

Cochins International Newsletter



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2016 COCHINS INTERNATIONAL EASTERN NATIONAL

was put on by the Southern Ohio Poultry Association in Lucasville, Ohio on May 28 & 29, 2016
The Judge was Matt Lhamon for both Bantams and Large Fowl.
There were a total of 133 cochins shown; 114 Bantams and 19 Large Fowl.

Juniors had 19 cochins; 14 Bantams and 5 Large Fowl

Thank you Christopher Rob for taking all of the photos!!



Overall Champion Cochin, BB & BV Black Bantam Cockerel by Christopher Rob



Overall Reserve Champion Cochin, BB & BV Large Fowl Barred Hen by Linda Tobia



RB & BV Splash Bantam Pullet by Judy Gantt



Reserve AOV, RB & BV Large Fowl Partridge Hen by Rich Barczewski



Res AOV & BV Barred Bantam Hen by Edison Cigany



RV Barred Hen by Edison Cigany



RV Black Bantam Hen by Christopher Rob



BV Blue Bantam Hen by Judy Gantt



RV Blue Bantam Cock by Matt McCammon



BV Blue Mottled Bantam Cock by Judy Gantt



RV Blue Mottled Bantam Hen by Judy Gantt



BV Brown Red Bantam Pullet by Jay Yobst



BV Buff Bantam Cockerel by Dustin Drake



RV Buff Bantam Cockerel by Dustin Drake



BV Golden Laced Bantam Pullet by Jay Yobst



Best AOV & BV Mottled Bantam Hen by Matt McCammon



RV Mottled Bantam Pullet by Matt McCammon

Camera Shy!!



BV Silver Laced Bantam Pullet by Jay Yobst



RV Splash Bantam Pullet by Judy Gantt



BV White Bantam Hen by Judy Gantt



RV White Cockerel by Judy Gant



BV Black Frizzle Bantam Cock by Judy Gantt



RV Black Frizzle Bantam Pullet by Meredith Hoover



BV Blue Frizzle Bantam Cock by Judy Gantt



BV White Frizzle Bantam Pullet by Judy Gantt



RV White Frizzle Bantam Cockerel by Judy Gantt



BV Large Fowl Black Hen by Dustin Drake

RV Large Fowl Black Cock by Jeannie Jarvis



Camera Shy!!



BV Large Fowl Buff Cock by Jay Yobst



RV Large Fowl Partridge Hen by Rich Barczewski

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Greeting and happy summer!! We had a very different winter, from the 20's to the 50's; I supposed next year we will get hit hard with lots of snow and cold. I have attended a few shows, due to my fall; I didn't make it to several spring shows, doing much better.

I decided not to hatch this spring due to I am putting up a new barn and what would, I do with all of them birds. The barreds were laying like crazy and so I decided to do a few and today two barred chicks hatched, so I am hoping I will have a few good pullets and cockerels for next spring.

The 2016 EASTERN NATIONAL SHOW was a lot of fun. The club gave out goodie bags to the members and we had three drawings for sweatshirts. The SOPA gave our club \$250.00 for having our National at their show; I think everyone went home with some money. Congrats to all!

Congratulations go out to Christopher Rob for winning Overall Champion Cochin, BB, & BV with a Black Bantam Cockerel; Linda Tobia for winning Overall Reserve Champion, BB & BV with a Large Fowl Barred Hen; Rich Barczewski won RB, BV & RV with two Large Fowl Partridge Hens and Judy Gantt won RB & RV with a Splash Bantam Pullet. And in the junior class Jodi Frye cleaned up in the Large Fowl class winning BB & BV with a Black Hen and RB & BV with a Blue Pullet. Edison Cigany did the same clean up winning BB & BV with one of his Black Bantam Hens and RB & RV with the other Black Bantam Hen. Edison turned 16 at the show this year and had a party with all his chicken friends. Happy Birthday again Edison!!

Edison is our Club's first junior to complete the Junior Master Exhibitor program; he was awarded a certificate and a fleece jacket with the Cochin patch on the front. Congrats Edison!!



CI President, Linda
Tobia presenting
Junior Member,
Edison Cigany a
certificate and
jacket for being the
first Junior to
compete the Junior
Master Exhibitor
Program

Also awarded at the show, congratulations to Matt McCammon for reaching his 250 points with black bantams, Greg and Christy Michael 250 points with white bantams, Maxie and Cindy Chastain 500 points with black bantams and Lacy and Amber Conlan 100 points Large Fowl blacks.

CI President, Linda Tobia presenting Matt McCammon with his MBP certificate for achieving 250 MB points in Black Bantams.





CI President, Linda Tobia, presenting Master Breeders Point certificates and having a meeting.



CI members having a discussion.



CI members enjoying the show and trying to stay cool!

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Greetings from Colorado!

It's been a quiet spring here, as I kept my incubators quiet. As many of you know, I'm planning on moving this summer, and chicks in the brooder are not something I thought was smart to tackle along with the move. But watching my 2015 youngsters mature over the winter has me full of anticipation for the fall shows! The addition of Brown Reds and Lemon Blues has been fun and rewarding.

