



# CCCBC March 2006 NEWSLETTER

## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

If your experience is similar to mine, then you are busily engaged getting ready for the breeding season. Just about the time you think you can get a rest after the bird show, Christmas and who knows what all, breeding season comes and we get on a very short leash. We must be masochists of a sort to not only look forward to all of that work but really enjoy it. This is what bird people do and they do it well. The result of this effort is a healthy flock.

I hate to harp on the same things all the time but it is critical that we get new members into our club. Some of us have been around for years and are beginning to show the wear. New blood is necessary if we want to continue as a living, vibrant organization. Don't be afraid to ask someone to come to a meeting. Say "yes" when asked to take on an assignment. And make it to all of our meetings you possibly can. The club needs you.

We hope you have paid your 2006 dues by now. If not get your check into **Bob Gomes**, 1653 Ohio Ave., Modesto, CA 95358. We need your dues now to continue sending the newsletter to you.

Continue to bring items to the meeting that we can raffle. The raffles are a major source of operating funds as well as putting a little excitement into our meetings.

**Naomi Cisper**  
President

## MARCH MEETING PROGRAM

**Charles and Belvia Long** of Fresno are 40 years long time canary breeders. **Charlie** will be our speaker and will host a question and answer round table session. This dynamic duo has been raising many of the type canaries including Glosters, Norwich, Borders, Fife and Color Bred. They are now specializing in Glosters and Norwich.

They show and win at all of the local shows as well as the national. Their efforts resulted in the highest award for birds in the U.S. – the Scannel Trophy; not once, not twice, but three times!!

**DON'T MISS THIS OPPORTUNITY TO LEARN FROM REAL PROS!**

## BENNY JONES CORNER

Howdy fellow members! I'm sure the Colorbred breeders already have dozens of banded babies by now. The Type breeders know that it's getting close to the time to get started. There are ALWAYS too many clear eggs in March. I'm just beginning to start the richer food blends because I like to wait until after Easter. (Too much golf-too little time) hehehe

I am pleased to say that all things are moving forward for another annual Oct. Show. I am pleased to announce that Mr. **Henry Vela** from Texas will be our 2006 Colorbred Judge. As soon as I get confirmation, I'll be able to welcome our 2006 Type Judge. You know I always try to get quality Judges, and judges who haven't been to Modesto before. I think that this strategy has worked for us well. Also, I DO have a back-up just in case things don't work out.

One of the things we'll try this year is to have half of the donated birds for the Show auction, auctioned off during our lunch break. This will allow some of the breeders and general public to support our show whom may not be able or willing to attend our awesome banquet later in the evening

It's YOUR Show. By experimenting over these last 7 years, we have managed to keep the show moving on! I thank you all again. Without your input and support, we could have NEVER lasted this long. Yeah, yeah, yeah, that's me patting you on the back!

*Benny Jones*  
Show Manager

## MEETING SCHEDULE

DATE	PLACE	EVENT
March 19	Mancini Hall	<b>Charles and Belvia Long</b>
May 21	Mancini Hall	Auction
July 16	Mancini Hall	Auction
September 17	Mancini Hall	<b>Bob King</b>
October 28	SOS Club	Annual Show
November 19	Mancini Hall	

Please bring a snack or dessert to the meeting hall to share with your friends.

**Mancini Hall is located at 718 Tuolomne Blvd., Modesto.**

## JANUARY MEETING

We had to pull a program together rather quickly after we heard from Charley Long that he couldn't make it to our meeting due to illness. We talked to him recently and it took three rounds of antibiotics to almost bring him back to normal. We are looking forward to hearing some of his long and successful experience raising canaries at the March meeting.

Officers for 2006 will remain the same. No one stepped forward to volunteer to take an office. Please consider volunteering. I have a small revolt in my own house about continuing to put out our newsletter.

President	<b>Naomi Cisper</b>
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Newsletter	<b>Naomi Cisper</b>
Show Manager	<b>Benny Jones</b>
Members at Large	<b>Art Pacheco &amp; Pam Montessoro</b>



**John Astorino** at the January meeting

We managed to have a very educational program when another of our members did a very nice job of filling in at the last minute. **John Astorino**, the club vice president shared a lot of information of how he cares for his canaries. **John** is a very successful breeder and the winner of many a ribbon at bird shows. If you were there you should have learned some things. If you missed it maybe you can make it the next time.

## NEW MEMBERS

**Janna** and **Joel Place** from Newman joined the club in January. They raise canaries, lady gouldians, shaft tails, society finches, parakeets, love birds, and cockatiels. **Janna** teaches alternative health and **Joel** commutes to San Jose and works for Valley Transit.

Welcome to our club. We hope you'll get involved and share your experiences with us.

## MEMBERSHIP DRIVE

We are always looking for new members. They are like a transfusion of new blood into our organization. If we don't get new members attrition will finally kill us off and I don't think we would like to see that. Keep your senses open to potential members. Bring them to the meetings and shows so they are exposed to us. We have provided an application below for you to use.

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## MEETING RAFFLE

Bring those unused or unwanted items stuck in your closet or dusty shelf to our meetings so that we can raffle them off. This is a major source of funds during the year.

