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1st Quarter Meeting Minutes, and The 1997 Annual Census*



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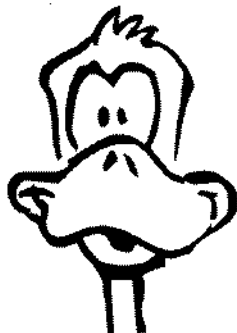
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In This Issue:

This being the yearly Handbook issue of the NFSS Bulletin you will find the following information included:

- The NFSS Bylaws
- The NFSS Apprentice Judge Program
- The FinchSave Program Definition and Purpose

The NFSS 1997 Annual Census Report is included in this issue. Thanks to all who took the time to contribute. You will find the layout different than done in the past. I think you will like what Daniel has done with it.

Also included in this issue is the meeting minutes from the first quarter board meeting held in Tampa Florida in February. And as noted in the May/June issue, the final approved Zebra Finch Show Standard is included.

There is an Open Letter to the Membership from our President and the Regional Roundup section is also included.

There is a Letter to the Editor and a Press Release on an interesting all purpose cage designed by one of our members.

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From the Editor's Desk

At 100 pages thick this Bulletin sits dangerously close to failing the postal regulation code for allowed bulk mail thickness. I am just hoping against hope that I will not meet again the "by the book" postal worker I had the "privilege" of transacting with when I mailed the last issue. Regulations, codes, rules we all must follow them.

A lot of you will find the contents of this Bulletin to be how shall I put it, "less than exciting". Aside from the Annual Census there are lots of codes and rules of order to sort through. And, to be honest until I became an officer of the society I admit I never read the Bylaws. Now, several years later my position with the NFSS is dictated by the Bylaws. I follow them. I know them. They are what keep the society functioning. They provide order. For those of you in the dark of how NFSS runs take a glance at them.

FinchSave. Believe it or not some people actually chose the "What is FinchSave?" on the NFSS Survey. To me that indicated that we as officers of NFSS had not done enough to educate the membership on what our most important program is all about. So for those of you that chose "What is it" the answer is provided within.

The Zebra Finch Standard and Judge Apprentice Program published within may be of no interest to some of the membership. However, the entire membership of NFSS embodies aviculturists with a great deal of diversity. The goal of NFSS is to provide materials that will cater to every type of aviculturist. And as Editor I want to make it a point to provide materials that ALL of the membership will find of interest.

The 1997 Annual Census fills the majority of this issue. Thanks to those of you that took the time to fill out your census and thanks to Daniel for doing an outstanding job at setting it all up.

I want to sing the praises of Marc Riva, our NFSS Website Manager. I personally thank you for your tireless dedication and professionalism, for being there at 4:07 am to work your magic on the NFSS website, and for just being a friend. Drac, the bird IS you.

I want to thank Clint Harris for being a friend and sharing his passion for aviculture. When you made the decision to divulge yourself of your aviaries my heart was saddened. The song of your Sydneys and Painteds that now reside in my aviaries will always remind me of you. I know in my heart of hearts that the absence of song will someday draw you back into the fold. And, on a lighter note, seeing that you don't have 200 cages to clean or mounds of cuttlebone to scrape did I mention that I have LOADS of NFSS tasks lined up for you??

Kerri Ann

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Regional Roundup

News from Region 3
"Home Sweet Chicago"
by Tom Rood

My Region 3 news in this issue of the NFSS bulletin is called "HOME SWEET CHICAGO!" With the 1998 Grand National Cage Bird Show fast approaching, I thought I would send along some information. By the time you get the next bulletin, the National will be very close upon us.

Many thanks to John and Jane Muscato, Bob Wild, and the other Chicago members for supplying me with the following information about the upcoming National Show. First of all, the "all important" dates are November 19-21, 1998. Location is the Pheasant Run Resort in St. Charles, Illinois.

The Muscatos have informed me that rooms are going very fast! To date (I am writing this on July 7) over 750 room nights have been booked already.

John and Jane urge you to make your reservations NOW. The special room rate of \$109 is only good through October. The reservation number is 1-800-999-3319. You must mention NCBS in order to get the special room rate.

Banquet tickets will be \$30 per person. The menu choice will be chicken, beef, or fish. A special diet menu (i.e. diabetic, vegetarian, etc.) may also be requested. Those interested in reserving a full table may pre-purchase a table to include 10 people. Banquet information and details may be acquired by contacting Nancy Serchuck at (847) 437-5704.

This year's Grand National Cage Bird Show is special because the NCBS will be celebrating its 50th Anniversary. It is entitled "Home Sweet Chicago" because the very first national show was held in Chicago. Chicago also hosted national shows in 1959, 1964, 1970, 1975, and 1984.

I had the privilege of attending my first national show at the 1984 Chicago show. I still remember the great time I had. I can assure you knowing some of the Chicago members that they plan you putting on a great National and showing everyone a good time.

For more information concerning this year's Grand National Cage Bird Show, you may contact John or Jane Muscato at (630) 305-9043. Their email address is Byrdman55@aol.com. You may also contact Bob Wild at (630) 985-4416. Bob's email address is rwild@kiwi.dep.anl.gov.

Plan on attending this year's national. Don't forget to bring along a few finches and/or softbills with you. We need to keep our good friend and NFSS panel judge, Clarence Culwell, busy the whole day -- or Clarence and I just might check out the antique shops in St. Charles!!

New Classified Advertising Rate Structure By the Publications Department

Effective as of 7/1/98 the cost of advertising will increase from 15 cents per word to 25 cents per word for NFSS members. The advertising cost will be 30 cents per word for all non-NFSS individuals. Along with the rate increase your classified advertisement will be published in not only the NFSS Bulletin but also on the NFSS website. Should you not wish to include your ad on the website please note this when placing your ad. If you have not yet visited the NFSS website to view the classified section, please do. The address is <http://NFSS.net>.

Meet Two NFSS Officers By Kerri McCoy

The NFSS survey results indicated that some of the membership was interested in being able to meet the Officers of the NFSS. For those of you located in the southeast region of the US there is an upcoming fair in Birmingham, Alabama August 8 and 9 and the Birmingham Jefferson Civic Center. This is not an exhibition show, a fair only. However both Ginny Allen the Liaison and Awards Manager and myself, will be present at the fair to represent NFSS. Should any of you folks be in the area, we would look forward to meeting you.

NFSS Survey and Photo Contest Winners

By Kerri McCoy

Since I already mentioned the NFSS Survey on the previous page I thought I would let the membership know that the results of the survey will be published in the September/October issue of the Bulletin. The winners of the NFSS photo contest will also be published in the September/October issue of the Bulletin.

NFSS Website Supplier Advertising

By Kerri McCoy

Effective 7/1/98 advertisements will be available for purchase on the NFSS website. All current and potentially new advertisers are invited to participate. The rate structure is as follows: A mirrored image of your ad published in the NFSS Bulletin will be posted on the NFSS website. Should your company have its own website, a link from the NFSS site to your website will also be included with this service. To preview how your potential ad will look visit the NFSS website and go to the NFSS Sponsors section on the index page. A "test" ad for the Estrildian Magazine is available for viewing. The cost for advertising on the NFSS website is \$100/year. There is a free month trial available now. Those advertisers who have already purchased the inside front or inside back cover of the NFSS Bulletin for advertising are offered the website advertising at a discount of \$50/year. For more details on setting up an ad on the NFSS website contact the Website Manager, Marc Riva for details at: marc@NFSS.net

Treasurer Election Results

By Kerri McCoy

The ballots have been tallied and a heartfelt congratulations goes to Martha Wigmore who has been officially elected the new NFSS Treasurer. Way to go Martha!

Open Letter to the Membership

By Ron Castaner

Dear NFSS Members, It is with regret that I inform you that Ginny Allen has announced her resignation from the positions of Liaison Officer and Awards Manager effective December 31, 1998. Nominations are now open for the position of Liaison Officer, which is an elected position. Applications for the position of Awards Manager are also open.

All applications should be sent to Dale Laird, 1st Vice President of National Finch and Softbill Society by August 15. Please include qualifications and reasons for applying. Potential candidates and their qualifications will be printed in the September/October Bulletin and ballots will be included in the November/December Bulletin.

The responsibilities of Liaison Officer according to the Bylaws are:

- Shall be responsible for the interrelationships between the Society and other national and local avicultural organizations.
- He/she will also assist the 1st Vice President and Regional Vice Presidents with club

affiliations, and the Awards Manager as necessary.

The Awards Manager works closely with the Liaison Officer and it can be the same person.

- He/she is responsible for the ordering and shipping of all awards.

Ginny Allen will be more than happy to discuss the positions with any person considering either position. She does feel that a computer and email capability is a requirement for maintaining the records. She can be reached at (334) 749-7168 or via email at: gndallen@earthlink.net.

NFSS would like to thank Ginny for her years of dedication to the NFSS. The NFSS Board encourages qualified members to consider serving NFSS in these positions.

Sincerely,

Ron Castaner
NFSS President

The National Finch and Softbill Society Bylaws

REVISED 5 SEPTEMBER 1995

Preamble to Bylaws - The National Finch and Softbill Society is dedicated to the introduction of the enjoyment of keeping and breeding Finches and Softbills to all interested parties, enhance the knowledge of our members in keeping and care of these birds, encourage breeding programs, and cooperate with organizations for the preservation of aviculture in this country.

ARTICLE 1 - NAME OF THE ORGANIZATION

This organization shall be known as the National Finch and Softbill Society. It shall also be know in a more casual manner as "NFSS", hereafter known as the Society.

ARTICLE 2 - STATUS

The National Finch and Softbill Society. is a nonprofit organization, as described in section 501 (C) (3) of the Internal Revenue Code.

ARTICLE 3 - HOME OFFICE

The principal office of the Society shall be specified by the Board of Directors and so publicized in the Society Bulletin. This address will be the official address for communicating with the Society and thus shall remain as static as possible.

ARTICLE 4 - MEMBERSHIP AND DUES

PARAGRAPH ONE

The dues for membership in the Society shall be determined by the Board of Directors.

PARAGRAPH TWO

Membership is available to single members as well as dual members. Dual means any two individuals residing at the same address. Any dual membership will receive only one copy of an NFSS publication; however, dual members will count as two individual votes in regard to Society elections or other business.

PARAGRAPH THREE

Junior membership will be available at a reduced rate determined by the Board to any applicant under the age of sixteen.

PARAGRAPH FOUR

If a member's dues remain unpaid for a period exceeding sixty days beyond written or published notice, said member's privileges shall end.

PARAGRAPH FIVE

Membership in the Society is a privilege. Any member who misrepresents the Society, holds Society property without authorization, or in any other way is injurious to this Society as defined as, but not limited to, violating the bylaws or making a flagrant action against the good of the Society, may lose his/her privileges of

membership, and receive a prorated refund of his/her unused dues. In order to cause action under this paragraph, a member must file a deposit of twenty-five dollars (\$25.00) with the Society Treasurer, along with papers, which shall support a claim against a member of this Society. Such claim shall be taken up by the Board of Directors. If the claim is ruled legitimate and results in the removal of a member, the claimant will receive his/her deposit back. If a claim is unfounded, the deposit shall be forfeited by the claimant.

ARTICLE 5 - TERM OF OFFICE, ELECTIONS, OFFICERS

TERM OF OFFICE

PARAGRAPH ONE

All officers are elected by the membership. Members elected to hold office in the Society shall serve for a period of two years. Appointed Manager positions and other non-voting jobs in service of the Society are created or eliminated as needed by an action of the Board.

ELECTION

PARAGRAPH TWO

Elections will be held every two years, with the results announced at the annual membership meeting or as may be occasioned by death or removal of an officer (note

paragraph 5 below). A ballot, either separate or included in the official bulletin of the Society, shall be mailed at least sixty days prior to elections. A majority of the ballots counted on the day of the annual general membership meeting shall determine the outcome of the vote. A postmark as it pertains to this paragraph may be considered an official US bulk mailing receipt.

PARAGRAPH THREE

The Board of Directors shall appoint a Nominating Committee at the 2nd Quarter Board meeting, consisting of at least three members, who must produce a slate of officers for the election. The committee shall produce at least one name and not more than three names for each office by August 1st. A write-in space must be allowed for each office on the ballot.

PARAGRAPH FOUR

All Elections of this Society shall be by secret ballot only. Ballots will be counted by an appointee of the Board of Directors. Such appointee cannot be an elected officer of the Society.

PARAGRAPH FIVE.

In the event an Officer, either elected or appointed, dies, resigns or is removed, the Board may appoint a Pro Tem. If less than 180 days remain until the next regularly scheduled election the Pro Tem will serve until that time. If

more than 180 days remain until the next regularly scheduled election, the Pro Tem will serve until a special election is held (not to exceed 180 days).

OFFICERS

PARAGRAPH SIX

President: The President of the Society shall preside over all Board of Directors meetings, annual membership meetings, and shall attend to the day-to-day operations of the Society. The President shall abide by the bylaws of the Society, and shall coordinate and delegate the activities of the other officers of this Society.

PARAGRAPH SEVEN

First Vice-President: Shall fill the position of the President in absentia. Shall be first in succession to fill the position of the President should the President be unable to fill his/her term. The First Vice-President shall coordinate the activities of, and be responsible for all Regional Vice-Presidents and will assist the Regional Vice Presidents with club affiliations as necessary. The First Vice-President shall chair the Education Committee and coordinate the educational programs of the Society.

PARAGRAPH EIGHT

Second Vice-President: Shall be second in line to the Presidency. The Second Vice-President shall

chair the Publishing Committee.

PARAGRAPH NINE

Third Vice-President: Shall be third in line to the Presidency. He/She will be in charge of "FINCHSAVE", the captive breeding program of the Society. He/she shall participate in the FINCHSAVE Committee and guide the captains and breeders involved in the program.

PARAGRAPH TEN

Fourth Vice-President: Shall be fourth in line to the Presidency. Must be a NFSS Panel Judge as he/she shall serve as the Panel Director. The Fourth Vice-President shall also chair the Research and Standards Committee and be in charge of Specie Classifications. He/she shall also be responsible for shows or exhibitions of the Society and member points arising there from.

PARAGRAPH ELEVEN

Membership Director: Shall be responsible for receipt and processing of new and renewal membership in the Society and for the maintenance of membership records for bulletin mailings and the use of the Board of Directors. Shall ensure that membership records are not released except as authorized by the Board of Directors.

PARAGRAPH TWELVE

Executive Secretary: Shall be responsible for recording the minutes of all Board of Directors meetings, special or national membership meetings that may be called from time to time and prepare and distribute the minutes to the board members. The Executive Secretary, or designated representative, will have available at each meeting the most recent issue of Robert's Rules of Order. He/She shall maintain an archive of all minutes and the Society's official documents. He/She will assist other Board members with correspondence as necessary.

PARAGRAPH THIRTEEN

Treasurer: The calendar year for the Society shall be from January 1st to December 31st. The Treasurer shall prepare and submit to the Board, at the 4th Quarter Board meeting, a budget indicating proposed income and expenditures for the upcoming year for approval by the Board. All funds, records, receipts, and expenditures for the previous year or shorter period upon relief of the Treasurer, will be reviewed by two members of the Board of Directors, not to include the current Treasurer, as appointed by the Board of Directors. The results of the review will be included with the annual budget or presented to the Board upon relief of the Treasurer. Shall be

responsible for the collections and keeping of all Society funds and assessments. Shall maintain a bank account, and deposit Society funds in the account under the name the National Finch and Softbill Society with the President and the Treasurer as signatories, with one signature required. The president may not draw on the funds of NFSS in excess of \$200.00 without Board approval. All funds, with the exception of the operating funds, are to be kept in an interest bearing savings account. The Treasurer will promptly deposit all society funds and promptly pay with Society funds, kept in a checking account, all debts incurred by the Society at the direction of the Board of Directors. Society funds shall be used for the Society business only.

