



**AUSTRALIAN NATIONAL BUDGERIGAR COUNCIL Inc.**

**2013 ANNUAL MEETING  
MINUTES**

**Empire Theatre**

**Toowoomba, Queensland**

**Monday  
17<sup>th</sup> June 2013**

**SPONSORS:**

**Golden Cob  
Elenbee Bird Supplies  
Chapman Rings  
Crested Budgerigar Club of Australia**

**ITEM 1- ROLL CALL OF MEMBER BODIES AND INTRODUCTION OF DELEGATES**

**Member Bodies, Office Bearers and Sub-committees were represented as follows:**

New South Wales (B.S.N.S.W. Inc.)	Bruce Bradford and Jean Painter
Victoria (B.C.V. Inc.)	Rod Turnbull and Alan Baxter
South Australia (B.C.S.A. Inc.)	Peter Glassenbury and Nigel Tonkin
South Queensland (S.Q.B.B.A Inc.)	Bill Sedgewick and Dave Ganzer
North Queensland (Qld Nth & Central)	Graham Ward
Tasmania (B.C.T. inc.)	Roy Blair and Dean Barber
Western Australia (B.C.W.A. Inc)	Fran and John McLauchlan
A.N.B.C. President	Neale Love
Colour and Standards Coordinator	Peter Glassenbury
National Judges' Coordinator	Alistair Home
Working Group Coordinator	Alistair Home
ANBC Secretary/Treasurer	Jim Fletcher

**ITEM 2 - APOLOGIES**

There were no apologies received for the meeting.

**ITEM 3 – OPENING OF MEETING BY ANBC PRESIDENT, NEALE LOVE**

The President, Neale Love, opened the meeting at 8.30 a.m. and welcomed delegates.

**ITEM 4 – PRESIDENT’S REPORT**

Council President, Neale Love presented and tabled his report. See attachment 1

**Motion Moved:** Nigel Tonkin, Seconded: Dave Ganzer

That ‘the President’s report be received and a vote of thanks be extended to Neale Love—**carried unanimously.**

**ITEM 5 – SECRETARY’S REPORT**

Council Secretary/Treasurer, Jim Fletcher presented and tabled his report.

**See attachment 2**

**Motion Moved:** Dave Ganzer, Seconded by Alan Baxter

That the Secretary’s report as tabled be received” – **Carried unanimously.**

**ITEM 6 – FIXING TIMES FOR MEETING**

It was resolved that morning tea would be taken at 10.00 a.m. and lunch at 12 noon

**ITEM 7 – ELECTION OF OFFICE BEARERS FOR 2012/13**

7a **ANBC President**

**Motion from BCSA, Seconded by BCT**

That Nigel Tonkin is nominated for the position of ANBC President for the period 2013/14 **Carried unanimously.**

**7b ANBC Secretary****Motion from B.S.N.S.W Seconded B.C.V**

That Jim Fletcher is nominated for the position of ANBC Secretary for the period 2013/14 - **Carried unanimously.**

**7c ANBC Committee**

The President elect and Secretary elect are automatic under the constitution. The third member is to be elected IAW Clause 3 (d) of the Constitution .

**7d Motion from SQBBA, Seconded by BCSA**

That Neale Love is nominated as the third member (Vice President) of the ANBC Committee for the period 2013/14 - **Carried unanimously.**

**7e Public Officer****Motion from B.S.N.S.W, Seconded by BCV**

That David Butters is nominated for the position of Public Officer of the ANBC for the period 2013/14. - **Carried unanimously.**

**7f Historian****Motion from B.C.V, Seconded by SQBBA**

That Leigh Downey is nominated for the position of ANBC Historian for the period 2013/14. – **Carried unanimously.**

**7g Web Master****Motion from B.C.V, Seconded by BCSA**

That Steve Campbell is nominated for the position of ANBC Web-master for the period 2013/14 - **Carried unanimously.**

**ITEM 8 – MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING**

Minutes of the 2012 meeting were circulated with the agenda. The Chairperson asked if Delegates had read these and were agreeable to proceed.

**Motion Moved by WABC, Seconded by BCT,**

That the minutes of the 2012 meeting, as circulated are a true and accurate record of that meeting – **Carried unanimously.**

## ITEM 9 – BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING

The following matters of Business Arising, were discussed:

- 9a Term Deposit** – \$20,000 had been rolled over matured 10 June 2013 int. 4.9% resulting in a return of \$980 due on above date. The \$20,000 has now been re-invested for a further six months at 4.1%, matures 10 December 2013.
- 9b Gap Year post trial** – This decision proved to be very unpopular and was eventually overturned in a postal ballot, resulting in following:
- i. that the current ruling that each team shall consist of a maximum of 3 birds per class, 2 for exhibition 1 reserve, for 2015, be rescinded, and replaced with a resolution in two parts:
  - ii. Part One: that Council confirms the principle that all birds entered in the National Championship Show will be benched for judging (unless prevented by illness or injury).
  - iii. Part Two: that in 2015 W.A. will host a Gap Year A.N.B.C. Show in one of the formats trialed, between 2011-14. The format will be determined at, or immediately after, the ANBC meeting following the 2014 Show.
- 9c REVISED Provisional Schedule 2013-2014** was distributed to all zone reps. In July 2012 to cover the change to the Yellow Face classes, this schedule has also been uploaded to the Webpage (show format and general rules page).
- 9d Ring Levy** has been increased by one cent per ring, collection starts with 2014 ring issue, levy is now five cents per ring.
- 9e Colour & Standards Matters**  
 The untimely death of C&S Coordinator Bob Bourke necessitated the need to have an urgent phone conference between state C&S reps, ANBC president and myself. Peter Glassenbury was elected as the new co-ordinator.  
 Changes have been made to The Standard to reflect the changes required in relation to decisions made at last year's meeting, these changes have been distributed and loaded onto the Webpage, minor changes have been approved by the ANBC committee for the C&S Coordinator to go ahead and change following:  
*ie: "words were noted as requiring change from plural to singular"*
- 9f** Crested Standard review is ongoing.
- 9g Hall of Fame. Breeder Excellence Division**  
 Master Tally Sheet updated with 2012 results. Secretary advised that this document has not yet been loaded on Web
- 9h Laptop Computer and Printer**  
 Secretary, reported, items have been purchased, however it is not feasible to take printer to annual show because of size, laptop was on display and in use at this meeting.

The President asked if there was any other business arising from the minutes of the previous meeting. None was forthcoming.

## ITEM 10 - CORRESPONDENCE

A summary of correspondence for the year was available to meeting delegates (via laptop) at the meeting. The Secretary highlighted items, which required comment or further consideration or action.

### **Motion Moved by BCSA, Seconded by BCT.**

That the correspondence be accepted and Council endorse the action taken by the Secretary – **Carried unanimously.**

## ITEM 11 – FINANCIAL STATEMENT

A Financial Report, Balance Sheet and Auditors Report for 2012/13 were provided to the Delegates. Mr. John Carter accepted the invitation to conduct an audit of the 2012/2013 accounts, free of charge, and has provided an Audit Report. A copy is attached to these minutes.

Secretary spoke to the reports and advised that the \$5,000 from the ring account and \$15,000 from the General Account as decided by Council in 2012 invested in a Term Deposit for 12 months was due to mature on 10 June 2013 with interest, permission was granted to extend the investment for a further six months at 4.1%.

Secretary also noted that the ring levy was not covering the payments made to the host zone, this will be addressed with the 1 cent levee increase.

Motion moved by BCSA and seconded by BCT. That: “the financial and audit reports and balance sheet be accepted” - **carried unanimously.**

### **Motion Moved by SQBBA, Seconded by BSNSW**

That: “Mr John Carter be appointed as Auditor for 2013/2014.” -John has indicated he is available to continue as auditor for another 12 months - **Carried, unanimously.**

## ITEM 12 - MEMBERSHIP FEE

The Membership Fee is currently \$300 for Member Bodies and \$150 for Affiliated Organizations.( B.S.N.Z.) The fee when set is due as at the date of this meeting. Following discussion the re-affiliation of B.S.N.Z. was approved and membership fee was set as follows:

### **Motion Moved by BCT, Seconded by BCSA,**

That: “the application for re-affiliation for 2013/2043 submitted by B.S.N.Z. is approved and the ANBC Membership Fee for Member Bodies is set at \$300.00 and \$150.00 for Affiliated Organizations (B.S.N.Z. Inc.)” – **carried unanimously**

## ITEM 13 – AFFILIATIONS

- **WBO.** ‘Golden Cob’ currently sponsors membership. Due April, Secretary/Treasurer sought Council approval to renew in April 2014.

### **Motion Moved by BCT, Seconded by BCSA**

That: “*payment of the WBO Membership Fee for 2014, be made by the Secretary when due (April 2013)*” – **carried unanimously.**

- **ABA.** Bruce Bradford presented his report - *See attachment 3*  
Motion to accept report and renewal of ABA membership, Insurance, and for Bruce Bradford to continue representing the ANBC in the ABA, with John Carter as fill in should one be required.

**Motion Moved by BCSA seconded SQBBA - carried unanimously.**

## ITEM 14 – REPORTS

### 14a COLOUR AND STANDARDS, COMMITTEE REPORT

Peter Glassenbury Colour and Standards Co-ordinator presented ‘the Colour and Standards Report.’

Motion moved by BCV seconded by SQBBA that C&S report as tabled be received and actioned where required - **Carried unanimously**, *See attachment number 4*

Note : Motions as determined were revisited by the Delegates meeting and are included in the bulk of these minutes, as to their determination.

