

AMADOR BIRD TRACKS

Monthly Newsletter of the Amador Bird Club July 2013

The Amador Bird Club is a group of people who share an interest in birds and is open to all.



Happy Fourth of July!!



“home of the rare Amadorian Combo Parrot”

Dates of bird club meetings this year:

- July 12
- August 9
- Sept. 13 Raffle*
- October 11
- Nov. 8
- Dec. 13* (Xmas Party)

*Semi-Annual Raffle

*Friday-the-13th: drive carefully!

President’s Message

Hi Everyone,
 First off I hope everyone is trying to keep as cool as possible with the HEAT WAVE we are all experiencing. Phew !!! I sure hope that those of you that have outside birds/flights are keeping the misters and cooling going for the little critters.
 We will be finalizing the fair volunteer roster this meeting and the final setting up on the Wed. evening/afternoon. Jane once again has volunteered to get the set up ball rolling a little earlier on Tuesday so we will be mainly getting the display birds and cages organized. Again a BIG thank you to Jane and Dave for their work and contributions.
 We will be continuing our meeting with a round table discussion, so think of a subject or something you have a question on. I hope to see you all and HOPE the weather is a little cooler

Blue

The Amador Bird Club meeting will be held on:

Friday, July 12, 2013 at 7:30 PM

Place: Administration Building, Amador County Fairgrounds, Plymouth

Activity: Prepare for the Fair! Round Table Discussion!

Refreshments: Persons with last names beginning with R-Z..

Update on the Survival Status of the Amadorian Combo Parrot

The Amadorian Combo Parrot is considered rare and endangered not only because of its scarcity (few, if any have ever been observed in the wild), but also because its only known habitat is in the minds of its believers. Technically, it should be classified as a “fictional species”, but should that become widely known, *it could face imminent extinction* as the inevitable consequences of: habitat encroachment by corporate interests, unrestricted hunting, and environmental pollution. Such a daunting outlook notwithstanding, the Amador Bird Club maintains its unwavering commitment to the preservation of this unique bird, our only county-indigenous parrot, because it is our mascot, even our sibling, as it and the club were ‘hatched from the same clutch’ in the early 1980s. Help us to keep freedom and independence alive for the Amadorian Combo Parrot.



2013 Amador County Fair Bird Booth

Each year the bird club sponsors a booth at the Amador county fair, featuring a variety of birds provided by our members for the enjoyment of fairgoers and to promote membership in our club. The booth is managed by our members from 9am to 9pm for each of the four days of the fair (see schedule below). "Booth hosting" is a wonderful way to share our love of birds with the public and to enjoy the fair at the same time! Volunteers receive free admission to the fair, courtesy of ABC; no experience is necessary. Each day is split into morning (9am-3pm) and evening (3pm-9pm) shifts, and each shift is covered by two members, so it's easy to enjoy the fair without leaving the booth unattended. The birds in the booth also make for charming company, and they need to have "birdy-sitters" to ensure their well-being. Slots for "booth nesting" are filled as members volunteer: there may be some slots left, so please check the table on the next page for remaining open slots and pick one that works for you!