PARAGRAPH FOURTEEN

Leg Band Secretary: Shall be responsible for the ordering and issuance of official leg bands of the Society in accordance with the then policy of the Society. The Leg Band Secretary shall report to the President of the Society.

PARAGRAPH FIFTEEN

Liaison Officer: Shall be responsible for the interrelationships between NFSS and other national and local avicultural organizations. He/she will also assist the First Vice President and Regional Vice-Presidents with club affiliations

and the Awards Manager as necessary.

PARAGRAPH SIXTEEN

Regional Vice-President: Shall be responsible for encouraging membership and club affiliation in the Society within the region in which he/she resides. There is one Regional Vice-President in each region. Regional Vice-Presidents are responsible to the first Vice-President. He/She will serve as part of the Educational Committee with the First Vice President. Regional Vice-Presidents are encouraged to hold at least one membership meeting within their region annually.

PARAGRAPH SEVENTEEN

Honorary Officers: The Board of Directors may, by a majority vote, create a non-voting Board position to recognize a member's outstanding contribution to the Society.

ARTICLE 6- BOARD OF DIRECTORS

PARAGRAPH ONE

The Board of Directors shall consist of all elected officers of the Society.

PARAGRAPH TWO

Quorum: The Board of Directors, having sole authority to conduct the business of the Society, shall decide matters by a simple majority of

those present at the board meeting when a quorum of 50% of the Board members are present, or, for Board meetings conducted by mail 50% responding.

PARAGRAPH THREE

Board Meetings: The regularly scheduled board meetings will be held either in person or by mail on a quarterly basis as designated by the Board of Directors. The quarters shall be calendar quarters beginning with the January - March quarter. The 4th Quarter Board meeting will be held prior to the annual membership meeting. The Board of Directors may not occasion a meeting without first sending a notice to all Board members. Such a notice must be postmarked at least ten days prior to said meeting. If 50% of the Board is in attendance, a director's votes received by mail, prior to the vote, shall be valid. If 50% of the Board are not in attendance motions, discussions, 2nds, proposals, etc. may take place. With-in 30 days an agenda, with discussions attached, will be sent to the Board for vote. The agenda for Board meetings by mail shall be distributed to all Board members in advance of each Board meeting by mail, and interested Board members may submit written discussions of an agenda item to the President who will forward them to the Executive Secretary for distribution to all Board members prior to the vote. The specific

timetable for distribution of the agenda and discussions shall be determined by the Board.

Emergency Board meetings may take place when four members of the Board and the President or next officer in line of ascension deem it necessary, without written notice. A quorum of 50% of the Board is required to hold an Emergency Board meeting. At an emergency meeting only the business called for can be conducted. During an emergency meeting of the Board, no action may be taken on the removal of an officer or on an amendment to these bylaws.

PARAGRAPH FOUR

Any elected officer of the Society found by the Board to be injurious to the Society, as defined in, but not limited to, the *Membership* Article 4 paragraph 5 may be removed from office by a two thirds vote of all Directors. A written complaint against said officer must be signed by at least two Board members and must be received by the President by certified mail in order to be considered by the whole Board.

ARTICLE 7 - COMMITTEES

PARAGRAPH ONE

The President or Board of Directors may form a committee for the purpose of carrying out the goals and administration of the Society. Standing Committees may

include, but are not limited to the following:

PARAGRAPH TWO

Show Committee: The Show Committee, chaired by the Fourth Vice-President, shall be responsible for all activities required to achieve the Society's participation in National level exhibitions.

PARAGRAPH THREE

Publishing Committee: The Publishing Committee, chaired by the Second Vice-President, shall be responsible for all publications of this Society. It shall produce and edit a bi-monthly bulletin for the membership of the Society. It shall produce a Handbook or yearbook for the Society, and any other publications as directed by the Board of Directors.

PARAGRAPH FOUR

Research Committee: Shall conduct research on a given subject at the pleasure of the Board of Directors, and will assist members of the Society with matters of avicultural interest.

PARAGRAPH FIVE

Education Committee: This committee will assist its chairman, the First Vice-President, in developing educational programs for the members of this Society. The membership of this Committee shall include the Regional Vice Presidents.

PARAGRAPH SIX

Standards Committees: The Standards Committees shall work with the Judges Panel and other interested parties in an ongoing effort to establish Standards of Perfection for the individual species.

PARAGRAPH SEVEN

Judges Panel: Shall consist of all approved judges in accordance with the standards set forth by the Society. The procedure for nominating a judge for the Judges Panel shall consist of a written application by the potential judge, who is a current member of the Society, and nomination by at least two members of the Judges Panel. Nomination to the Judges Panel may not take place until the potential judge has completed testing and apprenticeship under the formula as then required by the Board of Directors of the Society. Final approval of a new judge shall be by the Board of Directors. This will consist of a majority vote of the Board after review of all paperwork in the apprentice process excluding the test taken.

A Panel judge may be either sanctioned or removed from the Judges Panel as recommended by the director of the Judges Panel and approved by the majority of the Board in accord with the most current NFSS Judges Handbook

procedures.

PARAGRAPH EIGHT

FINCHSAVE Committee: The FINCHSAVE Committee shall assist the Director of the program. It shall consist of Society members designated by the Director. This Committee shall help develop and preserve policy in regard to this nationwide multi-species captive breeding program. The Committee may request funds for the administration of the FINCHSAVE program only. All funds used for the program must be authorized by the Board of Directors. All data, statistics, and information collected for this program will remain the sole property of the Society.

ARTICLE 8 - MEMBERSHIP MEETING

PARAGRAPH ONE

The Society shall have an annual membership meeting held in conjunction with the National Show of the Society.

PARAGRAPH TWO

General membership votes on matters of the Society are only considered for the election of officers, the amendment of bylaws, or as otherwise set forth by the Board of Directors.

PARAGRAPH THREE

The annual membership meeting of the Society shall consist of, but is not limited to, a State of the Society report given by the President, an annual Treasurer's report which includes a summary of the proposed budget for the next year and a summary of the review of the current year funds, awards presentation, election of officers (every odd numbered year), etc., and a longer more casual discussion period when members may make their views known to the Board of Directors.

PARAGRAPH FOUR

Regional meetings may be held at the direction of the Regional Vice-Presidents. Business is not conducted at regional meetings. These meetings are for the general membership of the Society and are primarily to discuss ideas, which may be presented to the Board of Directors. These meetings may also sponsor educational programs for the membership.

ARTICLE 9 - DISSOLUTION

PARAGRAPH ONE

Should it become necessary to dissolve the Society all properties of the Society shall be sold or auctioned off, as determined by the Board of Directors. After all debts of the Society have been fully paid, the remaining monies of the Society

shall be given to a non-profit avicultural organization, as determined by the Board of Directors.

PARAGRAPH TWO

No part of the net earnings or the Treasury of the Society shall accrue to the benefit of or be distributed to members, officers, or other private persons upon dissolution.

ARTICLE 10 - AMENDMENTS TO THE BYLAWS

PARAGRAPH ONE

Amendments to the bylaws must be sponsored by at least two members of the Society and received by the President by certified mail.

PARAGRAPH TWO

Amendments to the bylaws must be published in a newsletter of the Society at least 30 days prior to the vote, tabulated at the next Board of Directors meeting. Any amendment to the bylaws of this Society must be approved by two thirds of those responding. Any such ballot may only be opened at a regularly scheduled meeting of the Board of Directors, or at an emergency Board meeting called for this purpose.

PARAGRAPH THREE

Urgent actions may be considered by the Board of Directors for earlier disposition. Such actions shall not constitute a change of

bylaws in regard to paragraph 2 of this article.

**ARTICLE 11 -
PARLIAMENTARY
AUTHORITY**

All matters of business of the Society shall be conducted in parliamentary authority of Robert's Rules of Order, (most recent revised issue).

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NFSS 1st Qtr. 1998

Board Meeting

Held: Tampa, FL

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Recorded by Paul Williams,
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The meeting was called to order by President Ron Castaner, and it was announced a quorum was present. Those Board members/Appointed Officers in attendance included: Ron Castaner, Dale Laird, Eileen Laird, Ginny Allen, Paul Williams, Sally Huntington, Daniel Almaguer, Martha Wigmore, Steve Hoppin and Kerri McCoy.

Minutes of the last board meeting held in Denver, CO were not available for action.

Members were briefed on the resignation of Lynda Bakula as treasurer. The board selected Martha Wigmore to serve as Treasurer Pro Tem until an election for this position can be conducted. A complete financial accounting of the Society was not provided at this meeting, as the transfer of records and monies from the previous treasurer has not been completed. Once this transfer is accomplished a financial status report will be prepared and forwarded to each board member for review.

Martha Wigmore presented to the board a request from Lynda Bakula for expenses for the period 1994-97 in the amount of \$3000.00, and provided the board with documentation/receipts to support a request for reimbursement. A great deal of discussion was directed to this matter, and after the lengthy discussion a motion was presented by Williams and seconded by D. Laird to approve payment in the amount of \$2500.00. All board members felt that Ms Bakula should have taken action and submitted here request for reimbursement in a more timely manner. Martha Wigmore will coordinate with the President and prepare a letter to notify Mrs. Bakula of the action taken by the board. Because of this incident a motion was presented by D. Laird and seconded by Hoppin that requires all board members to submit receipts for reimbursement of expenses within 90 days of incurring the expense. Motion Carried.

Comments were then offered concerning seed used on the floor of show cages and the possibility of some action being taken to insure conformity at each show. No action taken by the board on this issue.

Sally Huntington requested the board to reconsider the decision of not allowing NFSS show points to be awarded at specialty shows. A

period of discussion was held with no decision being reached at this time; however, the topic will be addressed at the next meeting of the board.

Daniel Almaguer directed several topics related to FinchSave to the board. Closed bands vs. open bands, a fee being charged, and providing information to the membership on how to participate in the FinchSave program.

The Liaison Director, Ginny Allen, then briefed the board on the increase in affiliation dues from \$10.00 to \$20.00, cost for plaques will remain as they currently are, and rosettes will increase from \$25.00 to \$35.00. This action was necessary due to the ever-increasing cost of these items from our supplier. The board was also notified NFSS has 23 affiliated clubs as of this date. Another issue addressed at this time was consideration of increasing the pay of the bulletin editor to \$200.00 per issue. The board took no action.

The report of the Band Secretary was presented and reported the society ordered 30,000 bands for 1997 - received 412 request for bands, which resulted in 27,250 bands being mailed to members.

The board was reminded the election of a new treasurer must be accomplished by June and Dale and

Eileen Laird were appointed the serve as the election committee. Martha Wigmore resigned as 2nd Vice President and notified those present that she intended to seek the Treasurers position.

President Castaner briefed board members concerning a letter he had received from Kris Kroner, Region 1 Vice President. There was discussion concerning the letter and it was agreed that Dale Laird, 1st Vice President of NFSS, would contact K. Kroner and discuss with her the interest/work of NFSS.

Due to the resignation of Wigmore as 2nd Vice President, Kerri McCoy, NFSS Bulletin Editor, agreed to fulfill the responsibilities of this office until a special election could be conducted.

AFA affiliation dues were addressed and approved. Vince Huntington will serve as the NFSS delegate to AFA. Motion by Williams, seconded by S. Huntington. Motion carried.

Future board meeting were discussed and the following was established: 2nd Qtr Meeting will be conducted by mail, 3rd Qtr Meeting will be October 3, 1998 at the Great American, and the 4th Qtr Meeting will be held at the National Cage Bird Show in Chicago in November 1998.

NFSS classifications for the National Show catalogue were addressed. A motion by D. Laird and seconded by V. Huntington that Steve Hoppin, 4th Vice President, be authorized to finalize and present the NFSS recommendations to the National Show. Motion carried.

There being no additional business the meeting adjourned at 11:45 p.m.

Need a gift for that "hard to buy for" someone? Why not give a gift certificate entitling the recipient to a one year NFSS membership? A beautiful full color personalized gift certificate will be sent to the gift recipient of your choice. Contact the Membership Director, Noreene Taylor for more information.



FINCHSAVE Definition/Purpose



We hope to accomplish these goals through a cooperative effort of education, assistance and careful documentation of breeding results

FINCHSAVE Requirements

- Participant must be an NFSS member.
- Participant must agree to close band chicks with recommended size NFSS bands.
- Participant must agree to complete a brief annual report.

Participants are no longer required to have a minimum number of pairs but are encouraged to start with atleast 3 unrelated pairs of birds if possible.

All but the following finches and softbills will be accepted into the program: Zebra Finches, Gouldians, Shaftails, Java Rice Birds, Society (Bengalese) Finches, and any hybridized bird. The above mentioned birds are excluded because of their known availability or questionable genetic purity. The Timor Zebra Finch will be accepted into the program if it can be documented as the distinct different Timor variety.

In return FINCHSAVE will assist participants in the following:

Provide benefits of NFSS membership including free FINCHSAVE ads, informative articles in the NFSS Bulletin and access to the NFSS Census.

- Assist participants by providing information on where to obtain birds, I.D. bird bands, and maintaining specific species.
- Keep participants informed of program progress through newsletter or NFSS Bulletin.
- Recognize participant accomplishments with their species.

FINCHSAVE Structure

Program Director: Administers program and handles routine issues as they arise. The Director will have a committee to assist with these responsibilities, so the workload can be distributed and better handled.

FINCHSAVE Committee: Appointed by the NFSS board. Will assist Director with setting policy and advise Director as needed.

Group Managers: will supervise and provide assistance to Species Captains or performs the duties of Species Captains where needed. They will assist program director in

developing management plans for species in their group. Criteria for Group Manager is to have had successful breeding experience with two or more species in their group. Group Managers will head the following seven groups.

1. Australian and Parrot Finches
2. All Waxbills
3. All Mannikins
4. All other African Finches
5. All European Finches
6. All South American finches
7. All softbilled birds

Further changes to group setups made in the future as needed.

Species Captains: are responsible for gathering information from participants, assisting in obtaining birds, monitoring bloodlines and communicating with and assisting the Director and participants as needed. Criteria for Species Captains is that they have successfully bred their species.

The original program structure has been maintained except for the addition of the Director's committee. Changes in the program will be made as the need arises. For information or input contact the FINCHSAVE Director.

Explanation of Requirements

- FINCHSAVE is an official NFSS program for members.

NFSS membership is also required to purchase the closed traceable bands. We welcome participation and cooperation with other groups.

- Record keeping is extremely important in this type of program. Closed banding using NFSS bands enables the breeder to identify the bird's year of hatching. By using band numbers the breeder can accurately document the family background of each offspring. Since NFSS' band secretary records all band numbers, the breeder of a banded bird may be traced. NFSS has a size guideline for banding different species. If birds are properly banded and safely housed, losses due to banding problems are minimal. We have alternatives to banding chicks in the nest when disturbances are not tolerated by a species. We will explore alternatives to banding under exceptional circumstances.
- We have eliminated the three pair minimum requirement but emphasize the need to preserve genetic diversity. With fewer birds it is important to use only unrelated birds to avoid inbreeding. Short of genetic

testing of each bird, the best way to obtain different bloodlines is to purchase birds from a reliable source who can

- Give background information. If purchasing wild caught birds, try to pair them up with other birds you have, captive bred, if possible. We realize that diversity may not always be possible with very rare species.

It is advisable to periodically obtain new bloodlines due to short breeding life of most finches. New bloodlines are often needed for pairing up with newly produced offspring. We anticipate using the NFSS census as well as other sources to assist participants in locating breeders.

