#### Spring 2011 Volume XXXII, Issue 1



Connie "Jean" Ribbeck President Michael J. Muenks Secretary/Treasurer Jerry De Smidt **Director - North Central** Harold Knapp Director - Northeast Paul Smith Director - South Central **Tina Dinkins** Director - Southeast Jeanine McKee Director - West Don Cable Honorary Vice President Mike Gilbert Honorary Vice President Susie Winder & John Blehm ABC Forum Administrators



Cindy Aultman's Lavender LF Chick

#### Features this Issue:

Page 2 – District Reports Page 8 – Update on Mottled Page 10 – Club Meets Page 11 – Meet Reports

# Ameraucana Bulletin

#### Ameraucana Breeders Club, 1222 Coldspring Road, Elgin, IL 60120 www.ameraucana.org

# President's Report, Connie "Jean" Ribbeck

A few members of the Ameraucana Breeders Club have asked about when we plan to try and get the lavender birds admitted to the Standard; so I thought I would discuss the progress here and and in the Poultry Press.



Our number one goal is consistency in the birds. The second is if we have five breeders who have bred the bantam and five who have bred large fowl birds for five years. The rest is just paperwork and scheduling a gualifying meet.

The obvious impediment is the naming of the variety. There are people that do not like the name we have chosen for the variety. There seems to be some confusion that we intend to change the currently used term of self-blue to lavender, which is not true. There is one person in particular who has been very outspoken against anyone using the lavender term in naming any variety of chicken. This negativity has gone so far as to name calling on a public forum. An ABA official said: *"The more this thread goes on, the more accurate the "Nut-job" moniker applies to Lavender supporters."* 

Thank you, Matt, for your comment on this subject! I am sure the rest of the ABA members will be pleased to know what your position is and how you intend to convey it. Such statements are detrimental to the Association; one should remember that once you post something on the internet, it never truly goes away with the touch of the delete button.

Not all comments have been negative; one poster said: "Personally I think everyone is missing the entire point. They don't want to change everything that is in the standard as self blue to lavender. They just want to call their new variety lavender and then in the standard, reference lavender to self blue for the description. I don't see why it's such a big deal. It's no different than the Black tailed Red leghorns. In its description it says, and I quote, "Plumage: Same color description for Rhode Island Red, pages 51-52". So why is everyone trying to make a mountain out of a molehill or am I just missing something?"

Another wrote: "Varieties and colors should correspond with the genetics/genes, to some degree. That is why I like the term Lavender. I am not a newcomer to poultry and I love breeding and poultry history. There many things I can argue with in the standards, especially from a breeding standpoint. It is good to know that the Standards are sort of a living document that can and does change gradually through revisions."

It has also been suggested that the majority of the members of the ABA object to the term lavender, but I have yet to hear from this majority. I am of the opinion that a survey of the members be taken to see what the truth really is.

# *Page 2 of 12*



A recent poll on the Ameraucana Breeders Club Forum suggests that the members are not willing to compromise on the name. It also negates the statement someone made that only a few outspoken members of our club want to use the term lavender for this variety.

We can always wait to get the birds accepted; I see no rush. The birds can still be shown, but will not receive anything higher than a BV or RV. I wouldn't imagine we will have any birds for a couple of years that would get on Champion Row.

I believe breed clubs should have the right to name the varieties they submit to be recognized. The APA/ABA officials should honor the wishes of these clubs and not dictate a name; after all we are the foundation of the organization. I suggest we all join the APA & ABA as dedicated fanciers and work together with cool heads to implement positive change.

# North Central District, Jerry De Smidt, Director

Hello everyone! Where does the time go? It seems like I just got done writing an article for the last newsletter.

Hopefully by now most of you have some chicks hatched out for the Ameraucana National show in Indy this coming October. We have most of our large fowl hatched and are working on the bantams. Our waterfowl have not started to lay eggs yet, but should start soon. We have lots of chicks running around and after a couple more hatches; we will be calling it quits for the chickens.

We have had extremely cold temperatures the end of January and early February and then we had very warm temps for about a week and most of the snow is melted. Now we are expecting about a foot of snow. I guess that is what we get for Wisconsin weather, and that is why I love it here.

