

# U N I T E D

# Swallow Club



WINTER 1994

## President's Message by Bill Griebel

It is amazing what a good Swallow show can do for one's enthusiasm! The Des Moines show was one of those enjoyable experiences that you don't soon forget. I really enjoyed the judging assignment there and was proud to see the show attract 90 birds of high quality. I'm glad we made the effort to make Des Moines one of our show sites.

This show was special for me because I had more time this year to spend with the members in attendance and look around at the show. Several members at the Des Moines show deserve mention. Gloria Weisgram picked me up at the airport and made sure our judging area was set up including a large banner she painted that you will see in photographs above our judging area. She also set up posters displaying Gary Romig's proposed standard artwork. Perry Mueller did a great job of running the meet. From the opening welcome, to the organizing of the judging, to the awards ceremony, to the final "thank you" and "so long", he did a class job. By the way, he did very well with the birds, too.

Elliot Yeske not only handled the raffle and made us about \$190 but at the last minute we asked him to run the bird auction and he proceeded, with the help and generosity of the bidders, to collect \$500 for our judging fund. We owe Elliot many thanks for his efforts!

Mary Hapala kept the show records in order for us. It's nice to know the book work is being taken care of while we concentrate on the birds. Eastern members, Gus Coletti and Merle Starr, attended and added extra "personality" to the show. Gus sat in with me on the judging and I explained what I was doing and why - it was sort of a training program. As for Merle, after each class of birds, he let me know if I was on the right track!

Congratulations goes to Norm House for winning Champion of the Show with his black white bar OC. This bird was in top condition. I enjoyed visits with Cal Breadhoff, Bob Benson, Bill Lawson and Greg Volzke. Other members in attendance were Nate Wayne, George De La Nuez, Sid Hass, Harold Schroedl, Chuck Ludenia, junior member Cody

Nitschke and new members, Jim Cooper and Roy and Judy King. David Harris and family have moved! They now live in Holbrook, Arizona where they are renting and have bought a home in the same town. Dave brought his birds with him in carrying cages and is holding them in wire cages. A new loft will follow soon. I want to take this opportunity to thank David for the quality job he has done with the secretary position. I know when the club needs something done or I have a request he gets it done. An organization is not successful without this type of commitment. Thanks, David.

Our committees continue to make progress. Nate Wayne and Mike Swanson have been doing an excellent job organizing material. Nate has been very busy with his work situation and Mike gets very active in school activities. As I commented prior to the forming of these committees, "These projects will take time." We need to take plenty of time and make sure these projects are right for all of us, everyone should be able to live with them. Gary Romig has done some preliminary drawings for our standard and I am impressed with the work done by our Standard Committee, the membership, and Gary's efforts. We will set the trend and pace for standards in the American pigeon fancy.

To finish up, I have a couple of thoughts to ponder. A lot of us are going to Germany in December of 1995. It is very important that our '95 Annual Meet go to an area where the majority of people who are not going to Germany can attend. Talk it up with other members and see what you can come up with. Most of us on the West Coast will be

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- ✓ NPA Grand National results from Oklahoma City, OK - with photos

## SECRETARY'S MESSAGE

by Dave Harris

Hi, USC Members ...

Many things have transpired with me since the last bulletin. I am no longer living in Minnesota. New address is: 290 North 12th Avenue, Holbrook, AZ 86025. (602) 524-3228. *And after January 1, 1995:* 305 North 10th Avenue, Holbrook, AZ 86025. I mailed everyone a postcard with the change, but if you misplaced it, there it is again. Thank you for your patience during this transition.

I have cut way down on the numbers of birds I usually maintain at Rocky Point. Moved 83 birds and have a new loft built for housing them. Since the weather is considerable warmer here than in Minnesota, I hope to get an early start on the 1995 breeding season.

Received a nice letter from one of our Canadian members, Ross Dobson. He sent me a very nice bulletin from the Canadian Pigeon Fanciers Association. Lots of good reading with articles and advertising. Ross stated he planned to exhibit Swallows at several Canadian shows this season to promote the Swallows. Thanks, Ross.

As you can see in this bulletin, I have included the financial statement up to November 21, 1994. After you receive this bulletin our account will have grown quite a bit. With dues, band sales, auctions and show rebates, we should go over the \$1,000 figure.

