Australasian parrots and lovebirds, which has hundreds of members, including lorikeets, budgerigars and fig parrots.

Then there's the Psittrichasiidae family, which is split into two subfamilies: the vasa parrots (*Coracopsis*), endemic to Madagascar and other islands in the western Indian Ocean, and Psittrichasinae, where our Dracula parrot is placed alone.

The Dracula parrot doesn't just look like something you'd see sitting menacingly on the shoulder of a Disney villain – it sounds creepy too. Its call has been described as a "harsh and rasping growl," and a "drawn-out scream" when the bird is in flight.

You know it's a rough neighbourhood when you see a bird with an ankle monitor carrying a knife...



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BUDGERIGAR RARE & SPECIALIST EXHIBITORS OF AUSTRALASIA. Contact Warren Wilson Tel (02) 9747 6642 EMAIL: <u>warren@brasea.com</u> Web: <u>www.brasea.com</u>

BUDGERIGAR SOCIETY OF BUNDABERG INC Contact the secretary for details. Sec: Max Millar Tel (07) 4155 9101 EMAIL: yolmax@bigpond.com

BUDGERIGAR SOCIETY OF SOUTH AUSTRALIA INC. Meets monthly 1st Tue at 171 Sturt St. Adelaide at 8:00 pm . Sec: Susan Adams Tel. 0418 808 810 Email: adamsfamily100@bigpond.com

BUNBURY PIGEON RACING CLUB Pres. Keith Huckle T. 0439 957 639

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BUNDABERG BIRD BREEDERS CLUB INC. Meets 3rd Tuesday 7:30 pm at Family Centre Bundaberg. Treas: John Tadgell Tel (07) 4152 9637 E. tadgell1@bigpond.com

BUNDABERG CANARY AND CAGED BIRD SOCIETY INC Meets monthly last Monday 7:00 pm at Family Centre Bunderberg Showground Treas: John Tadgell Tel (07) 4152 9637 Email: tadgell1@bigpond.com

BURNETT BIRD KEEPERS ASSOCIATION INC. Pres. Barry Green Tel. 0437 751 266 Sec. Anne Munck Tel. 0436 933 310 EMAIL. burnettbirdkeepers@gmail.com

BUSSELTON PIGEON CLUB INC. Pres. Steve King T. 0417 935 786

EMAIL. steve.king@doral.com.au

CABOOLTURE BUDGERIGAR SOCIETY INC Meets 2nd Tue of month at 7:30 pm Caboolture Showground Dining Hall entry via Beerburrum Rd. **Sec**: Jackalyn Jansen **Tel** (07) 5497 4426

EMAIL: caboolturebudgerigarsociety@hotmail.com

CANARY AND CAGE BIRD FEDERATION OF AUST INC. Zoom meeting bi-monthly 1st Wed, Feb, Mar. May, July, Sept ,Nov, also when notified at Ashfield RSL Club 374 Liverpool Road Ashfield at 8pm . Sec: Ron Robertson Tel 02 9452 2396. EMAIL: Secretary@ccbfa.org.au Web: www.ccbfa.org.au

CANARY AND CAGE BIRD IMPROVEMENT SOCIETY Sec: Christine Gruntar Tel 0418 239 507 EMAIL: <u>clissy@ozemail.com.au</u>

CANBERRA BIRD CLUB INC. Pres. Mick Logan Tel. 0408 630 108 EMAIL: micklogan@iinet.net.au

CANBERRA FINCH CLUB INC. Meets last Tues in month at 7:30pm at Weston Creek Labor Club, Teesdale St, Weston Pres. Dr Bruce Goleby Tel. 0419 204 178 Email: bruce.goleby@gmail.com Web. canberrafinchclub.org.au

CAIRNS RACING PIGEON CLUB. Contact: Graham Quinn Tel. 0413 001 936 Aaron Harper Email: aaron@azstar.com.au

CAPRICORNIA BUDGERIGAR SOCIETY INC. Meets 1st Friday of month (Not Dec & Jan) Sec: Scott Eriksen Tel: 0419 776 837 EMAIL:scott.a.eriksen@nab.com.au WEB: www.capbuds.org CENTRAL COAST POULTRY INC Sec. Chris White Tel: 0481 460 183. EMAIL: chris.white@bigpond.com





CENTRAL WEST BIRD CLUB INC Meets bi-monthly 2nd Sun in month Sec: Natika Smith Tel 0420 425 833 EMAIL: natika_smith@live.com.au

CLARENCE RIVER DISTRICT CAGE BIRD CLUB INC Meets 2nd Monday 6:00pm Grafton Showground Prince Street. Sec: Lindi Watkins Tel 0414 277 379

COASTAL BUDGERIGAR SOCIETY INC. Sec: Catherine Charlesworth Tel 03 6423 6727 EMAIL: c.charlesworth@bigpond.com.au

COASTAL RACING PIGEON CLUB INC. Sec: John Wintle Tel (08) 9409 1293 EMAIL: wintlej@hotmail.com

COLOUR CANARY BREEDERS ASSOC OF VIC Meets 4th. Thursday of Month at Keon Park Community Hall Cnr Cheddar Rd & Dole Ave Reservoir Sec: Peter Coussias Tel 0437 301 122 EMAIL: colourcanaryclub@yahoo.com.au

COMBINED COUNCIL OF QUEENSLAND AVICULTURAL CLUBS. Sec. Neal Axelby Tel 0419 789 119 EMAIL: <u>naxelby3@optusnet.com.au</u>

CORAL COAST BIRD CLUB INC. Meets 3rd Sunday of month except December Sec: John Cameron Tel. 07 49 451 643 EMAIL: camo.50@bigpond.com

