

COCHINS INTERNATIONAL



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!! ELECTION RESULTS !!

Welcome to our New Board of Directors!

!! EAST & WEST NATIONAL MEET RESULTS !!

**2018 CI EASTERN NATIONAL
OVERALL CHAMPION COCHIN**
CHAMPION ASIATIC
CHAMP. LARGE FOWL COCHIN
Tennessee Valley Poultry Club
Knoxville, TN
December, 2018
Large Fowl Partridge Hen by
M&M Exhibition Poultry



**2018 CI WESTERN NATIONAL
OVERALL CHAMPION COCHIN**
CHAMPION FEATHERLEG
Pacific NW Breeders Assn.
Ridgefield, WA
December, 2018
Bantam Black Hen by
Joe Mazur

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CELEBRATING EXHIBITION EXCELLENCE!

SHOW GRAND CHAMPION

Union Fair
Union, ME
August, 2018
Bantam Splash Hen by
Bill Mackowski



SHOW GRAND CHAMPION
White River Poultry Club Show
Spencer, IN
September, 2018
Bantam Black Hen by
Matt McCammon

SHOW GRAND CHAMPION (1st Show)

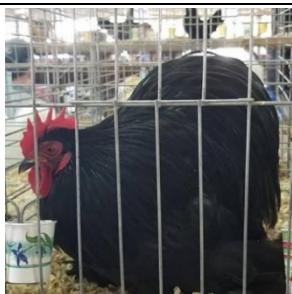
RSV. SHOW CHAMPION (2nd Show)
Rocky Mountain Poultry Assn.
Great Falls, MT
September, 2018
Bantam Black Hen by
Desiree Roth



RESERVE FEATHERLEG
Central Maine Bird Fanciers
Windsor, ME
October, 2018
Bantam Black Cock by
Karl Rau



CELEBRATING EXHIBITION EXCELLENCE!



RESERVE FEATHERLEG
NW Georgia Bantam Club
Calhoun, GA
October, 2018
Bantam Black Cock by
Rhonda Smith

RESERVE CHAMPION LARGE FOWL CHAMPION ASIATIC

The Stevenson Poultry Classic
Stevenson, WA
October, 2018
Large Fowl Black Hen by
Ciera Walters



RESERVE FEATHERLEG
(Blue Card Show)
Heart of Dixie Poultry Club
Anniston, AL
October, 2018
Bantam White Frizzle Hen by
Tessa Young

RESERVE FEATHERLEG
(White Card Show)
Heart of Dixie Poultry Club
Anniston, AL
October, 2018
Bantam White Pullet by
Judy Gantt





CELEBRATING EXHIBITION EXCELLENCE!

**SUPREME SHOW CHAMPION
CHAMPION BANTAM**
Uniontown Poultry Association
Dunbar, PA
October, 2018
Bantam White Pullet by
Ross Treffert



CHAMPION FEATHERLEG
North Georgia Fair
Dalton, GA
October, 2018
Bantam Blue Cock by
Sam Bright

RESERVE FEATHERLEG
Friendship Poultry Club
Morganton, NC
October, 2018
Bantam Black Cock by
Rhonda Smith



**RSV. CHAMPION LARGE FOWL
CHAMPION ASIATIC**
Abilene Poultry Association
Abilene, TX
October, 2018
Large Fowl Buff Cockerel by
Howard Davenport



CELEBRATING EXHIBITION EXCELLENCE!



RESERVE ASIATIC
Abilene Poultry Association
Abilene, TX
October, 2018
Large Fowl Buff Pullet by
Timm Zitz

CHAMPION FEATHERLEG
Abilene Poultry Association
Abilene, TX
October, 2018
Bantam White Hen by
Timm Zitz



CH. LARGE FOWL & CH. ASIATIC
Sussex County Poultry Fanciers
Augusta, NJ
CHAMPION ASIATIC
Little Rhody Poultry Fanciers
Richmond, RI
October, 2018
Large Fowl Black by
Lisa & Mark Podgwaite

CHAMPION FEATHERLEG
Little Rhody Poultry Fanciers
Richmond, RI
October, 2018
Bantam White by
Lisa & Mark Podgwaite

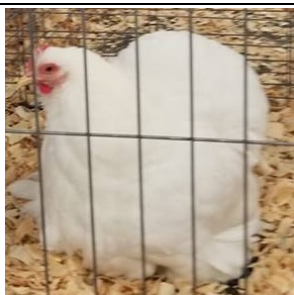
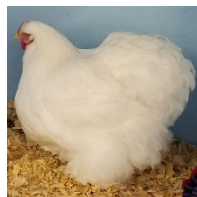
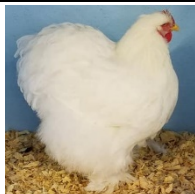




CELEBRATING EXHIBITION EXCELLENCE!

RSV. SHOW CHAMPION
CHAMPION LARGE FOWL
CHAMPION ASIATIC
RESERVE ASIATIC

(Collective at Both Shows)
Missouri State Poultry Assn.
Sedalia, MO - October, 2018
Large Fowl White Pullets by
Teresa & Danny Banks



CHAMPION FEATHERLEG
Canadian Valley Poultry Club
Mega Show
Norman, OK
November, 2018
Bantam White Hen by
Christie Ross

RSV. CHAMPION LARGE FOWLS
(Both Shows)
Washington Feather Fanciers
Chehalis, WA
November, 2018
Large Fowl Black Hens by
Ciera Walters



CHAMPION FEATHERLEG
(Both Shows)
Heart of the Ozarks Poultry Assn.
Fayetteville, AR
November, 2018
Bantam Black Hen by
Will Bryles



CELEBRATING EXHIBITION EXCELLENCE!



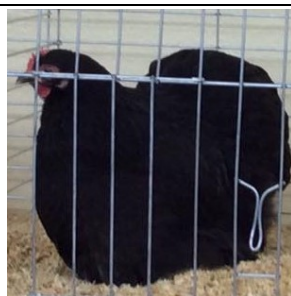
RESERVE SHOW CHAMPION
RSV. CHAMPION LARGE FOWL
RSV. CHAMPION ASIATIC
Canadian Valley Poultry Club
Mega Show
Norman, OK - November, 2018
Large Fowl White Pullet by
Teresa & Danny Banks

RESERVE FEATHERLEG
Canadian Valley Poultry Club
Mega Show
Norman, OK
November, 2018
Bantam Blue Pullet by
Christie Ross



SHOW GRAND CHAMPION
CHAMPION LARGE FOWL
CHAMPION ASIATIC
Canadian Valley Poultry Club
Mega Show
Norman, OK - November, 2018
Large Fowl Black Cockerel by
Rick Klehr

CHAMPION FEATHERLEG
(3rd Show)
Comanche Crossroads Show
Comanche, TX
November, 2018
Bantam Black Pullet by
Jennifer Etheridge-Robertson





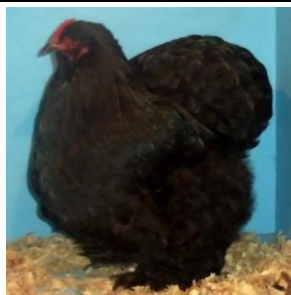
CELEBRATING EXHIBITION EXCELLENCE!

CHAMPION FEATHERLEG
Something to Crow About Show
Newport, TN
November, 2018
Bantam White Pullet by
Tessa Young



4th BEST IN SHOW
CHAMPION FEATHERLEG
(4th Show)
Comanche Crossroads Show
Comanche, TX
November, 2018
Bantam Black Cockerel by
Jennifer Etheridge-Robertson

RESERVE CHAMPION ASIATIC
Ohio National
Columbus, OH
November, 2018
Large Fowl Black Hen by
Terry Britt & Dennis Fuller



RESERVE SHOW CHAMPION
CHAMPION FEATHERLEG
Anderson All Breed Bantam Club
Pendleton, SC
November, 2018
Bantam Black Cock by
Rhonda Smith



CELEBRATING EXHIBITION EXCELLENCE!



RESERVE SHOW CHAPMION
Carpet City Bantam Club Show
Dalton, GA
November, 2018
Bantam Black Cock by
Rhonda Smith

CH. LARGE FOWL & CH. ASIATIC
(Green Card Show)
CH. ASIATIC (White Card Show)
Forsyth Fowl Fanciers Show
Winston-Salem, NC
November, 2018
Large Fowl Buff Hen by
Tom & Sandra Roebuck



CHAMPION ASIATIC
OVERALL CHAMPION COCHIN
Eastern Iowa Poultry Assn.
Davenport, IA
November, 2018
Large Fowl Black Pullet by
Jim & Patti Zimmerman

CHAMPION FEATHERLEG
OVERALL RSV. CH. COCHIN
Eastern Iowa Poultry Assn.
Davenport, IA
November, 2018
Bantam Black Hen by
Larry & Mark Peterson





CELEBRATING EXHIBITION EXCELLENCE!

SHOW CHAMPION
Fraser Valley Poultry Fanciers
Abbotsford, British Columbia
November, 2018
Bantam Black Hen by
Joe Mazur



RESERVE CHAMPION ASIATIC
Klein Poultry Extravaganza
Spring, TX
December, 2018
Large Fowl Buff Cockerel by
Howard Davenport

SHOW CHAMPION (Show #2)
Pacific Northwest Breeders Assn.
Ridgefield, WA
December, 2018
Bantam Blue Hen by
Joe Mazur



RESERVE OF SHOW (Show #1)
Pacific Northwest Breeders Assn.
Ridgefield, WA
December, 2018
Large Fowl Black Hen by
Ciera Walters



CELEBRATING EXHIBITION EXCELLENCE!



RSV. CHAMPION FEATHERLEG
The South Mississippi Standard
Columbia, MS
December, 2018
Bantam White Hen by
Kim Breakfield

RSV. CHAMPION FEATHERLEG
Oklahoma St. Poultry Federation
Shawnee, OK
December, 2018
Bantam White Hen by
Christie Ross



ANNUAL LEGACY AWARDS

are given in honor of our Master Breeders who have passed or retired from showing. The award is given in their home District and in their specialty Variety.

2018 Bill Ziehm Legacy Award

Awarded to **Lisa & Mark Podgwaite** for the Best Bantam Black at the Northeast I District Meet held at the Eastern New York Poultry Association Show, September 2018.

2018 Sheryl Butler Legacy Award

Awarded to **Joe Mazur** for the Best Bantam Black at the Western National Meet held at the Pacific Northwest Poultry Assn. Show, December 2018.

MASTER BREEDER PROGRAM

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Master Breeders & Milestones

The updated **Master Breeder Points** are now posted on the CI website. It has been updated for all shows that have reported to us as of October 31, 2018. The list of shows reporting is also on the website. If you see a show missing, please contact your District Director or State Rep immediately.

Congratulations to our members that have earned their Silver and Bronze Certificates of Achievement! Keep up the great work!

