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Oklahoma City, Oklahoma

October 27, 1985

Exhibitors 5

Entries 33

Judge: Clarence Culwell

Award	Name	NFS #	Points	Tot.pts.
BEST IN SHOW	R. TRAVNICEK	254	5	11
SECOND	R. TRAVNICEK	254	4	11
THIRD	GENE MILLER	109	3	5

BEST AUSTRALIAN - GENE MILLER [1], BEST INDO PACIFIC - GENE MILLER [1],
BEST SOCIETY FINCH - LAURA KING [1], BEST FINCH OF THE AMERICAS - R.GADDY
BEST PAIR - R. TRAVNICEK [1], BEST SOFTBILL - R. TRAVNICEK [1].

SUBMITTED BY SHOW SECRETARY - TONI CAVANAUGH.

ROCKY MOUNTAIN SOCIETY OF AVICULTURE

DENVER, COLORADO

OCTOBER 26, 1985

Exhibitors 11

Entries 63

Judge: Charles Anchor

AWARD	NAME	NFS#	POINTS	TOT.PTS.
BEST IN SHOW	MARTHA WIGMORE	154	5	11
SECOND	STEVEN KEKAYAS			
THIRD	MARTHA WIGMORE	154	3	11

BEST SMALL SEED EATER - STEVEN KEHAYAS, BEST INDO PACIFIC - GLENNA BECK
BEST AFRICAN - STEVEN KEHAYAS, BEST ZEBRA - MARTHA WIGMORE [1], BEST
SOCIETY - MARTHA WIGMORE [1], BEST MEDIUM - STEVEN KEHAYAS, BEST DOVE -
MARTHA WIGMORE [1].

SUBMITTED BY SHOW SECRETARY, SUSAN BAKER.

GREATER CHICAGO CAGE BIRD CLUB SHOW REPORT NOT RECEIVED

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GEORGIA CAGE BIRD SHOWATLANTA, GEORGIA
NOVEMBER 2, 1985

EXHIBITORS 13

ENTRIES 67

JUDGE: CONRAD WEINERT

AWARD	NAME	NFS #	POINTS	TOT.PTS.
BEST IN SHOW	CECIL GUNBY	137	5	10
SECOND	RAY JOHNSON	189	4	6
THIRD	CECIL GUNBY	137	3	10

BEST SOFTBILL - RAY JOHNSON [1], BEST ZEBRA - CECIL GUNBY [1], BEST SEED EATER - CECIL GUNBY [1], BEST MED. SIZE - RAY JOHNSON [1].

SUBMITTED BY SHOW SECRETARY MICHELLE LANE.

WESTERN NEW ENGLAND CAGE BIRD SHOWLUDLOW, MASSACHUSETTS
NOVEMBER 16, 1985

EXHIBITORS 9

ENTRIES 42

JUDGE: KELLY S. OAHILL

AWARD	NAME	NFS #	POINTS	TOT.PTS.
BEST IN SHOW	BOB HEMENWAY	118	5	6
SECOND	KEN AKEY	103	4	10
THIRD	KEN AKEY	103	3	10

BEST AUSTRALIAN - BOB HEMENWAY [1], BEST SMALL AFRICAN - KEN AKEY [1]
BEST LG. AFRICAN AND ASIAN - KEN AKEY [1], BEST SOFTBILL - BILL PARLEE [1].

SUBMITTED BY SHOW SECRETARY.

MID WEST CANARY CLUBDETROIT, MICHIGAN
NOVEMBER 9, 1985

EXHIBITORS 14

ENTRIES 61

JUDGE: CONRAD WEINERT

AWARD	NAME	NFS #	POINTS	TOT.PTS.
BEST IN SHOW	THOMAS BAUGH			
SECOND	MARY WILDERMAN			
THIRD	JOHN BENNETT	134	3	3

BEST ZEBRA - BAUGH, BEST SEED EATER EUROPEAN - ALFRED MION [1], BEST LG. SEED EATER - TERWILLIGER, BEST SOFTBILL, MARY RUE.

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N.F.S. 1985 EXHIBITORS POINTS REPORT

By Tony Patterson, -Points Secretary.

The 1985 Show Season is now over and all the points have been counted. The new computer points program greatly simplifies the record keeping for our points program.

In 1984 if you recall, we did not have any Championship Exhibitors, but in 1985 two of our NFS members have accomplished this goal. Our congratulations go to these members.

1985 CHAMPIONSHIP EXHIBITORS

BOB AND TIWA HEMENWAY

DICK MUENCH

Both of these members received a total of 26 points, one more than is needed for Championship status.

With 21 points was Robert Travnicek. Cecil Gunby achieved 17 points and Steve Hoppin totaled 16 points.

Russ Armitage Jr. and Bill Parlee attained 15 points each, and Ken Akey came in with 14 points.