DANDENONG CANARY SOCIETY INC Meets monthly 4th Tue at Show Ground Poultry Pavilion Dandenong Pres: John Impey Tel 0457 739 512 EMAIL: birdsandmore@bigpond.com

DANDENONG FANCY PIGEON SOCIETY INC. Meets 4th Friday in month 7:30 pm, Poultry Pavilion Dandenong Show Grounds, via Bennet St. gate. Contact James Mandilas Tel: 03 9800 5777 EMAIL. enquiries@fancypigeon.org.au Web: www.fancypigeon.org.au

DOWNS BIRD BREEDERS ASSOCIATION INC. Meets monthly 2nd Friday 7:45pm at Education Centre, Baker St. Toowoomba . **Pres:** Richard Waters **Tel** (07) 4630 4483 **EMAIL**: birdie_is@hotmail.com **Web**: www.dbba.net

FANCY & UNILITY PIGEON SOCIETY

Sec: Richard Milner Tel 0439 831 760 EMAIL: mrpigeon@bigpond.net.au

FAR NORTH QUEENSLANDBIRD BREEDERS CLUB INC. Meets 2nd Sunday in month Sec: Margaret Clarke Tel 07 4095 3683 / 0407 542 501 EMAIL: bjbear27@bigpond.net.au

*FIFE FANCY CANARY CLUB OF VICTORIA INC Meets 3rd Wed in month 8pm at 64 Clyde St. Thornbury Sec. Lee Thornbury Tel 0427 181 044 EMAIL: ffccvicinc@gmail.com

FINCH SOCIETY OF AUSTRALIA INC. Meets 2nd Wed of month 7:30 pm at Prairiewood Youth Centre 194-222 Restwell Rd Prairiewood Sec. Brian Read Tel. 0408 660 332 Email: secretary@finchsociety.org WEB. www.finchsociety.org

FSA CANBERRA FINCH CLUB INC Contact. Daniel Gair Tel. 0407 959 316 Email: <u>d.gair@bigpond.com</u> Web. canberrafinchclub.org.au

FSA HAWKESBURY FINCH CLUB - Sec: Ron James Tel. 0415 878 162 Email: yarrajames@bigpond.com.au WEB: www.hawkesburyfinchclub.com

FSA HUNTER VALLEY FINCH CLUB INC. Sec: Tony Maher TEL. 0413 925 578 EMAIL: :tonywmaher1960@gmail.com Web: www.hunterfinches.websyte.com.au

FSA WOLLONGONG FINCH CLUB INC. Pres. Steve Porter Tel. 0423 624 200

FINCH SOCIETY OF WESTERN AUSTRALIA INC. Meets 4th Tuesday of month 209 Main St. Osborne Park 7:30 pm Sec. Connie Stevens Tel. 0422 131 784 EMAIL: fsa@live.com.au Pres. Matt Creemers EMAIL: m_creemers@hotmail.com

FLEURIEU BIRD CLUB INC. Meets 3rd Friday in month at 7:30 pm at Elizabeth House, 112 Elizabeth Road, Christie Downs, except May, Nov & Dec. Sec. Debbie Dart Tel 0439 568 974 EMAIL: pdreefdiver@hotmail.com FRASER COAST BIRD CLUB INC. Meets 3rd Sun of Mth2:00 pm CWA Hall Torquay Tce, Pialba Contact Paul Lougheed EMAIL. paul.bev@live.com.au

FRASER COAST BUDGERIGAR SOCIETY INC. Sec: Damon Morris EMAIL: mozza1718@gmail.com





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GEELONG CANARY IMPROVEMENT SOCIETY: Meets 1st Sun each month at 10:00am Geelong Showground 79 Breakwater Rd East Geelong Sec: Les Burke Tel (03) 5276 1416 EMAIL. stretch012@bigpond.com

GERALDTON RACING PIGEON CLUB INC. Pres. David Chapman Tel. 0419 907 415

GIPPSLAND CAGE BIRD SOCIETY INC. Meets 2nd Sunday in month & BBQ at members home Pres: David Ketchion Tel. 03 5635 4214 EMAIL: david.ketchion @gmail.com WEB: www.gippslandasa.org.au

GIPPSLAND CANARY CLUB INC Meets monthly 2nd Tue Ronald Reserve Hall Vary Street Morwell at 8 pm Sec: Mark Hall Tel (03) 5144 7348 EMAIL: rrrhall@iprimus.com.au

*GLOSTER CLUB OF VICTORIA INC Sec: Tony Cipriano Tel 03 9853 3428 EMAIL: tony.cip@hotmail.com

*GLOSTER FANCY CLUB OF NSW INC. Sec: Bob Barnes Tel 0401 886 536 EMAIL: christineandrobert@hotmail.com

GOLD COAST AVIARY BIRD ASSOCIATION INC. Meets 3rd Friday of month Min Pavilion Mudgeeraba Showground Gold Coast Pres: Lyn Carr Tel (0411 048 348

EMAIL: glkcarr@bigpond.com Web: www.goldcoastaviarybird.org.au

GREAT LAKES MANNING BIRD CLUB INC. Meets at a member's home.

