**SHOW MANAGER’S REPORT**

**BSSA RON NORMAN SHOW – 2023**

The Annual Ron Norman Show was held on Sunday April 2 at the Westbourne Park Memorial Hall.

There were 8 Open breeders, 4 Intermediate breeders, 9 Novice breeders, and 2 Junior breeders, showing just over 340 birds which made it one of the clubs biggest shows for many years. This was even more significant considering that 2 of our biggest breeders were unable to present birds for this show.

As a club, we were very fortunate to have Steven Moe as our guest Major Award Judge. Steven was one of the Judge’s at last years ANBC National Show held in Victor Harbor.

To my surprise, Steven offered to judge one of the larger classes as a clinic for any members who wanted to learn how he arrives at determining the winning bird. This was a fantastic experience for members who took part, learning first-hand, how a National Judge goes about applying the Standard at the show bench level.

Steven was eager and willing to meet all members and spent a lot of time with individuals discussing all things budgies once the judging was completed.

The day was also a huge learning opportunity for our trainee judges in Troy Holmes, Graham Alchin, and Ian Wise, who basically judged in their own right under the watchful eye of their very experienced mentor Judges in Wayne Weidenhofer and Kerry Murphy.

Congratulations to Ken and Janet Harris who won the day with a very nice Dominant Pied Hen. Other Major Award winners were George England, Wayne Weidenhofer, and significantly, Kev Back with a Novice entry taking out Third Campion Cock.

Graham McCallum cleaned up at the Intermediate level taking out Champion Intermediate plus Reserve Cock and Hen.

Kev Back also took out Champion Novice and Reserve Hen while Peter Brumby made his first appearance on the Major Award Bench with Reserve Novice Cock.

Kelsey Clayton won the Best Junior Exhibit.

Congratulations to all class winners and all exhibitors. Let’s see if we can get more entries next year.

Thanks to everyone who helped out on the day especially the Stewards, Ticket Runners, and Marie for organizing the BBQ. I know of many clubs where the members just sit back and enjoy the efforts of a few, so it’s very pleasing to see everyone so willing and happy to put in, from setting up to cleaning up. This is what makes our shows a success.

George England

Show Manager