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GCCBC - National Cage Bird Show (11/17/2006) - Schaumburg, IL

Judge: Dave Arthur (Peachfaced Division)

Exhibitors: 20 Entries: 202

Place	Love Birds	Best in Division	Band Number
1	Seagreen Dilute	Bob & Jessica Miller	LBS LLR 05 201
2	Opaline (Higgins Winner)	Doree & Doug Bedwell	LBS JDB 99 016
3	Whitefaced Violet Fallow	Blake & Betty Ma	LBS RKT 05 019
4	Blue Pied	Jim Munis	LBS JMM 02 004
5	Green Pied	Jim Munis	LBS JMM 06 006
6	American Cinnamon Green	Doree & Doug Bedwell	LBS DB 01 019
7	Medium Green Opaline	Marilena Salmones	LBS MS7 04 107
8	Medium Green Longfeathered	Marilena Salmones	M3 1LZ 045-99
9	Orangefaced Green	Edwin Guzman	LBS JMM 03 069
10	Medium Seagreen	Rick Logan	LBS RWL 02 005
11	Orangefaced Australian Cinnamon Opaline	Linda Brandt	LBS B&S 05 003
12	Australian Cinnamon Green	Arnaldo Repollet /Gabriel Ruiz	LBS ARS 03 004
13	Medium Green	Blake Ma	LBS GMA 05 019
14	Whitefaced Blue Pied	Arnaldo Repollet /Gabriel Ruiz	LBS ARS 05 054
15	Whitefaced Violet	Jim Munis	LBS JMM 02 014
16	Orangefaced Australian Cinnamon	Frank & Tara Horan	LBS KT7 04 003
17	Australian Cinnamon Green	Jim Munis	LBS JMM 03 072
18	Whitefaced Medium Blue	Edwin Guzman	LBS JMM 04 033
19	American Cinanmon Violet	Jim Munis	LBS JMM 03 133
20	Australian Cinnamon Blue	Jim Munis	LBS JMM 02 013
Best Novice	OF Splitcinnamino Opaline	Judy Walker	LBS HPA 05 035
Best Unflighted	Green Pied	Jim Munis	LBS JMM 06 006
Champions			
3	Blue Pied Australian Cinnamon	Jim Munis	LBS JMM 03 054
5	Seagreen Creamino	Linda Brandt	LBS B&S 99 066
19	Whitefaced Violet	Frank & Tara Horan	LBS KT7 03 016

The 58th NCBS show was held in Chicago at a new hotel, The Renaissance, and in spite of the added requirement for vet certificates still had a premier showing of 202 Peachfaced Lovebirds by 20 exhibitors. Thank you all for your excellent help during the show. Jean Wiley - secretary, Rick Logan & Frank Horan as stewards. Gary Morgan made special tags to hang from the cages which helped keeping track of sections and the bird placements. I hope everyone appreciates how hard he put forth to make this show a success.

The Opaline section had the largest # of entries with 47. There were 6 champions, 6 LF, 7 Green Pied, 17 Blue Pied, 17 American Cinnamon, 18 Violet, 23 Blue Peachfaced, 27 Australian Cinnamon, and 28 Green Peachfaced.

A Seagreen Dilute took 1st of superb conformation, excellent condition and deportment. it did not waiver throughout the entire judging of the top bench. An outstanding Opaline took 2nd from the Bedwells and also won the Higgins award. A Whitefaced Violet Fallow with exceptional conformation shown by Blake & Betty Ma took 3rd and should be striking next year. The top three birds were not the largest in the show nor were they the flashiest but all deserving of top honors.

Jim Munis took 4th and 5th with a blue & green pied respectively. They exhibited excellent separation of colors and symmetry of markings.

Marilena took 8th with a nice sized Longfeathered. Edwin Guzman held 9th with an Orangefaced Green. Rick Logan had a nice sized & properly colored Medium Seagreen at 10th.