Contact: Marj Squires Tel. 02 6557 5253 EMAIL: marbrisg @bigpond.com

GULGONG AND DISTRICT AVICULTURAL SOCIETY INC. Meets monthly last Sunday 2 pm Gulgong

Showground, Sec: Gary Phillips Tel (02) 6374 1348 EMAIL: wyndot12@gmail.com

GYMPIE CAGE BIRD CLUB INC Meets monthly 1st Sun 1.30pm at Club House Gympie Show Grounds Sec: Jenny Stolberg Tel (07) 5482 4545 EMAIL: jag@spiderweb.com.au

HAWKESBURY FINCH CLUB - Meets 4th Wed of month at Castlereagh Community Hall Castlereagh Sec: Ron James Tel. 0415 878 162 Email: yarrajames@bigpond.com.au WEB: www.hawkesburyfinchclub.com

HERVEY BAY BIRD CLUB INC. Meets last Sat in month at Neighborhood Centre, Charles St. Hervey Bay at 2:00pm Pres. Dave Kalbfell Tel. 07 4121 4605 M. 0447 231 801 EMAIL: themaintenanceman1@bigpond.com

HUNTER VALLEY FINCH CLUB INC. Meets 1st Frid in month (except January) at 7:30 at Maitland Park Bowling Club Sec: Tony Maher TEL. 0413 925 578

EMAIL: tonywmaher1960@gmail.com Web: www.hunterfinches.websyte.com.au

INDIAN GAME CLUB OF VICTORIA INC. Sec. Donna Moloney Tel. 0428 572 007 EMAIL: phoenix-111@hotmail.com

INVERELL BIRDKEEPERS CLUB INC. Meets 2nd Wed of month 7:00 pm at Club House Inverell Show Ground Sec: Trevor Woodham Tel (02) 6723 1388 EMAIL: btwoodham2@bigpond.com Web: www.inverellsocialbirdkeepersgroup.com.au

IPSWICH BUDGERIGAR SOCIETY INC Meets last Friday in month, 7:30 pm Bird Hall Ipswich Show Ground Sec: Brian Bohl Tel. (07) 5426 8760 EMAIL: brianbohl@iinet.net.au

IPSWICH CANARY SOCIETY INC. Sec. Brian Bohl Tel. 07 5426 8760 EMAIL: brianbohl@iinet.net.au

IPSWICH PIGEON SPECIALIST CLUB INC. Meets last Sunday in month at One Mile Hotel Ipswich Sec: John Wiseman Tel 07 5464 3784 EMAIL: john224@bigpond.com

KEMPSEY MACLEAY BIRD CLUB INC: Meets 3rd Sunday of month at Masonic Hall at 10:00 am Pres. Peter O'Dell Tel: 0429 923 541 EMAIL: lee58@live.com.au

LAKE MACQUARIE PIGEON CLUB INC. Sec: Paul Wade Tel. 02 4950 8904 EMAIL: pigeonboi@bigpond.com

LAKE MACQUARIE ZEBRA FINCH SOCIETY INC Meets bi-monthly (even) at a member's home Pres: Gilbert Bunn Tel (02) 4953 2482 EMAIL: gilbunn1@bigpond.com

LAUNCESTON CANARY & CAGE BIRD SOCIETY INC Meets monthly 2nd Tue at Summerdale Community Centre, Prospect . Pres. Neville McGee Tel. 0407 976 597 EMAIL: margaretmcgee1951@gmail.com







MACARTHUR AVIARY BIRD CLUB INC Meets 1st Tues. in month at 8:00 pm at the Catholic Church Hall, 58 Edgar Street Macquarie Fields Treas. Ben Doyle **Tel** (02) 9820 8746 **EMAIL**: macbirdclub@gmail.com

MACKAY CITY BUDGERIGAR SOCIETY INC. Sec. Doug Wales Tel 0409 592 742 EMAIL: <u>douglizwales@bigpond.com</u> Pres. Ross Garrett Tel. 0416 785 743

MANDURAH AVICULTURAL SOCIETY INC Meets 3rd Sunday of the month 2:00 pm Lions Hall Park Rd. Mandurah **Pres:** Robert Bland **Tel** 08 9535 3983

MANLY WARRINGAH AVICULTURAL SOCIETY INC Meets 3rd Thursday in month at 7:00 pm except June/July/Dec/Jan at Corner Allambie Road & Owen Stanley Ave. Allambie Heights Sec: Susan Heffernan Tel: 02 4973 4944 Email: sueheff@hotmail.com www.mwas.org.au

MALAY GAME CLUB OF AUSTRALIA INC. Sec. Ray Chapman Tel. 0488 996 671 EMAIL. malayclubaust@yahoo.com

MEDITERRANEAN POULTRY CLUB OF AUSTRALIA INC. Sec. Lynette O'Loghlin Tel. 03 5882 6345 EMAIL: ologhlin@ozsky.net

MELBOURNE BORDER FANCY CANRY CLUB. Treas. Frank Kemp Tel: 03 9363 2236 EMAIL: franciskemp@bigpond.com Sec. Don Carbone Tel. 0409 258 077 EMAIL: doncarbone4@gmail.com

MELBOURNE CANARY IMPROVEMENT SOCIETY INC Meets monthly 1st Tue at The New Church 426-434 High Street Rd. Mount Waverley **Sec:** Alan Carter **Tel** 0419 340 185 **EMAIL**: <u>melbcanary@bigpond.com</u> **Web:** www.melbournecanary.org.au

MELBOURNE PIGEON SOCIETY Treas: William Vost Tel 0417 990 010 EMAIL: homerbuild@bigpond.com

*MELBOURNE REGIONAL FIFE CANARY CLUB INC. Meets 3rd Mon in month at Community Hall 64 Clyde St Thornbury at 8:00 pm Sec: Tony Cipriano Tel 03 9853 3428 EMAIL: tony.cip@hotmail.com OR Sam Farrugia Tel. 03 9338 9591

METROPOLITAN BUDGERIGAR CLUB INC Meets 4th Saturday in month at 11:00 am at Bassendean Community Centre Sec: Christine Morgani Tel. 0407 779 503 EMAIL: morganich1@bigpond.com

