



Official Newsletter of The Old English Game Fowl Club of Australia



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Keitley is king at Rosewood

Neville Keitley, judge Chris White and Jen Keitley with Neville's Champion Bird of Show, a large Orange Red pullet, and Reserve Champion Bird of Show, a large Dunn cockerel, at the club's annual show in Rosewood, QLD.

It was just the fourth time in the club's 26 years an exhibitor had won the quinella.

REPORTS AND MORE PHOTOS INSIDE



***ABOVE:** Neville Keitley's large Orange Red pullet which was Champion Bird in Show, and his large Dunn cockerel which was Reserve Champion Bird in Show. The pullet was also winner of the sponsored prize for Best Large Orange Red, Dunn or Grey female, and Best Large Orange Red, Dunn or Grey cockerel.*



PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Tim Polley

Well we have seen another annual show come and go.

What a great event our annual show is. For those who have not been lucky enough to attend the club's show previously, you need to put it on your "to do" list for 2016.

Rosewood, what a unique place, what a pavilion and what a great bunch of people. The atmosphere in the shed was wonderful with plenty of friendly banter, smiling faces and discussions about our amazing breed of fowl.

There were again great entry numbers and thank you to all the exhibitors who made the trek, especially those who travelled long distances to be a part of the show. The North Queenslanders Keith Waugh and Sean Acton, the dynamic duo from Victoria in Tony Mann and Norm Hand, and also not to be forgotten, Nathan Watson travelling from WA with his contingent of fowls.

A big thank you to Peter and Cathy Reinke for all their hard work leading up to and throughout the show. The committee would not have been able to pull off such a successful show without their assistance.

The hard working committee ensured all ran smoothly, but they can't do it all on their own. From the guys on the BBQ to the stewards and members who stayed to help clean up, it was a great team effort by everyone.

It was very nice to see the camaraderie of the members.

The focus is already on next year's show in Adelaide. It will be the first time the club show has been held outside of NSW, QLD or Victoria.

This will give the membership in South Australia and Western Australia the best opportunity to make the trip to the annual show. There has been a number of NSW and even QLD members pledging to make the trip.

The show season is almost over and preparations are being made for the breeding season, from what I hear in all the warm places around the country. Tassie hasn't been this cold in 30 years apparently, snow everywhere apart from Cressy, thank goodness.



Vice president Owen Glover and president Tim Polley cleaning up at Rosewood. Picture: Terry Politch



SECRETARY'S REPORT

Michael Paterson

After the highs of the annual show which dominates this edition of our club's excellent newsletter, it is with deep regret that we hear of the sad passing of Gladys Woods, wife of our patron Alf Woods.

Gladys recently celebrated her 89th birthday at the Essendon Poultry Club Show.

Gladys was always there to support Alf in his poultry endeavours, whether it be taking telephone messages for Alf from fanciers from throughout Australia whilst Alf was down the yard with the birds, to supplying endless cuppas as chook discussions were

held around the kitchen table with Alf and the numerous visitors who were always welcomed to their home. Our deepest sympathies and thoughts are with Alf and his family at this difficult time.

Best wishes for the breeding season.

MEMBERSHIPS ARE NOW DUE

Have you renewed your membership?

Memberships are \$25 per year or \$65 for three years. Contact membership officer Malcolm Fuller to check your membership status or renew your membership.



EDITOR'S REPORT

Nathan Watson

"The things we do for chooks."

That was what a fellow fancier in Rosewood said when I told them I had driven 4hrs to Perth, stayed the night, then got up at 4am to get to the airport, check-in my birds, and fly to Brisbane for our annual show.

A couple of early mornings and late nights took their toll and Mark Waters kindly told me how tired I looked on the Saturday. Seems I just can't handle sleep deprivation as well as I used to! The return trip was even more draining. Rising at 6.30am (4.30am WA time) the Monday after our show, Owen Glover took Tim Polley and I on a sightseeing tour to picturesque Maleny, before we headed back to Brisbane airport to fly home that afternoon.

The plane took off on time at 5.30pm but due to strong headwinds the flight path was changed and took an unusually long 6hrs to reach Perth. There was then a delay picking up my birds at the airport and finally I hit the road, arriving home at 2.30am on Tuesday morning.

It was great to see so many others embark on similar long trips from other states to attend our show. This newsletter we have a story on one of those trips.

It took me a few days to get over my journey, but what a fabulous time was had catching up with so many friends and meeting new people.

It was one of the most enjoyable show weekends I have experienced. The fantastic hospitality I enjoyed and winning a few cards in some big classes at our show for the first time made it all worth the effort.

I'd like to make special mention of Owen and Deb Glover and thank them for hosting me for a few nights either side of the show. I had a wonderful time, was well fed, enjoyed plenty of chook chat and admired many wonderful birds not only in Old English Game but Moderns, Langshans, Wyandottes and Indian Game. Thanks also to my mate Rob Mellor and his wife Sandra for hosting me in Perth, and Rob for dropping and picking me up from the airport. Your hospitality helped make the long trip from Albany that bit easier.

As always, the annual show at Rosewood and presentation dinner at Ipswich was sensational. Who could forget that kiss Les McCoy planted on an unsuspecting Norm Ironside!

Topping off the atmosphere and another big line up of birds was that amazing Rosewood pavilion, which has to be the best in the country.

A huge thanks to everyone who helped pull the show together and organise the pavilion, with special mention of the efforts of the Reinke family and sponsorship from Ipswich City Council.

Thank you also to Terry Politch for helping me take photos of the winning birds, it made the task easier and was much appreciated.

Our show heads to Adelaide next year for the first time.

I hope many in other States can plan to make the trip and support our goal to become a more national club.

I know there are a number of members in the West planning to pool together to make the 5200km-round road trip to the 2016 show.

Sadly, as I finish this report I have received the news of the passing of patron Alf Woods' wife Gladys. I'd like to extend my condolences to Alf and family on their loss. Everyone's thoughts are with you at this time.



ABOVE: Owen, myself and Tim – looking very tired after a big show weekend – on our way to Maleny. **BELOW:** Lucky the parking inspectors were sleeping in at Maleny. After a few late nights, Owen's parking radar was a bit off.



GOT SOME NEWS?

If you have any reports, breeder profiles, show results or photos of show winners to share with our members in this newsletter, please email Nathan Watson at nwatson83@hotmail.com



Norm Hand, club secretary Michael Paterson, and Tony Mann made the long trip from Rosewood to be part of the annual show at Rosewood, Queensland. Picture: Nathan Watson

THREE VICTORIANS HEAD NORTH

Michael Paterson

The Old English Game Fowl Club of Australia held its annual show on the weekend of July 18-19 in Rosewood, Queensland.

Rosewood is a small country town on the outskirts of the City of Ipswich and located 60km inland from Brisbane. The population is about 3000.

