

NORTHERN REGIONAL CAGE BIRD ASSOCIATION

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

1.0 Opening.

1.1 Les Weyer opened the meeting in prayer where after the Vice Chairman welcomes all present.

2.0 Present.

M Mason	(Vice Chairman)
HB Groenewald	(Secretary/Treasurer)
J Reyneke	(Boksburg Canary Club)
H Cawood	(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)
N Venter	(The Gouldian Finch Society)
FC Barnicoat	(Transvaal Zebra Finch Society)

Apology

P Brummage	(Chairman)
S Beirowski	(Gloster & Posture Canary Club)
J Nel	(Jacaranda Show Budgie Society)
I Nel	(Jacaranda Show Budgie Society)

Absent

CR Hackart	(Boksburg Canary Club)
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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
Transvaal Roller Canary Society
Westrand Bird Club

- 3.0 Come rain come shine**
- 3.1 It was noted that Robert Heunis was hospitalized in New Castle and the members wish him a speedy and full recovery.
- 3.2 It was noted with regret that the mother in law of Schalk Beirowski passed away.
- 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.
- 5.0 Matters arising from the minutes**
- 5.1 Love Bird Breeders Association.**
- 5.1.1 It was noted that the Love Bird Breeders Association decided to affiliated to this Association and that the formal application will be submitted during this month.
- 5.2 Transport permit.**
- 5.2.1 It was noted that the transport permit which is valid until 15 May 2013 has been received. The Office of the Head of Nature Conservation indicated that due to the large volumes of applications that they are currently receiving, the application of the Association could, unfortunately not be processed within the fifteen working days, which is their standard time period.
- The relative permit for the transport of birds to and from shows is enclosed herewith.
- 5.2.2 Although the permit is valid until 15 May 2013 it was proposed that application for a new permit should be submitted to Nature Conservation as soon as possible and that it should be valid from 1 January 2013 to 31 December 2013.
- 6.0 Finance**
- 6.1 The financial statements for the period 1 May 2012 to 30 June 2012 were tabled and accepted. The bank balance as on 30 June 2012 was R1 643,48.
- 7.0 Correspondence**
- 7.1 Indaba Nyoni Club.**
- 7.1.1 It was noted that the show levy (R1 156) for the Provincial Winter Show held on 23 and 24 June 2012 has been paid, thank you.
- 7.1.2 The show catalogue has also been received as well as the results of the show. The results of the show are enclosed herewith.
- 7.2 Highveld Avicultural Society.**
- 7.2.1 Thank you for the show catalogue for the Provincial Summer Show held on 17 March 2012 and the payment of the show levy (R400,00).
- 8.0 SANCBA.**
- 8.1 The minutes of the meeting held on 5 July 2012 have been received and the following aspects have been noted:
- 8.1.1 The dispensation for Mr. Russell Kingston to judge the Gouldian Finches and Mr. Peter James to judge the Zebra Finches at the Supreme Show of the Transvaal Zebra Finch Society on 18 August 2012 has been approved.
- 8.1.2 Affiliation and membership fees are due on 1 July 2012 and payable not later than 31 October 2012. The affiliation fee is R50,00 and membership fee R30,00 per member. A membership list should accompany all payments, please.
- 8.1.3 Nominations for two delegates to serve on the Board during the next term of office must reach the Secretary of the Board before the next Board meeting. Messrs Johan Reyneke and Nico Venter were nominated to represent this Association. The Board will be informed accordingly.

9.0 General

9.1 National Show.

9.1.1 It was decided to write a letter to the Vryheid Voëlklub to congratulate them on a well organized and successful National Show.

9.2 Food supplements.

9.2.1 A general discussion was held on the issue of food supplements for birds.

9.3 Mike Fidler's Complete Soft Food.

9.3.1 Mike Fidler's Complete Soft Food is busy with a research to determine the demand for the product. The prize of the product will be determined after completion of their research. It is the most scientifically advanced soft food in the world for high metabolism birds including Finches, Budgies, Canaries, Parakeets, Small Parrots and Softbills.

Mikki and Trevor Bennet have been appointed for the distribution of the Mike Fidler's Complete Soft Food in South Africa.

It was decided to invite Mikki and Trevor Bennett to the next meeting to give the members more information and if possible samples of the product.

Note: Mikki Bennet confirmed telephonically that they will attend the meeting. It is trusted that we will have a full house at the meeting.

9.4 Affiliation and membership fees.

9.4.1 The affiliation and membership fees due to NRCBA are payable on 1 July 2012 but not later than 31 October 2012. The affiliation fee is R100,00 and the membership fee R12,00 per member. A membership list should accompany payments, please.

9.5 Website.

9.5.1 It was proposed that the Association consider it to obtain a quotation from Pretoria Cage Bird club to use one page on their website. It was also mentioned that the Jacaranda Show Budgie Society offered their website to clubs who wish to place articles. The members agreed that a website is useful to clubs especially to recruit new members.

The only article that the Association can place on the page is the minutes of the bi-monthly meetings. The minutes are already made available to all the representatives and affiliated clubs. The question is whether the charges involved using a page on the website solely for this purpose, is worth the extra expenditure which the Association can ill-afford at this stage.

No decision was made on the proposal.

10.1 Closing.

10.1.1 The next meeting will be held at 19:30 on 20 September 2012 at the Le Chateau Guest and Conference Centre, 62 Abel Street, Terenure, Kempton Park.

10.1.2 The meeting adjourned at 20:30.

PJ Brummage
Chairman
20 September 2012.

HB Groenewald
Secretary

