

National Finch & Softbill Society 2009 Show Reports

The 2009 show season brought out 82 exhibitors. Twenty-one shows were held where 1,820 birds were shown. Overall the NFSS Judges noted good conditioning of the exhibited birds and great hospitality at the shows. In the top ten more zebras placed than any other bird. We had 42 zebras place, 27 societies, and 24 gouldians. Twelve NFSS judges were selected to judge 20 shows.

Show / Expo 2009 Summer National
June 6, 2009 Caguas, Puerto Rico

Judge: Kenneth Gunby

Number of Entries: 273

Number of Exhibitors: 29

Award	Specie	Year	Exhibitor
First	Fawn Zebra Cock	2009	Rurico Vidal
Second	RHWB Gouldian	2008	Orlando Rivera
Third	Chestnut Society	2008	Mayra Suarez
Fourth	Normal Grey Zebra	2009	Adalberto Ocasio
Fifth	RHPB Gouldian	2008	Rurico Vidal
Sixth	Light Back Zebra Pair	2008	Adalberto Ocasio
Seventh	Fawn Zebra Hen	2009	Jorge Mojica
Eighth	Black Brown Society	2009	Adalberto Ocasio
Ninth	Fawn Society Cock	2008	Ramon Fernandez
Tenth	Chocolate Self Society		Orlando Rivera
Unflighted	Fawn Zebra Cock	2009	Rurico Vidal
Novice	Blue Body BH PB Gouldian		Juan Roman
Junior	Fawn Society Cock	2009	Yalicy Guzman

Judge's Observations: Best group of birds I have ever seen!
Fantastic club participation!

Birds of a Feather

September 26, 2009 Bedford, NH

Judge: Dr. Al Decoteau

Number of Entries: 21

Number of Exhibitors: 5

Award	Specie	Year	Exhibitor
First	Yellow Body Purple Breasted Gouldian	2005	Diane Wowk
Second	Fawn Zebra Cock		Jacinto Callista
Third	Cuban Melodious		Tom & Judy Taylor
Fourth	Blue Body Gouldian	2004	Diane Wowk
Fifth	Florida Fancy Zebra		Jacinto Callista
Sixth	Shafftail Cock		Tom & Judy Taylor
Seventh	Button Quail		Tina Adams
Eighth	Gouldian Pair	2007	Diane Wowk
Ninth	Cutthroat Finch		Jacinto Calista
Tenth	Normal Grey Zebra	2009	Jacinto Callista
Unflighted	Normal Grey Zebra	2009	Rurico Vidal
Novice			
Junior			

Judge's Observations: None

Finch & Softbill Breeders Exhibitors Club Annual Show
September 26, 2009 Mundelein, IL

Judge: Laura Tinker Apprentice: Vince Moase

Number of Entries: 71

Number of Exhibitors: 9

Award	Specie	Year	Exhibitor
First	Black Faced Firefinch		Steve Hopman
Second	Blue Gouldian	2009	Jim Hefferman
Third	Orange Cheeked Waxbill	2009	Vonda Zwick
Fourth	Blue Capped Cordon Bleu	2009	Vonda Zwick
Fifth	Normal Grey Zebra	2008	Bob Peers
Sixth	Normal Grey Java	2007	Bill Fiorini
Seventh	RH Gouldian Cock		Gail Benson
Eighth	White Zebra	2009	Bob Peers
Ninth	White Collared Warbler		Cindy Hartzburg
Tenth	Normal Grey Zebra		Bob Peers
Unflighted	Blue Gouldian		Jim Hefferman
Novice	White Collared Warbler		Cindy Hartzburg
Junior			

Judge's Observations: Very nice African Section. Zebra finches were also of excellent quality. Vince Moase apprenticed under Judge Laura Tinker. Host club, FSBEC was very hospitable and

held a great show!

Judge's Observations: Fantastic Birds. Exceptional Softbills.

