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This Bulletin is dedicated to the National, District, and other significant winners in 2015

As more and more Ameraucanas are showing up on Champion Row, let's take a look at the trendsetters of 2015!

Welcome to All the New Members!

The New Member packets are still flying out of here to points North, South, East, and West. Say Hi to all our new members:

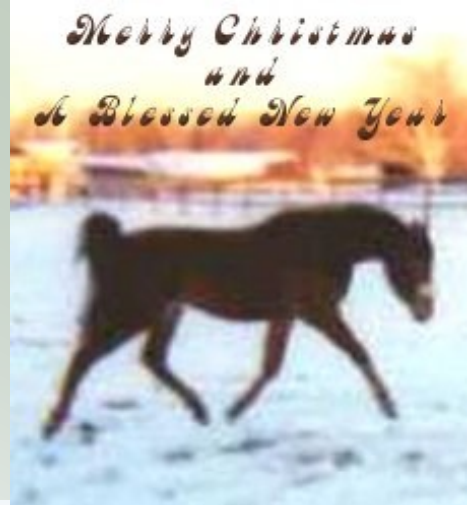
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**All New members are entered in a drawing to win an EcoGlow 20 Brooder Heater!
Drawing at 2016 Nationals
You do not need to be present to win**



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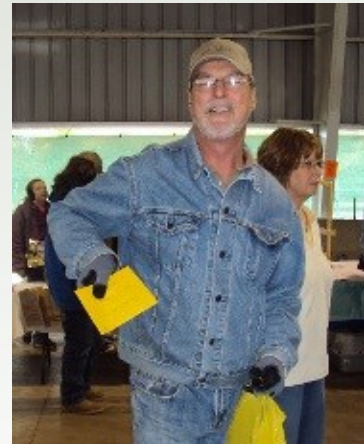
From the desk of...

President Clif Redden

Ameraucanas: A Skyrocketing Breed

Hi, everyone! It's been another great year for Ameraucanas. Nearly every time that I look at Facebook, I see another Ameraucana win. Wins are being reported all over the country. I know it's because better birds are being used for brood stock, and people are taking more pride in the Ameraucanas they have. I'm excited to say that the Ameraucana Breeders Club is also gaining in membership and advantages! Our membership has grown to 223 active members. I would also like to take this opportunity to say welcome aboard to all of our newcomers, and we appreciate everyone's continued support. I have only been able to make it to one show so far this year (Ameraucana Breeders Club National), but I was able to visit with members that have been with

the Club for many years, and members that joined at the meet. I am looking forward to Shawnee, OK, our state meet. There is always a lot of competition and good friends to share a chicken conversation with! I hope you have a great breeding season and raise some Super Show Champions! I pray that you and your family enjoy God's presence this Christmas season and from now on. Clif



"Nearly every time that I look at Facebook, I see another Ameraucana win."

From the desk of...

Susan Mouw, Secretary/ Treasurer

Hi Everyone!

I can't believe we are at the end of 2015 and staring at 2016 just around the corner! What a year! Highs and lows, it's been a roller coaster of changes!

Changes to the website, to how we do business, even to how we showcase and award our member's accomplishments. The upgrades aren't all done yet, though. Still to come—a shopping site, with things like coffee mugs, t-shirts, and other customized items that many of you have asked about.

When I first started in Ameraucanas, in 2011, you didn't see them much at the poultry shows, and you couldn't really find many folks around here that had them. Boy, has that changed! It was an Ameraucana that won Ch LF and Res. Ch LF at our recent local double show!

In this issue we'll see more of those winning birds of 2015.



Treasurer's Report

Prev. Balance	7573.49
Income	
Sales	48.00
Dues—New Members	427.72
Dues—Renewals	360.00
Income	835.72
Donations—2016 National	371.00
Total Cash & Income	8780.21
Expenses	
Awards, trophies	2000.48
Internet	112.55
Postage&Supplies	649.73
Total Expenses	2762.76
Cash Balance	6017.45

From the desk of...

NE District Director, Larry Clionsky

Well happy thanksgiving to all the members of ABC especially in the North East. As I write this I'm drooling about not one but two Turkey dinners tomorrow on turkey day. We have a dinner at my brothers at 1 and my mother-in-law's at 6:00. So, bring it on and I hope everyone gets their fill of their favorite foods on the day of family gatherings and giving thanks for all things A thru Z.

