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COUNCIL CHATTER

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1. **2009 National-Update.** The registration package was released by B.C.T. yesterday (15 December 2008). Please support the hard working organizing committee from B.C.T. Inc by continuing to promote the event in your States and Zones and advise folk to get their registrations in early.
2. Sponsorship moneys for the 2009 National from the Crested Budgerigar Club of Australia, Pied Budgerigar Society of Australasia, Clearwing Budgerigar Society of Australia, BRASEA and Wilson Brothers Racing Stables have been gratefully received and forwarded to B.C.T. Inc. The first installment of the Ring Levy Support to the 2009 National was paid to B.C.T. Inc August 2008. The second (and final) installment will be paid in January 2009.
3. **National Agenda Items.** A reminder that agenda items (Notice of Motion and Discussion Points) for the 2009 Council Meeting are required, to the A.N.B.C. Secretary by February 28th 2009. Please note that the A.N.B.C. Inc Office Bearer positions for 2009/2010 will also require nomination. The Following positions will require nominations: ANBC President (Normally nominated by the next Host State/Zone) ANBC Secretary, Third Committee Member, Public Officer, ANBC Historian and Web- master.
4. It would be appreciated if items for both the National Colour and Standards Meeting and the National Judges' Meeting were forwarded to the relevant Co-ordinator by the same date.
5. **Delegates to Council in 2009.** The process of providing electronic carbon copies (c.c) of the Council Agenda, Minutes of Meetings and other important information to nominated Council Delegates is now well established. To enable this to continue it would be appreciated if you were to provide, to the ANBC Secretary, details of your nominated delegates (two) to attend the Council Meeting and Colour and Standards Meeting (one) by 28 February 2009 please and, include telephone and email contact details. If you intend to nominate an Official Photographer (one) from your State/Zone

then please advise this detail also. For B.S.N.Z. you are welcome to please advise details of your two observers to attend the Council Meeting.

6. **Nomination of Candidates to Sit the National Judges' Accreditation Exam.**

Details of Candidates (Initially one per State/Zone and two from BSNZ in 2009) nominated and available to sit the National Judges' Accreditation Exam in Burnie, TAS in May 2009 are required, (to the A.N.B.C. Secretary through State/Zone Secretary's) by 28 February 2009. For BSNZ, please confirm the availability of two candidates. In all cases please provide the full contact details including address, telephone contact and email for each candidate with the nomination.

7. **Team Carers at the National in 2009.** States/Zones have the ability to nominate up to four carers for their team at the National. When nominating your carers please indicate 1, 2, 3, & 4. The nominated fourth carer is only to be permitted access to the bird holding area on the Friday prior and the Monday following the competition.

8. **Standards Matters.**

- a. An amendment to the Standard, No 01/2008 has been endorsed and was released on 1 December 2008. This amendment was advised to States and Zones on 1 December 2008 and loaded to the Web-site on 2 December 2008. Please advise your members who hold the hard copy version to download and insert the amendment.
- b. An electronic version of The Standard was loaded to the Web-site on 2 December 2008. This version has been updated to include amendment No 01/2008.
- c. Remaining hard copies of The Standard have been distributed to States/Zones.
- d. Work has commenced to develop a Photo Gallery of actual birds to supplement The Standard and load this to the Web-site. i.e. Not part of the electronic or hard copy.

9. **Prints of the Standard Pictorials.** There has been little movement of these throughout the year one set has been purchased by a States/Zones for use as a major prize. The two No 8's have been provided to and are held on trust by B.C.T. Inc for use in promotion of the 2009 National and these will be auctioned as a fund raiser for the A.N.B.C. at the Presentation Dinner on the Sunday evening of the National at Burnie in May 2009. A reminder that those in Number Series 51 to 100 are available (unframed) to States/Zones at \$50 per print when used for prizes. (Represents a 50% discount). This represents excellent value and States/Zones are encouraged to avail themselves of this opportunity.

10. **National Trophies.** A set (22) of National trophies has been provided to B.C.T. Inc for the 2009 National.

11. **Leg Rings.** The Ring issue for 2009 rings is on or after the 15th of December 2008 as was agreed at the 2008 Council Meeting. Trust that these rings have been received by State/Zone Ring Registrars and distributed. For 2010 Rings, the Issue Date is on or after 1 September 2009. Ring orders for 2010 Rings are required to be placed with the Nominated Ring Supplier, (Chapman Rings Pty. Ltd.) no later than 1 April 2009.

10. **Christmas Holiday Period.** In accordance with a Council decision that we observe a traditional Christmas holiday period, that period is from 20 December 2008 till 9 January 2009. With the exception of notifying States/Zones of the invited Judges who have accepted appointment to officiate at our event in 2009 on or after 1 January 2009 this should apply. This decision does not apply to truly urgent matters. Personally, I am happy to address any matter at any time however, my response may be a little slow over Christmas and New Years day. As A.N.B.C. Secretary, support/advice to B.C.T. as our host State/Zone for 2009 will continue to be provided on request over the holiday period. Looking forward to a challenging 2009.

May I take this opportunity on behalf of the ANBC Committee and Council to wish all States/Zones, your Clubs and Branches, our National Sponsors and our families and friends a Merry Christmas and a happy and prosperous New Year.

Regards,

Bob Bourke

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