I have place several meets this last week. If you would like to see a meet placed please contact me. Remember that in order to place a meet we need to have time to get it in the Bulletin.

# Western District, Jeanine McKee, Director

Another year well underway, I cannot believe it's already February! After all the crazy weather and deep snow our beautiful country has seen already this year, I suppose I cannot complain about all the rain we've had here. Honestly, I didn't know what early 2011 was going to bring with how late so many birds molted around here. I was hearing from all over the area of birds going into December molts, and I even had one bird start molting mid-January!

My bantam black Ameraucanas have been on strike for several months. When we get a few nice days, one or two of the girls will tease me with a stunning blue egg or two, just to quit again, as if it never happened at all. So, we are continuing to renegotiate their contract, with special treats and added lighting, in hopes we'll reach an agreement and they will get back to work soon. In the meantime, I'll just have to settle for the teal blue eggs of my lavender bantams, and the mid range blues of my large fowl, and keep on dreaming of the perfectly sky blue eggs of my bantam blacks. Though I am really happy with how my large fowl lavender/ black pen is shaping up, and I hope to have a lot of babies grown out in time for fall shows. I am really looking forward to what 2011 has to offer both in the breeding pens and the show barns. We had an influx of bantam Ameraucana at our last couple of shows of 2010, and it was



White Chick and Wheaten Chick by Patty Pickard





A Pickard Family bantam Wheaten from the 2010 National Meet



A pair of Brown Red LF Christina Korfus just purchased from Michael Gilbert

# *Page 3 of 12*

# Western District, Continued ....

GREAT to see! Reserve of Breed even went to a junior exhibitor with a black bantam hen at the Washington Feather Fanciers Winter Brisk show in December. This is the first bantam Ameraucana I've seen shown by a junior exhibitor at any of the shows I have been too. We actually had two junior Ameraucana exhibitors at this show, my son being the other one, with a total of 5 Ameraucana exhibitors.

On another note, I am very excited about my new position with the club! I hope I can do the position half the justice that Jean did. It was quite an honor to be chosen for the job. I hope to hear from many of you in the coming months with any feedback or ideas you may have for me. I look forward to meeting as many of you as I can at the shows. In the mean time, have a great spring, and happy hatching!!

## Southeast District, Tina Dinkins, Director

Hello everyone, I am Tina Dinkins. I live in Kingston, Tennessee which is near Knoxville, Tennessee. I am not to far from Barbara Campbell who was the Southeastern District Director. I am glad for that, as I will need much mentoring from her as I fill this position. She did a great job and also a great job organizing the ABC's National Meet in Frankfort, Ky. Thank you, Barbara.

I met a lot of nice people at the ABC National Meet in Frankfort, Ky. I really enjoyed getting to know members and putting faces to members I have emailed before. It was rushed, but fun and I am definitely glad I went. I helped Barbara with the raffle. That was the first time I did a raffle and it was really interesting and fun.

I raise bantam silver and lavender Ameraucana. I picked up a lot of silvers at the National Meet and some lavender as well. So far I have only hatched out one silver as it as been very cold here in Tennessee. I have some eggs incubating now. I have heat lights on timers on all the chickens. I still have to carry water because I haven't figured out a heated water system that works for me.

I am hoping to get some wheaten and blue wheaten bantam Ameraucana from a friend. The birds came from me originally and one of the hens was on champion row at two different shows. I am looking forward to working with these.

We are having a bad winter. I have heard this is the coldest winter since 1949. We have five inches of snow right now and the children have been out of school for 3 days. I know that probably sounds funny for the ones that get lots of snow, but we rarely get snow! We don't know how to drive in it very well on all these hills. I have had some bad luck with losing a few birds in this ever freezing weather. Even so, I am not ready for spring as the children and dogs are having so much fun playing in the snow.

If anyone in this district needs help, feel free to email me or the forum. I will try to help all I can and if I don't know the answer, I will try to find someone in the club that does. I am looking forward to meeting everyone.

# South Central District, Paul Smith, Director

Greetings from the South-Central District!