The **SILVER CERTIFICATE OF ACHIEVEMENT** is earned when a member earns 250 points in one Variety.



LISA & MARK PODGWAITE • Bantam Whites • October, 2018
RHONDA & RIHANA SMITH • Bantam Blacks • October, 2018

The **BRONZE CERTIFICATE OF ACHIEVEMENT** is earned when a member earns 100 points in one Variety.



DANNY & TERESA BANKS • Large Fowl Whites • October, 2018
LISA & MARK PODGWAITE • Bantam Blacks • May, 2018
JAY YOBST FAMILY BANTAMS • Bantam Blues • June, 2018

MEMBERSHIPS

Magen Tow, Chairperson

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Welcome to our newest Members!
We're happy you have joined our Cochin Family!

Alabama

Jessica & Kimberly McDaniel
 Keith Wagoner

Arkansas

River Eubanks
 Addison Bryles

Canada - Quebec

Sylvie Gemma Pellerin

Florida

Tess D'Ariano
 Karen Schmidt

Georgia

Joe Gaston
 Cacey & John Lambert

Idaho

Lacie Thompson

Iowa

Alexandria Tussing

Minnesota

Ann Marie Ward

Missouri

Alainah Hoffman

New York

John DiNatale (Welcome Back!)

Ohio

Amber Ringer

Pennsylvania

Michelle Boehm

South Dakota

Madison Hofer

Tennessee

Judd Doty

Texas

Amanda & Chuck O'Dell
 Raquel, Robert, Ava & Aaron Ramos
 Deanna Bryan

Washington

Nina Woodford & Thomas Call
 Cameron Hammer
 Liz & Hannah Palmer
 Teresa Opolka

Wisconsin

Terry & Kaylyn Lund

Cochins International Membership Totals			
Type	12/14/17	12/21/18	Change
Single	133	164	+ 23.3%
Family	80	85	+ 6.3%
Junior	23	19	(17.4%)
	236	268	+ 13.6%



KEEP CALM AND RENEW YOUR MEMBERSHIP TODAY

Our numerous benefits and excellent programs are evidence of our commitment to our members. The comradery of our Cochinsint Family in the show aisles is unequalled. Our passion for this fancy binds us, and our commitment to help one another succeed keeps us strong. We hope you will take a moment and renew your membership today!

All Memberships expire December 31st of every year (unless you have paid for multiple years.) ***Don't let this be your last Newsletter!***

Individual / Adult: \$15.00/year

Family / Joint: \$15.00/year

Junior: \$7.50/year

Renewing online is easy with PayPal. Our PP address is cochinsint@gmail.com. **Please be sure and note that you are renewing, and please let us know if you have changed your address, phone, or email address. Please pay with "Friends & Family" to avoid PP fees.**

Membership forms are also available on the Club Website:
www.cochinsint.com/membership

WE'RE HERE TO SERVE YOU!

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All other State and Canadian Province Representative positions are Open!
Please contact your District Director for more information or to apply.

With Gratitude . . .

Please join us in thanking the following who have served Cochins International, and are leaving their positions at year-end to pursue other endeavors:

Matt Lhamon, Vice President

Christopher Rob, Secretary

Dustin Drake, North Central District Director

Kathy Stevenson, Canada District Director

Teri Frye, Junior Program Chair

Linda Lucas, Membership Chair and Master Breeder Program Chair

Jennifer Etheridge-Robertson, Texas State Representative

Michele Geer, Oregon State Representative

Thank You for your time, dedication and service!

Our bi-annual election of Officers & Directors for 2019-2020 was held in October. Many thanks to **Matt McCammon** for serving as our Election Commissioner. All positions ran un-opposed, with the exception of the Southwest District Director. 47 ballots were mailed to the members of the SW District, and 16 ballots were returned with the results as follows: **Bernita Miller** – 10 votes; **Magen Tow** – 6 votes.

At the time of the election, there were no candidates for the Canada District Director. The BOD received two applications for the position after the election, and at the December 9th BOD meeting, **Roxanne Daley** was selected by the Board as the next Canada District Director.

Congratulations Bernita and Roxanne!

Welcome Aboard!

Please join us in welcoming the following to our Cochins International leadership team:

Jason Young, Vice President

Emily Murphy, Secretary

Ross Treffert, North Central District Director

Roxanne Daley, Canada District Director

Ross Treffert, Junior Program Chair

Magen Tow, Membership Chair

Rich Barczewski, Master Breeder Chair

Magen Tow, Texas State Representative

Rick Klehr, Minnesota State Representative

We look forward to working with you!

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Gail Carlson, President

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2019 STATE OF THE CLUB and YEAR IN REVIEW

What a fantastic year this has been for our Cochin breed!! Bantams AND Large Fowl alike have consistently been seen on Champions' Row from coast to coast, with many going on to take show top honors! Junior members continue to excel as well, and remind us every weekend that our future is indeed in good hands!

Membership levels continue to grow, and we remain at numbers well above 2017. It is because of your continued support of Cochins International and our programs that the State of the Club remains **STRONG** and **ENDURING**, and we are **DETERMINED** to maintain our position in the Fancy as one of the premier breed clubs.

Congratulations again to those that achieved Master Milestones in 2018:

Wade & Kasey Collins, Master Breeder, Bantam Blacks

Craig Hansen, Master Breeder, Bantam Blacks

Lacy Conlan, Junior Master Exhibitor

Wade & Kasey Collins, Silver Certificate of Achievement, Bantam Whites

Joe Mazur, Silver Certificate of Achievement, Bantam Blues

Lisa & Mark Podgwaite, Silver Certificate of Achievement, Bantam Whites

Rhonda & Rihana Smith, Silver Certificate of Achievement, Bantam Blacks

Judy Gantt, Bronze Certificate of Achievement, Bantam Blues

Craig Hansen, Bronze Certificate of Achievement, Bantam Columbians

Danny & Teresa Banks, Bronze Certificate of Achievement, Large Fowl Whites

Lisa & Mark Podgwaite, Bronze Certificate of Achievement, Bantam Blacks

Rhonda & Rihana Smith, Bronze Certificate of Achievement, Bantam Blacks

Jay Yobst Family Bantams, Bronze Certificate of Achievement, Bantam Blues

In April we announced the recipients of the 2017 Annual Exhibitor Awards. Certificates for the most Master Breeder points earned in 2017 were awarded to 25 members in 30 different Bantam and Large Fowl Varieties. Overall Bantam Exhibitor, with the most points earned in all Varieties, was awarded to **Judy Gantt**. Overall Large Fowl Exhibitor was awarded to **Jodi Frye**.

Our Annual Legacy Awards are given in honor of our Master Breeders who have passed or retired from showing. The award is given in their home District and in their specialty Variety. The following Legacy Awards were presented in 2018: Otes Ray, Sr. Legacy Award: to **Rhonda Smith** for the Best Bantam Black at the 2018 Southeast District Meet; Maxie Chastain Legacy Award: to **Judy Gantt** for the Best Bantam White at the 2018 Southeast District Meet; Sandy Isler Legacy Award: to **Matt McCammon** for the Best Bantam Blue at the 2018 North Central District Meet; Bill Ziehm Legacy Award: to **Lisa & Mark Podgwaite** for the Best Bantam Black at the 2018 Northeast 1 District Meet; and Sheryl Butler Legacy Award: to **Joe Mazur** for the Best Bantam Black at the 2018 Western National.

Our State Representative Program launched in February, and we currently have 12 Reps in 6 different Districts. The program has been successful in giving us increased and more localized presence at many shows in our larger Districts. If you would like to volunteer as a Rep for your State or Canadian Province, please contact your District Director.

In May, the Board of Directors approved a \$1,000 allocation of funds for awards at District and National Meets. This is in addition to the existing Rosette Awards for National Meets. The BOD also approved funding to upgrade our website, and we have begun building a video library on our Education page. We hope you will consider making an instructional/educational video to contribute.

At the request of so many members, we added long-sleeve tees to our inventory this year! The long-sleeve tees are Heather Navy in color, and our new short-sleeve tees are Heather Indigo in color. The graphic artwork on the back of the tees has also been updated. We're happy to see the new shirts being so well received. We also hope you have had the opportunity to see the new club banners purchased for our tables at shows.

November brought us our newest Variety recognized by the ABA: Self Blue Bantams!! We congratulate all the breeders and exhibitors who put in the years of time, dedication and commitment to this new Variety. Special thanks must go to **Tom Roebuck** for leading the way!

In other ABA and APA news, we told you at the end of 2017 that we were working with both groups to make corrections in their respective Standards. With thanks to **Matt Lhamon**, we were able to accomplish all our goals: The APA has corrected Bantam weights to now be in agreement with Bantam weights as specified by the ABA. Brown Bantams had been accepted by the APA in 1965, but had been dropped in error in the Standard over the years. They have now been re-instated to the Standard of Perfection. In the ABA Bantam Standard, the eye color of Silver Penciled Bantams is now corrected from 'bright red' to 'reddish bay'. We were also successful in providing exhibition numbers for the past several years to qualify Bantam Buff Columbians and Bantam Lemon Blues for recognition now by the APA!!

As we close out 2018, we want to thank a few members that are retiring from our Board of Directors: **Matt Lhamon**, Vice President; **Christopher Rob**, Secretary; **Dustin Drake**, North Central District Director; and **Kathy Stevenson**, Canada District Director. **Teri Frye**, Junior Program Chair; **Linda Lucas**, Memberships and Master Breeder Chair; **Jennifer Etheridge-Robertson**, Texas State Rep; and **Michele Geer**, Oregon State Rep; are also moving on to other opportunities. It has been an honor and privilege to serve with each and every one of you. We wish you all only the best of luck in the future, and we look forward to seeing you in the show aisles!

And so now we welcome in 2019 with new members joining our leadership team: **Jason Young**, Vice President; **Emily Murphy**, Secretary; **Ross Treffert**, North Central District Director; and **Roxanne Daley**, Canada District Director. **Ross Treffert** will be taking over the Junior Program Chair; **Rich Barczewski** will assume the Master Breeder Chair position; **Magen Tow** will be our new Membership Chair and Texas State Representative; and **Rick Klehr** is our new Minnesota State Representative.

The 2019-2020 Breeders Directory will be published late summer (August??) this year, so watch your mail in April for your Breeders Form. We hope you will consider earmarking now in your 2019 budget some advertising dollars for the Breeders Directory!! The Directory is published once every two years, and is the best way to let other members know what Varieties you raise.

Our 2019 Nationals have been placed, so please mark your calendars now! The 2019 Eastern National will September 8, hosted by the Twin Tier Poultry Club in Bath, New York. The 2019 Western National will be October 19-20, hosted by the Ontario Poultry Breeders in Grassie, Ontario. **Jamie Matts** has been selected to judge the Cochins at the Western National. The Eastern National Judge has not yet been selected.