Shopping for a new home with poultry-friendly acreage (hopefully in Missouri) is exciting; packing and leaving my home after 29 years is daunting, to say the least. But I'm looking forward to the challenge of starting a new chapter in my life!

I want to take a moment to send my condolences again to the family and friends of Troy Cashman, who passed in March. Troy joined the CI family just a couple of years ago, but was already well on his way establishing a very fine flock of Bantam Cochins. I will miss his enthusiasm and friendship.

Wishing you all a great summer! Gail Carlson, Vice-President

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Time sure flies when you are having fun seems like just yesterday I was writing the winter article. The spring has been pretty busy for me. I have been hatching like crazy and have been getting a lot of birds out there for others to enjoy. Every time I ship birds across the country I am hoping to spark that forever hobbyist who will get the enjoyment of raising and showing the breed we all love so much.

I had the pleasure of judging a show in Vermont put on by Mark and Lisa Podgwaite. They did a great job it was great to see Donna and Brenda at the show and catch up with old friends. This weekend I judge in Syracuse and in two weeks Canada. I have

about 9 fairs for August and then the fall is booked right up. I am really excited to judge the Cochins Western National in Sedalia. I have judged the Nationals a few times and just enjoy going through all of the cochins.

Thank you for giving me this opportunity. I also want to thank everyone for representing this club as Treasurer. I plan on continuing to run for this position until someone else would like to volunteer.

Since the last newsletter we have had the following bills:

\$227.71 for the January Newsletter, Advertising in "The Exhibitor" \$30, APA ad and Ameritee Sweatshirts \$2470, Printing \$118.91, John Neff Master breeder plaques \$93, Postage and National gifts \$249.40. Deposits are \$804.50, \$432.10, \$372.10, \$255.00, and \$120.00. Linda Tobia and Linda Lucas have done an amazing job to keep selling product that covers the cost of things. Thank you. Until next time take care and have a good summer. Jamie

North Central Director - IL, IN, KY, MI, OH, WI: No Report

Northeast 1 Director - CT, ME, MA, NH, NY, RI, VT : No Report

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NE II District Directors Report by Rich Barczewski

It is hard to believe that we are quickly approaching summer and for most of us, that involves stepping up the outside chores due to the increased number of birds we have as those youngsters start hitting the grow out pens. I got a little late start on my hatching but still was able to get out my 50 chicks or so. Now good care and feeding will give me an idea of how this new crop will turn out.

We have been very fortunate in Cochins International to have a good group of dedicated individuals who work tirelessly for the benefit of our club. Compared to many breed clubs out there, CI is one of the most active, however, like all clubs our success depends on member involvement. All the district directors need to hear from the membership as to what the club can do to better serve the membership.

Some of our districts have a lot of shows while others do not. I definitely appreciate hearing from the membership regarding the placement of meets, be they special, district or national meets. Each year, one district meet is placed in each district. District meets are placed by the district directors. The National meet comes to the districts on a rotational basis with there being two national meets per year, one in the East and one in the West. Usually, National meets are bid on by the club wishing to host the meets. Sometimes, clubs are willing to put up prize money, special cooping (single deck) or special awards for a national meeting being placed at their show.

Information gathered for the national meets are then shared with the board of directors which is comprised of the officers and directors of the club to vote. I mention this because your club may be interested in hosting a national meet of CI at your show.

On another topic, I was glad to see that the Avian Influenza scare has quieted down. As a group, we need to remain diligent in our efforts to make sure this disease says out of our hobby. Good biosecurity is always in order when traveling to and from shows or any other gathering where birds are present.

Until next time, let's keep those Cochins up on Champion row!

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Southeast Regions - AL, GA, FL, MS, NC, SC, TN: No Report

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Southwest Regions - AR, CO, KS, LA, MO, NM, OK, TX: No Report

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West Central Director - IA, MN, MT, NE, ND, SD, and WY: No Report

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I have nothing to report at this time around. Kathy Stevenson.

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Update from Romania by Bobo Athes:

Romania has finally followed the example of European countries like Germany, Belgium and the Netherlands (and most of the others...), and now it has a special Club for Brahmas and Cochins. The main reason for this is the huge interest for these two breeds, in Romania and across the entire Europe, with Turkey being the latest addition to the long line of countries affected by the Brahma- and Cochin-craze. In Romania, at most shows, Brahmas and Cochins make up more than half of the number of birds exhibited. Romanians have obtained several European Champion prizes in both breeds (the large version - Bantam Brahmas and Cochins are being bred and exhibited, but their popularity is no match for the "giants"). The club includes both breeds for practical reasons - most of the Brahma breeders also breed Cochins, or at least they know a lot about the latter. A mention should be made, however: Brahmas are much more popular than Cochins (for now, but we are working on it :)) - says a Brahma breeder...), with Light (White-Black Columbian) Brahmas being the most visible in the backyards and at shows - for example, last year, at the Nationals, more than 150 Light Brahmas (Large) were presented. In the Large Cochins, Buffs, Blacks and Mottleds are the most frequently met varieties - these three varieties have been relentlessly upgrading their appearance at shows, thanks to the breeders' efforts. I have been elected as the President for the Cochin department of the Club, so I will try to contribute to the "public image" of Cochins the best I can.