### 14b NATIONAL JUDGES’ REPORT

Alistair Home, the National Judges’ Co-ordinator, presented the Judges’ Panel report. *See Attachment 5*

Motion moved by BCSA seconded SQBBA that report as tabled be received and that Alistair Home is nominated as the ANBC National Judges Panel Coordinator for 2013/2014 - **Carried unanimously**

### 14c REPORT BY WORKING GROUP

Mr Alistair Home provided a report on the Working Group. *See attachment 6*

Alistair spoke at length about the current structure of the group and the need to get more representation from all the clubs, Alistair is to contact all the zones seeking assistance to get the new structure up and running.

Motion moved by BCT Seconded by SQBBA to accept Working Party report. *Carried unanimously*

### 14d REPORT BY HISTORIAN

Motion Moved by BCSA, Seconded by BCT,

**That:** “the report tabled by the ANBC Historian, Leigh Downey, be received and Leigh Downey be thanked for presenting his report. *See attachment 7*

**Carried**

Secretary to arrange for Webmaster to load report on ANBC site.

**14e REPORT ON THE WEBSITE.** The Webmaster, Steve Campbell was not in attendance. Secretary provided an update as to where we were at with enhancing the site and getting all relevant documents uploaded as they are updated. It is proposed to make the site more user friendly starting with the section containing the “Standard” The section is to have an Index with a go to button to direct the user to exact section they are seeking. Motion moved by SQBBA, seconded by QN&C that report be accepted and actioned where required. **Carried**

#### **14f REPORT BY SQBBA ON 2012 CHAMPIONSHIP SHOW**

SQBBA. Delegates presented the following reports on the 2013 ANBC Annual Championship Show. *See Attachments 8 and 9.*

#### **Motion Moved by BCV, Seconded by BSNSW**

That: “the report by SQBBA on the 2013 ANBC Championship Show be accepted.  
*Carried unanimously*

**Trial Evaluation 2-3 Bird Trial 2011 to 2014.** Secretary provided a progress report following evaluation of the first year of the second stage of the trial (2013 and 2014), which saw two birds in each variety per Team with all birds benched unless there was a reason (health or condition) preventing entries being benched. The show was conducted as a two-day event. Report is as follows:

- **Judging Time** Average judging time per class was approx. 25 minutes, prep time 5 minutes and commentary delivery time .4 minutes. Total Average per class 34 minutes per class.
- **Show Manager Reports** that both days ran smoothly despite the new classes that were included.
- **Day 1** saw 6 classes where there were some problems, Green Class one short from Vic. due to ill health, bird was reported to be very soft and light in weight. Aust. Golden Face was 2 birds short as N&CQ did not exhibit any. Dilute (old Suffused) 1 disqualified due to missing tail. Lacewings 1 short from SA. not well,. Spangle class 2 disqualified no tails. Dark Eyed Clear 1 short.
- **Day 2** saw 4 classes with some problems. Cinnamons one short from SQ bird not well. Opaline 1 short from SQ bird not well. Clear Body 2 short from NSW & WA. Fallows 1 disqualified due to no tail.
- **What the trial has highlighted is:** that the zones are taking some risks in their selections with birds in some instances probably with only one tail feather and some that may have been a bit soft. One had a growth on the preen gland.
- **Moves are at hand to supply N&CQ** with some stock Aust. Golden Faces.

#### **ITEM 15 – CONDUCT OF THE AUSTRALIAN CHAMPIONSHIP SHOW**

The following Motions and discussion point were dealt with in relation to the Australian Championship Show:

#### **From BCV**

**15a) Motion,** That the Ring Issue date be returned to January 1<sup>st</sup> each year.

#### **REASONS: in support**

- i. This will align the membership fee with the Ring Issue date.
- ii. Will reduce the confusion of ordering rings six months before the issue date.
- iii. Eliminates double ringing.
- iv. Reduces the age of exhibits at the Nationals by up to four months.
- v. Gives members the option of breeding in the autumn or spring without being restricted to a winter breeding program.

*Carried 4-3, Secretary to liaise with Chapman Rings, re. implementation date*

**15b) Motion: Rules of Meetings Moved BCV seconded SQBBA**

“That motions listed at the Annual Delegates Meeting be put to the meeting as per the Agenda.”

**REASONS:** Any motions altered in any way, or motions not listed on the Agenda shall not be voted on unless agreed to by a majority of delegates.

Motions cannot be altered at the meeting. Motions can be suspended or can be agreed to by a Postal Vote after discussion by the delegates with members of their various states.

*Motion lost 3-4*

**From QLDN&C seconded BCV****15c) Motion: That the ANBC Show be moved back to start on the fourth Friday in May, as it previously was.**

**REASON IN SUPPORT:** This will mean that the Nationals are not in school holiday period and hence the costs of attending national shows will not be increased because it is during a peak period. Also not being a school holiday period means that the availability of accommodation won't be decreased because of the extra people on holidays at the same time. Hence it will be cheaper for people to attend and also will be easier to get venues and accommodation at a more reasonable price.

*Motion lost 2 – 4, 1 abstention*

**A motion was moved by SQBBA that motion 15c be reviewed as there were mitigating circumstances as to why some zones had voted against this motion, mainly being around the next three years dates are already locked in. seconded by BCT. Motion Carried 4-2**

**Original motion was with a startup date of 2017 Motion was then re-put to the meeting.**

*Motion Carried 4-2, 1 abstention*

**From BSNSW**

**15d) Motion:** That if the format of 2 birds entered, 2 birds benched in Toowoomba is deemed unsuccessful on the weekend of the Show a decision be made to revert to the 3 birds entered 3 birds benched (only 2 for points) in 2014.’

**REASON:** From experience we know that in some years it has been very difficult for States/ Zones to bench a full team of birds for reasons such as rogue hens, sickness, dropped tails etc. With no third bird to use as a reserve to gain points if need be any Team suffering mishap would be greatly disadvantaged and the lesser number of birds on the bench would detract from the visual aspect of the Show.

*This motion was ruled out of order by the President and did not proceed*

**Moved BSNSW seconded BCV**

**15e) Motion: That the A.N.B.C. Secretary advise the meeting as to what documented process needs to be followed in the adoption of changes to the Standard.**

**REASON:** Correspondence from the B.C.V. and discussions in N.S.W. lead us to believe that we are not aware of the correct procedure for this and need to be advised for future reference.

Secretary had provided two copies of the process, version 2 with minor modifications to bring it up to date.

*Carried unanimously, Secretary authorised to have Webmaster post version two as By-Law 3 (a) on the Website.*

**From BSNSW**

**(15f) Motion: That a decision be made now to have 3 birds on the bench per team per class in the National Show in Tasmania in 2016, with 2 birds for points only and the third for position without points.**

**REASON:** It is too late to wait for the results of the evaluation of the 2 bird, 3 bird trial after the National in 2014 before making a decision advising Tasmania of the outcome. It is best to plan for more numbers than less as the show is organized more than two years ahead of the date.

*No seconder, motion did not proceed*

**Show Cage Perch Dimensions**

Currently the Standard states “both 12.00mm and 16.00mm are optional until a more informed decision can be made” and some dissention from the presenting state’s original motion was noted at Geelong on this matter believing the decision to change the perch size was in fact premature.

**Moved BCSA, seconded BCT**

**15g) Motion: That an addition be made to the quoted line above and *The Standard* be amended as follows: Both 12.00mm and 16.00mm perches are optional until the 2015 ANBC show completion to allow a more informed decision on the matter, however, common perch sizing must be used by the various ANBC host states until that date.**

**REASON:**

- South Queensland has already constructed show cages and the event will be over by the time this motion is addressed.
- South Australia has already converted almost all perching to 16.00mm at the breeders expense.
- Western Australia has completed most of their cage requirements and utilized the large perch dimensions in their build.

By stating a specific date the intent of the original motion to accept an analysis of the larger perching is now time lined and the informed decision required can be made with a genuine assessment by states and zones.

*Carried unanimously, note this motion is superseded by motion 15K which sets a specific date to revert to 12mm perches.*

**Moved BCSA**

**15h) Motion: That the ANBC, purchase aluminum cages, as quoted by Alan Beutel, and that these cages be transported to the host state /zone at the cost of the ANBC and stored at the cost of the host state / zone.**

**Comments / Pricing,** Cages of the calibre of the ones quoted by Alan Beutel should save each host state/zone in labour and manufacturing costs. They are strong, light and easily cleaned. They are not collapsible and this is seen as an advantage for longevity and eases any assembly issues and potential lost parts.

These holding cages are made by Alan Beutel. Each compartment would be 600mm by 450mm (total H 1350 x W 2400). To allow for maximum use of the material they would be made in 2 banks of 6 that is 3 high x 2 wide and they then sit on the stand that allows for the 12 cages. The stands would have wheels and a preference would be when the

stands are inverted they could sit just outside the two blocks of cages for, apart from space savings, added stability when transporting. Alan has quoted \$7,700 for 7 lots + stands and this price would be valid for 12 months. An official quote can be supplied by Alan when needed.

**This motion was withdrawn and moved to a discussion topic to allow the Zones time to discuss more fully with their member bodies, especially around costs associated with storage, freighting and other expected costs.**

This item was then dealt with as a discussion topic, **a notice of motion was foreshadowed for the 2014 meeting by BCT seconded by SQBBA that a motion be resubmitted with a startup date of 2016. *Motion Carried***

#### **Moved BCT Seconded BCV**

**15i) Motion:** That the Suffused Yellow and White variety to be renamed to “Dilute” C&S Meeting on the 16<sup>th</sup> June endorsed this motion. *Carried unanimously*

#### **Moved SQBBA Seconded BCT**

**15j) Motion:** That any proposed motion of major significance (eg Yellowface viz 2012) be put to the member bodies for a minimum 12 month period so that full and proper discussion and understanding of the implications of the motion be made and not just the 2 to 3 month period that currently exists. At this time motions of major significance will be determined at the Delegates meeting.

