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AMERAUCAANA BREEDERS CLUB 6442 CHESTNUT AVE., ORANGEVALE, CA 95662



"Rocky", Champion Bantam at the Trempealeau County Fair in Wisconsin, owned and shown by ABC junior member Adam Wozney, of Blair. Adam also received Champion Intermediate Showman with this bird as well as Reserve Champion AOCCL on a Golden Quail cock at the same July show.

The last page of the Bulletin is the ABC Ballot for election of officers. Please mark your ballot and send it to Bernard Kellogg, Election Commissioner, by September 21. Thank you.

AMERAUCANA BREEDERS CLUB NATIONAL MEET

Dear Ameraucana Folks,

By the time you will have received this newsletter, hopefully the hot and very humid weather is behind us for the blistering summer season. I hope that you are checking those birds over close and often because about October 1 will probably be the deadline for entries at Columbus. I have a grant that will cover the junior show because we will be giving the junior exhibitors awards, but no cash. I do have a few slots that need to be covered in the open show so that all Ameraucana classes can be covered as far as awards or cash.

At this time I would like to send out a great big THANK YOU to all members that sent in money. If by chance that you forgot and would still like to make a donation to help make this the Greatest Ameraucana National Meet, I will still accept money! I am just one person doing my all to make it an enjoyable show for ALL!

The story I get from Eric Markley, the Show Secretary, is that Duane Urch, from Minnesota, will be our judge. He will judge on Friday and also the junior show if not too large. I am not certain of our club meeting day- perhaps it will be in Poultry Press. I am planning a get-together on Friday night, say maybe from 7-10 so that ABC members can renew old friends and meet new members.

Don Cable has reserved our sales spot, a 10 X 10. If you are interested in sale birds and will help with a donation, let me know. Last call for this one. Please remember to bring a prize for the raffle and any questions about Columbus, you can e-mail me at loudandproud@csonline.net and I will get back to you like NOW!

Neil Townsend, Eastern District DirectorSee you in November!
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ABC NATIONAL MEET AWARDS

Awards by the Ohio National:

BB Bantam, RB Bantam, BB Large Fowl, RB Large Fowl

Champion Ameraucana overall- Special Award

Reserve Champion overall- Special Award

Ameraucana Breeders Club Special Awards:

Ameraucana Breeders Award- to be presented by President Mike Gilbert

Best Bantam Travelling Trophy

Best Pair of Large Fowl Travelling Trophy

Best Brown Red Bantam Travelling Trophy in memory of James "Jim" Eutsler

ABC Members Awards for Bantams:

Best Display of Bantams- Special award by Koralyne Kibbee

Champion Brown Red Bantam- Trophy by Ron & Rene Klemmedson

Champion Golden Quail Bantam- Trophy by Ron & Rene Klemmedson

Champion Wheaten Bantam- Felt Banner by John Imes

Champion Blue Wheaten Banner- Felt Banner by John Imes

Champion White Bantam- Felt Banner by Donna Townsend

Champion Black Bantam- Felt Banner by Neil Townsend

First Place Cock, Hen and Cockerel Wheaten Bantams- Awards by Jeanne Trent

ABC Members Cash Awards for Bantams:

Champion Bantam- \$50. , Reserve Champion Bantam- \$40. and Gubbe Award \$10. by Don Cable

Champion Silver Bantam- \$15. and Reserve Champion Silver Bantam- \$10. by Mike Gilbert

Champion Brown Red Bantam- \$5. Reserve Champion- \$5. by Teresa and Ken Brittnacher

Champion Buff, Black, Blue, White, Blue Wheaten and Wheaten Bantams- \$10. each, Reserve \$5.