The last piece of business is to remind everyone that all memberships expire December 31st (unless you have paid for multiple years). Our numerous benefits and excellent programs are evidence of our commitment to our members. I'm sure you

have noticed that the comradery of our Cochin Family in the show aisles is unequalled. Our passion for this fancy binds us, and our commitment to help one another succeed keeps us strong. I hope you will take a moment and renew your membership today!

Happy New Year! My wish for everyone is a healthy flock, and may your Spring hatches find their way to Champions' Row this Fall.

VICE PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Matt Lhamon, Retiring Vice President

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Dear CI Members,

This is my last report as an officer! Plan to retire from politics for awhile.

We had a fantastic National Meet at Knoxville and kudos to Ivy Young, Ross and crew for putting on a National to remember! Great birds and a fun time was had by all.

As an outgoing officer there are a few things I would like to suggest to the membership. 1. Combine the Sec-Treasurer position and make them responsible for keeping the members and finances in order. Right now we have three people doing this work and I have yet to figure out what the Secretary does. Too many points of contact cause for a whole bunch of confusion. 2. Only have one National Meet and Rotate it east one year and west the next year. Lack of decent numbers make some of these shows smaller than some special meets elsewhere and takes away from the meaning of a true National Meet. 3. Re work the Districts and keep them even as per # of members. The ABA does this in every year divisible by 5. This evens the districts out and everyone gets equal representation. Right now when have states with more members than some district! I have been in this club since its inception and it has always been ran by dedicated individuals with the breed's best interest at hand. Don't worry about the fly by night points chasers and their shallow attempt at imitation. One thing I can tell you is they never last!

I hope all of you have a great hatching season and hope to see you in the Cochin aisles!

Matt Lhamon

Outgoing VP

VICE PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Jason Young, Vice President

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Hello Members,

I would first like to take the opportunity to thank Matt Lhamon for his service to Cochins International as Vice President. Matt is a friend and has agreed to be available to me in the future to help in anyway he can. Matt is an outstanding breeder and showman and his love for Cochins and all poultry is second to nobody. Thank you Matt, for your dedication.

As for me, this will be my first term to be in office for Cochins International. I have bred and raised poultry of many breeds most of my life. I did not get into showing much until my wife Ivy Young and my children showed interest in doing so. To me, just

raising and enjoying the birds was enough. I am however happy we have as I've gained many friendships over the years that are very dear to myself and my family. Our poultry family means the world to all of us.

Since deciding to run for Vice President, I have sat back and looked at a lot of things within CI. I've read through meeting minutes and such, trying to be ready to jump right in and help to keep building and improving the club. I have a huge list of things to discuss with the board starting right away. I'm very excited to see what the next two years hold. I'm also excited that this gives my wife and myself another thing to do together as she will be returning as Southeast Director. I have been secretary of the OEGBCA for 4 years now, so I have a lot of experience with club business. I feel my experience there will be helpful to this club going forward into the future. There, my responsibilities have been, memberships, points and day to day operations basically. I am hoping to bring in some new ideas that will both benefit and excite the Members of Cochins International.

Just recently in December, I was at the Eastern National, in Knoxville, Tennessee. Wow, what a show it was! I'd like to say, Ivy, Ross, Matt, Mike and many others worked really hard to put on a National to remember! In my opinion, mission accomplished! Kudos to all of them for working tirelessly to put on such a great show! Every junior exhibitor received a show box for showing. Thank you to all that donated to make this possible. Without the youth being involved and excited about this club and hobby, it won't last. To all of those kids, the expressions were priceless to see. Thank you to the Tennessee Valley Poultry club for putting on such a great show and fun atmosphere as well! Congratulations to Matt Lhamon and Michael Sayre for winning Champion LF and overall Cochin and to Rhonda Smith for Best of Breed in the Bantams, Reserve overall Cochins and Champion Featherleg. A lot of really nice birds were shown and such a great display of what Cochins should look like.

In closing, I'm looking forward to being the Vice President. I'm ready to roll up my sleeves and get to work right away. Myself, Ivy and our family attend a lot of shows and always try to attend a new one or two each year. Look for us at the shows and please stop us and say hello. I look forward to meeting everyone. Please let me know what ideas you have for the club as well or if you just want to talk chickens. I will always try to be available to anyone. My email and phone will be at the bottom. Send me a message on Facebook too. Thanks to all of the volunteers that are leaving the board as well for your service to the club!

Until next time, keep 'em crowing!

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TREASURER'S REPORT

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Hi Everyone, Hope this Newsletter finds everyone happy and healthy and looking forward to a great 2019!!! I am looking forward to Spring !! My favorite time of the year. Always busy with the animals and flowers.

This year was the worst year ever for me for predators. I have been living at my home for over 30 years and this year the fox and coyotes have taken over 70 birds. Not only chickens but geese, ducks, peafowl and I lost one swan !! All I can think is that the fields around me are no longer being mowed for hay. My road is a ten-mile road with no more working farms. Definitely a change for the negative as far as I am concerned. I have 5 dogs, you would think that would deter but not having much success. They come throughout the day while I am at work.

This fall the shows had a large representation of cochins at the shows I attended. One thing I am seeing are more and more overnight "know it alls" with social media and such these days the respect given to breeders who have paid their dues so to speak is getting less and less. Respect in this hobby is something I feel is earned not something that is given whether it is with points or starred wins in a short period of time. There is something to be said for longevity with this breed. Now don't get me wrong everyone can always learn and no one knows it all but one can learn so much from attending shows and talking to the breeders who have been in this hobby for more than a year or two. Also sportsmanship seems to be lacking with shows anymore, whatever happened to the good ole saying "Do unto others as you would have done to you." I have witnessed adults tossing their ribbons aside and spouting off when they don't agree with a judge after placements. Judges place classes on their interpretation of the standard. At the end of the day it's just an opinion and should be taken as just that. I interpret the standard one way and when I show birds I take birds that I like and want to breed from. When I leave the show I still feel the same way about my birds. At the end of the day this is a hobby and it's about friendships and about enjoying the breed itself.

I hope everyone makes some great memories in 2019 and raises birds that they are proud of and enjoy. Take Care Jamie

★ ACCOUNTING BASICS ★

COCHINS INTERNATIONAL - ACCOUNTING OF CASH ON HAND						
	12 Mo. Ended 12/31/17	2018 August	2018 September	2018 October	2018 November	2018 Year to Date
Revenues:						
Membership Dues	2,200.67	120.00	15.00	165.04	322.50	2,746.04
Membership Dues & Merchandise	1,152.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Merchandise	872.00	550.00	275.00	190.00	80.00	1,872.00
Less: Merchandise Sale Discounts	0.00	(42.00)	(6.00)	0.00	(20.00)	(95.90)
Merchandise Shipping Fees	17.00	17.00	55.76	15.00	21.00	132.76
Breeders Directory Ads	1,089.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Raffles & Auctions	317.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	103.00
Other - Merchandise Drive	100.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Other - Donation from Key Chain Sales	36.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	72.00
Total Revenues	5,783.67	645.00	339.76	370.04	403.50	4,829.90
Expenses:						
Advertising	125.00	0.00	0.00	30.00	65.00	95.00
Breeders Directory	1,749.48	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
COGS - ABA Cochin Bantams Book	88.55	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
COGS - AmeriTee T-Shirts	0.00	1,654.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	1,654.00
Dues - YEPA	25.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	35.00
Junior Program Awards	190.80	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Member Memorial Donations	50.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Newsletter	638.61	0.00	72.28	0.00	0.00	150.31
Office Supplies	0.00	0.00	141.22	28.75	0.00	288.37
PayPal/Bank Fees	9.02	0.00	32.40	0.00	2.48	43.79
Plaques	96.00	32.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	142.25
Postage & Shipping	453.54	0.00	176.94	73.53	0.00	631.39
Rosette Ribbons	1,128.60	0.00	0.00	0.00	42.00	464.25
Self Blue Qualifying Meet	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	50.00
Show Materials/Promotions	0.00	0.00	125.00	550.00	0.00	1,163.61
Website	19.95	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	214.35
Total Expenses	4,574.55	1,686.00	547.84	682.28	109.48	4,932.32
NET CASH PROFIT (LOSS)	1,209.12	(1,041.00)	(208.08)	(312.24)	294.02	(102.42)
Beginning Cash Balance on Hand	3,014.98	5,388.98	4,347.98	4,139.90	3,827.66	4,224.10
Net Cash Profit (Loss)	1,209.12	(1,041.00)	(208.08)	(312.24)	294.02	(102.42)
ENDING CASH BALANCE ON HAND	4,224.10	4,347.98	4,139.90	3,827.66	4,121.68	4,121.68

COCHINS INTERNATIONAL - ACCOUNTING OF INVENTORY ON HAND (at Retail Values)

Item	Retail Value	12/31/17 Inventory Count	12/31/17 Inventory Value	2018 YTD Purchases Count	2018 YTD Purchases Value	2018 Price Adj. Count	2018 Price Adj. Value	2018 YTD Sales Count	2018 YTD Sales Value	11/30/18 Inventory Count	11/30/18 Inventory Value
T-Shirts - Green	20.00	37	740.00					19	380.00	18	360.00
T-Shirts - Blue	20.00	0	0.00	75	1,500.00			11	220.00	64	1,280.00
T-Shirts - Long Sleeve	25.00	0	0.00	72	1,800.00			14	350.00	58	1,450.00
Sweatshirts	25.00	59	1,475.00			-50	(1,250.00)	9	225.00	0	0.00
Sweatshirts	30.00	0	0.00			50	1,500.00	1	30.00	49	1,470.00
Hoodies	35.00	61	2,135.00					14	490.00	47	1,645.00
Caps	10.00	16	160.00					4	40.00	12	120.00
Patches	5.00	94	470.00					6	30.00	88	440.00
Decals	9.50	9	85.50					6	57.00	3	28.50
ABA Cochins Book	10.00	8	80.00					5	50.00	3	30.00
			<u>5,145.50</u>		<u>3,300.00</u>		<u>250.00</u>		<u>1,872.00</u>		<u>6,823.50</u>

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SECRETARY'S REPORT

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Dear members of the Cochins International Club,

Wishing you all well as we have just exited the holiday season. I know most have started and gotten underway in the hatching of the next show generation, which I hope to see plenty of pictures and wins in this coming year. The club has been a long standing tradition and known throughout the poultry community of one that has stood the test of time. The only way we can continue this is to be involved with its progression. All I ask, is that all of you be as proactive as you can with your clubs when at shows or exhibitions, for we will only grow and flourish when those that are already associated, encourage and educate those that are potential new members or even those that have been in the past. Remember no question is a dumb question to a young or new exhibitor. No one knows everything.