This motion was linked to Discussion Topic 15m

*Carried 6-1*

**BCT Delegates advised the meeting that a Notice of Motion concerning the ANBC Show post 2014, had been handed to the Secretary, See Attachment 10  
States and Zones need to discuss this prior to 2014 ANBC Meeting.**

#### **Moved SQBBA Seconded BCV**

**15k) Motion:** That the ANBC approve the return to the 12mm perch as a standard requirement for the ANBC approved show cage design. This matter was brought up in 2011 at the Canberra Nationals as a discussion point. If approved this motion to be in force upon conclusion of the 2015 Nationals in Perth, as it is understood WA has processes in motion for show cages with the current 16mm perch being used at Nationals.

*(referred to C&S and Judges Panel)*

*Carried 5-2*

### **DISCUSSION ITEMS**

**15l) The BCT submitted a discussion paper on the: “The Concept of the Major Fault’ This is a very large article and is not included in these minutes, however, it can be found on your Agenda items for the meeting in Toowoomba.**

This was discussed at great length and all Delegates have agreed to take this proposal back to the zones, to allow for greater discussions within their regions and with all affiliated clubs.

**If you need a copy of the discussion paper please let me know and I can forward out as a separate paper.**

**15m) Decision Making in the ANBC**

**Introduction:** In the last few years we have had a series of decisions by Council that have either been reversed or radically amended very shortly after their approval. We have also had decisions that have been greeted with very widespread concern because fanciers in general were either unaware of what was under consideration or under some misapprehension about the ramifications of the decision when it was being made. These are indications of a flawed decision making process. Of course we can always expect that there will be some people unhappy with any decision that is made. After all, we are a diverse group and we approach our hobby on many different ways. The problem is that we have made unpopular decisions that appear to have been given inadequate consideration before being put to a vote. The mechanism of referring back to member bodies for a postal vote has proved no more effective than votes taken in Council. It is the purpose of this paper to propose that the source of the problem is not in the personalities of the people who make up the Council and it is not the result of incompetence or indifference on the part of delegates. It is proposed that the problem is structural. That is the structure of the way decisions are taken is inherently flawed and until these flaws are remedied the decisions will continue to be unsatisfactory.

*This topic was linked to Motion 15j that was carried*

**From B.C.V.**

**15n) With the rising costs of conducting the ANBC National Championships , the ANBC needs to leave open a window of opportunity for the Host State to negotiate with local business or philanthropic avenues for sponsorship funding. The ANBC needs to be careful to not immediately restrict Host Zones or States from gaining sponsorship on the grounds of potential conflict with existing sponsors.**

**REASON:** Restrictions set in place by the ANBC should allow for suitable local input in the area of sponsorship.

It was agreed that any new contracts with minor sponsors must not be restrictive to free trade and competition.

SQBBA advised the meeting that they are currently in discussion with a possible major sponsor (Batercard)

BCV have indicated that (Kennard's) may also be a possible sponsor.

These will be followed up over the coming months.

**15o) That we accept Black Eyed Self Birds that are visually displaying the Grey Factor in the Black Eyed Self Class**

**REASON IN SUPPORT:** It will make the task of judging this variety considerably easier, as there is more time spent on trying to assess whether the birds are displaying the Grey Factor or are actually Olive Yellows, than in selecting the Best Exhibit.

- i. The Grey Factor will improve the body colour of Black Eyed Whites.
- ii. The colour buttercup yellow should still be the desired standard with penalties applied for poor colour as we do in the Lutino variety.

**This matter was referred to Colour & Standards Committee who recommended that this be adopted.**

**Motion moved by BCSA seconded by BCV that we accept Black Eyed Self Birds that are visually displaying the Grey Factor in the Black Eyed Self Class.**

**Motion carried 4-2 1 abstention**

**From BSNSW**

**15p) Communication between the ANBC** is sometimes hindered by the fact that all correspondence only goes to the Secretary of each State/Zone. Sometimes the Secretary is on holiday or unable to attend to correspondence. In this day and age it is so simple to also send a copy of all correspondence to the President as well. Can this be done?

**Committee and secretary had no problems with this, all zones to submit email details of Club Presidents to Secretary.**

**From BCSA**

**15q) Rings: The BCSA believe that it is time to fully review / assess the opportunity of locating a better quality ring for ongoing usage in Australia.**

**REASONS IN SUPPORT:** Quality of rings in Australia has been an ongoing discussion for a number of years. Plastic ring samples have been presented in the past for viewing / discussing with the main fear being reliability of supply and the perception that they would be cost prohibitive.

A BCSA member has had a UK ring supplier send sample rings (plastic) of different sizes, colours and styles. This member shall trial these rings to assess their potential. Sample rings will be presented to the ANBC at the Monday meeting for perusal / assessment / comment.

**Competition:** The BCSA believe that there is a need for competition as best as is possible to ensure that the quality of rings is improved be they from another supplier or the existing.

**Pricing:** Pricing and delivery details have been sought and should follow but early indications are that they will be no more expensive than the ones supplied within Australia.

**Negatives:** The potential to lose the ring levy that supports the ANBC national events. The BCSA believes that this should not be the driving factor in deciding on a product – quality should be.

**Secretary indicated we still have two years to run on our current contract with Chapman Rings, and only one zone reported having issues with the current year's rings.**

**Secretary will arrange to have a face to face meeting with our current ring maker to discuss the future direction and options after the current contract ends.**

**From SQBBA**

**15r) Delegates yearly communication:** That all zone delegates to the ANBC meeting have a teleconference hook up during the period between National meetings. This could be once a quarter for example to enable discussions surrounding, for example on items being discussed by the ANBC working group. This worked very well in a phone hookup by the Colour & Standards delegates.

**Secretary advised the meeting that costs associated with phone hookups gets very expensive as you pay per delegate and by the minute, another alternative to this is the possibility of doing the same via Skype, secretary to look into this option.**

**WABC spoke against this discussion topic.**

## ITEM 16 – GENERAL BUSINESS

### From BSNSW

**16a) Motion:** That all States / Zones send three copies of each issue of their magazine/ newsletter to the other ANBC member bodies. **Seconded BCV**

**REASON IN SUPPORT:** We believe that this was meant to be happening but is not being done. It would improve communication between the States and Zones and allow us all to find out what is happening nationally.

**This motion was carried, however, BCT indicated that their newsletter will be made available via the BCT Website.**

**16b) Sponsorship and Fundraising:** Secretary to provide an update on sponsorship, sponsorship agreements, memorandum of understanding with sponsors and fundraising from sale of prints, badges etc.

Secretary reported that Mars (Golden Cob) have signed a new two year contract with the ANBC (years 2015-16)

**16c) Logies:** Quote has been received for the provision of the next batch of seven years trophies. \$15,120.00 (*quote will be tabled*) Years 2015-2021.

Meeting agreed that we are not yet ready to place our new order for Logies, due to the possible classes that will be adopted after 2014, also other zones have indicated that they would like to obtain quotes for supply as well, Secretary to collect the quotes and report back.

**16d) Hall of Fame:** ANBC Secretary provided an update on the Hall of Fame.

### From BSNSW seconded BCSA

**Motion:** That the late Bob Bourke be inducted into ANBC Hall of Fame (Honour Role for Service Division):2013

**Carried Unanimously**

**16e) Leg Rings:** There has been one quality control issues concerning leg rings brought to our attention during the year. (*samples were provided to meeting for viewing*)

**16f) Bird Keeping Concerns:** Delegates provided an update on bird keeping concerns within your State/Zone and in particular any restrictive Local Government developments.

**16g) World Budgerigar Organisation.**

### From BSNSW

**Would like to nominate Ghalib Al- Nasser as the Australian Nominee for the World Budgerigar Organisation Gould Award 2014.**

**REASONS IN SUPPORT:** We feel that he would be a most worthy recipient because he is so well known Internationally, has outstanding credentials, and is still contributing to our hobby (after 40 years) with his enormous current involvement as a speaker, author, leader, advisor, judge, Judge's trainer and examiner, Chairman, Secretary, Treasurer, Show Manager, Standards Co-ordinator and Ambassador.

**Moved BSNSW seconded BCT Carried 6-1**

**Secretary to send relevant paperwork to WBO.**

**2013 WBO Meeting:** Alistair Home gave a brief report on the 2012 WBO meeting. The next WBO meeting is to be held in October in Forli, Italy. Alistair Home and the Secretary will be in Italy at this time and are available to, and prepared to, represent the ANBC at the 2013 meeting.

**Moved BCSA, Seconded BSNSW that Jim Fletcher & Alistair Home be the ANBC delegates at the 2013 WBO meeting Carried**

**16h) Internet Banking** - feedback from member zones on moving to Internet Banking. Secretary reported more zones are now using the internet when paying ANBC accounts, it is not that simple for accounts to be paid by the ANBC due to two signatures being required.