This winter has been a very cold one! Sure glad it's global warming-rather than global cooling! LOL-at least until the electric bill comes. We have gone from the upper 70's to single digits

## Larry Clionsky Ameraucana Black, Blue, Blue, Wheaten, Wheaten, White and Buff Large Fowl Ameraucana

## Hatching Eggs and Day-Old Chicks

Larry Clionsky 9 Zion Church Rd Grantville, PA 17028-9651 (717)469-7509 Lclionsky@yahoo.com





# *Page 4 of 12*

# South Central District, Paul Smith, Director

within two days time. It was very cold for several days straight, then back to the 60's and 70's for temperatures. The constant change has had an adverse effect on the birds. It seems that they don't know whether to make babies or wait until more stable and suitable conditions arrive.

We have put the lights on several breeding pens this year in hopes of getting some early hatched chicks. Fertility has still been an issue. We use to hatch in January with good results. The past three years, we didn't set-up the lights and timer to give the birds their required 12 hours of light that they need to lay. The results were very few early eggs which didn't hatch well. Later in the season both egg production and hatching resumed to normal compared to previous years with the use of the extra light time. The only things missing this year-compared to what we did several years ago are both the warmer winter weather and young lush green grass. Elbon Rye use to be planted for a cover crop and used to graze the chickens. The portable breeding pens would be set-up in rows and moved over onto new grass about once ever two weeks. The Elbon Rye was planted again this past fall but the chicken pens were never moved onto it, as the Barbado Sheep and Boer Goats kept it grazed down. We have had some fanciers suggest the fertility issues were caused by inbreeding. Using the toe punch system which we use, and keeping records how all the birds are bred-inbreeding isn't the problem.

We have heard from a few ABC members from the SC District. There is a good possibility that Angela and I won't be the only ones from the district showing at the National Meet this year! Hope all are getting some Ameraucanas hatched early, and attend the shows this fall. Anyone desiring an ABC meet-let me know and we will get the paper work done. Remember the meets must be placed by an ABC member and far enough in advance to be made known in our "Ameraucana Bulletin".

May God Bless all with an abundance of newly hatched Ameraucana chicks!

# Northeast District, Harold Knapp, Director

Greetings from the cold & snowy North East District!

As I write this, February 11, 2011, it is 9 degrees outside. I don't even want to know the wind chill. This winter, although very cold, has not given my area as much snow as it has all around me. The whole country seems to have wild weather lately. I don't understand global warming.

The chickens have been on strike all winter; I am just started getting 3-4 eggs a day. Last year I had chicks in early February, but it looks like another month or two now for this year. I hope everyone else is doing better than I am.

I placed the North East District meet with the NEPC show in MA this past January. There were nineteen large fowl Ameraucana entered. Seventeen were shown by 3 ABC members: Doug & Cindy Dillingham, Ann Horsman, and Harold Knapp. There was a single bantam entered by a non-member. All of the youth were non-members. The judge was Tracy Hill who did a good job judging the Ameraucana. A full show report will run in the bulletin when it arrives. The Best of Breed was a Blue cock by Doug & Cindy and the Reserve of Breed was a Blue Wheaten hen by Ann. We had a good show with just 3 members. I wonder what we could do with 6?

My best to all!



#### Fayetteville, AR

Large Fowl Black, Blue, Splash & Mottled Ameraucana HATCHING EGGS

Focusing on egg qualities § foraging capabilities, Award winning chicks

#### rose@masoncreekfarm.com







Silver Chicks

# *Page 5 of 12*

# Treasurer's Report

ABC Checking Account,	Control Tri	ist Bank lof	forson City MO
ABC Checking Account,	Central Int	ist bank, jei	Terson City, NO

Opening Balance January 1, 2010	\$ 1981.83
Income – January Dues, Directories, Donations, etc	539.00
Income – February Dues, Directories, Donations, etc	698.00
Income – March Dues, Directories, Donations, etc	203.00
Income – April Dues, Directories, Donations, etc	186.00
Income – May Dues, Directories, Donations, etc	67.00
Income – June Dues, Directories, Donations, etc	43.00
Income – July Dues, Directories, Donations, etc	30.00
Income – August Dues, Directories, Donations, etc	36.00
Income – September Dues, Directories, Donations, etc	334.00
Income – October, Directories, Donations, etc	32.00
Income – November, Directories, Donations, etc	0.00
Income – December Dues, Directories, Donations, etc.	0.00
National Meet Donations	130.00
Income Subtotal (opening balance + months)	\$ 4279.83
Expense - Postage	508.72
Expense – Office Supplies	459.05
Expense – Other: Memorials	0.00
Expense – Memberships, Advertisements	274.84
Expense – Bank Charges (return item fees)	32.50
Expense – National Meet Awards/Awards	737.99
Expense - Refunds	28.00
Expense Subtotal	\$ 2041.10
Ending Balance as of December 31, 2010	\$ 2238.73
Linuing balance as of December 31, 2010	φ 2230.13
PayPal Account December 31, 2010	\$ 1310.01
Total	\$ 3,548.74
Respectfully Submitted, Michael J. Muenks, Secretary/Treasurer	1