MIDLAND & NORTHERN DISTRICTS CAGE BIRD SOCIETY Meets 1st Friday in month at Fosters Park Hall Cnr.Abernethy Rd & Kaene Street Cloverdale 6105 at 8:10 pm Sec: Gail Cruttenden Tel (08) 9447 9238 EMAIL: gailcrutt@gmail.com

MIDSTATE BUDGERIGAR CLUB INC Sec. Garry Pymont Tel. 0427 401 267 EMAIL: midstatebudgerigarclub@gmail.com

MIDWEST POULTRY CLUB INC Sec. Tina Miller Tel 0428 046 075 EMAIL: t_miller78@hotmail.com

MODENA CLUB OF QUEENSLAND INC. Sec: Warren Osborne Tel 07 3355 9921 EMAIL: oz1948@gmail.com

MORNINGTON PENINSULA AVICULTURAL SOCIETY INC. Meets 3rd Monday in month at Baptist Church Hall, Craigie Rd Mt Martha at 8:00 pm. **Sec** David White **Tel:** 0428 774 929 **EMAIL:** secretary@birdclub.org.au Web: birdclub.org.au

MUDGEE RACING PIGEON SOCIETY Contact John Palmer Tel 0428 723 072 EMAIL: 1954johnpalmer@gmail.com

NAMOI VALLEY AVICULTURE CLUB INC. Meets 2nd Frid of Mth 7:30 pm at Gunnedah Services & Bowling Club **Pres:** Steve Lane **Tel** 0447749971 **Email:** info@gunnedahbirdsale.com **Web:** gunnedahbirdsale.com

NATIONAL FINCH & SOFTBILL ASSOCIATION INC. For information contact: **Sec**. Richard Chilton **Tel** (08) 8254 6401 **EMAIL**: amalurus@adam.com.au

NATIVE COCKATIEL SOCIETY OF AUSTRALIA INC Meets 2nd Mon in month Pres. Patrick Waite Tel 0467 203 040 EMAIL: editor@cockatiel.org.au

NARRABRI & DISTRICT POULTRY CLUB Sec: Gary Shepherdson Tel (02) 6792 1783

NARROGIN POULTRY SOCIETY INC. Sec. Brodie Simmons Tel. 0439 529 210 EMAIL: narroginpoultry2@gmail.com



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NEPEAN DISTRICT CAGED BIRD CLUB: Sec: Howard Sumner Tel. 0400 547 714 EMAIL: <u>howchris@optusnet.com.au</u>

*NEW COLOUR CANARY (BORDER Type) CLUB OF AUST. Sec: Christine Gruntar Tel 0418 239 507 EMAIL: clissy@ozemail.com.au

NEWCASTLE BUDGERIGAR CLUB INC Meets 4th Friday in month at Maryland Conference Centre Sec: Tony Keogh Tel (0408 643 724 EMAIL: tonykeogh@bigpond.com

NEWCASTLE / MAITLAND CANARY & CAGE BIRD CLUB: Treas: Robert Vollmer Tel (02) 4932 6732 EMAIL: robert.vollmer@mitre10.com.au

NORTH EAST BUDGERIGAR SOCIETY OF SOUTH AUSTRALIA INC. Meets 2nd Wednesday of month at 7:30 pm at Kilburn Hall 49 LeHunte St. Sec: John Mulley Tel. 08 8331 0097 EMAIL: jmulley@bigpond.net.au Web. www.bcsa.com.au/nebs

NORTH WEST BIRD CLUB TASMANIA INC. Meets 2nd Friday of month at 7:30 pm Wynyard Showgrounds Jackson St. Wynyard **Sec**: Lorna Dicker Tel (03) 6442 1820 **EMAIL:** <u>lornadoone99@hotmail.com</u> **Web**: <u>www.northwestbirdclubtasmania.org.au</u>

NORTHERN AVICULTURAL SOCIETY (NEWCASTLE) INC Meets 2nd Friday in months of Mar, Apr, Jun. Sep. & Dec at 7.30pm at Shortland Wetlands Centre Sandgate Rd Shortland **Treas:** Garry Hainsworth **Tel** (02) 4963 3623 **EMAIL:** garyhainsworth@mmbs.com.au

NORTHERN TASMANIAN BUDGERIGAR SOCIETY INC. Meets 3rd Monday in month at Windmill Hill Hall Launceston Contact. Derek Poole Tel: 03 6391 2065 EMAIL: blair_poole@vision.net.au

NORTHERN NSW BUDGERIGAR BREEDERS ASSOC INC. Sec: Don Harper Tel (02) 6649 3209 Web: www.northernswbudgerigars.com

NORTHERN RIVERS AVICULTURAL SOCIETY INC Contact: Terrence Cheney Tel 0403 203 433 EMAIL: terrencecheney@hotmail.com

NORTHERN ZEBRA FINCH SOCIETY. Contact: Peter Trow Tel (02) 6732 5400 EMAIL: pktrow@bigpond.com.au

NORWICH AND CRESTED CANARY SOCIETY OF AUSTRALIA INC. Sec. Bob Barnes Tel. 0401 886 536 EMAIL: christineandrobert@hotmail.com

OAKLEIGH DISTRICT POULTRY SOCIETY INC. Contact Angus Macdonald Tel. '0413 660 717 EMAIL: gusmac08@hotmail.com

ORANA AVICULTURAL SOCIETY INC at Dubbo RSL Memorial Club, Brisbane St Dubbo 2nd Tue of Feb, May, Aug, Nov. **Sec**: lan Todhunter **Tel**: 0427 430 842 **EMAIL: toddy.3@hotmail.com**