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Judge: Gary Morgan (Rares & Eyering Division)

Exhibitors: 15 Entries: 93

<u>Place</u>	Love Birds	Best in Division	Band Number
1	Black-cheeked	Blake && Betty Ma	LBS AAA 03R 075
2	Abbysinian Hen	Edwin Guzman	LBS AAA 04 067
3	Dilute Green Fischer's	Blake && Betty Ma	LBS AAC 06 235
4	Blue Fischer's	Rick Logan	LBS SDC 02 085
5	Medium Dilute Blue Fischer's	Arnaldo Repollet /Gabriel Ruiz	LBS ARS 05 071
6	Black-cheeked	Frank & Tara Horan	LBS 17L 03 027
7	Abysinnian Cock	Janet Landvater	LBS 17L 05 103
8	Green Fischer's	Paul Crow	LBS 19C 03 007
9	Dilute Blue Fischer's	Arnaldo Repollet /Gabriel Ruiz	LBS AAC 99 236
10	Pied Fischer's	Paul Crow	LBS 19C 03 005
11	Violet Fischer's	Arnaldo Repollet /Gabriel Ruiz	LBS ARS 06 036
12	Medium Dilute Blue Masked	Blake & Betty Ma	LBS AAC 99 236
13	Cobalt Fischer's	Arnaldo Repollet /Gabriel Ruiz	LBS ARS 06 047
14	Medium Dilute Blue Fischer's	Edwin Guzman	LBS PAF 05 033

Best Novice	None		
Best Unflighted	Dilute Green Fischer's	Blake Ma	LBS AAC 06 235
Champions			
2	Black-cheeked	Linna Reusmann	LBS LLR 02R 005

It was my honor to be able to judge the Rares & Eyerings Division at the National Cage Bird Show in Schaumburg, IL. I had hoped we would have broke 100 birds and we were close with 93.

The Rares section was very strong. There were Nyasa, Black-cheeked and Abyssinians. The Nyasas were pretty good. The first place bird was perfect size and shape. These birds should be identical in size to the Black-cheeked. The best Nyasa was this size but needed some work on Marking. The best Black-cheeked was perfect. It had the correct size and shape. The salmon chest patch was nice, good iris color, and no blue on the rump. It sat on the perch and showed off and its condition was perfect. The section proved strong with the best in division being the Black-cheeked and the Abby in the second. The second Black-cheeked was in 6th and the 2nd Abby was in 7th.

The Fischer's Section was the best. With the bulk of the entries for the Division in the Fischer's Section. The best Fischer's was a superb Dilute Green Fischer's. This bird had great size and shape and a bright, clear orange face. The condition was very nice. A nice Blue Fischer's with a very clear whiet face was next. The following bird was a Dilute Blue with a nice clear face as well. What an exhibition of Fischer's mutations! Pieds, Spangles, Slaty, Blue Wings, and Violets were just among the many. When I judged the section and brought up all the 1st place winners there were 31!!! It was a great spectacle.

The masked section was not as nice as I hoped. There were a few good examples but only one made it on the top bench. The Medium Dilute Blue had good dilution and the mask was not depleted much. But I think that many of the exhibitors are working to create as many mutations as they can and we need to get back to improving the color and marking on Masked. Never the less, they were good birds.

I want to thank my secretary Katy Secor, Chief Steward Paul Crow, Ribbons Blake Ma and Jessica Miller. These folks kept the show moving and seamless. Without you the show would not have been as smooth. If you missed the show, you missed a fantastic venue. With HD Plasma TVs in the room (even one mounted behind the mirror in the Bathroom) and the great food it will be tough to match.

I'd like to congratulate Blake, Arnaldo, Gabriel, and Bob Ziegler for winning the Incentive Entries in my Division. You not only brought a lot of birds but they were not "fillers", they were good quality. All the ALBS members should be proud of our showing. We celebrated 30 years at the banquet with custom wine glasses adorned with glass charms made by our own Jean Wiley. I hope we get to spend another 30 years on this journey. Thanks for allowing to preside over this great group of Lovebirds.