Essex-Kent Cage Bird Society
September 26, 2009 Windsor, Ontario, Canada
Judge: Kenneth Gunby
Number of Entries: 96 Number of Exhibitors: 9

Colorbred Canary Club
October 3, 2009 Brooklyn, New York
Judge: Nizam Ali
Number of Entries: 72 Number of Exhibitors: 15

Award	Specie	Year	Exhibitor
First	Violet Ear Waxbill		Vince Moase
Second	Red Legged Honeycreeper	2009	Mike Manley
Third	Shafttail		Vince Moase
Fourth	Star Finch		Alfred Mion
Fifth	Blue Headed Parrot Finch		Mike Manley
Sixth	Black Cheek Waxbill		Mike Manley
Seventh	RH Gouldian		Pete Van Erp
Eighth	Black Cheek Glossy Starling		Mike Manley
Ninth	Blue Dacnus		Mike Manley
Tenth	Blue & Grey Tanager		Mike Manley
Unflighted	Red Legged Honeycreeper	2009	Mike Manley
Novice			
Junior			

Award	Specie	Year	Exhibitor
First	Black Society		A. Chuz
Second	European Greenfinch		Edo Spica
Third	Gouldian		Tiffany Park
Fourth	Cuban Melodious		F. Ali
Fifth	Red Faced Parrot Finch		Chais Talol
Sixth	South American Seedeater		I. Khan
Seventh	Hemlian Goldfinch		Steve Augiello
Eighth	RH WB Yellow Gouldian		Lee Fisher
Ninth	Cutthroat Finch		Javier Horta
Tenth	Black Headed Green Siskin		George Silva
Unflighted			
Novice			

Junior

Judge's Observations: None

Fort Worth Bird Club

October 3, 2009 Azle, Texas

Judge: Clarence Culwell

Number of Entries: 96

Number of Exhibitors: 6

Award	Specie	Year	Exhibitor
First	White Java Pair		Laura Bewley
Second	Choc. Self Society	2009	Cheryl Burns
Third	Normal Zebra Cock		Randall & Shane Hudson
Fourth	Saffron Finch		Cheryl Burns
Fifth	Choc. Self Society		Cheryl Burns
Sixth	Fire Finch	2008	Sally Porter
Seventh	Yellow Leg Honeycreeper		Cheryl Burns
Eighth	Cutthroat Pair		Laura Bewley
Ninth	Shafttail		Randall & Shane Hudson
Tenth	Gold Breast Waxbill		Shane Hudson
Unflighted	Choc. Self Society	2009	Cheryl Burns
Novice	Fire Finch	2008	Sally Porter

Junior

Gold Breast Waxbill

Shane Hudson

Judge's Observations: The birds were in excellent condition for this time of year. The pair of Javas went on to win best in show of all varieties of birds. There were 586 total birds.

Mid America Cage Bird Society

October 3, 2009 Des Moines, Iowa

Judge: Martha Wigmore

Number of Entries: 22

Number of Exhibitors: 5

Award	Specie	Year	Exhibitor
First	Green Aracaris	1999	Barbara Roberts
Second	Normal Grey Java	2007	Bill Fiorini
Third	Bleeding Heart Dove	2007	Julia Howard
Fourth	Japanese Choc. Pearl Society Hen	2007	Bill Fiorini
Fifth	Parsons Finch Cock	2009	Bill Fiorini
Sixth	European Black Brown Society	2009	Bill Fiorini
Seventh	Normal Grey Java	2009	Bill Fiorini
Eighth	European Black Grey Society	2007	Bill Fiorini
Ninth	Purple Glossy Starling		Julia Howard
Tenth	Greenfinch	2008	Robert Wild
Unflighted	Parsons Finch Cock	2009	Bill Fiorini
Novice			

Junior

Judge's Observations: Here in the heart-land of our hobby in the U.S., the birds showed the best of care. A thrill to see a Green Aracaris and Bleeding Heart Dove, and the nice work being done with Javas and European Societies. Great show people!

Canary and Finch Society
October 10, 2009 Houston, TX

Judge: Cecil Gunby

Number of Entries: 129 Number of Exhibitors: 8

Award	Specie	Year	Exhibitor
First	Choc. American Self Society	2009	Cheryl & Leland Burns
Second	Yellow Zosterops Pair		Debbie Eaton
Third	Cherry Finch		Clarence Culwell
Fourth	Normal Zebra Cock	2009	Breanna Morrison
Fifth	Ino Society		Cheryl & Leland Burns
Sixth	Fawn Society Cock		Clarence Culwell
Seventh	Yellow Zosterops		Debbie Easton
Eighth	Blue-breasted Waxbill	2009	Chase Austin
Ninth	Choc. Self American Society		Cheryl & Leland Burns
Tenth	Orange Cheek Hen		Chase Austin

Unflighted	Choc. Self American Society	2009	Cheryl & Leland Burns
Novice	Blue-breasted Waxbill	2009	Chase Austin
Junior			

