

## **Reading & District Bantam Society Championship Show 26 – 27 February 2011**

A meeting of the Pekin Bantam Club was held at the Newbury Leisure Centre on Sunday 27 February 2011 at midday.

Apologies given: Mrs Nancie Hutchinson and Mr Ian Allenby

Matters arising- none

Chairman's Report: Mr David Mann was not present at the meeting. The Vice Chairman, Mr Eddie Starkey conducted the meeting. It was agreed at the meeting any recommendations should be put forward to the AGM at Stafford. I happened to mention that our stock of rosettes was getting low and club members thought that this was a good idea for our rosettes to be upgraded. At the moment in time the rosettes are two tier and members felt going forward that the rosettes should be improved to a three tier rosette. Nearly all members present were in favour of this. Mr Mike Hatcher promised to investigate on various prizes and would get back to Stefan or myself. Members felt that club funds be used towards better rosettes at all club shows. It was agreed that the show champion should receive a five tier rosette and the reserve show champion should be a four tier rosette. It was agreed that Mr Stefan Windle should investigate on behalf of the Pekin Bantam Club.

Furthermore, the prize cards should be upgraded to laminated cards. Also for local agricultural shows prize cards should be improved.

Please note the three tier rosettes should be the same diameter as the two tier rosette.

There was a recommendation from a club member that any class at any of the major shows, for example the National Poultry Show, National Federation of Poultry Clubs, Scottish National Poultry Show and the Reading & District Bantam Show class of eight or more the winning owner should receive a rosette. This recommendation will need to be passed at the AGM, Stafford.

I also mentioned that we were low on stock in respect of the pin on lapel. Another club member suggested that we take a look at the Sussex, Japanese and Silkie club badges. This may be of help.

I presented to all club members the Treasurer's report. It stated that the club funds were in good order and that we could afford to continue with the half yearly newsletters in the format of the Autumn 2010 newsletter. All present agreed with this.

I was pleased to learn many club members use the website but one or two did say that they had not received their user name or password. I think this will continue to be an ongoing problem.

As for the Spring 2011 newsletter, club members continue to write articles and I was expecting more within the next couple of weeks. The cut off date for articles was

Friday 18 March 2011. I was pleased to report all the major show results and comments, where possible, will be included within the newsletter.

This was followed by the presentation of trophies by the President Mr Derrick Hoyland.

There being no other business so Eddie Starkey the Vice Chairman closed the meeting.

Those present were:-

Mr J Soper, Mrs J Sentence, Mr Niel Gunning, Mr Peter German, Mr Mike Hatcher, Mr Colin Wood, Mrs Angela Depont, Ms Fran Kenure, Miss Emily Chubb, Mrs Sharon Chubb, Mrs Ann Sullivan, Mr Robin Budden, Mr Edward Page, Miss Louise Soper, Ms Antoineete Reese, Mrs Sylvia Soper, Mrs Celia Edmonds, Mr JD Hoyland, Mr Eddie Starkey, Mr Roger Thomas, Mr Peter Smith, Mr Jonathan Peters, Mr Kieran Berrett, Mrs Berrett, Mr Clive Stephens and Mr Paul Hallum.

I was pleased to report most of the trophies were returned to the Reading Bantam Show 2011 and the trophy winners have signed for their trophies. Unfortunately, there is no trophy for the reserve best Pekin or best Berchen.

Most points of show was awarded to Mr Derrick Hoyland but I do not think there is a cup for this. I noticed that a prize card was handed out instead.

It was a constructive meeting which lasted 1 hour 10 minutes.