ABC Checking Account, Central Trust Bank, Jefferso	on City, MO
Opening Balance January 1, 2011	\$ 2238.73
Income – January Dues, Directories, Donations, etc	0
Income Subtotal (opening balance + months)	\$ 2238.73
Expense - Postage	202.52
Expense – Office Supplies	265.77
Expense – Other: Memorials	
Expense – Memberships, Advertisements	
Expense – Bank Charges (return item fees)	
Expense – National Meet Awards/Awards	
Expense - Refunds	
Expense Subtotal	\$ 468.29
Ending Balance as of January 31, 2011	\$ 1770.44
PayPal Account February 28, 2011	\$ 1454.72
PayPal Purchases (toner)	185.95
Total	\$ 3039.21
Respectfully Submitted, Michael J. Muenks, Secretary/Treasurer	·



Please place your order in 2011 for chicks in 2012!

Bantam: buff, lavender & silver.

Large Fowl: buff, lavender, silver, black & wheaten.

For an **Order Form** go to ChickHatchery.com or send a first class stamp to:

John W Blehm 4599 Lange Road Birch Run MI 48415-8137



**Buff Chicks** 



**Brown Red Chicks** 

# *Page* 6 of 12

#### **Club Notes**

The deadline to submit articles, ads, reports, meet requests, etc. for the next bulletin is May 15, 2011 and need to be sent to the club secretary.

Bulletin advertisements are free to all members!

We now take PayPal! To send payments use purchases@ameraucana.org

#### Club Merchandise

1982 Club Handbook - \$5

2005 Club Handbook - \$5

#### ABC 4" Patch 1 for \$3 or 2 for \$5.50.



Bulletins 1979-1984 - \$30 Bulletins 1985-1993 - \$35 Breeders Directory - \$2

## Egg Shell Reference Chart

#### 1 for \$3 or 2 for \$5



Make Checks Payable to the Ameraucana Breeders Club and send to the club secretary.

## Memo on ILT, Jean Ribbeck

I have been informed that there have been a couple outbreaks of ILT here in Washington State. This outbreak has been attributed to people using CEO (chicken embryo origin) type vaccines, not the actual "wild" virus.

During a recent online search of the vaccine, I became aware that one of the online vaccine providers is offering a different brand of vaccine to backyard hobbyists and exhibitors on their site. If you vaccinate for ILT please use the Schering Plough brand of vaccine called LT-IVAX.

There are a couple of modified live vaccines on the market; however the only one that does not spread bird to bird is the LT-IVAX; this is a TCO (tissue culture origin) product. All other brands of modified live vaccines can cause vaccine type outbreaks which can be more virile and cause higher mortality than the wild type of virus.

If you need more information about ILT, you can find it online at <u>www.Merckvetmanual.com</u>. Another good reference is Peter Brown at First State Vet Supply. Many of the District Directors vaccinate and can probably point you in the right direction to order vaccine in your area.

One last note, it is illegal in a few states to use any kind of ILT vaccine, so please check your local regulations.

# New Meet Placement Procedure, Michael Muenks

As of January 1, 2011 the Ameraucana Breeders Club has modified the way state and special meets are to be placed. State and special meet requests by members should be sent directly to the District Director who will place the meet. If a meet is outside your District, members should make the meet request to the Director within whose District the meet will take place. Members should supply the following information, if at all possible, when requesting an Ameraucana Breeders Club meet to be placed at a show:

- Official name of the show
- Date(s) of the show
- Actual location of the show
- Show Superintendent 's and/or Show Secretary's name and contact information

Please send your requests for meets as early as possible because there is paperwork that has to be completed in order for a meet to be placed. Meet requests for shows September 1-December 1, 2011, should be in to Director's by May 15, 2011 if at all possible.