- We need information from our breeder to learn more about keeping and breeding each species. This includes number of birds raised, number of birds lost, breeding set ups, etc. We anticipate writing up species management plans for each species and sharing this information with all participants. Participants will be kept informed through the NFSS Bulletin or FINCHSAVE newsletter. Participants are encouraged to contact the Species Captains,

Group Managers or Director for assistance when needed.

The FINCHSAVE Program does not purchase birds. Participants must obtain their own birds. We will help in locating them when possible. All offspring produced in the program belong to the participant.

Excluded Species

As previously mentioned, the excluded species are believed to be commonly raised in this country, hybrids or birds of questionable background. This does not mean that we don't care about these birds, there are just so many species to be bred. As a generalization, many of the Australian species were raised in captivity when Australia halted avian exports. There are some species that were not well established and are still quite rare in American aviculture.

On the other hand, there are many African, South American, European and Asian Species which have been readily available through importation and therefore were not being raised in this country in significant numbers. Their breeding presents more of a challenge with very little financial reward. These include but are not limited Waxbills, Weavers and Serins. The Wild Bird

Conservation Act of 1992 has had a significant impact and emphasizes the need to establish these species or lose them.

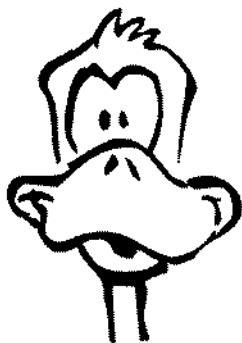
Since we do not have a way of knowing what finches and softbills are kept in this country, and are faced with the continuing problem of habitat destruction, our emphasis and exclusions may change as we learn more. We will keep all NFSS members informed of participating species in the program.

We encourage concentration on normal coloring as sometimes-continued breeding of the normal variety is overlooked in favor of the newer color mutations. We are in no way discouraging breeding of the mutations, but are interested in maintaining a balanced breeding effort for all varieties.

There may come a time when we will be called upon to provide species for re-population of their natural habitats. In order to do this we must preserve their natural characteristics.

Club Participation

Bird clubs can and are encourage sponsoring a species for participation in FINCHSAVE. It is required that the club and the species being representative be members of The National Finch and Softbill Society. One person (specific representative) can be assigned the task of gathering information needed for banding, annual reports and other feedback to FINCHSAVE. We are not requiring every individual involved in breeding the species to be an NFSS member. All birds should be closed banded and proper records kept. Contact program director for more information.



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The NFSS Apprentice Judge Program

As approved by the NFSS Board of Directors, November 1990,
Revised 8/94 and 10/94 (changes shown in italics)

- Any new apprentice is required to write a letter of request to the Panel Director, listing her/his qualifications.
- Qualifications **MUST** include:
 - *Currently are and have been a member of NFSS for at least three years.*
 - *Have bred finches for five years.*
 - *Have exhibited under own name (or own aviary name) for three years.*
 - *Must have won points five (5) times in top ten in shows under (at least) three (3) NFSS Panel Judges.*
- Must take and pass a written test with 90% or better. If not passed, must study for one year and take the test again (not within one year). The test to be taken at the Kaytee Great American or the National Cage Bird Show, *by pre-arrangement only, or at sites where Panel Chairman is judging with at least a 60 day advance notice to the Panel Chairman.*
- Cannot apprentice until the test is passed. Each of three apprenticeships to be pre-approved by the Panel Chairman, the Panel Judge involved and the Show Manager of the show involved.
- Once three apprenticeships are completed and satisfactory reports are received from the judges involved, the apprentice must submit a request through the Panel Director for final Board approval.
- The apprentice must appear before the Board (or submit a *notarized statement*) *indicating she/he understands and agrees to the following:*
 - When requested to write a report, it must be done immediately. (Example—the three reports of shows to be judged.)
 - All show reports must be in within two weeks.
 - All judges must respond to all inquiries and must participate on Standard committees.
 - NFSS Panel Judges must adhere to all NFSS Judges rules and must judge by current NFSS Standards.

For more information on becoming an NFSS Apprentice Judge, contact Mr. Stephen Hoppin, NFSS Judges Panel Chairman.

Proposed Zebra Finch Standard Revision (*Poephila guttata*)

Conformation	50 points
Head and Body	30 points
Wings	10 points
Tail	10 points
Condition	20 points
Department & Presentation	10 points
Color & Markings	10 points

CONFORMATION (50 points)

Head and Body: 30 Points. The ideal Zebra Finch will measure about 4" from the tip of the beak to the end of the tail. The head should be large and proportional to the body, broad from all angles, blending into the shoulders, back and front, with a slight nip at the neck when at rest. The eyes must be round, with the lower edge of the eye just above the line where the mandibles meet. There is a noticeable brow in the ideal bird, resulting from the slight indentation of the feathering at the eye.

The crown rises up from the top of the upper mandible in a rounded arc through to the neck. The neck should be broad and expand smooth, from the neck through the tip of the tail, except in the displaying bird (see Tail below).

The sides are slightly rounded from the shoulders through the tail. The bird is full-bodied, showing good substance. The bottom line bows outward deeply, smoothly rounded, from just below the chin through to the vent, the deepest and broadest point being between the chest and the stomach. The stomach feathers of the ideal bird are just above the perch because of the roundness of the bottom line, but not because of poor position.

From the perch the legs rise slightly from the horizontal. The thigh is not exposed. The feet grip the perch properly.

Wings: 10 points. The wings should be carried evenly, and should not droop nor entirely cover the flanking. They should blend into the back smoothly with the wing tips meeting at the root of the tail. Crossed wings, overlapping one another, or drooping wings are faulted.

Tail: 10 points. The line of the tail shall continue the line of the back and must not droop or be carried high. The tail may rise slightly from the back line in the displaying bird. The tail will be proportional to the body.

CONDITION (20 points)

Eyes should be bright and clear. There should be an overall sheen to the Zebra's feathering, and the feather condition should be immaculate, with no soiled, frayed or missing feathers. There should be no pin-feathers. All toes and nails should be present, and the beak, legs, and nails must also be immaculate, with no scaling or overgrowth.

DEPORTMENT AND PRESENTATION (10 points)

Deportment: 5 points. The angle of the Zebra Finch is between 40 and 45 degrees; its stance should not appear too upright nor too low over the perch. It should display a bright personality, yet be calm on the perch; it should be active, yet confident. The ideal Zebra will easily and often times display in the show cage.

Presentation: 5 points. A National Finch and Softbill Society standard show cage, size #2 is recommended. Perches suitable to the size of a Zebra's feet need to be used. Perches should run from the cage front to rear and be positioned far enough from the sides so as not to injure the tail when the bird moves from perch to perch. Position perches to give the judge a full lateral view of the bird. The waterer should be placed to give the judge an unobstructed view of the bird.

COLOR AND MARKINGS (20 points)

Standard Zebra Finch Markings (Both Color and Melanin)

Exceptions are noted in the Standards and Descriptions, which follow.

COCK: Eyes black or near black. The beak should be coral red. Loes are white, bordered by a thin dark line from the base of the bill to nostril and a heavier line dropping below the eye (the tear marking), creating a clear and distinct 'teardrop' effect. A distinct cheek patch of color covers the cheeks and ear-coverts.

The throat and upper chest area (to the breast bar) should be thinly and evenly striped. The breast bar should be clear, distinct and even, and not less than 1/8" wide.

The side flanking should be prominent and should extend from the wing's greater coverts to the upper tail coverts, and contain numerous small round, clearly defined white spots. The center of the lower rump is white. The tail should be horizontally barred with white. The feet and legs should be pale coral red.

HENS: As for the cock, minus the cheek patches, throat stripes and breast bar. The lores and flanking will show the same color as the hen's throat. The beak should be a paler shade of red.

ZEBRA FINCH COLOR STANDARDS FOR STANDARD VARIETIES

The following Zebra Finch color varieties have color Standards, presented here:

Normal Gray	Fawn
Lightback Normal Gray	Lightback Fawn
Dominant Silver	Dominant Cream
Chestnut Flanked White	White
Pied	Penguin

Descriptions of less commonly exhibited and newer varieties are offered for informational purposes in the subsequent section.

NORMAL GRAY COCK: The head, neck, back, and wings dark gray, even throughout. The throat should be pale gray. The cheek patch should be rich dark orange. The tear marking, throat and upper chest striping, breast bar and tail bars should be jet black. The flanking should be rich reddish brown with white spots. The underparts should be white, but may have some fawn shading near the vent and thighs. **SHOW FAULTS:** uneven or patchy color "bleeding" of the cheek patches into the ground color.

NORMAL GRAY HEN: The head, neck, back and wings, tear marking and tail bars as for the cock. The throat and breast should be mid-gray. No cheek patches, throat stripes, breast bar or flanking. Underparts should be buff. **SHOW FAULTS:** uneven or patchy color; showing cock markings.

FAWN COCK: The head, neck, back, and wings a deep fawn color, even throughout. The throat should be pale grayish brown. The cheek patch should be a rich dark orange. The tear marking, throat and upper chest striping, breast bar and tail bars should be blackish brown. The flanking should be rich reddish brown with white spots. The underparts should be white, but may have some fawn shading near the vent and thighs. **SHOW FAULTS:** uneven or patchy color; "bleeding" of the cheek patches into the ground color.

FAWN HEN: The head, neck, back and wings tear marking and tail bars as for the cock. The throat and breast should be buff. No cheek patches, throat stripes, breast bar, or flanking. Underparts should be buff. **SHOW FAULTS:** uneven or patchy color; showing cock markings.

LIGHTBACK NORMAL GRAY COCK: The head, neck, back and wings light gray, even throughout. The throat should be light silvery gray. The cheek patch should be pale orange. The tear marking, throat and upper chest striping, breast bar and tail bars should be black. The flanking should be pale or reddish brown with white spots. The underparts should be white with no shading. **SHOW FAULTS:** uneven or patchy color; "bleeding" of cheek patches into the ground color.

LIGHTBACK NORMAL GRAY HEN: The head, neck, back and wings, tear marking and tail bars as for the cock. The throat and breast should be light silvery gray. No cheek patches, throat stripes, breast bar, or flanking. Underparts should be white. **SHOW FAULTS:** uneven or patchy color; showing cock markings.

LIGHTBACK FAWN COCK: The head, neck, back and wings pale fawn, even throughout. The throat should be off-white. The cheek patch should be pale orange. The tear marking, throat and upper chest striping, breast bar and tail bars should be blackish brown. The flanking should be pale reddish brown with white spots. The underparts should be white with no shading. **SHOW FAULTS:** uneven or patchy color; "bleeding" of cheek patches into the ground color.

LIGHTBACK FAWN HEN: The head, neck, back and wings, tear marking and tail bars as for the cock. The throat and breast should be off-white. No cheek patches, throat stripes, breast bar, or flanking. Underparts should be white. **SHOW FAULTS:** uneven or patchy color showing cock markings.

DOMINANT SILVER COCK: There are various shades of Dominant Silver. The head, neck, back and wings should be from light bluish gray to pale silvery gray. There may be some patchiness to the color. The throat should be from pale silvery gray to off-white. The cheek patch should from pale orange to cream. The tear marking, throat and upper chest striping, breast bar and tail bars should be a matching shade of gray. The flanking should be pale reddish orange with white spots. The underparts should be white, but may have some silver shading near the vent and thighs. **SHOW FAULTS:** Excessively uneven or patchy color, including fawn shading in the ground color characteristic cock markings showing no dilution, or indistinct.

DOMINANT SILVER HEN: The head, neck, back and wings, tear marking and tail bars as for the cock. The throat and breast should be from pale silvery gray to off-white. No cheek patches, throat stripes, breast bar, or flanking. Underparts should be buff. **SHOW FAULTS:** Excessively uneven or patchy color, including fawn shading in the ground color; showing cock markings.

DOMINANT CREAM COCK: There are various shades of cream. The head, neck, back and wings should be from deep cream to pale cream. The throat should be from pale cream to off-white. The cheek patch should be from pale orange to cream. The tear marking, throat and upper chest striping, breast bar and tail bars should be a matching shade of fawn. The flanking should be pale reddish orange with white spots. The underparts should be white, but may have some cream shading near the vents and thighs. **SHOW FAULTS:** Excessively uneven or patchy color characteristic cock markings showing no dilution, or indistinct.

DOMINANT CREAM HEN: The head, neck, back and wings, tear marking and tail bars as for the cock. The throat and breast should be from pale cream to off-white. No cheek patches, throat stripes, breast bar, or flanking. Underparts should be pale cream. **SHOW FAULTS:** excessively uneven or patchy color showing cock markings.

CHESTNUT FLANKED WHITE COCK: The head, neck, back and wings, throat and underparts as white as possible. The cheek patches should be as dark orange as possible. The tear marking, throat and upper chest striping, breast bar and tail bars should be as near black as possible. The flanking should be rich reddish brown with white spots. **SHOW FAULTS:** characteristic cock markings pale "bleeding" of cheek patches into the ground color.

CHESTNUT FLANKED WHITE HEN: As near white as possible, with no cheek patches, throat stripes, breast bar, flanking. Remaining tear marking and tail bars as near black as possible. A small amount of gray wash or very light flecking on the head is acceptable. **SHOW FAULTS:** showing cock markings.

WHITE COCK AND HEN: Color to be pure white all over. As with other varieties, hen's beak to be a paler shade of red. **SHOW FAULTS:** any colored feathering, including flecking in the shoulder and back area.

PIED COCK AND HEN: The body should be approximately 50% white and 50% color with markings as symmetrical as possible. Cock to retain all characteristic cock markings, but all markings should be broken with white. Hen should show tear markings and tail bars, but broken with white. **SHOW FAULTS:** an excessive percentage of white feathering or colored feathering (from the 50/50 mix); cocks showing complete loss of characteristic cock markings hens showing cock markings.

Note: Pies can be exhibited in all recognized colors, except white.

PENGUIN COCK: Head, neck, back and wings light silvery gray with flights, secondaries and coverts edged with a paler shade of gray, giving a laced appearance. Older birds may display more lacing than younger birds. The throat and underparts to be white without a trace of barring. The cheek patch should be rich dark orange. Tear marking absent. The flanking to be reddish brown with white spots. The tail should match the back color, barred with white. **SHOW FAULTS:** Any trace of breast barring or tear markings.

PENGUIN HEN: Head, neck, back and wings as for the cock. The throat, breast, flanking and underparts should be absent. **SHOW FAULTS:** any trace of cock markings or tear markings.

Note: Penguins can be exhibited in other recognized colors.

ZEBRA FINCH COLOR DESCRIPTIONS FOR NON-STANDARD VARIETIES

NON-STANDARD VARIETIES

The following Zebra Finch color mutations are less commonly exhibited and/or newer varieties.

Recessive Silver
Crested
Black Breasted
Isabel
Florida Fancy
Black Cheeked
Fawn Cheeked
Black

Recessive Cream
Yellow Beaked
Orange Breasted
Phaeo
Agate
Gray Cheeked
Blacked Faced
Saddleback

RECESSIVE SILVER COCK: The head, neck, back and wings are bluish gray. The throat is silvery gray. The cheek patch is orange. The tear marking, throat and upper chest striping, breast bar and tail bars are a matching shade of gray. The flanking is reddish brown with white spots. The underparts are white.

RECESSIVE SILVER HEN: The head, neck, back and wings, tear marking and tail bars as for the cock. The throat and breast are bluish gray. No cheek patches, throat stripes, breast bar or flanking. Underparts are from pale buff to pale gray.

RECESSIVE CREAM COCK: The head, neck, back and wings are pale fawn. The throat is cream. The cheek patch is orange. The tear marking, throat and upper chest striping, breast bar and tail bars are a matching shade of pale gray. The flanking is reddish brown with white spots. The underparts are white, but may have some fawn shading near the vent and thighs.