## FINCH CLUB

The club has applied for membership to the national finch club. **Steve Fairman** is trying to arrange the regional finch show to coincide with our show. We need donations and support from all of you finch fanciers out there. Call **Steve** at 530-269-2439 if you can help out.

## AMERICAN SINGERS

**Ella Galick** will be the American Singers judge at our show in October. **Ginger Wolnick** will be the division manager.

## ADVERTISING

It would be beneficial to our finances if we could help defray the expense of our newsletter by having advertisers. A business size ad is \$6.00 per issue or \$25.00 per year. Next time you visit a pet or feed store ask if they would be interested. If they have any questions ask them to call me at 209-957-3117.

As members, consider doing business with our advertisers and when you do let them know you are a member of CCCBC.

## HEADS UP

Our May meeting will be an auction and a picnic. More details in the next newsletter.

The following information regarding Vanodine was provided by Barbi Browns' Bunnies. The complete article can be viewed at the following address:

<http://www.barbibrownsbunnies.com/aviary.htm>

## **AVIARY USE OF VANODINE V.18 DISINFECTANT**

### **Product of England by Evans Vanodine**

**BIRDS:** Breeders of all species of small birds are beset with many problems of pathogenic origin, many caused by Iodine deficiency. The best way to overcome this problem is to carry out strict hygiene and to overcome the mineral deficiencies.

The bird breeder or Pet Store is constantly in danger of their birds being lost to Salmonella infection. Whole flocks can be wiped out in hours from this acute type of food poisoning. Infected seed is usually the source of Salmonella and cannot be detected with the naked eye. The most cost efficient method of killing this organism is to soak the seed in a solution of 2 ounce of Vanodine V-18 to one gallon of water for two minutes. It has been proven that birds will readily eat seed which has been soaked in this manner and is, in fact, more digestible which is a great advantage for young birds. The V-18 not only guards against infection but helps increase Iodine levels which build up resistance to disease.

**V-18** is a powerful cleaner which can be used in a **solution of 4-1/2 teaspoons per gallon of water** for washing all water and feeding vessels, walls, cages and fittings to eliminate harmful pathogens.

### **IODINE DEFICIENCY**

Iodine salts are essential to animals, birds and even fish and when they are removed from their natural environment to a domestic one they frequently lose their ability to obtain essential Iodine in the right form and quantity which tends to reduce life span, growth and production.

Birds kept in colonies are prone to a variety of respiratory diseases and are very easily spread through the drinking water. Adding V-18 at the rate of 1 teaspoon to a gallon of water will prevent cross infection through this medium

### **AERIAL DISINFECTION**

Aerial disinfection has proven to be most useful in alleviating the symptoms of various forms of respiratory diseases such as Aspergillus, Bronchitis, Diphtheria, Gage, Pneumonia and more by keeping down the airborne pathogens. The inhalation has remarkable remedial effects on the birds.

Spray the air daily using 1 teaspoon of V-18 to a gallon of water. Using a fine mist producing spray, a pint of solution is sufficient to spray up to 20,000 cubic feet.

A 16oz bottle will make 144 gallons of solution at this dosage which makes it very economical.

### **DEAD IN SHELL**

Budgerigar breeders experience large numbers of ADead in Shell@. In one case 85% of the chicks died in the shell as a result of Iodine deficiency. Elevation of Iodine levels with the use of V-18 solves that problem.

Laboratory tests have shown that eggshell surfaces carry large numbers of bacteria some of these in the Salmonella and Staphylococcal groups are disease producing. One of the problems experienced by small bird breeders is caused by Staph and in commercial egg production is referred to as AMushy Chick Syndrome@. In order to destroy these organisms the eggs should be sprayed regularly with a V-18 solution as well as the nest pans or boxes.

Contagious diseases in caged birds are often carried from cage to cage on the hands of the attendant. It is therefore essential when handling birds, to wash the hands in a V-18 solution, particularly if disease is known to be present.

If one will carry out the foregoing program you can ensure almost complete control of disease known to be caused by pathogenic organisms. Remember that Vanodine V-18 is cheap insurance against disease and wherever it is used another door is being shut against trouble.



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A group of friends went deer hunting and paired off in twos for the day. That night, one of the hunters returned alone, staggering under the weight of an eight-point buck. "Where's Henry?" the others asked.

"Henry had a stroke of some kind. He's a couple of miles back up the trail," the successful hunter replied.

"You left Henry laying out there and carried the deer back?" they inquired.

"A tough call," nodded the hunter. "But I figured no one is going to steal Henry!"

The owner of a golf course in the back country was confused about paying an invoice, so he decided to ask his secretary for some mathematical help. He called her into his office and said, "You graduated from a university and I need some help. If I were to give you \$20,000, minus 14%, how much would you take off?"

The secretary thought a moment, and then replied, "Everything but my earrings."



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Meetings begin at 1:00 PM with introduction of members and guests followed by the program speaker and the club business meeting. Remember to bring items for the raffle table. It can be anything i.e. bird supplies, goodies, wine, cookies, plants, etc. Tickets are 3 for \$1.00. This helps pay for the meeting hall.

DATE	PLACE
March 19	Mancini Hall

**MEETING SCHEDULE**

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