I want to take this time to thank all the hard workers that put on the Eastern National in Tennessee that I had attended. I won't name past Ivy Young the SE District Director because I'm sure I will forget someone as there were so many helpers, some of which were not even members of the club. With a show like that, you can have many people excited about belonging to a club. There were many of my friends, not in the cochin community, that had made comments about the excitement and fun the national had to it. I truly enjoyed myself and all those that attended. The comradery is wonderful but the bonus is a joyful time, win or loose. I know and have heard similar remarks of the Western National and glad to see that we as a club are able to have such vast group of people across the US. This does not mean the club should sit stagnant though, as we still need to get the club even bigger and better for the upcoming years and event.

On another note, all members of the club need to be involved as much as possible, for the people elected only know your opinion or suggestions if you state them. The idea behind the board is to guide the club, but only as the members converse their concerns, questions, suggestions, or aide to them. None of us are mind readers and if you have an idea, state it to the board either by mail, email or word of mouth. Then to the members that have, thank you for your input to the club for if we are not moving forward we are retreating and loosing ground with our own club.

I want to again thank you all for letting me serve as your Secretary and full willingly know Emily will be a great addition in to the Secretary Role as I depart. As this is my last message to the club I do want to remind everyone that this group, is for support and learning about the Cochin breed. That is the purpose of this club. No one person defines this club as it is all of us together that make this club the way it is. Not everyone is raising birds for the same exact reason, but our goal in general, is to better the breed one bird at a time. We are all in this together, so having disruptions among us as breeders, is not worth the effort and this is a hobby of enjoyment and peace, not of grief and despair.

We all need to remember that this is a community of like minded people with good intentions at heart and anyone can make a mistake. I know I have over the years and I'm a young kid, as some of you would say! There are differences among us but don't single that out, use it to the advantage of the club. Any time you feel as a member you may have something to contribute to the club, speak up and let them know so the board may use your abilities for the betterment of the club. Everyone in the club has some strength and we should all be able to contribute on some level. With that said

thank you all again. I will still see you at the shows to talk, so don't be a stranger.
Wishing you all the best and the Happiest of a New Year!
Christopher Rob, Exiting Secretary

SECRETARY'S REPORT

Emily Murphy, Secretary

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Hello Everyone!

I hope everyone has been having an amazing show season, I know that nothing makes me happier than getting to catch up with old and new chicken friends at different shows. I hope everyone's birds have come out of molt and are showing at their very best, I know when you walked into my barn it looked as though my birds had exploded (I swear they know to molt as soon as I register for a show). I have taken this time to cut down on my stock to try and improve on the heads and type of my birds in preparation for this upcoming breeding season, I am focusing this year on my blacks and blue varieties and cannot wait to see what I am able to produce. I truly cannot wait to see the photos from everyone's hatching season and see what amazing birds we are able to produce as a club as a whole! I also want to say congrats to all of the winners at the Eastern and Western nationals, I was not able to make it this year due to college finals, but the booth looked absolutely amazing and all the birds did as well. Best of luck to everyone with the rest of show season!

Emily Murphy
Florida's State Representative

IMMEDIATE PAST PRESIDENT'S REPORT

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Self-Blue Cochin Bantams Qualifying Meet a Success!

As many of you know we held an ABA qualifying meet for Self-Blue Cochin bantams at the ABA National hosted by the Ohio Poultry Breeders Association in Columbus, OH, on November 10-11, 2018. Per the ABA rules, for qualifying meets where the variety in question is already recognized (in another breed) the qualifying meet requires 25 entries representing all four classes (cock, hen, cockerel and pullet). We easily met the minimum with 42 entries. Once coop in was complete, I think only two were missing. Participants included, Becky Salinger, Edison Cigany, Kathy Barba, Chelsey Kennedy, Robert Hardina, and Craig Hansen. We even had a couple Junior entries from the Meeks Family. The meet was a huge success thanks the hard work of our breeders and the support from many people in making this happen. Thanks to Cochins International for supporting the initiative, and thanks to Rich Barczewski, Jim Tinsley and Becky Salinger for also sharing the responsibility with me to cover the fees associated with getting a variety recognized. Another big thanks to Becky for coordinating the awards and commemorative glasses. Becky put a lot of work into putting together a special gift basket that each of the Self Blue exhibitors had a chance

to win. Everyone got one ticket for each bird they entered in the class. Chelsey won the basket but had to leave early because she became ill, so a second ticket was drawn and yours truly was the winner. Thanks also to Mike Sayre for donating a custom show carrier for the Best Self-Blue Cochin. This went to the 1st Place pullet exhibited by Tom Roebuck.

Not all of our Breeders were able to attend but that doesn't mean they weren't part of this event. Without the hard work of everyone working with this challenging variety, things like this do not happen. Congratulations to Jim Tinsley, Angie Dachel, Wayne Murphy, Dennis Wollard, Jeannette Stecker, Kathy Barba, Robert Hardina, Becky Salinger, Edison Cigany, Sonya Meeks, and all the other breeders working with Self-Blues. Your efforts breeding and showing, and distributing birds to others has helped this striking variety gain some popularity. That's encouraging and we can hope to see them in the show halls for a long time. Next challenge, Best of Breed, and then on to Champion Featherleg. Who knows, maybe one day Champion Bantam and Supreme Show Champions!

Unfortunately, I wasn't able to spend a whole lot of time in the Self-Blue Cochin aisle. I was hired to judge at Columbus, and therefore I was quite busy all day Saturday. Before anyone questions, my showing and judging at the same show, I cleared it with both the ABA and Columbus before even accepting the judging assignment. The Self-Blues could not win anything beyond Best of Variety in the Cochin class and therefore had no bearing on the outcome of the show, so there was no chance of any conflict of interest with my assignment as one of the open show judges. I also didn't do the Cochins. We wanted to make sure everything was on the up and up so there weren't any so called "party fouls." I do know that the pullet class was the largest with probably 15 entries, but each of the other classes had 5 to 10 birds on exhibit. All of the Self-Blues entered were very good examples of the variety. They represented the Cochin type and style well and it was clear that the variety was worthy of approval for recognition as the latest accepted variety in Cochin bantams. We received word from the ABA a couple weeks ago that the ABA Standard Committed and Board had favorably endorsed the recommendation of the qualifying judge Brian Knox to recognize the Self-Blues! Thanks to Brian for a very thorough review and placings of the class. I wish I had the class breakdowns, but I just didn't get a chance to do that. I know that the BV and RV birds were the 1st and 2nd place pullets, both by Tom Roebuck. I will see if we can drum up the complete placings and list them later.

Again, thanks to everyone that helped along the way and congratulation to all of our Self-Blue breeders! Now keep them progressing and get more of them in the show halls!

Below are the top six Self Blue placements made by Judge Brian Knox:

BV: 1st place Pullet, Tom Roebuck

RV: 2nd place Pullet, Tom Roebuck

3rd Best: 1st place ckl, Tom Roebuck

4th Best: 3rd place pullet, Becky Salinger

5th Best: 4th place Pullet, Becky Salinger

6th Best, 1st place hen, Kathy Barba

Cochins Rule!

2019 CI DISTRICT & NATIONAL MEETS

(Below are confirmed Meets placed as of this publication date.)

Jan. 26	The Pearl River Classic	Columbia, MS	Southeast
Sept. 8	Twin Tier Poultry Club	Bath, NY	Eastern National
Oct. 5-6	Columbia River Poultry Exhibitors	Stevenson, WA	Pacific
Oct. 19-20	Ontario Poultry Breeders	Grassie, ON	Western National
Oct. 26-27	Minnesota State Poultry Assn.	Hutchinson, MN	West Central



2019 EASTERN NATIONAL MEET

September 8, 2019

Twin Tier Poultry Club

www.twintierpoultryclub.org

Bath, New York

COCHINS INTERNATIONAL

2019 WESTERN NATIONAL MEET

October 19-20, 2019

Ontario Poultry Breeders

<https://ontariopoultrybreeders.webs.com>

Grassie, Ontario



NATIONAL MEET ROTATIONS

EAST DISTRICTS

2018 – Southeast / Dec. 1-2 / Tennessee Valley Poultry Club / Knoxville, TN

2019 – Northeast 1 / Sept. 8 / Twin Tier Poultry Club / Bath, NY

2020 – North Central / Open

2021 – Northeast 2 / Open

WEST DISTRICTS

2018 – Pacific / Dec. 1 / Pacific Northwest Poultry Assn. / Ridgefield, WA

2019 – Canada / Oct. 19-20 / Ontario Poultry Breeders / Grassie, Ontario

2020 – Southwest / Open

2021 – West Central / Open

Important Notice! Please Read!

There has been a lot of discussion this past year about re-districting, and also about consolidating our two National Meets into one. While they are separate issues, they are uniquely related because our Constitution currently requires Nationals to be rotated among all the Districts. Our Master Breeder program awards points equally, whether the meet is a Special, District or National – the only difference being the more birds exhibited, the more points that can be earned based on our scale of 1 point for every 5 Cochins exhibited in their respective Variety/Class.

We currently have 8 Districts as set forth in the Constitution – 3 have more than 50 members, the other 5 have 26 members or less. Some Districts have states with strict testing requirements; one state is closed entirely to outside exhibitors. Some Districts have multitudes of shows; other Districts are struggling to keep their shows alive. And let's not forget the geographic discrepancies of mileage and travel times to shows. One District Meet per year is provided for, and placement of the District Meet is solely up to the discretion of the District Director.

Two Nationals are provided for every year – one east of the Mississippi, and one west of the Mississippi. Canada is in the western rotation. Bids are solicited for the National Meets, and the Meets are selected by the BOD based on several criteria, including but not limited to the quality of the venue itself, special considerations being offered to the Club, past Cochin attendance, and expected attendance.

No matter what is decided, please remember that we are currently bound by our Constitution; any proposed changes will have to be put forth in a referendum for a vote by the entire General Membership.

The BOD will continue this discussion in 2019, and we want to hear from you!! Your voice and opinions are important to us! Please contact your District Director so that they can bring your suggestions and ideas back to the BOD.

NORTHEAST 1 DISTRICT REPORT

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Hope Everyone had a enjoyable holiday season. Well it's time for the incubators to get cleaned up and running, I know mine has started.

The fall shows are all wrapped up for 2018. The District 1 2018 meet was held at the Eastern New York show. We were graced with a good amount of Cochins. Tom Roebuck won BB on a beautiful white pullet and I took a RB on a white pullet. I want to thank Eastern New York for hosting our district meet.

2019 will be the Eastern National meet to be held at the Twin Tier Poultry Breeders in Bath NY. Look for more information on what will be planned. Certainly not one to miss so mark your show calendars.

Starting to look at 2019 District 1 meet on where this will be placed as always open to suggestions.

I shall see you all this spring and here's hoping everyone has a successful hatching season.