Receiving 12 points were Bill Lumley, Karl Kline, and Harold Harnish. Martha Wigmore attained 11 points, and 10 points were recorded for Chen Young.

Also receiving points this year were: Gene Miller, Conrad Meinert, Ed Zuidema, Foster & McKinlay, Michael Putnam, Ray Johnson, and Evon Nagel. Alex Grivas, John Bennett, Kay Thomas, Clarence Culwell, Mike Mifsud, Roger Heroux, and D. Dale Dewald also recorded points this year.

Kelly Dahill, Natalie Molaver, Joe Carrao, Sarah Goodrich, Val Clear, Laura King, and Alfred Mion complete the point winners for 1985.

It will probably be a few years before any of our members achieve a Exhibitors Excellence Award. The leaders for this program, which is a accumulative points program, are: Steven Hoppin with 40 points, Ken Akey with 38 points, and Bob and Tina Hemenway and Russ Armitage with 32 points.

With the noticeable increase in finch and softbill entries at the shows, and the new points schedule for 1986, many members will have a chance to build points for both of our NFS Award programs. 1985 Championship exhibitors will receive their recognition plaques at the 1986 National.

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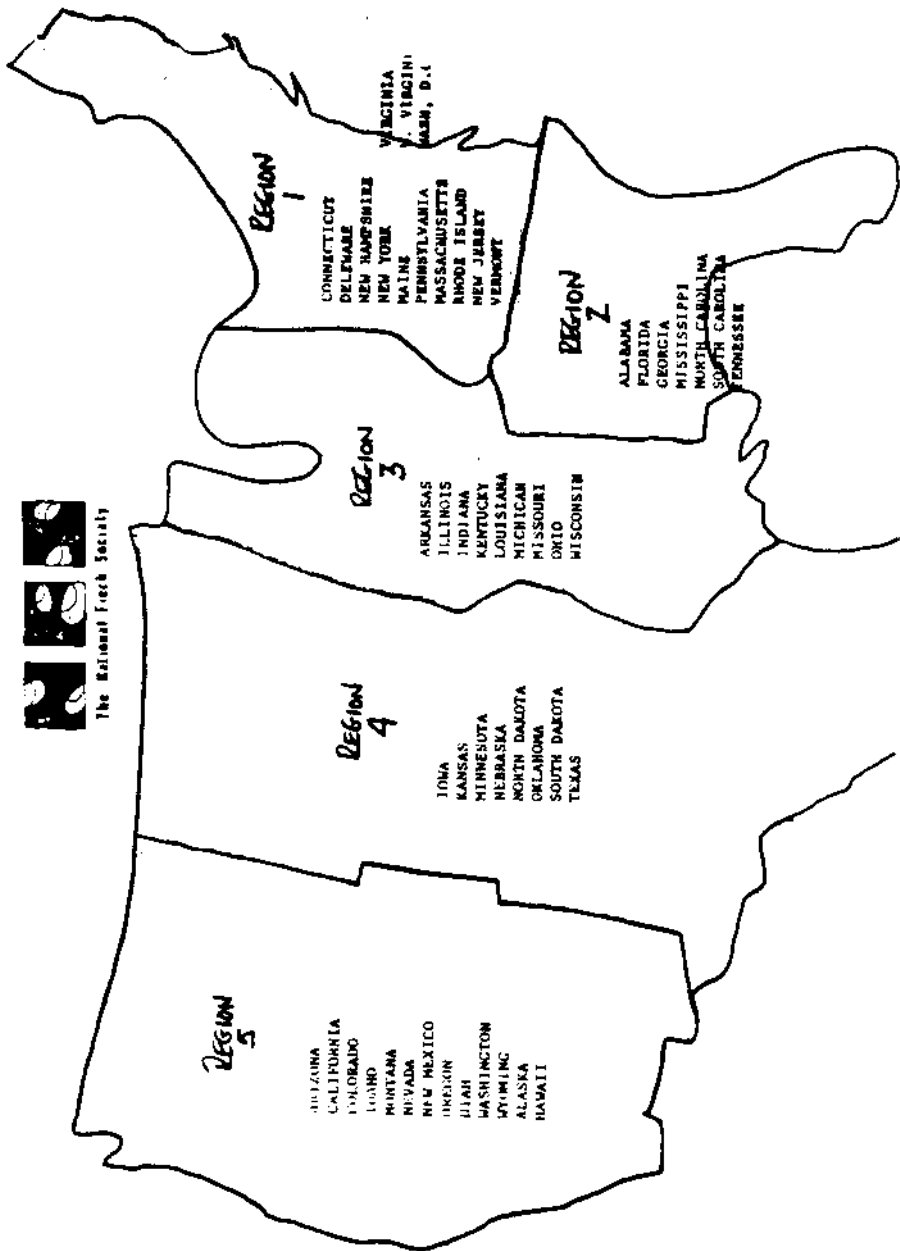
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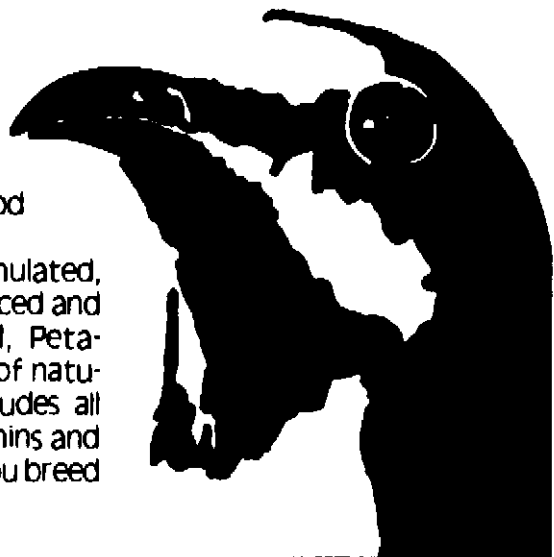
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BREEDING THE JAVA RICE BIRD by Dan Ouzts

