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"Show of Shows"

National Cage Bird Exposition and the AFA Regional Convention

November 15, 16, 17, 1984

The 1984 National Cage Bird Exposition will take place at the Ramada Hotel O'Hare, Manheim & Higgins Rds., Des Plaines, IL 60018, on November 15, 16, & 17, 1984. The National Exposition is the "Academy Awards" of the bird world; exhibitors come from across the United States to compete for the coveted Kellogg Awards and the ultimate trophy, the Scannell, which is awarded to the Best Bird in Show. With these stakes, it is no wonder that the National Exposition is "Your Show of Shows," the largest show in the nation, and is growing each year.

To continue the tradition of the National, the judge's panel is carefully selected with emphasis on maintaining the high standards of the National, and we are proud to announce the 1984 Panel:

Borders

Robert Ross, Canada

Types

Margie McGee, California Glosters

Paul Williams, Nebraska American Singers

> Daniel Feduk, New York and Ethel Keizer, Illinois

Lipochrome

Bill Henderson, Indiana

Melanin

Case Quick, Canada Foreign/Hookbill

Dick Clarkson, Florida

Budgies Ermafern Collins, Iowa

Cockatiels Ralph Bowman, Iowa Lovebirds

Dr. Al Decoteau, Massachusetts With these talented judges, the '84 Show looks like another winner, and many of the top birds in the U.S. will pass their close scrutiny; over 3,000 birds should be entered.

In keeping with tradition, the A.F.A. will hold its next regional meeting in conjunction with the National Cage Bird Exposition. The Board of Director's meeting will begin at 8:00 a.m. 17 November. There will also be public seminars on a variety of avian subjects.

The A.F.A. is most fortunate to have Mr. Geoff Attwood of Devon, England as the feature speaker. Attwood is one of the premier lecturers in the world today on the subject of the production of exhibition budgerigars. He acquired his first budgies 30 years ago and ten years later became the aviary assistant to the fabled Mrs. A.M. Moss of Torquay whom many people believe had the greatest stud of exhibition budgerigars in the world. In his own right Attwood has bred some of the finest budgerigars ever produced including the bird that was second only to Alf Omerod's famous dark green cock that won the club show. Attwood is a Budgerigar Society judge on the main panel. Many top breeders have purchased birds from Attwood to upgrade their own stock, and in every other matter Attwood is considered one of the best budgerigar breeders in the world.

Other top notch speakers include Lee Horton on lovebirds, Scott McDonald on avian medicine, Rainer Erhart on cockatiels, Bill Reichert and Don Perez on canaries, and David Guin speaking on the classification of Amazon parrots.

For more information telephone Ray Rudisill (314) 645-6757. ●

Sunshine State Cage Bird Society, Inc. All Type Bird Show October 13th, 1984

Howard Johnson, Orlando, FL 32763 603 Lee Rd. (corner Lee Rd. & I 4) Judges: Red factor & Type — Allen Gibson, Tampa, FL Amer. Singers — Marilyn Simmons, West Minster, MA Finches - Richard Schmidt, Lutz, FL Exotics - Richard Clarkson, Brandon, FL Budgies - Joseph Sobella, Ridgewood, NJ Cockatiels — Dee Dee Squyres, Fort Worth, TX Contact: Steve Silver, Show Chairman 115 Dogwood Ave.,

Gulf South Bird Club 6th Annual All Bird Show October 19, 20, 1984

Orange City, FL 32763

at the New Orleans Airport Hilton 901 Airline Highway Kenner. LA (504) 469-5000 For information contact: E.J. Nagel, Jr., 1930 20th St. Kenner, LA 70062 (504) 469-2435

Carolina Cage Bird Club 7th Annual All Cage Bird Show October 20th, 1984

Sheraton International Hotel Spartanburg, South Carolina Contact: Alvin L. Hudson 417 Stokes Rd., Simpsonville, SC 29681 (803) 967-8996

Sun Coast Avian Society 9th Annual Exotic and Pet Bird Show October 20, 21, 1984

at Skyway Inn, 3600 34th St. South St. Petersburg, Florida Contact show secretary: Helen G. Hartmann, P.O. Box 115 Safety Harbor, Florida 33572 (813) 321-1791 (Regular show the 20th, pet show the 21st)

San Diego Bird Show "Best in the West" October 26, 27, 28, 1984

Del Mar Fairground, Bldg. 4
Judges:
Budgies — Glen Snyder
Canaries — Bud Ricks
Exotics — Jerry Jennings
Contact: Janice Pritchard
457 W. Douglas Ave.,
El Cajon, CA 92020
(619) 442-1164 days,
(619) 443-6684 eves
We are a show made up of all

seven bird clubs in San Diego.



