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# NEXT GENERAL MEETING

12th of APRIL2021

@

Melrose Hall Corner of Great Western Hwy & Park Street,

Fmu Plains NSW 7.30 pm

**NEXT COMMITTEE MEETING** 

(4<sup>th</sup> Tuesday of the Month) Unless changed to suit

27th of APRIL 2021

@

TO BE ADVISED 7.30pm

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# Presidents Report

Dear Members,

At our next meeting, on Monday 12th of April 2021, we will be holding our Annual Non Whiteface Cockatiel Table Show. A show schedule is on page 13 & 14 of this edition of NCSA News.

This month we welcome our newest sponsor, Concord Pets. Located at 105 Queen Street North Strathfield, with extended opening hours to suit all pet owners. They carry a large range of pet foods and accessories for all types of pets including: birds, reptiles, fish, dogs, cats, rabbits and guinea pigs. So call in and mention their advertisement in our magazine for a great deal.

Come along to our meeting on Monday 12th of April to catch up and have a chat.

Hope to see you there

Tarred and Feathered: Patrick Waite



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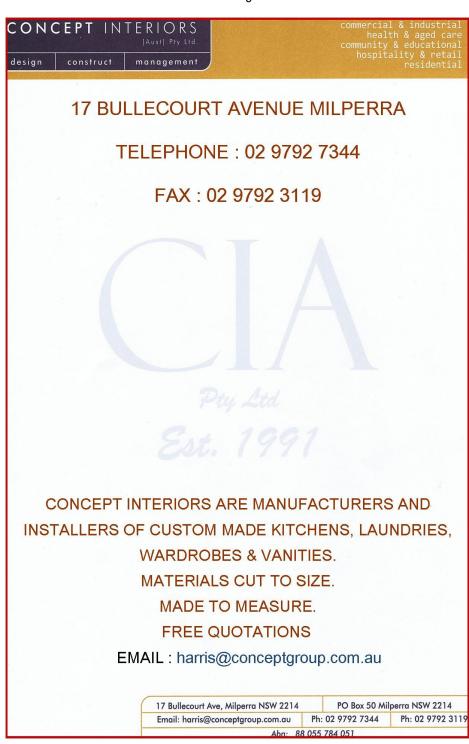
# THE NATIVE COCKATIEL SOCIETY OF AUSTRALIA INC. MEETINGS.

# **TENTATIVE CALENDAR 2021**

<b>DATE</b>	<b>EVENT</b>	<b>LOCATION</b>
8th FEBRUARY	JUVENILE TABLE SHOW	EMU PLAINS
12th APRIL	NON WHITEFACE TABLE SHOW	EMU PLAINS
12th JULY	WHITEFACE TABLE SHOW	EMU PLAINS
13th SEPTEMBER	ALL COCKATIEL TABLE SHOW	EMU PLAINS
13th DECEMBER	CHRISTMAS PARTY & AGM	TO BE ADVISED



Congratulations and Welcome to our
Newest Member's,
Hannah Gray of Moss Vale NSW and
Andrew Patterson of Upper Mt Gravatt QLD





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# **MEMBERSHIP INFORMATION PAGE**

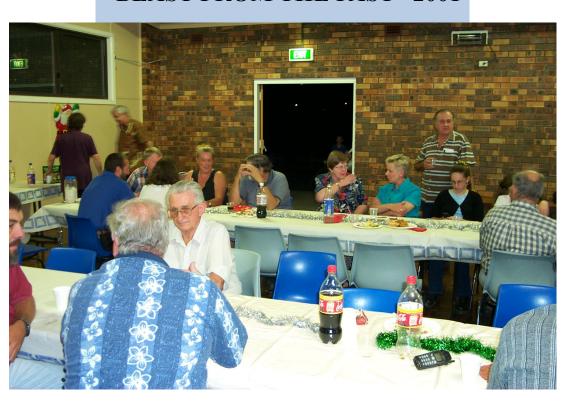
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CARD WITH THE SECRETARY ALAN MCNEVIN WHO
WILL BRING IT ALONG TO EACH MEETING.