Since my last report nothing much has changed as far as the AI scare across the country. Here in PA we have not had any positives for the AI but the powers in Agriculture are ever vigilant and praying that the fall migrations do not cause any problems. Many shows that are usually scheduled this time of year are cancelled so I guess we will look forward to 2016. I did attend the Virginia poultry Breeders Assoc. Meet in Ruther Glen, VA last weekend and although I didn't show well, ABC members Tom Kernan and Camille Lewandowski faired much better. Tom won champion AOSB with a black Sumatra female and Camille won Best of Breed with the daughter of her champion black ameraucana. The pullet looks just like her mother so it's no surprise that she took the breed. The show had a total of 806 entries and the AOSB class had 58 birds with 17 Ameraucanas entered. 11 black, 2 blue, 2 lavenders, 1 wheaten and my 1 Blue Wheaten. I didn't look to see how many different people showed ameraucanas. The AOCCL class had 61 entries but only a trio were Ameraucanas and they were mine. It was a good one day show and show secretary Tom Roebuck should be proud of the results. Grand champion of the show was a white leghorn by Bill Sandoe who usually wins that accolade or reserve champ. He is very tough to beat. But, his birds are the whitest color you'll ever see.

Speaking of shows, junior member Will Kitsch and his mom are heading to Knoxville, Tenn. next week for their show on 12/4. Will usually has either an Ameraucana or Rhode Is-

land Red on champion row so we wish him luck and hope he gets up there.

In closing, I would like to mention that We should congratulate Director Paul Smith for all his and his wife and son's hard work in putting together our National Meet a few weeks ago. Although I didn't attend I understand that it was a huge success and lots of Ameraucanas were on hand for the show. Results of the show is posted on the ABC website for all who are interested. And, yours truly was bestowed the lifetime achievement award so I guess raising, breeding and showing Ameraucanas for the last 16 years did get noticed.

As I have said in other newsletters, I recall many shows that I attended way back never had Ameraucanas in them until I entered them and most Judges didn't know the first thing about them. They were popular in the Midwest but the East had never seen them until myself and Neil Townsend started showing them. Judge R. Robert Powell became one of the few judges to get out the APA standard and studied the attributes of the breed. Many have followed suit and now most judges are well aware of what Ameraucanas should look like and all of the accepted varieties and new ones pending such as the self blue (lavender), splash and chocolates. I commend all the breeders of our birds that spend years coming up with new varieties and getting the APA to approve them for exhibit. So before I say goodbye, I just want to remind all our members to call their directors and request shows so we can get them in our bulletin and keep showing Ameraucanas. Checking shows in the Northeast for the remainder of the year has come up empty so let me know when shows come up and get those birds entered.

Remember to visit our website and forum for info on all things Ameraucana. Until next time, Happy Holidays and Happy New Year. Clionsky over and out.

Attention ABC Members!

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advertise your stock for sale.***

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**2015 Nationals
November 7, 2015
Fayetteville, AR**



2015 National Champion Ameraucana
Reserve CH LF, CH AOSB, BB, BV
Black Cockerel shown by Max Strawn



2015 Reserve National Champion Ameraucana
Reserve BB, BV
Blue Wheaten Pullet shown by Max Strawn



2015 Bantam Best of Breed
Reserve CH AOCCL, BB, BV
White Hen shown by Jerry DeSmidt



2015 Bantam Reserve Best of Breed
RB, RV
White Pullet shown by Jerry DeSmidt

11/7/2015**11/8/2015****Heart of the Ozarks #1****National**

Fayetteville

AR

District: SC

Div Type Breed Judge # Exhibitors # Entries

Open **Large Fowl** **Bill Patterson** **5** **69**

Award	Variety	Sex	# Entries	Exhibitor	Points*
BV, BB, CH AOSB, R CH LF, CH AM	Black	K	30	Max Strawn	94
RV	Black	P		Clif Redden	29
BV	Blue	P	15	Max Strawn	15
RV	Blue	P		Max Strawn	14
BV, RB, R CH AM	Blue Wheaten	P	6	Max Strawn	93
RV	Blue Wheaten	K		Paul & Angela Smith	5
BV	Brown Red	K	1	Clif Redden	1
BV	Wheaten	K	4	Sharon Caywood	4
RV	Wheaten	P		Sharon Caywood	3
BV	White	K	5	Jerry DeSmidt	5
RV	White	P		Jerry DeSmidt	4
BV	AOV-Lavender	P	4	Paul & Angela Smith	4
RV	AOV-Lavender	K		Paul & Angela Smith	3
BV, AOV	AOV-Splash	P	4	Sharon Caywood	8
RV, R AOV	AOV-Splash	K		Jerry DeSmidt	7

