

Ameraucana Alliance timeline...

1978 – 11 charter members decide on “Ameraucana” as name for breed.

President (interim), Mike Gilbert, WI

Secretary/Treasurer (interim), Don Cable, CA

1979 – Club takes on Ameraucana Bantam Club name and issues 1st club Bulletin.

1980 – ABA recognizes Ameraucana breed in wheaten & white varieties.

Originally there were just 3 districts when districts were created.

President, Mike Gilbert, WI

Secretary/Treasurer, Don Cable, CA

Eastern District Director, Ken Carpenter, NY

Central District Director, Jerry Segler, IL

Western District Director, Mary Allison, CA - resigns

Western District Director, Marie Rayher, CA

1982 – “Ameraucana Bantam Handbook” published by Don Cable

President, Mike Gilbert, WI

Secretary/Treasurer, Don Cable, CA

Eastern District Director, Ken Carpenter, NY

Central District Director, Jerry Segler, IL

Southern District Director, John Fugate, TN

Western District Director, Marie Rayher, CA

1983- 1st Honorary VP, Frank L Gary (he died in 1986)

1985- Don resigns - Mike Gilbert becomes acting Sec/Treas.

1986 - Ameraucana Bantam Club changes name to Ameraucana Breeders Club

President, Jeanette Frank, MT

Secretary/Treasurer, Jeanne Treant, MI

Central District Director, Tom Lippincott, OH

Southern District Director, Ray Gwynes, GA

Western District Director, Marie Rayher, CA

1989 - Club Historian, Bernard Kellogg, WI

2nd Honorary VP, Mike Gilbert, WI

President, Jeannette Frank, MT

Secretary/Treasurer, Jeanne Treant, MI

Eastern District Director, Harold Cooper, NY

Central District Director, Mary Lou Phelps, MO

Southern District Director, Ray Gwynes, GA

Western District Director, Don Cable, CA (also becomes Honorary VP about this time)

1991- President, Jeannette Frank, MT
Secretary/Treasurer, Jeanne Treant, MI
Eastern District Director, Candy Patene, NY
Central District Director, Mary Lou Phelps, MO
Southern District Director, Bruce Hutchinson, AL
Western District Director, Susan Gatyina, CA
Jeanne resigns and Dave Horman, WI, becomes Treas. with Jeannette as acting Sec.

1993- President, Jeannette Frank, MT
Secretary/Treasurer, Jeannette Frank, MT
Central District Director, Mary Lou Phelps, MO
Western District Director, Ginny Treager, MT

1995- President, Don Cable, CA
Secretary/Treasurer, Jeanne Treant, MI
Eastern District Director, Richard Orr, CT
Central District Director, Mary Lou Phelps, MO
Southern District Director, John McGrath
Western District Director, Ken Duval, CA

1996- Don resigns

1997- President, John W Blehm, MI
Secretary/Treasurer, Jeannette Frank, MT
Eastern District Director, Alice Lee, NY
Central District Director, Arne Schmidt, MN
Southern District Director, Stewart Cleveland, GA
Western District Director, Ken Duvall
Jeannette resigns, John becomes acting Sec/Treas. & after a couple appointments & board approval...
President, Mike Gilbert, WI
Secretary/Treasurer, John W Blehm, MI

1998- Eastern District Director, Richard Orr, CT
Southern District Director, Scott Eutsler, VA
Western District Director, Korilyn Kibbee, MT

1999 - The club has its own website, Ameraucana.org
President, Mike Gilbert, WI
Secretary/Treasurer, John W Blehm, MI
Eastern District Director, Richard Orr, CT
Central District Director, Ron Klemmedson, WI
Southern District Director, Scott Eutsler, VA
Western District Director, Korilyn Kibbee, MT

2000- Eastern District Director, Neil Townsend, PA

2001- President, Mike Gilbert, WI
Secretary/Treasurer, Don Cable, CA
Eastern District Director, Neil Townsend, PA
Central District Director, Ron Klemmedson, WI
Southeastern District Director, Scott Eutsler, VA
Southwestern District Director, Teresa Renwick, CA

2002 - not a new Board of Directors due to an election, but 2 new districts were created.