Although I will miss many shows this season due to the move to Arizona, several members have really helped out with duties I normally did at meets and have done a great job. Thanks to all of you for your dedication and work for the club.

We have signed up a couple of new members including a junior member as you can see in the

membership list. We really need to try and get more junior members involved in not just Swallows, but pigeons in general. Sometimes it is easier said than done, though.

This past weekend, December 3 and 4, I drove to Phoenix to visit with Ed Conlon and his wife, Marie. Ed and I entered a small number of Swallows at the show in Phoenix. Really had a great time visiting with Ed and Marie. Thanks again for all your hospitality. I hope to go to the National in Oklahoma next month. Still too soon to confirm it as yet. If I am unable to attend, I hope to have a small entry to represent the loft.

This bulletin is full of show results and I would like to congratulate all that exhibited and to those that had top honors.

I expect band sales to sell out again this year. Last December, we voted at the annual meet to increase the muffed band order by 300 over the 1994 order. We did not increase the Clean Leg order and it remained at 300. This is a 3,000 band order! The way it looks now, we will not be able to fill all CL orders, but will be OK with muffed. We need to look at increasing the CL order for 1996 at the annual meet meeting; 500 might be OK. Those of you that order from NPA will see that band prices have gone up to 17¢ each. The USC will sell 1995 bands for 15¢ each, but we might have to increase our prices for 1996 bands if the cost goes up any more. We can make a decision on this later in the year.

Well, everyone, that's about it for now. I want to wish everyone a very happy holiday season and a good show season. Also, good luck with your 1995 breeding season.

Please pay your dues for 1995 so you don't miss out on club specials and bulletins. Thank you for your support.

God Bless.

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going to Germany. Also, the LA club will be putting in a bid for another National after the Utah National. The West Coast boys would like to have an Annual meet here.

Finally, I have really enjoyed the level of membership participation over the last several years. What I'm getting at here is that maybe some of our membership can take it to the next level. For example, if you

have been attending shows but not showing birds – show some birds. If you've been thinking about doing something for the Club – just ask, there is a lot that can be done. Using Elliot Yeske as an example, two years ago he called me, suggested a money making raffle at our shows and offered to run it. This raffle has made us a good chunk of change, he grabbed the next rung on the ladder at the Des Moines show, ran the bird auction and made us a huge amount of money. Now,

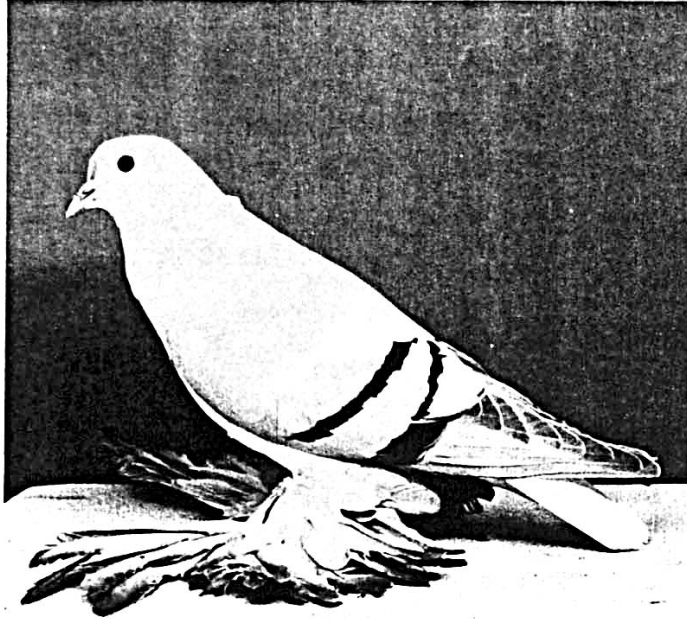
his next step is to show some birds. Right, Elliot? You see how it can be done – the effort is appreciated.

I wish everyone on behalf of the officers of USC

*Good Pairings  
for a prosperous  
New Year!*

**CHAMPION SWALLOW and BEST SILESIAN**

*Pageant of Pigeons Show, Los Angeles, CA*  
 Bred and Owned by Bill Griebel, Jr.