The Java Rice Bird is known by many names... the Java Sparrow, Java Temple Bird, and its scientific name which is *Padda oryzivora*. It has often been reported that this particular bird is the one to which many first-time breeders are attracted. It is an interesting bird and I have noted that there has been much more interest in this bird during the past five years. It seems that avicultural interest is on the upswing and many are joining the ranks of the more serious bird breeders of today. Perhaps, The Rice Bird will see serious competition on the show bench as a contender for many awards.

My experiences with the rice bird have been very productive. I have found that they are prolific, require little attention, and can fare well in outside winter conditions.

About eight years ago I purchased ten Grey Rice Birds. At the time when I bought the birds I had no idea as to which sexes were in the group. I placed the birds in an outside flight about fifteen feet long, four feet wide, and six feet high. I put in the flights eight budgie nest boxes. I placed pine straw on the ground in the flight and soon I noticed that the birds were building their nests. This was about September or October. I fed them the usual budgie mixture with supplementary oat groats...they love the oat groats and will eat all that you supply. Come springtime I had almost thirty birds in the flight. All greys. I never looked in the nest boxes and just simply forgot they were there. I soon grew tired of the Rice Birds and sold all.

And, then, about three years ago I decided that I had to have some more Rice Birds. This time I wanted the whites, peds, and cinnamons. I purchased 10 whites and 6 cinnamons. Peds could not be found. I put all the birds in a small flight and again forgot about them. I raised approximately 30 or so from the whites and cinnamons....whites, white with some grey markings on the wings, greys, cinnamons, and something that could be called a light pied.

The following are some observations for anyone who may be interested in breeding this bird:

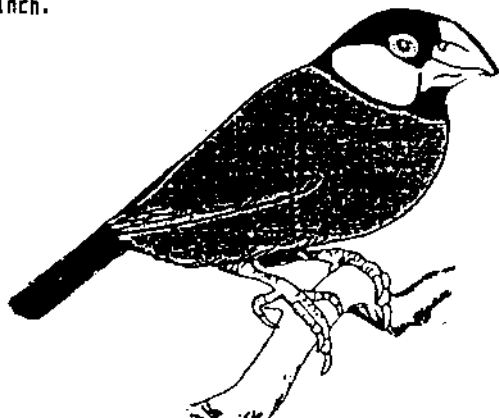
1. The whites do not breed true and will breed grey.
2. Rice Birds are fall and winter breeders and will not breed during the spring.
3. When the chicks come out of the nests and can't fly, they most likely will die.
4. The baby moult will usually take place when the birds are about four months old.

5. The whites are prolific breeders.
6. Sexing the Rice Birds is very difficult from my experiences. . . . some have reported that the cock birds dance, the beaks are larger in the cock birds, and the cinnamon cock birds have a lighter shade of brown on the top of the head.
7. Colony bred Rice Birds appear to breed better than those which are cage bred.

In my flight I give water from a fairly deep flower pot. The birds appear to enjoy their daily baths in this as well as their water for drinking. I give the birds fresh water twice a day and usually during the summer months they will receive fresh water three times a day. I feed the birds in a tray which is placed on the ground. Their diet consists of three kinds of millet - red millet, Japanese millet, and the usual Budgie mix. I also feed a mixture of Petamine, Kaytee Budgie conditioning mixture, niger, and plenty of oat groats. I mix all these seeds in a bucket and then mix soybean meal with it. It seems to work well for the birds as they thrive.