Tony Mann raised the idea of driving up from Victoria with me a few months ago, but due to work commitments I couldn't get the time off work to make the road trip with him, and I ended up flying up on the Friday morning and back on the Sunday.

Tony however found a willing co-pilot in Norm Hand and the two intrepid explorers set off early on the Thursday morning with a trailer load of birds to try and bring some prizes back to Victoria.

They stopped off mid way at Coonabarabran on the Thursday night and completed the journey on the Friday, arriving at Rosewood early in the afternoon after nearly 1700km of driving.

The birds travelled better than the boys who both were pretty stiff after the journey and had to be helped out of the car!

The Rosewood showgrounds where the poultry pavilion is situated sits on the edge of the town. The pavilion has been recently constructed at a cost of over \$400,000, which was funded by the local Ipswich City Council and is certainly one of the best in the country.

Capable of housing 1200 birds, the pavilion has a concrete floor throughout and excellent lighting. There are multiple roller doors that can be opened/closed as required.

One of the most impressive inclusions is that the pen fronts all open via pistons similar to the ones on car boots to allow easy cleaning of the pens.

The showgrounds house a number of equestrian clubs and on the weekend of the show there was a large camp draft training camp taking place.

At least with poultry you can take 20-30 birds to a show easily – more difficult with horses.

After a quick meal and an early night it was back to the showground on the Saturday where there was a line-up of 279 large fowl (the largest class being the Black Red dark leg cockerels with 31 entries), and 593

THREE VICTORIANS HEAD NORTH – cont-

bantams (the largest class being the Black Red light leg cockerels with 31 in the class, closely followed by 29 grey cockerels).

The boys did Victoria proud with Tony winning the Duckwing bantam light leg pullet class and carding in the Duckwing light leg hen class, the brassy cock, cockerel and pullet classes and the grey hen class.

Norm took a smaller team but still managed to win the Ginger light leg bantam hen class and carded in the Furnace cockerel class also.

The evening presentation was a great affair held at the Ipswich Golf Club shared with friends old and new.

A poignant moment was Tony presenting the Noeleen Battley Memorial trophy for Best Duckwing Bantam to a very grateful Mark Waters. A few had sore heads on the Sunday morning but these soon cleared as the local boys put on a great BBQ breakfast that set us all up for the long trip home. My flight allowed me to be home by early Sunday evening whilst Tony and Norm again stopped off half way at Coonabarabran on the Sunday evening and completed the journey on the Monday, getting home early evening after a great weekend.

A 3535km, 449Litre, 39.25hr road trip – well done guys.

Next year the club’s annual show will be held in Adelaide on July 16-17 and hopefully it will be well supported by the Victorian game fanciers as a great weekend is assured.



Tony Mann presents Mark Waters with the Noeleen Battley Memorial trophy for Best Duckwing Bantam to Mark Waters.

Picture: Tony Mann

JUDGE’S REPORT

Tim Polley – Division 1 large, Division 3 bantam

It was an honour and a privilege to be invited to judge the Old English Game Fowl Club of Australia’s show at Rosewood 2015. The atmosphere was second to none and the Rosewood pavilion was a pleasure to judge in.

I had 340 exhibits in my two divisions and thank all members for giving me the opportunity to judge them. Also a big thank you to my stewards Kerin and Andrew Politch, could not have asked for better.

Preparation, feather condition and fitness let a lot of good fowl down on the day. After all, it is a show and these three things at a show such as ours can mean the difference between being a division winner and potentially only getting a minor placing.

I had 78 Black Reds in Division 1 large.

Throughout this section there were some good fowls. The hardest thing was to find a fowl on the day that was the complete package, that handled and moved well, was fit, in good feather condition and prepared well.

Talking to exhibitors after judging it became apparent to me that there had been a huge issue with feather quality and feather mite this year.

The winning Black Red cockerel stood out on the day but there was room for improvement with preparation and this potentially cost him from going further on the day.

In Division 3 bantams there were 260 entries, with great depth of quality in all colours.

The greys were strong as usual but again, similar to the large black reds, finding the complete bird was hard with a lot of the birds not being fit, out in feather, feather damage or prepared.

The grey hen and cockerel went on to win the Division champion and reserve awards.

TIM POLLEY JUDGE'S REPORT – cont-

There were also 5 very nice grey pullets in the class and it was only fitness that separated the placings.

There were two very nice silver dun males, a credit to the owner to have fowls of this quality in this colour, but they weren't up on the day.

The depth in the Ginger classes were impressive, especially in the light-legged classes, with a very good cock and three cockerels to pick from. The three cockerels were potentially the three fittest fowls I judged on the day. The dark-legged gingers were also of great quality.

The creel classes were also very strong in all four classes and it was great to see that there are a number of dedicated breeders working hard on this colour.

There were good birds in the self-colour classes as well, especially a beautiful black male which was also in the mix for the best cockerel in Division 3. He was shown exceptionally well, was very fit and had a great temperament.

There were a number of entries in the muff classes, which is not often seen. Hopefully muffs improve in popularity as it would be good to see a few more about the shows.

The winner of the AOC class was a Ginger Duckwing cock, a fantastic little fowl and a credit to the owner.

This bird went on to win the best cock in Division 3 and would have gone further if only his legs had been prepared. He was fit and corky like the three ginger cockerels, black and the grey cockerels, at his top on the day and I couldn't go past him for best cock.

The Grey hen I gave Champion Division 3 to was a great female and was in full feather and beautifully presented, but she was hard pushed on the day by a creel hen.

The Grey cockerel that was reserve Division 3 and best cockerel was fit and also shown well, in great feather condition and held his own on the day against the Black, Dun and Gingers.

The Division 3 cock as previously mentioned was an outstanding male that possessed all the qualities I look for in a bantam.

Champion Division 3 pullet I gave to a creel. She was just starting to soften and slightly sprung in the comb but was working the pen demonstrating her activity and showing herself, which on the day separated her from the Grey pullet for Division 3 Pullet.



*Steward Kerin Politch with judge Tim Polley holding a large Black Red D/L cockerel while looking over Division 1 large. **Picture: Nathan Watson***

DIVISION 1 LARGE WINNERS

Photos: Nathan Watson



ABOVE: *Champion Division 1 Large, Champion Division 1 Large Cockerel, Tim Tydd.*



ABOVE: *Reserve Champion Division 1 Large, Champion Division 1 Large Cock, Neville Keitley.*



ABOVE: *Champion Division 1 Large Hen, Neville Keitley.*



ABOVE: *Champion Division 1 Large Pullet, Scamp & Hughes.*

DIVISION 3 BANTAM WINNERS

Photos: Nathan Watson



ABOVE: Reserve Champion Bantam in Show, Champion Division 3 Bantam, Champion Division 3 Bantam Hen, Scamp & Hughes.



ABOVE: Reserve Champion Division 3 Bantam, Champion Division 3 Bantam cockerel, Grant Peel.