RECESSIVE CREAM HEN: The head, neck, back and wings, tear marking and tail bars as for the cock. The throat and breast are cream. No cheek patches, throat stripes, breast bar or flanking. Underparts are cream.

CRESTED COCK AND HEN: Crested can be exhibited in all recognized colors, and are the same as any other color variety except they have a crest. We should strive for a crest that has a full circular appearance, finishing level with top of eye.

YELLOW BEAKED COCK AND HEN: Yellow Beaks can be exhibited in all recognized colors, and are the same as any other color variety except the beak should be as near yellow as possible, not orange. The legs and feet are a very pale coral red.

BLACK BREASTED NORMAL GRAY COCK: The head, back and wings are as in Normal Gray, but with feathers outlined with reddish brown. The cheek patch has no definite outline and "bleeds" onto the neck and head. It has no tear marking, but retains the black edging along the beak. It displays a lighter throat under the beak mottled with black feathering. There is no Zebra throat striping. The black Breasted's breast bar tends to be blacker and broader than the normal breast bar. The side flanks are poorly defined and are marked with white ticks or slashes of white rather than spots. The underparts are white, with some fawn shading at the vent. The upper tail feathers are normally colored but outlined in white, creating a vertically barred effect.

BLACK BREASTED HEN: The head, neck, back and wings, tear marking, beak edging and tail barring as for the cock. It may show traces of a breast bar.

Note: The Black Breasted can be exhibited in all recognized colors, although the reddish brown outlining on the head, back and wing feathers will be less evident on some mutations, such as the Black Breasted Chestnut Flanked White.

ORANGE BREASTED NORMAL GRAY COCK: Color and markings are as in Normal Gray, except that most black markings are replaced or at least partially masked by orange. Tear markings are masked by orange. The throat striping and breast bar, while mostly orange with this mutation, may show some black coloration. The breast bar will have a less precise size and shape than in the Normal Gray. Orange is mixed in with the black and white tail bars.

ORANGE BREASTED HEN: Color and markings as for a Normal Gray hen, except that the Orange Breasted hen has no visible black tear marking, no evidence of chest barring, and must have visible orange on tail barring.

Note: The Orange Breasted can be exhibited in all recognized colors. In all, orange replaces most of the black on the tear marking, throat and upper chest striping, breast bar and tail bars.

ISABEL COCK: The head, neck, back and wings from cream to off-white, with pale orange lacing to the feathers. The throat and upper chest from buff to off-white. The cheek patch is a rich dark orange. The tear marking, throat and upper chest striping, and breast bar are absent. The flanking is a rich reddish brown with white spots. The underparts are white, with some pale orange shading near the vent and thighs. Tail bars from fawn to very pale fawn.

ISABEL HEN: The head, neck, back, wings and tail bars as for the cock. Tear marking absent. The throat and breast, extend through the underparts should be very pale buff. No cheek patches, throat stripes, breast bar or flanking.

PHAEO COCK: A combination of the Isabel x Black Breasted mutations, showing the effects of both. The head, neck, back, and wings are diluted to off-white. The orange lacing to the feathers is more evident. There is no chest barring. The cheek patch has no definite outline and "bleeds" onto the neck and head. The side flanks change to orange and are poorly defined and are marked with white ticks or slashes of white rather than spots. The underparts are white, with some cream shading at the vent. The upper tail feathers are cream colored but outlined in white, creating a vertically barred effect.

PHAEO HEN: Hens are very similar to Isabel hens, with orange lacing to the generally off-white head, neck, back and wings. Phaeo hens also lack the tear marking. Phaeo hens can be distinguished from Isabel hens by the tail: the Phaeo's tail has orange colored vertical striping; the Isabel shows light fawn horizontal bars.

Note: The Phaeo is often combined with other mutations. When combined with the Orange Breasted, orange throat and upper chest striping and an orange breast bar appears, making a brightly colored bird.

FLORIDA FANCY COCK: A white bird (with some faint gray lacing of feathers on back and wings) with rich orange cheek patch and rich reddish brown flanking with white spots. No tear marking, throat and upper chest striping or breast bar, and only a faint light gray tail bars. Appears to be a combination of Penguin and Chestnut Flanked White.

FLORIDA FANCY HEN: As for the cock, with no cheek patch flanking.

AGATE COCK: The normal Agate could be described as a bird with the head color and markings of a Normal Gray, but the body and wing color of a light fawn. The Agate also appears in other mutations, such as the Fawn and Lightback.

AGATE HEN: The hens are the same color minus the cock markings.

BLACK CHEEKED COCK: The cheek patch is black. Other color and markings are normal, but with complete absence of reddish brown in the flankings, which is replaced by black.

BLACK CHEEKED HEN: As in normal hen, but will have cock type black cheek patch. The hen's cheek patch color is patchier than the cock's.

GRAY CHEEKED COCK: The Gray Cheek is similar to the normal except that the cheek patch color is overlaid with gray.

GRAY CHEEKED HEN: As in Normal hen, but will have cock type orange cheek patch overlaid with gray. The hen's cheek patch color is patchier than the cock's.

FAWN CHEEKED COCK: The Fawn Cheeked is similar to the Normal except that the cheek patch color of rich dark orange is replaced with fawn.

FAWN CHEEKED HEN: As in Normal hen, but will have cock type cheek patch color. The hen's cheek patch color is patchier than the cock's.

BLACK FACED COCK: As for Normal cock, except that the lores (the normally white feathers between the beak and cheek patch) are black, and the underparts, normally white, are mottled dark brownish black. The flanking can be from the normal rich reddish brown to dark reddish brown, with the normal white spots.

BLACK FACED HEN: As for Normal hen, except that the lores are black, and the underparts are mottled dark brownish black.

BLACK ZEBRA COCK: The nearest thing to a solid black Zebra is produced when the Black Faced, Black Breasted and the Black Cheeked are combined. The cock will have a completely black head and will be black from beak to vent (or black near the beak changing to dark brownish black on the underparts), with only a trace of white ticks or slashes in the flanking.

BLACK ZEBRA HEN: Hens are darker than normal with visual cock markings.

SADDLEBACK COCK AND HEN: A nearly all-white pied with a triangle of the normal ground color across the back, as well as some ground color on the rump.

ZEBRA FINCH COLOR DESCRIPTIONS FOR NON-STANDARDIZED VARIETIES - ADDITIONS

Two additional Zebra Finch color mutations Descriptions for review:

Lightback Silver

Lightback Cream

LIGHTBACK SILVER COCK: The head, neck, back and wings are pale silvery gray. There may be some patchiness to the color. The throat is off-white. The cheek patch is near white. The tear marking, throat and upper chest striping, breast bar and tail bars are charcoal gray. The flanking is pale orange with white spots. The underparts are white.

LIGHTBACKED SILVER HEN: The head, neck, back and wings, tear marking and tail bars as for the cock. The throat and breast are off-white. No cheek patches, throat stripes, breast bars or flanking. Underparts are white.

LIGHTBACK CREAM COCK: The head, neck, back and wings are pale cream. There may be some patchiness to the color. The throat is off-white. The cheek patch is near white. The tear marking, throat and upper chest striping, breast bar and tail bars are pale chocolate. The flanking is pale orange with white spots. The underspots are white.

LIGHTBACK CREAM HEN: The head, neck, back and wings, tear marking and tail bars as for the cock. The throat and breast are off-white. No cheek patches, throat stripes, breast bar or flanking. Underparts are white.

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(FS)-Finchsave Participant

Bearded (Tit) Reedling
(*Panurus biarmicus*)

CA-3209-R.Flamion-(FS), CA-3045-G.Roulston(FS)

Black Crested Finch
(*Iophospingus pusillus*)

FL-42-S.Hoppin (FS)

Black Hood (Red) Siskin
(*carduelis cucullata*)

FL-490/2276-D.&E.Laird (FS), FL-2680-D.Rubly (FS),
OK-109-G.Miller

Black Headed Siskin
(*carduelis notata*)

FL-42-S.Hoppin (FS)

Blue Bellied Roller
(*circaeus cyanogaster*)

IL-3221-M.Phelps

Bubul, Black Crested
(*pycnonotus melanicterus*)

TX-2881-C.W.Gulick (FS)

Bubul, White Cheeked
(*pycnonotus leucogenys*)

CA-2238-S.Huntington (FS)

Button Quail, Chinese Painted
(*Excalfactoria chinensis*)

AK-2646-D.Skidmore, CA-3165-R.Palecki
IL-3220-D.Dandre, IL-3225-B.Leader,
MA-1858-J.Stachurski, NY-3384-S.Heller,
OH-2549-M.Shotwell, VA-3416-P.Duval,
OSH-ONT-CAN-3604-M.Riva

Canaries

AR-3410-M.Ruble, FL-2634-M.Wilkat,
IL-3220-D.Dandre, IL-3300-K.Fitzpatrick,
IL-2706-R.Laugherty, NC-2909/2910-M.& L.McEllistrem,
OH-2549-M.Shotwell, OH-2933-P.H.Strickland,
PA-3244-M. Chester,
WPG-MB-CAN-N.Alexander / J. Parisien

Canary, Roller

NM-3499-R.Bishop

Canary, Wild
(*Serinus canaria*)

PA-3244-M. Chester

Cardinal, Red Crested (Brazilian)

(*paroaria coronata*)

CA-2238-S. Huntington (FS), CA-3045-G. Roulston (FS),
IL-3225-B. Leader, GA-444-J. Scogin (FS)

Cherry Finch (Plumhead)

(*Aidemosyne modesta*)

AL-1831-G. Allen-(FS), FL-1450-A.J. Lee (FS),
FL-3440-41-T.&K. Monahan (FS),
NM-3499-R. Bishop, OH-1675-H. Bryant,
OH-896-K. Voss, TX-3149-C. Harris

Cherry (Plumhead) Finch Fawn

(*Aidemosyne modesta*)

OH-896-K. Voss

Crimson Seed Cracker

(*Pyrenestes sanguineus*)

FL-1869-D.R. Almaguer (FS)

Cuban Melodious Finch (Cuban Grassquit)

(*tiaris canora*)

CA-2968-E. Galik (FS), CA-2238-S. Huntington (FS),
FL-1695-V. Guerrero(FS), FL-1450-A.J. Lee(FS),
GA-444-J. Scogin (FS), OK-109-G. Miller

Cuban Olive Finch

(*tiaris olivacea*)

FL-3440-41-T.&K. Monahan (FS),
FL-194-R. Hurtado (FS)

Diamond Sparrow (Firetail)

(*Stagonoplera guttata*)

CA-3526-J.C. Colletta (FS), CA-3301-C. Heesen (FS),
FL-194-R. Hurtado (FS), FL-1450-A.J. Lee (FS),
FL-2634-M. Wilkat, GA-2653-D. Brenner,
NM-3499-R. Bishop, NY-1517-P.F. Goonan (FS),
NY-557-B.A. Whiteford, OK-109-G. Miller,
OR-2233-J.R. Duimstra (FS), PA-1826-N.E. Trout,
SC-3559-M.F. Jamison (FS), TX-2881-C.W. Gulick (FS),
TX-2447-D. Hardman, TX-3149-C. Harris,
WPG-MB-CAN- N. Allen (FS)

Diamond Sparrow (Firetail) Fawn

OK-109-G. Miller, OR-2233-J.R. Duimstra (FS)

Diamond Sparrow (Firetail) Yellow Rump

OK-109-G. Miller, OR-2233-J.R. Duimstra (FS)

Dove, Cape

(*Oena capensis*)

GA-444-J. Scogin (FS)

Dove, Diamond
(*Geopelia cuneata*)

AK-2646-D.Skidmore(FS), CA-3165-R.Palecki
FL-3385-A.E.Elseroad Jr., IL-3220-D.Dandre,
IL-3225-B.Leader, IL-3242-R.N.Rowan,
NY-557-B.A.Whiteford, OH-2549-M.Shotwell,
TN-2095-C.J.Sands

Dove, Ringneck (Barbary) Normal
(*Streptopelia Risoria*)

FL-1878-C.A.Patrick, IL-3220-D.Dandre,
MA-1858-J.Stachurski, TX-2952-K.Laverty,
TN-2095-C.J.Sands

Dove, Ringneck (Barbary) Pied
(*Streptopelia Risoria*) Pied
TX-2952-K.Laverty

Dove, Ringneck (Barbary) White
(*Streptopelia Risoria*) White
TX-2952-K.Laverty

Dove, Ringneck (Barbary) Tangerine
(*Streptopelia Risoria*) Tangerine
TX-2952-K.Laverty

European Goldfinch
(*carduelis carduelis*)

FL-3385-A.E.Elseroad Jr., IA-3613-M.Markley,
IL-3225-B.Leader, MA-1858-J.Stachurski,
VA-3416-P.Duval, WPG-MB-CAN-N.Allen (FS),
WPG-MB-CAN-R.Kueneman (FS)

Finch, Cutthroat (Ribbon)
(*amadina fasciata*)

CA-3209-R.Flamion (FS), GA-3132-G.K.Kaitschuck (FS),
IL-3220-D.Dandre (FS), KS-2732-S.D.Newell (FS),
MA-2947-L.K.Macdonald, SC-3559-M.F.Jamison (FS),
TN-2095-C.J.Sands, TX-2881-C.W.Gulick (FS)

Finch, Cutthroat (Ribbon) Pied
(*amadina fasciata*) pied
TX-2881-C.W.Gulick (FS)

Finch, Red Headed
(*amadina erythrocephala*)

CA-3209-R.Flamion (FS), CA-2238-S.Huntington (FS),
CA-3045-G.Roulston (FS), FL-2680-D.Rubly (FS)

Firefinch, Black Bellied
(*Lagonosticta rara*)

CA-3045-G.Roulston-(FS)

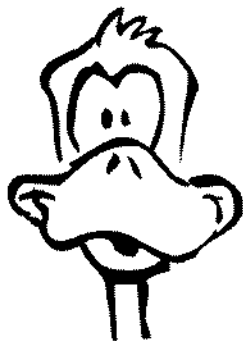
Fire Finch, Blue Billed (African)
(Lagonosticta Rubricata)
PA-1411-V.Fellerman

Firefinch, Jamesons
(Lagonosticta rhodopareia)
CA-3045-G.Roulston (FS), IL-1932-S.V.Hopman (FS)

Firefinch, Senegal (Red Billed)
(Lagonosticta senegala)
AL-1831-G.Allen (FS), AL-3113-K.McCoy (FS),
CA-3045-G.Roulston (FS), FL-42-S.Hoppin (FS),
FL-490/2276-D.&E.Laird (FS),
FL-3440-41-T.&K.Monahan (FS), GA-444-J.Scogin (FS),
IL-1932-S.V.Hopman (FS), IL-3226-B.Mlynczak (FS),
KS-2732-S.D.Newell, MO-2281-2282-R.&R.Dickman,
MO-2559-S.C.Lee, NY-1517-P.F.Goonan (FS),
OK-109-G.Miller, OH-1675-H.Bryant,
PA-1411-V.Fellerman,
PA-1845/1846-G.Reba & G.Goodling,
SC-795-L.Georgi, SC-3559-M.F.Jamison (FS).
TX-2881-C.W.Gulick (FS), VA-3416-P.Duval,
WPG-MB-CAN-B.Burzuik (FS)

Golden Song Sparrow
(Passer luteus)
CA-3045-G.Roulston (FS), IL-3220-D.Dandre,
GA-444-J.Scogin (FS)

Golden Sivia
CA-2238-S.Huntington (FS)



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Gouldian, Normal

(*Chloebia gouldiae*)