South Central, Robbie Lindsey, TX
Western District Director, Koraly Kibbee, MT

2003- President, Mike Gilbert, WI
Secretary/Treasurer, Barbara Campbell, TN
Eastern District Director, Neil Townsend, PA (becomes Northeastern District)
Central District Director, John W Blehm, MI (becomes North Central District)
South Central, Paul Smith, TX
Southeastern District Director, Lucy Bridges, GA - appointed and then resigned
Southwestern District Director, open
Western District Director, Koraly Kibbee, MT (becomes Northwestern District)
Southeastern District Director, Beth Collier, TN

2005 - down to 5 districts President, Mike Gilbert, WI
Secretary/Treasurer, John W Blehm, MI
North Central District Director, Teresa Brittnacher, WI
Northeastern District Director, Kathy Gratsch, OH - resigns
South Central, Paul Smith, TX
Southeastern District Director, Beth Collier, TN
Western District Director, Koraly Kibbee, MT (2 western districts become one)
Northeastern District Director, Larry Clionsky, PA

2007- President, John W Blehm, MI
Secretary/Treasurer, Michael Muenks, MO
North Central District Director, Jerry De Smidt, WI
Northeastern District Director, Rob Sando, OH
South Central, Paul Smith, TX
Southeastern District Director, Barbara Campbell, TN
Western District Director, Lisa Cree, WA

2009- President, John W Blehm, MI
Secretary/Treasurer, Michael Muenks, MO
North Central District Director, Jerry De Smidt, WI
Northeastern District Director, Harold Knapp, NY
South Central, Paul Smith, TX

Southeastern District Director, Barbara Campbell, TN
Western District Director, Connie "Jean" Ribbeck, WA

2011- President, Connie "Jean" Ribbeck, WA
Secretary/Treasurer, Michael Muenks, MO
North Central District Director, Jerry De Smidt, WI
Northeastern District Director, Harold Knapp, NY
South Central, Paul Smith, TX
Southeastern District Director, Tina Dinkins, TN
Western District Director, Jeanine McKee, OR

2012- Western District Director, Christina Korfus, WA

2013- President, Connie "Jean" Ribbeck, WA
Secretary/Treasurer, Michael Muenks, MO- resigns
North Central District Director, Duane Schroeder, IN
Northeastern District Director, Sharon Yorks, OH
South Central, Paul Smith, TX
Southeastern District Director, Jes Kemp, TN - resigns & the 2 Eastern Districts are combined into one
Western District Director, Christina Korfus - resigns
Secretary Treasurer, John W Blehm, MI
Western District Director, Connie "Jean" Ribbeck, WA

2015 - Ameraucana Breeders Club forks into two clubs with new name Ameraucana Alliance
President, Michael Muenks, MO
Secretary/Treasurer, John W Blehm, MI
Director, Beth Curran, NC
Director, Jim Fegan, MI
Director, Mike Gilbert, WI
Director, Gina Neta, WI
Honorary Lifetime Vice Presidents, Mike Gilbert, Jerry Segler, & Jim Fegan

2017- President, John W Blehm, MI – resigns in June to become Sec/Treasurer
Secretary/Treasurer, Gina Neta, WI – resigns in June
Director, Russ Blair, MI
Director, Beth Curran, NC
Director, Jeannette Frank, MT
Director, Jensen Pierson, OH
President, Beth Curran, NC – in June
Secretary/Treasurer, John W Blehm, MI – in June
Director, Gina Neta, WI – resigns in November
Director, Mike Gilbert, WI – in November

2019- President, John W Blehm, MI

Club Director, Stan Alder, SC – resigns 8/17/2020
Club Director, Russ Blair, MI
Club Director, Rebecca G Howie, FL
Club Director, Monique Mankin, WY
Club Director, Steve Neumann, CO – resigns 11/12/2020
Club Director, Jeff Sonsalla, WI

2021- President, John W Blehm, MI – resigns 2/23/2021
Club Director, Janet Tipton, UT – resigns 11/8/2021
Club Director, Michael Muenks, MO
Club Director, Rebecca G Howie, AR
Club Director, Michelle Muldowney-Stevens, UT – resigns summer 2021
Club Director, Mindy Waters, WA
Club Director, Royce Van Blaricome, WA – resigns 1/5/2021
Club Director, Jeff Sonsalla, WI – appointed 1/7/2021
President, Michael Muenks, MO – 2/23/2021

2023- President, Russ Blair, MI
Club Director, Michael Muenks, MO
Club Director, Rebecca G Howie, AR
Club Director, Mindy Waters, WA
Club Director, Jeff Sonsalla, WI
Club Director, Janie Vila, VA