PHOTO CONTEST WINNERS

SLIDES
1st  Kristen Buhl, Mesa AZ  Brown Pelican
2nd  Bethany Franco, Manchester CT  Blue Tanager
3rd  Sharon Joseph, Chula Vista CA  Rail

COLOR SLIDES
1st  Corey Raffel, San Diego CA  Black Eagle
2nd  William Parlee, East Hartford CT  Albino Cockatiels
3rd  John Velazquez, Yorba Linda CA  Peacock

BLACK AND WHITE SLIDES
1st  Randy Dorian, San Diego CA  Amazon Parrot
2nd  Craig Hendee, Glenview IL  Brown Eared Pheasant
3rd  Helen Willett, Hollywood CA  Goffin Cockatoo

A lot more of them deserve to be printed in the Watchbird than we have space for here. On the front and back covers, this page and page 37, are the winners in the three categories. Mike Demlong chaired the committee and Ralph Jones, Al Valenzuela, and Bob Freud served as judges.
STOLEN

Two Indian Greater Hill Mynah birds were stolen September 24th out of a backyard aviary in Norwalk, California.

Both birds are special pets and both were under medication when stolen.

Any information regarding the whereabouts of these birds should be reported to their owner at (213) 863-0539 in Norwalk, California.

CAVEAT EMPTOR

Not all bird thieves come at night with a net and carrying cage. Some of them operate on the telephone and can range from Oregon to Florida in a matter of minutes.

If you have a few nice birds, you can expect a phone call and an offer to buy, sell, or trade some birds. The caller will work out a deal that is very much to your advantage and you'll be anxious to ship your birds out first thing in the morning.

When you ship them be sure to kiss them goodbye, for you'll never see them again. Nor will you see any trade birds or even money. When you call the fellow to find out what went wrong you'll get a public phone booth. Actually, nothing went wrong. The con man just found someone dumb enough to hoodwink.

Please — when dealing with strangers use only sound business procedures. And when dealing with friends be even more careful.

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OOOPS — Photo credits were overlooked for the Aug/Sept '77 cover birds. Those beautiful photos, the Violet Eared Waxbill, and the Crowned Pigeon, came to us by the courtesy of the San Diego Zoo.

The following should be added to Topper's Feed Formula found in Watchbird, Volume IV, Number 4, August/September 1977, p. 30.

2½ cups powdered egg yolk.
25 lbs bread crumbs
Pre-mix all dry ingredients in larger quantities.

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PSITTACOSIS cont'd from page 10

At the moment however, it still remains for you to protect your family and your birds by applying common-sense principles.

1. Only buy birds which are known to be free of psittacosis, as well as other diseases, if at all possible.

2. Never introduce a new bird into your flock until it has survived a 30 day quarantine period under your own direct control. It may be prudent to medicate some birds for psittacosis during this period.

3. Seek an early diagnosis for the cause of any suspicious deaths or illness among the birds in your flock.

4. If psittacosis is found in your flock, follow the official recommendations regarding medication and disinfection, to the letter.

I would like to conclude the discussion with this final observation. There should be no stigma attached to the collector or dealer whom you hear has had the disease at any time. Let us be conscientious enough to seek the answer to his disease problems.

If he medicates the flock properly and cleans and disinfects the premises rigorously, it would probably be safer to buy from him than from an unknown party. In fact, his may be one of the few flocks which is totally free of the disease.

Recommended Reading


Schrag, L., Healthy Pigeons, Obersteinhausen 66, West Germany, Verlag L. Schober Hengersberg 1974.


Cooper, R., Proceedings of the Psittacosis Roundtable, San Gabriel, CA, 1976. Copies of these proceedings may be obtained at $6.00 per copy as long as the supply lasts.

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