AL-1831-G.Allen, AK-2646-D.Skidmore,
AR-3000-L.L.Malysa, AZ-1701-F.M.Schubert,
CA-3461-D.Benites, CA-3526-J.C.Colletta,
CA-2968-E.Galik, CA-3183-C.Gontero,
CA-3580-S.Golden, CA-3301-C.Heesen,
CA-2238-S.Huntington, CA-3165-R.Palecki,
FL-2829-H.Abernathy, FL-1876-D.R.Almaguer,
FL-1837-H.Bennett, FL-1695-V.Guerrero,
FL-42-S.Hoppin, FL-194-R.Hurtado,
FL-1450-A.J.Lee, FL-3440-41-T.&K.Monahan,
FL-2680-D.Rubly, FL-2997-H.Mather,
FL-2634-M.Wilkat, GA-2653-D.Brenner,
GA-444-J.Scogin, GA-3132-G.K.Kaitschuck,
IA-3613-M.Markley, IL-2950-G.Actipes,
IL-3300-K.Fitzpatrick, IL-2706-R.Laugherty,
IL-3226-B.Mlynczak, KS-2732-S.D.Newell,
MA-2947-L.K.Macdonald, MA-3014-M.Marcotrigiano,
MA-3052-K.Vieweg, MI-3376-L.Ancona,
MI-3458-T.L.Hurley, MO-2281-2282-R.&R.Dickman,
MO-2882-D.J.McVeigh, MT-4332-D.Hill,
NC-2909/2910-M.& L.McEllistrem,
NC-3496-K.Fiscelli, ND-3594-S.K.Wolf,
NY-1517-P.F.Goonan, NY-557-B.A.Whiteford,
OK-109-G.Miller, OH-2391-L.Baum,
OH-1675-H.Bryant, OH-2549-M.Shotwell,
OH-2933-P.H.Strickland, OH-896-K.Voss,
OSH-ONT-CAN-3604-M.Riva, PA-3510-J.J.Felix,
PA-1411-V.Feilerman, PA-408-G.M.Fino,
PA-1845/1846-G.Reba & G.Goodling,
PA-551-K.Kroner, PA-1872./3436-B.&M.Rosenberger,
PA-new-R.Slemok, PA-1826-N.E.Trout,
SC-3559-M.F.Jamison, TX-3309-B.W.Pierce,
TX-2881-C.W.Gulick, TX-3149-C.Harris,
VA-3416-P.Duval, WA-3094-C.Brill,
WA-3483-W.L.Koert, WI-3511-T.Tinsley,
WPG-MB-CAN-R.Kueneman

Gouldian, Black Head

(*Chloebia gouldiae*)

CA-3461-D.Benites, CA-2238-S.Huntington,
CA-3580-S.Golden, FL-42-S.Hoppin,
GA-3132-G.K.Kaitschuck, GA-444-J.Scogin,
IL-2950-G.Actipes, IL-2706-R.Laugherty,
MA-3052-K.Vieweg, MI-3458-T.L.Hurley,
MO-2281-2282-R.&R.Dickman,
OK-109-G.Miller, OH-2391-L.Baum,
OH-1675-H.Bryant, OH-896-K.Voss,
PA-1845/1846-G.Reba & G.Goodling,
SC-3559-M.F.Jamison, TX-2881-C.W.Gulick,
TX-3309-B.W.Pierce, WA-3094-C.Brill

Gouldian, Black Head, Purple Breast

OH-2391-L.Baum, TX-2881-C.W.Gulick

Gouldian, Orange Head

(*Chloebia gouldiae*)

CA-3461-D.Benties, CA-2238-S.Huntington,
CA-3580-S.Golden, GA-3132-G.K.Kaitschuck,
GA-444-J.Scogin, IL-2950-G.Actipes,
MI-3458-T.L.Hurley, MO-2281-2282-R.&R.Dickman,
OK-109-G.Miller, OH-2391-L.Baum,
OH-896-K.Voss, SC-3559-M.F.Jamison,
TX-2881-C.W.Gulick

Gouldian, Red Head/Purple Breast

OH-2391-L.Baum, PA-1845/1846-G.Reba & G.Goodling,
TX-2881-C.W.Gulick

Gouldian, White Breast

(*Chloebia gouldiae*)

FL-1876-D.R.Almaguer, IA-3613-M.Markley,
IL-3300-K.Fitzpatrick, MA-3052-K.Vieweg,
MI-3458-T.L.Hurley, MO-2281-2282-R.&R.Dickman,
OH-2391-L.Baum, OH-896-K.Voss,
PA-408-G.M.Fino, TX-2881-C.W.Gulick,
TX-3309-B.W.Pierce

Gouldian, Black Head/ White Breast

IL-2950-G.Actipes, IL-2706-R.Laugherty,
MO-2281-2282-R.&R.Dickman,
OH-2391-L.Baum, PA-1845/1846-G.Reba & G.Goodling,
TX-2881-C.W.Gulick

Gouldian, Orange Head/ White Breast

IL-2950-G.Actipes, MO-2281-2282-R.&R.Dickman,
OH-2391-L.Baum, TX-2881-C.W.Gulick

Gouldian, Red Head/ White Breast

FL-42-S.Hoppin, IL-2950-G.Actipes,
MO-2281-2282-R.&R.Dickman, OH-2391-L.Baum,
PA-1845/1846-G.Reba & G.Goodling,
TX-2881-C.W.Gulick

Gouldian, Yellow Body

(*Chloebia gouldiae*)

FL-1876-D.R.Almaguer,
IA-3613-M.Markley, IL-2950-G.Actipes,
IL-3300-K.Fitzpatrick, IL-2706-R.Laugherty,
MO-2281-2282-R.&R.Dickman,
OH-2391-L.Baum, OH-896-K.Voss,
PA-1411-V.Fellerman, TX-2881-C.W.Gulick,
TX-3309-B.W.Pierce

Gouldian, Black Head/ Purple Breast/ Yellow Body

IL-2950-G.Actipes, MO-2281-2282-R.&R.Dickman,
OH-2391-L.Baum, TX-2881-C.W.Gulick

- Gouldian, Orange Head/Purple Breast/ Yellow Body
MO-2281-2282-R.&R.Dickman, OH-2391-L.Baum,
TX-2881-C.W.Gulick
- Gouldian, Black Head/ White Breast/ Yellow Body
IL-2950-G.Actipes
- Gouldian Orange Head/ White Breast/ Yellow Body
FL-1876-D.R.Almaguer, IL-2950-G.Actipes,
MO-2281-2282-R.&R.Dickman, OH-2391-L.Baum,
TX-2881-C.W.Gulick
- Gouldian, Red Head/ Lilac Breast/ Yellow Body
FL-1876-D.R.Almaguer, IL-2950-G.Actipes,
TX-3309-B.W.Pierce, TX-2881-C.W.Gulick
- Gouldian, Red Head/ Purple Breast/ Yellow Body
FL-1876-D.R.Almaguer, IL-2950-G.Actipes,
IL-2706-R.Laugherty, MO-2281-2282-R.&R.Dickman,
TX-2881-C.W.Gulick
- Gouldian, Red Head/ White Breast/ Yellow Body
FL-1876-D.R.Almaguer, IL-2950-G.Actipes,
IL-2706-R.Laugherty, MO-2281-2282-R.&R.Dickman,
OH-2391-L.Baum, TX-2881-C.W.Gulick
- Gouldian, Blue Body
(Chloebia gouldiae)
AR-3410-M.Ruble, IL-2950-G.Actipes,
MO-2281-2282-R.&R.Dickman, NM-3499-R.Bishop,
OH-2391-L.Baum, OH-896-K.Voss,
PA-1411-V.Fellerman,
PA-1845/1846-G.Reba & G.Goodling,
PA-1826-N.E.Trout, TX-2881-C.W.Gulick,
TX-3309-B.W.Pierce
- Gouldian, Black Head/ Lilac Breast/ Blue Body
IL-2950-G.Actipes, MO-2281-2282-R.&R.Dickman,
OH-2391-L.Baum, TX-2881-C.W.Gulick
- Gouldian, Black Head/ Purple Breast/ Blue Body
IL-2950-G.Actipes, MO-2281-2282-R.&R.Dickman,
OH-2391-L.Baum, TX-2881-C.W.Gulick
- Gouldian, Black Head/ White Breast/ Blue Body
IL-2950-G.Actipes, MO-2281-2282-R.&R.Dickman,
PA-1845/1846-G.Reba & G.Goodling,
TX-2881-C.W.Gulick
- Gouldian, Red Head/ Purple Breast/ Blue Body
IL-2950-G.Actipes, OH-2391-L.Baum,
TX-2881-C.W.Gulick

- Gouldian, Red Head/ White Breast/ Blue Body
IL-2950-G.Actipes, TX-2881-C.W.Gulick
- Gouldian, Silver Body
IL-2950-G.Actipes,
MO-2281-2282-R.&R.Dickman,
OH-2391-L.Baum, TX-2881-C.W.Gulick
- Gouldian, Black Head, White Breast/ Silver Body
OH-2391-L.Baum
- Gouldian, Red Head, Silver Body
IL-2950-G.Actipes, MO-2281-2282-R.&R.Dickman,
TX-2881-C.W.Gulick
- Gouldian, Red Head, Lilac Breast, Silver Body
OH-2391-L.Baum, TX-2881-C.W.Gulick
- Gouldian, Red Head, Purple Breast, Silver Body
MO-2281-2282-R.&R.Dickman, TX-2881-C.W.Gulick
- Gouldian, Dilute
(Chloebeia gouldiae)
FL-1876-D.R.Almaguer, IL-2950-G.Actipes,
IL-3300-K.Fitzpatrick,
MO-2281-2282-R.&R.Dickman, OH-896-K.Voss,
TX-3309-B.W.Pierce, TX-2881-C.W.Gulick
- Gouldian, Black Head/ Dilute
IL-2950-G.Actipes, MO-2281-2282-R.&R.Dickman
- Gouldian, Black Head, Pastel/Powder Blue Body/ Dilute
IL-2950-G.Actipes
- Gouldian, Black Head, Purple Breast, Pastel/Dilute
Blue Body (single factor silver)
OH-2391-L.Baum
- Gouldian, Orange Head/ Dilute
FL-1869-D.R.Almaguer, MO-2281-2282-R.&R.Dickman
- Gouldian, Red Head, Pastel/Powder Blue Body/ Dilute
IL-2950-G.Actipes
- Gouldian, Red Head/ Dilute
CA-3461-D.Benites, IL-2950-G.Actipes,
IL-3300-K.Fitzpatrick, MO-2281-2282-R.&R.Dickman
- Gouldian, Orange Head/ White Breast Dilute
CA-3461-D.Benites, IL-2950-G.Actipes

Grassfinch, Masked
(*Poephila personata*)

CA-3526-J.C.Colletta, CA-3301-C.Heeson,
KS-2732-S.D.Newell, OH-1675-H.Bryant,
PA-3510-J.J.Felix, WA-3483-W.L.Koert,
WPG-MB-CAN-R.Kueneman

Grassfinch, Parson (Black Throated) Finch
(*Poephila cincta*)

AL-3113-K.McCoy, CA-3526-J.C.Colletta,
FL-42-S.Hoppin, FL-1450-A.J.Lee,
FL-2634-M.Wilkat, OK-109-G.Miller,
PA-1411-V.Fellerman, PA-1826-N.E.Trout,
TX-3149-C.Harris, WPG-MB-CAN-B.Burzuik

Grassfinch, Parson Cream
(*Poephila cincta*)

FL-42-S.Hoppin

Grassfinch, Shafttail (Heck's) Long-tailed Finch
(*poephila acuticauda*)

AL-1831-G.Allen, AL-3113-K.McCoy,
AR-3410-M.Ruble, CA-J.C.Colletta,
CA-3580-S.Golden, FL-3493-A.Doucette,
FL-1695-V.Guerrero, FL-3576-C.Hmielewski,
FL-194-R.Hurtado, FL-1450-A.J.Lee,
FL-2997-H.Mather, FL-3440-41-T.&K.Monahan,
FL-2634-M.Wilkat, GA-3132-G.K.Kaitschuck
IL-3300-K.Fitzpatrick, IL-3225-B.Leader,
IL-3242-R.N.Rowan, MA-2947-L.K.Macdonald,
MO-2559-S.C.Lee, MT-4332-D.Hill,
NC-2909/2910-M.& L.McEllistrem,
NY-1517-P.F.Goonan, NY-557-B.A.Whiteford,
OH-2391-L.Baum, OH-1675-H.Bryant,
OH-896-K.Voss, OSH-ONT-CAN-3604-M.Riva,
PA-1411-V.Fellerman,
PA-1845/1846-G.Reba & G.Goodling,
SC-3559-M.F.Jamison, TX-2881-C.W.Gulick,
TX-3149-C.Harris, OSH-ONT-CAN-3604-M.Riva

Grassfinch, Shafttail Creme (Heck's)
(*poephila acuticauda*)

CA-3580-S.Golden, NY-557-B.A.Whiteford,
OH-2391-L.Baum, OH-896-K.Voss,
PA-1411-V.Fellerman

Grassfinch, Shafttail, Fawn (Heck's)
(*poephila acuticauda*)

AL-3113-K.McCoy, CA-3580-S.Golden,
NY-1517-P.F.Goonan, NY-557-B.A.Whiteford,
OH-896-K.Voss, PA-1411-V.Fellerman

Grassfinch, Shafttail White (Albino) (Heck's)
(*poephila acuticauda*)

CA-3580-S.Golden

Grassfinch, Shaftail White (Heck's)
(*poephila acuticauda*)

CA-3580-S.Golden, AL-3113-K.McCoy,
NY-557-B.A.Whiteford

Gray Singing Finch
(*Serinus Leucopygia*)

CA-3045-G.Roulston (FS), MA-1858-J.Stachurski,
PA-3244-Marion Chester (FS)

Green Singing Finch
(*Serinus Mozambicus*)

CA-2968-E.Galik, FL-3385-A.E.Elseroad Jr.,
FL-3346-P."Tria"Hermsen (FS),
GA-3132-G.K.Kaitschuck, IL-3220-D.Dandre,
IL-2706-R.Laugherty, IL-3225-B.Leader,
MA-1858-J.Stachurski, MT-4332-D.Hill (FS),
NC-2909/2910-M.& L.McEllistrem,
NY-1517-P.F.Goonan(FS), OH-2549-M.Shotwell,
OH-2933-P.H.Strickland, PA-1411-V.Fellerman,
PA-408-G.M.Fino, PA-1826-N.E.Trout,
SC-795-L.Georgi, SC-3559-M.F.Jamison (FS),
VA-3416-P.Duval, WA-3094-C.Brill,
WA-3483-W.L.Koert (FS), WPG-MB-CAN-N.Allen (FS),
WPG-MB-CAN-M.R.Crawford (FS),
WPG-MB-CAN-R.Kueneman (FS)

Jacarini (Blue Black Grassquit)
(*volatinia jacarina*)

CA-3045-G.Roulston (FS), GA-444-J.Scogin (FS)

Mannikin, African Silverbill
(*Lonchura cantans*)

OH-2549-M.Shotwell, PA-408-G.M.Fino,
PA-1845/1846-G.Reba & G.Goodling,
PA-551-K.Kroner (FS)

Mannikins, Black & White
(*Lonchura bicolor*)

OR-2233-J.R.Duimstra (FS), PA-551-K.Kroner (FS),
SC-3559-M.F.Jamison (FS)

Mannikin, Bronze Winged
(*Lonchura cucullata*)

FL-2829-H.Abernathy, FL-2634-M.Wilkat,
IA-3571-M.K.Malloy (FS), IL-3220-D.Dandre,
IL-3238-D.Ioannou (FS), MA-1858-J.Stachurski,
ND-3594-S.K.Wolf, WA-3094-C.Brill,
WI-3511-T.Tinsley (FS)