District meet placement is the prerogative of the District Director.

I have many requests from show clubs for meets that are posted on the Club forum. I encourage members to request meets and spread the word about the meet, if you don't request the meet, who will?

# Page 7 of 12

# From Under the Black Locust, Michael Muenks

This is the second Ameraucana Bulletin to be published since we moved from our farm in Missouri to Northwest Chicago land. The past two months have been very depressing as the time for hatching chicks, birthing goats, and starting seeds has commenced, and I am stuck in a townhouse! As you are sure to have figured out, we gave up the all of our poultry, goats, and are off our land. We did keep the farm. We are not sure how long we will stay here in Illinois, but we have given up on looking for places in more rural locations where we could keep a few animals. Every trip to southern Wisconsin and north and west of Elgin, IL has resulted in the unintended consequence of very homesick little girls. No more looking for now!

I am looking forward to getting out to a few meets to visit with folks and to take pictures of Ameraucana to share in the bulletin this spring and summer. I will also have to visit member Lori Walters who lives close to me.

Several years ago several members brought up the very real need for poultry breeders to keep one or two breeds or varieties that were near extinction. I thought people might be interested in some Ameraucana variety statistics based on our membership files. The following data is based on the membership for 2011 and the 2010 members who have not renewed and provides the self-reported varieties raised by individual members. For example black bantam Ameraucana are raised by eighteen members and black large fowl Ameraucana are raised by seventy-eight members.

Ameraucar	na Si	tats	s February 2011		
Bantam Breede	rs		Large Fowl Breed	Large Fowl Breeders	
Black	18		Black	78	
Blue	10		Blue	58	
Blue Wheaten	16		Blue Wheaten	36	
Brown Red	7		Brown Red	9	
Buff	10		Buff	21	
Silver	7		Silver	21	
Wheaten	24		Wheaten	32	
White	22		White	12	
Lavender	13		Lavender	24	
Black Gold	4		Black Gold	6	
Splash	6		Splash	20	
Splash Wheaten	1		Splash Wheaten	6	

The data indicates that several of our varieties need additional breeders to take them on as projects.

The membership renewals and new members so far this year have been promising:

SE - 27 paid for 2011 (18 have not renewed yet from 2010) SC - 25 paid for 2011 (8 have not renewed yet from 2010) W - 20 paid for 2011 (9 have not renewed yet from 2010) NC - 33 paid for 2011 (7 have not renewed yet from 2010) NE - 29 paid for 2011 (14 have not renewed yet from 2010) **Total Current Members - 134 Total Possible Renewals - 56** 

These numbers are quite positive and lead me to be hopeful for the membership total for the year! We have retained many of our junior members from last year. Thanks to all our members for their support of the club and the great Ameraucana Breed!



## **Pips & Peeps**

Large Fowl Ameraucanas Black, Blue, Blue Wheaten, Buff, Lavender, Silver, Splash, Wheaten & White Chicks available April thru September.

Hatching eggs available year round and started birds in the Fall. NPIP



Jean Ribbeck PO Box 461 Newman Lake, WA 99025 509-226-3833 jribbeck@q.com pipsandpeeps.com

# Smith Ameraucana

We are accepting orders for large fowl day-old Ameraucana chicks in black, blue, splash, wheaten, blue wheaten, splash wheaten & large fowl day-old Single Comb Rhode Island Reds

> Hatching February 7-May 30, 2011

Paul & Angela Smith 2175 CR 224 Gainesville, TX. 76240 psmith@ntin.net 940-768-8405



Homozygous Mottle Chick



Heterozygous Mottle Chick

## Ameraucana Bulletin

# Blast from the Past: Quote from the Forward of the 1998

## Ameraucana Breeders Club Handbook by Michael Gilbert

As we approach the dawn of a new millennium we are reminded of thoughts penned by a renowned Plymouth Rock breeder, the late Ralph Sturgeon, in his book <u>Start Where You Are</u> <u>With What You Have – A Guide to Poultry Breeding</u>. His introduction began with the following words: "The animal breeder is just as much an engineer or scientist as is any builder of large structures, machines, rockets, or bridges. They work with inanimate objects; a breeder works with living creatures. It is my belief that these are God's creatures, placed here on earth for the benefit of man. Breeders add to this benefit by improving animals, developing offspring that are better than their parents or grandparents were. As a breeder, I am grateful for the opportunity – and even feel responsibility – to work with the Creator in this way." He went on to say, "There are a good many exhibitors and showmen, but very few real breeders in the poultry field. Breeding is an art and like all successful artists, breeders must be dedicated."