Open **Bantam** **Bill Patterson** **1** **26**

Award	Variety	Sex	# Entries	Exhibitor	Points*
BV	Black	H	2	Jerry DeSmidt	2
RV	Black	P		Jerry DeSmidt	1
BV	Blue	H	2	Jerry DeSmidt	2
RV	Blue	P		Jerry DeSmidt	1
BV	Blue Wheaten	P	8	Jerry DeSmidt	8
RV	Blue Wheaten	H		Jerry DeSmidt	7
BV	Wheaten	K	5	Jerry DeSmidt	5
RV	Wheaten	P		Jerry DeSmidt	4
BV, BB, R CH AOCCL	White	H	7	Jerry DeSmidt	26
RV, RB	White	P		Jerry DeSmidt	25
BV	AOV-Splash Whe	P	2	Jerry DeSmidt	2
RV	AOV-Splash Whe	K		Jerry DeSmidt	1

2015 Nationals—Juniors
November 7, 2015
Fayetteville, AR



2015 Junior Champion Ameraucana
 CH AOSB, BB, BV
 Blue Pullet shown by Matthew Smith



2015 Reserve Junior Champion Ameraucana
 RB, BV
 White Cockerel shown by Matthew Smith

<u>11/7/2015</u>	<u>11/8/2015</u>	<u>Heart of the Ozarks #1</u>			<u>National</u>
		Fayetteville	AR	District:	SC
Div Type	Breed	Judge		# Exhibitors	# Entries
Junior	Large Fowl			1	15
Award	Variety	Sex	# Entries	Exhibitor	Points*
BV	Black	K	3	Matthew Smith	3
RV	Black	P		Matthew Smith	2
BV, BB, AOSB, CH AM	Blue	P	4	Matthew Smith	15
RV	Blue	K		Matthew Smith	3
BV	Blue Wheaten	P	2	Matthew Smith	2
RV	Blue Wheaten	K		Matthew Smith	1
BV	Wheaten	K	1	Matthew Smith	1
BV, RB	White	K	2	Matthew Smith	14
RV	White	P		Matthew Smith	1
BV	AOV-Lavender	P	2	Matthew Smith	2
RV	AOV-Lavender	K		Matthew Smith	1
BV, AOV	AOV-Splash	K	1	Matthew Smith	3

**2015 Nationals
November 7, 2015
Fayetteville, AR**

Egg Awards



Egg Awards Designed and Created by
Jean Ribbeck



Jeff Vance and Sharon Caywood
Judges—Bantam Eggs

Winners:

Bantam Hen—Jerry DeSmidt (Black hens)
Bantam Pullet—Jerry DeSmidt (White Pullets)



Clif Redden and Max Strawn
Judges—Large Fowl Eggs

Winners:

LF Hen—Jeff & Sherry Vance (Black hens)
LF Pullet—Sharon Caywood (Wheaten Pullets)

**2015 Nationals—Annual Meeting and Awards
November 7, 2015
Fayetteville, AR**



Larry Clionsky
Awarded
2015 Lifetime Achievement Award



Paul Smith awarding Jerry DeSmidt
ABC's first
Master Exhibitor Award



L-R **Front Row:** Jeff Vance, Dorothy Haire
Middle Row: Kelly Stockman, Sherry Vance, Donna Jo Dunn, Jan Geis, Jan Wells, Sharon Caywood, Paul Smith, Angela Smith
Back Row: Matthew Smith, Don Cash, Brad Stoneberger , Jerry DeSmidt, Max Strawn, Clif Redden, Gordon Gilliam, Spencer Crouse

**2015 Nationals
November 7, 2015
Fayetteville, AR**



Drawing for the winner of the New Member Drawing
for the GQF Hovabator
Model 2362E, Digital Thermostat Incubator
Congratulations to Kathy Holley, Marana, AZ for win-
ning the new incubator! Any chicks yet, Kathy?