Mannikin, Chestnut Breasted
(*Lonchura c. castaneothorax*)

OR-2233-J.R.Duimstra (FS), TX-2881-C.W.Gulick (FS)

Mannikin, Grand Valley

(*Lonchura teerlnki*)

TX-2881-C.W.Gulick (FS)

Mannikin, Indian Silverbill

(*Lonchura malabarica*)

AR-3000-L.L.Malysa, IL-3220-D.Dandre,

MO-2559-S.C.Lee, MT-4332-D.Hill (FS)

Mannikin, Magpie (Giant)

(*Lonchura fringilloides*)

PA-551-K.Kroner (FS)

Mannikin, Moluccan (Munia)

(*Lonchura molucca*)

CA-3045-G.Roulston (FS)

Mannikin, Pearl (Grey) Headed Amadine

(*Lonchura griseicapilla*)

FL-3346-P."Tria"Hermsen (FS)

Mannikin Pictorella

(*Lonchura pectoralis*)

OR-2233-J.R.Duimstra (FS)

Mannikin, Rufous Back (Blue Billed)

(*Lonchura kelaarti*)

PA-551-K.Kroner (FS)

Mannikin, Tri-colored Nun

(*Lonchura malacca*)

AR-3000-L.L.Malysa, CA-3301-C.Heesen (FS),

FL-3385-A.E.Elseroad Jr., FL-490/2276-D.&E.Laird (FS),

FL-2634-M.Wilkat, MO-2559-S.C.Lee,

NM-3499-R.Bishop, OR-2233-J.R.Duimstra (FS),

PA-408-G.M.Fino

Mannikin, White Hooded Nun

(*Lonchura maja*)

IA-3613-M.Markley,

NC-2909/2910-M.& L.McEllistrem,

NM-3499-R.Bishop, OR-2233-J.R.Duimstra (FS),

PA-408-G.M.Fino, SC-3559-M.F.Jamison (FS)

Munia, Green Avadavat (Green Munia)

(*Amandava "stictosplza" Formosa*)

KS-2732-S.D.Newell, OR-2233-J.R.Duimstra (FS),

PA-1411-V.Fellerman

Munia, Java Sparrow (Rice Bird)

(*Lonchura oryzivora*)

GA-3132-G.K.Kaltschuck, IL-3220-D.Dandre,

IL-3225-B.Leader,

MI-441/442-M.Rue & J.Shoner,

OH-2549-M.Shotwell, OH-2933-P.H.Strickland

Munia, Java Sparrow (Rice Bird), Cinnamon
(*Lonchura oryzivora*)

AR-3000-L.L.Malysa, KS-2732-S.D.Newell,
WPG-MB-CAN-K.Cameron

Munia, Java Sparrow (Rice Bird), Pied
(*Lonchura oryzivora*)

WPG-MB-CAN-K.Cameron

Munia, Java Sparrow (Rice Bird), White
(*Lonchura oryzivora*)

WPG-MB-CAN-K.Cameron

Munia, Spice Finch (Nutmeg)
(*Lonchura punctulata*)

AL-3133-K.McCoy, AK-2646-D.Skidmore,
AR-3000-L.L.Malysa, CA-3526-J.C.Colletta,
FL-3385-A.E.Elseroad Jr., GA-3132-G.K.Kaitschuck,
IL-3225-B.Leader, NM-3499-R.Bishop,
OH-2549-M.Shotwell, PA-3510-J.J.Felix,
SC-3559-M.F.Jamison, WA-3483-W.L.Koert

Munia, Strawberry (Red Avadavat or Red Munia)
(*Amandav amandava*)

AK-2646-D.Skidmore (FS), AR-3000-L.L.Malysa,
CA-3183-C.Gontero (FS), FL-2829-H.Abernathy,
CA-3301-C.Heesen (FS), FL-3385-A.E.Elseroad Jr.,
FL-1695-V.Guerrero (FS), KS-2732-S.D.Newell,
FL-3346 P."Tria"Hermsen(FS), MO-2559-S.C.Lee,
NY-1517-P.F.Goonan (FS), OH-896-K.Voss,
PA-1411-V.Fellerman, SC-795-L.Georgi,
SC-3559-M.F.Jamison (FS), WA-3094-C.Brill,
WI-3511-T.Tinsley, WPG-MB-CAN-M.R.Crawford (FS)

Munia, Timor Sparrow
(*Lonchura fuscata*)

CA-3045-G.Roulston (FS)

Mynahs, Chinese Crested
(*arcidotheres cristatellus*)

MI-441/442-M.Rue & J.Shoner

Mynahs, Golden Crested
(*ampeliceps coronatus*)

TX-2881-C.W.Gulick (FS)

Mynah, Indian Greater
(*Gracula religiosa*)

IL-3220-D.Dandre

Owl (Bicheno) Finch ,White Rump

(*poephila bichenovii*)

AL-1831-G.Allen (FS), AL-3113-K.McCoy (FS),
AR-3000-L.L.Malysa, CA-2968-E.Galik,
CA-3301-C.Heesen (FS), FL-2829-H.Abernathy,
FL-1837-H.Bennett (FS), FL-316-R.Gianferrara (FS),
FL-1695-V.Guerrero (FS), FL-3576-C.Hmielewski,
FL-3346-P."Tria"Hermsen (FS),
FL-2997-H.Mather, FL-3440-41-T.&K.Monahan (FS),
FL-2680-D.Rubly (FS), FL-2634-M.Wilkat,
GA-3132-G.K.Kaitschuck (FS), GA-444-J.Scogin (FS),
IA-3571-M.K.Malloy (FS), IL-1932-S.V.Hopman (FS),
IL-2706-R.Laugherty, KS-2732-S.D.Newell,
MA-3052-K.Vieweg, MO-2559-S.C.Lee,
NC-2909/2910-M.& L.McEllistrem,
NM-3499-R.Bishop, NY-1517-P.F.Goonan(FS),
OK-109-G.Miller, OH-2391-L.Baum,
OH-1675-H.Bryant, OH-896-K.Voss,
OSH-ONT-CAN-3604-M.Riva, PA-1411-V.Fellerman,
PA-1845/1846-G.Reba & G.Goodling,
PA-new-R.Slemok, SC-3559-M.F.Jamison (FS),
TX-3309-B.W.Pierce (FS), TN-2024-K.Blalock,
WA-3094-C.Brill, WA-3483-W.L.Koert,
WI-3511-T.Tinsley,
WPG-MB-CAN-M.R.Crawford (FS),
WPG-MB-CAN-R.Kueneman (FS)

Owl (Bicheno) Finch, Black Rump

(*Poephila bichenovii*)

AL-3113-K.McCoy (FS), WPG-MB-CAN-B.Burzuik (FS)

Painted Finch

(*Emblema bella*)

CA-3580-S.Golden (FS)

Parrot Finch, Bamboo

(*Erythrura hyperythra*)

FL-42-S.Hoppin (FS), FL-3440-41-T.&K.Monahan(FS)

Parrot Finch, Tricolored, (Blue Breasted or Forbes)

(*Erythrura tricolor*)

CA-3580-S.Golden (FS), FL-1876-D.R.Almaguer (FS),
FL-3440-T.&K.Monahan (FS),
OSH-ONT-CAN-3604-M.Riva, PA-1411-V.Fellerman,
TX-3149-C.Harris, VA-3416-P.Duval

Parrot Finch, Blue Faced

(*Erythrura trichroa*)

CA-3580-S.Golden (FS), FL-1869-D.R.Almaguer (FS),
FL-3440-41-T.&K.Monahan (FS),
GA-2653-D.Brenner, OSH-ONT-CAN-3604-M.Riva
PA-new-R.Slemok, SC-3559-M.F.Jamison (FS),
TX-2881-C.W.Gulick (FS), TX-3149-C.Harris,
TX-3309-B.W.Pierce (FS), VA-3416-P.Duval

Parrot Finch, Blue Faced (Lutino)

(*Erythrura trichroa*)

CA-3580-S.Golden (FS),
FL-1869-D.R.Almaguer (FS). TX-3149-C.Harris.
TX-3309-B.W.Pierce (FS)

Parrot Finch, Red Headed

(*Erythrura psittacea*)

AL-1831-G.Allen (FS), CA-3580-S.Golden (FS),
CA-3301-C.Heesen (FS). CA-2238-S.Huntington (FS),
FL-2829-H.Abernathy, FL-1869-D.R.Almaguer (FS),
FL-1837-H.Bennett (FS), FL-316-R.Gianferrara (FS),
FL-1695-V.Guerrero (FS), FL-42-S.Hoppin (FS),
FL-1450-A.J.Lee (FS), FL-2997-H.Mather,
FL-3440-41-T.&K.Monahan (FS), FL-2634-M.Wilkat,
GA-2653-D.Brenner, IL-1932-S.V.Hopman (FS),
IL-3225-B.Leader, MA-3052-K.Vieweg,
MO-2559-S.C.Lee, MT-4332-D.Hill (FS),
NM-3499-R.Bishop. NY-3384-S.Heller,
OH-1675-H.Bryant, OSH-ONT-CAN-3604-M.Riva,
PA-new-R.Slemok, TX-2881-C.W.Gulick (FS).
TX-3149-C.Harris, VA-3416-P.Duval,
WA-3094-C.Brill, WI-3511-T.Tinsley.
WPG-MB-CAN-N.Allan (FS)

Parrot Finch, Red Headed, Pied

(*Erythrura psittacea*)

CA-3580-S.Golden (FS), FL-42-S.Hoppin (FS),
FL-3440-41-T.&K.Monahan (FS),
IL-1932-S.V.Hopman (FS), PA-1411-V.Fellerman,
TX-2881-C.W.Gulick (FS)

Parrot Finch, Red Headed, Seagreen

(*Erythrura psittacea*)

CA-3580-S.Golden (FS), FL-1876-D.R.Almaguer (FS),
FL-3440-41-T.&K.Monahan (FS),
PA-1411-V.Fellerman, PA-new-R.Slemok,
TX-2881-C.W.Gulick (FS)

Parrot Finch, Peales

(*Erythrura pealei*)

CA-3301-C.Heesen (FS), CA-3364-J.Wilson (FS),
FL-1876-D.R.Almaguer (FS)

Parrot Finch, Pintailed Nonpariels

(*Erythrura prasina*)

CA-3580-S.Golden (FS), CA-2238-S.Huntington (FS),
KS-2732-S.D.Newell

Parrot Finch, Pintailed Nonpariels (Yellow)

(*Erythrura prasina*)

CA-3580-S.Golden (FS)

Pekin Robin (Nightingale)

(*Leiothrix lutea*)

CA-2238-S.Huntington (FS), FL-3385-A.E.Elseroad Jr.,
FL-3346-P."Tria"Hermsen (FS), FL-1450-A.J.Lee,
IL-3220-D.Dandre, MT-4332-D.Hill (FS),
NC-2909/2910-M.& L.McEllistrem, NM-3499-R.Bishop,
WPG-MB-CAN-N.Allen (FS), PA-551-K.Kroner (FS),
TN-2024-K.Blalock

Plover, Spur Winged

(*Vanellus spinosus*)

TX-2881-C.W.Gulick (FS)

Purple Grenadier

(*Uraeginthus ianthinogaster*)

CA-2238-S.Huntington (FS), CA-3045-G.Roulston (FS),
FL-42-S.Hoppin (FS), GA-444-J.Scogin (FS),
TX-2881-C.W.Gulick (FS)

Pytilia, Aurora, Red Faced (Niassa) Crimson Winged

(*pytilia phoenicoptera*)

FL-42-S.Hoppin (FS), MO-2281-2282-R.&R.Dickman,
TX-2881-C.W.Gulick (FS)

Pytilia, Green Winged (Melba Finch)

(*pytilia melba*)

FL-42-S.Hoppin (FS)

Pytilia, Orange Winged

(*Pytilia afra*)

CA-3045-G.Roulston (FS), TX-2881-C.W.Gulick (FS)

Quail Finch

(*ortygospiza atricollis*)

CA-3183-C.Gontero (FS), FL-1695-V.Guerrero (FS),
MO-2559-S.C.Lee

Saffron Finch

(*sicalis flaveola*)

CA-3045-G.Roulston (FS), FL-1450-A.J.Lee (FS),
MA-1858-J.Stachurski

Seedeater, Black & White

(*sporophila albicularis*)

FL-2829-H.Abernathy

Seedeater, Shelly Giant Green Singer, Brimstone

(*Serinus sulphurapus sulphurapus*)

CA-3045-G.Roulston (FS), FL-2829-H.Abernathy,
IL-2706-R.Laugherty, MA-1858-J.Stachurski

Sianai Rosefinch

(*Carpodacus synoicus*)

WPG-MB-CAN-M.R.Crawford (FS)

Society Finch, Bengalese

(*Lonchura striata* var. *domestica*)

AL-1831-G.Allen, AK-2646-D.Skidmore,
AR-3410-M.Ruble, CA-3526-J.C.Colletta,
CA-3209-R.Flamion, CA-3580-S.Golden,
CA-3183-C.Gontero, CA-3045-G.Roulston,
FL-2829-H.Abernathy, FL-1869-D.R.Almaguer,
FL-3385-A.E.Elseroad Jr., FL-1695-V.Guerrero,
FL-3576-C.Hmielewski, FL-1450-A.J.Lee,
FL-3440-41-T.&K.Monahan, FL-2634-M.Wilkat,
GA-2653-D.Brenner, GA-2653-D.Brenner,
GA-3132-G.K.Kaitschuck, GA-444-J.Scogin (FS),
IL-3238-D.Ioannou, IL-2706-R.Laugherty,
KS-2732-S.D.Newell, LA-3553-S.Bernard,
MA-2947-L.K.Macdonald, MA-3014-M.Marcotrigiano,
MA-3052-K.Vieweg, MA-1858-J.Stachurski,
MI-3376-L.Ancona, MI-3458-T.L.Hurley,
MO-2281-2282-R.&R.Dickman, MO-2559-S.C.Lee,
MO-2559-S.C.Lee, MO-2882-D.J.McVeigh,
MT-4332-D.Hill, ND-3594-S.K.Wolf,
NM-3499-R.Bishop, NY-1517-P.F.Goonan,
NY-3384-S.Heller, OK-109-G.Miller,
OH-2391-L.Baum, OH-896-K.Voss,
OR-2233-J.R.Duimstra, OSH-ONT-CAN-3604-M.Riva,
PA-3510-J.J.Felix, PA-408-G.M.Fino,
PA-1845/1846-G.Reba & G.Goodling,
PA-1872./3436-B.&M.Rosenberger,
PA-1826-N.E.Trout, SC-3559-M.F.Jamison,
TX-3280-L.M.Ford, TX-2881-C.W.Gulick (FS),
TX-3149-C.Harris, TX-3309-B.W.Pierce,
VA-3416-P.Duval, WA-3094-C.Brill,
WA-3483-W.L.Koert, WI-3511-T.Tinsley,
WPG-MB-CAN-Alexander/Parisien
WPG-MB-CAN-R.Kueneman, WPG-MB-CAN-A.Stuart

Society Finch, Chestnut & White

MO-2281-2282-R.&R.Dickman, MO-2559-S.C.Lee

Society Finch, Self Chestnut

MO-2281-2282-R.&R.Dickman, MO-2559-S.C.Lee,
OK-109-G.Miller, OR-2233-J.R.Duimstra

Society Finch, Chocolate & White

MO-2281-2282-R.&R.Dickman, MO-2559-S.C.Lee,
OH-2391-L.Baum, OR-2233-J.R.Duimstra,
PA-1845/1846-G.Reba & G.Goodling

