

# NORTHERN REGIONAL CAGE BIRD ASSOCIATION

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Minutes of the meeting held at 19:30 on 19 January 2012 at the Le Chateau Guesthouse and Conference Centre, 62 Abel Street, Terenure, Kempton Park.

## **1.0 Opening.**

**1.1** Manie Viljoen opened the meeting in prayer where after the Vice Chairman welcomed all present.

## **2.0 Present.**

PJ Brummage	(Vice Chairman)
HB Groenewald	(Secretary/Treasurer)
J Reyneke	(Boksburg Canary Club)
CR Hackart	(Boksburg Canary Club)
M Viljoen	(Gloster & Posture Canary Club)
JHA Le Roux	(Indaba Nyoni Club)
Y Van Nieuwenhuizen	(Indaba Nyoni Club)
LE Weyer	(Pretoria Cage Bird Club)
R Erasmus	(Pretoria Cage Bird Club)
J Nel	(Jacaranda Show Budgie Society)
I Nel	(Jacaranda Show Budgie Society)
N Venter	(The Gouldian Finch Society)
FC Barnicoat	(Transvaal Zebra Finch Society)

### **Apology**

N Cawood	(Chairman)
H Cawood	(Gloster & Posture Canary Club)
M Mason	(The Gouldian Finch Society)

### **Absent**

T Marshall	(Transvaal Roller Canary Society)
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### **Vacant**

Driehoek Canary Club  
Fontein Voëlklub/Avian Club  
Honeydew Bird Club  
Highveld Avicultural Society  
Sasol Cage Bird Club  
Suikerbosrand Canary Club  
Westrand Bird Club

In accordance with paragraph 9.1.7 of the Constitution a member shall be deemed automatically to have vacated committee membership if he/she is absent for two consecutive meetings without notifying the Secretary prior to such meetings. Mr. T. Marshall of the Transvaal Roller Canary Society has been absent for two consecutive meetings without notifying the Secretary and therefore vacated his committee membership.

### **3.0 Come rain come shine**

- 3.1 It was noted with regret that Gert Wessels (Roller Judge) passed away. The members expressed their deepest sympathy towards the bereaved family.
- 3.2 The husband of Mae Mason has been diagnosed with cancer and his health condition is not good.
- 3.3 It was also noted that the leg below the knee of Robert Heunis was amputated.

### **4.0 Minutes of the previous meeting**

- 4.1 The minutes of the previous meeting was accepted as a correct version of the discussions of the meeting. Proposed by Johan Reyneke and seconded by Fred Barnicoat.

### **5.0 Matters arising from the minutes**

#### **5.1 Central Cage Bird Club.**

- 5.1.1 It was noted that further letters were addressed to the Chairman and Vice Chairman of the Club and that up to date no response has been received. The spouse of the late Dan Green was also contacted but unfortunately she could not assist in this matter. Further attempts will be made with a view to establish what the position of the club is.

### **6.0 Finance**

- 6.1 The financial statements for the period 1 November 2011 to 31 December 2011 were tabled and accepted. The bank balance as on 31 December 2011 was R6 424,03. Proposed by Fred Barnicoat and seconded by Manie Viljoen.
- 6.2 The membership list of the Transvaal Roller Canary Society and Fontein Voëlklub/Avian Club are still outstanding and it will be appreciated if it can be submitted without any further delay. If the required membership lists are not received by the March 2012 meeting serious consideration will be given to take disciplinary action against the clubs concerned in accordance with the Constitution of the Association.

### **7.0 Correspondence**

#### **7.1 Highveld Avicultural Society.**

- 7.1.1 The Show Schedule for the Summer Provincial Show to be held on 17 March 2012 has been received. Medals and rosettes are not awarded by NRCBA in the Bengalese section since the Bengalese section is a sub-section of the Foreign Aviary Bird section. The club may, however, award club medals and rosettes in this section.
- 7.1.2 The following judges have been invited and approved:

Zebra Finches	SN Shillinglaw
Gouldian Finches	CA Shannon
SA Birds	DT Oates
African Birds	DT Oates
Foreign Birds	PJ Brummage
Mules & Hybrids	FC Barnicoat
Bengalese	FC Barnicoat
Parrots	HC Viljoen

#### **7.2 Transvaal Zebra Finch Society.**

- 7.2.1 Application has been made for Mr. E.C. Bowles to do his first practical test on Zebra Finches under Peter Brummage at the Gouldian Finch Society's Supreme Finch Show on 14 January 2012. Due to the fact that the show was held before

this meeting the Secretary approved the test to be undertaken. The meeting approved the decision.

