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# Please Note Subscriptions for 2004 are Due 1<sup>st</sup> January 2004 – please send Subscriptions to the Subscriptions Secetary by Post! Or see you at Doncaster on April 24/25th

### Ad - Fielding

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### Ad - Mathie

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North East:	Vacant at present time
Wales	Vacant at present time

### Trophy Steward Required.

Due to changes in his Personal Circumstances our Trophy Steward has been forced to resign from this position. So we need a Volunteer for this position in the Society.

Main Roles are to allocate the Club's Trophies at the Specialist & Rare Variety Open Show (Coventry), and VBC/BS Club Show (Doncaster), Notify existing holder of the trophies to return them. And generally maintain the Trophies in a suitable condition.

### **Subscriptions Secretary Required**

Due to Changes in personal circumstances the Subscription Secretary has stepped down as from the VBC AGM.

Main Roles include accepting Subscriptions and updating records on card index, Banking monies received, sending monthly statements to the Treasurer for financial records.

### Patronage Secretary Required

After an extended service to the VBC the Patronage Secretary is resigning from her position as from the VBC AGM.

Main Roles include the accepting of Patronage applications from Show promoting societies, allocation of the patronage, postage of these to the clubs and maintaining stocks of rosettes.

Attending the Specialist & Rare Variety Open Show in July and the BS Club Show in November to allocate Society Rosettes is also required.

Anyone interested in these positions please contact the General Secretary Tel: 01704 548327 Email: i.fielding@blueyonder.co.uk

### **VBC Presidents comments**

Firstly, may I take this opportunity to wish all members the very best for 2004. I hope that your breeding programmes are going as planned. Information I have received from around the country would tend to show that breeding results this year are very mixed.

It is my hope that this year the show season will proceed as planned, with clubs attracting good entries after the disappointments of 2003.

On the subject of shows, the B.S. are issuing guidelines to all societies regarding the running and managing of these events. I personally supported the stance taken by the B.S. in 2003 but I now have strong reservations that these new guidelines are going a step too far for many societies to implement, especially regarding the cost. There are certain points raised within the guidelines, which I can see will cause great concern to local councils and other hall owners who rent their premises to Budgerigar Societies. One such point, is the provision of foot mats at the entry point to shows, also the number of helpers that will be required to implement the guidelines. This will put a tremendous strain on clubs, most of whom who have a declining membership.

After listening to the content of this document I feel clubs to a certain degree are being held to ransom, that if they fail to comply in full, their patronage will be withdrawn. That in my opinion, sounds more like a rule than a guideline.

As a result of a change in my working conditions, which I have explained to Ian, I am unable to attend the A.G.M. in April and offer my apologies to the meeting.

I sincerely hope that the problems of the last year shall eventually be resolved, as it would be a great loss to many if the hobby was to suffer any further restrictions.

Wishing you all every success.

Regards

**Douglas Mathie** 

### **Editorial**

I hope you are all doing well in the breeding of your birds, I know many fanciers extended their 2003 breeding season, and have heard of a lot of good results.

I personally can see 2004 being a mixed year for the Budgerigar Fancy, which obviously will reflect on the future of the VBC and other Specialist Societies. I would ask members of the VBC to support the society, in whatever way they can through whatever circumstances continue, this includes prompt payment of subscriptions, and feedback to the club to let us know what *YOU* the members want from us.

The AGM in April is our main meeting, it is very informal and we would like to have members come along, firstly to meet the people who run the society, have a chat with like minded budgerigar fanciers and havesome input into what the VBC does.

If anyone over the last year has any stories or discussions about the birds they have bred, maybe some strange outcomes from test pairings, like those seen in the October Variegated Post, then please let me have them to share in the next VP in October.

As you will see later in this Magazine – we have started a new venture, the VBC Slide Show on CD-Rom! This I available for Clubs and Individual members to purchase at £6.00, and includes the original set of VBC Slides stepping back some 20 years now – and also is going to be continually updated to include pictures of Show winners, members aviaries etc etc. The presentation is on Microsoft PowerPoint and I know from experience many fanciers with Personal Computers can use this easily. This will be on show at the VBC AGM.

Please e-mail with your comments! i.fielding@blueyonder.co.uk

Ian Fielding.

# **Dates for Your Diary**

**Committee Meetings in 2003/2004** 

Sunday April 4<sup>th</sup> 2003 – 13<sup>th</sup> Coventry Scout Hall, Parkville Highway, Coventry.

