

Ameraucana Breeders Bulletin

AMERAUCANA BREEDERS CLUB, RR 1 Box 196H, Central Lake, Michigan 49622

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Surprised? A new name! Yes, part of the election results. The large fowl were voted in. We are now bantam and large fowl.

Election results:

Jeanne Trent - Sec/Treas.
Tom Lippincott - Central District Director
Ray Gwynes - Southern District Director
Marie Rayher - Western District Director
Large Fowl included - Yes.

The Board of Directors, upon a great recommendation from Mike Gilbert, voted Jeannette Frank of Montana president and the new (just a small change) name - Ameraucana Breeders Club.

We thought since most of us are new to you, you'd like to hear a little about each of us, so your secretary sent a note to each director requesting a "hello". Marie Rayher of the West has been ill so her message wasn't available at printing time. We understand she is on the mend and her message will appear at a later date. Get Well, Marie!

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From the President ---

To all members of the Ameraucana Breeders Club: I want to express my appreciation to all those that had faith in choosing me for President.

I truly hope we can all work together to gain members and get our club on a strong footing. I am always willing to listen to advice and suggestions.

I am looking forward to working with Sec/Treas. Jeanne Trent and Directors Ray Gwynes, Tom Lippincott and Marie Rayher.

Maybe if I play my cards right I'll meet you all face to face at a show sometime.

Jeanette Frank,
President

GREETINGS FROM THE BIG SKY STATE - Montana

I was born and raised in Montana but spent 18 of my adult life in and around other parts of the continental USA. My love of poultry started with my folks keeping chickens in the Bitterroot Valley of Montana. My chore as a tot was to gather eggs and keep an eye on hens trying to "steal a nest".

In 1976 my four children and I decided to move back to Montana. Once settled in GF we ordered some chicks from Murray McMurray. From those we started to specialize. Joined the APA, ABA, SPPA. Found there were several local people that wanted to start a poultry club and have shows.

I keep learning and love all the breeds. When we moved to an area where we could have poultry Cynthia and Morgan (the two youngest) and I named ourselves "The Three Feathers Flock". Cynthia has bantam Cochins. Morgan has Old English Game bantams. I favor Ameraucanas, Belgian d'Anvers and Dutch. At this time we have about 175 birds (including the geese). I show when I can and have time ~~to~~. We are finishing our house but by next spring the plans for poultry are full swing. I got my introduction to Ameraucanas from Jack Fugate and Don Cable.

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Ray Gwynes, Andersonville, GA. - Southern District Director

"My interest in Ameraucana bantams began when I read an article in the Backyard Poultry on them written by Don Cable. I got some eggs from Don and a trio of birds from Mike Gilbert to serve as foundation stock. I am currently attempting to reduce the size of my birds while retaining proper type.

I keep only bantams, at the moment Cochin and Old English Game as well as Ameraucanas."

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Tom Lippincott, Granville, OH. - Central District Director

"I live on a 70 acre farm just 30 miles east of Columbus, near the village of Granville, OH.

About 22 years ago I purchased four hens and one cock bird of wheaten color. Over the years I used black Minorcas to get egg, size and color. Also white Jersey Giants. Today I have white Ameraucanas that have size from the white Jersey Giants and some willow colored shanks. I am the only (large fowl) breeder that has barred Ameraucanas.

I breed seven varieties - Barred, Black, White, Blue, BB Red, Splash & Blue Red.

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Jeanne Trent, Central Lake, MI. - Sec/Treas.

"I have always lived in Michigan, was raised on a dairy farm in Michigan's Thumb District - no chickens. As an adult I moved to Northern Michigan. We have 40 acres of hills and trees - no electricity but a lot of peace and quiet - usually!! Can't take the farm out of the girl - so we have horses and ten years ago I thought chickens would be nice - so like Jeannette - ordered some chicks from Murray McMurray - a little of this and a little of that. Out of the group emerged a fantastic blue Ameraucana standard. I really didn't know what she was but (again - can't take the farmer out of the girl) I took her to our very small 4-H Fair - Rusty Hart (logo artist) was the judge - You got it - "Tiffany" impressed him and its been all down hill (or rather pro chicken) since then. We go to the closest shows around - Columbus being the largest show. That's where I met Tom Lippincott, Mike Gilbert, Don Cable and the bantam Ameraucanas.

That's all I have is Ameraucanas - large and small. Ameraucanas are one of my main goals - in life really. They aren't very popular or very plentiful in this area and I - with your help - plan on changing that.

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THE SHOWS

As was stated by Mike Gilbert in the last bulletin one District Meet is to place annually in each District. The Central District meet will be at the Ohio National in Columbus, OH on Nov. 7,8,9, 1986. The club offers rosettes for Champion Bantam and Champion Large Fowl. Tom Lippincott and I have also put up awards, as well as the Ohio Breeders Poultry Assn. All the particulars are in the Poultry Press of Sept., 1986. It wasn't stated in the PP but a club meeting was called and I will be maintaining a club booth. Once again I asked Rusty Hart to design us a larger version of the logo to adorn our exhibit. He eagerly accepted.

Remember, any member may request one State meet a year. Just let me (your Secretary) or your Director know well in advance so arrangements can be made and our club meet can get into the show book. The more we show ourselves and be heard from - the more we'll gain recognition.