# "BLAST FROM THE PAST" 2001



# **BREEDER'S PAGE**

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Glenhaven	NSW	Judit	0402 566 678
Penrith	NSW	Dean	0411 578 996
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Or email .. editor@cockatiel.org.au

# **2021 LEG RINGS**

CLOSED 2021 CLUB RINGS (NCSA-NUMBERED) \$60.00 per 100

Postage & Handling \$3.00 per Order PAYMENT BY DIRECT DEPOSIT TO:

Account Name: NCSA BSB No: 802058 Account No: 22976

Minimum order quantity 10 Rings can be ordered from

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Or email editor@cockatiel.org.au

# AUSTRALIAN BIRD LEG RING COLOUR SEQUENCE

2021 VIOLET 2022 ORANGE 2023 DARK BLUE 2024 RED 2025 BLACK 2026 GREEN 2027 VIOLET 2028 ORANGE 2029 DARK BLUE 2030 RED





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## THE NON WHITEFACE COCKATIEL TABLE SHOW

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# WILL BE HELD AT OUR MEETING ON 12<sup>TH</sup> APRIL 2021 AT EMU PLAINS SHOW SCHEDULE

# **CLASS**

NORMAL	

- 2. NORMAL HEN.
- 3. PIED AC-AV.
- 4. PEARL AC-AV.
- 5. PEARL PIED AC-AV.
- 6. COCK AOC-AOV.
- 7. HEN AOC-AOV.

## (No Whiteface Cockatiels)

## **PRIZES**

**CHAMPION**: Certificate.

RESERVE CHAMPION: Certificate.

PEOPLE'S CHOICE AWARD: Certificate. (If Time Permits)

<u>CLASSES 1–7</u>: \$5 PER CLASS.

PLACE CARDS WILL ALSO BE AWARDED.

# **REQUIREMENTS**

Standard Cockatiel Show boxes are <u>not</u> required, although recommended. Each show box/cage is to be clean, complete with a standard feeder (LHS) and drinker (RHS), and white A4 paper to cover the floor. No seed or water in the feeder or drinker please.

Judge = Dean Baker

# **Example Mutations** Class

Normal cock	1
Normal hen	2
Lutino	6 (cock or unknown sex) or 7 (hen)
Lutino Cinnamon	6 (cock or unknown sex) or 7 (hen)
Lutino Pied	3
Lutino Pearl	4
Cinnamon cock	6
Cinnamon hen	7
Cinnamon Pied	3
Cinnamon Pearl	4
Pied	3
Pearl	4
Pearl Pied	5
Platinum hen	7
Platinum Pied	3
Pastel Silver cock	6
Pastel Silver Pearl	4
West Coast Silver hen	7
Silver Spangle cock	6
Pastelface cock	6
Pastelface Cinnamon hen	7
Pastelface Platinum Pearl	4





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# NCSA CLUB SHOW'S POINT SCORE 2021



Show points will be accumulated to the end of the year. The winner will receive the perpetual Cockatiel Challenge Trophy and Replica.

### Points are awarded as follows:

3 Points, 1st in Class
6 Points, Champion Cockatiel 2 Points, 2nd in Class
4 Points, Reserve Champion 1 Point, 3rd in Class

<u>Juvenile</u>	Non W/F	<b>Whiteface</b>	<b>Cockatiel</b>
8.2.21	12.4.21	12.7.21	13.9.21



# Are having difficulty freighting your birds?

Consider: JJ Pet Transport By Road. Based at Windsor NSW, servicing Parts of Queensland, Victoria and NSW.

Contact Jeff on 0406 965 644

# **Cockatiel Feet Problems**

# **Basic Symptoms:**

Your cockatiel's feet are very delicate and you should watch for any kind of injury or problems. Good exercise, excellent nutrition and a clean environment are key for keeping your cockatiel's feet in top health. The lack of good care can cause deformed nails, fungus infections on the feet, and sores.

Mites can also damage your cockatiel's feet as well a Vitamin A deficiency.

Clean your perches every week, bacteria from dropping can build up and infect your cockatiels feet

Watch for overgrown nails, if not sure do have your avian vet examine your cockatiel's nails for proper size. Anyone with long nails knows the painful feeling of bending or breaking one. Cockatiel s can have the same pain if a nail is damage. It's always best to have your avian vet trim the nails if you are not an EXPERT on cockatiels. If cut too short your cockatiel can bleed to death very quickly. If for some reason a nail does not grow back, it will not be handicap to your cockatiel.

# Taking good care of your cockatiel's feet.

Cockatiels will spent most of the day and night on their feet so perches play an important role here. Perches for cockatiels should be made from natural wood and in different sizes to maintain the health of the bird's feet.

Clean your perches every week, bacteria from dropping can build up and infect your cockatiels feet.

Fruit trees that are organic and have not been treated with chemicals make excellent perches live those from apple trees. If you get perches from a pet store, do make sure you get different sizes in diameter.

Perches that are too small (diameter) can injure your cockatiel in the long term. The tips of the front and back nails should not meet or overlap when perching.