Judge Dr. Bill Patterson



**2015 Arkansas State Meet
November 7, 2015
Fayetteville, AR**



2015 Arkansas State Champion Ameraucana
Reserve Grand Champion, CH Large Fowl, CH AOSB, BB, BV
Black Cockerel
Shown by Clif Redden

2015 Arkansas Reserve State Champion Ameraucana
Reserve CH AOSB, RB, RV
White Cockerel
Shown by Jerry DeSmidt

No Picture Available

Champion AOCCL, BB, BV
Blue Wheaten Pullet
Shown by
Jerry DeSmidt



Reserve Breed, BV
Wheaten Cockerel
Shown by Jerry DeSmidt

2015 Arkansas State Meet , November 7, 2015

11/7/2015	11/8/2015	Heart of the Ozarks #2			State
		Fayetteville	AR	District: SC	
Div Type	Breed	Judge	# Exhibitors	# Entries	
Open	Large Fowl	Steve Beaty	5	69	
Award	Variety	Sex	# Entries	Exhibitor	Points*
BV, BB, CH AOSB, CH LF, CH AM, R GR CH	Black	K	30	Clif Redden	94
RV	Black	P		Paul & Angela Smith	14
RV	Black	P		Bent Spur Bantams	
BV	Blue	P	15	Max Strawn	15
BV	Blue Wheaten	P	6	Sharon Caywood	6
RV	Blue Wheaten	P		Max Strawn	5
BV	Brown Red	K	1	Clif Redden	1
BV	Wheaten	H	4	Sharon Caywood	4
RV	Wheaten	K		Sharon Caywood	3
BV, RB, R CH AOSB, R CH AM	White	C	5	Jerry DeSmidt	93
RV	White	P		Jerry DeSmidt	4
BV	AOV-Lavender	H	4	Clif Redden	4
RV	AOV-Lavender	P		Paul & Angela Smith	3
BV	AOV-Splash	P	4	Sharon Caywood	4
RV	AOV-Splash	K		Paul & Angela Smith	3
Open	Bantam	Steve Beaty	1	26	
Award	Variety	Sex	# Entries	Exhibitor	Points*
BV	Black	P	2	Jerry DeSmidt	2
RV	Black	H		Jerry DeSmidt	1
BV	Blue	H	2	Jerry DeSmidt	2
RV	Blue	P		Jerry DeSmidt	1
BV, BB, CH AOCCL	Blue Wheaten	P	8	Jerry DeSmidt	26
RV	Blue Wheaten	K		Jerry DeSmidt	7
RV, RB	Wheaten	K	5	Jerry DeSmidt	25
RV	Wheaten	P		Jerry DeSmidt	4
BV	White	P	7	Jerry DeSmidt	7
RV	White	H		Jerry DeSmidt	6
BV, AOV	AOV-Splash	P	2	Jerry DeSmidt	2
RV, R AOV	AOV-Splash	K		Jerry DeSmidt	1

**2015 Western District Meet
November 21, 2015
Chehallis, WA**



2015 Western District Champion Ameraucana
BB BV
Black Hen shown by Karen Carpenter



2015 Western District Reserve Champion Ameraucana
RB, BV
Wheaten Hen shown by Larry Giberson



Reserve Champion AOSB
BB, BV
Black Hen shown by Jean Ribbeck



Reserve Best of Breed
BV
Blue Wheaten Pullet shown by Janelle Pruett

**2015 Western District Meet
November 21, 2015
Chehalis, WA**

11/21/2015	11/22/2015	Washington Feather Fanciers Winter Brisk	District
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Southwest Washington Fairgrounds			
Chehalis	WA	District:	W

Div Type Breed Judge # Exhibitors

Open **Large Fowl** Daniel Fry-Shaw 6

Award	Variety	Sex	# Entries	Exhibitor	Points*
BV, BB, R AOSB	Black	P	5	Connie Jean Ribbeck	14
RV	Black	H		Logan Miller	4
RV	Blue Wheaten	P		Royce Van Blaricome	
BV, RB	Blue Wheaten	P	5	Janelle Pruett	
RV	Wheaten	H		Royce Van Blaricome	
BV	Wheaten	P	2	Royce Van Blaricome	
BV	White	H	1	Emily Mackey	
BV	AOV-Splash	C	1	Debbie Wisch	

Open **Bantam** Jim Sallee 3

Award	Variety	Sex	# Entries	Exhibitor	Points*
BV, BB, CH AM	Black	H	2	Karen Carpenter	25
RV	Black	P		Connie Jean Ribbeck	1
BV	Blue	K	2	Karen Carpenter	2
RV	Blue	H		Karen Carpenter	1
BV	Blue Wheaten	K	2	Larry Giberson	2
RV	Blue Wheaten	C		Connie Jean Ribbeck	1
BV, RB, R CH AM	Wheaten	H	3	Larry Giberson	24
RV	Wheaten	P		Larry Giberson	2
BV	AOV-Splash	P	2	Karen Carpenter	2
RV	AOV-Splash	K		Karen Carpenter	2



**Ameraucana Breeders Club
Membership Status**

We started the year with 149 active members. 25 Members left during the year, and 108 New Members have joined this year.
As of this writing, there are 232 active members in the ABC.
Thank you to each and everyone for your continued support!

