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## NEXT GENERAL MEETING

**14th of February 2022**

@

**Melrose Hall  
Corner of Great Western Hwy  
& Park Street,  
Emu Plains NSW  
7.30 pm**

## NEXT COMMITTEE MEETING

**(4<sup>th</sup> Tuesday of the Month)**

**Unless changed to suit  
22nd of February 2022**

@

**TO BE ADVISED  
7.30pm**

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## *Presidents Report*

Dear Members,

Hello everyone and welcome to 2022. It has been testing times for all the last couple of years but here's hoping 2022 will be a better year.

At our next meeting, on Monday 14th of February 2022, we will be holding our Annual Juvenile Cockatiel Table Show. A show schedule is on page 13 & 14 of this edition of NCSA News. If you haven't already renewed your membership or wish to buy 2022 NCSA Leg Rings, you will be able to do that at the meeting. Don't forget to support our sponsors when you can and mention that you are a member of The Native Cockatiel Society.

Hope to see you there !





**THE NATIVE COCKATIEL SOCIETY OF AUSTRALIA INC.**  
**MEETINGS.**

**TENTATIVE CALENDAR 2022**

<b><u>DATE</u></b>	<b><u>EVENT</u></b>	<b><u>LOCATION</u></b>
14th FEBRUARY	JUVENILE TABLE SHOW	EMU PLAINS
11th APRIL	NON WHITEFACE TABLE SHOW	EMU PLAINS
11th JULY	WHITEFACE TABLE SHOW	EMU PLAINS
12th SEPTEMBER	ALL COCKATIEL TABLE SHOW	EMU PLAINS
12th DECEMBER	CHRISTMAS PARTY & AGM	TO BE ADVISED



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**THE JUVENILE COCKATIEL TABLE SHOW****Monday 14<sup>h</sup> February 2022 at Emu Plains.****SHOW SCHEDULE**

1. NORMAL COCK
2. NORMAL HEN
3. PIED AC-AV
4. PEARL AC-AV
5. PEARL PIED AC-AV
6. COCK AOC-AOV
7. HEN AOC-AOV
  
8. WHITEFACE NORMAL COCK
9. WHITEFACE NORMAL HEN
10. WHITEFACE PIED AC-AV
11. WHITEFACE PEARL AC-AV
12. WHITEFACE PEARL PIED AC-AV
13. WHITEFACE COCK AOC-AOV
14. WHITEFACE HEN AOC-AOV

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No seed or water in the feeder or drinker please.

Judge - TBA

**Example Mutations****14  
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
Whiteface cock	8
Whiteface hen	9
Whiteface Cinnamon hen	14
Whiteface Cinnamon Pearl Pied	12
Whiteface Lutino (Albino)	13 (cock or unknown sex) or 14 (hen)
Whiteface Lutino Cinnamon	13 (cock or unknown sex) or 14 (hen)
Whiteface Pied	10
Whiteface Platinum hen	14
Whiteface Platinum Pearl Pied	12
Whiteface Silver Spangle cock	13
Whiteface Pastel Silver cock	13
Whiteface Pastel Silver Pied cock	10

**Note:** If the sex of the cockatiel is unknown and there is a cock class for that mutation (i.e. classes 1, 2, 6, 7, 8, 9, 13 and 14), then the bird must be put in the cock class, either (1, 6, 8, or 13)



## Pet Cockatiel Laying Too Many Eggs

From time to time you might encounter a cockatiel that might lay too many eggs even if they don't have a mate.

It's very important that your cockatiel has a good source of calcium (like cuddle bone fish, commonly found in pet stores) , plenty of fresh water and even vitamin supplement for cockatiels.

During the egg laying process your cockatiel will lose important nutrients, including calcium. Eggs that are not fertile, like in the case of single female cockatiels will not hatch.

### What to expect.

Your bird will eventually abandon the eggs at approximately 21 days, this is done just by plain instinct.

If your cockatiel continues to sit on the eggs, you can safely remove the eggs next time she gets up for a bite to eat.

If the eggs are cracked or broken, you need to remove them as soon as possible.

Once they are broken they are subject to bacteria and can get your cockatiel sick.

If your cockatiel continues to lay eggs after this time frame you might want to look at other causes, like too much light. If your bird is exposed to too much light (more than 12 hours per day, artificial or natural) it will create a natural response for laying more eggs.

Certain toys including mirrors might be a cockatiel's motivation to lay eggs as they might develop affection for these objects.

A diet that might be heavy on fats have been known to make your tiel lay more eggs. For example, sunflower seeds are high on fat content and they should be avoided as well as human foods like potato chips and so on. You can try giving your tiel healthy treats like low fat Cheerios, veggies and fruits.

Petting your cockatiel in a certain way can trigger egg laying too. Cockatiels in the wild will rub heads with another tiel as a mating ritual. Head rubs on your cockatiel are foreplay and signal that 'I am ready for mating.' Try to avoid rubbing your cockatiel's back as well, for a cockatiel this just feels like mating.

Most birds have a natural instinct for 'nesting'. Make sure that you do not have any nesting materials around the cage that might trigger your cockatiel's natural call for making a nest and laying eggs. Nesting materials are things like paper, natural fibers or small pieces of wood.

It's important that you visit your avian vet if this problem continues.

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.

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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>	<u>Non W/F</u>	<u>Whiteface</u>	<u>Cockatiel</u>
14.2.22	11.4.22	11.7.22	12.9.22

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## 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.