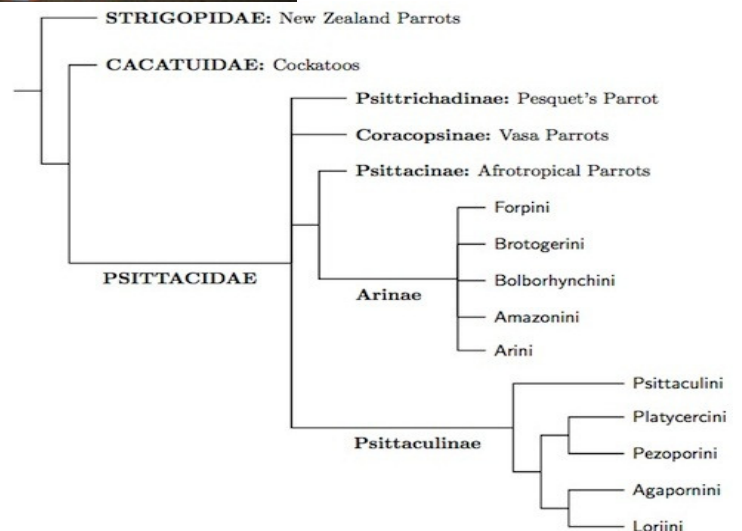
2012 ABC County Fair Booth

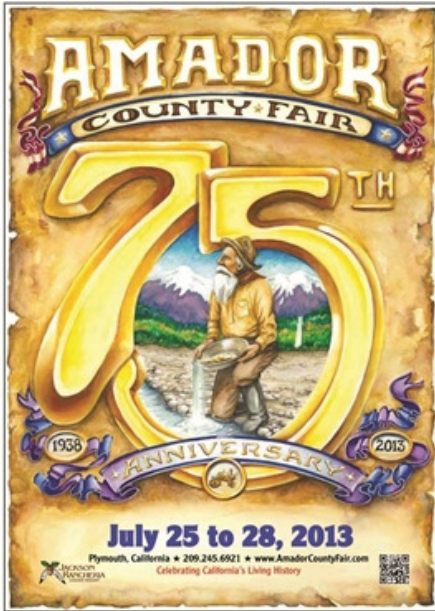
We have one of the most comfortable locations in the main exhibition hall, directly below the swamp-cooler. It's a fun time to combine people-watching with bird-watching. The sound of bird calls fills the large hall, adding to the festivity of the fair. A nice way to socialize with the Amador community, the ABC booth is also a good way to attract new members to our club.

Parrot Facts

Psittaciformes Tree Diagram

The order of Psittaciformes, which embraces all kinds of parrots, has three different families, which are then subdivided into other sub-families, as shown in the tree to the right.





AMADOR BIRD CLUB Fair Schedule 2013

Jane & Dave Perez will decorate prior to set up!
Wed. July 24 Set up 5:30pm: Jean, Beryl, Jackie

Sun. July 28 Tear down 3:30pm: Blue, Sarah, Jean, Beryl, Jackie

Booth Schedule

Fair 2013	AM 9:30-3:30	AM 9:30-3:30	PM 3:30-Close	PM 3:30-Close
Thur. July 25	Kim	Lynn	Jackie	
Fri. July 26	Kim	Beryl	Jean	
Sat July 27	Lynn & Bob	Jack	Terry	Todd
Sun. July 28	Daryl & Cathy		Blue	Sarah, Sonya, Jason

Birds

Beryl-Canaries	Todd-Calvin & Mecca Sat pm
Terry- Bourkes	Lynn-Senegal, Grey & Cockatiel will at attending booth
Jackie-Finches & Diamond Doves for big cage	
Kim- Toby-Amazon with Kim Thur/Fri am only	
Sarah-With a variety Sun pm	

Equipment needed

Chairs	1st Aid Kit	Fan	Water Bucket	Paper Towels	Newspaper
Supply Box	Fair Box	Brochures	Name tags	Ice chest	
Broom & Dustpan					

If you **cannot** make your shift please call—Jackie (530) 677-1035 or Lynn (209) 296-6262

Upcoming Marts, Shows and Events

- **July 7, 2013- San Jose, CA** San Jose Bird Mart, 9:30am-3pm - Santa Clara Fairgrounds, 344 Tully Rd., San Jose. Gateway Hall. Pay and Free Parking. Adults: \$8; Kids 6-12: \$2, under 5: Free. For more info visit www.SanJoseBirdMart.com
- **July 12-Plymouth, CA Amador Bird Club meeting 7:30pm**
- **July 21-Modesto, CA-CCCBC** guest speaker Jason Crean “Tea for Beaks”
- **July 25-28, Plymouth, CA-Amador County Fair! Come see our booth!**
- **Aug. 9-Plymouth, CA Amador Bird Club meeting 7:30pm**
- **Aug. 25, Roseville, CA-Foothill Bird Fanciers Annual Bird Mart** Placer County Fairgrounds, 800 All American Blvd, Roseville, CA 95678 at Jones Hall, 9am-3pm. For more info call 916-409-9276, 530-823-1677, 916-991-7421 or see website www.foothillbirdfanciers.com
- Sept. 7, Sonora, CA-Gold Country Aviculture Society Exotic Animals & Bird Show
- Sept. 8, Pleasanton, CA- Pleasanton Exotic Bird Mart
- **Sept 13, Plymouth, CA-Amador Bird Club Semi-Annual Raffle 7:30pm**
- **Oct. 26, CCCBC 60th Annual Bird Show & Bird Mart, MRPS Hall, 133 N Grant St. Manteca, CA 95336**-For Information contact Bird Show Manager Jane Perez (209) 245-3582 or Bird Mart Manager Terese Davis (209) 869-5066 see also website www.mycccbc.org



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Hard Cooked Eggs are summertime snacks. Make them fun by coloring them naturally—red cabbage makes them pale **blue**; beets color them **violet**; yellow onion skins for **orangy** color; turmeric powder for **yellow**; and use red onion skins for a **russet** color. Makes them fun to eat!

Article from The Gold Country Times

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
(Amador/Calaveras area)

For information on birds, referrals or the Amador Bird Club, please contact:

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Jackie Fox (530) 677-1035 (northwest area) or

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