NORTHEAST 2 DISTRICT REPORT

DE, MD, NJ, PA, VA, WV

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As most of you have heard, I had some major health issues (tore a tendon in my knee) that laid me up for a couple of months, and then has restricted my movement for the last 6 months. That unfortunately has put much of my own bird raising into the hands of my wife and kids who thankfully did a great job. Only hatched out about 30 of the big Partridge this year but there looks to be a few decent birds in the mix but they still have a ways to go. We will see how they finish out.

I had the opportunity to travel to a couple of shows this fall, Lebanon Valley Poultry Fanciers Show in Lebanon PA was the NE II District meet this year and they put on another great show. Dan Castle judged both the LF and Bantams and ended up picking a White Bantam Pullet shown by Mark and Lisa Podgwaite as the Champion Bantam. Reserve Cochin Bantam was a Black Bantam Cock by Christopher Rob. The White Pullet went on to be overall champion Cochin of the show. In the Large Fowl Champion LF and Reserve Cochin of the show was a Black Large Fowl Pullet shown by a non-member. While Reserve Cochin Large Fowl was a Black Hen, also by a second non-member. Best and Reserve Bantam AOV was on a Blue Pullet and Cockerel by Christopher Rob. Best Large Fowl AOV was on a Partridge Hen by yours truly. Reserve AOV Large Fowl went to a Black Frizzle shown by a Non-member. Champion Junior Cochin was a Bantam White Hen by Carlee Luckenbach and Reserve Junior Cochin was also shown by Carlee on a Black Bantam Hen.

I made sure to invite all non-members to join our association and place a membership application form on each of their cages. Let's hope we can increase our membership for the next district meet.

I also had the opportunity to travel to the Ohio National this year and chat with some of the other Cochin Breeders. While I must admit that I am not a big fan of the huge shows, the one advantage that they have is that they draw a lot of exhibitors and give us a chance to visit.

If any of the members in the district need me to place a meet at an upcoming show please be sure to let me know. I can always be reached at richbar302@gmail.com or you can call me at 302-382-0538, my cell phone. Be sure to leave a message if I don't pick up and I'll be sure to call you back. As always, let's keep those Cochins up on Champion Row!



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NORTH CENTRAL DISTRICT REPORT

IL, IN, KY, MI, OH, WI

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Hello from the North-Central District. I hope you all had a great holiday and are preparing for the upcoming hatching season. Now that the CI Eastern National is over, I can focus on what needs to be completed here on the farm and start hatching for Spring. Ivy put a lot of hard work, blood, sweat and tears into planning and putting together the Eastern National. I hope those who attended were able to enjoy themselves and did well in the show. I know I had a blast working with the fellow board members putting on such a great show and display to represent our club. There was a mighty-fine class of cochins there. Many of which came out of this district and that makes me extremely proud. 😊 Congratulations to M&M on their win with Overall Champion Cochin with their large fowl partridge hen, and Rhonda Smith with her Reserve Overall Cochin with a bantam white.

First and foremost, I look forward to serving as your new District Director. I am looking to fill State Representative positions in my district for Kentucky, Indiana, Illinois, Ohio, & Wisconsin. So, if you have any interest in doing so, please reach out to me. I have been a member of Cochins International for a little over 3 years now. I truly feel that CI is one of the best breed clubs out there and they do a lot for their members. I'm extremely proud to now be a part of the board.

Changing things up this coming year, the District meet is going a little south and will be held in Kentucky. Location and date will be announced shortly. So, keep an eye out on the website or Facebook page for complete details. I will also try to have a special meet placed at every show within my district. I will also be traveling to some shows within my district that I have never attended so I can meet some new faces.

Anyone that already knows me know that I'm a social butterfly at the shows and love to chat cochins. I look forward to meeting all the members in the district. For those that don't know me, here's a little about myself. I have been raising poultry (mostly waterfowl) for almost my entire life. I started exhibiting back in 2014 with a few large fowl cochins. That quickly lead to an obsession of both large fowl and bantam cochins, currently they are the only breed we raise on our farm. I focus a lot of my time and energy working with the youth exhibitors as they are the future of our fancy. I am also taking over the Youth Program for the club. I will always make myself available and I'm open to suggestions and new ideas for the club to bring to the fellow board members. Afterall, this is OUR club!!! My contact information will be below. Feel free to reach out at any time via phone, email, or Facebook.

Lastly, I want to thank the board members that are closing out their terms and welcome the new Board Members that are filling those positions and volunteering their time. Thank you for your hard work. WE APPRECIATE IT!!

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SOUTHWEST DISTRICT REPORT

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Hope everyone has a great holiday season. We have had a few small snow storms, nothing big. Melts by the next day. But it has been cold.

Hope everyone did great at the fall shows. Missouri State Poultry Association had a very good show 10/27/18. 250 plus Cochins at the show. Danny & Teresa Banks had Res. Champ. of Show with a LF white Cochins pullet, beautiful bird. Craig Hansen had Champ. Featherleg with a Btm. black pullet.

All other shows in this District had very good turnout of birds. I want to thank everyone that supports our shows and helps at the shows. Remember to support the Junior exhibitors, they are the ones that will take over the shows in the future.

I want to thank everyone that took the time to vote. I will continue to be the best Director as I can.

Please call or email me for meets for your show.

Missouri State Poultry Association next show will be 4/20/19. I think Kansas' next show will be 4/13/19.

Thank you again, Bernita Miller



GOOD TIDINGS FROM TEXAS! By Gail Carlson

We want to thank **Jennifer Etheridge-Robertson, Magen Tow** and **Timm Zitz** for all the hard work they are putting forth for our members in Texas! From the great Club tables to those gorgeous awards everyone is drooling over – you make us all very proud!! In November, they took their show on the road to the APA National in Shawnee, OK and outdid themselves!



Abilene, TX



Texas Stylin'!



Major Bling!



Shawnee, OK

WEST CENTRAL DISTRICT REPORT

IA, MN, MT, NE, ND, SD, WY

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2018 West Central District meet now in the books and exhibitors released on Saturday because of potential for snow and white out conditions Sunday before release time. Eastern Iowa Poultry Association hosted the show in Davenport Iowa. The weather forecast did cause a few distant exhibitors to not make it to the show. West Central District meet for 2019 will be hosted by Minnesota State Poultry Association Show October 26-27 2019 in Hutchinson Minnesota.

Jim and Patti Zimmerman exhibited the Open Show Overall Champion Cochin with a Large Fowl Black pullet. Larry and Mark Peterson had Open Show Reserve Overall Cochin with a Bantam Black Hen.

Overall Champion Cochin Junior show was Paisley Tenely with a LF Black. Reserve Overall Cochin was a Bantam Black Hen showed by Ethan Nuzum.

Bantam Results Open Show:

BB Champion FL Black Hen RB Cockerel Larry and Mark Peterson

Blue BV pullet RV Hen Craig Hansen

Brown Red BV Cockerel Justin Biren

Buff Columbian BV Cock RV Hen Warren Weis

Columbian BV Pullet RV Cock Craig Hansen

Lemon Blue BV Pullet RV Cockerel Justin Biren

Partridge BV Pullet Dan Schwandt

Silver Laced BV Pullet RV Pullet Craig Hansen

White BV Cockerel RV Cockerel Ulvin Family

Large Fowl Results Open Show:

BB Champion Asiatic Black Pullet Jim & Patti Zimmerman RB Reserve Asiatic Black Cockerel Adam Ray

Blue BV Hen Rita Koch RV Pullet Lawrence J Strange

Buff BV Pullet RV Cockerel Lawrence J Strange

Golden Laced BV Pullet RV Cockerel Lawrence J Strange

Partridge BV Pullet RV Cockerel Tannis Poultry- JoAnne Tannis

Silver Laced BV Cockerel RV Pullet Lawrence J Strange

White BV Pullet Lawrence J Strange RV Cockerel Nichols Pues

Brown Red BV RV Pullet Cockerel Lawrence J Strange

Splash BV Pullet RV Cockerel Lawrence J Strange

SOUTHEAST DISTRICT REPORT

AL, GA, FL, MS, NC, SC, TN

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I hope everyone had a Merry Christmas. I can't believe I'm entering my 2 year mark as District Director. It's been a lot of learning on my part. As I enter my 2nd term, I hope I can do my best for this district.

Fall show season has been a ton of fun. We've traveled a lot. I try to make it a point to go to shows I don't normally make. This fall we traveled to Clanton AL for a triple show. What a great show they have.

I've shown against some great breeders in Lemon blues and brown reds. I've had a great fall with them. Tessa's been the champion in family this year. She's won a lot with her whites and frizzles this fall. Her hard work and dedication has paid off.

I hope to see everyone in MS in January for the district meet. The Pearl River classic January 26th 2019, in Columbia Mississippi. I've been asked why way down there? I feel the entire district needs a chance to host a district meet. We aren't about 1 state we are about all in the SouthEast.

Now to Knoxville and the Eastern National. What an amazing National. We had over 300 Cochins in open show. M&M took over all Champion and best LF with a Partridge. Rhonda Smith won champion Bantam with a white, Res Champion cochin and on to win Champion FL. In the Jr show Jodi Frye won Champion LF with a black and Champion over all, Rihanna Smith won Champion Bantam with a black. And Res Champion cochin. Thank You CI for purchasing the chairs. And the color classes were amazing!

I would like to thank everyone and way too many to name who helped put on the Eastern National. Everyone worked together as a club should. All differences aside it was for the love of breed and club. A special thanks to Ross for stepping up and helping me when I was injured. I couldn't have done that without you. I must say this club is blessed to have someone like him.

Now to the businesses and people who donated to the raffle items Bella Farms a drop pen, Honest Meal worms a huge basket, Vinson Workman 2 show boxes, Travis Stanley tools, Treffert family gift baskets, Sanders family the Christmas wreath, and table runners Rob family, candle chalkboard and towel Frye family, Popcorn tin Robert Martell, Judges Pick newspapers, and my mom for the Barbie. We raised over 600.00 on raffles for the club! Wow is all I can say. Thank You to all who donated and supported this club!

If you would like to see more club shirts and items for sale at the shows, I encourage everyone to voice their thoughts on this matter. This is your club and we all run this TOGETHER!

Moving forward I look forward to working with the new board this next term. As some know, Jason my husband will be the new VP of the club. He is very experience with running a club(s) and has a lot to offer. I'm sure he will be a lot of help to the board and members.

In closing I would like to say thank you to those that have served this club the past 2 years:

Matt Lhamon VP
Christopher Rob secretary
Dustin Drake DD North central
Kathy Stevenson DD Canada

Teri Frye youth director

Linda Lucas membership/points chair

Thank you for volunteering to help this club and I wish you all the best.