Society Finch, Self Chocolate

AL-1831-G.Allen, MO-2559-S.C.Lee,
OK-109-G.Miller, OH-2391-L.Baum,
OH-896-K.Voss, PA-1845/1846-G.Reba & G.Goodling

Society Finch, Dilute Self Chocolate

IL-3242-R.N.Rowan, OH-2391-L.Baum

- Society Finch, Cream
PA-1845/1846-G.Reba & G.Goodling
- Society Finch, Fawn
MO-2281-2282-R.&R.Dickman, MO-2559-S.C.Lee
- Society Finch, Fawn & White
IL-3242-R.N.Rowan,
MO-2281-2282-R.&R.Dickman, MO-2559-S.C.Lee,
OH-2391-L.Baum, OR-2233-J.R.Duimstra,
PA-1845/1846-G.Reba & G.Goodling
- Society Finch, Fawn & White/ Dilute
MO-2281-2282-R.&R.Dickman, OR-2233-J.R.Duimstra
- Society Finch, Self Fawn
MO-2281-2282-R.&R.Dickman, OK-109-G.Miller,
OH-2391-L.Baum, PA-1845/1846-G.Reba & G.Goodling
- Society Finch, Crested
MO-2281-2282-R.&R.Dickman
- Society Finch, Self Chestnut Crested
OR-2233-J.R.Duimstra
- Society Finch, Chocolate & White Crested
MO-2281-2282-R.&R.Dickman,
- Society Finch, Self Chocolate Crested
PA-1845/1846-G.Reba & G.Goodling
- Society Finch, Fawn & White Crested
PA-1845/1846-G.Reba & G.Goodling
- Society Finch, Fawn Dilute
MO-2559-S.C.Lee
- Society Finch, Self White
CA-2238-S.Huntington, FL-1876-D.R.Almaguer,
MO-2281-2282-R.&R.Dickman,
MO-2559-S.C.Lee, OK-109-G.Miller,
OH-2391-L.Baum, OR-2233-J.R.Duimstra
- Society Finch, White Crested
CA-2238-S.Huntington, FL-1876-D.R.Almaguer
- Society Finch, White Pied Crested
MO-2281-2282-R.&R.Dickman
- Society Finch, White Pied
MO-2281-2282-R.&R.Dickman

Star Finch (Isabelle)

(*Neochmia ruficauda*) "Isabelle"

AL-3113-K.McCoy (FS), AR-3000-L.L.Malysa,
CA-2968-E.Galik, TX-2881-C.W.Gulick (FS)

Star Finch (Red Faced)

(*Neochmia ruficauda*)

AL-1831-G.Allen (FS), AL-3113-K.McCoy (FS),
AR-3410-M.Ruble, CA-3209-R.Flamion (FS),
CA-3580-S.Golden (FS), FL-2829-H.Abermathy,
FL-1837-H.Bennett (FS), FL-1695-V.Guerrero,
FL-42-S.Hoppin (FS), FL-194-R.Hurtado (FS),
FL-2997-H.Mather, FL-3440-41-T.&K.Monahan (FS),
FL-2680-D.Rubly (FS), FL-2634-M.Wilkat,
IA-3571-M.K.Malloy (FS), IL-3238-D.Ioannou (FS),
KS-2732-S.D.Newell, MT-4332-D.Hill(FS),
NC-2909/2910-M.& L.McEllistrem,
NM-3499-R.Bishop, NY-1517-P.F.Goonan,
OH-896-K.Voss, PA-551-K.Kroner,
PA-1826-N.E.Trout, SC-3559-M.F.Jamison (FS),
VA-3416-P.Duval, WA-3483-W.L.Koert

Star Finch (Red Faced Fawn)

(*Neochmia ruficauda*) "fawn"

OH-896-K.Voss

Star Finch (Pied)

(*Neochmia ruficauda*) "pied"

IL-1932-S.V.Hopman (FS), OH-896-K.Voss

Star Finch (Yellow Faced)

(*Neochmia ruficauda*) "yellow"

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FL-3346-P."Tria"Hermsen (FS), FL-42-S.Hoppin (FS),
NY-1517-P.F.Goonan (FS), OH-896-K.Voss

Superb (Spreo) Starling

(*Spreo superbus*)

FL-1450-A.J.Lee (FS), IL-3220-D.Dandre

Tanager, Silver Beaked

(*Ramphocelus carbo*)

IL-3220-D.Dandre

Tanager, Violet

(*violaceous Euphonia*)

PA-3244-M.Chester (FS)

Thrush, Red Wing Laughing

(*Tharrgarrulax*)

TX-2881-C.W.Gulick (FS)

Toucan, Sulpher Breasted
(*Ramphastos sulfuratus*)
TX-2881-C.W.Gulick (FS)

Touraco, Persa
(*Tauraco*)
FL-490/2276-D.&E.Laird (FS)

Touraco, Red Crested
(*Tauraco erythrolophus*)
FL-490/2276-D.&E.Laird (FS)

Twinspot, Dybowski
(*Euchistopiza dybowskii*)
CA-3580-S.Golden (FS), FL-1869-D.R.Almaguer (FS),
FL-1695-V.Guerrero (FS), OR-2233-J.R.Duimstra (FS),
PA-1411-V.Fellerman, TX-2881-C.W.Gulick (FS)

Twinspot, Green Backed
(*Mandingoa nitidula*)
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FL-3346-P.^oTria^oHermesen (FS), FL-42-S.Hoppin (FS),
IL-1868-K.Meyers (FS), MO-2281-2282-R.&R.Dickman,
PA-1411-V.Fellerman

Twinspot, Peter's
(*Hypargos niveoguttatus*)
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FL-1837-H.Bennett (FS), GA-444-J.Scogin (FS),
PA-1411-V.Fellerman, VA-3416-P.Duval,
TX-2881-C.W.Gulick (FS)

Twinspot, Rosey
(*Hypargos margaritatus*)
PA-1411-V.Fellerman

Waxbill, Black Cheeked
(*Estrilda erythronotos*)
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IL-1932-S.V.Hopman (FS), IL-1868-K.Meyers (FS),
KS-2732-S.D.Newell (FS)

Waxbill, Black Crowned
(*Estilda nonnula*)
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FL-42-S.Hoppin (FS), IL-1932-S.V.Hopman (FS),
IL-1868-K.Meyers (FS), MO-2559-S.C.Lee (FS),
TX-2881-C.W.Gulick (FS)

Waxbill, Blue Capped, Cordon Bleu

(*Uraeginthus cyanocephalus*)

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AR-3000-L.L.Malyssa (FS), CA-3580-S.Golden (FS),
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FL-2829-H.Abernathy, FL-1837-H.Bennett (FS),
FL-3385-A.E.Elseroad Jr., FL-316-R.Gianferrara (FS),
FL-1695-V.Guerrero (FS),
FL-3346-P.*Tria*Hermesen (FS), FL-42-S.Hoppin (FS),
FL-2997-H.Mather, FL-2634-M.Wilkat,
GA-3132-G.K.Kaitschuck (FS),
IL-1932-S.V.Hopman (FS), IL-3226-B.Mlynczak (FS),
KS-2732-S.D.Newell (FS), MA-3052-K.Vieweg,
MI-3458-T.L.Hurley, MO-2559-S.C.Lee,
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NY-1517-P.F.Goonan (FS), OH-2391-L.Baum,
OH-1675-H.Bryant, OH-2549-M.Shotwell (FS),
OH-2933-P.H.Strickland (FS), OH-896-K.Voss,
PA-1411-V.Fellerman, SC-3559-M.F.Jamison (FS),
TX-2881-C.W.Gulick (FS), VA-3416-P.Duval (FS)

Waxbill, Cordon Bleu (Red Cheeked)

(*Uraeginthus bengalus*)

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IA-3553-S.Bernard (FS), MO-2559-S.C.Lee,
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OK-109-G.Miller, OH-2933-P.H.Strickland,
PA-1411-V.Fellerman,
PA-1845/1846-G.Reba & G.Goodling,
TX-2881-C.W.Gulick (FS),
WA-3094-C.Brill, WA-3483-W.L.Koert

Waxbills, Crimson Rumped

(*Estrilda rhodopyga*)

WA-3483-W.L.Koert

Waxbill, Gold Breasted

(*Amandava subflava*)

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PA-1845/1846-G.Reba & G.Goodling,
TX-2881-C.W.Gulick (FS), TX-2447-D.Hardman,
WPG-MB-CAN-N.Allen (FS),
WPG-MB-CAN-B.Burzuik (FS)
WPG-MB-CAN- M.B.Crawford (FS)

Waxbill, Lavender

(*Estrilda caeruleus*)

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FL-3346-P."Tria"Hermsen (FS),
FL-490/2276-D.&E.Laird (FS), FL-2997-H.Mather,
IL-1932-S.V.Hopman (FS), MA-3052-K.Vieweg,
MT-4332-D.Hill (FS), PA-1411-V.Fellerman,
TX-2881-C.W.Gulick (FS)

Waxbill, Orange Cheek

(*Estrilda melpada*)

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CA-3183-C.Gontero (FS), FL-2829-H.Abernathy
FL-3385-A.E.Elseroad Jr., FL-3576-C.Hmielewski,
FL-42-S.Hoppin, FL-2634-M.Wilkat, IA-3613-M.Markley,
IL-3220-D.Dandre, IL-3238-D.Ioannou (FS),
IL-2706-R.Laugherty, MO-2559-S.C.Lee,
OH-2549-M.Shotwell, OH-2933-P.H.Strickland,
PA-1845/1846-G.Reba & G.Goodling,
SC-3559-M.F.Jamison (FS), VA-3416-P.Duval,
WA-3094-C.Brill, WA-3483-W.L.Koert,
WI-3511-T.Tinsley

Waxbill, Red Eared (Black Rumped)

(*Estrilda troglodytes*)

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OH-2933-P.H.Strickland, PA-1826-N.E.Trout,
PA-1845/1846-G.Reba & G.Goodling,
WPG-MB-CAN-Alexander/Parisien (FS),
WPG-MB-CAN-A.Stuart (FS)

Waxbills, Rosey Rumped

(*Estrilda rhodopyga*)

FL-1837-H.Bennett (FS), KS-2732-S.D.Newell

Waxbill, St. Helena (Common)

(*Estrilda astrild*)

CA-2968-E.Galik, FL-1837-H.Bennett (FS),
FL-42-S.Hoppin (FS), MO-2559-S.C.Lee,
WA-3483-W.L.Koert

Waxbill, Swees (Yellow bellied or Dufresne's)

(*Estrilda melanotis*)

WI-3511-T.Tinsley

Waxbill, Violet Eared

(*granatina (uraeginthus) granatina*)

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VA-3416-P.Duval, TX-2881-C.W.Gulick (FS)

Weaver, Napoleon
(*ploceus philippinus*)

WPG-MB-CAN-N.Allen (FS),
FL-1876-D.R.Almaguer (FS)

Weaver, Orange Bishop (Red)
(*euplectes orix*)

AK-2646-D.Skidmore (FS), IL-3220-D.Dandre,
IL-3225-B.Leader, SC-3559-M.F.Jamison (FS),
TX-3280-L.M.Ford, WPG-MB-CAN-N.Allan (FS)

Weaver, Scaly Crowned
(*sporopipes squamifrons*)

CA-2238-S.Huntington (FS), OK-109-G.Miller,

Whydah, Fischer's (Strawtailed)
(*Vidua fischeri*)

MO-2559-S.C.Lee,

Whydah Combassou

(*Hypochera (vidua) Chalybeata*)
WPG-MB-CAN- N. Allen (FS)

Whydah, Paradise
(*Vidua paradisaea*)

FL-42-S.Hoppin (FS)

Whydah, Pintailed
(*Vidua macroura*)

IL-3220-D.Dandre, IL-3225-B.Leader

Yellow Legged Honeycreeper
(*Cyanerpes caeruleus*)

CA-2238-S.Huntington (FS), FL-1450-A.J.Lee (FS)

Yellow Rumped Serin
(*serinus atrogularis*)

PA-3244-M. Chester (FS)

Yellow Throated Bunting
(*Emberiza citrinella*)

CA-3045-G.Roulston (FS),
PA-3244-M. Chester (FS)

Zebra Finch, Grey (Normal)

(*Poephilia guttata*)

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CA-3165-R.Palecki, CT-1225-D.Morales,
FL-1876-D.R.Almaguer, FL-3385-A.E.Elseroad Jr.,
FL-1695-V.Guerrero, FL-3576-C.Hmielewski,
FL-1450-A.J.Lee, FL-2680-D.Rubly,
FL-2634-M.Wilkat, GA-444-J.Scogin (FS),
IA-3613-M.Markley, IL-3220-D.Dandre,
IL-3225-B.Leader, IL-43-T.Rood,
IL-3242-R.N.Rowan, KS-2732-S.D.Newell,
LA-3553-S.Bernard, MA-3325-P.Kenneally,
MA-3052-K.Vieweg, MI-3376-L.Ancona,
MI-3458-T.L.Hurley, MT-4332-D.Hill,
N.J.-3435-R.Herbst, OR-2233-J.R.Duimstra,
PA-408-G.M.Fino,
PA-1845/1846-G.Reba & G.Goodling,
SC-3559-M.F.Jamison, TX-3280-L.M.Ford,
TN-2095-C.J.Sands, VA-3416-P.Duval,
WA-3094-C.Brill, WA-3483-W.L.Koert.
WPG-MB-CAN-Alexander/Parisien,
WPG-MB-CAN-R.Kueneman

Zebra Finch, Black Cheeked

FL-3440-41-T.&K.Monahan

Zebra Finch, Black Faced

CA-3165-R.Palecki, CT-1225-D.Morales,
FL-3440-41-T & K Monahan

Zebra Finch, Cream

IL-43-T.Rood

Zebra Finch, Chestnut Flanked White

CA-3165-R.Palecki, CT-1225-D.Morales,
IL-3242-R.N.Rowan, MA-3052-K.Vieweg,
OR-2233-J.R.Duimstra, PA-3510-J.J.Felix

Zebra Finch, Crested

MA-3052-K.Vieweg

Zebra Finch, Fawn

CA-3165-R.Palecki, IL-43-T.Rood,
IL-3242-R.N.Rowan, MA-3052-K.Vieweg

Zebra Finch, Florida Fancy

FL-1876-D.R.Almaguer

Zebra Finch, Penguin

CA-3165-R.Palecki, IA-3613-M.Markley

Zebra Finch, Phaeo

CT-1225-D.Morales

Zebra Finch, Pied

CA-3165-R.Palecki, FL-2829-H.Abernathy,
IA-3613-M.Markley, IL-3238-D.Ioannou

Zebra Finch, Red Flanked

IA-3613-M.Markley

Zebra Finch, Silver

IL-3242-R.N.Rowan, MA-3052-K.Vieweg

Zebra Finch, White

FL-1876-D.R.Almaguer, IA-3613-M.Markley,
PA-1845/1846-G.Reba & G.Goodling

Zebra Finch/ English

CA-3165-R.Palecki,
FL-3346-P."Tria"Hermsen, FL-194-R.Hurtado,
FL-2680-D.Rubly, IA-3613-M.Markley,
OR-2233-J.R.Duimstra, PA-408-G.M.Fino,
PA-1845/1846-G.Reba & G.Goodling

Zebra Finch/ English, Chestnut Flanked White

PA-1845/1846-G.Reba & G.Goodling

Zebra Finch/ English, Fawn

AL-3113-K.McCoy,
PA-1845/1846-G.Reba & G.Goodling

Zebra Finch/ English, Silver (recessive)

OR-2233-J.R.Duimstra



Finchsaves Update

All Finchsaves participants will be receiving a Finchsaves packet soon. Please fill out all information in this packet and mail back ASAP. This is important data that must be compiled for Finchsaves participants. All members with emails need to send a memo to confirm correct email address. Thank you for making a difference!
Daniel Almaguer
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1998 Annual Census Report

Census Compiled and Reported by Daniel Almager,
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I would like to thank all 115 NFSS members whom participated in our Annual Census Report for 1998. We have 29 states and Canada with 209 species of various types and mutations recorded. We can make a difference trading bloodlines, sharing information to assure the survival of all finches in captivity in our private collections. Conservation and preservation are should be the goal of all NFSS members. The NFSS Annual Census is now on the NFSS website, thanks to Website Manager Marc Riva. The URL is <http://NFSS.net/survey.html> or enter through the NFSS webpage at <http://NFSS.net>.