**16i) Motion moved by BCSA seconded by BCT that the letter tabled from the Crest Budgerigar Club of Australian be accepted and passed onto the Colour and Standards Committee. Carried**

**16j) BSNSW asked if the Secretary could write a letter of appreciation to Ian Hanington for his assistance in treating birds that were unwell in the holding area.**  
**All delegates agreed with this request.**

#### **ITEM 17 – ANBC CHAMPIONSHIP SHOW 2014**

**2014 National - Hosted by BCSA Inc.**

**Motion moved by BCT seconded SQBBA that BCSA delegates be given approval to table a motion without notice in relation to a possible invitation to Daniel Lutoff to officiate as a judge for the 2014 event. Carried**

After the motion was put to the meeting it was resolved that the Secretary should check with the WBO as to whether or not Mr. Lutoff was a WBO Judge in 2009 when BCSA say the invitation went out. If information back from WBO shows that he was not a WBO Judge in 2009 then permission will not be granted for him to officiate at the 2014 ANBC Show(as per ANBC guidelines)

**Carried 5-2**

BCSA delegates then invited all delegates and zone representatives to the 2014 event to be held in Adelaide brief Council on National event planning to date and issue invitation for States/Zones to attend.

**Items, requiring ratification, by Council from the Colour& Standards meeting.**

- 1. From BCT re DOMINANT PIED:** The wording to be amended as follows to flow with other commentary within the Standard:  
**GENERAL BODY COLOR:** Back, rump, breast, flanks and under parts to be a solid and even shade throughout except that ground colour may appear on the chest as a band or as patches on any part(s) of the body. Symmetry in distribution of these patches is desirable.  
 A complete band of ground colour, approximately 20mm wide and extending across the body approximately midway between the lower edge of the mask and the legs is optimal.

MARKINGS: Black and clearly defined on cheeks, back of head, neck and wings – but may be replaced by patches of ground colour in any area. Markings should be symmetrical.

**Motion moved by BCSA seconded BSNSW that this change be adopted, Carried 5-1 & 1 abstention.**

**2. From BCSA re YELLOW FACE BLUE**

That the names Golden Face and Cream Face be adopted in The Standard for the two forms of Yellow Faced Blue.

**Motion moved by BCT seconded BCSA that the following changes to the names of the two Yellow Face classes be adopted.**

**Australian Yellow Face be renamed as ‘Australian Golden Face’**

**The current Yellow Face class, remain as Yellow Face**

**Motion Carried 6-1**

**3. From BCSA – ELECTRONIC STANDARD:**

BCSA moves that the current Standard content be adopted with an index and “go to” adaption to bring the ANBC in line in this area with the technological world.

**Motion moved by BCSA seconded BCT that section containing the “Standard” on the Web Site, have an Index with a go to button to direct the user to exact section they are seeking**

**Carried**

**4. From BCSA:**

For the Inclusion of a New Variety – White Cap – in The Standard.

**Motion moved by BCT seconded SQBBA that the new mutation currently called the White Cap be named Australian White Cap, and that this information is loaded onto our register of historical data.**

**Carried**

**ITEM 18**

**Meeting Closed 1530** with a vote of thanks to the SQBBA for the running of the 2013 event and the hospitality shown to all who attended

**Jim Fletcher**  
**ANBC Secretary**

**ATTACHEMENT 1****ANBC President's Report 2012/2013**

I would like to begin this report by saying it has been a great honour and a pleasure to be appointed President of the ANBC for the 2012-13 year. It has been rewarding and a great experience to work alongside Jim Fletcher the Secretary/Treasurer and Alan Baxter the Vice President. These two gentlemen were always at hand to bounce ideas off or to chat to about pending matters that needed clarification and understanding. I would like to thank them both for their assistance and their contributions during my time as President.

I would like to thank the other committee members, David Butters, Leigh Downey , and Steve Campbell, also I would like to thank Peter Glassenbury from Colour and Standards and Alistair Home from the National Judges and the Workgroup for their contributions during 2012-2013.

An important matter which is still unfolding is the 2 bird and 3 bird trial. With the first of the 2 birds/no reserve trial now completed, as this report is read. I sincerely hope that common sense will prevail, with everyone endeavoring to achieve the best outcome for this great event, which brings all of Australia's Budgerigar Breeders/Exhibitors together at our National Show event.

I have had the pleasure of 'sitting in' on a Colour and Standards meeting which was held by phone hook-up. I feel that the President has an obligation to be part of all that goes on during his term and that more of these types of meetings should be part of the years procedures. The phone meeting brought together all the delegates to discuss pending matters and allowed the delegates to discuss ideas that were of interest to them and also allowed a more hands on approach to matters in the Colour and Standards agenda. I also believe that the ANBC committee should expand and be more proactive during the year and not wait until the annual meeting. By this I mean have more phone hook-ups or Skype video linkups, so that members have time to discuss and absorb ideas that will be put forward at the national meeting, so we are continually moving forward to make our national hobby even better.

I hope that when changes are to be made, let us make them with the attitude of 'what is good for the Fancy as a whole' and not 'just for the few.'

Unfortunately, during my time as President we lost a friend and great administrator, Bob Bourke and it saddened me greatly to hear of Bob's passing. I worked with Bob during my time as President of the SQBBA and as a National Judges Examiner. He was always there with his 'Bob's way', as I'm sure you'll all understand what I mean. As President of the ANBC I'd like to say that Bob will be sadly missed by the Budgerigar Fancy. Finally I'd like to wish South Australia all the best for their NATIONALS IN 2014.

**Neale R Love**  
**President 2012/2013.**

**ATTACHMENT 2****ANBC Secretary's Report**

Well I must say that the past year has been a hectic one for me, as it all started quite well with the handover from Bob Bourke which started after last year's meeting in Bendigo, even though I did not officially take over the reins until 1<sup>st</sup> July. Bob & I were transferring information and materials at a steady pace. Then we had the WA motion concerning the proposed gap year in 2015. This then did result in a lot of work for me, I needed to ensure that the correct procedure was followed, which in turn did cause some delay in getting the final result agreed to. But now that is all part of our history.

Unfortunately whilst all this was in progress, with great shock to all we lost our past secretary Bob Bourke very suddenly. Bob had been such a tireless worker for the ANBC and even to this day we are still sorting out much of the ANBC material that he was still holding (some being archived). I must thank our Public Officer, Dave Butters for all his assistance in this and checking to see what was still relevant and what could be disposed of. Dave is arranging dispersal of the material to be saved to both Peter Glassenbury and myself.

Most of the ANBC business today is via the Internet/email, this means that things are occurring in real time with minimal delays. As I receive information it is sent to all zones on the same day so I am assuming that this information is then sent onto the zones and being dispersed around their member bodies. Thus this would then be keeping all abreast of what is discussed at ANBC level and then having an avenue for feedback via their State bodies.

Some members around the country are still concerned about the impact technology may have on future National Shows. I do not share this view, as I believe it will keep the National Weekend and its events in the forefront of those not able to attend personally by having the opportunity of being able to see things happening in real time. This can only make those watching want to be there for the real thing, it also has the added bonus of our worldwide family being able to see how it is done in the home of the Budgerigar. We need to very much embrace this fast moving technology while we have this opportunity.

There are items on this year's Agenda around how we could better manage changes that have a major impact on the way we bring about change in the future. Bob alluded to this in his report last year, where he commented changes need to be well thought out and widely discussed within the hobby, in this way we should be able to avoid what happened this year in regards to the gap year.

I must thank my two fellow Committee members, Neale Love as President, Alan Baxter as Vice President, and the State Zone representatives. They have completely supported me in my duties throughout the past year. I would also like to thank the SQBBA for the way they have gone about organizing this year's event, they have kept us all well informed of what has been happening in regards to the organizational period.

In closing I have enjoyed the past year, even though it was difficult at times, I wish one and all the best for the next twelve months.

**Jim Fletcher**  
**Secretary**

**ATTACHMENT 3****ABA REPORT – JULY, 2013****QUARANTINE FACILITY VICTORIA PROPOSAL**

At their first meeting for 2013, the Associated Birdkeepers of Australia (ABA) voted to take on the role of the peak body for the import of relevant avian genetic material into Australia. It is a role in which other groups have proved unsuccessful in the past.

As soon as retired avian veterinarian Dr. Paul Gilchrist BVSc FANZCVS contacted the ABA regarding a proposed new Post Entry Quarantine facility, it took steps to ensure aviculture was not forgotten.

The ABA is focused on “watching over” regulations and tasks related to aviculture in Australia and considers it very important that the facility provides for all bird keepers – those who wish to import or export one or two birds as well as those with large avicultural consignments.

“The current committee of the ABA is focused on tasks committed to the benefit of aviculture and aviculturists in Australia. It is not centred on self-interest” ABA President, Craig Jeffery said.

The proposed facility, to be built at Mickleham near Melbourne airport, will replace all current quarantine housing. The designated avian area has apparently been designed for current needs but appears hardly adequate to accommodate those requirements and it is also unclear how it could be expanded to meet any future demands.

“The Federal Government has granted \$399 million over a seven-year period to this project, which is planned to open in 2018.” Mr. Jeffery said, “As a stakeholder, it is imperative the ABA does what it can to see aviculture is appropriately catered for”.

The ABA will do everything it can to fight the increase in bird smuggling which has occurred since the National Exotic Bird Registration Scheme (NEBRS) was abandoned in 2002 and to ensure an adequate, safe and legitimate avenue for importing new bird species is achieved.

Although not all aviculturists are interested in importation, it is of vital importance to all bird keepers that any imported avian genetic material is disease-free. The devastation caused recently in the pigeon industry with the paramyxovirus is an example of how quickly an unchecked virus can sweep through the country and the permanent effect it can have.

