

ANNUAL MEETING HIGHLIGHTS: /

The Annual Meeting of the National Finch and Softbill Society was held Saturday, November 17, 1988 at the San Diego Princess Resort during the National Cage Bird Show. The meeting was held at 10 a.m. with 61 members and guests in attendance.

The minutes and Treasurer's reports were read and accepted.

President Parlee gave a in-depth State of the Society message, tracing the society from its' inception to the present and his hopes for the societies' future.

Al Decoteau introduced Panel Judges and apprentices that were in attendance. He also explained the Panel and gave a report on Standards.

Dr. Val Clear was asked to speak to the group. He was awarded a plaque of appreciation for judging the 1988 NFS National. He selected a Toco toucan as best, owned by NFS member John Rice.

Hal Koontz, Finchsave director gave a report of the progress of the program and changes that were enacted at the Committee meeting the day before. He stated "we are more flexible now". Many finches that previously required 5 pairs for participation now only require 3 or less pairs. Some very rare species will require only one pair.

The NFS 1988 Toucan Tee-shirt and new Java Rice Bird coffee mugs were presented by Promotions chair Bill Parlee. He also announced that the NFS Handbook was on sale at the NFS booth or by mail order through the Membership Services dept.

The Board of Directors announce that all NFS memberships for 1988 were going to be extended by 2 months because of the NFS bulletin delays. Everyone will receive his or her 6 issues for the year.

Al Decoteau announced that the new Society Finch Standard revisions were not accepted. He cited members concerns that the dilutes and Chestnut varieties need better differentiatia.

The Board also announced that at no additional charge all club affiliates that normally receive rosettes with their affiliation, will now receive 3 additional rosettes for Best Unflighted bird in show.

The top five awards for the National were presented to John Rice, Marty Von Raesfeld, Brian Mandarich, Hal Koontz and Bill Kovickas respectively.

President Parlee ended the meeting at Noon by awarding the first ever NFS Lifetime Achievement Awards to Cecil Gunby and Hal Koontz. These awards honor those who have achieved 200 points on the show bench.

NATIONAL FINCH & SOFTBILL SOCIETY
ANNUAL FINANCIAL REPORT

BEGINNING BALANCE (OCTOBER 31, 1987)	- \$ 5583.87
INCOME	
MEMBERSHIP DUES	
1989 RENEWALS	- \$ 50.00
1988 DUES	- 2170.00
1988 RENEWALS	- 2430.00
1987 DUES	- 710.00
1987 RENEWALS	- 1290.00
1988 CLUB AFFILIATIONS	- 3005.00
1988 BAND ORDERS	- 1706.75
1987 BAND ORDERS	- 111.00
1988 JUDGE LISTING	- 230.00
1989 JUDGE LISTING	- 80.00
1990 JUDGE LISTING	- 10.00
BULLETIN ADVERTISING	- 750.70
CLASSIFIED ADS	- 84.52
BULLETIN BACK ISSUES	- 247.00
STATE CHECK CREDIT	- 20.00
SUBSCRIPTION COMMISSION - CANARY & FINCH JOURNAL	- 9.00
YEARBOOK	- 15.00
NAME BADGES	- 60.00
PROMOTIONAL PRODUCTS	- 396.00
SAVINGS ACCOUNT INTEREST	- 230.25
SHOW CAGE PLANS	- 59.00
FINCH SAVE	- 20.00
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TOTAL INCOME	- \$ 13884.22
EXPENSES	
1988 BANDS	- \$ 2249.05
1987 BANDS	- 87.62
1988 POSTAL PERMIT	- 50.00
1988 SHOW LISTING	- 20.00
AFFILIATION PLAQUES & ROSETTES	- 3101.64
PRESIDENTIAL EXPENSES	- 443.00
POST OFFICE BOX RENTAL	- 34.00
BULLETIN PRINTING	- 2228.36
BULLETIN POSTAGE	- 80.62
CHECK PRINTING	- 15.76
MEMBERSHIP SERVICES	- 359.13
A.F.A. AFFILIATION	- 100.00
JUDGE'S FEE	- 800.00
A.F.A. DONATION - RED SISKIN PROJECT	- 500.00
NAME BADGES	- 73.39
POSTAGE	- 180.61
POSTAL PERMIT DEPOSITS	- 150.00
GENERAL PRINTING	- 126.89
HALFTONES	- 12.00
SUPPLIES	- 218.73
COMPUTER HARD DISC	- 430.00
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TOTAL EXPENSES	- \$ 11260.80
POSTAL PERMIT ACCOUNT	
BEGINNING BALANCE (OCTOBER 31, 1987)	- \$ 83.82
DEPOSITS	- 150.00
POSTAGE USED	- 180.72
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ACCOUNT BALANCE (OCTOBER 31, 1988)	- \$ 53.10
ENDING BALANCE (OCTOBER 31, 1988)	- \$ 8174.52