In the pictures: my Buff male that won Best of Breed at our regional show, and my two pullets (the competition in Large Cochins is getting fiercer and fiercer, which is a true joy for all the Cochin fans, irrespective of country; I hope we can maintain this pace of perpetually improving this great breed).













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Junior Program News

I hope everyone had a successful spring hatching chicks and that you are looking forward to summer vacation! Don't forget to seek advice from an experienced club member if you ever have questions about breeding, conditioning, or showing your cochins. We have many people willing and ready to help!!

Please use caution if traveling with, or showing your cochins in the summer heat. Make sure your birds receive plenty of fresh air in those hot show boxes and provide frequent access to cool water. Frozen water bottles and electric fans also greatly assist in reducing heat stress on your birds. Several people have lost birds while traveling to shows in the heat this spring.

A few of our members have been confused about submitting show points. It is the responsibility of the *junior members* to submit show records for points. I do not receive show reports from YEPA or any poultry show secretaries. The junior program is separate from the CI Master Exhibitor Program, and our club point keeper only receives points for Open Shows. Also, *JUNIORS*, PLEASE SUBMIT YOUR SHOWMANSHIP FORMS, SERVICE FORMS, AND SHOW RECORDS/ POINTS BY U.S. POSTAL MAIL (snail mail). *I will no longer accept e-mails*. I have had trouble with the required information being missing from e-mails in addition to poor and difficult to decipher photographs of coop tags. Please make photocopies of your coop tags and send them with the required information that is outlined in the junior program description found in the letters I sent out last summer and on the Cochins International website. If you only wish to receive a Best of Breed or Reserve of Breed pin, a photocopy of your coop tags, and the name and date of the show along with your return address is all that is necessary.



A HUGE CONGRATULATIONS goes out to Edison Cigany for being the first junior member of our club to complete the Junior Master Exhibitor Program!!!! Linda Tobia presented Edison with a Certificate of Completion and a personalized Junior Master Exhibitor jacket at the Southern Ohio Poultry Association show on May 28, 2016 in Lucasville, Ohio.

The 2016 Eastern Cochin National was held at the Southern Ohio Poultry Assoc. show in Lucasville, Ohio on May 28. Thank you to all the juniors who participated in that show! It was a hot weekend, but the kids had a good time cooling off with a water balloon fight!

Congratulations to Edison Cigany who won Best of Breed, Champion Feather leg and Champion Bantam of the Junior Show with a beautiful black bantam cochin hen!





Congratulations to Jodi Frye who won Reserve of Breed with a blue large fowl pullet and Best of Breed and Reserve Champion Asiatic with a black large fowl pullet in the Junior Show at the Eastern National.

I hope everyone has a safe summer!

Sincerely, Teri Frye, Junior Program Director

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As of June 19, 2016, we have 179 members and 56 members are juniors. 155 members receive their newsletter by e-mail and 24 members receive the newsletter by mail.

If you have an email address and you receive your newsletter in the mail, please send it to me, so we can reduce the cost of postage, plus you can see the pictures in color instead of black and white. Also, if any of your information has changed (address, phone number, email address, last name, etch) please let me know. The membership application can be downloaded from our website www.cochinsint.com/membership, you can pay for more than one year at a time.

If you have any questions concerning your membership and/or you master breeder points please contact me by phone or email. Thanks, Linda Lucas

DUES:

Membership runs from **January 1 to December 31** of each year. Regular individual membership and family membership dues are \$15.00, junior membership (under age 18) is \$7.50, however, junior members **do not** earn Master Breeder points. If a junior wishes to earn points then he/she **must** purchase a regular individual membership and compete in an open show. We hope you will consider joining Cochins International today by printing and filling out the linked form below. Dues payments can be made by check **(Made out to COCHINS INTERNATIONAL) or PAYPAL**, which can be sent to, Linda Lucas, our Membership Chairperson, as indicated on the form. **Visit www.cochinsint.com** to download a membership application!

<u>CI Special Meet – Master Breeder Program:</u>

We have a well-established Master Breeder Program, whereby members earn points based on the number of Cochins exhibited at shows which host Cochins International meets. There are currently two Master Breeders point total recognition levels. Upon achieving 100 points in any given variety a Cochin Breeder receives a Certificate of Achievement. Master Breeder status is earned upon reaching 500 points in a variety and a plaque is awarded to recognize this achievement.

Points are accumulated as follows:

- Master Breeder upon achieving 500 points in no less than five (5) years.
- One point is earned for every five Cochins exhibited for Best and Reserve of Variety.
- One point is earned for every five Cochins exhibited for Best and Reserve of Breed.
- One point is earned for every five Cochins exhibited for Overall Champion (FL and Bantams).
- There must be at least five Large Fowl and five Bantam Cochins in competition.
- The points are awarded for the highest win an individual bird earns in its class.

A Certificate of Merit will be awarded for the first One Hundred points in any variety.

