AFA 5th
Annual Convention
Hollywood, Florida
August 22 thru 26, 1979

This year's convention is sponsored by Gold Coast Exotic Bird Club.

The dates will be August 22nd thru the 26th, at the Diplomat Hotel, in Hollywood, Florida. What more could you ask for Florida, a beautiful hotel, waterfront views (see accompanying photos) and lots of bird talk and education.

We have an ambitious group of workers this year, led by Dr. Ronald Harris. Tom Ireland, chairman of the program, has enlarged the very popular workshops to include many diverse subjects. These workshops will be repeated three or four times daily so you can participate easily. They will be made up of small groups of 10-15 people, subjects to include:

- Photography of Birds .... Dan Martin
- Love Birds ............... Cliff Witt
- First Aid for Birds .... Dr. Gregg Harrison
- Cockatiels ............... Nancy Reed
- Genetics ................. Manuel Iglesia
- Hand Feeding ............ Ruby Storm
- Breeding Australian Finches .... Peggy Cochran
- The Isolet Concept .... U.S.D.A.
- Care and Nutrition of Pet Birds .... Dr. Ted La Feber
- Disease Control ....... Dr. David Graham
- Breeding the Brush Turkey ..... Charles Cook
- Spotting Disease during Quarantine .......... Bernard Levine
- Mutations ............... H. Gregory
- Remember our Convention is an event where you learn and enjoy. Major Lectures will be on many subjects and at least two will run at the same time so if a subject is not of interest you have an alternative. Also, other events such as the workshops will be available. With this concept we hope to have something of interest for you every hour of every day during the convention, no matter what your specialty may be in aviculture.

The following is only a part of the impressive list of major speakers, much more will be added as confirmations are made:

- Pitfalls of Aviculture .... Bob Berry
- Captive Breeding of Amazons .......... Ramon Noegel
- Avian Parasitology .... Dr. Robert Altman
- Lories and Lorikeets .... Dr. Ray Jerome
- Larger Australian Psittacines .... Gene Hall
- Avian Nutrition .... Dr. Gregg Harrison
- Love Birds Today .......... Lee Horton
- Aviary Construction and Landscaping .... Russ Snyder & Jim Thomas
- First Breeding of the Emerald Toucanette and Aerial Toucan .... Jerry Jennings
- Color Varieties in the Budgerigar .... Charles Schaffer
- Pheasants ............... Mary Dom
- Avian Bacterial Disease .......... Dr. Susan Lancaster
- Exposure to this event is bound to be rewarding and certainly you will return home better informed as an aviculturist.

I have just been informed that the A.F.A. Florida Clubs are also organizing three or four different tours, some bird orientated some not. This way members of your family or your guests can also visit other sites around Florida.

Dr. Gregg Harrison, Chairman of the Veterinary Seminars, is also scheduling an important list of speakers. This event will take place all day Sunday. The Veterinary Seminar includes to date:

- Radiology Clinical Lab .... Chuck Galvin
- Drugs, Antibiotics, Anesthesiology and surgery .... Michel Bush
- Respiratory Disease and Radiology
- Clinical Lab .......... Robert Altman
- Common Problems with Birds And Nutrition .... Gregg Harrison
- Pathology and Use in Diagnosis .... B. Graham

From the information given to me to date, with more to be added, this year's convention is certainly going to be the event — to Top Them All !!!

I thank all those working so hard to make this event the best A.F.A. Convention ever!