



National Cage Bird Show (11/16/2007) -Denver, Colorado

Judge: Janet Landvater (Peachfaced Division)

Exhibitors: 15

Number of Entries: 147

<u>Place</u>	<u>Love Birds</u>	<u>Best in Division</u>	<u>Band Number</u>
1	OF Pied	Glenda Pullum	LBS LLR 00 015
2	Blue Aust. Cinn.	Jim Munis	LBS JMM 02 013
3	Blue Am. Cinn.	Doug Bedwell	LBS JDB 02 058
4	Blue Pied	Jim Munis	LBS JMM 02 043
5	WF Med. Blue	Tom Voges	LBS 77A 04 104
6	OF Opaline	Linda Brandt	LBS B&S 06 002
7	Green Pied	Jim Munis	LBS JMM 06 006
8	OF Green	Vincent Chuc	LBS VC 07 005
9	Violet Pied	Jim Munis	LBS JMM 02 036
10	WF Amer. Cinn	Jim Munis	LBS JMM 03 133
11	OF Green	Jim Munis	LBS JMM 05 053
12	Seagreen	Linda Brandt	LBS B&S 02 001
13	Green PF	Jim Munis	LBS JMM 03 070
14	WF Blue	Jim Munis	LBS JMM 02 035
15	Green Pied	Doug Bedwell	LBS JDB 96 035
16	Creamino	Jim Munis	LBS JMM 04 006
17	LF Green	Marilena Salmones	LBS RSE 00L 1702
18	WF Creamino	Jim Munis	LBS JMM 04 007
19	OF Aust. Cinn.	Jim Munis	LBS JMM 07 040
20	Violet Pied	Jennifer Jaramillo	LBS JNJ 00 003
Best Novice	OF Green	Vincent Chuc	LBS VC 07 005
Best Unflighted	OF Green	Vincent Chuc	LBS VC 07 005

Best Champions			
11	Opaline	Doug Bedwell	LBS JDB 99 016
12	Violet Pied	Glenda Pullum	LBS GSP 01 009
15	Amer. Cinnamon	Glenda Pullum	LBS LLR 099 001
16	Seagreen Creamino	Linda Brandt	LBS B&S 99 066

Judge's Comments:

Denver, the mile high city! You have to love their mountains. The weather was beautiful and I hope those of you who traveled from far were able to take in some of the surrounding scenery.

15 Exhibitors brought 147 birds - I secretly said to myself that I must be crazy to want to judge this many birds. But I'm here and I had to get to the job at hand.

The birds that are brought to a National are, or should be, the best of the best. You, the exhibitor should have shown your birds at several local shows. They should know how to behave in a show box, know how to react to the judge's stick. Basically, they should know what to do once they are placed in the show box.

This year I saw a lot of birds that where not in good condition and that came to play in determining how they placed in their class, Section and then finally the division. I had some discussion with the exhibitors sitting in the gallery about the condition of the birds and they all agreed that they were not in the best condition that they should have been. We determined that the reason for this was the unusually warm weather that we had this fall and a lot of the birds were now just going through a molt. This was evident by the amount of feathers that came flying out of the show boxes.

I saw a lot of very nice birds and, at least, one very nice Orangefaced Pied that took the Best Bird in Division. Unfortunately, it was not bred or banded by the exhibitor; therefore, the Higgins went to the second place bird, a very nice Blue Australian Cinnamon, exhibited by Jim Munis, who is no new comer to winning a National.

Section 1: Green Peachfaced, 22 entries - I have said more than once that I remember when the Green Peachfaced Section was the largest Section in a show. Now, I guess I'm showing my age. Two birds from this Section placed on the Top Bench and both were Orangefaced.

Section 2; Blue Peachfaced, 19 entries - 4 birds made it to Top Bench.

Section 3: Green Pied Peachfaced, 7 entries - the show winner came from this Section, as did the 7th and 15th place birds. I was pleased at how nice the Pieds were because they have a habit of looking fluffed and some times don't show well, but that was not the case at the National, they did very well.

Section 4: Blue Pied Peachfaced, 16 entries – a very nice group of Pieds. Two finished on the Top Bench in 4th and 9th place.