I have changed the order of the census by listing most finches by family/genus names then species and color. This will assist us in understanding and knowing them by genus showing us they are from the same geographical locations. I would appreciate your suggestions and comments on this new order. All NFSS members feel free to call or email me anytime, messages are checked daily.

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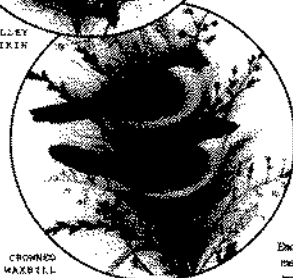
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A TRIBUTE TO A SKILLED AND GIFTED AVICULTURIST

In any field of interest or endeavor there are always those special few who seem to rise above what we accept as the normal. And, just by their sheer presence, they can add a dimension and meaning to your own participation, which not only serves to enrich and enhance that interest, but indeed take it to a level that is infinitely more rewarding.

These special people may challenge, by a word or a thought your accepted way of doing something that you have not before thought of changing, but conversely will enthusiastically grasp an idea, and with an open minded philosophy test if it will benefit their own ideals.

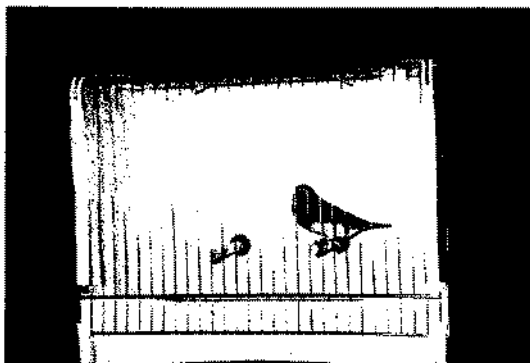
A person that meets every criteria of being one of those "special few" is CLINT HARRIS of TEMPLE TEXAS.

He has added a dimension to my avicultural interest, here in Australia that I had not thought possible to achieve his friendship, his enthusiasm, his wit, his intelligent reasoning, and astute logic for all aspects relating to aviculture, have indeed enriched totally, my own interests.

Clint, as a result of pressures of work I understand has decided to take what I hope is only a short break from aviculture. And, as such I would be totally remiss were I not to say thank you for the contribution that he has made to my enthusiasm, knowledge and enjoyment of aviculture.

Thank you Clint. You're one hell of an aviculturist.

Bruce Dixon
Melbourne, Australia



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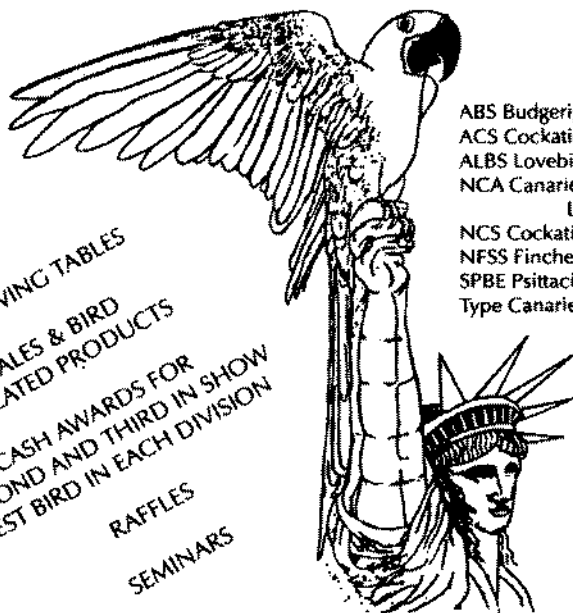
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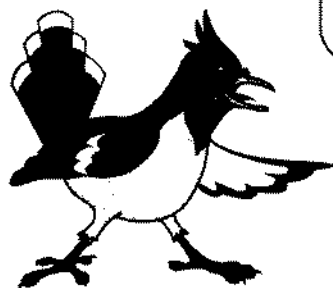
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Midwest Zebra & Society Finch Club

When: 8/8

Where: Grandview, Missouri

Judge: Ms. Margaret Binns (England)

Delegate: Ms. Nita Haas (816)

331-5285, Email:

TJHAAS@OASISKC.net

Details: Being held at Super 8 Motel in Grandview, MO.

Kansas Avicultural Society

When: 8/9

Where: Wichita, KS Clarion Hotel 5800 W Kellogg

Guest Speaker: Sally & Vince Huntington

Details: Contact Lynda Warren (316) 788-1992 or Pati Hazell (316) 942-8864. This will be a special finch program in lieu of a show.

The Aviary and Cage Bird Society of South Florida

REGIONAL SHOW

When: 8/22

Where: Ft. Lauderdale, FL

NFSS Judge: Mr. Armando Lee

Delegate: Ms. Carrie Efstathon (954) 432-3349. Email:

carrie2@juno.com

Details: Being held at War Memorial Coliseum. Contact: Melba Wilkat, President (954)

792-6017, Email:

al_n_melba@juno.com

SEPTEMBER:

Central Alabama Avicultural Society

When: 9/5 & 9/6

Where: Montgomery, AL

NFSS Judge: Harold Bowles

Delegate: Ginny Allen (334) 749-7168, Email:

gndallen@earthlink.net

Details: Contact Michael Wolfe mwolfe@mindspring.com

Bay Area Cage Bird Club

When: 9/5 & 9/6

Where: Galveston, TX

NFSS Judge: to be announced

Delegate: Margie McBrayer (281) 338-2814

Details: Being held at the Moody Center, Galveston, TX

SEPTEMBER:

Greater Brandon Avian Society

When: 9/12

Where: Florida State Fair Grounds... Tampa, FL

NFSS Judge: Tom Rood

Delegate: John Floyd (813) 677-7679 Email: johmanda@gte.net

Midwest Cage Bird Club, Inc.

When: 9/12
Where: Westland, MI
NFSS Judge: Paul Williams
Delegate: Patrick Vance (248) 443-0643

Toledo Bird Association

When: 9/19
Where: Toledo, Ohio
NFSS Judge: Tom Rood
Delegate: Mr. Rick Yunker (419) 691-9432, Email:
OPRRLY@UOFTOLUTOLE
DO.edu
Details: Being held at Holiday Inn
Maumee, Ohio.

Fort Defiance Bird Club

When: 9/26
Where: Defiance, OH
NFSS Judge: Conrad Meinert
Delegate: Larry Endsley
(419) 263-2795 Email
D.Siebeneck drs@defnet.com

New Mexico Bird Club, Inc.

When: 9/26
Where: 7100 Lomas NE (K-Mart)
Albuquerque, NM
Delegate: Gail Ranshaw
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Durham Avicultural Society of Ontario

When: 9/25-27

Where: Pickering Recreation
Center – Pickering, Ontario
Delegate: Vincent Moase
(905) 579-9078 Contact:
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FingerLakes Cage Bird Asso.
"Pet Bird Show and Expo"

When: 9/27
Where: Waterloo, NY
Delegate: Rena House (315) 252-7673, Email: rrrouse@localnet.com
Details: Being held at Holiday Inn

OCTOBER:

Sunshine State Cage Bird Club
"The Kaytee Great American Bird Show"

When: 10/3 & 10/4
Where: Orlando, Florida
NFSS Judge: Mr. Harold Bowles
(10/3)
Delegate: Mr. Dale Laird (407) 657-7989
Details: Being held at the Radisson
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winners and division winners.

Mid-America Cage Bird Society

When: 10/3
Where: Des Moines, Iowa
NFSS Judge: Martha Wigmore
Delegate: Rhoda Shirley (515) 243-1511
Details: Being held at Best Western
Des Moines International, 1810

Army Post Road, Des Moines, IA
50315

Forth Worth Bird Club

When: 10/3
Where: Ft. Worth, TX
NFSS Judge: Paul Williams
Delegate: Clarence Culwell (817)
220-5568

Badger Canary and Finch Club

When: 10/24
Where: Waukesha, WI
NFSS Judge: Tom Rood
Delegate: Sue Feldstein (414) 968-
4514
Details: Being held at Expo Center

Texas Bird Breeders Association
REGIONAL SHOW

When: 10/24,25
Where: Temple, TX
NFSS Judge: Day 1: Stephen
Hoppin, Day 2: Cecil Gumby
Delegate: Clarence Culwell (817)
220-5568
Details: Being held at Will Rogers
Memorial Center, Poultry Barn,
3301 W. Lancaster Avenue, Ft.
Worth, TX 76107

Middle Tennessee Cage Bird Club,
Inc.

When: 10/3
Where: Nashville, TN
NFSS Judge: to be announced
Delegate: Eva Duffey (615) 361-
5939
Details: Being held at the State
Fairgrounds, Creative Arts -

Annex Bldg. Nolensville, Road
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Society of Canary & Finch
Breeders

When: 10/3 & 10/4
Where: Livonia, MI
NFSS Judge: Charles Anchor
Delegate: Patrick Vance (248) 443-
064

Indiana Bird Fanciers

When: 10/10
Where: Allen County Fair
Grounds Ft. Wayne, IN
NFSS Judge: Patrick Vance
Delegate: Conrad Meinert
(219) 269-2873 Email
BirdmanofWarsaw@kconline.com

Bird Fanciers of Oklahoma

When: 10/10
Where: Oklahoma City, OK
NFSS Judge: Clarence Culwell
Delegate: Gene L. Miller (405)
382-7066
Details: Being held at Ramada Inn
39th Street Expressway, Oklahoma
City, OK

Essex-Kent Bird Society

When: 10/16-18
Where: Fogolar Sports Complex
Windsor, Ontario
NFSS Judge: Tom Rood
Delegate: Alfred Mion
(519) 948-6398

Greater Kansas City Avicultural
Society

When: 10/17
NFSS Judge: Armando Lee

Great Lakes Avicultural Society

When: 10/17
Where: Rockford Middle School
Rockford, MI
NFSS Judge: Charles Anchor
Delegate: Diana Hugo
(616)842-0163 Email
hugo@iserv.net

Rocky Mountain Society of
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REGIONAL SHOW

When: 10/16-18
Where: Denver, CO
NFSS Judge: Ray Johnson
Delegate: Glenda Pullum
(303) 937-1498

New York Finch & Type Canary
Club 6th Annual Show

When: 10/17
Where: Mineola, New York (Long
Island)
NFSS Judge: to be announced
Delegate: Stan Kulak 718-967-6899
Details: Being held at Knights of
Columbus Hall, 186 Jericho
Turnpike, Mineola, (L.I.), NY.
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information contact Chris Taylor
(718) 454-5288 or Stan Kulak
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Massachusetts Cage Bird
Association

When: 10/17
Delegate: Dianna Smith
(508) 540-3214

Connecticut Association for
Aviculture, Inc.

REGIONAL SHOW

When: 10/24
Where: West Hartford, CT
NFSS Judge: William Parlee
Delegate: Laura Sherman (914)
266-5617, email:
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Details: Being held at American
School for the Deaf, North Main
St., West Hartford, CT

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When: 10/17 & 10/18
Where: St. Petersburg, FL
NFSS Judge: Conrad Meinert
Delegate: Joe Ventimiglia (813)
392-9391
Details: St. Petersburg Coliseum,
535 4th Avenue N, St. Petersburg,
FL 33701

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When: 10/17
Where: Middleberg Heights, OH
NFSS Judge: Ray Johnson
Delegate: Tim Howard (330) 337-
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REGIONAL SHOW

When: 10/24
Where: Warren, MI

NFSS Judge: Paul Williams
Delegate: Ron Girling (810) 751-8265
Details: Being held at Italian Community Cultural Center 28111 Imperial Drive, Warren, MI 48092

Capitol City Bird Society

When: 10/23-10/25
Where: California Expo, Sacramento, CA
NFSS Judge: Cecil Gunby
Delegate: Mariana Mejia (916) 452-2037, email: nightdustr@aol.com

NOVEMBER:

Florida West Coast Avian Society

When: 11/1
Where: Palmetto, FL
NFSS Judge: Dr. Al Decoteau
Delegate: Joy Johnson (941) 966-6238
Details: Being held at Manatee Civic Center, 1 Haben Blvd. Palmetto, FL

Missouri Cage Bird Association

When: 11/6 & 11/7
Where: Eureka, MO
NFSS Judge: to be announced
Delegate: Rich & Rose Dickman (314) 928-3444.
Email: skdatl@inlink.com
Details: Held at Day's Inn, Eureka, MO.

NOVEMBER:

Finch Society of San Diego County

REGIONAL SHOW

When: 11/7 & 11/8

Where: Del Mar, California
NFSS Judges: 11/7 - Daren Decoteau, 11/8 Clayton Jones
Delegate: Ms. Sally Huntington (619) 452-9423 email: huntington-center@worldnet.att.net

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When: 11/7
Delegate: Derrel Ward
Contact: Bill McElveen (770) 926-3830

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When: 11/19-11/21
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NFSS Judge: to be announced
Delegate: Ms. Jane Muscato or Mr. John Muscato (630) 305-9043,
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Details: Pheasant Run Resort and Convention Center, 4051 East Main Street, St. Charles, IL. For reservations call 800-999-3319 (mention NCBS for special \$109 rate). Reservations must be made by 10/10 to receive special NCBS rate. For general information call Bob Wild (630) 985-4416.
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When: 11/27-28
NFSS Judge: Clayton Jones
Delegate: Al Seminero
Contact: Doreen Waugh (510) 794-0517
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National Institute of Red-Orange
Canaries

When: 11/28 & 11/29
Where: Chicago, Illinois
NFSS Judge: to be announced
Delegate: Steve Hopman (815)
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DECEMBER:

Colorbred Canary Club of Miami

When: 12/4-12/6
Where: Miami, FL
NFSS Judges: to be announced
Delegate: Armando Lee (305) 270-
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Organizacion Puertorriquena de
Aves Exoticas

REGIONAL SHOW
When: 12/5
Where: Carolina, Puerto Rico
NFSS Judges: Marion Spartzak
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LATE EDITION:

AUGUST

The Rochester Cage Bird Club and
Greater Rochester Hookbill
Association

When: 8/15
Where: Rochester, NY
NFSS Judges: to be announced
Delegate: Patrick Goonan (716)
288-5653
Details: Being held at the
Eisenhardt Auditorium of the

Rochester Museum and Science
Center.

Organizacion Puertorriquena de
Aves Exoticas

When: 8/22
Where: Caguas, Puerto Rico
NFSS Judge: Daren Decoteau
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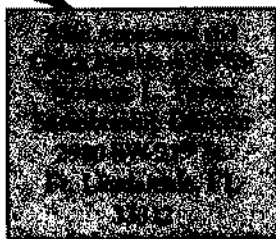
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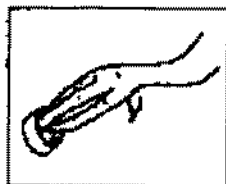
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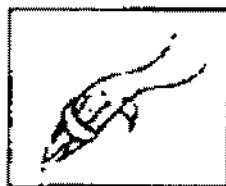
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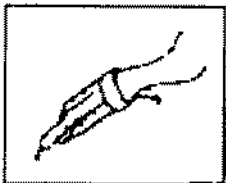
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