Master Breeder status is earned upon reaching 500 points in a variety and a plaque is award to recognize this achievement.

Cochins International Annual Exhibitor Awards:

Cochins International recognizes those Exhibitors that have demonstrated outstanding achievement by earning the most Master Breeder Points ⁽¹⁾ on an annual basis (January 1 thru December 31) of every year. Certificates for "Exhibitor of the Year" will be awarded in the following categories ⁽³⁾:

Exhibitors earning the most MB points in every Standardized (2) Bantam Variety

Example: Exhibitor of the Year – Black Bantam Cochins

Example: Exhibitor of the Year – Silver Laced Bantam Cochins

Example: Exhibitor of the Year – Mottled Bantam Cochins

Section Exhibitors earning the most MB points in every Standardized (2) Large Fowl Variety

Example: Exhibitor of the Year – White Large Fowl Cochins

Example: Exhibitor of the Year – Partridge Large Fowl Cochin

Example: Exhibitor of the Year – Barred Large Fowl Cochins

Exhibitor earning the most combined MB points in all Standardized (2) Bantam Varieties combined

Example: Exhibitor of the Year – Bantam Cochins

- **Exhibitor earning the most combined MB points in all Standardized** (2) Large Fowl Varieties combined Example: Exhibitor of the Year Large Fowl Cochins
- 1) Master Breeder Points earned based on existing Cochins International Master Breeder Point Program.
- 2) Non-Standard Varieties, and any MB points earned in Non-Standard Varieties, are not eligible toward Annual Exhibitor Awards.
- 3) In the event of a tie in MB points earned, dual awards will be given.



THIS IS ELECTION YEAR!!! THE FOLLOWING MEMBERS ARE RUNNING FOR THE VARIOUS OFFICES



As you all know this is an election year. Please read the question carefully below this will be on the ballot and all of the intents for the different office and district directors. You will receive your ballot in the next newsletter in September. Thanks, Linda Tobia

PLEASE READ THE BELOW STATEMENT, IT WILL BE ON THE BALLOT TO BE VOTED ON!!

The topic of AOV (Any Other Variety) awards was recently discussed at the CI Eastern National held at Lucasville, OH. Matt Lhamon, who judged the Cochins at the show, asked which varieties were to be considered for the AOV awards. The club handbook and bylaws were consulted, but no specific wording was located. President Linda, Jay Yobst, Judy Gantt, and Matt McCammon were consulted for information. A consensus was reached that any variety could be considered that had not been chosen for Best of breed or Reserve of Breed. Matt McCammon began a discussion during the meeting and asked those present if they agreed that this information should be included in the handbook. The majority agreed. Then a discussion was held concerning the official wording. Member Rich Barczewski suggested that the wording should read "AOV awards should not include birds from the following varieties: black, white, or the varieties from which the Best of Breed or the Reserve of Breed have been determined ". The majority of members agreed on this wording. It was then suggested by Jay Yobst that this be voted on by the membership. President Linda suggested it be put in the newsletter and voted on by the members attending the Western National in the Fall. Rich Barczewski suggested that the wording be included in the election ballot and mailed to each member so they can vote for or against the wording. The majority agreed. Please consider this measure and vote your opinion in the up-coming election.

Gail Carlson's Letter of Intent for Vice-President:

Dear Cochins International Members,

I want to thank the Membership for your trust in allowing me to serve as your Vice-President since January of 2015. It is an honor, privilege and responsibility that I do not take lightly.

I am proud to have sponsored two new initiatives we implemented this past year: 1) the Annual Exhibitor Awards and 2) elimination of the 2-exhibitor rule for Master Breeder points. I know these will enhance both the quantity and quality of Cochins of all Varieties seen in the showrooms.

Thank you for allowing me to continue my work for you as Publisher of the Breeders Directory, and as Webmaster of the club website, www.CochinsInt.com. Working so closely with our members on the Directory, and presenting the wonderful world of Cochins to the general public through our website, are opportunities that have proved to be not only challenging, but very rewarding as well.

I have made friendships in the Cochin Community the past few years that I know will last a lifetime. Cochins International continues as one of the best breed clubs in the Fancy! It is truly an honor to represent you as your Vice-President, and I hope you will support me as I seek re-election.

With sincerest thanks, Gail Carlson

Shari Evans's Letter of Intent for Secretary:

Hello, my name is Shari Evans and I am running for Cochins International Secretary. I have been showing Large Fowl Black and Blue Cochins for about 4 years ever since my daughter Sadie fell in Love with them. I love this variety and Large Fowl in General. I think that as a Representative out in this Community, I can promote the Breed and the Exhibition of Cochins. I would also promote the junior programs which builds the breeds future promoters. I look forward to working with all of you in this position. Your Support is appreciated. Shari Evans

Christopher Rob's Letter of Intent for Secretary:

Hi everyone, my name is Christopher Rob and my hope is to be your new club Secretary. I have been part of the club in the past and more recently have rejoined. I have been breeding poultry for over 10 years in Southwestern Pennsylvania. The first breed in which I had started with where Bantam Cochins, which till this day are my favorite of all chicken breeds. I have had the whole array of colors to which where lovely but since have cut back to only one, my Black Cochin Bantams. Through the time of starting with these birds I have grown as a person with responsibility, accountability, critical decision making, documentation and creativity that is required to perfect these wonderful animals. They are the reason I chose a career in the veterinary field, that I fully enjoy. I am very involved with my local youth through the birds & 4-H, which I believe as a club we should permanently retain this program for these kids are the future of the fancy. I know because not long ago, I was one of these kids I speak of. The relationships I have earned from the breeding/exhibition of these birds have expanded fluency and understanding of what it takes to be a breeder and exhibitor of years past and present. These lessons I hope, will further the club's wealth, knowledge and commitment to its members along with my personal intrigue. Again I want to thank you for the opportunity and your consideration to run for this position and look forward to meeting even more members than I have so far. All take care and enjoy the summertime splendors, Christopher Rob running for Secretary.

Matt Lhamon's Letter of Intent for North Central Director (IL, IN, KY, MI, OH, WI):

Hello Cochin International Members,

I was asked to write a brief introduction about me and why I wanted to sever as the North Central District Director of Cochins International.

I have been in the exhibition poultry hobby for 45 years, I started when I was 12 and have been at it ever since in one fashion or another. I am an ABA, APA, Modern Game Club and Wyandotte Club Life member and Licensed Judge of the ABA/APA and SCNA. I have served as the President, Vice President and District Director of the ABA. I was the Secretary of the Rhode Island Red Cub of American, Vice President and District Director of the Plymouth Rock Club of American, District Director of the Modern Game Club of American and the Wyandotte Bantam Club of America.

I was the Secretary of the West Central Ohio Poultry Show in Wapakoneta, OH which for many years was the largest Spring Show in the US. I am currently a member and active in the Ohio Poultry Breeders which puts on The Ohio National which in most years is the largest poultry show in the US. Bill Wulff once told me no one should be able to complain about our hobby unless they have done all the above jobs. I have done them all and it made appreciate those who do them with little or no accolades!

Cochin Bantams were my first love and White Cochin Bantams from Mrs. Hazel Brickey were the first bantams I owned. I was mentored by the greats, Bob Enslen, D. Ross Blanford, Ed Miller, A.S Gibbons, John Wunderlich, F. Clay Dove, Mike Sayre, H. Craig Carrol, Keith LeGrand, and many others who slip my mind at this time. I was at the meeting when we combined the old US Cochin Bantam Club and the World Cochin Family to form Cochins International.

I never ran for office as for many years the club was in good hands and did not need me. Our District now needs a strong representative to promote the shows in our District. I have done that for the ABA and several breed clubs successfully in the past and will do it for Cochins International.

Our National Meets need to be held and promoted at the major shows in the US that draw the largest number of our members and Cochins! I have never been a fan of having a show in a District just because of a rotation or few or no bids! I feel that is not good for the club and the breed.

Enough for now, please consider me for your District Director in the upcoming election Matt Lhamon

Lisa Podgwaite's Letter of Intent for Northeast 1 Director (CT, ME, MA, NH, NY, RI, VT):

I would like to continue, so I am running for District 1 Director. I have very much enjoyed helping out folks with questions, membership. I have learned, so much as a director that does not have to do with getting birds ready for a show.

Please accept me for District 1 Director, Lisa Podgwaite

Bryant Helvey's Letter of Intent for Pacific Director (AK, AZ, CA, HI, ID, NV, OR, UT, WA):

My name is Bryant Helvey and I would like to be the Pacific Director.

Poultry has been my past-time since I was 6, at which time I would sit on my parent's bed on Saturday morning looking at the Murray McMurray catalog and explain to them which breeds I would have someday. I received my first chickens when I was a 12 year old 4-Her, a gift from someone who wanted to support young people in the hobby. They were a trio of bantam blue cochins. At my first poultry show, PPBA in Roseville, CA, I received reserve feather legged in the open show with one of those hens!

I have now been breeding bantam cochins for 23 years. After my youth experiences, I have shown infrequently and my passion in the birds remains breeding and color genetics. I suppose I stay true to cochins because they offer so many challenges in their confirmation standard and successful breeding. There are more logical choices.

I have been a member of the club since we were the "World Cochin Family." I am proud that we have such a strong, traditional breed club but that we have also adapted well. Tom Roebuck led the way into technology by maintaining a great website for years. Now we have a great, educational website, online activities, and an active Facebook presence.

I am very busy as we all are, but this club is strong because of volunteers and my time has come to give back. The Pacific region needs an ambassador after Tim Johnson has done a great job and it is a good opportunity to get re-involved with the show scene. My term goal will be to get every youth Cochin exhibitor in our Pacific region to be a club member. My plan is to sponsor one-year youth membership as a "participation award" to all non-member exhibitors at all region shows in the next 12 months.

Thank you for supporting our club and my turn to represent it. Bryant Helvey

Ivy Young's Letter of Intent for Southeast Director (AL, GA, FL, MS, NC, SC, TN):

My name is Ivy Young and I would like to be the Southeast District Director for Cochins International.