ORANGE BIRD SOCIETY Meets 3rd Wed. of each month (Jan-Nov) at Orange Senior Citizens Centre Sec: Gisela Deasey Tel (02) 6368 7319 EMAIL: deaseygm@activ8.net.au AFFILIATED - NOT INSURED with CCBFA

PARROT SOCIETY OF AUSTRALIA (NSW) INC. Meets bi-monthly at 23 Melanie St. Hassle Grove at 8pm in Feb., April, June, Aug., Oct., Nov. Pres. Dean Bakerr Tel. 0411 578 996 EMAIL: waterfallaviaries@bigpond.com.au

PHOENIX INVITATION CLUB Sec. Michael Hooker Tel. 0447 028 004 Email: phoenixpigeonclub@cah.id.au

PLYMOUTH ROCK CLUB OF VICTORIA INC. Sec. Lachlan Macdonald Tel. 0403 708 810 EMAIL: <u>Macdonald.Poultry@hotmail.com</u>

PIED BUDGERIGAR SOCIETY OF AUSTRALASIA Meets 2nd Frid 8:00 pm at The Beverley Park Special Purpose School, 100 Beverley Rd. Campbelltown Sec. Ken Denmeade Tel. 0413 364 082 EMAIL: kmdenmeade@outlook.com

PIGEON RACING FEDERATIONOF WESTERN AUSTRALIA INC. Sec: John Wintle Tel. 08 9409 4296 Email: wintlej@hotmail.com Web: www.prfwa.org.au



PINE RIVERS BUDGERIGAR SOCIETY Meets 4th Mon of each month at 7:30 pm Pine Rivers ⁷ Showground **Sec:** Neal Axelby **Tel** 0419 789 119 **EMAIL**: naxelby@optusnet.com.au

PORT PIRIE BUDGERIGAR SOCIETY OF SA INC. Meeting details contact Sec: Peter Glassenbury Tel. 0409 288 710 EMAIL: pglassen@bigpond.com

QUEENSLAND AVICULTURAL & CANARY IMPROVEMENT SOCIETY INC Meets 1st Sat of alternate month 1:30pm, enquiries with Sec: Neal Axelby Tel (07) 5442 2454 EMAIL: <u>naxelby3@</u>optusnet.com.au

QUEENSLAND BIRD BREEDERS CLUB INC Meets 3rd Sun – Jan to Nov, Guide Hut Station Rd Longanlea. Treas: Marj Jensen Tel 07 3200 5836 Email: marjjensen@hotmail.com

QUEENSLAND COUNCIL OF BIRD SOCIETIES INC. Meets 3rd Mon 7:00pm Loganlea Guide Hall Station Rd **Sec**. Rpbyn Holmes **Tel:** 0419 266 674 **EMAIL**: qldcbs@gmail.com

QUEENSLAND NORTH AND CENTRAL ZONE BUDGERIGAR COUNCIL. Sec. Scott Eriksen Tel. 0419 776 837 EMAIL. Scott.a eriksen@nab.com.au

RARE BUDGERIGAR CLUB OF WA INC. Sec: Peter Wright Tel (08) 9458 9009 EMAIL: secretary@rarebudgerigarclub.org.au Web: <u>www.rarebudgerigarclub</u>.org.au

*RED FACTOR CANARY CLUB OF AUSTRALIA INC Meets 4th Mon in month at Rotary Community Centre 34 North Parade Campsie at 8pm Sec: Paul Inglis Tel (02) 9520 2574 EMAIL: ping2199pi@gmail.com

RED FACTOR & COLOURED CANARY CLUB QLD. INC. Meets 4th Sun in month 10:30 am Pres. Art Laudani Tel. 0404 201 102 **EMAIL**. <u>Art54@optusnet.com.au</u>

RIVERVALE HOMING CLUB INC. Sec. Charles Ellwood Tel. 0481 350 155 EMAIL: charlespigeon2@gmail.com

ROCKHAMPTON FINCH & PARROT SOCIAL CLUB INC. Meets 3rd Sun in month SEC: Fiona Forrest Tel. 0409 791 488 EMAIL. fifoney@gmail.com

*ROLLER CANARY SOCIETY OF SA INC Sec. Margaret Kuschel Tel: 08 8270 4183EMAIL:.mkuschel@dodo.com.au Web: <u>www.rollercanary</u>.com.au

RYDE DISTRICT CANARY & CAGE BIRD SOCIETY INC Sec: John Farr Tel (02) 9871 8023

SARINA BIRD CLUB INC Meets 2nd Tuesday in month at Poultry Pavillion, Sarina Showgrounds Sec: Donna Hall Tel: 07 4956 4673 EMAIL: Sarinabirdclub@gmail.com

SEYMOUR POULTRY CLUB Sec. Carolyn Kendall T. 0409 563 857 EMAIL: seymourpoultryclub@gmail.com

SHOALHAVEN AVICULTURAL SOCIETY INC Meets 2nd Tues. in month at 7:00pm South Nowra PCYC Pres: Ray Faulds **Tel** 02 4423 4475 **EMAIL:** poppypoodle@bigpond.com **Web**: <u>www.sas</u>.asn.au

SOUND PIGEON CLUB. Treas: Robyn Annice Tel: 0421 061 276 EMAIL: rdohara5@bigpond.net.au

SOUTH EAST QUEENSLAND ZEBRA FINCH SOCIETY INC: Meets 3rd Sun in month contact for details Sec: John Pettigrew Tel 0447 717 872 EMAIL: birds.john@yahoo.com SOUTH QUEENSLAND BUDGERIGAR BREEDERS ASSOCIATION INC