# An Update on the Mottled Gene and Ameraucana,

## Rose Konold

As the season is fast approaching for chicks and the showing, I thought it would be exciting to tell everyone about all the progress we've had with the mottled variety. I'll include some pictures, but I haven't done as good a job as I should have and our last 3 weeks of winter weather have precluded me trying for more.

For a little history: we luckily started with the mottle pattern showing in some birds I had isolated, so we have some things like egg color which need no improvement, other than your typical issue of always working towards that "robins egg blue". We took the original birds and "out crossed" (and by this I mean we take the line bred originals and breed with outside lines) them to Paul Smith blacks from his #8,#13, #15 breeding pens to improve genetic diversity, work towards improved standard, and to increase numbers.

The Mottle Gene is a recessive, melanin inhibitor which removes color from the tip of the feather. It can be as beautiful as in the Mille Fleur pattern, which some breeders are attempting, but we are working for a Black Mottle in large fowl so that the perfect pattern would be 50% of the feathers scattered evenly over the bird have white tips. The mottle increases with each molt (I have to wonder if this is due to the changes in hormones?) so that as the bird ages/molts, the white increases both throughout the bird and on individual feathers. There is considered to be both "under" (fewer than 50% white tips) and "over" (over 50% white tips) colored birds as with other patterns. Through observation, I believe there are genetic advantages to some things, especially slow feathering and the Pg (pattern or lacing) genes. But as Mottle is a dermal melanin inhibitor, the main problems for Ameraucana are dilution of shank and eye color.

<u>Shank Color</u>: We have greatly improved shank color simply though selection. I don't believe we will ever get a fully melanised shank, in the same way as a wheat on has a lighter shank. Shank color is greatest in hens, due to estrogen I believe, and is best in cockerels. It decreases with the first molt, so for those show people, it may be that you breed for a cockerel and don't worry about showing as older bird.

<u>Eve Color</u>: Here also, we have improved eye color through selection, but I have also found that the size of the black dot on the head, and specifically the eye, of the chicks indicates a

# *Page 9 of 12*

# An Update on the Mottled Gene and Ameraucana,

## Continued . . .

darker or lighter eye. Amazingly, even one mottle gene changes eye color to an almost fluorescent orange eye, but doesn't affect shank color. I have to say that I have had a couple of pullets break this mold last year and they are in the process of test breeding to make sure there wasn't someone "in the wood pile". If they prove to indeed be carrying one mottle gene; we may have eliminated some other dilutor in our gene package.

Mottle Pattern: I felt that it was important to develop 2 different lines, based on the two roosters



Cock - Springfield Mottle Line



Cock Domino Mottle Line



Christina Teague's Silver Cock at show, shared by Beth Curran

I had after the first raccoon attack, which exhibited very different qualities. We refer to these as the "Springfield" and "Domino" lines; although the term LINE doesn't really apply until they have been isolated for 5 generations, we intend to maintain them separately at this point. It may not prove to be true, but at this point the "Springfield" line has a large mottle and the "Domino" line has a small mottle.

I have 3 pens and Joseph Woodiel has 5-6 pens producing both homozygous "finished products" (out crossed once and then brought back for 1-2 generations) and heterozygous chicks. While I can only ship hatching eggs due to my Animal Welfare Approved Certification, Joseph can ship both eggs and started birds. At this time, there are also non-members working on the project with us, but I feel showing members can step in and will be happy with showing the variety. One very nice aspect of the mottle pattern is that it shows in down so that you can select and separate your homozygous mottled from the heterozygous.



A Silver Chick from Jean Ribbeck's line of Silvers that were crossed to Black a few generations back.