ABOVE: Champion Division 3 Bantam Cock, Steve Hendrickson.



ABOVE: Champion Division 3 Bantam Pullet, Kerin Politch.

JUDGE'S REPORT

Chris White – Division 3 large, Division 1 bantam

The 12-hour drive to Rosewood started as planned with an early Friday morning departure from home and travelling with my good friends Tracy and Tony Johnson from Young.

The Johnsons had earlier arrived at home just before 3.00am and with two hours sleep, Tony was again at the wheel with the intentions of travelling up the New England Highway to sunny Queensland.

With the third State of Origin just completed and Queensland only just falling over the line to victory, us southerners expected there could be a chill in the air as we crossed over the border.

Within 30 minutes of leaving home travelling on Freeway One there was news alerts on radio and road overhead warning signs of the Highway being closed due to snow and ice on the roads.

My first thoughts were that Owen Glover and his Queensland partners in crime had started early to disrupt all the southerners heading north for this wonderful weekend at Rosewood.

Arriving on dark at our motel, it was wonderful to see so many familiar smiling faces from every corner of the country staying at the same motel.

As a national club the support of these members being present for the club's annual show makes the show the success it is and envied by most other national breed clubs.

This tradition of supporters being in attendance is a must for the club to keep progressing forward and with Adelaide staging the 2016 show hopefully all these same faces plus many more help ensure that the weekend in Adelaide will be the success it deserves.

My judging commitment was to officiate Division 1 bantams and Division 3 large.



Judge Chris White holds the winning Blue Red bantam cock shown by Steve Hendrickson.

Picture: Terry Politch

CHRIS WHITE JUDGE'S REPORT – cont-

After the formal introductions and accompanied by my stewards for the day, Graham Prior and Tim Tydd, Division 3 fowl were the first to be judged.

The first colour was good numbers of dark-leg and light-leg any colour Gingers with a fit, well prepared dark-leg Ginger pullet exhibited by Luke Nicholle showing refinement and action, and being an easy winner as the best Ginger fowl overall.

The crow-wing classes were a mixed lot with a smart Grey hen owned by Peter Irvine winning the best Grey and best hen in Division 3. Although an easy winner of the Grey section, she was not in outstanding condition, which held her back from achieving higher awards.

The winning Mealy Grey cock owned by Terry Politch was my choice as best cock in Division 3, a nice fowl with a lovely temperament, bone and carriage, however the quality of cocks shown in Division 3 was disappointing.

The Orange Red/Brown Reds were also a mixed lot with one good Brown Red hen shown by Ben Williamson and a very smart pullet shown by Neville Keitley. This fowl was the best pullet and champion fowl of Division 3. This pullet was later awarded Grand Champion Bird of Show.

The Duns were few in numbers with a cockerel also owned by Neville Keitley winning best cockerel in Division 3 and reserve overall in Division 3 behind the Brown Red pullet. This Dun cockerel was shown in outstanding order and was awarded the Reserve Champion Bird of Show.

Overall the rest of the colours judged in Division 3 large were of only average quality and the overall standard of Division 3 fowl was down in quality compared to previous years.

Division 1 bantams was next to be judged and it was a pleasure to handle and officiate on so many quality bantams in big classes with a number of different owners sharing the award cards.

The Black Red Wheaten male placegetters were outstanding with the winning cock exhibited by The Gnome and Debbie McCall which also won the Reserve Bird of Division 1 bantams.

There was only 27 Black Red cockerels on display, however the 7 cockerels that were in the running for awards were outstanding with the winning cockerel being shown by Terry Politch.

There was very little between the first three cockerels, all handling well with free flowing capes adding to their over all quality. The winning Black Red cockerel was the best cockerel of Division 1 bantams.

The Wheaten hens and pullets were well presented but not in the condition shown by their male counterparts. The hens were superior to the pullets with most of the pullets close to laying.

One disturbing trend was the number of aged hens shown as pullets in the Black Tail and Blue Tail classes, which were judged accordingly. The winning Black Tail wheaten hen was exhibited by Neville Keitley and the pullet by O & J Glover.

The Blue Red Wheaten males and Blue Tail female bantams also had outstanding birds throughout these four classes.

The winning Blue Red cock exhibited by Steve Hendrickson was shown to perfection and eventually was awarded Champion Bantam of Show and was my personal choice of reserve bird of show.

The Blue Red cockerels were a class of 17 with the winning cockerel handling as well as any fowl I handled on the day. Congratulations to Nathan Watson, the owner of the winning Blue Red cockerel, who travelled from Western Australia to compete at Rosewood.

The Blue Tail hen class of 14 also had a number of smart females with the winning hen owned by Steve Hendrickson shown in outstanding order. This female was also best hen in Division 1.

The Blue Tail pullets, like the Black Tail pullets, were close to laying and not shown at their best. The winning Blue Tail pullet was exhibited by Mark Waters.

In conclusion, I would personally like to thank all the exhibitors who benched birds on show day and all who contributed in another successful Old English Game Fowl Club of Australia Inc annual show.



Chris White judging Division 3 large.

Picture: Nathan Watson

DIVISION 3 LARGE WINNERS

Photos: Nathan Watson



ABOVE: *Champion Large Fowl in Show, Champion Division 3 Large, Champion Division 3 Large Pullet, Neville Keitley.*



ABOVE: *Reserve Champion Large Fowl in Show, Reserve Champion Division 3 Large, Champion Division 3 Large Cockerel, Neville Keitley.*



ABOVE: *Champion Division 3 Large Cock, Terry Politch and winner of the sponsored prize for Best Large Orange Red, Dun or Grey cock.*



ABOVE: *Champion Division 3 Large Hen, Peter Irvine.*

DIVISION 1 BANTAM WINNERS

Photos: Nathan Watson



ABOVE: *Champion Bantam in Show, Champion Bantam Cock in Show, Champion Division 1 Bantam, Champion Division 1 Bantam cock, Steve Hendrickson.*



ABOVE: *Reserve Champion Division 1 Bantam, The Gnome.*



ABOVE: *Champion Division 1 Bantam Cockerel, Terry Politch.*



ABOVE: *Champion Division 1 Bantam Hen, Steve Hendrickson.*



ABOVE: *Champion Division 1 Bantam Pullet, O & J Glover.*



Judge Mick O'Connell with his right hand man on the day Chris Jaeger. **Picture: Nathan Watson**

JUDGE'S REPORT

Mick O'Connell – Division 2 large, Division 2 bantam

I would like to thank club members for my appointment to judge at our show at Rosewood. I judged Division 2 large and Division 2 bantams.

My first class was large Duckwings. The cocks were a large and even class with the winning light-leg cock being best in Division 2.

He was very fit and had great carriage, which got him through to also win the best large cock in the show. In the female classes throughout the show the majority were not fit, being soft behind and with sprung combs.

The cockerels were a good class, but the cockerel that won was a standout and reserve in Division 2.