Tres: Heather Farren-Price Tel (07) EMAIL: treasurer@sqbba.com Web: sqbba.com

SOUTH QUEENSLAND BUDGERIGAR JUDGES ASSOCIATION INC Sec: Lynn Miller Tel (07) 3284 5601

SOUTH SYDNEY AVICULTURAL SOCIETY OF NSW: Meets 4th Tue in month at Kooloora Community Centre 167 Bilga Crescent. Malabar at 7:30 pm. Contact: Warren Wilson, Tel 02 9747 6642 EMAIL: warren@brasea.com Web: www.brasea.com

SOUTH WEST BUDGERIGAR CLUB (MANDURAH) INC Meets 3rd Sun. in month (except Feb., May & Dec.) at 11.30am Coodanup Community Centre Wanjeep Street Coodanup **Sec:** Jan McMahon **Tel** 0402 409 937 **EMAIL:** swbudgerigarclub@yahoo.com.au

SOUTH WESTERN NSW BUDGERIGAR SOCIETY INC Meets bi-monthly 4th Sun at 10:30 am at Bellina Hall Junee Sec: Wendy McGlynn Tel. 0427 424 374 EMAIL:wmcglynn@aussiebb

SOUTHERN TASMANIA CANARY SOCIETY INC

Sec: Glenn Durkin Tel (03) 6249 2226 EMAIL: gdurkin@bigpond.net.au

SUNSHINE COAST BUDGERIGAR ASSOCIATION INC Meets 3rd Tues of month at Buffalo Lodge Hall 20 – 22 Price Street Nambour **Pres:** Neale Love **Tel** (07) 5442 6726 **EMAIL:** rosemount1@bigpond.com



SURFERS PARADISE BUDGERIGAR SOCIETY INC Meets 2nd Wed of month at Mudgeeraba Show Ground **Sec:** Carolyn Shepherd **Tel** (07) 5530 4340

SWAN DISTRICT HOMING CLUB INC. Pres. Kevin McDowall Tel: 0418 905 866

TAMWORTH BUDGERIGAR SOCIETY INC Meets 2nd Wed in month 7.30pm Sec: Paul Hull Tel 0427 400 271 EMAIL: paul.hull@bigpond.com

TASMANIAN BUDGERIGAR SOCIETY INC Treas. Kenn Fulton Tel 0408 136 625 EMAIL: keebeeful@bigpond.com

THURINGOWA BIRD CLUB INC Meets 1st Sunday of month Sec: David Sampson Tel 0438 036 639 EMAIL: thuringowabirdclub@gmail.com

TOOWOOMBA BUDGERIGAR ASSOCIATION INC Sec: June McLeod Tel 0427 040 610 **EMAIL:** <u>tbabudgie@gmail.com</u> Meets 1st Sat of month at 2 pm at Centenary Heights High School Toowoomba **Web**: <u>www.toowoombabudgerigarassociation.org</u>

TOOWOOMBA CANARY CLUB INC Meets bi-monthly 2:00pm Sunday Pres: Rod Waddington EMAIL: trinrod@hotmail.com

TOWNSVILLE AND DISTRICT BUDGERIGARCLUB INC. Pre. Joanne Towler Tel. 07 4789 0271 Email. joannetowler@bigpond.com

TUGGERAH LAKES SPECIALIST CANARY SOCIETY: Meets 1st Sun. in month CWA Hall 1 Pacific St Long Jetty 10am Sec. Bede Irvine Tel. 0422 541 470 EMAIL: bedeirvine@bigpond.com

TWIN CITIES FANCY PIGEON CLUB Sec. Frank Hayes Tel 0418 371 933 EMAIL: mach@netspace.net.au

UNITED DISTRICTS RACING PIGEONCLUB INC Contact. Brian Brennan Tel 0437 485 749 EMAIL: brianbrennan8@bigpond.com

VICTORIAN CANARY SOCIETY INC Meets 3rd Thurs. in month at 8pm at Forest Hill Uniting Church, 333A Canterbury Road Forest Hill. Sec. Joseph Yardin Tel. 03 9801 4043 EMAIL: jyardin@bigpond.net.au

VICTORIAN LIZARD CANARY SOCIETY Sec. Terry Miles Tel. (03) 5940 2311 Email: terencemiles1@gmail.com

VICTORIAN NORWICH CANARY CLUB INC. Meets 3rd Mon each month Maltese Culture Centre Albion. Contact Aldo Iacono Tel 03 9370 0557 EMAIL: teegroz@hotmail

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THE CANARY & CAGE BIRD FEDERATION OF AUSTRALIA INC.

MINUTES OF THE ZOOM GENERAL MEETING HELD WEDNESDAY 3rd February 2021.

The President opened the meeting at 8:09pm welcoming the delegates, thanking them for their attendance, . and asked for a minute silence in memory of Val Stronge.

ATTENDANCE:

There were 13 delegates in attendance including, S Davis, R Robertson, B Barnes, J Forrest, B Goleby, T Hartung, C Gruntar, T Keogh, G Brandon, M Gallagher, B Kerr, J Tadgell, J Palmano.

APOLOGIES: F Attard, B Whiting, W Wilson, I Cindric.