Mottled Hen



Mottled Hens



Large Mottle Hen



A Buff LF by Jean Ribbeck

# Page 10 of 12

# ABA and APA Yearbook Ads



White Chick

It is hard to believe that it is APA and ABA Yearbook Ad time again, but it is! If you would like to place an ad on the club page for either yearbook please send a check made out to the ABC. Checks will not be cashed until we have received 6 ads. We can have multiple pages of ads, but for both the ABA and APA we must have them in lots of six per page in order to have a full page. The ads are 2 inches by 2 inches. You may buy double ads, but the price also doubles! The cost of the ABA ad is \$20.00 for a 2" x 2" and the cost for the APA ad has not been determined by the APA, but the size will be 2"x2".

Please send your ad electronically to Michael at <u>Michael@bantamhill.com</u> along with the check for the ad size and organization you are buying for by March 30, 2011. You can advertise for breeds besides Ameraucana in your ad.

# **Upcoming Ameraucana Breeders Club Meets**

#### March 19, 2011

Special Meet, requested by Jeanine McKee Cascade Spring Show, Evergreen State Fairgrounds, Monroe, WA Contact: Christina Korfus, <u>korfuskluckers@aol.com</u>

#### March 26, 2011

Special Meet, requested by Patty Pickard Southeast Ohio Poultry Breeders Association Show, Marietta, OH Contact: Jeff Oxley, (740) 593-6537 9670 Oxley Road Athens, OH 45701 http://seohiopoultrybreeders.org

## April 9, 2011

Indiana State Meet, placed by Jerry De Smidt Gateway Poultry Show, Monroe County Fairgrounds, Bloomington, IN Contact: Bob Abbitt 671 Concord Road Gosport, IN 47433 http://www.gatewaypoultryshows.com/

## April 16-17, 2011

Special Meet, requested by Jeanine McKee Pacific Northwest Poultry Association, Stevenson, WA Contact: Kevin Haywood, <u>k.haywood.jr@gmail.com</u>

#### April 23, 2011

Special Meet, placed by Jerry De Smidt Cornhusker Double Poultry Show, Scribner, NE Contact: Bernita Miller, bmiller@iland.net

#### April 30, 2011

Special Meet, placed by Jerry DeSmidt Michigan Poultry Fanciers, Alma, MI Contact: Matt Boensch, <u>entries@fowlfest.org</u> Michigan Poultry Fanciers 9577 W. Saginaw Rd. Reese, MI 48757

## June 4, 2011

Special Meet, requested by Mike Gilbert Badger Poultry Show, Richland Center, WI Contact: Ruth Lefeber, <u>dottestuff@yahoo.com</u>, (608)725-2179 8648 Irish Ridge Road Cassville, WI 53806

#### June 11, 2011

Special Meet, requested by Patty Pickard Buckeye Fancy Feathers, Canfield, OH Contact: Rhonda Simmons, <u>rjos@comcast.net</u>, (330)426-6870

#### September 10-11, 2011

Illinois State Meet, requested by Jerry DeSmidt Illini Poultry Club Boone County Fairgrounds, Belevidere, IL Contact: Ruth Ann Van Fleet, <u>bpopla@comcast.net</u>, (815)765-2952

# *Page 11 of 12*

# Upcoming Ameraucana Breeders Club Meets, continued

#### October 1, 2011

Special Meet, placed by Jerry De Smidt West Central Wis. Pigeon & Poultry Club "Red Cedar Showdown", Menomonie, WI Contact: Dan Paff, juddan@wwt.net, (715)723-2750 6977 County Hwy N Chippewa Falls, WI 54729

#### October 8-9, 2011

Michigan State Meet, placed by Jerry DeSmidt Michigan Poultry Fanciers – Frankenmuth Fowl Fest, Frankenmuth, MI Contact: Matt Boensch, <u>entries@fowlfest.org</u> Michigan Poultry Fanciers 9577 W. Saginaw Rd. Reese, MI 48757

#### October 28-30, 2011

National Meet, placed by ABC Board of Directors Crossroads of America Show, Indianapolis, IN Contact: TBD

#### November 5-6, 2011

Nebraska State Meet, placed by Jerry De Smidt Nebraska State Poultry Show Double Poultry Show, Lincoln, NE Contact: Bernita Miller, bmiller@iland.net

#### November 12-13, 2011

Special Meet, requested by Patty Pickard Ohio National Columbus, OH Contact: Eric Markley, 419-568-7402, Cell 419-303-6909, <u>markley@ohionational.org</u> www.ohionational.org