I hope everyone has a great hatching season this spring and great winter show season. If I can be of any help to anyone feel free to give me a call 828 450 8186. Thank you for letting me serve this club



Top row left to right:

Rihanna Bantam Black that was BB bantam and Res Champion in jr
Rhonda's white that was champion Bantam Res Champion Champion FL
Rhonda's white champion

Middle row left to right:

M&M partridge LF BB and champion of national
Jodi Frye – Best AOV of JR. Show with Bantam Splash Pullet
And her LF Black was BB and champion

Bottom row left to right:

Rhonda's white as bb
Rhonda and Rihanna in Res champion chairs
Becky's as RB in bantams

JUDGE'S SYNOPSIS

2018 EASTERN NATIONAL

By Jonathan Patterson

Hello CI members!

What a great show you all put on at the Dixie Classic show in Knoxville, TN! The awards were very well thought out. It's nice to see the breeders and exhibitors get something for their efforts.

I would like to talk a little bit about the class. We started the morning doing the Large Fowl Cochins in the open show. The entries were a little lower than I expected but I was surprised when I found an outstanding Partridge hen to give BB honors to. This bird also won champion Asiatic in a nice sized class. The reserve of breed was a blue hen. There were three really nice blue females in the class. I thought they were as good as the Partridge and blacks but they lacked the defined lacing I want to see in a good blue. The black class had a couple of very nice pullets, however I felt they needed just a little more time to mature.

The bantam class took up the remainder of the day. It takes time to evaluate depth AND quality! I had a blast going through them. The blacks were very good. There were two standout males and two standout females. I ended up with going with a pullet for BV and RB. I thought her size and type were pretty spot on. She had a nice skull to match her body too. I noticed a few females throughout the class that I felt were a little narrow in the head. The wing carriage was mostly good throughout. The next largest class was the whites. I found a male that I thought was exceptional in type and carriage. He was a little bigger than the black males but a very good bird nonetheless. The female that was BV white ended up being BB and Best Featherleg. She was in great condition and her type was exceptional. She carried herself up off of the ground just enough to show her shape.

I will group the rest of the birds into this paragraph. There were very good quality birds in all of the varieties exhibited. Most notable was the birchen female that I gave 3rd best bantam cochin to. She had it all going on! I'm not sure how many frizzle cochins were shown but it was by far the most I've seen in my whole 4 years of judging combined. The quality was very nice too with a few placing in the top 10.

There is no doubt the Cochin breed is as strong today as any other breed. The quality is getting much more consistent even in the rarer varieties. Lemon Blues, Barreds, Brown Reds, Splash, all had great representatives of the breed.

Thanks again for trusting me to place your birds. It means a lot to me to be able to judge your national meet. I want to also thank you for the judging certificate I was given Sunday morning. I will frame it and put it on my wall for the memory.

Sincerely,
Jonathan Patterson
APA/ABA Licensed Judge

JUDGE'S SYNOPSIS 2018 WESTERN NATIONAL

By Donald Barger

I had the honor and the pleasure of being asked to judge the Bantams at 2018 Cochins International Western National. There were some very nice birds throughout the class. I was especially impressed with some of the "Lesser" varieties that we don't get to see very often. In particular, some of the Brown Reds were the best that I have seen so far. Special commendation to the breeders that are working with some very rare varieties.

The largest variety shown by far were the Blacks, and quality ran deep in every class. There were several that on any day, I would be proud to place at the top of the class. Whites and Blues both made a very strong showing, but when the smoke cleared, a Black hen took Best of Breed, and a White hen took Reserve of Breed. Both Cochins went on to be Best and Reserve Feather Leg.

Thank you for the privilege of being part of your 2018 Western National.

Donald Barger
APA / ABA Licensed Judge



As 2018 comes to an end, I wish I could reach out and personally thank each and every one of you for your support this past year. We have laughed together, cried together, carried burdens for one another, and celebrated together.

My wish for 2019 is continued health and happiness for everyone. May your family and friends stay close in heart. Extend a helping hand or kind word to those in need. Don't be afraid to set high goals, but never forget from where you started. Be a mentor to those seeking guidance. Be the example of what good sportsmanship looks like. And remember, you don't need to be a force of nature to be a breath of fresh air in someone's day!

" . . . and we'll take a cup of kindness yet, for auld lang syne. "

Happy New Year! Gail

PACIFIC DISTRICT REPORT

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Hello from the Pacific District! Our district and your pacific northwest members were fortunate to host the Western National on December 1. The Pacific Northwest Poultry Association was the host show in Ridgefield, WA. This regional club and show are growing and were very appreciative and supportive to have the Cochins International national at their 2018 event.

A club meeting was held Saturday afternoon and attended by Teresa Opolka, Marge Best, Virginia Prosenick, Jeremy Westlake, Heidi Hylkema, Anita Hunsperger-Bailey, Ciera Walters, Joe Mazur, Michelle and Lacee Villines, Doddie Truedson, and Bryant Helvey. That is 50% of our geographically large district's members! We also had the opportunity to meet new junior members Thomas Call, Cameron Hammer, and re-enlist legacy cochin breeder Don Bischof. At the meeting we gave out the Western National awards and discussed current topics of Cochins International interest. The members present were unanimous in their support to keep the master breeder point system unchanged, excited about the recent newsletter, and stated that they hoped CI will continue to be a club focused on education and networking.

Bantam cochins were well represented with 84 entries in 13 varieties. Generous premium awards from members around the country had an effect on the entries, as there were eleven mille fleur and six brown red entries, both large classes competing for cash awards. The Western National best of breed bantam was a black hen entered by Joe Mazur, and reserve of breed was a white hen entered by Joe Mazur. For winning best black bantam, Joe Mazur was awarded the inaugural Sheryl Butler Legacy Award. Judge Donald Barger enjoyed placing the bantam class.

There were 24 large cochins entered in six varieties, with nice classes of black, blue, and white. Ciera Walters earned best and reserve of breed large cochin with two black hens. Terry Britt judged the large fowl class and eventually chose the black bantam hen by Joe Mazur to be the champion overall cochin. Ciera Walters large black hen was reserve overall cochin. Lacee Villines was awarded champion overall cochin by a junior on a bantam mottled cock, and also won reserve overall cochin by a junior on a large black cock. These four winners were each awarded a Cochins International embroidered chair!

In a judging twist of fate, Ciera Walters large black cochin hen was reconsidered on champion row and went on to be reserve of show!

The PNPA show was a double show, so coop cards were flipped and a second group of judges placed the birds. Although this second show was not considered a part of our Western National event, it is worth noting that Joe Mazur was awarded Champion of Show on a bantam blue hen! Of the top four birds picked on this day in Ridgefield, two were cochins shown by members of Cochins International!

The club was well-represented with a table replete with rosettes, chairs, educational documents, and a Diane Jacky print of a pair of buff cochins. The print was donated by Joe Mazur and attracted a fair bit of attention as it was auctioned off to the club's benefit at a price of \$56. Although there was some friendly competition with the Brown Leghorn Club of America, Cochins International won the day as the best represented breed club!

To close, I would like to thank Ivy Young, Ciera Walters, Doddie Truedson, Joe Mazur, Ross Treffert, Gail Carlson, Robert Martell, Rhiannon Williamson, and Tom

Roebuck, who all contributed awards and advice to make the Western National a success for our club.



Champion Overall Cochin
Black H – Joe Mazur



Reserve Overall Cochin / Reserve of
Show Large Black H – Ciera Walters



Bryant Helvey and the
Club Table



Lacey Villines hauls out the
prizes!



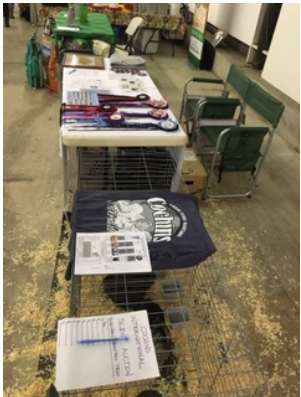
Meeting – Walters,
Hunsperger-Bailey,
Prosenick, Best & Mazur



Truedson, Mazur & Helvey
consider the finer points!



Who are you looking at?



Club Area

2018 WESTERN NATIONAL



Left to Right:

BV Bantam Barred K - Cameron Hammer

BV Bantam Black Tailed Red K - Anita Hunsperger-Bailey

BV Bantam Blue H / Best of Show in 2nd Show - Joe Mazur



Left to Right:

BV Bantam Brown Red H - Joe Mazur

BV Bantam Buff C - Doddie Truedson

BV Large Blue H - Ciera Walters



Left to Right:

BV Large Buff K – Marge Best

BV Large Mottled H – Heidi Hylkema

BV Large Splash H – Heidi Hylkema

2018 WESTERN NATIONAL



Left to Right:

BV Large White H – Heidi Hylkema

BV Bantam Mille Fleur C – Lacee Villines

BV Bantam Red K – Anita Hunsperger-Bailey



Left to Right:

BV Bantam Splash H – Joe Mazur

RB Bantam White H – Joe Mazur

RV Bantam Brown Red H – Joe Mazur



Left to Right:

RV Large White C – Heidi Hylkema

RV Bantam Mottled H – Thomas Call

RV Bantam White H – Teresa Opolka

CANADA DISTRICT REPORT

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It was a very busy Fall Show season throughout this big, beautiful country of ours! I managed to make it to a number of shows in Alberta, Saskatchewan and even Ontario this year. The best part of these trips was finally having the chance to meet friends who I had only known through social media or phone calls previously, as well as making many new friends in the poultry circles. It's been exciting to see so many Cochin enthusiasts from coast to coast, working hard to produce and show truly outstanding Cochins in a number of varieties.

The Canadian District CI Meet was held on October 13th, 2018 during the Vernon Fall Featherfest double show. This meet was, for all intents and purposes, the Joe Mazur Cochin Show! Joe exhibited exceptional bantam Cochins in 6 varieties. Show #1 was judged by Daniel Fry-Shaw and was designated the Canadian District Meet. Joe's White Pullet was declared best Cochin, Champion Featherleg and then went on to take Reserve Champion Bantam.

In Show #2, judged by Rod Clow, Joe's Black Pullet won Champion FL. His Blue Pullet was chosen for Reserve FL in both shows. Congratulations to Joe Mazur on these well-deserved wins.

A number of other top Cochin wins by members during the past few months are deserving of special mention. Unfortunately, I'm not able to include them all here. I do have a couple of highlights to share.



The CHB Fall Show was held November 3rd in Olds Alberta. Overall Show Champion went to a Black Cochin Hen by C-R Ducks (CI member Rico Sebastianelli).
← *Black Hen, owned by Rico Sebastianelli*

Junior members, Alan and Jacob Bennett had a great day at the 96th Annual Royal Agricultural Winter Fair in Toronto ON. Their wins included BB and Junior Champion with a Black Bantam Cockerel, RB with a Black Bantam Pullet and Best and Reserve of variety



with White Cochin Pullets!