10.00am until 12.30pm

(Prior to A.G.M at 1.00pm)

### V.B.C. - ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING 2004

Sunday April 4<sup>th</sup> 2004

Starts 1.00pm (usually  $1-1^{1/2}$  hours)

13<sup>th</sup> Coventry Scout Hall, Parkville Highway, Coventry Lunch will be available from 12.30pm

Due to the Guidelines and procedures to be enforced by the BS, the officers of the VBC feel that to hold the show at this time would not be advisable. If members wish to bring birds along on the day for discussion then they we are only too pleased to see them.

Will non-committee members requiring lunch please let the

General Secretary know 1 week prior to the AGM to allow for extra refreshments.

Please try to attend – This is the only time when members can voice their feelings about society issues; whether good or bad.

### Directions to the A.G.M. Venue.

From the M6, Junction 3 – follow the Bedworth Bypass towards Coventry.

*Turn right at the first roundabout, passing under the railway bridge into Hen Lane. At the Traffic Lights continue straight over into Roland Avenue.* 

At the "T" junction turn right into Parkville Highway – A garage is situated on the right.

The 13<sup>th</sup> Coventry Scout Headquarters is on the right at the end of the older houses



Patronage

#### Agenda for the 2004 Annual General Meeting of the Variegated Budgerigar Club

The Chairman asks the President to formally open the Meeting.

- 1. Apologies for Absence
- 2. President's Address.
- 3. Minutes of the AGM held on 13<sup>st</sup> April 2003 as per 2003 Year Book
- 4. Matters Arising.
- 5. To receive the Annual Reports from:
  - a) General Secretary
  - b) Auditors
  - c) Treasurer. Submit Accounts.
  - d) Subscription Secretaries
  - e) Patronage Secretary.
  - f) Editor/Slide Show Controller
  - g) Press Officer
  - h) Area Group Organisers
- 6. Correspondence.
- 7. Election of Officers & Committee

#### Mr Gren Norris to present the Chain of Office to the New President Mr D. Mathie

Position_	Person	<b>Proposed</b>	Seconded
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Vice-Chairman	Geoff Capes		
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	Mr.A.Fullilove,		
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Committee	D. Stiling	
	R. Clarke	
	S. Clarke	
Ballot Scrutineers	NCA	
Area Group Organisers		
Southern	J. Elsmore	
Scottish	D. Mathie	
North West		
North East		
Wales		
East Midlands		

- 8. Subscriptions.
- 9. Honoraria
- 10. V.B.C. Yearbook Comments.
- 11. Specialist & Rare Varieties Open Show
- 12. B.S. Show and V.B.C. Club Show 2004
- 13. V.B.C. Stand where has it been
- 14. VBC Website.
- 15. Roll of Honour
- 16. Annual General Meeting 2005
- 17. Committee Meetings 2004 2005
- 18. V.B.C. Member of the Year
- 19. Any Other Business.

# <u>Please send any items for the Agenda to the Secretary by the</u> <u>1<sup>st</sup> April 2004</u>

### **IMPORTANT**

# CORRESPONDENCE REGARDING THE V.B.C SHOULD BE SENT TO THE CORRECT OFFICIAL CONCERNED.

Subscriptions, Orders for VBC Badges, etc. should be sent to the Subscriptions Secretary : Mr A.W.Taylor. 3 Green Park Drive, Maghull, Liverpool. L31 8EN. Tel: 0151 526 0866

Note ; Replies and receipts will only be sent directly when an S.A.E. is enclosed - otherwise you will receive them with your next VP.

**Patronage Enquiries,** should be sent to Mrs P.Fielding, 16 Pilkington Road. Southport. Merseyside. PR8 6PD. Tel:01704 548327.

**Items for the Agenda at the A.G.M. and queries about Society issues :** should be sent to Mr Ian Fielding, 16 Pilkington Road. Southport. Merseyside. PR8 6PD. Tel:01704 548327.

**Items for inclusion in the V.P.** should be sent to the Editor, Ian Fielding, Address and Tel. No. as above.

# The VBC has gone Computerised!

VBC Slide Show now available on CD-Rom For those who have seen the VBC Slide Show on loan to societies over the years it has proved to be dated and I find myself difficult to update.

So what we are have done is to scan the original set of slides - add text pages, including breeding expectations etc, update the pictures with ones



from members own Web Sites, and new ones taken on digital camera.