**2015 South East District Meet
December 5, 2015
Blackville, SC**



2015 SE District Champion Ameraucana Reserve Ch Large Fowl, Ch AOSB, BB, BV
Black cockerel shown by Susan Mouw



2015 SE District Reserve Champion Ameraucana BB, BV
Blue Wheaten Pullet (bantam) shown by Jeff & Sherry Vance



2015 SE District Reserve Best of Breed Large Fowl Blue Wheaten Cockerel
Shown by Susan Mouw



2015 SE Dostroct Reserve Best of Breed Bantam Wheaten Cockerel
Shown by Maggier Maier

2015 South East District Meet
December 5, 2015
Blackville, SC

12/5/2015	12/5/2015	Low Country Classic #2	District
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Clemson University Research and Education Center
 Blackville SC District: SE

Div Type	Breed	Judge	# Exhibitors	# Entries
Open	Large Fowl	Ronnie Ledford	4	27

Award	Variety	Sex	# Entries	Exhibitor	Points*
BV, BB, CH AOSB, R CH LF, CH AM	Black	K	11	Susan Mouw	39
RV	Black	P		Susan Mouw	10
BV	Blue	P	1	Jeffery & Cheryl Vance	1
BV, RB	Blue Wheaten	K	4	Susan Mouw	26
RV	Blue Wheaten	P		Susan Mouw	3
BV	Brown Red	K	1	Jeffery & Cheryl Vance	1
BV	Buff	P	4	Stan Alder	4
RV	Buff	K		Stan Alder	3
BV	Silver	P	3	Stan Alder	3
RV	Silver	K		Stan Alder	2
BV	Wheaten	K	3	Susan Mouw	3
RV	Wheaten	K		Jeffery & Cheryl Vance	2

Div Type	Breed	Judge	# Exhibitors	# Entries
Open	Bantam	Ronnie Ledford	3	12

Award	Variety	Sex	# Entries	Exhibitor	Points*
BV, BB, R CH AM	Blue Wheaten	P	2	Jeffery & Cheryl Vance	38
RV	Blue Wheaten	K		Jeffery & Cheryl Vance	1
BV	Buff	K	2	Don Cash	2
RV	Buff	K		Don Cash	
BV	Silver	C	2	Don Cash	2
RV	Silver	P		Don Cash	
BV, RB	Wheaten	K	3	Maggie Maier	11
RV	Wheaten	P		Maggie Maier	1
BV	AOV-Lavender	P	2	Don Cash	2
RV	AOV-Lavender	K		Don Cash	1
BV	AOV-Birchen	P	1	Don Cash	1

**2015 South Carolina State Meet
December 5, 2015
Blackville, SC**



Ch Large Fowl, Ch AOSB, BB, BV
Black cockerel shown by Susan Mouw



Reserve Ch AOSB, Reserve BB, BV
Buff Pullet shown by Stan Alder



2015 SC State Best of Breed
Wheaten Cockerel (bantam)
Shown by Maggie Maier



2015 SC State Reserve Best of Breed
Blue Wheaten Pullet (bantam)
Shown by Jeff & Sherry Vance

2015 South Carolina State Meet
December 5, 2015
Blackville, SC

12/5/2015	12/5/2015	Low Country Classic #1	State
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Clemson University Research and Education Center
 Blackville SC District: SE

Div Type	Breed	Judge	# Exhibitors	# Entries
Open	Large Fowl	Rip Stalvey	4	27

Award	Variety	Sex	# Entries	Exhibitor	Points*
BV, BB, CH AOSB, CH LF	Black	K	11	Susan Mouw	27
RV	Black	H		Jeffery & Cheryl Vance	10
BV	Blue	P	1	Jeffery & Cheryl Vance	1
BV	Blue Wheaten	K	4	Susan Mouw	4
RV	Blue Wheaten	P		Susan Mouw	3
BV	Brown Red	K	1	Jeffery & Cheryl Vance	1
BV, RB, R CH AOSB	Buff	P	4	Stan Alder	26
RV	Buff	C		Don Cash	3
BV	Silver	K	3	Stan Alder	3
RV	Silver	P		Stan Alder	2
BV	Wheaten	C	3	Don Cash	3
RV	Wheaten	K		Jeffery & Cheryl Vance	2