Section 5: American Cinnamon Peachfaced, 16 entries - the 3rd place bird came from this Section. It was a very nice, well proportioned Blue American Cinnamon, which I had in first place for a while, but it just didn't hold up well enough to stay in first.

Section 6: Australian Cinnamon, 9 entries - at one time, this Section was very popular with exhibitors. I still think there is nothing like a nice Orangefaced Australian Cinnamon. I really like the color combination. The 2nd place bird came from this Section and won the Higgins, with another coming in last at 19th. Both Australian Cinnamons were bred, banded and exhibited by Jim Munis.

Section 7: Violet Peachfaced, 13 entries - between the Blue Section and the Violet Section is where I think I came down with a headache. Violets where in the Blue Section and Blues in the Biolet Section. We tried to straighten them out, but I heard later that at least one bird was still incorrectly classified and none of the Violets made Top Bench.

Section 8: Opaline Peachfaced, 34 entries - if someone told me 7 years ago that there would be 34 birds in the Opaline Section, and nice bird birds at that, I would have told them "Yeah Right!" Well, we did and they where nice sized birds, but again condition problems kept them from getting on the Top Bench; although, there was an Orangefaced Medium Green Opaline that made 6th place.

Section 9: Longfeathered Peachfaced, 4 entries - it has been my experience that Longfeathered's can have the tendency not to show well. They droop their wings, and like the Pieds sit fluffed up. I'm sure there are Longfeathered that do show well, but unfortunately they didn't show well at this show.

I had 7 Champions and as we all know, they are judged the hardest, after all they are Champions. The Opaline was my best Champion and I thought a show winner, until it came up for Top Bench. It had managed to mess up its feathers and so it only finished 11th. I was very disappointed because I thought that this bird was going to go all the way ... maybe next time.

I want to thank all the exhibitors for bringing their birds to the National. I know how hard it can be to travel with birds to a show, and we won't even get into the expense. So, I consider it an honor to judge them. I hope you learned something that you can take home and apply to your breeding program or help you with showing.

See you all next year in Lansing, Michigan

Janet Landvater

National Cage Bird Show (11/16/2007)- Denver, CO

Judge: Paul Crow

Exhibitors: 9

Number of Entries: 94

<u>Place</u>	<u>Love Birds</u>	<u>Best in Division</u>	<u>Band Number</u>
1	Green Fischer	David Arthur	LBS ART 05 116
2	Abyssinian	Marilena Salmones	LBS AAT 05 435
3	Green Fischer	Jim Munis	LBS JMM 07 041
4	Yellow Fischer	Dave Arthur	LBS ART 05 100
5	Abyssinian	Edwin Guzman	LBS AAA 04 198
6	Med. Green Fischer	David Arthur	LBS ART 03 049
7	Med. Green Abby.	Gary Morgan	LBS AAT 05 009
8	Gr. Violet Fischer	Gabriel Ruiz	LBS GRF 07 042
9	Pied Violet Masked	Gabriel Ruiz	LBS AOR 05 005
10	Yellow Fischer	David Arthur	LBS ART 05 101

11	Dil. Green Fischer	Gabriel Ruiz	LBS GRF 07 027
12	Black Cheeked	Gary Morgan	LBS 15H 07R 017
13	Green Masked	Gabriel Ruiz	LBS JFC 01 003
14	Yellow Fischer	David Arthur	LBS ART 03 014
15	Blue Pied Masked	Gabriel Ruiz	LBS GRF 07 041
16	Violet Pied Fischer	Edwin Guzman	LBS PAF 05 057
17	Dil. Blue Masked	Glenda Pullum	LBS GSP 07 025
18	Med. Blue Fischer	Gabriel Ruiz	LBS ARS 06 031
19	Black Cheek	David Arthur	LBS ART 06 003
20	Black Cheek	Blake Ma	No Band
Best Novice	None		
Best Unflighted	Green Fischer	Jim Munis	LBS JMM 07 041
Best Champion			
1	Green Fischer	David Arthur	LBS ART 04 023
8	Med. Blue Masked	Blake Ma	LBS BM 99 005
9	Black Cheek	Gary Morgan	LBS 15H 97R 055

Judge's Comments:

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