



HASTINGS BUDGERIGAR SOCIETY NEWSLETTER

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Hi Everyone,

Welcome to the Hastings Budgerigar Society Newsletter for August.

I hope your birds are fit and well and benefiting from the cooler conditions we seem to be experiencing.

I would like to wish everybody who is showing at our show this weekend the best of luck and hope you all have an enjoyable day.

As always, if anybody would like to contribute to the Newsletters, whether it be with an article of interest or an advert for birds or equipment, then please do not hesitate to contact me.

Gary

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OUR SHOW

As I am sure you are all aware our Open Show is on **Sunday 18th August 2019** at **Northiam Village Hall**.

I hope you have all entered as many birds as you can to help make the show a success. It would be good to have in excess of 450 birds entered this year.

Some members are meeting at 6.00pm on the evening before (Saturday 17th) to put up the staging and get everything ready. If anybody is able to come along and assist, even if only for an hour or so, your help would be very welcome.

The club would also like to thank, once again, all the people who have sponsored or donated to the show in whatever way, it is all very much appreciated and goes a long way to making it a successful day.

LAST MEETING

The last meeting was the judging competition. There were eighteen members present and we had sixteen birds brought along by various members. They were drawn from a hat in pairs and the members voted which they thought was the best bird, the winners then went back into the hat and were again drawn in pairs until we ended up with just two birds in the final. In the end, despite some very close voting during the process, it was unanimous that the Normal Violet Cock was the best bird on the night.

After the break two of our resident judges picked what they felt were the top 10 birds and explained the reasoning behind their choices.

This was a very interesting evening generating plenty of discussion and banter with a nice show of birds.

MEMBER'S ACHIEVEMENTS

Congratulations to the following members for their achievements at the first shows of the season:

LSCBS Specialist & Rares Show on Sunday 21st July

John Sopp: Best Any Age in Show, Best Champion Any Age and BOC for Lacewing.

Tony Jeffrey: 2nd Best Champion Any Age. BOC for Yellowface.

Tony Wilkinson: Best Intermediate Any Age.

Wendy Thorogood: 2nd Best Novice Young Bird, Best Novice Any Age.

Ipswich Silver Open Show on Sunday 28th July.

Nicola Bird: 2nd, 3rd, 4th & 7th Best Novice Any Age. Best Novice Young Bird. CC's for Dark Factor Blue and AOC.

Nicola has also achieved success at a number of shows across the Midlands in the last few weeks.

Southend and District Silver Open Show on Sunday 4th August.

Gavin Carter: Best Opp. Sex In Show, Best Opp. Sex Any Age. 4th & 6th Best Champion Any Age. 4th, 5th & 7th Best Champion Young Bird. CC's for Dark Factor Green, Dark Factor Blue, Grey Green, Grey, Opaline Blue and Yellowface.

Mathew Rebaudo: 6th Best Champion Young Bird.

Tony Jeffrey: CC's for Recessive Pied and Team.

Neil Wheatley: Best Intermediate Any Age, CC for Skyblue.

Gary Simpson: 2nd, 5th, 6th & 7th Best Novice Any Age, 7th Best Novice Young Bird.

South Hampshire Gold Open Show on Sunday 11th August.

Gavin Carter: 5th & 7th Best Champion Young Bird. Young Bird Challenge Certificate for Grey Green and Double Factor Spangle.

HASTINGS BS MOVES INTO THE 21ST CENTURY!

The club now has its own email address and Paypal account.

All email correspondence will now be from this email address:

info@hastingsbudgerigarsociety.org so please add this to your address book so that your newsletters do not end up in your junk folder! This email will also be used for our Paypal account, so in future members can pay subs or entries via this method if they wish.

NEXT MEETING

Due to the show we will not have a meeting in August so our next meeting is on **Monday 30th September 2019** commencing at **7.30pm**.

This meeting will be a Bird Sales Evening. **All birds to be for sale at £20 each.**

Only **one** bird per show cage.

No seed or millet in cages.

Members are asked to bring and stage their birds for sale by 7.30pm. There will be a 30 minute viewing period, no birds to be sold in this time.

Birds will be available for purchase after the viewing time. It is up to the seller to look after the sale of his birds. In the event of multi-interest in a bird, to avoid conflict, a draw of members interested may take place if necessary, this will be conducted by the Chairman.

Members to bring own cages for purchases but must leave them in their car until after 8pm.

No exchange or sale of birds to take place in the car park.

Please label your birds for sale with your name and any information that is relevant to the bird i.e. date of birth, bloodline.

If anybody would like to contribute to the Newsletters, then please contact: **Gary Simpson on 01424 882951** or email: info@hastingsbudgerigarsociety.org. All submissions to be in by 12th of the month.