Div Type	Breed	Judge	# Exhibitors	# Entries
Open	Bantam	Rip Stalvey	3	12

Award	Variety	Sex	# Entries	Exhibitor	Points*
BV, RB	Blue Wheaten	P	2	Jeffery & Cheryl Vance	11
RV	Blue Wheaten	K		Jeffery & Cheryl Vance	1
BV	Buff	K	2	Don Cash	2
RV	Buff	K		Don Cash	1
BV	Silver	P	2	Don Cash	2
RV	Silver	C		Don Cash	1
BV, BB	Wheaten	K	3	Maggie Maier	12
RV	Wheaten	P		Maggie Maier	1
BV	AOV-Lavender	P	2	Don Cash	2
RV	AOV-Lavender	K		Don Cash	1
BV	AOV-Birchen	P	1	Don Cash	1

From the desk of...

South East District Director Don Cash

Matthew and I did ourselves in effort as well as several others in the adjoining states. And the show staff were very helpful in so many ways. It was good to be able to put a face with names for old members as well as meet a good number of new members. This was our first double show. We'd heard so much about the pros and cons, but it really did go smoothly and it was definitely good to see how the judges placed some of the same birds in each judging. Congratulations to all of the winners for the great job of hatching, growing and conditioning all of those great birds. It was a great show and it was great to see some nice birds in several AOV classes. I tried to get Sharon to let me take her Splash pullet home. But she seemed to think she wanted to keep her. I am sure she will be in the breeding pens soon as well as so many of the birds that were in perfect condition for this show. I hope all of you can put together some great pens for this next years crop of youngsters.

Our meets in the South Eastern District were down this fall due to the restrictions in several states. Hopefully this will be cleared after the first of the year and we can go back to showing in many of our normal show locations. I am placing meets at several shows this spring with that anticipation. Keep an eye out for meet listings and I hope many of you can get out and enjoy the shows for this new year.

The SE District meet will take place in Blacksville SC, Dec 5, 2015. I hope many of you in the district and adjoining districts can come out for this show. If you can't show at least come out and spend some time talking about Ameraucanas and making plans for shows in the new year.

Please drop me a note if you have shows where you would like to place meets. It would be great if you could entice three members to come out together and make the events all that more challenging. Get those birds out there for others to see and enjoy.

I hope each of you have a great Holiday Season as well. Enjoy the season and the friends and family which you can spend time for each gathering. Most of us have so much to be Thankful for in our country. I hope you can share with special friends and celebrate the Hallmarks of the seasons. God Bless! Don Cash

“Congratulations to all of the winners for the great job of hatching, growing and conditioning all of those great birds. “



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From the desk of...

North Central Director Jerry DeSmidt

Jerry has been having computer issues and was unable to submit a report for this bulletin. Maybe Santa will bring him a new computer for Christmas! :)

From the desk of...

South Central Director Paul Smith

Greetings from the South-Central District.

Looking back from the beginning of 2015-this has to be the year that I'm going to remember as they year of destruction. It started early for us with six incubators to completely fail to hatch a chick. They were four small Styrofoam and two GQF cabinet incubators. Then we had a bobcat dine on over 30 growing chicks, before her funeral. As that, wasn't enough destruction, Matthew's red heeler pup became large enough to start killing the birds. He took out between 40 and 50, one at a time. Now he wears a muzzle during the day when the growing birds are out running. Coyotes also ate a few. Then we had a migrating hawk to feast on them for a few weeks before leaving. We even had one black cockerel drown in the sheep's water tub.

The AI situation tried to destroy our 2015 ABC National. It managed to decrease the number some, but we still had a successful

We are doing something this year that we haven't in the past 16 years. That is we are hatching or at least trying to hatch for the fall. Our first one was Sept. 1-Angela and my 20th wedding anniversary. We had 15 chicks from the 42 eggs. Normally its so hot the fertility is zero that time of year, but we had an unusual Summer, so I decided to try. Our next attempt was October 19. We had incubator problems along with fertility issues and only had a total of 10 chicks. The following incubator hatched a total of 40 chicks on November 16, which allowed us to send out two boxes of chicks-first ever in the Fall. We plan to set an incubator on Mondays after we



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national meet! Several ABC members told me that they were unable to find a vet willing to do the AI test for less than \$45/head! Our vet charged about \$5/head plus shipping charges and \$52 for health certificate which was a very expensive total. We wouldn't have taken very many if we had to pay 9 times as much! Hopefully the AI scare is over!