# Iowa State Fair, Des Moines, IA Meet Report

Iowa State Meet, August 14, 2010, reported by Alnice Nichols

1 large fowl was shown and disqualified as an Easter Egger 17 bantams were shown BV black by Nancy Dean RV black by Nancy Dean BV blue by Nancy Dean RV blue by Nancy Dean BB, BV white P by Alnice Nichols, **Champion AOCCL** RB, RV white H by Alnice Nichols, **Reserve Champion AOCCL** BV AOV splash by Alnice Nichols RV AVO splash by Alnice Nichols



Cindy Aultman's Lavender LF Chicks



Cindy Aultman's Lavender LF



Cindy Aultman's Lavender LF

# **Central Indiana Poultry Show, Lebanon, IN Meet Report**

Indiana State Meet, October 16, 2010, reported by Doug Akers

<u>12 large fowl were shown and judged by Paul Monteith</u> BB, BV black K by John and Anne Foley, out of 8, **Champion Ameraucana** RB, RV black P by John and Anne Foley, **Reserve Champion Ameraucana** BV blue P by Lori Waters, out of 2 RV blue K by Bill Wahl BV white K by John and Anne Foley, out of 2 RV white P by John and Anne Foley

8 bantams were shown and judged by Paul Monteith BB, BV blue wheaten K by Lori Waters, out of 4 RB, RV blue wheaten K by Lori Waters BV AOV lavender P by Lori Waters, out of 4 RV AOV lavender P by Lori Waters

11 large fowl were shown in the Junior Show BV black K by Jacob Mills, out of 2 RV black C by K&S Waterfowl BV blue wheaten P by Journey Kendall, out of 2 RV blue wheaten K by Megan Mayall BV brown red C by Megan Mayall, out of 2 RV brown red H by Alyssa Rivera BV silver K by Journey Kendall, out of 2 RV silver P by Journey Kendall BV wheaten C by Megan Mayall, out of 2 RV wheaten H by Luke Schirmer BV white by Toni Upyt

8 bantam were shown in the Junior Show

BV black P by Megan Mayall, out of 2 RV black P by Tyler Brammer BV blue P by Marissa Schimer, out of 3 RV blue P by Bennett Schirmer BV blue wheaten C by Olivia Benner

BV white P by Megan Mayall, Junior Show Champion Ameraucana and Champion AOCCL

BV AOV splash P by Megan Mayall

# Ameraucana Breeders Club Board of Directors

President, Connie "Jean" Ribbeck PO Box 461, Newman Lake, WA 99025 jribbeck@q.com (509-226-3833) Secretary/Treasurer, Michael Muenks 1222 Coldspring Road, Elgin, IL 60120 michael@bantamhill.com (573)796-3999 Director-North Central, Jerry De Smidt N912 Hill Road, Pulaski, WI 54162 jwoodhaven@aol.com (920)833-9772 Director-Northeast, Harold Knapp 5299 Jerico Rd, East Bethany, NY 14054 knapp@2ki.net (585)343-0408 Director-South Central, Paul Smith 2175 Country Road, Gainesville, TX 76240-0401 sw psmith@southwestinfo.net (940)668-0719 Director-Southeast, Tina Dinkins 309 Rogers Ridge Road, Kingston, TN 37763 tinadinkins@comcast.net (865)376-4646 Director-West, Jeanine McKee 1960 South Fir Street, Canby, OR 97013 barterazia@hotmail.com (503)953.0488



Cindy Aultman's Lavender LF

Welcome to our New Members!

Richard Atwood, AZ

Denise Baker, IL

Logan A. Behr, NY

Carl R. Brantley, NC

Jesse Burge, MS

Ashley Gagnon, GA

Christina and Cody Granatier, IL

Amanda Harper

Kirstie Harris, CA

Donnie Huggins, OK

Dr. Connie Hurley, WI

Mike, Helen, and Morgan Kraemer, KS

David Krut, KY

John, Leann, and Isabella, Larson, IL

Trisha McCormick, Macy and Mylie Snyder, KS

Robert and Deanna McCoy, TX

Diane McDonald, WV

Glen Shearrow, OH

Amanda Szymanski, MI