**WESTERN DISTRICT REPORT**

by Steve Ball

The Western District "Annual" meet was held at the Los Angeles Pigeon Club's Pageant of Pigeons in November. Gary Romig judged the fifty-one Swallows. The Best Silesian and Champion Swallow was a silver dun bar old hen shown by Bill Griebel, Jr. The Best Fairy Swallow was a black white bar shown by Leon Stephens. Best Fullhead was a blue check of mine and Ed Conlin's blue barless young hen was the Best Clean Leg Swallow. Gary informed the exhibitors that he was focusing on type and body form. Thank you, Gary!

We appreciate Ed Conlin's effort to drive over from Arizona to show his clean legs. It is always a pleasure to visit with Ed and experience his enthusiasm.

It was great to hear that the David Harris family has relocated west to Arizona. The Central District's loss is our gain! We are very pleased to have David back with us. His up-beat nature and strong desire to compete in shows will be a wonderful addition to our showroom environment. We had a good time as young members and I'm sure we will have even better times as "middle-age" breeders.

Bill Greibel reports that he really enjoyed the hospitality and judging the birds at the Central District meet in Des Moines, IA.

Leon Stephens' loft remodeling program is just about complete. He is looking forward to the 1995 breeding and show season with a renewed focus on conditioning and showing his birds. Leon will judge our annual meet at the National in Oklahoma City. It will be a treat watching Leon judge birds. It has been "quite some time" since he has judged a major Swallow show. We now have the opportunity to benefit from his knowledge of color pigeons. Western District members Bill Griebel, George de la Nuez, Bill Lawson, Leon and I will attend the National. We look forward to visiting with other members at the show.

Wishing you all the happiest of Holidays and a prosperous New Year!

**TREASURER'S REPORT**

Submitted by Dave Harris

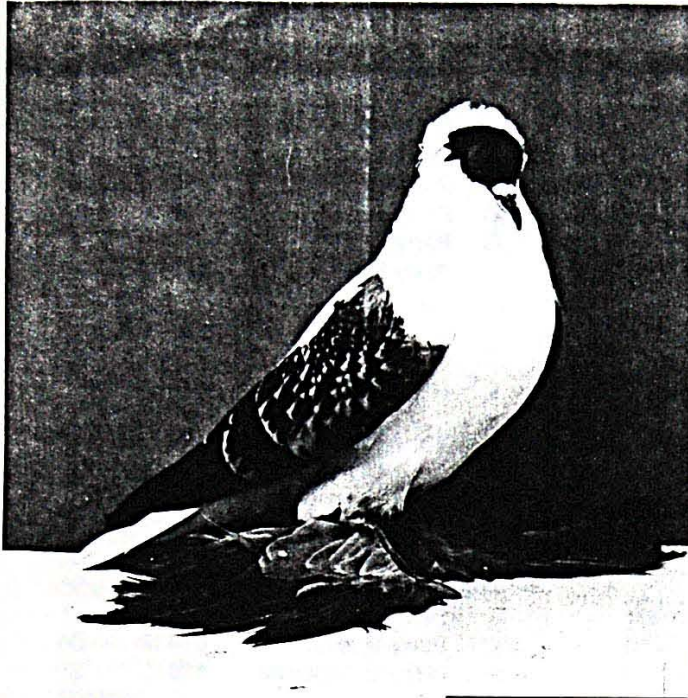
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<b>INCOME</b>		
Dues	\$ 60.00	
NYBS Rebate	41.00	
Interest (savings)	7.41	
Hat Sales	<u>10.00</u>	<u>118.41</u>
		1,058.66
<b>EXPENSES</b>		
Postage	66.07	
Phone (April-June)	23.80	
Money Order fee	1.00	
Office Supplies	19.88	
Fall Bulletin	68.95	
Raffle Awards	75.00	
District Awards (by Romig)	150.00	
Balanc NPA 1995 Bands	152.55	
Air Fare (Stephens)	<u>240.00</u>	
		<u>(797.25)</u>
Balance - November 21, 1994		\$ 261.41