The CD-Roms are available from the general Secretary at a cost of £6.00 including postage and packing. These can be used at Club meetings, or for loan to members and may prove useful to those newcomers to Pieds who would like to learn more about them

# New VBC merchandise!

As you will have read earlier - we now have VBC Mugs!



These are in full colour, with the Club Colour Logo – drawn by Eric Peake – These are available from the General Secretary at a cost of £4.50 incl P&P in the UK, and £5.50 (10 euros) incl P&P rest of world. *NOTE: – these are not Dishwasher Proof!* See a colour picture of these on the VBC Website –

### www.variegatedbc.co.uk

We also now have our own VBC Pied Breeding registers, these will take up to 26 Pairs and are colour coded to the UK Colour of Rings for the particular year. These are £1.50 incl P&P.

# See these at the VBC Stand at the Specialist & Rare Variety Show and the VBC/BS Club Show.

## Dark Eyed Clears. – by Derek Stiling

In the Budgerigar Fancy this could be the eighth wonder of the world, has this made you want to read on?

There are only two colours as in the Lutino & the Albinos but of course there are three shades in each of Yellow & White.

Very rare is it that you find any shading of blue in this variety of Yellows And White, which cannot be said of the Red Eye Variety.

The same could be said about body markings. I have only ever bred one that had any black marking, and I was lucky as it was a white hen and she had three or four black feathers under her wing where the shoulder covers the body so unless it was made to move, and it was the right way round, it was always covered up and I only got a comment twice about it from a Judge in four years of showing her.

Dark-eyed clear it is said to be Recessive but you try breeding with it and then surprise -surprise.

Take a true Normal and pair it to Dark Eye Clear, and here is your first surprise, Normals split for Recessive but also you could find that you have bred some form of Dominant Pied, yes the Continental Clear Flight. Now if you had paired that same normal to a Recessive Pied, you would have only what you would have expected Normals split for recessive.

So now we have some Normals split for recessive and we now pair one of them to Dark Eye Clear, and what a can of beans you have now opened, it is possible that you could have, Normal Splits-Recessive Pied's, Continental Clear Flights and Dark Eye Clears.

Lets now change and pair a Continental Clear Flight to a single factor to a Dark Eyed Clear and you could now find that you have bred Continental Clear Flight - Recessive Pied - Dark Eyed Clears -Normals Split for Recessive.

Any Normals bred from any pairing that a Split has been used as a parent, I completely disregard for any further use within my stock room.

As you can see it is classed as a Recessive but with a Recessive it will breed Recessive with a Normal it will produce a Dominant, and with a split it can produce you both.

It is at all time marking all colours and shades of those colours, this is very hard to see in the white variety but in the yellow variety the three shades of yellow can be seen if you look hard enough, and of course there is also the yellow face types that you can also breed.

Here again I have to feel for the Judge when he has two types of recessive birds in front of him, on one hand/one that has a set down form of marking to be judged by/and the second that has no markings on it in any shape of form, to breed a well marked Recessive Pied should take preference over a Clear as it harder to achieve, but is that fair to the breeder of Clear that he has also worked hard to get.

### Continental Clear Flighted Pied's. By Derek Stiling

This is a Personal Account of my Experience over the past years.

My first love is the Recessive Pied's in the straight Green or Blue Colours, backed up with the Dark Eye Clears, both Recessive Varieties.

It was many years on (as I have been a breeder since 1955.) possibly in the late 80s that I did by accident breed some Continental Clear Flights.

The first time I bred some as I said was by accident and I let the late Mr. Stan Elsmore of Middlesex have them.

From then on I have produced a. few more and decided to work on them as well, for all of my time till then I would buy a Normal and cross it to a Recessive Pied and produce my own splits and In turn pair them to Recessive Pied's and Dark Eye Clears was crossed to Recessive Pied, but one year I was left with a Normal Split that I had no suitable partner for/but had a Dark Eye Clear which I thought why not and use 'the two together and this how I produced Continental Clear Flighted Pied. I personally refer to this as back door breeding and after that first year I have taken a more and more interest in them. You can now see that I have only bred these from and on the recessive back ground of stock, so when I retired very late 1999 I decided to put a bit more effort into them, so I when out and got myself a few straight normals from one man and set myself up to have a good breeding season.

Oh dear what a fool I was, three pairs was set up and all my guns was blazing, the three pairs produced me 34 chicks, but the down side was only four was Continental Clear Flights the rest was all Normals but the few certainly was an improvement.