I place 14 budgie nest boxes in the flight and they choose whichever box they want. It is always interesting to hear the young when they are about three weeks old. I can hear them from a distance of about 15 feet away. I do not enter the flight or disturb the birds in any way. I have found that they will fly and become so excited when I do enter the flight.

Breeding the Java Rice Bird has been a pleasure. They are easy to breed and it is interesting to observe their habits. For any beginner in the finch world. I recommend the Rice Birds as an initial purchase. On the horizon may be a Cinnamon Pied Rice Bird which I am sure will be an addition to our finch community. Hopefully, one day I may be the breeder of such a finch.



**NATIONAL FINCH SOCIETY
EXHIBITION POINTS SCHEDULE**

THE FOLLOWING IS AN EXPLANATION OF THE NATIONAL FINCH SOCIETY POINTS SYSTEM. AS YOU CAN SEE, THE SYSTEM HAS BEEN CHANGED FROM THAT OF PREVIOUS YEARS. THIS SYSTEM HAS ALEVIATED THE PITFALLS OF THE OLD SYSTEM, AND MORE EVENLY DISTRIBUTES POINTS BASED ON THE SIZE OF ENTRIES. DUE TO THIS CHANGE IN POINTAGE, THE TOTALS NEEDED FOR CHAMPIONSHIP EXHIBITOR AND EXHIBITOR EXCELLENCE AWARDS HAVE ALSO CHANGED.

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20-29	3	2	1	x	x	x	x	x	x	x
30-39	4	3	2	1	x	x	x	x	x	x
40-49	5	4	3	2	1	x	x	x	x	x
50-59	6	5	4	3	2	1	x	x	x	x
60-69	7	6	5	4	3	2	1	x	x	x
70-79	8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1	x	x
80-89	9	8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1	x
90-99	10	9	8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1
100-119	11	10	9	8	7	6	5	4	3	2
120-139	12	11	10	9	8	7	6	5	4	3
140-159	13	12	11	10	9	8	7	6	5	4
Over 160	14	13	12	11	10	9	8	7	6	5

The number of points to be awarded for a win, 1st through 10th are listed under the place. Follow the entry size line for the number of finches shown at the particular show over to the place which you have won. The points shown under that place are the points you have received for that win.

Remember, regardless of the size of the entry, if the show is not being judged by a NFS Panel Judge, there will be no points awarded. The club involved does not necessarily have to be an affiliate of NFS, but the judge must be a panel judge for points to count. Plaques and Rosettes from the National Finch Society are only awarded at NFS affiliated shows.

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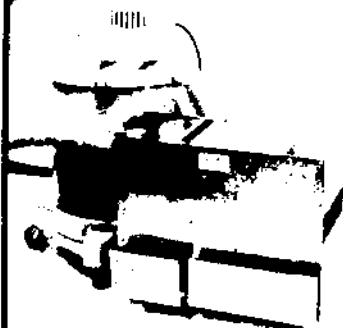


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BREEDING GOLDFINCHES by Joseph Corrao

Before I begin on the subject of breeding Goldfinches, I would like to compare them to the wild Canary.

As we know, Portuguese sailors landed in the Canary Islands and discovered the wild Canary. They were fascinated by the song and began to trap them and bring them back to their homeland. This discovery stimulated a market in Europe and Spain. People became interested in breeding these wild Canaries in captivity. The breeder discovered the wild Canary to be very tame; not shy at all. They cooperated with the breeder and soon were a domesticated breed. The results have been fantastic. Over the years breeders have developed so many types of Canaries, for example: Borders, Glosters, Hunchbacks, Frills, and Red Factors. All this information has been recorded throughout history, but there is very little written on the Goldfinch. I believe that the Goldfinch existed along with the wild Canary over 400 years ago. Goldfinches appear in ancient artwork and paintings, This is proof that they have existed.

There has been much written on breeding Canaries, cross-breeding with other finches (called Hybrids) but little or nothing has been written about breeding the Goldfinch. It seems to me the breeders have had trouble with this species. That must be why they chose the wild Canary to breed. The wild Canary is a much more cooperative bird, and the Goldfinch is a very shy and nervous species.

It is very hard to domesticate the Goldfinch, or acclimate them to captivity. Breeders must have given up on trying to breed them.

When I was a boy I would trap wild Canaries and after keeping them in a cage for 3 to 6 months they would be willing to breed in captivity. In comparison the Goldfinch when captured rarely survived as a cage bird. After saving a small percentage of captured Goldfinches, bringing them into a domesticated or tame state was very difficult. The most successful experience I had was to take a very young Goldfinch from the wild and tame him. As he matured to adulthood, I found I had something to work with.

