Budgie Blast

February 2024

Have you checked out our website or joined our Facebook group: Join us on Facebook – Brisbane & Northern Suburbs Budgerigar Club Inc Visit our website – **brisbanenorthbudgieclub.com**

Meeting venue: Bracken Ridge Hall, Corner. Bracken & Barrett Streets, Bracken Ridge. Doors open 7pm for 7.30pm start.

Thursday, **8 February** is the date for our next meeting which we hope you will attend. Following a quick Annual General Meeting, the theme for the evening is "You determining what is the best bird benched". This will be a hands on evening and a lot of information can be gained. This will be another interesting evening so please come along and join us.

Please don't be turned off attending the Annual General Meeting because we have never forced anyone onto the committee, and we never will. If you wish to talk about being on the committee with a wonderful group of people, please contact either Angela on 0415 051 110 or myself on 0403 084 154. Committee meetings are held in the Library or if you have a computer, you can attend using that whilst being in your pyjamas (if you wish).

Birds to bring along for the tableshow are 2023 rung young birds, and 2024 Nestfeathers. The more birds we have the better the evening will be. Supper will be available free of charge to all who attend. A sincere thank you to everyone who brings down a treat for supper.

The Budgerigar Forum on February 10 (Saturday) at Tingalpa will be a "Must Attend Event" if you have an interest in Breeding and Judging Budgerigars. I encourage all to attend and please let me know if you are going as numbers are required for. Numbers are required ASAP. Amongst the items being discussed are topics like Auction birds, Judges, Zone Selection.

Upcoming diary:

Moreton Budgerigar Show – February 4 Strathpine Hall.

Our general meeting - February 8 Bracken Ridge Hall

SQBBA Forum - February 10 Tingalpa

Uniting Church

Birthday Celebrations:

February 11 Alwyn Peffer

February 11 Paige Hoskinson turning 18.

February 17 Ray Harrison February 29 Belle Hoskinson

Congratulations to one and all.

Question & Answer Segment:

If you have any questions to ask at a meeting, please feel free to ask. It does not have to have anything to do with the topic on the night – just any query. If you would like a 10 minute segment just for questions, please let us know and we will arrange it.

Inclement weather:

As mentioned by our veterinarian Ron Woodhead at our last meeting, this heat & humidity and rain can cause havoc in your aviary. Please treat your birds for Coccidiosis regularly. Ron suggests using Baycox and he suggested if this weather continues like this, you can use Baycox monthly.

Ensure the seed remains dry – Finches and other birds can tolerate wet seed but our budgies cannot. It will go through them like a dose of salts and can cause bacterial problems and the birds can die.

Also, snakes, rats and mice are on the move. We had 6 snakes in 4 days, and they filled up on the budgies unfortunately. We are covering all our outside wire with snake & mouse wire, and we hope to finish off the job on Sunday. Being eaten by a snake is a horrible way for your birds to die and take it from me, the snakes eat your biggest birds first.

Important:

Please attend our meeting next week on Thursday. We would love to see you at the Forum.

Regards

Carol Gough Hon. Secretary.