

DON'T SAY WE DIDN'T TELL YOU: All club meetings and time-sensitive club news must reach us by 10.30am on **Tuesday** at the latest for inclusion in the issue on sale on **Wednesday of the following week.**

Novice wins Bristol's first nest-feather show

BRISTOL BS

NOVICE member Jason Sweet was chosen to judge the 21 birds entered in the 2019 Bristol BS's first nest-feather competition. The entry was reduced a little because of breeding problems that seem to be fairly general this year.

Also, the new Budgerigar Society (BS) exhibition four status schedule that deletes the previous beginner section meant that on the night only novices and



L-r: Bob Allen, who took best champion and champion opposite sex, judge Jason Sweet and Steve Adams, who won best in show and best novice



President Ron Ramplin (left) presents the best-in-show cup to novice Steve Adams. Perched proud (inset): Steve's best-in-show and best-novice exhibit, an opaline skyblue hen

champions were shown. There were no intermediate or junior entries.

Judging nest-feather birds is never easy but Jason soon found an outstanding opaline skyblue hen staged by novice Steve Adams that was a deserving best in show and best novice. Bob Allen took best champion with a grey and also best champion opposite sex.

Well done Tim!

NORTHAMPTONSHIRE BS

NORTHAMPTONSHIRE BS on March 14 held the club's first nest-feather show, which was judged by Sue Clarke. Congratulations to

the winner Tim Gee (his winning bird is pictured).

Tim then gave a presentation on his time in the hobby.



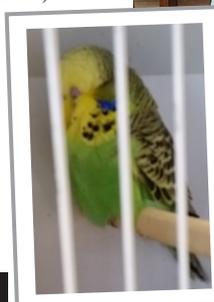
Light green cock tops joint social event

DONCASTER BS & SHEFFIELD BS

THE above clubs held their annual joint nest-feather show on March 23 at the Parklands Sports & Social Club, Doncaster.

The judge, Bob Hudson, placed the following awards: best in show (light green cock), Dave Critchlow; best novice (yellow-face sky cock), Andy Parker.

Both societies would like to thank Bob for placing the awards on the night.



Best-in-show winner >



Best novice Andy Parker (left) with judge Bob Hudson

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the secretary Mr Paul Craddock on 01275 399 863.

BRITISH COLOUR CANARY CLUB announces that Ireland's four top judges will be coming to England to place the awards at the BCCC premier show on November 16 at Gnosall, Stafford. The four judges are BCCC vice chairman and full panel judge, David Ramsey; also full panel judges: David McCool, John Graydon and Robby Mitchell. Also at the premier show, who will win a glass keepsake and also walk away with £600 in cash? (£500 for best exhibit in show and £100 for best in section.)

DARTFORD & NORTH KENT BS on June 20, unshowable/scruffy and non-breeders, heavily flecked or tailless wonders (no French moulters please) will be discussed during the evening. (Members please bring such birds.) The club welcomes BS panel judge Ron Pearce to have his say and there will be an opportunity for members to question him about other subjects too.

The monthly budgie is a sky spangle cock: unused, 2018-bred by one of the North East's top breeders, Lee Pennick. As always the club will have lots of raffle prizes from great sponsors, including six 750ml Solosan Sprays every single month.

The meetings are held every third Thursday of the month, 7.30pm (8pm start) until 10pm. Meeting takes place at The Malt Shovel, 3 Darenth Road, Dartford, Kent DA1 1LS. For more information, tel: 02037 153 739 or 07936 103 020.

LIZARD CANARY ASSOCIATION is pleased to say that the LCA patronage process went ahead without a hitch. In 2018 many Lizard clubs and CBSes applied for and had patronage granted for their shows. These shows and the show results for the Lizards are as follows: Stafford National show, October 7, 2018. Best Lizard and best novice, Danny Higgins; best champion Lizard, Andy Williamson; judge, Tomas Hernandez.

South Bucks Canary Breeders Association, November 17, 2018. Best Lizard and best novice Lizard, Tony Horton; best champion Lizard, Stan Bolton; judge, Joe Coakley.

Linlithgow CBS, November 24 2018. Best Lizard and best champion Lizard, Keith Johnson; best novice Lizard canary, Steve Hart; judge, Alex Derks.