Before stimulating the bird into breeding condition, place him in a small cage to limit his movement. The bird will become bored and sing continually. This makes the Goldfinch desperately want to breed when placed in a large flight with a hen Goldfinch. The hen is more difficult to stimulate into breeding condition because she must carry out incubation of the clutch and raise the young. The hen must be very confident of her surroundings and you the breeder. The way the breeder handles the birds affects their attitude and breeding condition. The female Goldfinch must feel comfortable and safe in order to breed in a cage.

The Goldfinch needs a warm climate or bird room and long daylight hours, approximately 14 hours a day. Various kinds of wild seeds, such as; Sow Thistle, wild grass seed, Sunflower, Maw seed, Poppy seed, Canibus seed, soaked seeds, and plenty of greens are important rearing foods for the nestlings. Live insects will be helpful also.

Standard Canary nesting food mixture should also be used.

In my homeland of Tunisia, North Africa the majority of wild finches commence mating in February, because of the tropical climate. Around the 20th of March the first young Goldfinches fledge the nest. By the end of March the second nest has begun. April is the third nesting and June would be the last mating for the late starters. Here in the United States, the breeder should push the bird into condition by March, to start breeding in early May.

In the wild, Goldfinches nest in fruit trees, Not all Goldfinches belong to the same species; for example, Goldfinches from a peach tree don't inbreed with Goldfinches from a lemon or olive tree. The different sub-species have different shapes and sizes, but generally look the same.

When pairing in a cage, you should be sure they belong to the same sub-species; otherwise they will bicker and waste the breeding season.

The most common Goldfinch is the Field Goldfinch. They are the smallest of the species and the easiest to breed.

Both male and female participate in building and preparing the nest. The hen incubates the clutch while the male feeds her. Occasionally the male will sit in the nest. After twelve days the young will hatch and fledge the nest sight at 21 days. You must be very careful when they are near fledgling age, as they scare easily and will jump off the nest. Fledged Goldfinches are fed by the male, while the hen builds a second, brand new nest. The young will eat by themselves after about one month.

In the wild all young fledgling Goldfinches follow an adult through the field in search of food. The young Goldfinches in their roller coaster flight is indeed a beautiful sight to see. Young males begin to sing at an early age. They will complete their frontal mask at 7 months of age. Young Goldfinches do not have as rich a coloring as the adults. They will gain the deep color at one year of age.

I sincerely wish you the best of luck in the coming breeding season.

EDITOR'S NOTE: Joe Corrao is a NFS member from Foral Park, New York. As you can tell from reading this article, Joe has a rich wealth of experience to share with us. Regarding the Canary Islands, many believe that the Canary was first discovered in the Maldives, however the

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WINTER REGIONAL MEETING

February 14th - 17th, 1986

(President's Day holiday weekend)

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

Friday, Feb. 14th
Arrival and Hospitality.

Saturday, Feb 15th
A.F.A. Board Meeting (Open to Public)
Lectures, Luncheon, Banquet, Drawing,
Entertainment, Displays, etc.

Sunday, Feb. 16th
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MEMBER VIEWPOINT by Dr. Robert G. Travnicsek

EDITOR'S NOTE: The following is only excerpts from a letter written to NFS President, Bill Parlee by Dr. Travnicsek. It was felt that these thoughts should be parlayed to the general membership with a brief comment from our President following the excerpted text.

This thought was spurred by a recent trip to Southern California in search of Softbills. I met a group of fabulously dedicated and gifted people who have given their lives to keeping and propagation of softbilled birds. In knocking around the idea of some sort of National organization many thoughts were exchanged. Since I have become acquainted with other members of the NFS Board it seems to me that this might best be accomplished by joining forces with the National Finch Society as a National Finch and Softbill Society.

This would bring together people from the Zoological and other specialized interest groups that are currently keeping softbills, but because of the rarity of these birds are frequently not able to get breeding pairs. What a fabulous opportunity we as softbill keepers would have if it turns out that we could amalgamate our efforts with yours to the benefit of all of our birds.

Why do you ask are softbill breeders different? Why would they consider a society of their own or not just join ours out of sheer good will. Good question I say. Because of rarity, expense and complex diets these birds are almost exclusively kept by people who, in the main, do not belong to any club. What a fabulous addition it would be to have them as a group in the NFS. It is my feeling that softbills may be the coming thing in birds. Certainly when I show my softbills they are more than not the talk of the show.

PRESIDENT'S COMMENTS: In these comments I represent the feelings of the entire Board of the National Finch Society. We say to you Bob, as well as all Softbill enthusiasts "Welcome aboard". We would be proud to have you all as contributing members. I say contributing members as we at NFS have a goal to fulfill and that is to embrace Finch and Softbill enthusiasts alike. With the passing of Phil Shaw last year, the NFS has remained relatively dormant in it's softbill goals, mainly as we have not had the shall we say, guiding hand necessary for us to utilize our NFS bulletin as an educational tool for our Softbill members. Half the Board members of NFS keep softbills. We are interested, but we need help. We need devoted softbill keepers and breeders to join us and become an integral part of the organization.