Due to an avian influenza problem among flocks of chickens along the eastern seaboard the U.S.D.A. has asked all states from North Carolina northward to cancel all bird shows. Virginia, Maryland, Pennsylvania, Massachusetts and New Hampshire have done so. Due to the long lead time involved in publishing Watchbird we are unable to give precise, up-to-date information. We suggest that members on the east coast call their local bird clubs to learn the current status of and bird show of interest.

American Cockatiel Society, Inc. 8th Annual National Show October 26, 27, 28, 1984

Tulsa, Oklahoma Judge: Nancy Reed For information contact: Ron Filips, 10629 S. 81st Ave. Palos Hills, Illinois 60465

Fresno Canary and Finch Club 21st Annual Bird Show October 26, 27, 28, 1984 Hacienda Inn, Fresno, CA

Clenton Ave. and Hwy. 99
Judges:
Colorbred — Joe Gordon,
Santa Clara, CA
Type — Mark Whitker, MO
Finch — Ed Gesck, Modesto, CA
Hookbills — Joe Krader,
Yorba Linda, CA
Eng. Budgies — John deVictoria,
Cupertino, CA
No ship-ins
Contact: Hazel Espindula
1633 W. Zumwalt, Tulare, CA 93274

Motor City Bird Breeders Annual Bird Show October 27, 28, 1984 at St. Stephen's Hail

Detroit, Michigan
Judges:
Type I — Bernard deVaney
Type II — Robert Morrison
American Singers — Hank Mahnken
Red/New Color — Otto Mahnke
Budgies — Russ Roberts
Foreign — Charles Anchor
For info. contact:
Kathy Frank, 19400 MacArthur
Redford, Michigan 48240
(313) 538-6598

Great Western Budgerigar Society, Inc. 30th Annual Budgerigar Exhibition November 16-18, 1984

Rosemead Community Center 3936 Muscatel Ave., Rosemead, CA For information contact: Valerie Sarate, 1879 Redding Way Upland, California 91786

Cleveland Canary & Cage Club Annual All Bird Exhibition November 4th, 1984

German Central Lodge 7863 York Rd., Parma, OH Contact: Ray Ptak, Corr. Sec. 7102 Wilber Ave., Parma, OH 44129

National Cockatiel Society 1st Annual Specialty Show November 16, 17, 1984

in conjunction with the
36th National Cage Bird Show
at the O'Hare Ramada Inn
Mannheim and Higgins Roads
Rosemont, Illinois 60018
NCS panel judge: Ralph Bowman
For information contact:
Glen A. Gibson, 10537 Steel Trace Court
Charlotte, N.C. 28210
Phone (704) 588-1616

Columbia Canary Club Annual Bird Show November 17, 18, 1984

at Milwaukie Center in N. Clackamas Park Portland, Oregon For information contact: Ruth Maxwell, 5206 S.E. 34th Ave. Portland, Oregon 97202

Santa Clara Valley Canary and Exotic Bird Club 23rd Annual Bird Show November 23, 24, 25, 1984

Peterson Jr. High School El Camino & Ham St., Sunnyvale, CA For info. contact: Delilah Quieto 1952 Beech St., Santa Clara, CA 95054 (408) 988-1900

Greater Miami Avicultural Society 3rd Annual All Bird Show November 24, 1984

at the American Legion Post 29
6445 NE 7th Ave.
Miami, Florida
Judges:
Budgerigars — Gene Tarver
Cockatiels — Nellie Herry
Color Canaries — Tony Munoz
Type Canaries — Baldomero Hernandez
Exotics — Tom Ireland
Finches — Marco Arida
For information contact:
Dieter Zilant, P.O. Box 1244
Miami, Florida 33165

Northwest Pigeon Fancier's Association 1984 Grand National Pigeon Show January 16-19, 1985

at the Memorial Coliseum
Portland, Oregon
(6000 to 7000 pigeons expected
to be entered)
For information contact:
Maymelle Kline, P.O. Box 1188
Gresham, Oregon 97030
Phone (503) 666-3944