

# AMADOR BIRD TRACKS

Monthly Newsletter of the Amador Bird Club February, 2013  
The Amador Bird Club is a group of people who share an interest in birds and is open to all.



## Happy Valentine's Day



### President's Note:

Dates of bird club meetings this year:

- **February 8**
- March 8
- April 12
- May 10
- June 14
- July 12
- August 9
- Sept. 13\*
- October 11
- Nov. 8
- Dec. 13\* (Xmas party)

\*Friday-the-13<sup>th</sup>: drive carefully!

Hi all,  
The new year is upon us and hopefully it will be a productive and educational year for us all. This month's meeting is going to be one of our popular "round table discussions" that we hope ALL of us contribute to. It is always very interesting to hear what our members are up to (Avian wise!!!), as I recall a very good friend of mine once saying that you can be a breeder or pet owner for MANY years and a "rookie" who has just commenced in the bird field can come up with ideas or suggestions that are very valuable and helpful, so thinking caps on for ideas and questions.

See you all on the 8<sup>th</sup>  
**Blue**



The Amador Bird Club meeting will be held on:

**Friday, February 8, 2012 at 7:30 PM**

**Place:** Administration Building, Amador County Fairgrounds, Plymouth

**Activity:** Round-Table Discussion

**Refreshments:** Persons with last names beginning with **A-Q**.

### Round-table Discussion Notes

Members, please allow me to suggest that you make a few brief notes on the topics and questions that interest you in preparation for the round-table discussion. As the conversation gets into gear, it's easy to forget our individual interests! Having notes can help you avoid the post-discussion forehead-swat.

-Todd

### ABC Facebook Page Update

I am pleased to report that we have achieved 32 Likes! I just Googled "Amador Bird Club" and got about 177,000 results, mostly linking to the Facebook page and the newsletter. Having 32 Likes means that we have moved up a level in Facebook status, so that the page is now self-monitoring, which means that Kim/we can monitor statistics of who visits the page. We have 32 official members on our page. We have lots of sharing input from various organizations such as: Windy City Parrot.com, Petco, Nutra Co, Royal Parrot Conservatory, Parrot Freaks Club, Audubon, Wings Rising,... to name a few. We provide information on rescue birds and organizations, videos, bird humor... Our demographic is fairly evenly split between male and female subscribers. The highest rated conversation on the page had 53 Likes during the beginning of January. The age group that we reach mostly is 45-54 year-olds with 35-44 year-olds second and 55-64 year-olds third. We went viral at the beginning of January with our posts and Likes... We have viewers from Canada, Poland, Germany, New Zealand, Australia --, and regular contact with Taz and Jack in Oregon. I try not to visit the page too much, because every time I do, I get drawn in to it and end up spending way too much time there. See it on an HDTV monitor: the pictures of birds are breathtaking!!

Once again, here is the link: <http://www.facebook.com/AmadorBirdClub>. -Todd

**Upcoming Bird Shows and Marts**

- **February 10th- San Jose, CA** - San Jose Bird Mart - Santa Clara Fairgrounds 344 Tully Rd., San Jose - Sunday 9:00 - 3:00 - Please visit our web site for regular updates. - Contact Mary 408-358-0882 - web site [SanJoseBirdMart.com](http://SanJoseBirdMart.com)
- **February 17th-Modesto, CA**- Central California Cage Bird Club Buy, Sell, Trade! 1:00 Contact Jane (916) 704-1752 web site [www.mycCBC.org](http://www.mycCBC.org)



Officers for 2013 - 2014

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**BIRD PLACEMENT**

If you need to place a bird (find a home for a beloved companion), please consider the ABC as a resource. We have several members that are experienced at finding good homes for birds in need. We also have members that take rescue birds (already homeless birds, and/or birds with special needs). For more information, please contact:

**Sherri Elliot** (209) 245-6921  
**Terry Ryan** (209) 969-9030  
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For information on birds, referrals or the Amador Bird Club, you may contact:  
 Sherri or Terry (Amador/Calaveras see above) or Jackie Fox (northwest) (530) 677-1035  
 Virginia Blake (Amador/Calaveras) (209) 981-5016  
 Email: [amadorbirdclub@volcano.net](mailto:amadorbirdclub@volcano.net)  
 Or check out:  
<http://www.facebook.com/AmadorBirdClub>

**Membership Dues are now Due!**

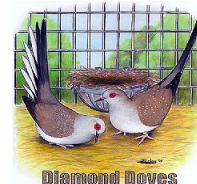
**Family \$15, Single \$10, Jr. \$7.50**



There is also a new \$5.00 postage fee for those who wish to receive the newsletter by snail mail. Please give dues to Treasurer Cathy at the meeting or fill out the Membership application and mail it to her!

**Phil Molica**

(209) 463-7989

Diamond Doves  
For Sale



 <p>Sarah's and Jason's Birds and Toys 2901 Elkhorn Blvd. North Highlands, CA 95660 (530) 828-9411 <a href="mailto:naclingan2@surewest.net">naclingan2@surewest.net</a></p>	 <p><b>Avian Health Services</b>  <b>Jeanne M. Smith, DVM</b>      6201 C Enterprise Dr.      Diamond Springs, CA 95619      8037 Fair Oaks Blvd., #104      Carmichael, CA 95608      (530) 621-4171</p>
<p>Sarah's new number (916) 529-3347</p>	<p><a href="mailto:jeannesmithdvm@att.net">jeannesmithdvm@att.net</a></p>

Ads are typically removed after 3 newsletters. If you'd like to place a new ad or continue a previous one, just ask; it's free.  
 If you'd like to submit a business card or ad for your bird-related business, please do (members only). These will be included above with an annual renewal .



## Amador Bird Club Membership Application

The Amador Bird Club meets the 2nd Friday of each month, 7:30pm in the Administration Building of the Amador County Fairgrounds!



Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Phone# \_\_\_\_\_ Cell# \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail address: \_\_\_\_\_

Family members: \_\_\_\_\_

Birds owned, bird related items made/sold: \_\_\_\_\_

New Member \_\_\_\_\_ Renewal \_\_\_\_\_

Are you a \_\_\_\_\_ breeder and/or \_\_\_\_\_ hobbyist (please check one or both)

Do you want your address printed in the membership directory? \_\_\_\_\_yes \_\_\_\_\_no

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Annual Dues: Family: \$15.00 Single: \$10.00 Junior: \$7.50 \$ \_\_\_\_\_

E-mailed newsletters free! Fee for newsletter via US mail: \$5.00 \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Please make check payable to club secretary: Total \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Terry Ryan

17706 Hwy 26

Questions call Terry (209) 969-9030

Glencoe, CA 95232

### Bird Poems

#### ANGELS' IN DISGUISE

My little birds are so sweet  
Perhaps, it's true their not so neat  
What such joy  
they bring each day  
One look at their sweet faces  
erases any traces  
of sadness away  
Little angels in disguise  
Who could doubt that they are wise  
How do you correct the little creature  
When their antics resemble a comedy feature  
With a will so strong, I admire  
Independence they desire  
When dinner is over , the day is gone  
Tomorrow will begin with a soft sweet song  
This endless love I must relate  
Is truly an act of heavens' fate  
C.R. Ying  
North Carolina

#### Feathers Feathers Everywhere

Even some upon my hair  
In my face and up my nose  
Give them grace  
Your smile shows  
Feathers come and feathers go  
Sometimes fall all in a row  
Don't be sad  
only glad  
Cause soon they'll be smooth again  
Until the next molt shall begin  
Feathers Come and Feathers Go...  
Shirley Clark  
CAG-Gabby...WFA-Tony...Quaker-Luke...  
Lutino Cockatiel-Lucky...PFLB-Zoey...  
Parakeet-Dale...Gouldian Finch-Typo