



NOVEMBER 2020 NEWSLETTER

Nepean Budgerigar Society

UPCOMING EVENTS

Saturday 5th Dec
Nepean Christmas
Get Together



PRESIDENTS REPORT FROM JOHN FREEMAN

Welcome to November from the Nepean Budgerigar Club!
Hopefully we can start to visit each other soon and get together.
But most of all meet all of our new members, but i guess this means it all depends on when our government decides to lift restrictions, fingers crossed.

It is great to see that we have so many new members and I look forward to meeting you all and giving you all a hand to get started where possible. We at Nepean are a family based club and

take great pleasure in our club being operated like a hobby and not a business. We include members who have a pet bird, breeders, those that show and breed birds competitively and those that just like budgies and being around birds.

A question I have is on greens/baby spinach, does anyone here give it to there birds and what are the pros and cons, my birds get it twice a week, but i was recently told it affects breeding and the young does any one know if there is any truth to this?

Good luck to all with the birds and i look forward to catching up soon

Hope to see you all soon.

John Freeman

(Please check out Nepean Marketplace at the end of this newspaper, John is generously giving away an aviary to a lucky person)

New Members



A big welcome to our new members this month!

Jan Czech – ‘Jan’ likes to be called John, and he was a member of Nepean about 15 years ago.

Debra Hellwig & Chris Siely - We welcome Chris & Deb back to our club after a year in Tasmania for work

Mark Campbell – Mark is a brand-new member for Nepean and the BCV.

We look forward to seeing you all soon!

2020 Christmas Get Together

With the announcements just made in regards to restrictions lifting, it is looking like we can schedule in a Christmas get together! This is wonderful news, it will be great to catch up with our friends we haven't been able to see for so long and meet our new friends! We ask at this point that if possible, you set aside Saturday 5th December lunch time. As the restriction news has only been received yesterday, we just need a little time to sort out what we will be doing. So please keep an eye on your email and our Facebook page for information as it comes to hand!

2021 National Young Bird Show

The BCV have confirmed that Victoria will be hosting the 2021 National Young Bird Show. The ANBC made the decision to push back the 7 year rotation one year so Victoria did not miss out.

Monthly Chuckle... Like a pun??

During lock-down I've been getting pretty bored, so I took up fencing.

The neighbors said they will call the police unless I put it back.

Then I bought a dog from my friend the blacksmith
As soon as we got home he made a bolt for the door.

I accidentally dropped my pillow on the floor.

I think it has a *concushion*.

I told a friend her eyebrows were too high.

She looked surprised.

There's a fine line between a numerator and a denominator.

Only a fraction of people will find this funny.

Zombie mate of mine ended our card game

....by throwing in his hand

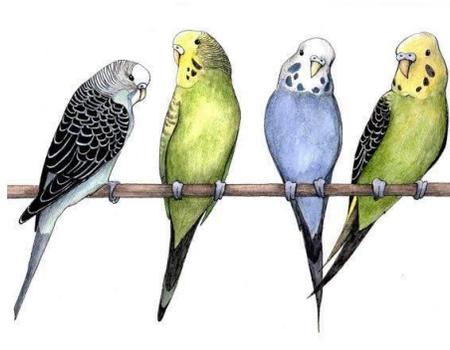
told my mate that Lance is a uncommon name nowadays

But in medieval times people were named Lance a lot.

a kid asked me "what's a forklift?"

Usually food, I replied





This Month's Article

Fruits and vegetables to feed your budgies

Fruits, vegetables and greens should account for approximately 20 - 25% of the daily diet. Pale vegetables, with a high water composition (i.e. Iceberg or cos lettuce or celery) offer very little nutritional value. ***Avocado is potentially toxic.***

Fruits and vegetables must be washed thoroughly to remove chemicals. Cut them into manageable pieces depending on the size of the bird. It is not necessary to take the skin off. Offer fruits and vegetables in a separate dish. If your bird appears to develop a particular fancy for one food item, reduce its volume or stop feeding it temporarily to promote the eating of other foods.



Some aviary birds enjoying a smorgasbord of fresh treats



Some suggested food items include:

apple, cherries (not the pip), peaches, apricots, chinese vegetables (bok choy, wom bok etc), pear, asparagus, coconut, peas, banana, corn, capsicim, beans, cucumber, pineapple, chickpeas, dates, plums, lentils, pumpkin, figs, grapes, raspberry, silverbeet, kale, blueberries, kiwifruit, spinach, broccoli, melons, sprouted seeds, brussel sprouts, mango, squash, cabbage, nectarines, strawberry, orange, sweet potato, carrot, paw paw, tomato, zucchini, parsley and green grass.



Nepean Market Place

Aviary for **FREE**

John Freeman has an old classic aviary for **FREE** :

3m x 1.5m in need of a bit of TLC, has a bit of rust at the bottom but I have replacement panels that just need to be cut to size to replace, it is already taken down for transport just needs to be picked up, this aviary has served me well over the years and it would be great to see it go to a new home for **FREE**. (pick up is in Narre Warren Nth) Call John on 0419 146 911

Looking...

We have a couple of members looking for some things...

John Czech is looking for breeding cages and a show cage if anyone can help.

Sandy is looking for breeding cages.

If you can help them out please give them a call. If you don't have their number, please message or call Mim on 0421 085 974, and I will pass it on.



Do you have anything bird related for sale you would like to advertise in our newsletter? Or are you looking for something?

Please email Mim on info@nepeanbudgerigarsociety.org with a short description, and an image if you have one. Also please feel free to email through any news, information or tips you think may be of interest in our newsletter.

Would you like to join a family friendly budgerigar club?

Please call or email one of our club contacts. We would love to hear from you!

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