# The Show Budgie

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Best Bird on Show – 2014 Summer Show – Nel Brothers Stud

# 2014 Highlights so far

With 2014 starting with a bang we already have two events to comment on.

Firstly on 15 February the Budgies & Brunch event was very successfully hosted by the Gauteng Budgie Club. With the auction bringing in around R33,000 a profit of over R15,000 was realized. These profits will be used to run the Gauteng Provincial in 2014. Good luck GBC.

On 22 February the SANCBA approved Summer Show was hosted by the Jacaranda Show Budgie Society and the Indaba Nyoni Club. Around 300 birds were benched on the day. Although the judging was slightly delayed on the non Show Budgie side the show was a great success.

What can we look forward to in the coming month! The Free State Rare & Spangle show takes place on 8 March in Welkom. All those breeders of the Rare Variety as well as those with various Spangle Varieties are asked to please enter birds. There will be a report in the next magazine.

With the weather finally starting to cool down those breeders in the North of Pretoria are expecting breeding results to improve. Complaints have been received from most breeders on the Northern side of Pretoria with the numbers reported being very low. Complains have come from different breeders breeding all type of birds and the bad start to the season is not only confined to one specie.

Enjoy the month ahead. •

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# The Probiotic "Health Dividend" (Part 1b) by John Vance

If we were to cut out a section of the intestinal lining from one of our birds and lay it flat under a microscope, we would find that it is not a smooth surface. Rather, the intestinal lining would appear to be covered with mountains and valleys and the whole surface would appear to be heavily forested. The folds (mountains) increase the surface area of the intestinal lining by about 100% and the trees (forest canopy) increase the surface area by 1000% percent. Yes, that is right 1000%.

The trees of the forest are called "villi" which are long columns of specialized tissues, extending up from the mountains and valleys of the intestinal lining, much like bristles on a hair brush. These specialized tissues serve many functions in the health and well being of our birds including nutrient absorption, pathogen identification and repulsion of pathogenic invasions.

Along the surface of the villi are specialised cell tissues which identify pathogens and send warning signals to the immune system when the presence of pathogenic invaders is detected. Another type of specialised cell tissue called "goblets" eludes secretions containing antibodies and immunoglobulin's which inhibit pathogens from penetrating the epithelial lining of the digestive tract.

This whole system of epithelial cells, villi, specialized tissues and secretions is called the "mucosal barrier". This barrier is the first line of defense against pathogens, by the intestinal lining. It is above the mucosal barrier that the so called "good" and "bad" bacteria grow and live. When these bacterial populations are in natural balance, they protect the "mucosal barrier" and aid in nutrient breakdown and absorption. These bacteria also produce certain organic acids, hydrogen peroxides, bacteriocins and other byproducts that are antagonistic to pathogenic growth. Anything that disturbs the proper balance and distribution of the so called "good" and "bad" bacteria also disturbs the natural protection that these bacteria provide to the mucosal barrier.

When all defenses are working properly, 98% of all pathogenic invaders are neutralized and flushed out of the digestive tract without having penetrated the intestinal lining. However, when all defenses are not working properly, a pathogenic population may be successful in expanding its presence, displacing the "good bacteria" protective coating, overcome the mucosal barrier defenses and damage the epithelial cells that line the digestive tract. To be continued •

# 2014 Summer Show

The Jacaranda Show Budgie Society together with the Indaba Nyoni Club hosted the SANCBA approved Summer Show at the Safari Garden Centre on 22 February. The turnout was fare all round with around 300 birds being benched on the day. All bird species excluding Canaries were shown on the day. Mike Davies was the judge on the day. There were unfortunately no Intermediate birds entered on the day.

The results of the Show Budgie winners were as follows:

- Best Bird on Show Nel Brothers Stud
- Best Opposite Sex on Show Bill Stanley
- Best Any Age on Show Nel Brothers Stud
- Best Young Bird on Show Nel Brothers Stud
- Best Champion on Show Nel Brothers Stud
- Best Novice on Show Bill Stanley

The Jacaranda Show Budgie Society as well as the Jacaranda Show Bird Club exhibited birds on the day.



Best Opposite Sex on Show and Best Novice on Show Bill Stanley



Above

The judge on the day was Mike Davies.

# Budgie & Brunch

On 15 February 2014 a Budgie & Brunch event was arranged and hosted by the Gauteng Budgie Club. Members could provide birds with a reserve price with all monies over the reserve being kept by the club and put towards the Gauteng Provincial. Bidding was open nationally. Over 50 birds were put up for auction and these can be seen on the BSSA website <a href="www.showbudgies.co.za">www.showbudgies.co.za</a> together with reserve and price paid for those that were sold. The results all round were impressive.

- 51 People attended
- 37 Birds were sold
- 116 Tenders were received from across the country
- Bird 9 received the most tenders with 30
- Bird 16 was sold for the highest amount namely R3100
- The Average selling price was R876
- Total Reserve was R16,750
- Total Sales was R32,442
- Total raised on the day R15,692

A discussion was held with Reinhard Molkentin and Koos Venter. Many questions were raised on the day. All present are looking forward to the next event planned for August 2014.



Above: Most of the members on the day.

Below: Anelda and Rob seated left bottom with members after the auction results.





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