The Piles were less in number in the cocks. The winner was a good fowl but lacked in conditioning to go any further. The females were mainly not in condition. The winning cockerel got best pile on fitness and carriage, always coming to the front of the pen and kept moving.

The winning blue red cock was the best blue red. The cockerels were a good and even class with not much between 1, 2, and 3. The winning pullet was a good one but was just about ready for the breeding pen.

The bantams were strong throughout.

The Partridge black reds were really strong classes with the winning cockerel just missing out on the majors. The females again were not fit but the winning pullet was a very nice fowl.

The Duckwings were large classes and a pleasure to judge, with the dark-leg cock being the best in Division 2 bantams, and the dark-leg cockerel reserve. The light legs were a very good lot also but just behind the two dark-leg males.

The Spangles need some work to bring them up to the good standards of the other colours, the majority lack carriage and feather quality.

The Piles were very strong with the 1st and 2nd cockerels a credit to the owner being very fit and handling great.

I would like to thank my steward Chris Jaeger who stuck to the job all day. A special mention has to be made to Owen Glover, Michael Paterson and Malcolm Fuller on the running of the show and making myself and the other judges feel welcome. A big thank you to the caterers as well.

Congratulations to all the winners and the rest keep trying.

DIVISION 2 LARGE WINNERS

Photos: Nathan Watson



ABOVE: *Champion Large Cock in Show, Champion Division 2 Large, Champion Division 2 Large Cock, Peter Irvine.*



ABOVE: *Reserve Champion Division 2 Large, Champion Division 2 Large Cockerel, Scamp & Hughes.*



ABOVE: *Champion Division 2 Large Hen, Neville Keitley.*



ABOVE: *Champion Division 2 Large Pullet, Scamp & Hughes.*

DIVISION 2 BANTAM WINNERS

Photos: Nathan Watson



ABOVE: *Champion Division 2 Bantam, Champion Division 2 Bantam Cock, Mark Waters.*



ABOVE: *Reserve Champion Division 2 Bantam, Champion Division 2 Bantam Cockerel, Steve Hendrickson.*



ABOVE: *Champion Division 2 Bantam Hen, Andrew Politch.*



ABOVE: *Champion Division 2 Bantam Pullet, Lindsay Bottom.*

MAJOR AWARDS

Champion Bird in Show: N.Keitley (Large Brown Red Pullet)
Reserve Champion Bird in Show: N. Keitley (Large Dun Cockerel)

LARGE FOWL

Champion Large Fowl: N Keitley (Large Brown Red Pullet)
Reserve Champion Large Fowl: N Keitley (Large Dun Cockerel)
Champion Large Cock in Show: P Irvine (Duckwing L/L)

Division 1

Champion: T Tydd (Black Red D/L Cockerel)
Reserve: N Keitley (Black Red D/L Cock)

Division 2

Champion: P Irvine (Duckwing L/L Cock)
Reserve: Scamp and Hughes (Duckwing L/L Cockerel)

Division 3

Champion: N Keitley (Brown Red Pullet)
Reserve: N Keitley (Dun Cockerel)

BANTAM

Champion Bantam: S Hendrickson (Blue Red L/L Cock)
Reserve Champion Bantam: Scamp & Hughes (Grey Hen)
Champion Bantam Cock in Show: S Hendrickson (Blue Red L/L)

Division 1

Champion: S Hendrickson (Blue Red L/L Cock)
Reserve: The Gnome (Black Red L/L Cock)

Division 2

Champion: M Waters (Duckwing D/L Cock)
Reserve: S Hendrickson (Duckwing D/L Cockerel)

Division 3

Champion: Scamp and Hughes (Grey Hen)
Reserve: G Peel (Grey Cockerel)

Champion Breeding Pair: O & J Glover
Champion Junior: T Schieb
Reserve Champion Junior: A Grimshaw

General Classes

Large Fowl

Division 1

Black red (dark leg):

Cock (16), 1st & 4th N Keitley, 2nd K Waugh & Son, 3rd & 5th E Hetherington. Hen (10), 1st & 2nd N Keitley, 3rd P Irvine. Ckl (31), 1st CH 3rd & 4th T Tydd, 2nd & 5th N Keitley. Pullet (21), 1st, 4th & 5th Scamp & Hughes, 2nd P Irvine, 3rd N Keitley.

Division 2

Duckwing (light leg):

Cock (8), 1st CH P Irvine, 2nd L Bottom, 3rd N Ironside. Hen (5), 1st N Keitley, 2nd K Brown, 3rd A Hansen. Ckl (6), 1st & 2nd Scamp & Hughes. Pullet (3), 1st A Hansen, 2nd P Irvine.

Duckwing (dark leg):

Cock (5), 1st CH A Hansen, 2nd Glen & Rachel. Hen (5), 1st & 3rd N Ironside, 2nd K Brown. Ckl (5), 1st E Hetherington, 2nd Glen & Rachel. Pullet (5), 1st C Jaeger, 2nd P Irvine, 3rd E Hetherington.

Blue Red (dark leg):

Cock (3), 1st CH Scamp & Hughes, 2nd Glen & Rachel.
Hen (2), 1st C Jaeger. Ckl (7), 1st & 3rd C Plowman, 2nd K Brown. Pullet (8), 1st T Tydd, 2nd C Plowman, 3rd Glen & Rachel.

White or Pile:

Cock (4), 1st K Waugh & Son, 2nd Glen & Rachel, 3rd K Brown. Hen (3), 1st C Plowman, 2nd C Jaeger, 3rd The Gnome. Ckl (7), 1st CH Monement & Sessions, 2nd The Gnome, 3rd K Waugh & Son. Pullet (10), 1st & 2nd Scamp & Hughes, 3rd Monement & Sessions, 4th T Tydd.

Division 3

Ginger AC (light leg):

Cock (2), 1st CH & 2nd N Keitley. Ckl (5), 1st & 2nd Scamp & Hughes, 3rd N Keitley. Pullet (6), 1st Scamp & Hughes, 2nd S Moss, 3rd C Wilby.

Ginger AC (dark leg):

Cock (3), 1st E Hetherington, 2nd L Cherry. Hen (2), 1st C Jaeger, 2nd K Brown. Ckl (7), 1st C Jaeger, 2nd C Wilby, 3rd C Plowman. Pullet (5), 1st CH & 2nd L Nicholle, 3rd Monement & Sessions.

Black Red (light leg):

Cock (2) 1st G Popplewell, 2nd N Keitley. Ckl (6), 1st CH Scamp & Hughes, 2nd C Jaeger, 3rd T Tydd. Pullet (2), 1st T Tydd.

Wheaten AC:

Hen (4), 1st CH Monement & Sessions, 2nd P McMillan, 3rd K Brown. Pullet (2), 1st A Hansen, 2nd G Popplewell.

