



CCCBC January 2005 NEWSLETTER

MEETING SCHEDULE

DATE	PLACE	EVENT
January 16	Mancini Hall	Charles Long
March 20	Mancini Hall	Bennie Jones

Mancini Hall is located at 718 Tuolumne Blvd., Modesto.

The potluck assignment for the January meeting is as follows:

A - F Side Dish or Salad
G - L Main Dish
M - Z Dessert

Bring a dish; bring your own eating dishes and utensils. There is a one dollar charge for members to help pay for the expense of renting the hall. Lunch starts at 1:00 P.M. Feel free to bring a guest.

Remember to bring items for the raffle table. It can be anything i.e. bird supplies, goodies, wine, cookies, plants, etc. Tickets are 3 for \$1.00. This helps pay for the meeting hall.

JANUARY MEETING PROGRAM

Charles and Belvia Long of Fresno are 40 years long time canary breeders. Charlie will be our speaker and will host a question and answer round table session. This dynamic duo has been raising many of the type canaries including Glosters, Norwich, Borders, Fife and Color Bred. They are now specializing in Glosters and Norwich.

They show and win at all of the local shows as well as the national. Their efforts resulted in the highest award for birds in the U.S. – the Scannel Trophy.

They will donate a pair of birds for auction after the presentation. Bring your checkbook or cash and be ready to get yourself a fine pair of birds as well as help the club raise some money.

DON'T MISS THIS OPPORTUNITY TO LEARN FROM A REAL PRO!

HAPPY NEW YEAR



PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

I hope that all of you had a nice Christmas and are starting out the New Year with high hopes and aspirations for your birds and your bird club.

If you missed our meeting last month, you missed out on our annual election. You also missed putting in your two cents worth on a couple of significant changes for 2005.

We decided to change our meetings from once a month to every other month.

It is our intent at this point to provide some sort of educational program or discussion at each meeting. Please let me know of any subject or speaker that would be of interest to you and we'll see what can be arranged. Also, if you have some experience you would like to share with others let me know.

As you all should be aware, the club is struggling from two aspects: (1) financial and (2) volunteers. Both of these can be eased somewhat by infusing new blood into the organization. If you have friends and acquaintances that are interested in birds make sure to not only invite them to a meeting but also bring them. They'll feel a lot more comfortable if they have someone they know with them. We still need someone to be the Vice President. We can use your help.

Your officers will try to do their best to increase the membership and raise the funds necessary to keep the club solvent but we can't do it alone. It has to be a total club effort. So jump in, grab an oar and start paddling with the rest of us.

Naomi Cisper, President

MEMBERSHIP DRIVE

We have lost some members over the past couple of years for a variety of reasons. As members, we should be alert for opportunities to gain new members as a part of an ongoing membership drive.

We wouldn't dare ask you to go door to door soliciting people to join our club. That borders on the ridiculous. What we are asking you to do is to be aware of friends and acquaintances that have a mutual interest in birds. Just ask them to come to one of our meetings and meet other friendly folks with similar interests. We really need to increase the local membership.

ANNUAL DUES ARE DUE

As with all organizations the grease that keeps us operating is money. The message is pay your dues promptly (\$20.00) include a little extra if you can afford it, and sign up others as members. We have included a membership application for your use.

CENTRAL CALIFORNIA CAGE BIRD CLUB APPLICATION FOR MEMBERSHIP FAMILY MEMBERSHIP \$20.00 PER YEAR	
Name _____	

Address _____	

City _____ State _____ Zip _____	

Telephone _____ Sponsor _____	

Date _____ Type Birds _____	
Owned _____	
Send Check to C.C.C.B.C % Robert Gomes 1653 Ohio Ave. Modesto CA. 95358	

CANARY BREEDING WORKSHOPS

I will be starting the **Eighth Annual Canary Breeding Workshop**. There will be a total of 5 meetings, which will be held in the months of February and March. The workshops will last 3 hours and are held on Sundays from 1-4pm at my home.

January 23, 2005, will be the first workshop. We will be discussing the pre-breeding agendas for the canary and the breeder. The later workshops will deal with and analyze strategies on

1. how to pair up your canaries
2. record keeping during breeding
3. problem solving of typical breeding situations
4. importance of diet
5. banding of the chicks
6. caring for the chicks during their critical first 9 weeks of life

There may be limited space so please call and let me know if you are interested. I live in Sacramento.

Ella Galik -916-366-0195

1. There is no charge for the workshops
2. The workshops will be held in the months of Jan, Feb and March
3. At our first meeting, we as a group will decide on the following Workshop dates. They will always be on a Sunday and most likely from 1-4 PM however that has be adjusted on two different years.....because of snow. They went from noon-3pm.

(Editor's note: Ella was our program speaker at our February 2004 meeting. She really knows her birds.)

LOOK AT THOSE GAMS

A college student needed a small two-hour course to fill out his schedule. The only one available was Wildlife Zoology. After one week the professor gave the class a test. He passed out a sheet of paper divided into squares. In each square was a carefully drawn picture of some bird legs. No bodies, no feet, just legs. The test asked each student to identify the birds from their legs.

The student sat and stared at the test and got more and more angry. Finally he stomped up to the front of the classroom and threw the test on the teacher's desk. "This is the worst test I have ever taken."

The teacher looked up and said, "Young man, you have flunked this test. What is your name?"

The student pulled up his pant-legs and showed the professor his legs and replied, "You tell me!"

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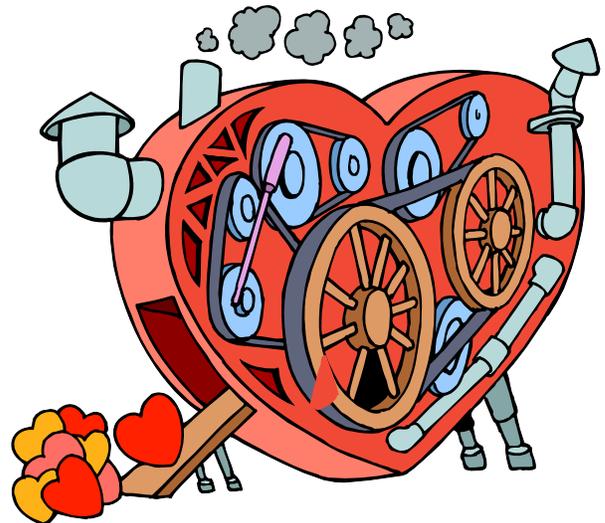
WHY THIS PAGE

Just in case you wonder why this page with no news is included, I thought I would try to explain.

Every newsletter must have an even number of pages because one page has to include a place to put the mailing address and the return address. It's that simple. The Editor.

VALENTINES DAY

There will not be a meeting in February but it this is a fitting time to mark your calendar. Don't forget something sweet for your sweetie.



**HAPPY
VALENTINES
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