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Best Opposite Sex on Show – Eastern Cape 2014 – Deon Davie

Message from the Chairman



Dear JSBS Member

We are at the end of another year and once more we look back and wonder how it went by so quickly.

We had the Gauteng Show and as per usual we did an exceptional job at hosting. To each committee member I would like to convey my gratitude for your work through the year as well as to all our club members who supported us in our shows.

I am pleased that whatever was undertaken ended in us rising to the challenge.

The only criticism I have is that as a Club we were not active in bringing our club members together with mini shows and aviary visits. I hope that this can be rectified in the New Year ahead.

I wish each and every one a glorious year ahead and may your breeding and show season be blessed.

Thank you
Ian Nel



Club Membership

The club once again took a knock when four long standing members decided to break away and create their own club together with other BSSA members in their area. Their resignations were received from October 2013 onwards.

During the 2012/13 season there was also a breakaway of five members who created a new club.

Although these losses had an impact on the number of members at JSBS the original losses were quickly recovered by new members who joined the club.

The club membership has dropped from 21 to 17 and with the loss of Coen Pieters who sadly passed away the total membership now stands at 16.

The club membership is currently at an all time low.

If we look at the January number of members over the past couple of years these look as follows:

- 2003 – 29 Members
- 2004 – 31 Members
- 2005 – 37 Members
- 2006 – 36 Members
- 2007 – 29 Members
- 2008 – 26 Members
- 2009 – 28 Members
- 2010 – 29 members
- 2011 – 31 Members
- 2012 – 19 Members
- 2013 – 21 Members
- 2014 – 16 Members

In 2012 the drop in club members is mainly due to a number of members who did not continue in the hobby as well as a large number who joined a new club that was created in Gauteng.

In 2014 the drop can be attributed to the loss of members to yet another club created in Gauteng.

In total since the JSBS was established on 19 October 1998 a total of 119 members have joined the club.

A large proportion of these members are still in the hobby and have joined other clubs as their needs changed. If one looked at the 2013 SA National Show in Bloemfontein a quick count would have revealed around 50 JSBS and ex-JSBS members in attendance.

So as long as we (JSBS) keep providing members who stay in the hobby I think we are doing well.

Let's see what our membership looks like the beginning of 2015. I am sure the number will be well up.



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Secret Number 1

Culling is a procedure that is easy for some, hard for others and impossible for many fanciers.

Each fancier must identify the goals for his aviary that he wishes to achieve before he knows which birds he needs to save and which he needs to eliminate or cull. These goals will help him/her to decide what type of new blood he needs to introduce into the breeding program for improvement.

This is aimed at the performance minded fancier who is looking to improve the quality of his show birds and breeding stock each year in order to become more competitive and consistent in both show results and the quality of young birds that he/she breeds.

Below are a few goals a fancier may select for him/herself and the birds. This is a small list, but may serve as a general idea of what he/she may want to achieve and improve upon each year.

1. Be competitive in young bird section in my status at shows by having a 60% first place win ratio.
2. Be competitive in any age section in my status at shows by having a 50% first place win ratio.
3. Be competitive in your status section at shows by achieving one Best "Status" on Show in the show season.
4. Be competitive in major sections at shows by achieving two challenge certificates in the show season.
5. Be competitive at shows in your area as well as out of your show area.
6. Be able to breed birds to sell which have potential to produce show winners.

As you can see there are many goals one can set for your aviary. If you are a serious fancier, you must identify and focus on your goals and select and cull accordingly.

To improve the quality of your show and breeding bird's accurate record keeping is essential. You will need to refer to the ring numbers for evaluation of birds when you need to save or cull your birds

When sorting out your show budgies forget all about names, pedigrees, strains, lines, cost, etc. There are two kinds of show budgies: GOOD ONES AND BAD ONES.

"Bad" show budgies cost us more money than "Good" show budgies! We spend a lot of money on seed, soft food, medicine and show preparation; as well as time on poor birds only to be paid back with disappointment and heavy financial loss.

Only birds that have shown potential should be kept for future showing or breeding. Therefore, forget about giving a pair "one more chance", and finding an excuse for that "special cock or that expensive hen."

Secret number one "Cull Them."



Jacaranda Show Bird Club

The JSBC was launched and has been approved at NRCBA and SANCBA. The club is for everyone interested in Show Birds of any variety.

The JSBC will serve the greater Pretoria. As stated in the previous The Show Budgie the club is affiliated to the Northern Region Cage Bird Association (NRCBA) and in turn affiliated to the South African National Cage Bird Association (SANCBA).

The first show will take place on 22 February 2014. This is the SANCBA approved Summer Provincial Show and will take place at the Safari Garden Centre. Birds at this show will be aviary birds, parrots and budgies. All club members of JSBS and JSBC are asked to support the show.

Club Fee

The JSBC club fee is R150 for a year. This fee includes the affiliation fee for NRCBA as well as SANCBA. There is an optional fee of R70 for the SANCBA Blue Book. This is the Constitution and Rules of the Association.

Ring Price

The ring prices could vary depending on the supplier selected. Currently the price is R2.50 each with a minimum of 20 rings. This excludes postage which currently stands at R30.

Website

The JSBC website has been launched and can be accessed by going to jsbc.zymichost.com

Membership Application

Membership can be applied for on-line at the site. Once the membership form has been submitted your proof of payment must be emailed through.

Ring Orders

Ring can be ordered on-line from the site. Once rings are ordered your proof of payment must be emailed within two days to the Secretary. This will ensure that rings are ordered quickly and that no delays are experienced. Note that rings will have the JSBC code followed by the number and year. No personalised rings will be made available. The numbers issued to you will be registered in your name and placed on the website for reference.

jsbc.zymichost.com

Skype into Meetings

In November 2013 Koos du Preez Skyped into the JSBS meeting which was held at the Nel Brothers.

He remained connected with no interruptions or any issues what so ever for nearly two hours. He could hear the meeting and the meeting could hear him. The only down side was that he could not taste the eats at the meeting.

In future the option of members who stay far away will be looked into if there is a viable connection where the meeting is being held. This will be communicated to members when the reminder is sent out before the meeting.

In the picture we have Gert Pieters on the left with Bill Stanley in the middle and then Mike Davies. Koos du Preez can be seen on the screen.

Koos indicated afterwards that he had no issues using technology to attend the meeting and that he would certainly do so in the future. He could take part in the meeting as if he was present.

Members who would like to join via Skype going forward are asked to please email the secretary as soon as possible so we are aware that you would like to join the meeting in the future. Details of the connection will be shared with you in the New Year.



In Memoriam

Coen Pieters (P14), 74, passed away late 2013. Although Coen was not a long standing member of the club he was passionate about the birds.

Our thoughts and prayers go out to Coen's family and friends.



Birthday Wishes

19th February **Andries van Wyk**

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Membership Fees:

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Spouse – Free

New membership Affiliation Fee (Once off)

Adult – R275.00

Junior – Free

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Want to contribute to the monthly news!

Drop me an email with your contribution and I will look into placing your article in the Show Budgie.

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