Blue Red (light Leg):

Cock (1), 1st K Brown. Ckl (2), 1st & 2nd A Hansen. Pullet (1), 1st CH T Tydd.

Brown Red:

Hen (5), 1st B & J Williamson, 2nd G Lindemann, 3rd L Nicholle. Ckl (3), 1st T Tydd, 2nd Glen & Rachel. Pullet (9), 1st CH N Keitley, 2nd & 3rd T Tydd.

Black Breasted Black Red:

Pullet (1), 1st Monement & Sessions.

Grey AC:

Cock (6), 1st & 2nd T Politch, 3rd P Irvine. Hen (6), 1st CH P Irvine, 2nd Monement & Sessions, 3rd A Hansen. Ckl (3), 1st A Frewin, 2nd N Keitley. Pullet (3), 1st P Irvine, 2nd A Hansen.

Creel or Cuckoo:

Hen (1), 1st CH N Keitley. Ckl (4), 1st A Whiteside, 2nd A Frewin.

Dun:

Cock (2), 1st P McMillan, 2nd E Hetherington. Hen (4), 1st N Keitley, 2nd E Hetherington, 3rd K Brown. Ckl (1), 1st CH N Keitley. Pullet (4), 1st N Keitley, 2nd C Jaeger, 3rd C Wilby.

Black:

Cock (1), 1st CH K Brown. Hen (1), 1st K Brown. Pullet (1), 1st A Frewin.

Breeding Pair: (4), 1st E Hetherington, 2nd C Jaeger, 3rd N Keitley.

Bantam

Division 1

Black Red (light leg):

Cock (26), 1st CH & 2nd The Gnome, 3rd Scamp & Hughes, 4th T Politch, 5th S Moss. Ckl (34), 1st T Politch, 2nd & 4th G Prior, 3rd O & J Glover, 5th L Bottom.

Wheaten Black tail:

Hen (21), 1st CH N Keitley, 2nd & 4th The Gnome, 3rd G Prior, 5th M Waters. Pullet (23), 1st O & J Glover, 2nd G Prior, 3rd L Bottom, 4th T Politch, 5th The Gnome.

Blue Red (light leg):

Cock (9), 1st CH S Hendrickson, 2nd O & J Glover, 3rd T McLean. Ckl (17), 1st & 2nd N Watson, 3rd N Ironside, 4th C Plowman, 5th L Bottom.

Wheaten Blue/White tail:

Hen (14), 1st CH S Hendrickson, 2nd & 4th G Prior, 3rd Scamp & Hughes, 5th N Ironside. Pullet (8), 1st M Waters, 2nd G Prior, 3rd The Gnome.

Division 2

Black Red (dark leg):

Cock (8), 1st S Hendrickson, 2nd Scamp & Hughes, 3rd P McMillan. Ckl (15), 1st CH L Bottom, 2nd & 3rd & 4th A Politch.

Partridge (dark leg):

Hen (11), 1st & 4th A Politch, 2nd A Germon, 3rd G Lindemann. Pullet (13), 1st CH & 2nd L Bottom, 3rd G Prior, 4th O & J Glover.

Partridge (light leg):

Pullet (2) 1st & 2nd Nathan Peacock.

Blue red (dark leg):

Cock (2), 1st CH Scamp & Hughes, 2nd G Lindemann. Ckl (1), 1st P Irvine.

Blue Red (light leg):

Hen (1), 1st G Prior.

Spangle AC:

Cock (5), 1st Scamp & Hughes, 2nd T McLean, 3rd A Hansen. Hen (7), 1st & 2nd T McLean, 3rd P McMillan. Ckl (9), 1st & 3rd S Acton, 2nd T McLean. Pullet (8), 1st CH & 2nd T McLean, 3rd C Zwoerner.

Duckwing (light leg):

Cock (6), 1st L Bottom, 2nd A & B Neilson, 3rd S Hendrickson. Hen (3), 1st & 2nd A & B Neilson, 3rd T Mann. Ckl (11), 1st CH S Hendrickson, 2nd M Waters, 3rd O & J Glover, 4th G Peel. Pullet (5), 1st T Mann, 2nd & 3rd A & B Neilson.

Duckwing (dark leg):

Cock (18), 1st CH M Waters, 2nd J Challenor, 3rd N Ironside, 4th R Law, 5th O & J Glover. Hen (6), 1st M

Waters, 2nd Scamp & Hughes, 3rd A & B Neilson.
Ckl (15), 1st S Hendrickson, 2nd T Politch, 3rd L Bottom,
4th A & B Neilson. Pullet (8), 1st & 2nd Scamp & Hughes,
3rd S Acton.

White or Pile AC:

Cock (2), 1st S Hendrickson, 2nd M Waters. Hen (9), 1st G
Lindemann, 2nd The Gnome, 3rd M Waters, 4th R Porter.
Ckl (8), 1st CH 2nd & 3rd R Robinson, 4th N Watson.
Pullet (12), 1st & 2nd R Porter, 3rd A & B Neilson, 4th T
Schieb.

Division 3 Bantam

Brown Red:

Cock (1), 1st G Lindemann. Hen (7), 1st CH Scamp &
Hughes, 2nd & 3rd S Kavanagh. Ckl (11), 1st A Politch, 2nd
T McLean, 3rd T Wonka. Pullet (8), 1st T Wonka, 2nd T
McLean, 3rd R Smith.

Ginger (light leg):

Cock (3), 1st Monement & Sessions, 2nd T McLean. Hen
(4), 1st N Hand, 2nd Monement & Sessions, 3rd G Peel.
Ckl (10), 1st CH 2nd & 3rd S Hendrickson. Pullet (3), 1st
The Gnome, 2nd K Brown, 3rd Monement & Sessions.

Ginger (dark leg):

Cock (2), 1st T Politch, 2nd Scamp & Hughes. Hen (2), 1st
Scamp & Hughes, 2nd T Tydd. Ckl (5), 1st CH & 3rd T
Tydd, 2nd Monement & Sessions. Pullet (2), 1st T Tydd.

Grey:

Cock (15), 1st T Politch, 2nd Reinke Family, 3rd J
Challenor, 4th R Law. Hen (17), 1st CH Scamp & Hughes,
2nd & 3rd & 4th R Law, 5th T Mann. Ckl (29), 1st G Peel,
2nd & 5th J Challenor, 3rd R Law, 4th T Politch. Pullet
(14), 1st, 2nd & 4th R Law, 3rd N Watson.

Self Blue:

Hen (3), 1st M Waters, 2nd S Kavanagh, 3rd G Peel. Ckl
(1), 1st M Waters. Pullet (3), 1st CH M Waters, 2nd A
Hansen, 3rd R Smith.



Geoff and Megan Reimers run the coffee van at Rosewood.

Dun AC:

Cock (1), 1st C Jaeger. Hen (2), 1st & 2nd S Kavanagh. Ckl
(1), 1st CH Monement & Sessions. Pullet (2), 1st A
Hansen, 2nd M Waters.