## Pageant of Pigeons Results

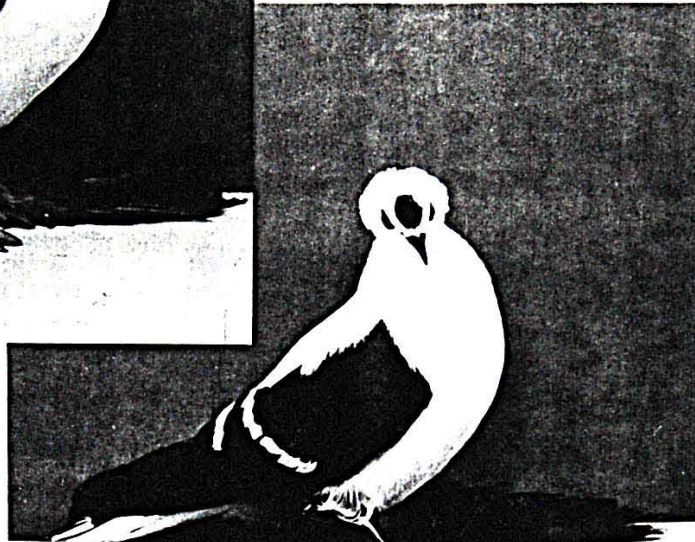
<b>BLACK WHITE BAR FAIRY</b> Young Cock Bill Lawson #825 HS <i>Best Young Fairy</i>	<b>BLUE CHECK THURINGER</b> Young Cock Ed Conlon #190 G Young Hen Ed Conlon #194 G	<b>SILVER BARLESS SILESIAN</b> Old Cock Bill Griebel, Jr. #252 HS Old Hen Bill Griebel, Jr. #820 HS <i>Best SB</i>
Young Hen Bill Lawson #836 S	<b>ASH RED BAR THURINGER</b> Young Cock Ed Conlon #188 G	<b>BLACK BARLESS SILESIAN</b> Young Hen Leon Stephens _____ G
Old Cock Steve Ball #842 HS <sup>1</sup> Bill Lawson #926 G Bill Griebel, Sr. #276 HS <sup>2</sup>	<b>ASH RED CHECK THURINGER</b> Young Cock Ed Conlon #175 S	Old Hen Leon Stephens _____ HS
Old Hen Leon Stephens #201 HS <sup>1</sup> <i>Best Fairy</i> Bill Griebel, Sr. #17 HS <sup>3</sup> Bill Griebel Sr. #892 HS <sup>2</sup> Bill Lawson #940 S <sup>2</sup> Leon Stephens #450 S <sup>3</sup> Leon Stephens #334 S <sup>1</sup>	<b>BLUE BARLESS THURINGER</b> Young Hen Ed Conlon #109 S <i>Best Clean Leg</i>	<b>BLUE BARLESS SILESIAN</b> Young Hen Bill Griebel, Jr. #1557 S
<b>BLUE WHITE BAR FAIRY</b> Young Cock George De La Nuez #169 HS <sup>2</sup> George De La Nuez #176 S Rudy Sabo #113 HS <sup>1</sup>	<b>BLUE BLACK BAR THURINGER</b> Young Hen Ed Conlon #108 G	Old Hen Bill Griebel, Jr. #918 HS
Young Hen George De La Nuez #182 HS <sup>1</sup> <i>Best Young</i> George De La Nuez #163 S <sup>2</sup> George De La Nuez #177 S <sup>1</sup> George De La Nuez #151 HS <sup>2</sup>	<b>BLACK BARLESS FULLHEAD</b> Old Hen Steve Ball #95 S	<b>BLUE BLACK BAR SILESIAN</b> Old Cock Bill Griebel, Jr. #432 S Old Hen Steve Ball #983 HS
Old Cock Bill Griebel Sr. #96 HS <sup>2</sup> Rudy Sabo #111 HS <sup>1</sup> <i>Best Blue</i>	<b>BLUE CHECK FULLHEAD</b> Old Cock Steve Ball #933 HS <i>Champion Fullhead</i>	<b>BLACK WHITE BAR SILESIAN</b> Old Cock Bill Griebel, Sr. #43 HS
Old Hen George De La Nuez #405 HS <sup>2</sup> George De La Nuez #317 S Rudy Sabo #740 HS <sup>1</sup> Bill Griebel Sr. #115 HS <sup>3</sup>	<b>BLUE CHECK SILESIAN</b> Old Cock Leon Stephens #777 G Bill Griebel, Jr. #263 S Old Hen Leon Stephens _____ #S	<b>BLACK SPANGLE SILESIAN</b> Old Hen Leon Stephens #195 S
<b>BLACK SPANGLE FAIRY</b> Young Cock Leon Stephens #606 G George De La Nuez #126 HS	Young Cock Bill Griebel, Jr. #279 S <i>Best Young Silesian</i>	<b>SILVER BAR SILESIAN</b> Old Hen Bill Griebel, Jr. #818 HS <i>Best Silesian</i>
		<b>SILVER CHECK SILESIAN</b> Old Hen Leon Stephens _____ G

