

**CLEARWING BUDGERIGAR BREEDERS'
ASSOCIATION RULES**

As adopted at the A.G.M. 6th June 2010

1. Title
The title shall be
"The Clearwing Budgerigar Breeders' Association".
2. Objects
The objects of the Association shall be;
 - a) To promote the breeding and exhibition of the Clearwing variety of budgerigars.
 - b) To protect the interests of the members.
 - c) To grant Patronages at Shows and give assistance where possible.
 - d) To issue Progress Reports and a List of Members once a year.
3. Membership
Membership shall be open to fanciers throughout the world. Applications, accompanied by the annual subscription, to be made through the Membership Secretary.
4. Subscriptions
Annual subscriptions shall become due on 1st January of each year.
5. Eligibility for Awards etc.
Only fully paid-up members shall be eligible to compete for the Association's trophies and awards.
6. Financial Year
The financial year shall commence on 1st April and end on 31st March.
7. Funds
All funds shall be used solely for the purpose in keeping with the objects of the Association as laid down in these Rules and for such other purposes as may be decided by a majority of the Management Committee. Such funds shall be credited to accounts for which two signatures shall be required from either the Chairman, General Secretary or Treasurer for withdrawals.
8. Officers
The Officers of the Association shall consist of President, President-Elect, Life Vice-Presidents, Vice-Presidents, Chairman, Vice-Chairman, General Secretary, Membership Secretary, Patronage Secretary, Publicity Officer, Treasurer, Website Co-ordinator, Yearbook Editor, all of whom shall be elected at the Annual General Meeting or by postal ballot. All Officers will be ex-officio with voting powers on the Management Committee.
9. Duration of Office
The President will serve for a period of two years and may not be re-elected to the office until a further period of two years has elapsed. All other Officers shall be elected to serve for one year only, but on retiring shall be automatically eligible for re-election unless:
 - a) Notice to the contrary is received by the General Secretary before the Annual General Meeting.
 - b) Ceases to be a member of the Association. (Retiring Officers do not require re-nomination).
10. Resignation
Should any Officer resign, or die, during his or her term of office, the Management Committee shall have power to fill such vacancy at their discretion and co-opt as and when they deem it necessary.

11. **Nominations**
Nominations for any of the offices (as Rule 8) can be made in writing, signed by a Proposer and Seconded, with the signed consent of the Candidate for election, to reach the General Secretary 28 days prior to the Annual General Meeting. A member may not be the Proposer and/or Seconded for the nomination of more than one candidate, who must be a member of the Association.
12. **Postal Ballot**
Ballot papers to be sent to all members at least 14 days before the Annual General Meeting showing the names and addresses of candidates in alphabetical order. Such ballot papers to be returned to a Scrutineer elected at the previous Annual General Meeting and who need not be a member of the Association, 7 days prior to the Annual General Meeting. No ballot will be held if the nominations are eight or less.
13. **Annual General Meeting**
An Annual General Meeting shall be held each year at a time and place to be notified, for the following purposes:
 - a) To receive and consider the Statement of Accounts and Checker's report for the year ended 31st March.
 - b) To receive and consider the report of the Management Committee.
 - c) To elect Officers for the forthcoming year.
 - d) To elect an Accounts Checker.
 - e) To elect a Scrutineer.
 - f) To consider any proposals for alteration to the Rules of the Association. Notice of such proposals to be made in writing to the General Secretary not less than 7 days prior to the Annual General Meeting.
14. **Association's Business**
The business of the Association shall be conducted by the members at the Annual General Meeting or at such other meeting as the Management Committee may determine. The Management Committee shall have power to act in all matters which shall from time to time arise between General Meetings. Five members to form a quorum at any meeting of the Management Committee.
15. **Accounts**
A Cash Account shall be kept by the Treasurer who shall prepare a Statement to be presented to the Annual General Meeting and at any other time as the Management Committee may desire. For the Annual General Meeting the Statement should be checked by the Accounts Checker appointed at the previous Annual General Meeting and should bear the signatures of both the Accounts Checker and the Treasurer.
16. **Matters not covered by these Rules**
The Management Committee shall have power to deal with all matters which may arise from time to time and are not covered by these Rules. Such matters shall be reported to the Annual General Meeting.
17. **Members' Responsibilities**
Members shall be responsible for observing all the Rules of the Association at the time in force and shall be deemed to have full knowledge thereof at all times.