Black:

Cock (1), 1st G Lindemann. Hen (2), 1st M Waters, 2nd A
Politch. Ckl (2), 1st CH & 2nd R Robinson. Pullet (5), 1st
M Waters, 2nd R Robinson, 3rd A Politch.

Furnace or Brassy:

Cock (4), 1st A Politch, 2nd The Gnome, 3rd T Mann. Hen
(6), 1st A Politch, 2nd T McLean, 3rd P Irvine. Ckl (6), 1st
P Irvine, 2nd T Mann, 3rd N Hand. Pullet (5), 1st CH P
Irvine, 2nd The Gnome, 3rd T Mann.

Creel –Gold/Silver:

Cock (7), 1st A Whiteside, 2nd A Hansen, 3rd K Politch.
Hen (5), 1st A Whiteside, 2nd G Prior, 3rd T McLean. Ckl
(14), 1st CH & 4th K Politch, 2nd & 3rd B & J Williamson.
Pullet (6), 1st & 2nd K Politch, 3rd M Waters.

Muff AC:

Cock (1), 1st K Brown. Hen (2), 1st G Lindemann, 2nd R
Smith. Ckl (5), 1st CH & 2nd A Hansen, 3rd R Smith.
Pullet (1), 1st A Hansen.

Tassel AC:

Cock (3), 1st P McMillan, 2nd K Brown, 3rd A Hansen.
Hen (3), 1st K Brown, 2nd J Sandor, 3rd P McMillan. Ckl
(4), 1st CH Scamp & Hughes, 2nd R Robinson, 3rd S
Hendrickson. Pullet (9), 1st & 2nd Nathan Peacock, 3rd A
Hansen.

AOC:

Cock (2), 1st CH S Hendrickson, 2nd A Politch. Hen (2),
1st R Smith, 2nd A Politch. Ckl (4), 1st & 2nd S
Hendrickson, 3rd R Smith. Pullet (1), 1st A Politch .

Breeding Pair: (8) 1st O & J Glover, 2nd S Hendrickson,
3rd R Robinson.



Glen Williamson and Owen Glover relax while judging takes place.



Ray Law, Patron Les McCoy, Steve Hendrickson and Tony Wonka at the club's 2015 annual show.
PICTURES: Nathan Watson



Anthony Klatt and Ross Robinson.



Ron Porter, Rob Monement and Deon Williams.



Adam Hansen and Lindsay Cherry.



Ben Biddle and Ken Greaves.



ABOVE: Andrew Whiteside, Peter McMillan and Aaron Frewin.



RIGHT: Jade Sandor was the proud winner of Best Female Exhibitor for her tassel bantam hen.



Hats off to these guys – Brian Castle, Shane Moss, Andre Meyer and Ken Brown.



Peter Irvine and Rob Walpole.



Graham, Midge and Reg Thompson, and Col Wilby.

AGM MINUTES

Saturday, July 18, 2015

Meeting Opened: 4.20pm

- 1.0 **Attendances;** Tony Mann, Norm Hand, Tim Tydd, Lindsay Bottom, Col Wilby, Chris Jaeger, Mark Waters, Ken Brown, Luke Nicolle, Will Brown, Ben Cleghorn, Neville Keitley, Jen Keitley, Geoff Reimers, Ross Robinson, Stephen Kavanagh, Anthony Klatt, Ray Law, Terry Politch, Kerin Politch, Alec Germon, Andrew Whiteside, Nathan Peacock, Aaron Frewin, Graham Prior, Adam Hansen, Lindsay Cherry, Adrian Neilson, Steve Hendickson, Ben Williamson, Daryl Scamp, Sean Acton, Shane Hughes, Ron Porter, Les McCoy, Ty Schieb, Rachel Buckler, Glen Williamson, Errol Hetherington, Helen Hetherington, Owen Glover, Peter Reinke, Greg Popplewell, Chris White, Mick O'Connell, Tim Polley, Nathan Watson, Malcolm Fuller, Michael Paterson.
- 2.0 **Apologies;** Tony Johnson, Tony Davis, Alf Woods, Barry Bilton, Dr Rob Sheen, Michael Hall, Melissa Hall, Ron Hall, Rob Mellor, John Gibson, The Gnome, Debbie McCall, Martin Fullager, Robert Johnstone, Brian Bennett, Rod Gorman, Mathew Porter, The Shaw Family, Corinna Wood, Tom McLean, Ian Nash.
- 3.0 **President's Report (Tim Polley):** Welcome everyone to the 2015 AGM at Rosewood, Queensland. Thank you to Peter and Cathy Reinke and everyone who has contributed to bring the 2015 annual show together. What a great show, everything has run smoothly. There is a fantastic entry of 872 birds, which is incredible. The Rosewood facility is fantastic and second to none. Thank you also for all who have attended and exhibited at the show – without your support there would not be a show. Special thanks to all those who have travelled long distances to get here. We have representation from Victoria, Western Australia, Tasmania, Northern Queensland and New South Wales. It is pleasing to see the show return to Queensland with such a high level of support. The past 12 months has been a growth period for the new committee. The team has brought new ideas and enthusiasm and are committed to the future growth and success of the club. We have all communicated well and every topic raised generates extensive discussion until it is worked through and resolved. Looking forward as a committee there is an intention to have a review of the club's position and the structure of the show. We are also committed to increasing membership and adding value for members on a national basis.
- 4.0 **Approval of Minutes from previous Annual General Meeting held at Wyong NSW, July 2014:**
Moved Owen Glover / Seconded Tim Tydd.
- 5.0 **Approval of Minutes from previous general meeting held at Sydney Royal, March 2015:** Moved Col Wilby / Seconded Chris White.
- 6.0 **Secretary Report (Michael Paterson);** I would like to thank the Rosewood Poultry Club for hosting the show in their excellent facility. Special thanks to local fanciers Peter and Kathy Reinke, Peter McMillan, Sean Acton, Martin Fullager, Greg Popplewell, Geoff Reimers and Owen Glover who have all put in a tremendous amount of work to ensure the show has run smoothly and successfully. I would also like to acknowledge our major sponsor Ipswich City Council and especially councillor David Pahlke for their support. Thanks also to fellow committee members Malcolm, Owen, Anna and Nathan and especially Tim. We are striving to make the club a truly national club, and although the club show is the centrepiece in the calendar, we want all members to feel welcome, and encourage all members to participate even if they cannot attend the club show.

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1. Sydney Royal letter of appreciation;
2. Sydney Queen's Birthday show information pack.