Judge's Observations: None

Greater Kansas City Avicultural Society
October 17, 2009 Grandview, MO

Judge: Earl Courts

Number of Entries: 9 Number of Exhibitors: 3

Award	Specie	Year	Exhibitor
First	Green Aracaris		Barbara Roberts
Second	Black Faced Zebra		Ellen Moegling
Third	BH Gouldian		Ellen Moegling
Fourth	Penguin Zebra Pair		Jonathan Day
Fifth	Chestnut Flanked Zebra		Ellen Moegling
Sixth	Owl Finch	2003	Barbara Roberts
Seventh	Orange Headed Gouldian		Ellen Moegling
Eighth	Orange Weaver		Barbara Roberts
Ninth	OH Gouldian		Barbara Roberts

Tenth
Unflighted
Novice
Junior

Judge's Observations: None

Note: No points are awarded for this show.

Ninth	European Goldfinch	Rick Bellanfone
Tenth	Fawn Zebra	Jacinto Calisto
Unflighted		
Novice		
Junior		

Judge's Observations: Largest section was the Zebra finch section with 14 birds. Lovely South American Seedeaters today.

Massachusetts Cage Bird
October 17, 2009 Massachusetts

Judge: Laura Tinker

Number of Entries: 36 Number of Exhibitors: 8

Award	Specie	Year	Exhibitor
First	Black & White Seedeater		Fasil Ali
Second	Mountain Canary		Rabindra Jackaron
Third	Normal Zebra		Jacinto Calisto
Fourth	Star Finch		Fasil Ali
Fifth	Choc. Self Society		Jacinto Calisto
Sixth	Light Back Zebra		Jacinto Calisto
Seventh	Java Finch		Fasil Ali
Eighth	Cutthroat Finch		Jacinto Calisto

Baltimore Bird Fanciers
October 17, 2009 Towson, MD

Judge: Alfredo Brugueras

Number of Entries: 50 Number of Exhibitors: 7

Award	Specie	Year	Exhibitor
First	Tanager		Shelley Ortman
Second	Normal Zebra		Shelley Ortman
Third	Yellow Gouldian	2009	Tiffany Park
Fourth	Yellow Gouldian	2009	Tiffany Park
Fifth	Orange Face Parrot Finch		Deb & Brad Clark
Sixth	Owl		Deb & Brad Clark
Seventh	Aricari		Deb & Brad Clark

Eighth	Red Face Parrot Finch	Deb & Brad Clark
Ninth	Zebra Dove	Shelley Ortman
Tenth	Blue Cap Pair	Don Strouse
Unflighted		
Novice		
Junior		

Judge's Observations: Excellent group of softbills and goulds, very well show trained. Overall good quality on all birds.

Seventh	Fawn Zebra		Eunice Roivanen
Eighth	RH Gouldian		Mike Nichols
Ninth	Red Faced Star		Eunice Roivanen
Tenth	Cuban Melodious		Mike Nichols
Unflighted	Bicheno (Owl) Finch	2009	Eunice Roivanen
Novice	Blue Capped		Mike Nichols
Junior			

Judge's Observations: Nice zebras and super novice birds. Exhibitors showed mostly unlighted banded birds, showing real focus on breeding. Enjoyed the birds very much and the nice exhibitors.

Canary & Finch Club of MN
October 17, 2009 Prescott, WI
Judge: Laura Bewley

Number of Entries: 12 Number of Exhibitors: 3

Award	Specie	Year	Exhibitor
First	Bicheno (Owl) Finch	2009	Eunice Roivanen
Second	Normal Zebra		Eunice Roivanen
Third	Normal Zebra		Eunice Roivanen
Fourth	Light Back Zebra		Eunice Roivanen
Fifth	Normal Zebra Pair		Eunice Roivanen
Sixth	Blue Capped		Mike Nichols

Cascade Canary Breeders Association

October 24, 2009 Monroe, WA

Judge: Sally Huntington

Number of Entries: 60 Number of Exhibitors: 7

Award	Specie	Year	Exhibitor
First	Green Singer		K J Brown
Second	BH Red Siskin	2007	Paula Hanson
Third	RH Isabelle Star Cock		Doug White
Fourth	RH WB Dilute Gouldian	2009	Ross Lambert

Fifth	Pearl Society	2005	K J Brown
Sixth	Black & Gray Society	2006	K J Brown
Seventh	CFW Zebra Hen	2008	Doug White
Eighth	Diamond Dove		Doug White
Ninth	White Eye Zosterops	2005	K J Brown
Tenth	Black & White Seedeater		Paula Hanson
Unflighted	Fawn Shafftail	2009	Ross Lambert
Novice	RH WB Dilute Gouldian	2009	Ross Lambert
Junior	Fawn Self Society	2008	Dezira Lord

Judge's Observations: All the exhibitors are current NFSS members! They keep a variety of finches, softbills, & doves, all in wonderful condition! And, they host the BEST banquet food Vince & I have ever had anywhere.