The ABA has employed Dr. Gilchrist in a professional advisory role to undertake appropriate feasibility studies for avian genetic material, which must be given approval for import by the Department of Environment before any further consideration can be given by the relevant authorities. A sub-committee has been set up by the ABA to work with Dr. Gilchrist on this project.

The ABA has made submissions to the Animal Biosecurity section of the Federal Department of Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry (DAFF) and also to the Import Market Access Advisory Group (IMAAG).

The ABA allocated \$10,000 for his assignment (protocol). Dr. Gilchrist has completed his task at a cost of \$8,105.00.

- A new regulation has been implemented in W.A. to charge aviculturists a fee to inspect stock at points of departure or arrival.
- ABA Secretary, Errol Miller has stood down as General Secretary.

**Bruce Bradford**  
**ABA Delegate.**

**ATTACHMENT 4**

**Minutes for the Meeting  
of the 2013 ANBC Colour and Standards Committee  
held at the Empire Theatre  
Toowoomba on Saturday 15<sup>th</sup> June 2013**

**ITEM 1 - OPENING AND WELCOME**

Meeting commenced at 2.30pm and the Colour and Standards Co-coordinator, Peter Glassenbury opened the meeting and welcomed representatives and guests. Protocol for guests in attendance was given.

**ITEM 2 – ATTENDANCE**

The following Zone representatives were in attendance:

- Mr. Alan Rowe - B.C.V
- Mr. Peter Glassenbury - B.C.S.A
- Mr. Roy Blair - B.C.T
- Mr. Gary Armstrong - W.A.B.C
- Mr. Garry Menzies - S.Q.B.B.A
- Mr. Scott Erikson - QLD Nth & Cen Zone
- Mr. John Carter - B.S.N.S.W

**ITEM 3 – MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING**

The minutes of the previous meeting in May 2012 meeting were accepted and confirmed that all matters had been addressed or carried forward to 2013 Agenda.

**ITEM 4 – BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES OF THE  
PREVIOUS MEETING**

**The following matters arose from the Minutes of the May 2012 meeting:**

- *Amendment to The Standard 1/2012* was attended as required and issued in line with current protocols.
- *Crested Variety Standard.* Held over to be addressed at Item 6.

**ITEM 5 – CORRESPONDENCE**

General email correspondence for the year is held on file and accepted.

**ITEM 6 – TASK LIST (from 2012)**

- *Amendment to The Standard.* Amendment action completed and amendment 1/2012 issued dated 21<sup>st</sup> November 2012.
- *Discussion point from SQBBA regarding birds displaying 3 toes forward as well as birds showing the third toe running along the perch, parallel to the center line of the perch.* Addressed by the national Judges and amendments made to P & D clauses as directed.
- *Photographs of the Standard Colours and Varieties for inclusion on the Web Site (2010).* This was a task that has not progressed by the past secretary. It was agreed that a Co-ordinator be nominated to begin the progression of photographs to a central point

- where decisions can be made on a panel of photos of variety features to form a compendium in the ANBC web site. These photos are to be full length in nature and the preference is without bars impacting on the actual photo. All delegates are to ensure this progression of material is done on a national basis to obtain the best colour and variety examples available.
- *Moved – Victoria*
- *Seconded – South Queensland* - that Rob Hugo be the initial Co-ordinator of this task.

***Crested Variety Standard.*** New drawings for the Standard were not accepted by the delegates and it was agreed that this aspect of the Standard would be better suited by photographic depictions of the various Crest variants.

It was further agreed that the Crest section of the Standard be reviewed as to wording and this task is to be carried forward and enacted to delegates by the Co-ordinator with the use of material already held on file from past assessments.

#### **ITEM 7 – DIRECT MOTIONS AND ITEMS REFERRED BY THE ANBC SECRETARY**

***Motion BCSA - That the wording for the variety Black Eyed Self Colour be revisited to allow Grey within that variety and the wording in the Standard be as presented in the 2013 Agenda.***

***Moved – South Australia***

***Seconded - Victoria***

***Passed by majority vote – 4-3 Adopted***

#### **Similar motion from BCV withdrawn as resolved**

(C & S Co-ordinator has further agreed to commence a review of the wording in the Standard regarding the Suffused variety given changes adopted with the removal of the Grey series Blackeyed Self from that section and present in 2014).

***Motion from BCT re DOMINANT PIED. The wording to be amended as follows to flow with other commentary within the Standard -***

**GENERAL BODY COLOR:** Back, rump, breast, flanks and under parts to be a solid and even shade throughout except that ground colour may appear on the chest as a band or as patches on any part(s) of the body. Symmetry in distribution of these patches is desirable. A complete band of ground colour, approximately 20mm wide and extending across the body approximately midway between the lower edge of the mask and the legs is optimal.

**MARKINGS:** Black and clearly defined on cheeks, back of head, neck and wings – but may be replaced by patches of ground colour in any area. Markings should be symmetrical.

***Moved – Victoria***

***Seconded – South Queensland***

***Passed by majority vote – 6-1***

***Motion from BCSA re Show Cage Perch Dimensions –***

Wording within the Standard to be amended as follows:

“both 12.00mm and 16.00mm perches are optional until 2015 ANBC show completion to allow a more informed decision on the matter however common perch sizing must be used by the various ANBC host states until that date.”

***Moved – South Australia, Seconded – Victoria. Passed by unanimous vote –***

**Similar Motion from SQBBA lapsed as resolved**

Note Delegates meeting that we will revert back to 12mm perches after the 2015 National Show.

***Motion from BCT-***

Renaming the Suffused Yellow and White Variety to Dilute throughout the Standard

***Moved – Tasmania***

***Seconded – South Queensland***

***Passed by majority vote – 6-1***

**Similar Motions from BCV and BCSA withdrawn as resolved.**

***Motion from BCSA re Yellow Faced Blue –***

***That the names Golden Face and Cream Face be adopted in The Standard for the two forms of Yellow Faced Blue***

Following discussion on this item the motion as presented lapsed for want of a seconder however State and Zone Delegates have agreed to progress their thoughts on this matter to C & S

Co-ordinator with the forward view to reassess this position on naming the two variants of the Yellow Faced Blue.

It was also agreed that if States and Zones did not progress this issue the original motion would be reinstated in 2014.

Note. Delegates meeting passed a motion renaming the Yellow Face classes see motion. On page 15.

***Motion from BCSA – ELECTRONIC STANDARD - BCSA moves that the current Standard content be adopted with an index and “go to” adaption to bring the ANBC in line in this area with the technological world.***

***Moved – South Australia***

***Seconded – South Queensland***

***Passed by majority vote – 6 – 1 abstention***

***Notice of Motion from BS NSW regarding Amending The Standard*** was withdrawn after discussion for lack of a seconder however the discussion outlines issues in NSW regarding the information highway and changes adopted in that state to correct.

***Notice of Motion from BS NSW regarding Yellow Face Blue*** was discussed and lapsed after being advised by the ANBC Secretary that this matter and other similar matters would likely be resolved at the Delegates Meeting in 2013.

***Motion from BS NSW regarding an Optional additional catch to the show cage door:***  
The concept of this change was agreed by delegates with NSW representative to submit Co-ordinator amended content by 31/7/13 for dissemination of amendment to all states and zones for acceptance. The amendment is to be on the basis of an optional item of an additional tear drop latch secured to the door at the three o'clock position.

***Motion From BCSA – For the Inclusion of a New Variety – White Cap – in The Standard***

***Moved – South Australia, Seconded – Tasmania to allow discussion***

Delegates agreed that it was considered premature to include this variety at this point however all agreed that the variety be recognized by the ANBC and once further information on breeding habits and genetic data, along with numerical increases, resubmission at a future date would be considered.

**Note. Delegates meeting determined that the variety should be known as the Australian White cap. (see page 15)**

***Motion from BCSA That the Darkwing be removed as a sub heading under Clearbody (current page 12) and be viewed as a separate variety within the Standard.***

***Moved – South Australia***

***Seconded – Victoria***

***Passed by majority vote – 4 – 3.***

***Discussion item from SQBBA regarding the Matrix led to the requirement of an extensive revision of the Matrix document on page 24*** and most states had varied view on some of the wording and construction of the document.

It was agreed that all States and Zones would submit their views to the Co-ordinator by 31/7/13 and these views would then be distributed in collated form for further discussion and resolution in 2014.

***Discussion point from Co-ordinator regarding methodology of submissions for motion or discussion*** points requires change in process to better enable understanding for a vote and acceptance process.

This discussion expanded to the point that a process should be investigated and documented in some form of Protocol for future use.

As such a Protocol document is to be developed by 2014 meeting for discussion and possible adoption and is to include processes where significant items are given time to be fully discussed at all grass roots levels prior to state/zone submission for future discussion by other state/zones on possible implementation.

***Discussion point from Co-ordinator regarding The Matrix and ownership of content.*** It was agreed that this content in the document rightly stands in the control of Colour and Standards.

*Several Items for Discussion from BSNSW were presented regarding-*

- **Presentation of The Standard**
- **Matrix**
- **User Friendly Standard**
- **Using digital images**
- **Greywings**

Dependant on the outcomes of the delegates meeting in 2013 these items are to be actioned individually and expanded upon however the initial requirement of this process is to develop a process in which these matters can be better addressed in committee. To this end BSNSW Representative has been tasked to prepare an initial Memorandum of Understanding and Protocol document to establish a process/plan of action of contact and liaison with the States/Zones and Co-ordinator and in turn all fanciers in Australia. Once an acceptable Protocol document is in place the internal processes established are to be implemented for the above discussion items.