The Western District has requested a district meet November 22 & 23, 1986 at the Tucson Fancy Fowl & Poultry Club's 17th Annual Show. I have no more information on that one but you may contact our new member, Starlene Kalinski (good work, Starlene - jump in with both feet), 3455 W. Turkey Lane, Tucson, AZ 85741.

That just leaves the Southern and Eastern Districts. Ray Gwynes, Box 14, Andersonville, GA 31711 is the man to consult about your Southern Shows.

The East - well, we have no director and the Board of Directors will appoint one unless one of you folks would like to step forward and volunteer. We need to hear from you Eastern folks.

SPECIAL MEET: South Iowa Poultry Association

June 7 & 8, 1986 at Clarinda, Iowa

Four Exhibitors.

BB - Wheaten hen - Bernard Conkling

RB - White hen - Chris Simpson

Congratulations to the both of you. Keep up the good work.

THE SHOWS

SOUTHERN MISSOURI POULTRY CLUB - State Meet

October 18 & 19, 1986

If you really hurry you might beat the deadline. There are club awards offered as well as awards by members.

Contact: Mary Lou Phelps, Rt 22 Box 388, Springfield, MO 65803.
(417) 833-1849

NEW MEMBERS

We welcome STARLENE KALINSKI of Tucson, AZ. From her letter it sounds like she and her three children are having a grand time with poultry.

BREEDERS DIRECTORY

It has been requested that we do that again. It seems we are getting reorganized anyway so send along to me (your secretary) what you raise and what if anything you will sell, trade, ship or whatever. I'll put it in the next bulletin.

LOGO UPDATE

Rusty Hart, our logo artist, has already changed the lettering from Bantam to Breeders without distracting from the logo. It will be on our letterhead stationery in a much smaller version. Thanks to the fine art work of Rusty.

I'm sure logo patches will turn out equally as great. But what I've learned so far is - it would be about \$100.00 to have 50 patches made and Folks we aren't quite that rich - so I'm asking all of you what would you like me to do? How many of you want one? This is your club - please make your wishes known.

TREASURERS REPORT

Received from Mike Gilbert - July 8, 1986	\$ 35.00
Received Club Treasury - July 25, 1986	281.50
Miscellaneous Income	12.00
Starlene Kalinski - dues -	5.00
	<u>\$ 333.50</u>
Expenses:	
Donations & club dues	\$20.00
Check printing charge	6.25
1 yr. ad - HHH	20.00
	<u>\$46.25</u>
Balance	<u>-46.25</u>
	<u>\$ 287.25</u>

This is before any charges for printing and mailing this bulletin.

ADS

Anyone interested in having a colored pen & ink drawing of any kind of poultry things please contact our club "resident artist" Rusty Hart, Rt 3 Vance Rd, East Jordan, MI. 49727.

Wanted: A couple "light phase" wheaten bantam females. Please contact:
Mary Lou Phelps, R 22 Box 388, Springfield, MO 65803. (417) 833-1849.

Once again I had terrible luck hatching bantams. Have only four kids to show for this season's efforts. I need help! The bantam eggs just won't hatch. My large fowl Ameraucanas - the opposite problem. Get lots of those plus my hens are Super Moms. If any of you need a mom, let me know. I do have fierce and serious Moms. Even tho my bantams are at a small number the season was not a total disaster. I lost "Princess Blue Feather", my Grand Champion blue hen to a hawk but this years' hatch has given me five good blue pullets and one all blue cockerel and that's hard to get so I'm happy.

Once again let us hear from you. That's what makes this whole thing such fun and one of life's great pleasures.

WE SUPPORT

American Bantam Association
Eleanor Vinhage, Sec.
Box 127
Augusta, N.J. 07822

American Poultry Association
Bertha Traver, Sec.
Box 351 RD 4
Troy, NY 12180

Poultry Press
Box 542
Connersville, IN 47331-0542

Hen House Herald
Box 1011
Council Bluffs, IA 51502
(Glenda Heywood, Editor)

Countryside
312 Portland Rd.
Waterloo, WI 53504

Your House of Worship

"Trust in the Lord with all your heart....
In all your ways acknowledge him,
And he will make straight your paths."

Prov. 3:5-6

ADS

A reminder: Classified ads as shown on the previous page are free to members. Display ads as shown below are \$1.00 per issue.

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NOTES

Our sincere and best wishes to BERTHA TRAVER, who has been quite ill and is resigning as Sec/Treas. of American Poultry Association. Bertha has been a major force in the poultry fancy for many years. We wish her well. Many thanks, BERTHA.

NOTE FROM YOU NEW SECRETARY

I have been rather nervous about this bulletin and have agonized over it since July. But now here it is and it wasn't so bad after all - Jeannette way out in MT has been most helpful. In the future we hope to have lots of "good things" to pass along to you. That won't happen unless we hear from you folks. Please - any helpful hints - breeding breakthroughs - whatever. Send along to:

Jeanne Trent
Secretary
RR 1 Box 196 H
Central Lake, MI 49622

Biggest news we have here is the rain. A lot of Michigan has had flooding and much crop damage. A big rainbow appeared tonight so maybe that's the end of it.