



The Show Budgie

For Show Budgie Breeders and Exhibitors

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Editorial

On 19 October the JSBS will be 3 years old. In the 3 years the club has:

grown by 386%
designed and built mini show staging
designed and printed club certificates
designed and developed a web page
built up a healthy bank balance
hosted 2 successful Additional Shows

all this being due to active members who come up with new ideas which keeps the hobby interesting. Happy Birthday.

by John Nel

Front Cover:
Normal Grey
Jorge de Pina

New Committee for 2002

by John Nel

At the JSBS AGM held on 29 October a new committee was elected. The committee elected was:



Chairman Neville Greyling



Vice Chairman Sam Rosslee



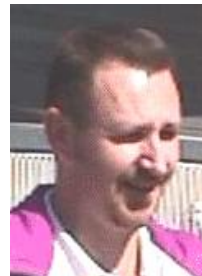
Secretary Kobus Hechter



Treasurer Pieter van der Linde



Show Secretary John Nel



Additional Member Ian Nel



Additional Member Mike Davies

Colours for Beginners

Dominant varieties

This simply means that when paired to Normals they can produce youngsters the same as themselves. They cannot be split, in other words, they cannot have a gene for the variety. If they are not visual, they cannot pass it on. The following list is of the varieties that are Dominant.

Dominant Pieds

Spangles

Yellow faces

Right: The Jorge de Pina aviary

Tip of the Month

Purchasing Birds

If you have always dealt with a reputable breeder, it is best you stay with them, or if you are after a related outcross, enquire who else may have purchased birds off of him. He may act as a go between if necessary to advise you who to approach.



JSBS turns 3 on 19 October
Congratulations

Honorary Life Member by John Nel

At the annual general meeting Japie Smit became the first honorary life member of the Jacaranda Show Budgie Society. This was an unanimous decision by all members. Oom Japie has provided years of service to the hobby serving many years on the BSSA. He has also been involved in establishing various clubs with the Jacaranda Show Budgie Society and the Spangle Club of South Africa being his latest ventures. Oom Japie we wish you all the best for the years to come and wish you every success with any new ventures you tackle. Congratulations.



Mini Show points so far

by John Nel

With the last mini show coming up on the 27th October the points are as follows:

Champions

Mike Davies.....	6
Molkentin Stud.....	6

Intermediate

Nel Brothers Stud.....	23
Corrie van Staden.....	17
Pieter van der Linde.....	12

Beginners

Kobus Hechter.....	20
Jacobs & Uys.....	9
Kevin Weinmann.....	8
Gert Pieters.....	2
Neville Greyling.....	2
Giel Calitz.....	1

The above are only the club members who have gained points at mini shows.



The newest member of the club, Wim Vrey.

Terry Tuxford's top ten breeding season pointers

1. Pair up progressively as the birds approach breeding fitness.
2. If experienced pairs produce clear eggs, this will almost certainly be repeated in the second round.
3. If possible use pairs that produce clear eggs as foster parents. Allowing the successful pair to lay again
4. Try to avoid pairing two first year birds together.
5. Many hens will lay 8 to 10 eggs. Seldom do all of these hatch if left with the hen. Foster the remaining full eggs after number 4 has been laid.
6. Balance the size of nests to an average of four youngsters.
7. If there are chicks in the nest box when the second round starts to be laid, foster these eggs. (ed. or the chicks.)
8. Supplemental feeding is essential but care should be taken to follow the manufacturers recommended quantities.
9. Make sure that the chicks are fully weaned before removing them from their parents and into a nursery cage.
10. Taking just two rounds from a pair is a misnomer, if they are producing successfully in terms of both numbers and quality, and the chicks are healthy then nature will regulate the number of rounds possible.

Pedigree and Appearance

When contemplating a mating, what emphasis should I place on these? I regard both as important taken together! That said, I am convinced that, provided I am pairing within compatible bloodlines, I should then give very serious study to what is before me. I must remember that come next show season the judge will not be looking for a pedigree pinned on the show cage. No, he will expect to see pedigree on the perch. Let's take a practical example.

I am standing in the flight mulling over a pair of birds, as I do frequently through the season. Here is a Grey Green cock, twice best champion breeder. A bold masculine bird with thickness through the shoulders on to the skull and with a nice "draw" through the perch. He has come from a mating that produced a high, even quality over nine chicks from two rounds. Very pleasing results!

*I can see the visual quality before me but
what I wonder
is whether they are carrying this recessively*

convincing me, yet again, that I won't breed these nice brow hens from plain-headed cocks.

I think that I should double up on the previous year's high quality by putting this niece back to her uncle, which is a more direct cross than pairing cousins.

What other thoughts do I have? I can see the visual quality before me but what, I wonder, may they be carrying recessively? I look at the parents; I visualise the grandparents.

Again, individually and as a pair, what characteristics do they carry and combine that are typical of the family, and perhaps of the stock from which their forebears were derived? I look too, at feather type, for this feature I regard as most important in determining both visual quality and potential in the breeding pen. This is my pairing, but whether my hopes will be realised only time will tell. Perhaps a mating of less spectacular birds within the same family will be the one that produces the quality young, much better than themselves because the complexity of heredity being what it is, like has not produced like.



Top: Swings provided in the flights for the birds.

The Jacobs & Uys Aviary (Top Left) and the flight (left)



Top L - R: Corrie van Staden, Billy Jacobs and Mariette Uys at the AGM

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