#### **Election of Co-ordinator**

Peter Glassenbury to be elected as Co-ordinator for a further period

**Moved – South Queensland**

**Seconded- BSNSW**

**Passed.**

**Meeting closed at 4.50 pm.**

**Peter Glassenbury**

**Colour and Standards Co-ordinator**

**15/6/2013**

**ATTACHMENT 5****Minutes Judges' Panel Meeting June 16, 2013****Jim Fletcher in the Chair**

1. Attendance  
Twenty one judges in attendance, seven apologies.
2. Matters in camera – to be included in the minutes of the meeting held on record, but not included in circulated documentation of the meeting.  
Coordinator asked that this section of the meeting be in camera because matters of some concern had been raised. He reported that one of the members of the judges' panel had indiscreetly commented on Facebook asserting that cheating was commonplace in the National Show and that the judges appeared to ignore it or overlook it. He had also received an email from Rob Hugo, ex- coordinator of the Standards Committee, suggesting that trimming of feathers appeared to be occurring among birds entered in the National Show.

The Coordinator reported that he had dealt with the comments by the member of the panel, pointing out that it was inappropriate for a judge to criticise in such a public forum as Facebook. He received an assurance that it would not be repeated. No substantial details were offered to support his claim and the Coordinator did not see that there was any reason to pursue a vague and unsubstantiated assertion.

However, the coordinator found that there is no formal code of ethics/conduct applying to the National judges panel and he suggested that he should be given leave to produce a proposal next year, perhaps drawing on existing documentation elsewhere.

In relation to the claim of trimming the coordinator reported that he had been unable to find any documented process for dealing with such a situation if it arose in the course of judging the National Show. Members were of the view that such a document had been developed and asked the coordinator to check with the National Secretary.

3. Minutes of 2012 meeting
4. Matters arising from the minutes
5. Judges examination  
The coordinator reported that the exam had been conducted with some difficulty on the stage during Friday afternoon. The candidate had not been successful, but would be exempt from the written test in 2014 if he attempts the test again.  
The test was documented and a written report of his result will be sent to the candidate.

6. Matters referred from ANBC Agenda  
 Major Faults. The matter was discussed extensively. All agreed that it is a great challenge to judge at the National Show and often decisions are made on very fine distinctions because the birds are of such high quality.
- Some judges held the view that the concept of the Major Fault would be useful because it could lead to their elimination from the show bench.
- On the other hand some judges feared that it could lead to negative judging where overall excellence could be given less reward because of undue emphasis on a single feature.
- There was general recognition that some features such as flecking can detract very greatly from the overall appearance of the bird.
- It was resolved that: We refer to our member bodies the question of whether we consider our current list of Penalties and Disqualifications deals adequately with major faults. If not, what would they propose?
7. Matters referred by the Standards Committee. The judging of the Crest class was questioned because the leading two birds had very poorly formed crests. In response the meeting supported this year's judges agreeing that they had given consideration to this issue in determining the placings. It was recognised that this is an ongoing problem and is always difficult. Coordinator's comment: it may be that this matter should be given attention at the judges workshop in 2014. Unfortunately, the workshops appear to be ineffective and will need some attention.
8. Matters notified from members  
 The Matrix. This matter was withdrawn by the proposer.
9. General Business  
 It was suggested that the statement in the Description of Perfection does not deal adequately with birds that have feathers extending over their feet. The general view was that clean feet are defined as being free of feathering therefore feathers are a fault attracting penalty. It was agreed that the matter could be taken back to member bodies to see whether there is a wider concern.

## ATTACHMENT 6

### Sharing Costs

#### Report from the Working Party

The Working Party was given the following direction by Council at its 2012 meeting.

- **Show Cages – Consideration.** The matter concerning the feasibility of ANBC holding, storing and freighting Show Cages and other common ancillary equipment such as Staging etc, for use at each National was raised. Following discussion it was agreed that this matter be referred to Alistair Home by the ANBC Secretary for consideration by the Working Group (Think Tank).

#### Executive summary

- **The working group found that it would be feasible and cost effective for the ANBC to own holding facilities, show cages and ancillary equipment required for the ANBC Championship Show and to make them available to each host body in turn.**
- **Costs, including establishment costs and interstate freight would be shared by the member bodies as determined by the ANBC**
- **Responsibility for the management and transport of the cages and equipment would be the responsibility of each host body liaising with the other hosts.**
- **Consideration should be given to revising the rotation of hosting to minimise freight costs and to facilitate liaison. A possible revised rota would be WA – Tas – NSW – Nth Q – Sth Q – Vic – SA.**

#### Discussion

##### Introduction

The motivation for this proposal is that each host body is required to meet requirements that are set by the ANBC. For some these requirements are onerous and it has been suggested that a more cost effective, efficient system could be developed.

**The following is a general outline of current practice in relation to show cages and holding cages:**

##### *Show cages*

A complete set of standard show cages must be provided. Aside from the trial in 2013-14 the number required has been 34 cages per team; that is 238 cages in all.

The larger member bodies purchase these cages and sell them after the show is over. This option is not feasible for the smaller member bodies. In Tasmania in 2009, volunteers refurbished cages belonging to members, with the BCT meeting the cost of materials. Elenbee Bird Supplies has expressed willingness to provide a full set of cages and this offer has been taken up by some member bodies. Elenbee meet the incidental costs, but do not have to dispose of the cages after the show.

##### *Holding cages*

The minimum standards for holding cages are set by the ANBC. Each host body must provide a complete set of holding cages held in a secure area. Currently they must hold sixty six birds and some believe they are approaching overcrowding. There is insufficient

room to cater for squabbling birds and they provide little scope for flexibility in arrangement of the birds.

The set of cages constructed for use in North Queensland in 2010 was sold on to NSW for 2011 and then to Victoria for the show in Geelong in 2012. The set has been purchased by SA for use in 2014. In each case the purchasers made their own arrangements concerning freight.

South Queensland has leased a new set of cages for Toowoomba in 2013 at a cost of \$3500.

The BCT had a set of cages constructed originally in 1995 and subsequently refurbished and expanded. They are held in storage. They are just sufficient for the current show entry, but would not be able to accommodate an increased entry.

Under current arrangements WA and North Queensland will be required to construct a new set of cages for their shows in 2015 and 2017.

### ***Common tasks***

Certain tasks apply in common to all shows.

1. The holding cages and show cages must be ready some time before the show weekend to ensure that they are in suitable condition for the show. They must be held in temporary storage.
2. Immediately before the show the cages must be transported to the show. In some instances this may entail quite a lengthy delivery run. For example, in 2009, the holding cages had to be freighted over 320Km each way between Hobart and Burnie and the show cages had to be freighted from Launceston, over 148Km.
3. Immediately after the show the holding cages and show cages must be cleaned thoroughly and returned to storage pending their disposal where this is required.

These tasks apply to the current process and will apply equally if an alternative is adopted.

### **Show cages**

The Working Group initially focussed on the feasibility of purchasing and freighting sets of show cages.

1. Volume

The volume of a single show cage is

$$150\text{mm} \times 305\text{mm} \times 354\text{mm} = 16195500 \text{ mm}^3 = .0161955 \text{ m}^3$$

Volume of 240 show cages would total just less than  $4\text{m}^3$

2. Cost

Current cost of construction of a show cage using good quality materials conforming to the Standard specification is in excess of \$40 per cage. Cost for construction of 250 would therefore be in excess of \$10000.

3. Freight

It is not perfectly clear what costs would be involved, but it is sure that freighting of show cages separately would add considerably to their cost.

4. Storage

Each member body would have to arrange for storage of the cages for a full year.

## 5. Maintenance

Routinely after each show the hosts clean and make good all wear and tear on the cages. On transfer of the cages to the next hosts it would be their responsibility to keep the cages in good order and ensure they were in a suitable condition for their show.

It was observed that in a number of states the new show cages for the National can be sold at a discount to their members and provide a useful source of good quality show cages.

It may be possible to build a core set of cages (say, 36 per team) over two or three years so that the cost of purchase of the cages could be spread out. One member of the working group has offered to meet this commitment for the cost of materials only.

### **Holding cages**

The working group found that there was a greater need to consider construction of a single set of holding cages for transfer between shows because these cannot be sold on so easily. In recent years the holding cages have been sold on from one host to the next quite successfully.

It was also observed that this might be an opportunity to establish a larger set of holding cages. The current facilities are at their limit and slightly larger holding facilities would ease crowding and provide opportunities for expansion should that be desired. In addition, if the holding cages were owned by the ANBC it would be possible to modify them in the future if that was required.

Plans for a set of metal cages were prepared and a quote for construction was provided by Alan Beutel. The plan for a single unit is attached. Fourteen of such units will be required. Each unit has a volume of about  $0.6\text{m}^3$ . Thus the total volume of the holding cages will be approximately  $8.4\text{m}^3$ .

The concept that has been the main point of consideration is summed up by Alan as follows:

*Would go similar to what I make so that they stack on top of each other but instead of all wire cover the aluminium frame with an aluminium sheeting that comes in all different colours but would use white so would make the cages to suit the sheeting and the trays also out of aluminium they would be light to handle and last and take some rough handling the sheeting could be pop riveted on or (screwed if they were to be pulled apart) I would go for the pop rivets as everything would have to go into a container (including the show cages) to be transported that way a steel frame with casters could be made to suit the cages would have to no how high they would have to go the security grill could also be made to fit (but do we really need this) going this way we get away from the wire cage that some are against fronts to be powder coated black (easy touch up) an open to a discussion on this.*

That is the cages will be in fully made up units in metal frames with casters. The metal frames would provide structural protection and the casters would facilitate movement in the holding facility. For additional protection the security frames will be attached during transport. Engineering drawings of the proposed units will be provided shortly. Several suggestions have been made concerning the structural protective frameworks that will be needed and the working party will continue to give them consideration and will report to council concerning costings.