My clanger was all my Continental Clear Flights was all single factor all split for recessive.

This year (2000) I had to start all over again, but I used Dark eyed Clears to the Normals, and against the rules paired Continental Clear Flights up as pairs to breed some double factor for this coming season.

From all of this now I have bred from my Dark Eye Clears paired to Normals, Normals Split for Recessive and Single factor Continental Clear Flight, which in a way I can see that I now have the best of both worlds, I am now not over dosed with Normal Splits and I have A new blood of Continental Clear Flights.

I am as yet to get any where near the perfect C.C.F. Pied, but on that score I am by no means alone, but I do show them like a fool but as a recessive man no one seem surprised, but to have seven clear flight in each wing, and a clear tail, with a patch on the back of the head, and no face spillage down the front of the chest. Mine are as good as the next mans, if he was to show them.

Yes mine are like most a long way off, and I know it will take a long time before I get there, but I am trying.

For a Champion I suppose it is a bit grim for me to show my stock of C.C.F., but I do find it most interesting to stand near by the stand at a show and hear some of the comments made about them, and many a time the person does not have clue what he is looking at, still it brighten up the day.

Really it is the poor Judge that I feel very sorry for, for he has two types of dominant Pied's to judge in one class, each one is the opposite to the other, lets go through it first the Dominant Pied, this after all the basis have been done regarding size condition and stance.

No head Patch, Marked feather in flights and tail acceptable,

Spillage down from the mask is also right, body colour should be patchy, and so can the wings. Continental Clear Flight Pied, same as the other regards to condition etc., but now a bird as near Normal as possible, first a head patch, seven clear flight feather in each wing and a clear tail, no broken plumage in the wings, no spillage of the face colour into the chest, and one complete body colour as in a normal.

Thank goodness I only try to breed them, and not try to judge them.

### Derek G.L. Stiling.

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### **DISINFECTION.**

### By Pat Fielding.

Fellow of the Institute Biomedical Science.

As budgerigar breeders we have been advised to keep our bird rooms and equipment clean and free from infection. This is all very well for fanciers such as myself and my husband who through our jobs are aware of the different actions of different detergents and disinfectants and their effective concentrations. In this article I have set out to try and explain some the different detergents and chemicals available for ordinary fanciers, their effective dilution for use to prevent avian reoviruses and precautions that are needed when using them. Much of this information can be obtained by looking on the internet but again not all fanciers have this at home. A list of useful websites is found at the end of the article for the fanciers who have access to the internet.

Aviaries and cages should be inspected and cleaned at least once a week. All build up of faeces and old food should be removed. Feeding containers and drinkers should be cleaned and disinfected daily and should ideally be stainless steel or plastic as these are nonporous and easily cleaned. Food containers can easily be renewed every day when new food is placed in the cage.

Remember for effective disinfection to occur all organic matter needs to be removed as this will deactivate the chosen disinfectant. Organic matter can be removed by use of detergents. This detergent must be thoroughly washed off as this may also deactivate the chosen disinfectant. In practice it is often easier to use the same product for both the cleaning and the disinfection. If this is the case make sure that you reapply the disinfectant after you have cleaned away the organic matter. The first application used for cleaning will have been deactivated and will not therefore kill your virus or bacteria. There are many commercial disinfectants available. The one to choose should be easy to use, have a good safety record and be readily available. Practical considerations when choosing a disinfectant include:

- 1. Does it effectively kill viruses and other microorganisms
- 2. Is it safe to use in the presence of livestock.
- 3. How long does it take to effectively disinfect my bird room
- What precautions do I have to take when using the disinfectant (e.g. gloves)
- 5. Does it affect the materials my bird room is made of. (e.g. attack metals)
- 6. Does it leave a residue that could be harmful to the birds?
- 7. Can I get hold of it easily?
- 8. Cost.

### Examples of Commercial products

#### Virkon S

Virkon S has been proven to be effective against quite a lot of viruses including the avian reoviruses. The recommended dilution for eradication of all viruses is 1% or 1 in 100. All surfaces need to be cleaned to remove organic matter then treated with the diluted Virkon S for 30 minutes. The active solution is a dark pink but as it becomes inactive it goes paler and when totally inactive changes to a yellow/ straw colour. It can be applied as a fog or fine spray to mist rooms to eradicate airborne microbes such as fungal spores and viruses or when ill birds shed infected material to prevent cross contamination. Gloves do not have to be worn when using this product but should be worn if skin is sensitive or broken. Care should be taken to avoid inhaling the powder. Virkon S is also safe for use in drinking water of birds. A study in chickens in Cambridge showed that Virkon was safe in the water but was only palatable to the birds in a very weak solution (0.5% or less). We give our birds Virkon S in the drinking water approximately once a month. The dilution is very low probably a lot less than 0.5%. We tend to put in enough Virkon S to just tinge the water a pale pink. This is palatable to our birds and has not caused any ill effects.