We can promise that if you support us, we will equally support you and your avicultural endeavors. Let's together make NFS the vehicle for education that the softbill breeders of this country so greatly need. Bob, thanks for the letter. We hope it will draw more member response.

DIETARY COMMENTS. . by Bill Parlee

VITAMINS AND OTHER SUPPLEMENTS

We all know of the importance of vitamins and minerals to the proper nutrition of all animals. What some of us are not to clear on, is how to be sure our birds get the necessary supplementation that will make them healthy, wealthy, and wise. Or, good breeders with the attractive appearance that only strong, healthy birds demonstrate.

The first item to consider is a good commercially available vitamin and mineral supplement, so that if we do all of our other supplementation wrong, at least we will be sure that our finches are getting something. There are several brands on the market, I use Nekton supplements, mainly because they are easy to use and store well. Of course, I believe that they are of the highest quality available. Avitron would be my second choice with Avia, Mardel, Vionate and all the others following. Be sure you know how to apply to vitamin that you are using, ie; water or seed. Avoid vitamin overkill, vitamins properly supplied are only necessary every-other day. Alternate, vitamins one day, clear water the other.

Be sure to have a cuttlebone, mineral block, or some type of oyster shell available so that your birds can get calcium and other mineral supplementation.

Many of your finches will readily take fresh greens, an excellent source of chlorophyll and minerals. Remember, the darker the green the better nutritional qualities that can be derived from them. Collards, Spinach, Kale and Swiss Chard are good choices. Greens should be fed regularly. Fresh corn, when available is a favorite of many finches and a good source of carbohydrates. Chickweed, which grows wild in many areas is often a favorite of finches. Be sure not to leave your greens in the cage or flight for more than 4-8 hours. Always wash any greens you buy from the super market as that may have been sprayed with chemicals as a preservative.

In addition to a good fresh supply of quality seed mixes, millet sprays are a must as a supplement, some finches pick at it and others devour a spray a day, which I believe keeps the doctor away. Most finches are not keen on fruits but apples and halved grapes are sometimes accepted. I have had better luck with what I call specialty greens; the heads of brocolli, radishes and tomatoes. My finches as well as my other birds all seem to like these treats.

Halved hard-boiled eggs can occasionally be offered, and more so during the breeding season as they are relished by most finches and are an excellent source of protein. Don't forget live foods. Some finches require it. Know your bird's needs, provide them and supplement with the many available supplements to assure the good health of your finches.

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Please make the following changes to your JUDGES HANDBOOK. Effective as of January 1986, all NFS exhibitions will have "young banded" and "old" classifications for each class. All judges approved by NFS must look for the BLUE 1986 leg band. All other birds must be entered in the "old" classes.

POLICY CHANGE: Effective as of January 1986, all apprentices must select their shows in which to apprentice by August 1st. Each selection must be sent to the NFS Judge's Panel Chairman.

All selections will be sent to the NFS Judges involved; each judge in turn must secure permission from each show committee involved. All assignments must be in place by September 15th of each year.

Each Judge must send a written report to the Chairman of the Judge's Panel on each apprentice whom he evaluates.

CLASSIFICATION CHANGES FOR 1986: Please make the following changes.

Div. 2, Grassfinches; delete class 13 - Heck's. Div. 3, Indo-Pacific: add under Finches of India: 29 - White Hooded Nuns, 30 - Black Hooded Nuns, 31 - Tricolor Nuns, 32 - ADV. Div. 6, Finches of Africa, Mannikins: delete the above Nuns. Div. 7, Finches of the Americas, other So.Americans: add Crimson Pileated.

Div. 9, All Softbilled Birds: add a new Section - Doves, Quail and Rails, to read as follows: 1 - Diamond Doves, 2 - Green Wing Doves, 3 - Australian Crested Doves, 4 - Zebra Doves, 5 - Necklaced Doves, 6 - Ringneck Doves, 7 - White Doves, 8 - Button Quail, 9 - Rails, 10 - ADV.

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THE WHITE TAILED HAWFINCH

By Bill Parlee

During the past few months I have received several requests for information on the White Tailed Hawfinch.

I must admit, these requests came as quite a surprise to me, as I don't think I have ever had anyone ask me about them before. Probably a good thing too, as I must admit, other than seeing a few at the shows I did not have ready answers for those that were interested.



Upon doing a little research, I did find a little info, which I will pass on here. The Hawfinch, *Coccothraustes coccothraustes*, comes from the Order: Passeriformes, Family: Fringillidae. It is a large finch of 17.5 cm. The first Hawfinch I ever saw was a few years ago at a Long Island, New York show. My first impression was that the bird was quite robust with an overly large beak for the rest of its large body.