Watch for hot surfaces around the house like the kitchen, or a pan you just cooked on, they can burn your cockatiel's feet.

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# **Cockatiel with Breathing Difficulties**

### Basic Symptoms:

Your cockatiel might show breathing difficulties for a variety of reasons. If the weather outside is too hot or your tiel is in a room that is too warm your bird will show signs of breathing difficulties or "short breathing." Leaving a cockatiel with unprotected sun exposure and no shading can be deadly. Also if your cockatiel gets scared or is very afraid you will also notice rapid breathing and sometimes with difficulties. All these behaviors are normal.

Other reasons for breathing difficulties are respiratory infections, toxic exposure, including Teflon poisoning and most kitchen fumes have also caused birds to experience respiratory distress. A cockatiel that is overweight and does not exercise very much can show signs of breathing difficulties or 'heavy breathing.'

If your cockatiel is truly having trouble breathing, there is probably a serious obstruction in the chest, or lungs. Also an enlarged tumor in the chest area can cause breathing difficulties.

The most frequent cases of breathing difficulties in cockatiels are related to respiratory infections, you do need to see an Avian Vet as soon as possible for treatment. Respiratory infections sometimes are accompanied by a runny nose and sometimes sneezing.

As always the information offered here is to provide guidance and is not intended to be a substitute for the good advice provided by your own avian vet. When in doubt always consult your own veterinarian.

# **Cockatiel Diet and Nutrition**

The most important factor to consider on your cockatiel's nutrition and diet is variety. Your cockatiel will dictate what it likes and what it dislikes. It's important that you never force your cockatiel to eat something it does not want, again your cockatiel will select on its own what it likes. If your tiel only eats just a small amount of any other food besides its regular seeds or pellets diet, that is OK too, again the importance here is variety on your cockatiel's diet.

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When serving your cockatiel fruits and veggies, it will be best to serve small amounts, either chopped, shredded or in very small pieces, this will motivate your cockatiel to grab some food and give them a try.



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# Saturday 17th April 2021

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# Commencing at 10am and finishing at approx. 2pm

Birds accepted from 4.00pm until 9.00pm Friday 17th April General Public Admission: \$3.00, children under 12 admitted FREE

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Proof of current Bird Club Memberships MUST be produced before entering birds for sale, due to insurance conditions

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Pensioner Member & Spouse/Partner	\$25
Junior Member (Under 17 Years)	\$10
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There is a \$1 Door Charge per Meeting to Provide Refreshments. December Christmas Party for each year will be determined at a later date. Any Enquiries, Please Contact the Secretary: Alan McNevin: 0430 060 117 or email: secretary@cockatiel.org.au

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Signature: Date:
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### **AUSTRALIAN BIRDS UNDER THREAT**

# **Black-breasted Buzzard**

# What does it look like? Description:

The Black-breasted Buzzard is a large dark raptor (bird of prey) with a very short, square-tipped tail. Long feathers on the nape may be raised in a short crest. White 'bull's eye' marks are seen under the wings, which are long and 'fingered' in flight. The breast is sandy-brown in light-phase birds or dark brown and black in the dark-phase. The tail is short and the wings are longer than the tail when the bird is perched. Females are larger than males. They soar high and, when flying low and hunting, often rock or sway from side to side. This species may also be called the Black-breasted Kite.



**Similar species:** The white patches in the under-wing are much brighter than in other raptors, such as the Little Eagle, Hieraaetus morphnoides, and the tail is short, unlike the long wedge-shaped tail of the Wedge-tailed Eagle, Aquila audax. It is bigger than the Black Kite, Milvus migrans.

What does it do? Feeding: Black-breasted Buzzards soar high and glide low, like a harrier, looking for rabbits, ground birds, lizards and carrion (dead animals). They glide at speed and snatch food from the ground, from trees or in the air.

**Breeding:** Black-breasted Buzzards breed throughout their range, but rarely east of about longitude 148 degrees. They may nest at any time when there is plenty of rain and may not breed at all in drought years. The nest is a platform of large, dry sticks, with smaller sticks on top. The shallow saucer is lined with green leaves. It is placed on a strong limb or fork, often in a tree along a waterway, where the Buzzard has a good view. Both parents incubate, brood and feed the young, tearing up food at the nest.

Where does it live? The Black-breasted Buzzard is endemic to Australia (found only there), mainly in the north and in semi-arid and arid central regions. It is rare in eastern, southern coastal or near-coastal mainland.

Living with us: Black-breasted Buzzards are widespread but uncommon. Removal of nesting trees may have affected numbers in the east. They are sometimes hit by cars when feeding on road kill.

# BUY, SWAP

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