



## **SOUTH AFRICAN NATIONAL CAGE BIRD ASSOCIATION**

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### **NOTICE OF ANNUAL CONFERENCE**

#### **TO ALL AFFILIATED PROVINCIAL BODIES AND CLUBS**

- 1.0 Notice is hereby given in terms of the rules and regulations now in force that the 70th Annual Conference of the South African National Cage Bird Association will be held at 09:00 on 13 July 2012 at the Eeufees Sport Centre, Cecil Emmett Park, Vryheid.
- 2.0 Enclosed herewith:
  - 2.1 Agenda for the Conference.
  - 2.2 Conference items for discussion.
  - 2.3 Letter of Credence for delegates.

Kind regards,

Herman Groenewald  
**Hon. Secretary**

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## CONFERENCE 2012

### 1.0 Agenda

- 1.1 Notice convening the Conference and opening.
- 1.2 Roll call of delegates in attendance.
- 1.3 Apologies.
- 1.4 Matters to be added to the agenda.
  - 1.4.1 Report by Provincial Chairman.
- 1.5 Confirmation of the minutes of the 69th Annual Conference held in East London.
- 1.6 Matters arising from the minutes.
  - 1.6.1 Proposed Parrot Schedule. (Annexure A)
  - 1.6.2 Rings
  - 1.6.3 Website
- 1.7 President's report.
- 1.8 Financial report.
  - 1.8.1 Financial statements
  - 1.8.2 Membership and affiliation fees.
  - 1.8.3 Show allowance
- 1.9 Honorarium.
- 1.10 Conference items for discussion.
- 1.11 General
  - 11.1 Presentation by C. Fagan.
- 1.12 Nomination of two scrutinizer's
- 1.13 Election of Board Members.
  - 1.13.1 Nominations received:

President	H Cawood
	P Brummage
Vice President	P Brummage
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Secretary	HB Groenewald
Treasurer	HB Groenewald
  - 1.13.2 Election of Accounting Officer.
- 1.14 Closing.

## 2.0 Conference items

### 2.1 Northern Region Cage Bird Association.

#### 2.1.1 It is proposed that paragraph 23.8 be amended as follows: B Panel Judges

B-class judges who passed their final tests may judge all shows under the auspices of SANCBA, except the judging of a National Show. B Panel judges may not perform judge's tests. To qualify as an "A" Panel judge, a "B" Panel judge must judge on five (5) approved shows, at least one of which must have Provincial Show status. Thereafter he may apply to the Board to become an A panel judge.

Closed club shows e.g. Young Bird Shows be accepted for practical judge's test and as credits for B Grade judges aiming for A Grade status, provided they meet the stipulated numerical requirements in the particular section and an official catalogue is submitted to the Board for approval.

#### **Motivation.**

There are no longer enough ordinary open shows to sustain the current system of advancing B Grade judges to A Grade status. E.g. whereas in the Eastern Cape there used to be five or more shows per year, one of which was a Provincial, now only two survive, one of which must be a Provincial. Under the current restrictions it will take at least five years for a B Panel judge to be A Graded and able judge a National and more importantly assist in putting any further candidate through a Practical Judges Test.

Closed Club (Young Bird) Shows provide an ideal opportunity both for a Practical Judge's Test and for a B Grade judging appointment serving as a credit towards A Grade status. Currently all the valuable potential of these shows is being totally lost.

#### 2.1.2 It is proposed that paragraphs 7.1 and 7.7.4 be amended as follows:

##### Paragraph 7.1

"For Gloster, Lizard, Norwich, Red Factor and Colour Canaries class tickets shall be affixed to the left side of the cage with one brass drawing pin or press tick etc"

"For Border, Yorkshire and Frill Canaries class tickets shall be affixed to the middle of the cage with one brass drawing pin or press stick etc"

##### Paragraph 7.7.4

"All exhibitors in the Parrot section shall secure the exhibitors ticket with one drawing pin or press stick."

#### **Motivation**

Many exhibitors find it difficult to insert the drawing pin into the wood. Press stick is readily available and serves the same purpose as drawing pins.

The reason to use two drawing pins for parrots was due to the fact that the judge can use the one drawing pin to put on the prize ticket.

## 2.2 SANCBA.

2.2.1 It is proposed that the ring colour code be amended to the same as the International colour.

### **Motivation.**

Due to the problems being experienced in South Africa with the rings it has been observed that more and more clubs are ordering their rings from overseas.

In order to prevent any confusion with the colour of the rings it is proposed that the International colour code for rings be used from 2013.

The colour code of A.C. Hughes is as follows:

2012	Red
2013	Black
2014	Light Green
2015	Violet *colour of SANCBA rings 2012
2016	Orange
2017	Dark Blue
2018	Red

The colour of SANCBA

2012	Violet
2013	Blue
2014	Silver
2015	Brown
2016	Yellow
2017	Red
2018	Violet

2.2.2 It is proposed that the Bengalese section be regarded as a section on its own.

### **Motivation.**

At present the Bengalese section is a sub section of the Foreign Aviary Bird section and no medals and rosettes or diplomas are awarded in this section by SANCBA. The Best Bengalese at present competes in the Foreign Aviary Bird section and can be judge as the Best Bird, Runner-up or Reserve Runner-up in this section.

During the past year more Bengalese than Mules, Hybrids or Fiorino Frills were entered at shows and it is felt that they now qualify to be regarded as a section in their own.

It his motion is accepted it is proposed that the Foreign Aviary Judges can judge this section. Paragraph 26.6.3 should also be amended to make provision for the Bengalese.

## 2.3 Transvaal Zebra Finch Society.

2.3.1 The ring issue date for Zebra Finches should revert back to 1 January in line with all other aviary birds.

**Motivation.**

It has been found that Zebra Finches breed in any month. They are not like canaries with a fixed breeding season from approximately July to December.

Most Zebra Finch breeders have a deeply rooted objection to ringing babies from January to May with rings dated the previous year.

As other aviary bird rings of exactly the same size as those of Zebra Finches are issued on 1 January it is impossible to monitor their not being used on Zebra Finches.

**2.4 Pietermaritzburg Canary & Cage Bird Club.**

- 2.4.1 It is proposed that straight grooved perches be used for Fife and Border Show cages and that grooved or spiral perches can be used in future for all shows.

**Motivation.**

Due to the fact that it has become more difficult to obtain spiral perches and the cost, 12mm grooved perches for Fifes and 16mm grooved perches for Borders can be used. The cost for grooved perches will be plus minus half of the spiral perches. Grooved perches are readily available in South Africa. We have used grooved perches in our training cages and found it makes no difference to the stance of the birds.

Samples will be shown at Conference.