Outgoing

1. Ipswich City Council sponsorship acceptance form.

8.0 Treasurer Report (Malcolm Fuller): I found the beginning of my first year as treasurer a little challenging but with good support from my fellow committee members, and some guidance from our member Anthony Klatt, I have settled into my role quite happily. My tabled report is from the period 30th June 2014 to 29th June 2015 in continuation from the previous audit. This report shows a profit of \$4,157.12 over that period. Having carefully examined previous records, I found income of \$271.55 that I could not identify and have included as 'other income'. You may note that some expenses towards this year's Annual Show appear in this report, I have yet to receive invoices for others. A number of the running costs from last year's show have also spilled over into this year and they have been paid and are included in this report. I have continued to receive entries, memberships and other income and have also paid some expenses related to today's Annual Show since producing this report. This is a matter that I wish to address later as a 'General Business' item. I have had this report audited by Mr. Anthony Klatt and I table the financial report from 30-6-14 to 29-6-15 to this meeting for acceptance.

**FINANCIAL REPORT
30/6/14 to 29/6/15**

| Income | | Expenditure | |
|-----------------------------|--------------------|---------------------------------|---------------------|
| Memberships | \$ 4,225.00 | Prize Money | \$ 4,340.00 |
| Entry fees | \$ 3,402.00 | Trophies/Sashes 2014 | \$ 1,419.30 |
| Sponsorship/donations | \$ 3,123.10 | Sashes for 2015 | \$ 215.00 |
| Sponsor Ipswich Council | \$ 1,500.00 | 2015 Royal Show sponsorships | \$ 716.10 |
| Dinner tickets | \$ 3,155.00 | Social function costs 2014 | \$ 3,120.00 |
| Merchandise sales | \$ 435.00 | Social function deposit 2015 | \$ 150.00 |
| DVD / Print sales | \$ 20.00 | Postage / stationary / printing | \$ 1,020.00 |
| Raffle income | \$ 612.00 | Judges' accommodation | \$ 540.00 |
| Auction | \$ 1,420.00 | Judges' travel expenses | \$ 300.00 |
| Catering | \$ 975.40 | Catering | \$ 287.21 |
| Bank interest | \$ 6.04 | Merchandise stock purchases | \$ 570.61 |
| Other (unidentified income) | \$ 271.55 | Pavilion cleaning costs 2014 | \$ 300.00 |
| | | Pavilion hire costs 2015 | \$ 375.00 |
| | | Auction payment to vendor '14 | \$ 1,116.00 |
| | | Dept. of Fair Trading | \$ 53.00 |
| | | Insurance | \$ 95.00 |
| | | Advertising | \$ 70.00 |
| | | Raffle costs | \$ 52.00 |
| | | Bank fees | \$ 60.20 |
| | | Life member jacket | \$ 40.00 |
| | | EPA of NSW Membership | \$ 30.00 |
| | | Reimburse cancelled entries | \$ 117.00 |
| | \$19,146.19 | | \$ 14,986.67 |
| | | INCOME | \$19,146.19 |
| | | Less expenditure | \$14,986.67 |
| | | | \$ 4,159.52 |

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**BALANCE SHEET
30/6/14 to 29/6/15**

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| Balance at start of period | |
| ACC # 76097 | \$ 4,628.78 |
| ACC # 76273 | \$ 233.89 |
| Total account balances 30/6/14 | \$ 4,862.67 |
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| Add income receipts of | <u>\$19,146.19</u> |
| | \$24,008.86 |
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| Less expenditure payments of | <u>\$14,986.67</u> |
| Credit balance | \$ 9,022.19 |
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| Reconciliation balance per bank statements | \$ 9,022.19 |
| Add – Unpresented cheques #1213, 1217, 1226, 1259, 1265 | <u>\$ 157.45</u> |
| | \$ 9,179.64 |
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| Less unbanked income | \$ 589.00 |
| Less late presented cheque #1208 from 2013/2014 year | <u>\$ 143.00</u> |
| | \$ 732.28 |
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| | \$9,179.64 - \$732.28 = \$ 8,447.36 |
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| ANZ Bank Tuggerah NSW | |
| Club cheque A/C # 76097 | \$ 8,399.68 |
| Petty cash A/C # 76273 | \$ 47.68 |
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| Total credit statement balance 29/6/15 | \$ 8,447.36 |

9.0 **Website Report (Anna Shaw);** The website continues to attract regular visits, incoming enquiries have slowed down, although there was one from overseas enquiring about exporting of stock.

10.0 **Newsletter editor report (Nathan Watson);** The newsletters have been well received and thanks to everyone who has helped by contributing reports and photos to help fill its pages. The club is striving to reinforce its position as a National club, and contributions from members throughout Australia are needed to maintain the quality of the newsletter. I have donated the cost of printing the newsletters and have also taken on the job of mailing the newsletter out to ease the burden on other committee members. If anyone’s postal or email addresses change please also notify Malcolm Fuller.

11.0 **All positions declared vacant and Chris White took the chair. The following persons were elected:**

- President: Tim Polley – returned unopposed.
- Vice Presidents: Owen Glover, Chris Jaeger – returned unopposed; Nathan Watson – newly elected.
- Secretary: Michael Paterson – returned unopposed.
- Treasurer/ Memberships: Malcolm Fuller – returned unopposed.
- Newsletter Editor: Nathan Watson – returned unopposed.
- Webmaster/Social Media: Kerin Politch – newly elected.
- Merchandise: Terry Politch – returned unopposed.

12.0 **Motions raised.**

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- 12.1 **Timing of Sydney Royal general meeting;** Motion whether to hold the meeting in the future on the Saturday rather than the Friday to allow members visiting the show at the weekend to attend. Discussion followed that if exhibiting then you would more than likely leave to return home on the Saturday and be unable to attend meeting so unlikely that attendance would increase. Constitutionally the club is required to hold general meetings (we are currently not meeting our quota). Voted that next year the general meeting will instead be held at the Queen's Birthday weekend national show in Sydney at a time/date organised by the committee and advertised in the newsletter.
- 12.2 **Sub Committee to be formed to investigate involvement in the Queen's birthday weekend Sydney show in 2016;** This motion arose due to discussions at the general meeting at Sydney Royal this year. After discussion the meeting voted to leave the decision of the club's involvement including sponsorship/ breed club stall etc. to the committee.
- 12.3 **The preservation of the rarer colours/types of OEG;** Michael Paterson raised this motion and the general consensus was that the rarer colours/types need to be preserved and the breeders keeping them need to be encouraged to show them. Options discussed on how to promote these types included possible future "feature" shows for these rarer types, lower entry fees, articles in the newsletters on genetics/how to breed these varieties. A working group was formed, members being Michael Paterson, Mark Waters and Greg Popplewell. Geoff Reimers generously offered to donate trophies for next year's annual show to be awarded to the rarer colours/types.
- 12.4 **Proposal to change the financial year of the club to run in line with the calendar year;** Malcolm Fuller raised this motion on the basis that the current financial period runs from June to June, which dissects the movement of transactions associated with the annual show. By changing to run in line with the calendar year the success of the show can be more accurately determined. Motion passed by vote subject to constitution. Moved Errol Hetherington / Seconded Mick O'Connell .
- 12.5 **Review of sponsorship of Royal shows;** Tim Polley raised this motion and discussion followed whether the club is seeing a return on the cost of sponsorship of royal shows (this year's cost was \$716). After discussion it was moved that the club would revert to providing sashes or rosettes and not trophies. This would allow these funds to be allocated to other potential avenues including game feature shows. Moved Nathan Watson / Seconded Ben Cleghorn.
- 12.6 **Review of benefits of the club's Facebook page:** This motion was raised by the committee after some negative posts were posted on the club's Facebook page earlier in the year. The committee does not have the resources to monitor every post and was concerned of the damage that can be done. Lengthy discussion followed and the consensus was that social media was beneficial to allow discussion and the sharing of knowledge. Basic moral codes need to be adhered to with opinions allowed to be expressed but no bullying or slander would be tolerated. The page is to be made open for the public to view but only club members would have the access to post on the page. Moved Mick O'Connell / Seconded Mark Waters.