- 7.2.2 Application has been made for Mr. Barry van der Merwe to do his first practical test under Mr. Pat De Villiers at the Natal Summer Provincial Show to be held on 18 February 2012 and his second test under Mr. S.N. Shillinglaw at the Summer Provincial Show to be held on 17 March 2012. The application has been approved and the Secretary will make the necessary arrangements in this regard.
- 7.2.3 Application has been made for Mr. Andre Shannon to do his judges test on the Parrot section during March 2012. He complies with all the requirements and the application will be submitted to the Board for approval. The judge's fee of R100, 00 has been paid.

### **7.3 Gloster & Posture Canary Club.**

- 7.3.1 Application has been made to host a show on 19 May 2012.

Applications for open shows must be submitted every year before the end of August for consideration at this Associations September meeting for submission to the Board. Clubs were requested in the July 2011 minutes to submit their show dates before the end of August 2011. The Board approved all the show dates for 2012 at their November 2011 meeting and the show dates have already been distributed to all the clubs countrywide.

The application for the show date has been approved but the club should in future adhere to the requirement to submit their application before the end of August, please.

### **7.4 The Gouldian Finch Society.**

- 7.4.1 It was noted that due to the fact that the hall was not available on 28 January 2012 the Summer Supreme Show was held on 14 January 2012.

### **7.5 Indaba Nyoni Klub.**

- 7.5.1 Kennis is geneem dat die klub reeds oor R20 000 beskik om die Nasionale Skou 2013 skou aan te bied en dat hulle besig is met verskeie projekte om nog fondse in te samel. Die skou sal by die Hoërskool Waterkloof aangebied word wat oor al die nodige fasiliteite beskik. Die Raad sal dienooreenkomstig in kennis gestel word.

## **8.0 SANCBA.**

- 8.1 The minutes of the meeting held on 12 January 2012 have been received and the following aspects have been noted:
  - 8.1.1 The adhoc committee appointed to prepare a new show schedule for parrots has reached consensus on submitting the proposed revision for consideration by Conference. Appreciation is conveyed to the committee for the work they put in preparing the schedule.
  - 8.1.2 The membership lists of Fontein Voëlklub/Avian Club and Transvaal Roller Canary Society are still outstanding. It will be appreciated if the lists can be submitted without any further delay. (Kindly note the comments in paragraph 6.2 above).
  - 8.1.3 The judges invited to judge at the National Show 2012 have been noted.
  - 8.1.4 It was noted that Messrs EC Bowles and B Vd Merwe successfully passed their written judges test on the Blue Book and Zebra Finches and may now proceed to do their practical test under three different 'A' Grade judges which must first be approved by the Provincial Body.
  - 8.1.5 The National Show 2013 will be held in Gauteng and it will be appreciated if the Northern Region Cage Bird Association will indicate which club in their

Province wishes to stage the show. The Club should state the venue and what funds are available for the National Show.

The Show has been allocated to the Indaba Nyoni Club and the required information received from the Club will be conveyed to the Board. (See paragraph 7.5)

## **9.0 General**

### **9.1 Annual General Meeting.**

9.1.1 The Annual General Meeting will be held at 19:30 on 15 March 2012 and nominations for Chairman, Secretary, Treasurer and any items for discussion should reach the Secretary before the end of February 2012, please. Clubs must also nominate two members for the committee before the end of February 2012, please. Members of the retiring Committee will be eligible to hold office if nominated for a further period.

### **9.2 Judges.**

9.2.1 Mr. Barnicoat is alarmed by the fast dwindling availability of "A" Grade judges in some small more isolated areas of South Africa and some scarce sections of the bird showing fancy and that the restrictions currently in place cannot allow for the sustainable regeneration of the SANCBA Judge's Panel. There are no longer enough ordinary open shows to sustain the current system of advancing "B" Grade judges to "A" Grade status.

After discussing the matter it was decided to submit a suitable motion to the next Conference that to qualify as an 'A' Grade judge a "B" Panel judge must judge on five (5) approved shows of which at least one must have Provincial Show status. Further it was decided that closed club shows e.g. Young Bird Shows be accepted for practical judge's tests provided they meet the stipulated numerical requirement in the particular section and an official catalogue is submitted to the Board.

### **10.1 Closing.**

10.1.1 The next meeting will be held at 19:30 on 15 March 2012 at the Le Chateau Guest and Conference Centre, 62 Abel Street, Terenure, Kempton Park.

10.1.2 The meeting adjourned at 20:20.

N. Cawood  
**Chairman**  
15 March 2012.

HB Groenewald  
**Secretary**