#### <u>F10sc</u>

F10 is extremely effective against bacteria, viruses, fungi and spores, and contact times are shorter than some of the other disinfections making application easier. Exposure time is between 10 and 30 minutes dependant on the virus. F10 is non-toxic and biodegradable and will not corrode metals or irritate the eyes or even broken skin. The latest EU ecological hazard tests assigned it a "zero hazard" rating. F10 can be used safely for just about everything including disinfecting floors, cages, perches, food preparation areas (including as a food rinse) and decontaminating hands. It can be applied as a fog or fine spray to mist rooms to eradicate airborne microbes such as fungal spores and viruses or when ill birds shed infected material to prevent cross contamination.

#### <u>Lifeline</u>

A UK MAFF approved detergent disinfectant for disinfection of soiled contaminated surfaces and equipment in livestock production. Lifeline is a disinfectant with powerful detergent properties. Though primarily intended for use on pre-cleaned surfaces, Lifeline is capable of penetrating residual aged organic material. For Routine Disinfection apply at 1% (1/100) solution. Wear gloves to avoid skin contact. (Marigold gloves are fine). For Heavy, Aged Soiling apply Lifeline at twice the above recommended dilution - 2.0% (1/50) so as to thoroughly soak soiled surfaces. Leave for at least thirty minutes wash off with water, or 0.5% (1/200) Lifeline solution. Re-treat persistent soil and /or

extend soak period.

### Virucidal Action:

To effectively kill viruses the dilution of this product needs to be slightly stronger.

Avian Reovirus: 1/75

Avian Rotavirus: 1/75

### **Disifin Tablets**

Disifin Tabs is the new worldwide patented surface disinfectant that is government approved in Europe which has multiple uses and is fast becoming the global standard worldwide for surface disinfecting. Disifin Tabs are a highly concentrated disinfectant in pre-measured individually packaged tablets which quickly dissolve in water to form an effective surface disinfectant. Disifin Tabs are effective against all known microorganisms, including gram-positive and gram-negative bacteria, enveloped and non-enveloped bacteria, viruses, fungi and yeast. Disifin Tabs are non-corrosive making it ideal for disinfecting all surfaces, including wood, plastic and metal, safely and efficiently. Disifin Tabs rinse off easily with water, leaving no residue, guaranteeing reliable disinfecting without damage to the surface. Unlike many other disinfectants, Disifin Tabs is cold resistant and effective at temperatures between 4°C and 70°C. Disifin Surface disinfectants are also available in powder form.

### **Emergency Disinfection**

If dealing with an unknown disease agent and only household cleaners are handy, the following for personal disinfection may be used provided no other approved disinfectant is available:

1) Scrub with soap or household detergent in hot (60°C) water;

- 2) Domestic washing soda 10 parts in 100 parts hot water; or
- 3) Household concentrated chlorine bleach diluted 1 part in 3 parts water to give 2–3 %

available chlorine. This chemical is not to be used on face, hands or skin. remember to wear protective gloves.

During the cleaning process, all waste water and organic material should be directed to a pit for burial/or washed into diverted drains/bins for later decontamination.

Common general disinfectants such as phenolics, quaternary ammonium compounds and

lodophores (e.g. Vanadine) are very effective *anti-bacterial* but have *limited effectiveness against most viruses*. Do not use old, out of date chemicals such as bleach or chlorine compounds because old chemicals break down and have poor disinfection powers. Only use new or recently opened packets. As soon as possible obtain a disinfectant which is known to kill viruses and apply as soon as possible.

#### **Useful Websites**

www.healthandhygiene.net <u>www.antecint.co.uk</u> <u>www.disifin.co.uk</u> <u>www.pro-ag.com</u> www.24parrot.com <u>www.multiscope/hotspot/</u> <u>www.aahc.com/ausvetplan/petfinal.pdf</u> <u>www.animalmedics.co.uk</u> www.sanosil.com

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