On a brighter note-Ameraucanas are winning the top places at more shows now-than ever before! There has been and is a huge demand for them and the ABC membership is growing, with more request for ABC meets-than in the past! Let's support as many of the ABC meets as possible, by showing our best Ameraucanas at them. Doing this will help keep our breed and ABC strong and growing!

have saved up at least 12 dozen hatching eggs, which will yield random hatch dates. Feb. 1, 2016 we will start hatching on a two week schedule through June 6, 2016. Presently we have 40 orders for chicks-ranging from ASAP through June 6. We can supply many more for all the varieties of Ameraucanas that we raise. However the blue wheaten, wheaten, and splash wheaten are nearing their capacity for now. We don't want to over book the chicks as we desire to keep our record of all chick orders filled that didn't cancel on us.

Hope everyone was blessed with a great Thanksgiving and even better Christmas and New Year's!

Large Fowl Ameraucanas

Black, Blue, Splash, Wheaten, Blue Wheaten, Lavender
Shipped Coast to Coast!

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*2015 South Central District Meet, Shawnee, OK
Dec 12, 2015*

Meet Report Pending



2015 South Central District Champion Ameraucana
Black Pullet shown by
M&J Farms



2015 South Central District Reserve Champion Ameraucana
Blue Cockerel shown by
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From the desk of...

Western Director Jean Ribbeck

It looks like we are gearing up for a very cold winter here in the Northwest. Temps have already been in the teens and I have already started hauling out water. I still have late hatch birds growing out this year, so I have still a bit behind.

On November 21, 2015 we held our District meet in Chehalis, WA at the Washington Feather Fancier's Winter Brisk. The top birds are listed below and complete results can be found in the meet results page.

In large fowl there were six exhibitors showing 14 birds.
Black- BV, BB - Reserve AOSB - Jean Ribbeck - P (out of 5)
Blue Wheaten - BV, RB - Janelle Pruett - P (out of 5)

In the bantam class there were three exhibitors showing 11 birds.
Black- BV, BB - Karen Carpenter - H (out of 2)
Wheaten - BV, RB - Larry Giberson - H (out of 3)

Champion Ameraucana was Karen Carpenter's bantam black hen and Reserve Champion was the bantam wheaten hen by Larry Giberson. Pictures of the winning birds are already posted on the Ameraucana Forum. Splash birds were shown in both the LF and Bantam divisions.

The next District meet is already up and coming and will be at the PPBA Show in Modesto, CA the 30th of January, 2016. I would also like to announce the next Ameraucana National will be held in the Western District next year and we have picked the Boise Valley Fancy Feather Show in Caldwell, Idaho to host. The date is November 5 & 6, 2016. I wish you all a Merry Christmas and wish you all a great new year!



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New!

Member Award Program Annual & Nationals High Point Award

The Ameraucana Breeders Club will be offering High Point Awards to the Member who earns the most points at Ameraucana meets, beginning with the first meet following the 2014 Ameraucana Breeders Club National meet, and ending with the last meet before the 2015 National meet.

District Open High Point Award - \$35
District Junior High Point Award - \$20

Overall Open High Point Award - \$100
Overall Junior High Point Award - \$50

Open High Point Award at the Nationals - \$50
Junior High Point Award at the Nationals - \$25

Points will be tallied and displayed on the website and in the forum.
Be checking the forum for updates on the points coming soon!