I have been breeding bantam cochins for about 9-10 years now and going to all the shows around the southeast very frequently for the past 4 years. I would love the opportunity to represent the southeast district on the Cochins International board. I am very familiar with the shows that are in this district and look forward to working with all the clubs to make sure show reports are filled out and turned in in a timely manner. Sometimes these can get over-looked and as a exhibitor myself, I know how important those reports are to get credit for all our hard work. My husband is the secretary for the OEGBCA, so I already have a lot of experience with assisting with placing special meets, district meets, etc. for that club. I have all contact info for the current clubs in this district and know a lot of the show secretaries personally.

I also have 2 young daughters, Tabitha and Tessa Young that are working with me on our Cochins. I would be more than excited at the chance to work closely with Teri Frye to include junior awards at our shows! Teri does a wonderful job with the juniors and I would be more than willing to help her in anyway.

I also have a huge passion for the rare colors in cochins (lemon blues and brown reds)

I would also like to take time to thank Marty McGuire for his service to our club. He has been a huge help to myself and my family with all his knowledge and advice his has given with open arms. I am honored to call Marty a personal friend. And with his blessing to run for this position I am truly excited.

Thank you for your consideration. If I can answer any questions you may have, please feel free to call or email me at any time.

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Bernita Miller's Letter of Intent for Southwest Director (AR, CO, KS, LA, MO, NM, OK, TX):

My name is Bernita Miller and I am running for southwest district director. I have been married to Ken Miller for 29 years. I have 2 sons, 2 step-sons, 5 grandchildren and 3 step-grandchildren. I have been the secretary / treasury of the Missouri State Poultry Assoc for 15 years. We raised black, white, barred, silver penciled, buff, birchen, red, golden laced and partridge bantam cochins. I have increased our junior show, by placing more activities for the juniors to do.

I enjoy the birds and going to the shows. I would like to continue being your Southwest Director.

Thank you for voting for me. Bernita Miller

Craig Hanson's Letter of Intent for West Central Director (IA, MN, MT, NE, ND, SD, WY):

My name is Craig Hansen and I am announcing my intent to run for the West Central District Directors position. I have been breeding and exhibiting my Cochins since before my retirement in 2009 here in Iowa. I wish to thank Jerry Church who has served as our director for several years now and wish he had chosen to continue as our director. I ask for the chance to serve as your representative on the Cochins International Board of Directors.

Thank you for your support, Craig Hansen

OTHER COCHIN INFORMATION:

- The Cochins International newsletter is published three (3) times per year. Approximate printing dates are December 30th, June 30th and September 30th. Send all submissions to the editor at least two weeks prior to the printing date. Club questions and concerns regarding policy should be addressed to the PRESIDENT, Linda Tobia.
- Monetary concerns should be addressed to the TREASURER, Jamie Matts.
- ➤ All show placements requests should be sent by the Show Secretary to the appropriate DISTRICT DIRECTOR.
- Material submitted for publication, Show Reports, Membership and Master Breeder Point questions and /or concerns should be addressed to the CHAIRPERSON, Linda Lucas.
- > Breeders Directory questions and information should be sent to the DIRECTORY CHAIRMAN, Gail Carlson. Ballots should be address to Jamie Matts

LEGACY AWARDS:

The "Legacy Awards" will be made annually in the honorees' home District for the Variety in which they earned MB status. Honorees are subject to nomination and Board approval on an individual case by case basis. Should a duplicate award situation arise, it will be addressed by the BOD at that time. The following were unanimously approved as the first honorees, beginning with their respective District shows in 2016:

- a) Jimmie Currens Legacy Award / Annually at the North Central District Meet for Best Bantam White
- b) Otes Ray, Sr. Legacy Award / Annually at the Southeast District Meet for Best Bantam Black
- c) Bill Ziehm Legacy Award / Annually at the Northeast 1 District Meet for Best Bantam Black

NEWSLETTER:

I am looking for someone to <u>VOLUNTEER</u> to take over the NEWSLETTER, as of December 31, 2016 I will no long be able to continue doing the newsletter <u>Itobia@tds.net</u> or 517-468-3429.

<u>WELCOME FROM THE PRESIDENT:</u> I would like to welcome all of the new Cochin members. Some of you I have met and some of you I have not met. I enjoyed meeting and talking with you at the shows. I hope you enjoy reading the newsletter and if you did not receive a Breeders Directory contact me, Linda Tobia ltobia@tds.net or call (517)468-3429 and I will see to it that you get a copy. Remember the Breeders Directory is a good working tool for when you are looking for that special variety. WELCOME!! Linda Tobia

New Members as of May 31, 2016:

HOLLY* & PRESTON* CASSADY & GARY & KRISTYL	BOAZ	PLEASANT HILL	МО
NATALIA	BREEDEN*	LONGVIEW	WA
HALEY	DEMANGELAERE*	SPANAWAY	WA
DYLAN PAGE* & RONALD	DESTERLE	WASHINGTON COURT HOUSE	ОН
JOE, GIANNA, CALISTA* & CALLETTE*	HADDEN	KITTANNING	PA
MEREDITH	HOOVER	MOGADORE	ОН
VANESSA & NATHANIEL **	HUDSON	CARTHAGE	МО
MICHAEL BERT & JEANNIE	JARVIS	ZANESVILLE	ОН
ANGELA & TONY	MILLS	ORANGE	TX
MARLIN & DIANNE	WEER	LEXINGTON	IL

NATIONAL SHOW ROTATIONS:

2016 – EASTERN – NORTH CENTRAL	2016 – WESTERN – SOUTH WEST
2017 – EASTERN – SOUTH EAST	2017 – WESTERN - WEST CENTRAL
2018 – EASTERN – NORTH EAST 2	2018 – WESTERN – PACIFIC
2019 – EASTERN – CANADA	2019 – WESTERN – SOUTH WEST

2016 WESTERN NATIONAL WILL BE HELD by THE MISSOURI STATE POULTRY ASSOCIATION AT SELDALIA, MISSOURI on OCTOBER 22, 2016.

- The MSPA Club has donated \$150.00 and trophies to COCHIN INTERNATIONAL to award to its members.
- ❖ All cages will be single stack.
- CI will award Champion LF and Champion Bantam with a slate plague hand painted with their Champion bird.
- The junior class LF Champion and Bantam Champion will be awarded something special.
- There will be a 50/50 raffle.
- The judge will be Jamie Matts.

Code of Conduct Disciplinary Action:

The Board of Directors recently took action to remove a member from our rolls. A formal hearing, as prescribed by ARTICLE VI, Section 4, of the Disciplinary Actions of the Constitution was held concerning the conduct of a COCHIN member. Evidence was presented and discussed followed by an oral vote of Board of Directors. The member in question was permanently expelled from the organization.

The Board of Directors of Cochins International takes issues of member conduct very seriously and feels that only in the most extreme circumstances should a member be sanctioned or removed from the club. Unfortunately, recent occurrences by one of our members have resulted in the Board taking action to remove that member from our rolls. A formal hearing, as prescribed in Article VI, Section 4 of the Disciplinary Actions of the Constitution was held concerning the conduct of one of our members.

Evidence was presented and discussed and followed by an oral vote of the Board of Directors. The vote resulted in the member in question being permanently removed from our organization. No member should ever have to worry about being barred from an organization, however, when individuals act in such a way that is contrary to the purpose and function of the organization, or negatively impacts other members, action must be taken to preserve the integrity of the organization.

CODE OF CONDUCT - Article VI of Cochins International By-Laws

In order to promote values such as integrity, service and friendship, education in promoting purebred poultry and to maintain consistency throughout the poultry fancy, Cochins International will adopt the American Bantam Association (ABA) Code of Conduct as follows:

Purpose:

- 1. Provides a democratic and orderly process to address activities that may have a negative impact to the integrity, operation and long term health of Cochins International.
- 2. Promotes values that maintain the strength and longevity of Cochins International.

Grounds for Disciplinary Actions:

- 1. Theft or any other actions that impact or compromise the financial integrity of Cochins International.
- 2. Organized or individual attempts to purposely slander or discredit the integrity or stature of Cochins International, its Officers, Regional Directors and/or the general membership.
- 3. Misrepresentation of Cochins International credentials, logo, property, etc., for the purpose of personal gain.
- 4. Discrimination and harassment based on race, color, religion, gender, sexual orientation, national origin, or any other class.
- 5. Violence or threats of violence.
- Any additional actions that result in significant negative impact to Cochins International.

Procedures for Addressing Code of Conduct Violations:

- 1. The Board of Directors will conduct an appropriate hearing to validate or disprove any of the above violations.
- 2. The discussion/hearing shall be held at the next scheduled meeting of the Board of Directors. (If there is an immediate need to discuss or address an urgent issue, other forms of Cochins International / May, 2014 Page 7 communication/discussion may be used including e-mail, phone, conference, etc.)
- 3. Recommended disciplinary actions must be passed by a majority vote of the Board of Directors of Cochins International.

4. Disciplinary steps as agreed upon by majority vote will be communicated by the President of Cochins International.

Disciplinary Actions:

Any member who fails to maintain adherence to the Cochins International Code of Conduct is subject to disciplinary action, including but not limited to the following in any order or combination:

- 1. Verbal warning issued by any member of the Executive Board of Cochins International.
- 2. Written warning issued by Cochins International.
- 3. Membership suspension for six months or greater.
- 4. Permanent membership suspension.

All final disciplinary actions and decisions are up to the complete discretion of the Board of Directors of Cochins International

COCHINS INTERNATIONAL MERCHANDISE:

Sale on OOPS sweatshirts!! The manufacturer made an error on our sweatshirts by putting the wrong pattern on the back. See attach flier for sale information. The sweatshirts are \$20.00 and the hoodie sweatshirts are \$28.00 plus shipping. All sizes: S - M - L - XL - 2X - 3X & 4X **SEE FLIER THAT IS ON THE LAST PAGE OF NEWSLETTER**

Cochin Sweatshirts are \$25.00 each and Hoodie Sweatshirts are \$35.00 each plus shipping. The sweats are gray with the colorful COCHIN patch on the front and the hoodies have the front pocket for the hands to stay warm. The back has a pair of cochins that are outlined in black. You can go to the website and check them out. Sizes are Small, Medium, Large, X-Large, 2X, 3X and 4X.