Central CA Cage Bird Club
October 31, 2009 Modesto, CA

Judge: Sally Huntington

Number of Entries: 73 Number of Exhibitors: 14

Award	Specie	Year	Exhibitor
First	Fire Finch		Rick Pizzuero
Second	White Eared Bulbul	2009	Katy Dodd
Third	Zebra NG	2009	Janet Edmonds

Fourth	Zebra - Penguin		Roy Beckham
Fifth	Shafftail - Normal		Gwynne Willison
Sixth	Gouldian - BH		Susan McClair
Seventh	Cutthroat Pair		Katy Dodd
Eighth	Zebra - CFW		Janna Place
Ninth	Timor		Brian Mandarich
Tenth	Cutthroat		Rick Pizzuero
Unflighted	White Eared Bulbul	2009	Katy Dodd
Novice	White Eared Bulbul	2009	Katy Dodd
Junior			

Judge's Observations: Wonderful show, friends, & conversations. Zebra and gouldian entries were very large with the largest gouldian entry being the normal goulds!

Chester County Bird Show
October 31, 2009 Exton, PA

Judge: Dennis Lewis

Number of Entries: 65 Number of Exhibitors: 10

Award	Specie	Year	Exhibitor
First	Green Aracari		Dr. Brad & Deb Clark
Second	Indian Silverbill		Shelley Ortman

Third	Yellow -backed Gouldian	2009	Tiffany Park
Fourth	Fawn Shafttail		Dr. Brad & Deb Clark
Fifth	Choc. Euro Society		Anton Chua
Sixth	Blue-neck Tanager		Shelley Ortman
Seventh	Blue-grey Tanager		Shelley Ortman
Eighth	Normal Grey Zebra		Shelley Ortman
Ninth	African Silverbill		Shelley Ortman
Tenth	White Ringneck Dove		Dr. Brad & Deb Clark
Unflighted	Yellow Back Gould	2009	Tiffany Park
Novice	Yellow Back Gould	2009	Tiffany Park
Junior			

Judge's Observations: Judges Award - OB, BF Fawn hen zebra owned by Kurt Faudel. Green Aracari was exceptional, the Indian Silverbill was very nice ad condition of top bench was commendable. The tanagers were displaying well. The ring neck dove, I was told after the show, to be 18 years old. Should get a plaque just for longevity.

Greater Chicago Cage Bird Club
October 31, 2009 St. Charles, IL

Judge: Cecil Gunby

Number of Entries: 67

Number of Exhibitors: 13

Award **Specie** **Year** **Exhibitor**

First	Orange-cheeked Waxbill	2009	Vonda Zwick
Second	European Goldfinch	2009	Jean Younan
Third	Rosy Rumped Waxbill	2009	Vonda Zwick
Fourth	Bleeding Heart Dove	2007	Julia Howard
Fifth	Dominant Silver Zebra		Dennis Burhans
Sixth	African Quail Finch		Vonda Zwick
Seventh	Owl Finch		Gail Benson
Eighth	White Zebra Finch	2009	Bob Peers
Ninth	Tinker Bird		Bob Ziegler
Tenth	Blue Capped Waxbill	2009	Vonda Zwick
Unflighted	Orange-cheeked Waxbill	2009	Vonda Zwick
Novice	European Goldfinch	2009	Jean Younan
Junior			

Judge's Observations: None

Texas Bird Breeders & Fanciers
November 7, 2009 Temple, TX

Judge: Alfredo Brugueras

Number of Entries: 117

Number of Exhibitors: 8

Award	Specie	Year	Exhibitor
First	Green Honey Creeper	2009	Chase Austin
Second	Fawn Cheek Pied Light Back Zebra		Randy Hudson
Third	Red Ear	2009	Chase Austin
Fourth	Melba	2009	Chase Austin
Fifth	Magpie Manakin Pair		Laura Bewley
Sixth	Chocolate Society		Leland & Cheryl Burns
Seventh	Fawn & White Society		Clarence Culwell
Eighth	CFW Cock		Clarence Culwell
Ninth	Green Singer Hen	2009	Chase Austin
Tenth	White Java		Laura Bewley
Unflighted	Red Ear	2009	Chase Austin
Novice			
Junior			

Judge's Observations: Top 10 birds were excellent in condition and conformation. Overall a very high quality group of birds.