Upcoming Meets

1/2/2016 to 1/2/2016

Special Meet at

Blue Bonnet Classic

http://www.poultryshowcentral.com/Blue_Bonnet_Classic.html

College Station, TX

Bob Choate or Dan Dykes

(512) 273-2010 claudia@bluebonnetclassic.co

1/9/2016 to 1/10/2016

Special Meet at

National Western Stock Show Poultry Show

<http://nationalwestern.com/>

Denver, CO

Brenda Strong

(303) 204-6191 livestock@nationalwestern.co

1/16/2016 to 1/16/2016

State Meet at

Northeastern Poultry Congress

http://www.poultryshowcentral.com/Northeastern_Poultry_Congress.html

West Springfield, MA

Janet Winnett

(508) 923-0051 5150karma@gmail.com#mailt

1/23/2016 to 1/24/2016

Special Meet at

Fort Worth Stock Show and Rodeo

<http://www.fwssr.com/>

Fort Worth, TX

Monty & Melissa Fitzgerald

mfitzgerald@tvmdl.tamu.edu

1/30/2016 to 1/31/2016

District Meet at

PPBA Winter Show

www.poultryshowcentral.com/Pacific_Poultry_Breeders.html

modesto, CA

Bridget Riddle

(406) 253-7944 chopped50@hotmail.com

2/6/2016 to 2/6/2016

Special Meet at

Low Country Classic #2

<http://www.poultryshowcentral.com/Sandlappers.html>

Blackville, SC

Mark Beasley

(803) 671-1920 bantamlot@barnwellsc.com#

2/6/2016 to 2/6/2016

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<http://www.poultryshowcentral.com/Sandlappers.html>

Blackville, SC

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2/20/2016 to 2/21/2016

Special Meet at

Chattahoochee Valley Poultry Show

http://www.poultryshowcentral.com/Chattahoochee_Valley_Poultry_Association.html

Newnan, GA

Beth Smith

(706) 973-7299 Jerry.o.smith@att.net#mailto:

2/27/2016 to 2/27/2016

Special Meet at

Ten Governors Classic

http://www.poultryshowcentral.com/Sweetwater_Grange_Poultry_Show.html

Edgefield, SC

John Womack

(706) 631-5564 jwomack3285@hotmail.com#

3/19/2016 to 3/19/2016

Special Meet at

Pee Dee Poultry Shows

http://www.poultryshowcentral.com/Pee_De_Poultry_Show.html

Lake City, SC

John Womack

(706) 631-5564 jwomack3285@hotmail.com#

3/26/2016 to 3/26/2016

Special Meet at

Forsyth Fowl Fancier Show

http://www.poultryshowcentral.com/Forsyth_Fowl_Fanciers.html

Winston-Salem, NC

Mark East

(336) 341-9281 statefan10@yahoo.com#mailt

3/26/2016 to 3/26/2016

Special Meet at

South Texas State Fair

www.poultryshowcentral.com/Texas.html

Beaumont, TX

Thomas Bell or Debra Corbello or

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4/9/2016 to 4/9/2016

Special Meet at

Southern Hospitality Poultry Show

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Greensboro, NC

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If you haven't already sent in your membership dues for 2016, now is a good time to take care of that.

Membership privileges end on 12/31 of each year.

You can pay by:

⇒ ***Send a check, made out to Ameraucana Breeders Club to:***

Ameraucana Breeders Club

156 Titanic Road

Aiken, SC 29805

⇒ ***Pay via paypal, sales@ameraucana.org:***

Junior—\$10

Individual—\$12

Family—\$18

⇒ ***Pay via the online membership form. Other than name, phone number, and email, only complete the information that has changed since last year. When you click "Submit", you'll be taken to Paypal.***

Membership renewal cards will be going out by the end of the month to all who have not yet renewed.



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info@ameraucana.org

Please fill out this form and a) email it to info@ameraucana.org or b) mail it to the address shown above. Send a check with your mailed application form, or you can pay dues via Paypal to sales@ameraucana.org.

All members: receive quarterly bulletins, are eligible for awards offered by the Club, and may be registered on the ABC Forum (requires an email address). Family memberships are available to any individual and his/her spouse and dependent children up to 17 years old, living in the same household. Dues are not refundable.

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NOTE: Use the checkboxes above to indicate which items you want listed on the Breeder's Directory. Items Not Checked will Not be shown on the Breeder's Directory and will be considered confidential information

Breeds/Varieties

	Large Fowl	Breeder's Directory? <small>(indicate which ones you want listed on the Directory)</small>	Bantam	Breeder's Directory? <small>(indicate which ones you want listed on the Directory)</small>
Black	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Blue	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Blue Wheaten	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Brown Red	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Silver	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Buff	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Wheaten	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
White	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Other <small>(specify)</small>		<input type="checkbox"/>		<input type="checkbox"/>

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 Do you ship: Eggs Chicks Started Birds Adults

Will you deliver to shows: Yes No

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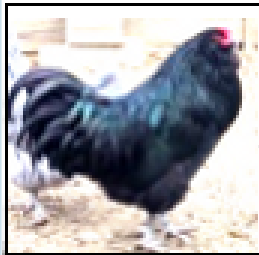
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