

Golden Nationals 2019

S.Q.B.B.A. Inc.

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Edition 2:

South Queensland Nationals - Brisbane at last!

The Mackay Nationals – 2017

Mackay was the venue for the 2017 Australian National Championship Show held on May 26th to 28th but before heading up North there was a lot of work to be carried out.

Bill Sedgwick and Keith Gough worked for two months updating the computer programme for the Zone Selection, getting all the paperwork and memory sticks ready, Heather Farren-Price organised hall bookings and that was a pain as the Strathpine Tom Petrie Room wasn't available and to hire a hall large enough for the zone selection is not easy.

Garry Menzies as head team carer had to get the cages and holding area cleaned and sterilized and arrange for a vet inspection of the selected birds. Garry also issues out voting sheets for all clubs to select their preferred judges who have indicated they are willing to put themselves out there for criticism. The clubs send their votes to Bill & Pat Sedgwick who then collate and advise Garry the result.

Dave Ganzer (whilst making all the show cages for Mackay) oversaw organising return flights to Mackay for the birds as well as organising the judges ensuring they would not be judging their own birds. He also had to collect the staging from Strathpine along with Kevin Hall & Phil Edgar – all that staging loaded onto the Ute by just three people is amazing.

The week prior most of the clubs in our area had their club selection show and I sometimes feel it is disappointing when some clubs are not supported by their members. I know it is the individual's choice and I understand that the birds are important to breeders but sometimes the third or fourth best birds just may be good enough to earn points for your club and even be selected to represent our zone.

After the clubs' selections, the secretary of each forwards the results of their club selection to Keith Gough who collates it and prints out judging sheets and class numbers and which judges have birds in which classes.

Friday at 4pm only eight people turned up to set up the hall which was rather disappointing when the SQBBA belongs to all clubs. Mind you I do not expect the long-distance clubs to come as they usually are there at the end putting the staging away but a few more locals at set up would be great.

Saturday and our Zone Selection took place at the Narangba Hall and thankfully there was plenty of room for clubs to sort out their teams prior to benching. Judging commenced and with some different names than usual started appearing on the winners list.

Zone birds selected were owned by the following exhibitors:

Normal Green

Henry George
Aaron Forbes
Barbara Kelly

Normal Greygreen

Wright Family
W & K Stephan
Henry George

Normal Blue

Henry George
Henry George
Henry George

Violet

Bill Kirstenfeldt
John Blanck
John & Joy McAllister

Normal Grey

Henry George
Henry George
W & K Stephan

Yellow Face Blue

W & K Stephan
Grant Townsend
Grant & Tammy Beutel

NB: John Blanck's Violet was replaced through the week with a bird from Henry George.

Australian Yellow Face

Punter Family
D Reid
T & M Benbow

Black Eye Self

Geoff Russell
Kev Richards
Kev Richards

Dilute

Brett & Danny Card
Kev Richards
Cedric D'Costa

NB: Geoff Russell's Black Eye was replaced through the week with a bird from Cedric D'Costa

Lutino

Henry George
Henry George
Cedric D'Costa

Albino

Wright Family
Cedric D'Costa
Wright Family

Clearwing

Cedric D'Costa
Cedric D'Costa
Cedric D'Costa

Greywing

Lucas Hendry
Lucas Hendry
Dave Ganzer

Cinnamonwing

Wright Family
W & K Stephan
Garry & Pat Heuvel

Spangle Double Factor

Henry George
Kev Campbell
Lucas Hendry

Opaline

Henry George
W & K Stephan
W & K Stephan

Opaline AOSV

Shane Von Pein
Cedric D'Costa
Henry George

Clearbody

Phil Edgar
Lucas Hendry
Phil Edgar

Lacewing

Cedric D'Costa
John & Joy McAllister
R & T Waddington

Fallow

Greg Horrobin
Les Phillips
Greg Horrobin

Spangle Normal

Brett & Danny Card
Mort Faddy
Brett & Danny Card

Spangle AOSV

Dave Ganzer
Brett & Danny Card
Aaron Forbes

Dominant Pied

W & K Stephan
Henry George
Les & Fran Percy

Recessive Pied

Mort Faddy
Johnston Family
Dave Ganzer

Crest	Hens	Dark Eyed Clear
Johnston Family	Brett & Danny Card	Dave Ganzer
Jansen Family	Henry George	Mort Faddy
P & K Cox	Brett & Danny Card	Mort Faddy

NB: one hen belonging to B & D Card was replaced with 4th Green belonging to Nobel & Emerson

Club Points:

Brisbane & Northern Suburbs Budgerigar Society Inc.	333
Pine Rivers Budgerigar Society Inc.	314
Toowoomba Budgerigar Society Inc.	268
Wynnum Budgerigar Society Inc.	185
Ipswich Budgerigar Society Inc.	170
Bundaberg Canary & Caged Bird Society Inc.	79
Australian Budgerigar Society Inc.	72
Fraser Coast Budgerigar Society Inc.	61
Caboolture Budgerigar Society Inc.	47
Budgerigar Society Bundaberg Inc.	41
Surfers Paradise Budgerigar Society Inc.	26
Sunshine Coast Budgerigar Society Inc. had no entries	

Every person who had a bird entered in the zone selection is a **winner**

I would like to thank all the stewards, the computer people, lunch providers, and the people who stayed behind to clean up the hall and put the staging away. I noticed a couple of clubs had able and healthy people just standing watching and not helping clean up – really this is unacceptable as I have stated previously, the SQBBA consists of all clubs. Please remember that next time.

As Garry Menzies had to attend a wedding on the day, I thank Barry & Diane McClennan, Jamie Wright, Kevin Hall, Troy Smith, Steve & Pam Brookes for taking the birds to Garry's home, checking ring numbers, storing show cages and putting the birds in cages keeping in mind to try and keep families together.

