

## DOMESTIC & IMPORTED BIRD BOOKS

• Over 200 Titles Available •

• Many Out-of-Print Titles •

• Books Not Found in  
Pet or Book Stores •

• Cagebirds, Gamefowl, Waterfowl,  
Poultry, Ornithology, Aviculture •

SEND \$2.00 FOR OUR CATALOG  
(refundable with 1st order)

## AVIAN PUBLICATIONS

236 Country Club Lane, Dept. WB  
Altoona, WI 54720, (715) 835-6806



**ORANGE  
COUNTY  
BIRD  
BREEDERS**  
PRESENTS:

*7th Annual Bird Fair*

**SEPTEMBER 18, 1988**

Orange County Fairgrounds

BUILDING NO. 10  
9:00 AM TO 4:30 PM

• FREE EDUCATIONAL SEMINARS • EXHIBITS  
• BIRDS & SUPPLIES  
• UNIQUE BIRD AUCTION • REFRESHMENTS

Donation: Adults \$2.00 Klds (3-13) \$1.00  
**FREE PARKING**

Lorraine Shelton . . . . . (714) 947-3149  
Susan Mooney . . . . . (213) 868-8292  
BOOTH SALES  
Felice Bahner . . . . . (714) 544-6965  
or (714) 544-2183

## Lady Gouldian Finches

WHITE-BREASTED  
NORMAL COLORS



**Herschel Frey**

1170 Firwood Dr.  
Pittsburgh, PA. 15243  
(412) 561-7194

standing. One person travels nearly four hours to attend the monthly planning and discussion meeting. He's the veterinary activities coordinator, Ken Warthen, a student at the veterinary school at Virginia Polytechnic Institute. Most others travel two hours and more. When a convention is pending in one of the club areas of Virginia, several meetings are held at the convention site. The other times, it is at Richmond, the state capital. Pet Industry coordinators Charlie and Cindy Zoby were the convention facilities "honchos" this year for the local club, Parrot Breeders of Virginia, at Norfolk.

Also, a part of the group are specialty club state representatives such as Olivia White and Ed Kent, National Cockatiel Society coordinators. The club in the area of the convention provides several coordinators and the senior one is convention facilities coordinator for that year. Then there are the speaker, raffle, and commercial room coordinators.

Clubs are the only members of BCV. They vote by resolution to belong, with no fee, and they are now beginning to elect or appoint their represen-

tatives to the BCV meetings at the same time.

Some don'ts:

- Don't elect officers at first. Let each be on equal turf, though the work may not be equal. Do you want a federation or another bird club?

- Don't charge dues for clubs.

- Don't have individual membership. It's a federation of clubs! Some planners and many conventioners may not be members of bird clubs, but who cares. Any aviculturist, if he is willing to take the time and travel, is welcome at planning meetings.

- Don't rush group decisions. A better idea may come up. Decisions are not binding on clubs unless they themselves decide it. Clubs are completely independent, still a part of BCV, whether they accept state-level decisions or not.

- Don't give up.

If this information is not enough of a blueprint for readers' consideration, the writer can be reached at BCV, P.O. Box 2005, Yorktown, Virginia 23692, or by calling (804) 898-5090, during the day or evenings. ●

## Capitol City Bird Society, Inc. Promotes Aviculture and AFA at State Fair

by Helen Caudle  
C.C.B.S. President, California

For the past three years we have had an exhibit at the California State Fair to help educate the general public along with adding a little money to our treasury. In 1987 the fair was from August 21 through September 7. Our club members staffed the exhibit for 12 hours a day. Our club has two AFA delegates, Sharon Garsee and Helen Caudle. We promoted AFA along with our club, NFS and NCS. We had demonstrations on several occasions throughout the run of the fair. The exhibit was organized by Bob and Jessie Abbott. More than 40 of our members took turns at shifts, some

more than once.

Our club has a membership in excess of 250. We meet once a month with excellent speakers. We also have an annual bird show, Christmas party, round table discussions, etc. We have been in existence for 13 years and we grow each year both in membership and avicultural knowledge.

There is no way of knowing how many memberships AFA obtained from this exhibit but I know of one that happened to call me after the fair and told me how excited she was that her veterinarian husband sent in a subscription for her. ●



C.C.B.S. member Joe Atkinson (left) answers questions after his public presentation on basic bird keeping at the California State Fair.