MINUTES:

In-coming correspondence as follows:

- Marsh Advantage confirmation of cover of the public liability cover for listed affiliates for 2021, together with the invoice.
- Marsh Advantage, receipt of renewal terms for the Marine insurance for the period from 31 December 2020 to 31 December 2021.
- Ashfield RSL. Advising due to COVID they advise that they can only have bookings for more than 10 people for corporate events. CCBFA are classified as a social group, however will review the issue again prior to the 3rd March meeting, for the remaining of 2021
- Affiliated clubs. Notification of office bearers and 2021 proposed show, sale and auction dates from 80% of affiliates, some clubs requesting the notation of TBC as venue hirers are delaying giving approval until closer the date due to the unknown changes we have been experiencing with COVID safe guidelines.
- Affiliated, 2021 ring orders.
- Nomination from the Gloster Fancy Canary Club of NSW Inc. Nominating Bob Barnes for President at the AGM, for the 2021 year.
- Nomination from the Finch Society of Australia Inc. Nominating Sam Davis for President at the AGM, for the 2021 year.
- Victorian Avicultural Council Inc., request for affiliation not requiring the public liability insurance with completion of the Application and Privacy forms.
- President / Govt Liaison Officer. Sam Davis- ongoing communication, received in response to communication with Government States departments.

NEWSLETTERS / JOURNALS – Received from various clubs, with notification of club events for insurance:

- Animal Care Australia Volume 2 December 2020
- Macarthur Aviary Bird Club. Newsletter 2020 Volume 5
- PET Industry News. Vol 30-4 & Newsletters Nov, Dec'20. & Jan'21
- Central Coast Avicultural Society. Newsletter Nov / Dec'20.
- Shoalhaven Avicultural Society Inc. Bird Tales Jan'21
- Far North Queensland Bird Breeders Nov / Dec'20
- The Fleurieu Peninsula Cage Bird Society Inc. Jan'21 Newsletter.
- Hunter Valley Finch Club Inc. Hunter Finch Fancier Nov & Dec'20
- Gold Coast Aviary Birds News Jan / Feb'21
- Coral Coast Bird Club Inc. Newsletter Chitterings # 267 Nov'20 & #268 Jan'21
- The Avicultural Society of NSW Inc Vol. 42 6 Nov/Dec'20 & Vol.43 Jan/Feb'21
- Queensland Bird Breeders Club Inc. Issue #11 & 12,'20, #1 Jan'21
- FSA The Finch Breeders REVIEW Sept-Oct & Nov-Dec'20
- ANPA November Newsletter 2020
- Native Cockatiel Society of Australia Inc. February / March 2021 NCSA News

Out-going correspondence as follows:

- Change of Office Bearers and Privacy forms sent to affiliates as requested.
- Affiliate ring secretary's reminder notice or 2021 ring consolidation shipments.
- Affiliates, numerous emails and phone calls following up the payment for A & I and requesting their proposed sale, show and auction dates for 2021.
- Details of affiliation and insurance provided to those requesting information.

- Marsh Advantage submitting complete schedule of affiliate clubs requiring insurance for 2021 and negotiating term, invoice and CoC's.
- Invoicing all affiliates for affiliation and insurance for 2021, attaching covering letter detailing the policy
 requirement, together with a separate note requesting notification of their 2021 show, sales, auctions and
 convention dates. On receipt of payment forwarding thee electronic copy of their CoC..
- Feathered World subscribers to the hard copy invoiced for \$26.00 for the year.
- Ashfield RSL Requesting continued use of the ANZAC Room during 2021 advising dates.
- Victorian Avicultural Council Inc. Advising details of affiliation and insurance.
- President / Govt Liaison Officer. Sam Davis- ongoing communication with Government States departments

MATTERS ARISING OUT OF CORRESPONDENCE:

Moved B Goleby and seconded J Forrest that application for affiliation be accepted for :- Victorian Avicultural Council Inc. : – carried

It was moved by B Barnes and seconded by T Hartung that the correspondence be received and the secretary's action endorsed - Carried

TREASURERS REPORT

The accounts were submitted for endorsement. It was moved by B Kerr and seconded by B Barnes that the payments and the Treasurers actions be endorsed - Carried

REPORTS:

President Sam Davis presented reports on:

A new animal welfare act for Victoria.

In my role as VP of Animal Care Australia (ACA) I met with the CEO of RSPCA Victoria, Liz Walker on 17/12/20 to discuss the Directions paper. We discussed the recommendations in the ACA submission and in the CCBFA submission. Although there was general agreement, it was clear to ACA that RSPCA Vic is working closer to Animals Australia, the Animals Justice Party and other animal rights organisations than is the case in other states – which is a major concern.

ACA will continue to meet with Liz Walker ever 3 months or so. If Victorian clubs have any matters relevant to RSPCA Vic please let me know.

Submissions to the Victorian review of animal welfare legislation are now complete. Details of the Directions paper and Summary of proposals upon which the submission are based is here...

https://engage.vic.gov.au/new-animal-welfare-act-victoria

Animal Care Australia (ACA) submission is on their website...

www.animlacareaustralia.org.au

CCBFA submission to this process is here...

https://www.ccbfa.org.au/wp-content/uploads/2020/12/CCBFA-Vic-Directions-Paper-Submission.pdf

EPBC Act review - CITES amendments

Professor Graeme Samuel's Final Report of the Independent Review of the Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act 1999 (EPBC Act) was released last week.

The report in full can be viewed here...

https://epbcactreview.environment.gov.au/resources/final-report

We are still absorbing the full details of the review, as is government. Nevertheless, the most significant sections of relevance to aviculture are those dealing with wildlife trade, and in particular Australia's implementation of CITES. The following paragraph from the report's executive summary broadly supports advice provided within our CCBFA submission on simplifying the parrot import/export system under CITES...

The EPBC Act should be amended to reduce unnecessary prescription and administrative process around wildlife trade permitting. This adds additional costs for individuals, businesses and government, but provides no additional protection for endangered species. Other amendments – such as those enabling proportionate compliance and enforcement responses and reducing instances where wildlife permitting could be subject to abuse by applicants – will improve the effectiveness of these provisions.

NSW Native Animal Licensing Update.