- ❖ Cochin T-Shirts colors are hunter green with our colorful COCHIN EMBLUM on the front and two beautiful COCHINS (Bantam and Large Fowl) in gold on the back. Cost is \$20.00 each plus shipping.
- Hats are in Kelly Green, Sky Blue and Pink on the front and white on the back of hat. All three colors come with COCHINS INTERNATIONAL embroider on the front. The embroidery is white on the green and pink hats and the Sky Blue hat is done in Black. Cost is \$10.00 each plus shipping.
- Patches are done in our colorful COCHIN EMBLUM with a white Cochin on the inside. Cost is \$5.00 plus shipping.
- Decals are a family of Cochins, WHITE ONLY and 10 x 8 inches in size. Cost \$9.00 each plus shipping.
- **Bottle and Can Hand Holders** are \$1.50 each plus shipping.
- 2016 Cochins International Calendars are ON SALE FOR \$10.00 plus shipping.

To purchase any of the merchandise and/or find out how much the shipping cost will be, send an email Linda Tobia at ltobia@tds.net or call (517)468-3429. Also, check our website www.cochinsint.com under ALL ABOUT US for a colored picture of each product.

Make checks payable to COCHINS INTERNATIONAL or send your payment via PayPal. Paypal Payments should be sent to cochinsint@gmail.com. (Do not put www in front) Please be sure to mark your PayPal payment as a GIFT, and don't forget to include in the comment box what you are ordering, including the size and color, if applicable.

Congratulations to the below CI members on earning their Master Breeder Certificates!

MILESTONES:

Lacy & Amber Conlan	Large Fowl Blacks	100 certificate
Linda Tobia	Large Fowl Barred	100 certificate
Greg & Christy Michael	White Bantams	250 certificate
Matt McCammon	Black Bantams	250 certificate
Maxie & Cindy Chastain	White Bantams	500 certificate

2016 SHOW CALENDAR by DATE				
June:				
Jun 4	Coulee Region Poultry Club	Galesville	WI	chantecler7@gmail.com (608)857-3386
Jun 5	Finger Lakes Feather Club	Syracuse	NY	<u>icpierce43@gmail.com</u> (315)492-1974

Jun 11	Buckeye Fancy Feather Club	Canfield	O H	<u>rjos2256@gmail.com</u> (330)426-6870
Jun 18	Marion County Fair	Indianapolis	IN	www.marioncountyfair.org
Jun 19	Connecticut Poultry Breeders Society - COCHINS INTERNATIONAL - 2016 NORTHEAST 1 DISTRICT MEET	Durham	СТ	www.connecticutpoultrybreederssociety.com
August:				
Aug 5 - 21	Indiana State Fair	Indianapolis	IN	www.IndianaStateFair.com or (317)927-7515
September:				
Sep 3	White River Poultry Club	Spencer	IN	812-876-8651
Sep 10	Buffalo & Western NY Poultry Show	Bath	NY	blackrosecomb@gmail.com
Sep 11	Twin Tier Poultry Club	Bath	NY	rodewhit@gmail.com
October:				
Oct 1	Central Illinois Poultry Club	Bloomington	IL	www.centralillinoispoultryshow.com kurt@gerdeslandscaping.com (815)712-8625
Oct 7-8	Utah Fancy Poultry Association - Double Show	Farmington	UT	mikecspencer@comcast.net
Oct 15	Alabama Bantam Club Fall Show - Double Show - Large Fowl Cochins Allowed - COCHINS INTERNATIONAL 2016 SOUTHEAST DISTRICT MEET	Clanton	AL	marty.mcguire1958@gmail.com
Oct 15	Central Indiana Poultry Show	Lebanon	IN	on FB: Central Indiana Poultry Show rpatter56@gmail.com or dakers@purdue.edu
Oct 22	Missouri State Poultry Association - Double Show COCHINS INTERNATIONAL 2016 WESTERN NATIONAL MEET	Sedalia	M 0	bmiller@iland.net or 660-647-2474
November:				
Nov 12-13	Ohio National - APA National Meet	Columbus	O H	<u>www.ohionational.org</u> (419)409-0266 or (419)568-7402
Nov 18-19	Masters Cup	Webster City	IA	www.mastercuppoultryshow.com (641)430-2916
Nov 26-27	Eastern Iowa Poultry Show	Iowa City	IA	www.facebook.com/EasternIowaPoultryAssn pbshank@netins.net
December:				
Dec 10-11	Oklahoma State Poultry Federation - COCHINS INTERNATIONAL 2016 SOUTHWEST DISTRICT MEET	Shawnee	ОК	www.oklahomastatepoultryfederation.com
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Have a safe & wonderful 4th of July!!