With this being my last newsletter submission, I would like to express my sincere gratitude to the superb group of officers and directors of CI. Over the last 4 years I've learned a great deal from these incredibly knowledgeable and capable folks. As Cochin breeders and exhibitors, are all so fortunate to have these people volunteering their time and energy to promote the breed and guide our club in the right direction. I'm also very pleased to welcome Roxanne Daley as the new director for Canada. She is certainly well equipped for this role, and I know she'll do an excellent job representing us Cochin enthusiasts of Canada.

Here's wishing each and every one of you a very happy and successful 2019!
Kathy Stevenson



CANADA DISTRICT REPORT

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Greetings fellow Cochin enthusiasts! My name is Roxanne Daley and I am looking forward to servicing the Canadian members as incoming District Director for Canada starting January 2019!

For those who are not familiar with me, I reside in the Province of Ontario. I enjoy breeding and exhibiting Cochin Bantams. I am Past President of my local poultry club and am also a licensed Ontario Poultry Judges Association, Poultry Judge. Hopefully my experience and the skills I have learned along the way will help me keep up with the excellent level of service Kathy Stevenson has provided! I certainly will consider Kathy a great resource to guide me into this new role as we transition into a fresh term. It was a pleasure to meet and chat when Kathy and friends travelled to Ontario this past October to participate in the Ontario Poultry Breeders show. Hmmm, here's my opportunity to plug the Western National Meet for 2019 at the Ontario Poultry Breeders show Oct. 19-20! Jamie Matts will be judging so let's keep him busy! I hope to see high numbers for a great representation of the Cochin breed featuring several varieties at this show! Now is the time to plan your breeding and hatching so you'll have lots of beauties ready for this meet! Soon I will begin collecting monies already pledged to fund the Specials for this National. If anyone would like to make a donation you still can so please contact me to do so! I can be emailed at grasshillpoultry@hotmail.com

I have enjoyed cochins both large and bantam for about 15 years now and although I've kept several different breeds of poultry over those years, I just cannot remember NOT having cochins in my barn! They are my favorite breed overall with their great personalities and beautiful looks! I cannot wait to see some nice, and now recognized, Self Blue variety examples here in our Canadian showrooms soon! I can appreciate the hard work and dedication fanciers put into developing and improving this breed. All those feathers can be a little high maintenance at times but nothing shows better than a Cochin in prime conditioning!

Sending best wishes for 2019 to the Cochin community and to Cochins International and all its members...Roxanne



IN REMEMBRANCE

ED THOMPSON

Aylmer, Ontario, Canada

October, 1925 – December, 2018

Ed Thompson was a long-time friend and member of Cochins International. For many years, Ed showed as 'Top Shelf Blacks & Buffs' with Don Stephenson.

We extend our condolences to his family and friends.

INTERNATIONAL REPORT

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Courtesy of David Plant (AUS), below is an excerpt from The Pekin Bantam (2012):

BREEDING THE PARTRIDGE

by the Late W.C. Carefoot M.Sc. Ph.D. (U.K.)

Compliments. of the research library of the Late W. Plant (AUS)

NOTE- This article was written with the Partridge Wyandotte in mind. References to the British Standard are replicated in the Australian Standard. Exactly the same breeding principles apply to the Partridge Pekin.

British Partridge Wyandottes are paler in colour than the American counterparts, whilst other breeds have identical shades. From the fact that high quality Cockerel Bred Partridge Wyandottes have always thrown white sports, and also birds far too red, it would appear possible that the dilution is caused by the presence of the recessive white gene (c) in a single dose.

The dilution in pullet breeders is different in the fact that no white sports are produced, and it appears possible, that in this case, dilution is caused by the substitution of e+ for eb.

It must be kept in mind when reading what follows, that the British Standard calls for a lighter shade of red than the American. For example, in America, we would not want lemon-edged hackle in a cock-bred female. If this is kept in mind, the reader will find this extremely valuable.

When Partridge Wyandottes were first introduced to the people drawing up the Standard, they decided to go for the simple beauty which has since caused Partridges to be called "The Royalty of The Show Pen". It was a relatively easy matter to decide that the colour of the ideal male would be black with a beetle-green sheen, and dark undercolour, except for the hackles, shoulders, backs and bays. The hackles were to be black with beetle- green sheen, uniformly edged with lemon, shading to orange at the top of the head, both hackles to match, shoulders and back to be bright red and the wing bays to be bright bay. Likewise, the ideal female had to be soft, light partridge brown ground colour, uniformly penciled with concentric rings of black. The rings to be fine and starting inside the feather, following the shape of the feather. The tail and wing feathers to be black or penciled where they are hidden, and penciled to match the body wherever they are on view. The hackle to be as penciled as possible.

These are very simply defined and precise requirements, but when the breeders attempted to attain these ideals, they found they had problems. If they had a male with a solid stripe in the neck hackle, his female relations were too strong in the black, and this showed itself in black specks in the ground colour of the female. If however, they had a female of correct ground colour, then the male relations were too red, with center cores in the neck hackle, and very little black in the saddle hackle. It therefore became apparent that two pens were required, one to breed exhibition males, and one to breed exhibition females. The former were called Cockerel Breeders, and the latter Pullet Breeders, C.B. and P.B. for short. From this moment on the Partridges were really two colours, the Cockerel Breeders being a black red, and the Pullet Breeders a gold-penciled.

The colour problem was to find the correct mate for the ideal show bird. The complete solution is still not known, but I think we are very close to the answer.

I will try to give the logic behind this problem that may be helpful to breeders of other varieties where double mating is required for colour reasons.

The ideal Partridge Wyandotte of either sex is so precisely marked, that it is inconceivable that the mate for this bird should be anything but equally precisely marked, but this marking may not be so simply described. Since the perfect show bird is unlikely to be available, the mate for a show bird must be chosen to counterbalance the defects in the said show bird.

For this reason, we have to find out which colour patterns in the male correspond with which in the female-We have found several definite results as follows:

- The neck hackle colour of the female is very close to the lightest part of the neck hackle of the male, and the width of edging is related.
- Shaftiness in hackles is related in both sexes.
- Colour inside the hackles of the male, is related to penciling in the female in some way.
- Solid black hackles in the male are associated with black specks in the ground color of the female (called "mossiness")
- The strength of the black and the beetle green sheen in both sexes is related.
- Uniformity of body colour in the female is connected with matching hackles in the male.

From our established results we can see that a Cock Bred female must have:

- Lemon edged neck hackles as bright as possible, and as free from shaft as possible.
- Beetle green sheen wherever it is possible to be seen, for instance, in the neck and tail. Some of the best CB females shine green on the body in the sunlight.
- Very little penciling, with what there is, very course and blurred.
- As little shaft on the body as possible, apart from the breast.
- Primaries as dark as possible

Having got the basic requirements for a CB pullet, other minor details probably determine the selection of the mate for a particular male. For instance, it is likely that if a CB female is completely free from body colour, then her sons may fail in the wing bays, but if she has too much body colour then her sons will have shafty hackles. The margin for error is very fine as can be seen from the fact that a completely sound male with perfect wing bays is very rare indeed. Consequently, the amount of body colour on the female to be chosen, depends on her mate.

The Pullet Breeding male is likewise fairly precisely marked according to the above rules. He must have:

- Beetle green sheen wherever he is black.
- Fairly bright neck hackle, the colour of the brightest part of the neck the same as the neck hackle colour of the ideal female. This discovery has led to a virtual disappearance of "foxy" females so predominant a few years ago when the fanciers were frightened that a male with bright neck was partially Cock-bred.
- Hackles with center core of bay, and not a definite light shaft that will lead to shaftiness in the females.
- Some red on the breast, as a completely solid black breast is related to heavy penciling.
- Wing bays of which an exhibition male would be proud.

As in Cockerel Breeders, the male chosen depends on the female selected. If she is too heavy, choose a male with a little black, provided that what

there is, is the correct black. If she is weak in the penciling then choose a male with plenty of black.

Your breeding results can be seen from the chickens at "unisex" stage of eight weeks or so. At this stage the sexes are most alike in colour. A Pullet Breeding cockerel will have feathers on the lower breast, and on the wing coverts, that are penciled. The cockerels which are the finest and sharpest in penciling and which have these feathers of soft Partridge brown colour, are the ones which contain the potential to breed good coloured females.

It has often been written that the main point in selecting a PB. Male or a CB. Female is that they are bred from a long line of exhibition birds. This of course, is perfectly true, and if a CB. Female or a PB. Male is as I have described, then it is certain that it's pedigree will be true. However, not all birds with correct plumage are themselves worthy of a place in the breeding pen.

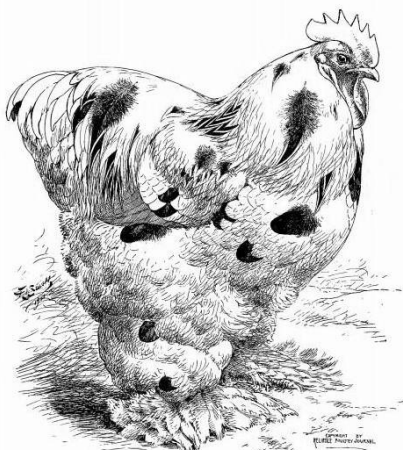


CHART OF IDEAL PARTRIDGE COCHIN MALE
Fig. 1—Illustrating the Shape and Color Required by the American Standard of Perfection.

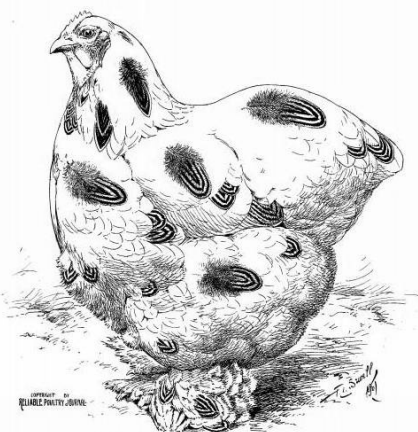


CHART OF IDEAL PARTRIDGE COCHIN FEMALE
Fig. 2—Illustrating the Shape and Distribution of Color Required by the American Standard of Perfection.

HISTORIAN'S REPORT

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WHITE COCHIN BANTAMS

By George Fitterer

The first American White Cochin Bantams were originated by A.P. Groves about twenty years ago. Since that time, many American fanciers have taken to breeding the Whites with the keenest precaution that they might be brought to the highest degree of perfection, and through their care and foresight the popularity of the White Cochin is steadily increasing.

The White Cochins in late years have been indeed a great deal improved both in shape and color. The breeders of today are striving to produce stay-white bantam males.

The three important features in the Cochin Bantams that should be given careful attention are color, shape and feathering. When I mate for type, color, and feathering, I select females that are small and vigorous, possessing good shape and

heavily feathered. Color indeed is not overlooked, for only females that are white to the skin are selected. The shafting of the feathers should be white, not yellow, if you want to breed stay-white males. A male is selected that is strong in points where the females are weak. Such a mating is bound to give good results.