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12.7 **Review of the method of how the divisions are allocated to the successful judges at the club show:** The committee raised this motion as there were weaknesses in the current system whereby the allocation of divisions is via the names being pulled out of a hat. Discussion followed that the benefits of allocating the divisions by discussion between the committee and the elected judges would be that; 1) Same judge would be less likely to judge same divisions at multiple shows; 2) Allows specialised judges to be appointed to their preferred divisions; 3) Judges aren't appointed to classes that they don't feel comfortable in judging such as division 1 classes in large and bantams. Discussion then centred on point 3 as there was a feeling that as an elite club we should not be using the annual show to blood raw judges, as long distances are travelled to get to the annual show, the calibre of judges needs to be maintained. There was also an onus on the judges not to accept the appointment if they were not confident of carrying it out. The motion went to a vote and it was voted that future allocation of divisions is to be at the discretion of the committee/judges. Moved Mick O'Connell / Seconded Tim Tydd. **The motion went to a vote with 27 for and 11 against –motion carried.**

13.0 **Sydney Royal / Adelaide 2016 judges;** Voting forms were handed to all present and a ballot was held to determine upcoming judging appointments.

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| <p>13.1 Sydney Royal Large Fowl nominations Michael Hall Owen Glover (withdrew)</p> | <p>Sydney Royal Bantam nominations Malcolm Fuller Ben Williamson Les McCoy</p> |
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Post meeting note: The following were elected – Large Fowl: Michael Hall; Bantams: Division 1 Ben Williamson / Division 2 Malcolm Fuller.

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| <p>13.2 2016 Annual show Nominations Mark Waters John Lee Wayne Hutton Kerin Politch Brian Bennett</p> | <p>Tony Davis Andrew Whiteside Les McCoy Ross Robinson John Gibson</p> |
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Post meeting note: The following were elected – Les McCoy (Division 1 Large/Division 3 Bantam); Kerin Politch (Division 2 Large / Division 2 Bantam); Mark Waters (Division 3 Large / Division 3 Bantam).

14.0 **Venues for club show 2016;** There was only one nomination for the club show for 2016. Adelaide will host the club show on the weekend of 16th -17th July 2016. After this announcement concerns were raised that as the majority of the membership was not within easy travelling distance of South Australia the show would not be a success. It was raised that in order to make the club truly national and in keeping with a decision at last year's AGM, the club needs to spread the geographical location of the show to allow all members the ability to attend a club show every 3-4 years. It was agreed the club has to explore these avenues of making the club truly national. Moved Andrew Whiteside and the motion was passed by vote with Ron Porter the only objector.

15.0 **Any other business**

15.1 **Merchandise.** Chris Jaeger raised the question whether we can afford to keep a balance of club merchandise in stock. It was explained that for example the club jackets cost was

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considerable and the club could not afford to keep a number of each size in stock at all times. Terry Politch to review current stock held.

16.0 **Closing address by president.** Tim closed the meeting thanking all for their attendance and looked forward to seeing them at the evening presentation tonight

Meeting closed: 5.25pm



ABOVE: Terry Politch with sons Andrew and Kerin Politch at Rosewood. **Picture: Terry Politch**



LEFT: The trophy for Champion Bantam Cock in Show kindly donated by Rob Mellor from WA and won by Steve Hendrickson.

We would like to thank everyone who supported our show at Rosewood, 2015 and all those who helped run the show from set-up, to the canteen and clean up.

BREEDER PROFILE

Michael Hall, Hahndorf, SA

I quite enjoy reading newsletters and people's own stories about their involvement in poultry, so I thought I would attempt to tell my story.

My involvement in the poultry fancy has been a lifetime one. Being taken to agricultural shows with my Dad and my Grandfather as a child, I used to spend a lot of time pestering the other breeders and admiring their fowls.

When I was 6 years old a fancier gave me my first pair of OEG bantams, they were Silver Duckwings, which I have kept ever since.



Michael Hall and a large Ginger cockerel he won a Champion Bird in Show award with in South Australia last year.

Since then I have progressed into keeping Wheaten bantams, Black Red, Blue Red and Ginger fowls. My father Ron has always bred Spangle bantams and has had Brassy Back bantams for some years.

While we also have some soft feather breeds, the OEG have been our main focus. I have also taken to administrative roles in clubs helping out wherever I can, having been a Bird Steward and Treasurer at my local club, and being in my 4th year as Secretary of the All Game Club of SA.

I enjoy my part in these roles and the challenges they present and I am looking forward to playing my part in the OEG Club of Australia having its show in Adelaide in 2016.

I first joined the OEG club in 2008 after seeing newsletters that some of my mates showed me at the time.

In 2009 I attended the show at Warwick as an observer and had a great time.

Since then I have shown at Albury 2010, 2013 and Wyong 2011, 2014.

To me attending a show and not having birds in is not much fun, you have to be in it, and while the travel has been a bit extreme to attend the shows it has been the most valuable experiences meeting other breeders and seeing birds we don't have in SA.

Some of my best achievements have been tickets I've won at OEG shows.

I consider my best win with an OEG was actually Reserve Bird of Show at Gawler & Districts Poultry Club this year with a large Black Red D/L pullet.

I would have to thank my two mentors for their help in the development of my large OEG, Chris White and Malcolm Fuller.

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Andrew Whiteside and Tony Davis have also been very helpful advisers to me in recent times.

In January this year I married the love of my life Melissa. Lucky for Mel she has always taken an interest in my fowls and now has some of her own.

We are looking forward to our new son Charlie growing up with the fowls around him as well, he is already the most popular person at shows around home.

Looking forward to seeing you all at Adelaide next year for another great weekend.



ABOVE: One of Michael's Blue Red cocks.



ABOVE: A large Spangle cock belonging to Michael.



ABOVE: Some of Michael's large Black Reds enjoy a run on the grass.

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