I am looking into the online records system and the possibility of CCBFA recommending our members refuse to use the system as a protest against the lack of progress implementing the new licensing scheme. The online system is not a licensing requirement, rather the use of the old paper hardcopy records is what is required. Having said that, I will obtain legal advice to verify and report back to the next CCBFA meeting.

I continue to keep in contact with NPWS Director Richard Kingswood, who continues to assure us that the movement of most common species off licence will indeed occur. Sadly, he has been saying this for years now!

NSW Minister Puppy Farm Task Force – privacy issue – ACA central to solution.

Likely due to pressure from animal rights activists, Minister Adam Marshall provided funds for RSPCA NSW to employ extra inspectors to crack down on what he calls "Puppy Factories". ACA agreed, unfortunately the task force has taken an unfortunate turn. They are performing what they term "compliance audits" on all breeders, including hobbyists. These audits are unannounced and include a range of inappropriate standards relevant only to larger commercial operators, such as fire extinguishers, 1.8m boundary fences, pedantic record keeping, training, etc. ACA was asked to contribute with recommendations on how the task force should operate. We subsequently designed a suitable checklist and also uncovered a range of legal issues which we provided to the Minister's chief of staff at a meeting on November 24th 2020. One legal issue was that for hobbyists the current code did not apply and random audits would be illegal "witch hunts". Sadly this advice was ignored and the random audits of hobbyists is now occurring.

Although not directly of concern to bird keepers, the precedent is of grave concern. Hobbyists' homes should not be the subject of random inspections when there is no evidence of cruelty whatsoever. Such random inspections of parent/children without evidence of a problem are illegal, so surely the same should be true for animals. This is the major evolving issue for ACA at the current moment.

ACA have just received detailed legal advice from ACA's solicitors confirming the audits are illegal for hobbyists and ACA is in the process of contacting the Minister, Steve Coleman (CEO RSPCA NSW), Kim Filmer (Chief Animal Welfare Officer) and other stakeholders to put an immediate stop on further audits.

Motion: Moved M Gallagher and seconded J Palmano that CCBFA supports the efforts of ACA to ensure random audits of animal hobbyists cannot and does not occur.

COVID-19 Update.

Many club meetings are now recommencing in eastern states, albeit with COVID-19 safety plans and venue number restrictions in place.

CCBFA will continue to hold meetings via Zoom with the first in person meeting still intended for March 2021 at Ashfield RSL.

NSW Bird Sale Code of Practice Review.

We continue to receive feedback on our draft NSW bird sale code. There is really only one major concern - all wire cages – many for and many equally against – we hope to meet in the middle.

The draft code refers to all wire show cages in S4.7 allowing for them when specified as show cages. The current Parrot Breeders and Exhibitors Society of NSW essentially specifies Budgie show boxes for Neophemas and gives choice of all wire or slope front boxes for all larger parrots.

Perhaps we adjust/simplify the draft to permit all wire cages for Specialist canary sales and for parrot species larger than Neophemas?

Thanks to all who have responded. It is apparent that many clubs have not been able to meet and discuss the matter at this time. There is no rush for us to pass this code, particularly given ongoing COVID restrictions in NSW.

I propose we further extend the consultation to conclude with a vote at our July CCBFA meeting to enable further discussion at club level prior to final approval. The code still coming into force at the start of 2022.

It is critical all agree to abide by the same code if we are to act as one – this is THE way to stop overregulation by government.

The draft NSW bird sale code is on our website at the following link... https://www.ccbfa.org.au/wp-content/uploads/2020/11/CCBFA-NSW-Bird-Sales-and-Auctions-CoP-FIRST-DRAFT.pdf

The Secretary reported that as at the 3rd February, 5 clubs have not paid and 4 had folded. The secretary to allow outstanding clubs to pay by 28th February before advising the insurance company of cancellations.

Moved T Hartung and seconded by B Goleby that the reports be accepted and reporters thanked – Carried

GENERAL BUSINESS:

Notice of Motion to endorse and adopt the revised new constitution distributed to all affiliates. As tabled and read
in the 4thNovember 2020 minutes the motion was passed to update the constitution as recommended from the
CCBFA Management Committee. The applicable changes and the new draft constitution emailed to all affiliates.
Moved B Barnes seconded J Forest that the new Constitution be accepted and adopted :- carried.

- 2021 Ring Orders supplementary orders can be arranged for all species during 2021. The initial orders for 2021 rings for the first consolidation should be finalised by the 1stMarch 2021. Clubs requiring an order form to be completed, should contact the Secretary.
- Insurance cover for special events. The Secretary advise that the insurance Underwriters have advised that clubs will require an additional CoC to be issued for special events (other than normal club activities, shows and sales) noting the event name, period / date of the event, address and venue name. The club should also detail to the secretary the club's involvement at the event.
- Guest of Honour Dinner. The dinner coordinator J. Palmano, advised that J. Walker the President of the Wollongong club will inquire about the availability and setting with the Bulli Lookout restaurant, when COVID setting restrictions are lifted.
- Sydney Royal Show update. In the absence of I Cindric the President gave a brief report advising that entries close
 on the 10thFebruary, to date there were no Budgerigar or canary entries and very few finches. Although most entries
 usually come in during the last week, it is possible that COVID will play a part in the reduction of entries. The aviaries
 for the endangered species and the hand raised parrots will be for the duration of the show.

The President thanked the delegates for attending, as there was no further business the meeting closed at 9:37 p.m.

Notice of the next AGM and General Meeting

Wednesday 3rd March 2021 Meeting commence DST at 8:00 pm via ZOOM and subject to notice Ashfield R.S.L. Liverpool Rd. Ashfield



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