Southern Lizard Canary Club, November 25, 2018. Best Lizard and best champion Lizard, Riddle & Page; best novice, Tony Horton; judge, John Martin.

Grangemouth CBS, October 27, 2018. Best Lizard and best champion Lizard, Keith Johnson; best novice Lizard, Steve Hart; judge, Alex Derks.

Scottish Lizard Canary Association, Grangemouth, November 18, 2018. Best Lizard and best champion Lizard, Stu Johnson; best novice Lizard, Alex MacLean; judge, Chris Jordan.

Kimberley CBS, November 2018. Best champion and best Lizard, David Newton, judge, Andy Williamson.

East Sussex National, December 8, 2018. Best Lizard and best novice Lizard, Danny Higgins; best champion Lizard, Gary McCarthy; judge, Tomas Hernandez.

Midland LCA, December 9, 2018. Best Lizard and best champion Lizard, David Newton; judge Joe Coakley.

Ian Adcock, communications officer, would like to thank all the exhibitors who showed their Lizards and extend the LCA's congratulations to all the winners. He would also like to say a big thank you to the judges who gave up their time to undertake the judging role for the clubs and CBSes.

Details of the patronage process and contact information for the LCA's patronage secretary can be found on the LCA's website.

MID ESSEX BS will be holding a young stock show at its meeting on June 6 at the Village Hall, Bicknacre Road, Bicknacre, Chelmsford, Essex CM3 4ES at 7.30pm. The judge will be Graham Barton and the chief steward Martin Frost. Please fill in the entry form before arrival. Enquiries, please call 01376 510 303 or 07794 735 195.

NORFOLK FBA will be holding a double meeting on June 11, starting at the Sculthorpe Moor Nature Reserve at 2pm in the afternoon and meeting at the reserve on Turf Moor Road, Fakenham NR21 9GN.

Sculthorpe Moor Nature Reserve is managed by national wildlife charity, the Hawk and Owl Trust. The rare fen habitat is managed for wild birds of prey and the ecosystems on which they depend. With more than a mile of easy-access boardwalk and hides, this reserve is a great place to observe nature with every member of the family.

The association will be making a donation towards this charity in respect of this visit. Chairman Dave Woodhouse urges members to let him know soon if they are interested in attending this event.

On the evening of June 11 the association will be holding a general get-together meeting at the Methodist Church Hall, on

Heartsease Lane, Norwich, Norfolk NR7 9NP. Doors will open at 7.30pm ready for an 8pm start. The meeting finishes at 10pm.

This meeting is just a general chat and get-together and members are welcome to bring along any items that they wish to sell or swap including their birds. This is also a great chance to book a table for the Norfolk Foreign Bird Association sales day (formally known as the East of England bird sale) which will be held on July 7 at the TA Centre, Sporle Road, Swaffham, Norfolk PE37 7HL.

NORTH EAST LIZARD CC has recently decided to change its membership structure: full annual membership is now £10 and this will include all cage entries to the annual show, with no limit to entries. Social membership is £5 per annum and this is for members who live out of the area and not able to show. In both cases, all members are allowed free entry to show on the day. Please note that the club has changed its members' show date from December 1 to November 24.

PARROT SOCIETY (SCOTTISH AREA) next meeting will be on June 17 at the Broomhouse Community Centre, Baillieston Road, Broomhouse, Glasgow G71 7SB, beside the new zoo apartments, starting at 7.30pm. Guest speaker Ewan Rennie will share his experience in keeping and breeding various members of the parrot family. For more information please contact 01698 292 580 or check out the club's Facebook page at 'Parrot Society Scottish Area' for the latest information about the meeting.

PRINCES RISBOROUGH & AYLESBURY CBS will visit Birdworld on June 25 to celebrate the society's 65th anniversary. Meet in the car park at 10.30am. For more information and to confirm attendance, please call Ron Chamberlin on 01844 347 068.

TRENT VALLEY BS details for the upcoming members' show, seminar and outing are as follows: on July 14, the club will host a show at the Ashby Agricultural Show at Measham. Judges are father-and-son partnership, Keith & Tom Leedham.

On October 13, James Gillan will judge the members' show and will follow this with a talk. This takes place at the Willington Village Hall, Twyford Road, Willington, Derbyshire DE65 6DE. See "Show Dates" for the club's open show details. For more information, tel: 07712 418 967.