### Pellets Vs. Seeds

This has been a controversial subject among cockatiel owners. You don't have to convert your tiel to pellets, as long as you are giving them a variety foods. We have had cockatiel living up to 22 years on this diet, a diet of variety.

Water

Your cockatiel's water should always be clean and changed daily or any time it gets dirty with droppings or food particles. The water trays should always be washed and cleaned with hot soapy water to avoid bacteria and fungus to grow. The rule of thumb here is that you should only give your cockatiel water that you think you can drink too, so if you only drink bottle water so should your cockatiel as well.

Seeds

Again nothing wrong with a seed diet as long as you have variety. Do make sure you clean the seed tray as well with hot soapy water to avoid bacteria and fungus to grow, and do make sure that the seed tray is completely and totally dry before serving seeds. Any time moisture is on the seed tray, you are inviting fungus and bacteria. Your cockatiel will extract the seed from the husks and the bowl may in fact be full of empty husks that your cockatiel does not consume, so it's important that you refresh the seed tray as often as you can.

Veggies

Sprouts, Spinach, Turnip Greens, Swiss chard, Mustard Greens, Broccoli, Escarole, Chicory, Dried Tomatoes, Beet Greens, Bok Choy, Grated Carrots, Collard greens, Corn on the Cob, Endive, Kale, Yams, Pumpkin, Sweet potato, (cockatiels like Yams, Pumpkin and Sweet Potato better when they are cooked).

Fruits

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Mangos, Cantaloupe, Apricots, Nectarines, Papayas, Peaches Apples, Bananas, Grapes, Oranges. Make sure your cockatiel does not have any seeds from fruits, some can be very dangerous, like Cherry pits as they may contain trace amounts of cyanide.

### Protein and Meat

It's OK for your cockatiel to eat chicken, again we are talking here very, very, small amounts. Other sources of protein are cooked eggs (hard boiled or scrambled), yogurt, cottage cheese and peanuts.

### NEVER give your cockatiel any of the following foods, as they are extremely TOXIC:

Avocado, Chocolate, Any Fruit Seeds, Onions, Garlic, Alcohol, Mushrooms, Honey, Salt, Caffeine, Dried or Uncooked Beans, Rhubarb, High-Fat, High-Sodium, High-Sugar Foods. Any type of food that might be advertised as 'sugar free', like sugar free peanut butter, candies etc. These sugar free products might contain Xylitol, which has been associated with severe hypoglycemia and liver damage.

### Great Tip:

When you buy a bag of seeds at your local pet store, you can put it in the freezer to keep the seeds fresh and free of bugs. Do make sure that the seeds are in a sealed bag or resealable plastic bags to avoid moisture inside the bag. Your seeds will stay fresh for months to come.

Note: Wash all fruits and vegetables you serve thoroughly. This is to make sure you wash all traces of pesticides and other chemicals away by first soaking the produce in a bowl of cold water for a few minutes, and then rinse with fresh water again.

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Conditions No pigeons or poultry will be accepted. The bird sale is run according to the NSW Bird sale Voluntary Code of Practice.  
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## Saturday March 5<sup>th</sup> 2022

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# Canberra Finch Club

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## 2022 Canberra Finch Club Bird Sale

The first of the Canberra Finch Club's Bird Sales for 2022 will be the clubs Autumn Bird Sale. This sale will be held on -  
 When: Sunday 13th March 2022

**Where:** St Judes Primary school/Mulley Street, Holder ACT  
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Sale commences at 10am till 12noon\*



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*I hereby make Application for Membership/Renewal of The Native Cockatiel Society of Australia Inc. for the forthcoming financial year, and agree to be bound by the Club Rules and Regulations.*

Signature: ..... Date: .....

**PLEASE FORWARD YOUR APPLICATION/RENEWAL TO:**  
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## AUSTRALIAN BIRDS UNDER THREAT

### Carnaby's Black-Cockatoo

#### **What does it look like? Description:**

Australia has five species of Black Cockatoos. This cockatoo is also known as the Short-billed White Cockatoo or White-tailed Cockatoo. It is a dull black cockatoo, with an erectile crest and a white cheek patch. There are white panels in the tail. Its bill is large, with a short, wide upper mandible. The sexes only differ slightly, with the female having a slightly larger cheek patch and light bill. The male has a dark bill and a pinkish eye-ring.

#### **Similar species:**

The Long-billed Black Cockatoo is very similar, but has a longer upper mandible.

#### **What does it do? Feeding:** These

cockatoos eat mainly seeds of plants from the proteacea family, introduced pines and sometimes nectar, flowers and insect larvae. They mainly feed in trees. They cut off seeds and cones with their strong bills and then hold the food with one foot while they strip the seeds.

**Breeding:** Adults return to the same breeding area each year and lay a single or two creamy-white eggs in a hollow in a large, living or dead tree. Only the female incubates and she is fed by the male, though she may leave to get water. She also broods the chicks and the male helps with feeding after about two weeks. Artificial hollows and nest boxes are being trialled to help with conservation of the species.

**Where does it live?** This cockatoo is endemic (found only there) in the south west of Western Australia, mostly in the wheatbelt. Carnaby's Cockatoos are found in uncleared or remnant native eucalypt woodlands. They need large hollows in tall eucalypts for breeding. They are partly migratory and partly resident. They are sometimes known as the "rain bird" as birds that breed in the drier part of their range move to higher rainfall areas after breeding in summer. The Carnaby's Cockatoo Recovery Project and other research is investigating this seasonal migration and how these birds move through their landscape.



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Birds accepted from 4.00pm until 9.00pm Friday 1st April

**Please Note:** All tables must be booked and paid for.

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