The throat, lores, and base around the beak are black. The crown and cheeks are reddish-brown. The nape, gray; back, brown; wings, black with white greater coverts. Rump and tail are white; eyes, brown; beak, gray; and legs, light brown. As normal the male is more intense and female is more dull in coloration.

In the wild the Hawfinch stays in small flocks and inhabits fields, parks, farmlands, and gardens. Its distribution is Europe, Asia, and Northwestern Africa.

The Hawfinch is reported to be a peaceful bird in captivity and does well in large well planted aviaries. For nesting material, supply grass blades, thin twigs, and some wet earth. Spider webs will help them hold the nest together. Their clutches usually consists of 3-5 eggs; shell color is bright gray to light green-gray, with gray and dark brown circles, spots, and stripes. The female alone incubates the young. They will hatch in 11-12 days and the will fledge at 20 days. Insects are needed in the diet. Anyone having additional information to report on this bird, may do so by writing the NFS home office.

PARASITE--HOST RELATIONSHIPS by A.E. Decoteau

One of the more interesting groups of African finches is extremely difficult to prepare for exhibition. However, in the past year there were several excellent specimens exhibited in various Finch Shows around the nation. The Whydahs are indeed a challenge for exhibitors and breeders alike.

As many of you know, the Whydahs are parasites. They are not the meanest of bird parasites, as is the Cuckoo, for they allow their host babies to grow, develop, and fledge. The Cuckoo not only lays its eggs in a much smaller bird's nest, its baby kicks out all other chicks from the nest. Those poor little dumb parents of the host species run ragged feeding the big monster.

Whydahs, also called Widow Birds, were named after a Nigerian town in Africa. Their habitat seems to be in the savannas and the plains.

The plain, sparrowlike female Whydah does not build a nest. She looks for a host's nest where a full clutch has not yet been produced. The female Whydah always selects a nest of a specific African Finch, generally a Waxbill. Baby finches have a distinct pattern of dark spots that lie in the throat cavity; this stimulates the parent birds to feed them. Interestingly, baby Whydahs exhibit the exact markings as the host finch. Therefore, the host parents feed them as well as their own.

If you intend to attempt the breeding of Whydahs, in addition to the host of each one, it will be important that you know the identity of each host and its specific parasite.

Here is a listing of host-parasite relationships:

<u>HOST</u>	<u>PARASITE WHYDAH</u>
Violet Eared Waxbill <i>Uraeginthus granatina</i>	Shaftailed <i>Vidua regia</i>
Red Eared Waxbill <i>Estrilda astrild</i>	Pintailed <i>Vidua macroura</i>
Yellow Winged Pytilia <i>Pytilia hypogrammica</i>	Togo Paradise <i>Vidua orientalis togoensis</i>
Orange Winged Pytilia <i>Pytilia afra</i>	Broadtailed Paradise <i>Vidua orientalis orientalis</i>
Melba <i>Pytilia melba</i>	Common Paradise <i>Vidua paradisea</i>

<u>HOST</u>	<u>PARASITE WHYDAH</u>
Purple Grenadier <i>Uraeginthus lanthinogaster</i>	Strawtailed <i>Vidua fischeri</i>
Jameson's Fire Finch <i>Lagonosticta rhodopareia</i>	Red Throated Congo Whydah <i>Vidua funerea</i>
Black Cheeked Waxbill <i>Estrilda erythronotos</i>	Steel-Blue (Combassou) <i>Vidua hypocherina</i>
Aurora <i>Pytilia phoenicoptera</i>	Congo <i>Vidua orientalis interjecta</i>

The most interesting aspect of the Whydah's development involves their ability to learn the song of each host. This is the song they utilize when courting their females. This creates a unique situation for the benefit of this interesting parasite. Good luck to those avid breeders who intend to use the parasite-host relationship in their breeding endeavors.

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SPECIALIZATION - YOU OWE IT TO AVICULTURE

By Hal Koontz

Most aviculturists are collectors, not serious breeders. It is easy to understand why people fall into this pattern. When a person first becomes interested in birds, they all are very appealing. After acquiring one pair here and one pair there, a new species will catch his eye which he "must have." Over a period of time, the person will collect a variety of birds. He may tire of certain species and try new ones. There is nothing wrong with what I have described for a person new to the bird fancy. Everyone needs experimentation to discover what types of birds he is really interested in. But after a few years of experience, I believe every aviculturist should give something back to aviculture by consistently breeding a particular species.