Alan has quoted \$7000 in all for fourteen units. Consideration could be given to construction of sixteen units so that there would be some spare capacity to cover other demands that may arise. The additional units could be available as replacements if a unit was damaged at the last minute. They would also provide a facility for isolation of some birds if that is deemed necessary and might provide an opportunity to have a secure facility for the valuable birds that are offered for the National auction each year.

The experience of Tasmania where the one set of holding cages has been used for three National Shows so far suggests that the life of the holding cages will be greater than a single seven year cycle. The cost of replacing or repairing units that may be damaged is not expected to be high. Furniture removalists pack items in protective blankets, so it is likely that damage will be minimal in transit, and we would expect each host body to show due care in handling.

Alan hopes to have a sample unit on display in Toowoomba.

### **Freight**

Initially consideration was given to obtaining a small container as a permanent holding and freighting facility. On investigation it was found that this would be prohibitively expensive. Purchase of a container would be a considerable additional cost and the container would have to be carried as a single unit, thus preventing any economies that might be possible with alternative methods.

Carriage of the holding cages and storage was initially thought to be appropriately provided by major national freight companies and advice was sought from TOLL by Bruce Wilson (Victoria). His report on this is attached. Some of the costs quoted were higher than could be supported. The alternative is smaller carriers capable of more flexible organisation such as furniture removalists. Small companies can manage part loads and backloading to reduce costs. One such company was approached and a copy of their costing is attached. The cost of this alternative is still high.

Freight cost is based on volume so it should be possible to carry show cages and ancillary equipment (drinkers, nets etc) inside the holding cages at no additional freighting cost since this costing is based on volume. Up to 18 show cages could be carried inside each unit. If fourteen units are constructed there would be a capacity to carry 252 show cages and an additional two units would bring the total capacity to 288.

Concern was expressed concerning the possibility of cages being damaged in transit. There are three points to be made on this issue. First, it would be necessary to arrange for freight to the next host to be as soon as possible after the completion of the show. This would enable any repairs or replacements to be carried out in plenty of time. The second point is that having fourteen units makes it likely that there would be damage to only one or two units and this damage would be more readily corrected. Thirdly, the proposal to construct two additional units gives some ongoing flexibility if problems arise.

It is important to note that if, after a year or two, the freight costs became onerous it would be possible to dispose of the holding cages as per the current practice in all member bodies except Tasmania and revert to current practice with no disadvantage.

### **Storage**

Experience has been that it is possible to arrange for inexpensive storage using assistance from members in each state. SA has stored the cages bought from Victoria at no cost, Tasmania has had a storage shed built on the property of J&J Fletcher. Freighting of the cages from the storage is done by hiring an appropriate vehicle and using voluntary labour in each case.

WA reported that they could store in Geraldton which would lead to some additional cost, but it would be possible for them to transport the cages from storage over that distance as was done in Tasmania.

Details of arrangements available in other member bodies were not provided, but it is likely that storage could be arranged. In the event that storage proves difficult for one of the member bodies alternative arrangements are possible, such as holding the cages in that state or zone for only a brief period and moving the cages on to the next host.

It is suggested that storage be a responsibility of each host body. If Tasmania did not have its own storage they have received a quote of \$780 pa for commercial storage of 16m<sup>3</sup>.

### **Security**

Varying opinions were expressed on this subject. It was suggested by some that the level of security currently provided is sufficient. The holding area is a closed facility and all people who enter are closely supervised so it is suggested that it is unnecessary to provide additional security since that would be sufficient to deter deliberate theft. Others express the contrary view that additional locked screening prevents impulsive interference with the birds. They suggest that unplanned opportunism is a more likely problem than planned theft.

If additional security is needed there would be some additional costs. Alan Beutel suggested that providing such additional screening would not present any significant difficulty.

### **Meeting the costs**

*Up front cost: construction and delivery of holding cages*

Holding cages \$7000 (14 units)      \$8000 (16 units)

Support frames (not yet costed)      \$1000 (say)

These costs would be met by a direct levy on all member bodies of approximately \$1300.

Show cages      \$10000 could be spread over two years @ \$700 pa for each member body.

*Ongoing costs*

An annual levy of \$350 per member could be implemented from 2013 and adjusted annually to meet actual costs.

### **Cost estimates**

From Bruce Wilson – rates provide by TOLL

In the first instance the cages look very good and fit for purpose, however a security screen for each cage should be costed with the upfront price.

Some numbers.

Cage size 1350x2400x450 = 1.458 m<sup>3</sup> x 7 = 10.206 m<sup>3</sup>

Trolley size 450x2400x450 = .486 m<sup>3</sup> x 7 = 3.402 m<sup>3</sup> (Approximately)

Security front 1350x2400 x100 = .324 m<sup>3</sup> x 7 = 2.268 m<sup>3</sup> (Approximately)

Total 15.876 cubic metres of freight.

A normal 20' container holds 30 m<sup>3</sup> therefore too big for storing these items, this type of freight is difficult to palletise and may take more than 16 pallets.

Daily storage for freight could be as low as \$1.00 per day (for this exercise) per pallet so if 16 pallets = \$16.00 per day about 350 days a year = \$5,600.00 per year.

Freight rates (after changing the order of shows) at rounded 16 cubic metres.

North Qld to Brisbane \$1632.00

Brisbane to Sydney \$896.00

Sydney to Melbourne \$896.00

Melbourne to Launceston \$6440.00

Launceston to Adelaide \$7192.00

Adelaide to Perth \$2160.00

Perth to Townsville.\$3440.00

The rates may be able to be improved, however the prices are provided by the largest transport company, therefore can be used for this exercise. In addition the cages would need to be delivered and picked up at the transport depots.

It may be that we have members in each state that have the capability of storing this amount of stuff (16 cubic metres),however to store them in a clean environment they would require a large shed as they need to be inside, also accept responsibility for damage and maintenance, then eventually deliver them to the transport depot, then the cycle is repeated in the next state, I am not sure that we will have a lot of volunteers.

If we use the formal numbers

Cage and trolley cost           \$7700.00

Security screens           \$1000.00 ?

UP front cost           \$8700.00

Annual transport (cost ) all legs added then divided by 7 to amortise the payment for every state.

Amortised cost for transport = \$3236.57 per year

Storage cost per year @ \$1.00 per pallet per day = \$5600.00 per year

Up front cost \$8700.00 life cycle 7 years = \$1242.85 per year

Total \$10,079.42 per year .

I am happy to be contradicted on any of the points, or try to understand a different view, because if my thinking stacks up, this whole exercise of the ANBC owning and shipping back and forward holding cages will be a serious encumbrance on everyone's finances.

**Cost estimate for freighting using furniture removalist**

The following is a summary of initial figures provided by Andrew Mather Removalists *As per our conversation regarding the relocation of 7 metal cages ( 16m<sup>3</sup>) to various locations around Australia, I wish to advise the following.*

2014	Adelaide – Perth	\$ 2200.00
2015	Perth - Hobart	\$ 3680.00
2016	Hobart – Sydney	\$ 2880.00
2017	Sydney- Rockhampton	\$ 2640.00
2018	Rockhampton – Brisbane	\$ 1280.00
2019	Brisbane - Melbourne	\$ 1860.00
2020	Melbourne – Adelaide	\$ 1600.00

Total \$16140.00

Amortised (dividing by 7)

\$2306

The rates offered are what we call “Trade Freight Rates” and are at the low end eg. back load share load arrangements

**ATTACHMENT 7****A.N.B.C. HISTORIAN REPORT NATIONAL  
COMPETITION 2012 GEELONG VIC.**

Victoria also decided to decentralise for their hosting of the 38<sup>th</sup>. ANBC National Competition. Geelong was the chosen provincial City and a great choice with the local Business Events and Tourism people providing great support.

Following on from last years historic World Budgerigar Organization Annual meeting in conjunction with BSNSW hosting of the National competition in Canberra. We still managed our International friends from New Zealand and the U.S.A.

The venue for this years competition was the Geelong Arena ( The main Basketball Stadium and large entertainment venue.) and we were afforded the whole area with an abundance of room for the displaying of the Judged classes, terraced viewing of the Judging, closed circuit TV monitors in the upstairs bar and trade stand area. Also with good viewing of the Judging.

The main accommodation hotel was 3 km. From the venue and was efficiently serviced by the Geelong Council bus line doing circuits all day.

Thursday saw some teams arriving and taking advantage of a days R&R. Friday all teams in but 1 extremely late because of flight delays. But as with all aspects of that zones organisation not suprised. Even so arrived safe and sound.

Friday night meet and greet a very noisy enjoyable evening with a few hundred people renewing friendships, swapping tales and in general informally enjoying themselves.

Saturday went to timing and included a short opening address from the deputy Mayor of Geelong.

Judging the odd classes as is the normal with 21 birds on the two tiered judging stands, easier to follow the Judging, and the second year of the three birds benched trial. Judging seemed also more positive with two rows to contend with. There was also more closed circuit screens available for all to conveniently follow the Judging up close. Upstairs in the bar and trade table area as well.

Thanks must go to the Sponsors and all the traders who help to make the weekend a complete hobby experience. They were very well supported and I think all would be well compensated and happy.

Saturday evening dinner dance was held at the Sheraton 4 points Hotel, overlooking the bay. Beautiful views complementing a great night of fine food and music. Enjoyed by all who attended. This seems to be a very hard function to attract people in numbers and I believe some / all zones in future will review the effort, cost and feasibility, in staging such a night.