The birds were well cared for during the week and all of them looked impressive on the national show bench which is a credit to our carers and preparers who do a magnificent job and have done so for many years without many thanks. Unfortunately, Virgin Airlines let our zone as well as one other down by putting the birds on the plane to Mackay on the Friday, then taking them off along with dozens of Creamy Donuts for a school fundraiser and a kitten, then forgetting to put them back on the plane. I have never seen our carers so distressed especially when they weren't put on the next plane either. Thankfully they arrived and looked very bright and healthy when caged at the venue. Sadly, the donuts arrived after

school was finished but the kitten was fine. It is very unfortunate our carers had to cop criticism because Virgin Airlines made the mistakes – please if you have a gripe, contact the airline not the carers!

Keith and I made our way up on the Wednesday afternoon on the Spirit of Queensland Train (otherwise known as the Budgie Express). There were fourteen of us all up which included Brian & Leslie Hollingsworth, John & Mary Blanck, Bill & Pat Sedgwick, Barry & Diane McClennan, Diane Neale, Jack Hackshall, Val Scott & Jean Spencer. Let's just say I think the other passengers were pleased we got off at Mackay after twelve hours of fun and laughter.

The carers were at the venue at 6am on the Saturday and Sunday to get the classes caged and ready for benching in time. The carers had to work very hard, especially on the Saturday as some classes were judged in the morning, then after being on display, the birds had to be removed, put back in their holding cages, ensure they were eating and settled in, clean the show cages thoroughly and get the afternoons birds ready and caged in time. My sincere thanks go to Garry Menzies, Jamie Wright, Barry McClennan and Stan Ford for all the work over the weekend.

The judges for the weekend were Jim Fletcher from Tasmania: Alan Rowe from Victoria and from South Queensland were Errol Miller and Neale Love. Once again live streaming was available for those who could not make the trip to Mackay, all thanks to the hard work of Luke Fletcher who first made this available in 2009. I remember when live streaming was first suggested, we had some states saying, "we can't do that as people will stay at home instead of attending the Nationals". That has been proven to be incorrect. Live judges' comments have been available since 2010.

The first three placings in each class at the National Show were:

Normal Green

John Boss NSW
R & C Ogden QNCZ
Henry George SQ

Normal Greygreen

Wright Family SQ
Kakoschkie & Rice SA
David Kelleher NSW

Normal Blue

Mario Capasso NSW
Henry George SQ
Mario Capasso NSW

Violet

D & C Pymont NSW
A & C Druery NSW
Jupp & Scheerer NSW

Normal Grey

R & C Ogden QNCZ
R & C Ogden QNCZ
Mario Capasso NSW

Yellow Face Blue

Grant Townsend SQ
W & K Stephan SQ
Mark Hawke NSW

Australian Yellow Face

Andrew Clifton NSW
Rowe Brothers VIC
Charlesworth Fam Tas

Black Eye Self

Ray Slade SA
John Mulley SA
W Cusack NSW

Dilute

Murray & Spink VIC
B & D Card SQ
Guinane Fam QNCZ

Lutino		Albino		Clearwing	
J Leong	VIC	C D'Costa	SQ	B C D'Costa	SQ
J Leong	VIC	S Reardon	SA	B Schuster	QNCZ
J Leong	VIC	Wright Family	SQ	Sheppard & Flanagan	VIC
Greywing		Cinnamonwing		Spangle Double Factor	
V Leria	VIC	P Bayliss	NSW	G O'Connor	NSW
Dave Ganzer	SQ	S Eriksen	QNCZ	P Thurn	VIC
T Cooper	NSW	R Howard	VIC	I Schneider	QNCZ
Opaline		Opaline AOSV		Clearbody	
John Boss	NSW	J Ennis	VIC	Mark Hawke	NSW
C Buckingham	NSW	J Leong	VIC	Phil Edgar	SQ
C Buckingham	NSW	S Eriksen	QNCZ	E & D Wise	NSW
Lacewing		Fallow		Spangle Normal	
E & D Wise	NSW	Wilson & Hoadley	VIC	Mort Faddy	SQ
D Kelleher	NSW	Mark Hawke	NSW	Anlezark & Bohringer	NSW
R&T Waddington	SQ	Mark Hawke	NSW	C Buckingham	NSW
Spangle AOSV		Dominant Pied		Recessive Pied	
J Matthews	NSW	J Leong	VIC	S & D Walkley	TAS
S & C Norris	SA	John Boss	NSW	Johnston Fam	SQ
B & D Card	SQ	Kakoschke & Rice	SA	M Loveridge	SA
Crest		Hens		Dark Eyed Clear	
Sheppard & Flanagan	VIC	W Capper	NSW	Mort Faddy	SQ
Johnston Fam	SQ	Henry George	SQ	Wilson & Hoadley	VIC
P & K Cox	SQ	T & S Appleton	VIC	B Schuster	QNCZ

Zone Points:

New South Wales	442	Victoria	413
South Queensland	389	South Australia	284
Queensland North & Central	208	Tasmania	208

Western Australia did not compete.

We are looking forward to Penrith in New South Wales in 2018 and then Spring Hill, Brisbane in 2019.

On the next page I have attached a couple of photos of the venue at Spring Hill for 2019. It is the Grand Chancellor Hotel, Wickham Terrace, Spring Hill.



If you are thinking of coming to the 2019 Nationals we have a layby system where you can pay money towards your stay whenever you have some spare cash. No set payments are necessary and all monies paid will be receipted and a running tally sent to you.

If you are interested in this method, please contact Bill Sedwick on the number below.

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Regards

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