As to the size of Cochins Bantams, they are guided by the standard which fixes a uniform weight as follows: 30 oz., 26 oz., 24 oz., for cock, hen, cockerel and pullet, and to exceed this weight 4 oz. is to disqualify.

The Cochins should have a broad, deep and well-rounded body, short legs with loose and abundant feathers, and in fact they should be full feathered in cushion, fluff, hocks, shanks, and toes. Long, soft, fluffy plumage is the main characteristic of the Cochins Bantams.

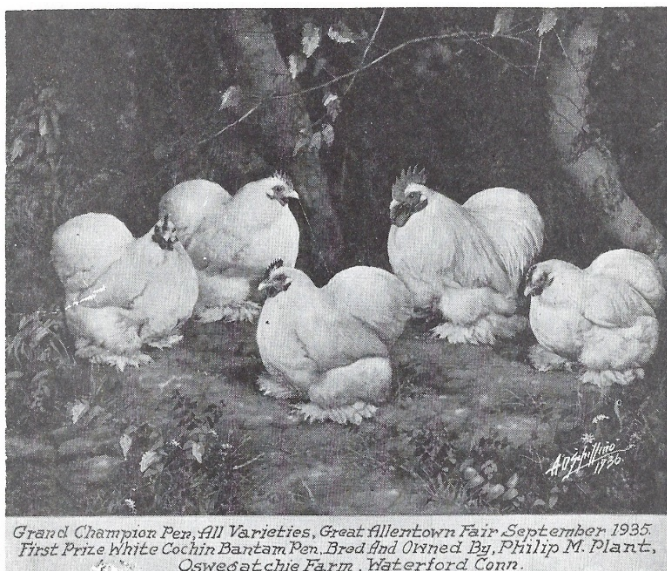
The comb should be single, neat and erect and rather small.

The face should be smooth and fine in texture of skin, wattles and ear lobes rather long, but thin and bright red; neck short and neatly arched with an abundance of hackle plumage; body carried slightly forward with head and tail almost equal in height; back should be short and broad; wings short and tightly tucked up. The main tail (as in the hen) should be short and spread at base, well filled underneath with soft fluffy feathers and enveloped with the coverts or side hangers; thighs are set moderately wide apart and well feathered; shanks short and stout with heavy feathering.

White Cochins hatch out yellow, white and gray. All three colored chicks when feathered out turn out to be nice and white.

The baby chicks are fed on bread first soaked in milk then squeezed dry, for the first week. After the first week a small quantity of a good chick feed is added to their daily feed. For the adult Cochins feed a mash in the morning and some grain in the evening will answer the purpose. Equal parts of wheat, kaffir corn and rice makes an ideal summer grain mixture. Equal parts of wheat and of a good commercial scratch feed will do for the winter months.

A beginner will make no mistake by selecting White Cochins Bantams, for they bred true to color, are easily raised and above all the stand at the head of the list as little egg machines.



*Grand Champion Pen, All Varieties, Great Allentown Fair, September 1935.
First Prize White Cochins Bantam Pen, Brod And Owned By, Philip M. Plant,
Oswegatchie Farm, Waterford Conn.*

JUNIORS' REPORT

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Happy Holidays to Everyone!!

Sadly, I do not have any winners to announce for the 2018 Hatching Contest because I have not received any entries in the mail as of yesterday, Dec. 13th. Hopefully, next spring everyone will have better luck, and we will see more juniors in the show hall with birds they have hatched and raised themselves. I feel that it is vital to our hobby for young people to learn the value of raising their own show stock, and to do that, they need the support of experienced mentors. There are many members of our club, including myself, that are willing and available to help with advice and encouragement. *Juniors (and parents), please feel free to call, text, send a private message through messenger, etc. whenever you have a question or hit a bump in the road. Many of us are available at shows to look at your birds with you. Please feel free to reach out to us!!!*

I have enjoyed my time as Junior Director for Cochins International the past 4 years. I have greatly appreciated the support of the club in initiating the Junior Master Exhibitor program, and I was thrilled to help four juniors: Edison Cigany, Malory Davis, Lacy Conlan, and Jodi Frye complete the program. However, I have some new projects on the horizon, and therefore, I have decided to pass the baton on to someone who is young, energetic, and extremely enthusiastic about the Cochin breed, both bantams and large fowl. Ross Treffert will be taking over as Junior Program Leader on January 1st. He is full of ideas for the junior program, and you all will find him very approachable and a ton of fun!!! Even though I will no longer be Junior Director, Jodi and I will still be very involved with the club. We are both always available for help and support, so feel free to contact us!!

I hope everyone has a Merry Christmas and Blessed New Year!



Jodi Frye: Best Junior Cochin of the Eastern National and Champion of the Junior show with large fowl black pullet; Jodi and Katya Baranko as they waited in line for Senior Showmanship

JUNIORS' REPORT

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I like to focus a lot of my time and effort on making the shows memorable for the Youth Exhibitors. Knoxville was my first experience as Youth Program Director for our Eastern National meet and I must say, it was one I will surely remember. Ivy and I worked together with Vinson Workman to make show boxes for ALL youth that exhibited cochins. I'd also like to thank all of those that sponsored the juniors' show boxes. I also made certificates for best and reserve of variety in all color classes for the youth show as well as best and reserve of breed. Congratulations to Jodi Frye on Best of Breed large fowl, Overall Champion with her large fowl black cochin and Rihanna Smith with her Best of Breed and Reserve Champion with her bantam black cochin.

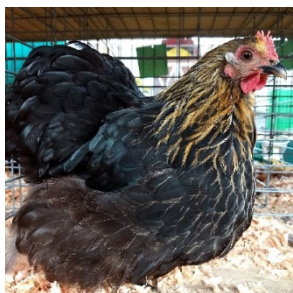
I am working with Teri as we switch role as Youth Program Director. I am keeping many of the current programs in place, but I am working on a few new ideas for this coming year. So, get those youth signed up! I hope to have them all in place very soon. Most importantly, I am looking for input from the parents, members, and fellow board members to grow our youth program. It is important that we focus on the future of our fancy and OUR club. I would like for youth wins to be just as, if not more important, than open class wins. Please be patient with me as I set these programs in place and roll them out. Keep watch on the website or Facebook page for more details to come.

Please feel free to reach to me any time.

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**RESERVE OF SHOW
CHAMPION BANTAM
CHAMPION FEATHERLEG
Clark County Fair
Vancouver, WA
August, 2018
Bantam Brown Red Hen by
Madison Scott**

**RESV. CHAMPION BANTAM
Northwest Missouri State Fair
Bethany, MO
September, 2018
Bantam Splash by
Damien Webb**



CELEBRATING JUNIOR EXCELLENCE!



RESERVE SHOW CHAMPION
 Northwest Georgia Regional Fair
 Calhoun, GA
 September, 2018
 Blue Cock by
Savanna Bright

SUPER GRAND SHOW CHAMP.
GRAND CHAMPION BANTAM
CHAMPION FEATHERLEG
 Mayes County Fair
 Pryor, OK
 September, 2018
 Bantam Black Cock by
Addy Brixey



RESERVE SHOW CHAMPION
CHAMPION BANTAM
CHAMPION FEATHERLEG
 Tulsa State Fair
 Tulsa, OK
 September, 2018
 Bantam White Hen by
Cheyenne Brixey

JR. SHOW CHAMPION
JR. CHAMPION BANTAM
 Southeast Arkansas District Fair
 Pine Bluff, AR
 October, 2018
 Bantam Blue Pullet by
River Eubanks





CELEBRATING JUNIOR EXCELLENCE!

JR. GRAND SHOW CHAMPION
(2nd Show)

NW Georgia Bantam Club
Calhoun, GA

October, 2018

Bantam Black Cock by
Savanna Bright



JR. CHAMPION FEATHERLEG
Michigan Fowl Fest

Birch Run, MI

November, 2018

Bantam Black Frizzle Cockerel by
Ben Fritz

JUNIOR SHOW CHAMPION
The Royal Agricultural Winter Fair
Toronto, Ontario, Canada
November, 2018

Bantam Black Cockerel by
Alan & Jacob Bennett

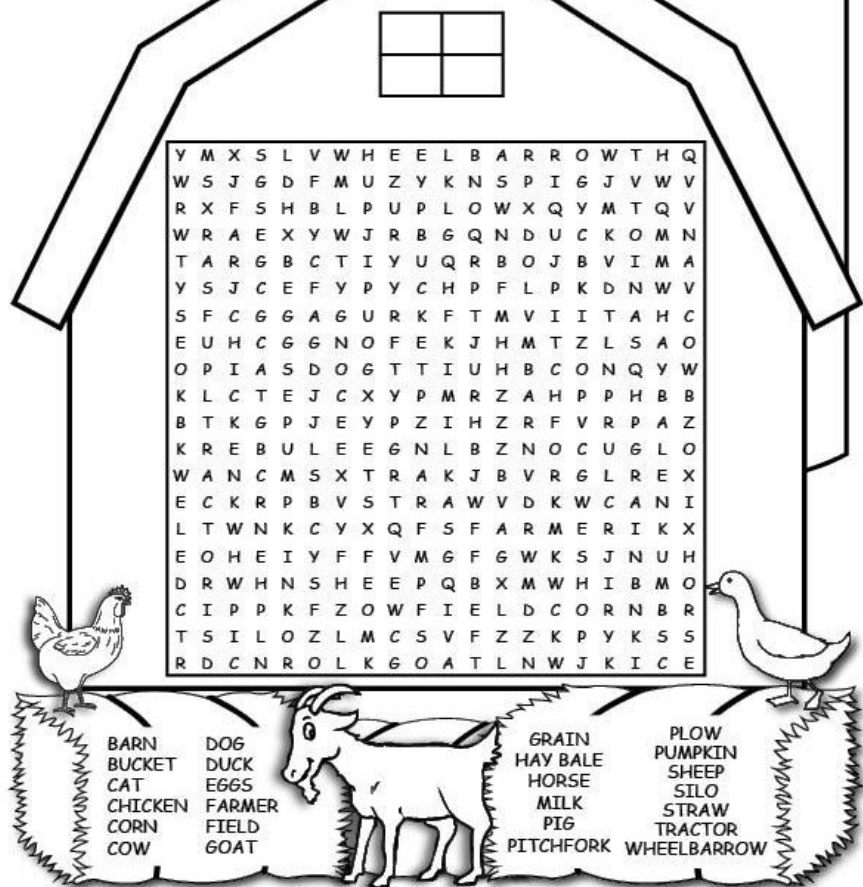


JR. SHOW GRAND CHAMPION
Tennessee Valley Poultry Club
Knoxville, TN

December, 2018

Large Fowl Black Pullet by
Jodi Frye

Fun on the Farm!



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