Judge: Kenneth Gunby
Number of Entries: 71

Number of Exhibitors: 15

Award	Specie	Year	Exhibitor
First	White Eye Zosterops		K J Brown
Second	Pearl-headed Amadine		K J Brown
Third	Normal Gray Zebra Cock		Rich & Jeri Pizzuro
Fourth	Normal Shafttail		Doug White
Fifth	Bicheno Owl		Rich & Jeri Pizzuro
Sixth	Fawn & White Society		K J Brown
Seventh	Fire Finch		Rich & Jeri Pizzuro
Eighth	Black & White Seed eater		Paula Hansen
Ninth	Society Pair		Linda Brown
Tenth	Diamond Sparrow		Dan Pitney
Unflighted	OH/PB/Yellow Gould	2009	Dave Summerlin
Novice	OH/PB/Yellow Gould	2009	Dave Summerlin
Junior	Choc. Self Society	2009	Dezrae Lord

Judge's Observations: Great Show. Staff was fantastic! Birds were also super.

Columbia Canary & Finch Show
November 7, 2009 Tigard, OR

Regional De Uuine ACF Inc.

November 7, 2009 Caguas, Puerto Rico

Judge: Cecil Gunby

Number of Entries: 430 Number of Exhibitors: 25

Award	Specie	Year	Exhibitor
First	Normal Grey Zebra Cock	2009	Ramon Colon
Second	Black Brown Society	2009	Hiram Morales
Third	Normal Grey Zebra HEN	2009	Jorge Mojica
Fourth	Black Grey Society	2009	Hiram Morales
Fifth	Fawn Zebra Cock	2009	Juan Carlos Cotto
Sixth	Fawn Zebra Hen	2009	Ruricao Vidal
Seventh	BHPB Green Gouldian	2009	Hiram Morales
Eighth	Black Brown Society Pair	2009	Hiram Morales
Ninth	Blue Capped Cordon Blue	2009	Myra Suarez
Tenth	Green Body HWB Gouldian	2009	Juan Carlos Cotto
Unflighted	Normal Grey Zebra Cock	2009	Ramon Colon
Novice			Hector Togdo
Junior			

Judge's Observations: 400 unlighted birds, best zebras I've seen in a couple of years. 250+ zebras, great club and hospitality extraordinaire.

National Institute of Red Orange Canaries

November 28, 2009 Lombard, IL

Judge: Alfredo Brugueras

Number of Entries: 27 Number of Exhibitors: 6

Award	Specie	Year	Exhibitor
First	Normal Grey Zebra	2009	Bob Peers
Second	Cutthroat Pair		Bob Peers
Third	Normal Grey Zebra	2009	Bob Peers
Fourth	Red Head Gouldian		Gail Benson
Fifth	Bicheno Owl Finch		Gail Benson
Sixth	Black Face Fire Finch		Steve Hopman
Seventh	Red Throat Parrot Finch		Steve Hopman
Eighth	Euro Goldfinch		Giovanni Giannelli
Ninth	Blue Billed Fire Finch		Steve Hopman
Tenth	Euro Goldfinch		Giovanni Giannelli
Unflighted	Normal Grey Zebra	2009	Bob Peers
Novice	Red Head Gouldian		Gail Benson
Junior			

Judge's Observations: None

Santa Clara Valley Canary EBC
December 12, 2009 San Jose, CA

Judge: Brian Mandarich

Number of Entries: 23 Number of Exhibitors: 4

Award	Specie	Year	Exhibitor
First	Variagated Society	2009	Sally Huntington
Second	White Cheek Bulbul	2009	Sally Huntington
Third	Purple Grenadier	006	Sally Huntington
Fourth	White Breasted OH Gouldian		Neven Batinic
Fifth	Orange Breasted CFW Zebra	2007	Sally Huntington
Sixth	White Society Pair	2009/ 2008	Sally Huntington
Seventh	Normal Zebra	2009	Sally Huntington
Eighth	Creamino Society	2009	Sally Huntington
Ninth	White Breasted BH Gouldian		Neven Batinic
Tenth	Fruit Dove	2009	Sally Huntington
Unflighted	Variagated Society	2009	Sally Huntington
Novice	White Breasted OH Gouldian		Neven Batinic
Junior			

Judge's Observations: Judge's Special - Purple Grenadier owned
by Sally Huntington Quality not quantity.