*Pageant of Pigeons*  
Los Angeles, CA

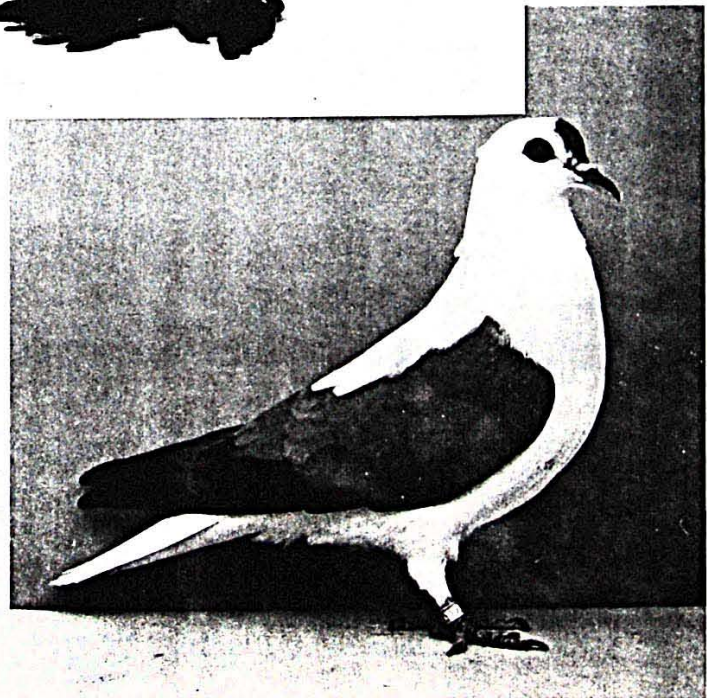
*Judge: Gary Romig*



*Above:* Champion Fullhead Swallow; Blue Check owned and bred by Steve Ball, Reseda, CA



*Right:* Champion Fairy Swallow; Black White Bar owned and bred by Leon Stephens, El Monte, CA



*Right:* Champion Thuringer Swallow; Blue Barless owned and bred by Ed Conlon, Chandler, AZ

## National Young Bird Show -

### FAIRY SWALLOW

#### Young Cock

George De La Nuez	#169	S'
<i>Best Fairy, Best YC</i>		
Norm House	#752	G
Howard Angevine	#2117	G
Howard Angevine	#2004	S'

#### Young Hen

George De La Nuez	#163	S'
<i>Best YH</i>		
Howard Angevine	#2023	S'
Howard Angevine	#2090	S'
Howard Angevine	#2041	G
Howard Angevine	#2052	G
Howard Angevine	#2104	G

### FULLHEAD SWALLOW

#### Young Cock

Calvin Breadhoff	#378	S
<i>Best Fullhead</i>		
Bob Divilbiss	#207	G
Howard Angevine	#2129	G

#### Young Hen

Jesse Espinosa	#702	G
Jesse Espinosa	#713	G
Howard Angevine	#2166	G

### THURINGER SWALLOW

#### Young Hen

Howard Angevine	#0	S
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### SILESIAN SWALLOW

#### Young Cock

Calvin Breadhoff	#307	S'
Calvin Breadhoff	#373	S'
Calvin Breadhoff	#300	S'
Cecil & Dusty Vermillion	#524	G
Perry Mueller	#1421	G
Perry Mueller	#1423	S'
Perry Mueller	#1411	S'
Perry Mueller	#1402	S'

*Best YC, Best Silesian  
and Champion Swallow*

Howard Angevine	#2017	G
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#### Young Hen