ABC Members Special and Cash Awards for Large Fowl:

Best Display of Large Fowl- Special award by Paul and Angela Smith

Champion Wheaten Large Fowl- \$25. by Barbara Campbell

Champion Brown Red Large Fowl- \$15. , Reserve- \$10. by Mike Gilbert

Champion Buff Large Fowl- \$10. , Reserve \$5. by Arne Schmidt

Champion Blue Large Fowl- \$10., Reserve \$5. By Arne Schmidt

Champion White Large Fowl- \$10., Reserve \$5. By Arne Schmidt

Champion Black Large Fowl- \$10., Reserve \$5. by Arne Schmidt

Champion Silver, Blue Wheaten and Wheaten Large Fowl- \$10. each by Paul and Angela Smith

Youth Show:

\$100. in Special ABC Awards for Best and Reserve Bantam and Best and Reserve Large Fowl

The ABC would also like to thank the following members for their generous donations to make the above awards possible: Brian and Shirley Musick, Charles Markham, Robert Rennolet, Michael Muenks, Kathy Gratsch and Carl "Eli" Shepherd. Well done, folks!

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ABC PATCHES AND DIRECTORIES

We still have Club patches and directories in stock. With the Show Season coming on, we have colorful ABC club patches for your show coat, cap or jacket. These are available from your secretary for just \$7. each post paid.

Directories are also available for those looking for birds in both large fowl and bantams. The directories list club members from coast to coast who sell eggs and chicks in season as well as mature or young stock in the fall, especially prior to the fall show season which is just around the corner. As a club member, you are entitled to a discounted price of only \$2. post paid. These sell for \$5. to non-members.

JUDGING AMERAUCANAS

As an old judge I felt I should write this article. I read somewhere that judges "should learn how to judge Ameraucanas."

As with any breed I study every new standard as soon as it is published. I note changes. I think any judge worth his salt MUST do the same. I also read in a recent copy of Poultry Press that 10 different judges would not give you the same answer as to type. The only answer to the question of type is "THE STANDARD." However not all judges have the same way of applying the standard and I think this is the reason for the statement, "Judges should learn Ameraucanas."

I have judged Ameraucanas at a lot of shows. I also request them. I find that the exhibitors are the biggest culprit as to the Ameraucana. Crow heads and you write "Crow head" on a remark card and the exhibitor asks, "What is crow head?"

I find that Ameraucanas as a whole are exhibited way too large in bantams. Yet exhibitors will go ahead and breed these big birds and show bigger birds next year.

An Ameraucana is not a bird with the station of an Old English or showing a gamey appearance. Lots of Ameraucanas are shown that look more like big Old English than an Ameraucana, with way too much reach in his stature.

I have handled many very nice Ameraucanas and have asked where they came from. I get the answer on most as Wisconsin or Pennsylvania. The best Ameraucana I ever saw came from Wisconsin. The second best was from Western Pennsylvania. In both cases these birds came from dedicated breeders. Looking through their entry you will not find lice, stubbs, crow heads, slipped wings and numerous other defects.

I find that the worst I have judged came from one and two year breeders that bought them from so and so and as you go on and ask how long so and so has raised Ameraucanas they will tell you I don't know but a long time. And as you guessed it so and so is not a member of the Ameraucana Club, ABA or APA. Where do you think so and so got their original stock? You guessed it. Old so and so.

I absolutely know as a fact a long time breeder will in most cases give you a better bird than he would sell you. However because you have nice breeders it is no guarantee you will produce a lot of show winning birds but the odds are with you that you will produce one or two.

Getting back to judging I find that every judge has to look at something on a bird first. I look at the head. I think that I do have a lasting picture of a bird's head. I then look at the body (type), etc.

Show winners don't just happen. A dedicated breeder cultivated it from egg to show table.

John Imes

ABA #89

AMERAUCANA BREEDERS CLUB BALLOT 2002

Please mark your ballot for President, Secretary/Treasurer and only for the Director representing the district in which you reside. Please send your marked ballot to Election Commissioner Bernard Kellogg at the address below. All ballots must be received by September 21.

For President Mike Gilbert, WI _____

For Secretary/Treasurer Barbara Campbell, TN _____

For Eastern Director Kathy Gratsch, OH _____
Neil Townsend, PA _____

For Southeastern Director _____

For Central Director John Blehm, MI _____

For South Central Director Paul Smith, TX _____

For Western Director Koralyn Kibbee, MT _____

For Southwestern Director _____

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