Sunday morning kicked off again with all even numbered classes to be judged. Judges were rotated into different teams. Victoria was holding a lead of 23 points from NSW. As per last year Victoria led by 14 points on the turn and were overrun by NSW. But this year NSW. Only managed to make up 1 point on the day at the close of Judging. Congratulations to Victoria winning by 22 points.

There were again plenty of individual Logie winners the total being 20 with 2 scoring a double.

Congratulations to all with the double winners being Sheppard & Flanagan partnership (Vic) 2 years in a row and A & C Druery (NSW).

Final Results.	1. Victoria.	479
	2. N.S.W.	457
	3. Sth. Queensland.	325
	4. South Australia.	302
	5. Western Australia.	274
	6. Nth & Central Qld.	238
	7. Tasmania.	234

The Judges for the Championships were ;

Saturday odd No Classes.

Mark Bridgeman. (Vic)	X	Henry George. (Sth. Qld.)
Mathew Campbell. (N.S.W.)	X	Peter Glassenbury. (S.A.)

Sunday even No classes.

Peter Glassenbury. (S.A.)	X	Henry George. (Sth. Qld.)
Mark Bridgeman. (Vic.)	X	Mathew Campbell. (N.S.W.)

The computerised results were again a very united national team effort led by Andrew Bourne with a solid back stop from a hospital bed in Canberra by Maureen. Filling in and doing a great job on very short notice were Steve Campbell, Pat & Bill Sedgwick, who stepped up at my request and did the hobby proud. Thank you to the whole team. Maureen Bourne was also an enormous help throughout the year leading up to the weekend with the computer package re registrations etc. A lovely lady with a great commitment and work ethic in and to the hobby.

Carol Gough again provided the comments from the Judges along with Rod Turnbull the photo's to Luke Fletcher to live stream again to the world instantly.

Thankyou from all the hobbyists again on a great team effort.

The eagerly awaited Auction on the Sunday afternoon again brought out the dedicated breeders keen to improve their stock. A pleasing result from a very entertaining hour compliments of Stuart Williams (N.S.W.) He not only sells the birds and extracts good Dollars he declined any remuneration.

All in attendance agreed the 3 birds per class on the bench from all zones and 2 tiered judging was a positive step forward.

Next year in Toowoomba there will be 2 birds on the bench from each zone with additional classes. This is also a two year trial and will then have to be evaluated and assessed against the previous 2 years.

The addition of the extra classes was not widely circulated to all members in Australia contrary to what has since been written, hence some zones will struggle to field birds in these classes.

Also a move away from the established successful weekend of staging the National competition on the last weekend in May.

Both changes should be surveyed throughout the Hobby Nationally at the end of this second two year trial.

Sunday Nights Presentation Dinner was held in the Ford Discovery Centre a unique automobile museum. (Now closed.)

The night was very well supported and a very enjoyable different unique function to close off a great weekend of birds. Catering was excellent and the presentations went smoothly on the front line.

Hall of fame members received a commemorative plaque for their achievements.

All Judging , colour & standards , variety's meetings, forums etc. were conducted again with positive results.

The delegates met at the Sheraton 4 points on the Monday, with the National business being concluded for the ensuing year.

Not a huge amount on the agenda.

Only major changes are to the Matrix with the English & Australian Yellow face variety.

Also the format for 2015 Show in W.A. needs to be thought out and finalised.

I know Jim Fletcher has taken over as the National Secretary from Bob Bourke after a very successful lengthy time in that position.

Congratulations Jim.

At a later date Rob Hugo has been accepted into the Hall of Fame, Honour roll for services to the Hobby. Congratulations Rob. He has stepped down from all positions in the A.N.B.C. because of a few health problems. We wish him all the best.

On a sadder note Bob Bourke passed away late 2012. A secretary of note and a truly dedicated budgerigar hobbyist. A very sad loss.

2013 National competition is to be held in Toowoomba Queensland from the 14<sup>th</sup>. to the 20<sup>th</sup>. of June. New date, new format, new classes, new lot of young birds. Exciting.

Looking forward to it.

**Leigh A Downey.**  
**A.N.B.C. Historian.**

**ATTACHMENT 8****SHOW MANAGER'S REPORT  
ANBC NATIONALS TOOWOOMBA 2013**

I believe that the management and operational side of the 39<sup>th</sup> annual ANBC Championship Show that was held in Toowoomba on the 15 and 16 June, 2013 was very successful.

With regards to the two (2) bird trial, I always believed that there was a danger of not having a reserve bird. This trial showed that an exhibitor must only show a bird that is in peak condition, and the zone selectors must only select these birds.

A number of birds were withdrawn from the show as a result of advice of “the show vet” Dr Mike Cannon. I am attaching a copy of Dr Cannon’s report.

I would like to thank my 3 assistant show manager’s Ken and Eileen Henricks, Glen Winch, the stewards, security staff and staff from the Empire Theatre who all contributed to make this a very successful show.

**Dave Ganzer,  
National Show Manager**

**ATTACHMENT 9****Vet Report from 2013 National Show**

Dear Dave

Please accept this report regarding the birds that I was involved with, at Toowoomba, for the 2013 National Show.

Between 15-17 June 2013, I examined:

- A light green bird which was underweight and huddled early in the morning of 15/06/2013. It improved greatly with heat and electrolytes administered during the day but deteriorated 24 hours later and died.
- A bird (I think may have been a grey) that has a large irregular cystic mass (2-3cm in diameter) involving the preen gland and surrounding tissues. This mass was not obvious to a casual glance but would not withstand the level of magnification and close examination that was achieved with the video cameras in use for the judging. This mass was extensive enough that I feel there was a high chance that surgery may not be successful. I believe this was an animal welfare issue as ANBC should not be promoting or displaying any birds that have an illness or disease.
- During the morning of 16/06/2013, three birds (a Clearbody, a Grey Opaline and a Cinnamon Sky Blue) were withdrawn from the benching, just prior to judging,
- as they were huddled and breathing deeply. Two birds were sitting with their head under their wing. These birds were mildly underweight and were obviously distressed.
- I visited all the sick and ill birds at 6:00AM on 17/06/2013 prior to their departure and recommended that the owner of the bird travelling to Western Australia accept the offer of local colleagues to look after the bird until it is stable enough to travel. It is great to see that this has happened and the bird is ready to travel.
- It is my strong opinion that having sick or ill birds viewed by the videos cameras is not something that ANBC should expose to the public. It sends a poor message regarding your attitude to animal welfare. It has the potential to counteract all the great work that has been done by an event, such as the ANBC Nationals, to promote the keeping and welfare of Budgerigars.

If I may offer some ideas for the ANBC and your Regional Committees to consider:

- I was able to speak with Nigel Tonkin, who you are aware is part of the organising committee for next year's Nationals in Adelaide. He has decided to have available seven hospital cages – one for each region. This is a move I wholeheartedly support, as moist heat being provided in a hospital cage can mean the difference between life and death to a distressed bird.
- I would also recommend that each region's carers have a small first-aid kit containing at least some of the following:
- Some syringes, needles and crop needles to allow individual birds to be dosed.

- An effective disinfectant to clean the crop needles, syringes and food/water bowls between uses
- A source of energy and electrolytes (Such as Spark, Polyaid, Quik-gel, Hartmanns Solution etc.) – this should be placed in the drinking water of birds prior to and after travelling.
- A source of food such as millet sprays or similar that the birds find attractive and will encourage them to eat
- Permission (written would be best, or a contact number for each bird's owner) to enable these treatments to be provided when necessary. It is important that the owner, or his agent, be aware of any treatments provided to their bird. I managed to discuss the treatments used in Toowoomba with the authorised carers and in nearly all cases the owners, so they were aware of what was happening. This assists in counteracting the inevitable rumour mill that can occur.
- I would be happy to communicate with each region and/or their veterinarians, to individualise these first-aid kits if that is required.
- If it is possible to have a microscope, slides and coverslips available so droppings can be examined, you may be able to treat some simple diseases such as coccidiosis or worm burdens after a discussion with the owner or carers. The attending veterinarian may be able to provide some other treatments, such as antibiotics, if required.

I hope these suggestions are useful to you and I would be happy to discuss them further if required.

I would also like to take this opportunity to thank ANBC and the local organising committee for inviting me to this year's Nationals and the numerous social events. It was most enjoyable.

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**ATTACHMENT 10**

**Notice of Motion for 2014 ANBC Meeting**

**The structure of the ANBC Championship Show - post 2014**

**Notice of Motion, moved by BCT.**

**That the three bird entry model as trialed in 2011=12 be adopted as the format for the ANBC Shows post 2014**

**Supporting documentation**

Each team will be entitled:

- To enter up to three birds in each class in each of the varieties competing in the show and
  - To have all birds benched and judged (**two for points**) unless this is precluded by illness, injury, or loss of condition to the extent that the bird would be disqualified if benched.
1. The BCT expects to move the following if some or all of the additional varieties trialed in the two bird entry format prove to be successful.

**That the varieties trialed in 2013-14 be confirmed as classes in the National Show.**

It is suggested that each of the classes, trialed be voted on separately under this motion.

It may be that some of the classes are more successful than others.

It should be noted that the holding cages currently prescribed are approaching overcrowding, so introduction of new classes will require additional holding facilities.

It may be that additional show cages will be required or that the show be organized so that each cage can be used three times.

It may be possible to provide for one of the additional classes by dropping the Hens Class because that class is not based on Variety or Colour.