Aviculture needs its breeders to specialize on species which are not well established in the United States in order to insure ourselves of a supply of these birds in case importation of birds is cut off. Most of the African Waxbills which are so cheap today are not being bred in very large numbers in the United States. Most of the African Waxbills I see were wild caught and imported. I know of a few people who breed waxbills, but they do not raise enough of them to meet 1/20th of the demand. A few years ago, Violet-Eared Waxbills were imported into the United States by the thousands. Where are they today? If importation of birds is stopped, many waxbills we take for granted will become unknown in our collections and the price will shoot up from \$20 per pair to several hundred dollars per pair as they become sore and sore scarce.

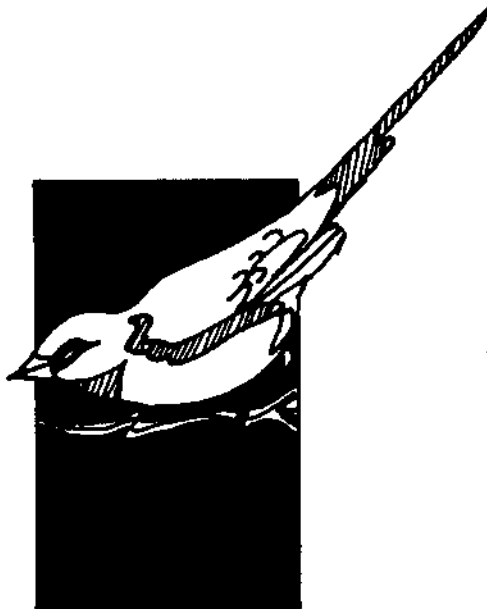
Almost all of the softbills, Weavers and Whydahs need attention. The Australian finches are better established than most groups of finches, probably due to their higher than average price and the fact that they have been captive bred for many years. Still, with Australian finches, we need specialists to concentrate on all but a few species. The Australian finch species which are bred in sufficient numbers to be considered established are the Zebra, Gouldian, Shaftail, Owl, and Star. All the other species need work.

In my opinion, you cannot be truly serious about attempting to breed a species with less than three pairs of birds of the species. If you intend to really concentrate on a species, you should have at least six to eight pairs of birds of that species. I urge all aviculturists, for the sake of the fancy, to pick a species or small group of birds which interest you and to concentrate on them. This does not mean that you should give up all your other birds. However, within your collection, you can put special emphasis on a particular species and try to consistently raise it.

Specialization has several desirable results. First, you will have multiple pairs. If a bird dies or is incompatible with his mate or is a poor performer, you will have other birds to switch around. This will save lots of time. If you have one pair of birds and one bird dies, how many babies can you raise? It is often quite difficult to find the odd bird you are looking for to recreate your pair. And if you find him, it often takes months to get a newly purchased bird to settle down and feel comfortable in your environment. Switching a bird that is already used to you, your diet and your environment may take him only a week or two before he is ready to breed.

You will learn and understand the special needs of the species which will increase your breeding results. You will have a number of different blood lines. This will mean that you will not have to get new blood as often which always carries with it the risk of bringing in a disease or parasite problem. Your breeding results will be far better. If you breed six pairs of one species, you will usually raise far more babies than if you bred one pair of six different species.

My call for specialization is based on the fact that it will result in more birds being bred and if specialization is on species which need to be established, aviculture will have benefited from it. I urge you to pick an unestablished species and try to raise 25 babies of that species each year for the next 10 years. If you and 19 other people could raise 25 of a species each year, I would call the species established. Our birds give us so much. Don't you agree that you owe it to aviculture to specialize?



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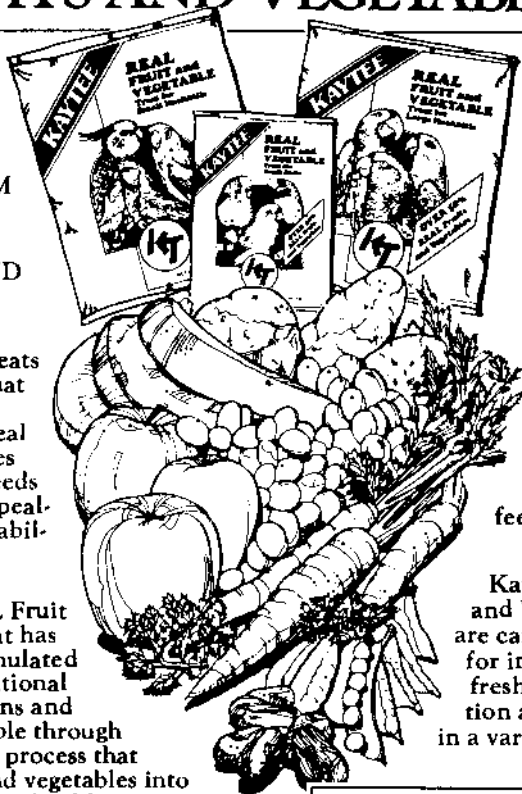
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