Cecil & Dusty Vermillion	#525	G'
Gus Coletti	#102	G'
Perry Mueller	#1437	S'
Perry Mueller	#1420	S'
Perry Mueller	#1415	S'
Perry Mueller	#1410	S'
Perry Mueller	#1432	S'
Howard Angevine	#2015	S'

*Best YH*



Above: Champion Swallow and Best Silesian; Silver Barless owned and bred by Perry Mueller, St. Louis, MO



Right: Champion Fairy Swallow; Blue White Bar owned and bred by George De La Nuez, Los Angeles, CA

*NYBS Judge:  
Nate Wayne*

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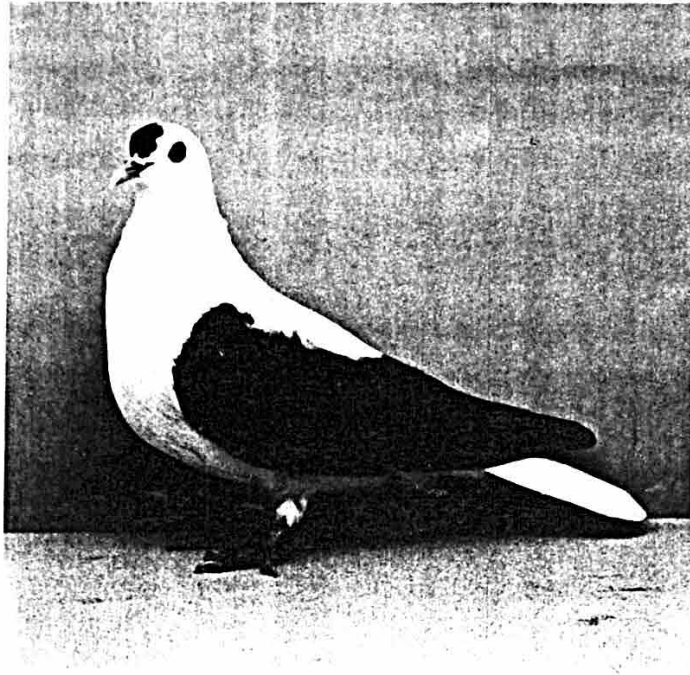
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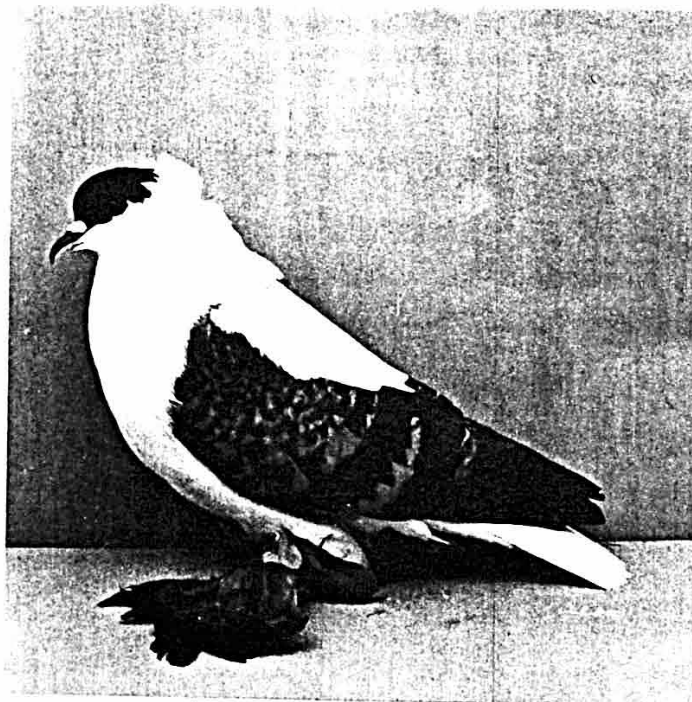
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National Young Bird Show, Louisville, KY – Champion  
 Thuringer Swallow; Red Barless owned and bred by Howard  
 Angevine, Attleboro, MA



National Young Bird Show, Louisville, KY –  
 Champion Fullhead Swallow; Blue Check owned and bred  
 by Cal Breadhoff, Grandville, MI