

# UK Classic Foreign Bird Show

20<sup>th</sup> September 2026



**Little Staughton Village Hall,  
Colmworth Road,  
Little Staughton  
Bedfordshire  
MK44 2BX**

## SHOW RULES

- 1 Whilst every care will be taken of the exhibits, the Foreign Bird League will not accept responsibility for any loss or damage during the show or in transit.
- 2 Exhibits to be staged from 7.30am to 9.30am Sunday. Lifting at 4.00pm Sunday.
- 3 During judging only stewards and officials wearing official badges will be permitted in the Show Hall.
- 4 Feeding and watering facilities will be available at the booking-in area and exhibitors may leave any special food with any necessary written instructions for the feeding stewards.
- 5 All exhibits must have been the bona fide property of the exhibitor for a minimum of 28 days.
- 6 Exhibits in the Foreign Bird Classes may be shown singly or in pairs. However, exhibitors should be aware, appropriate specialist society rules will apply in each section.
- 7 Entries in the foreign bird classes can be re-classified at the discretion of the judges. No hybrids accepted.
- 8 Sales birds may be entered at any time up till 10am. Sales close at 3.45pm. All sales to be conducted via the Sales Steward.
- 9 The Foreign Bird League reserves the right to alter classes or appoint additional or replacement judges as may be necessary.
- 10 If called upon to do so, any exhibitor of current year owner bred birds must be able to substantiate the breeding.
- 11 Anyone wishing to lodge an objection must do so in writing by 2.00pm on the Sunday. All such objections to be accompanied by a deposit of £10.00 which is subject to forfeit if the matter is not proved in the opinion of the Show Officials.
- 12 Any matter not covered by the above will be decided by the Show Officials. Every care has been taken in the production of this schedule, however, any errors or omissions will be resolved under this rule.
- 13 All exhibitors must comply with the Bio security Regulations.
- 14 **In order to conform to the current DEFRA / APHA regulations the Foreign Bird League reserves the right to refuse entry to any bird/birds attending this event, be it for exhibition or sale, if they are showing any signs of sickness or poor welfare. In the incidence of this decision being taken any other birds belonging to the owner will also be refused entrance.**
- 15 **Exhibitors must register their stud of birds with the relevant authorities to allow them to exhibit / sell birds at this show. APHA CPH Registration Number must be recorded on the Entry Form.**

**NO SALE OR EXCHANGE OF BIRDS IS PERMITTED IN THE CAR PARK OF THIS VENUE.**

## **UK CLASSIC FOREIGN BIRD SHOW**

**SUNDAY 20<sup>th</sup> SEPTEMBER 2026**

Judges : Rick Crook (Foreign & Bengalese)  
Jim Andrews (Zebra Finches)

Show Officials :

Show Manager M Cosby

Sales Manager B Gibbs

All enquiries to the Show Secretary John Harris

Windrush, High Street, Little Staughton, Bedfordshire MK44 2BH

Telephone : 07805 875367

Entry Fees £1 per cage, over 10 free.

Juniors 50p per cage first 10 exhibits only.

All telephone entries will receive a £1.50 surcharge.

Enter membership numbers and nominations on Entry Form.

Enclose all fees payable to the FBL.

**Entries close first post Saturday 12<sup>th</sup> September 2026**

**PLEASE POST EARLY with a stamped addressed envelope for return of your cage labels.**

**Telephone and email entries close 12 noon Sunday 13<sup>th</sup> September 2026**

Exhibits may be staged from 7.30am to 9.30am Sunday

Judging to Commence 10.00am

Admission to Exhibits 1.30pm (or after judging) £2.00

Lifting time 4.00pm

## **Parrotlike**

- 1 All Lovebirds.
- 2 All Cockatiels.
- 3 All Redrumps, Bourkes, Elegants, Turquoisines, Blue wings, Splendids & all Australasian Parakeets up to & including the body size of a Redrump.
- 4 Lories, Lorikeets & Hanging Parrots.
- 5 All other Parrotlike birds.
- 6 All Current Year Owner Bred Parrotlike.

## **Seed eaters**

Adult	CYOB
7 Red-eared, Sundevall's, St Helena, Orange-cheeked & Gold Breasted Waxbills, Red Avadavats & Green Singing Finches.	19
8 All species of Twinspots, Fire Finches, Pytilias & Crimsonwings.	20
9 Purple Grenadiers, Violet eared Waxbills, Cordon Bleus, Blue-breasted & Blue capped Waxbills, Lavender Finches & Grey Singing Finches.	21
10 Combassous & all species of Whydahs & Weavers.	22
11 All Normal African & Indian Silverbills.	23
12 All Mutation African & Indian Silverbills.	24
13 Song Sparrows, Saffron Finches & all species of Buntings.	25
14 Cut-throats, Red-headed Finches, Spicebirds, Black-headed, White-headed, Tri-coloured, Magpie, Bronze-winged, Rufous-backed, Blue-billed & all other Mannikins.	26
15 All Normal Java Sparrows.	27
16 All Mutation Java Sparrows.	28
17 Any Seed eater not mentioned above smaller than a Java Sparrow.	29
18 Any Seed eater not mentioned above larger than a Java Sparrow.	30

## **Australian Finches**

Adult	CYOB
31 All Normal Purple breasted Gouldian Finches	50
32 All Colour Variant White breasted Gouldian Finches	51
33 Cherry Finch, Star Finch - Normal	52
34 Cherry Finch, Star Finch - Colour variants	53
35 Hecks, Longtailed, Masked & Parsons Grassfinches	54
36 Hecks, Longtailed, Masked & Parsons Grassfinches variants	55
37 Diamond Firetails	56
38 Diamond Firetails variants	57
39 All Bicheno (inc. variants)	58
40 Red-browed, Painted & Crimson Finches	59
41 Red-browed, Painted & Crimson Finches – variants	60
42 Chestnut Breasted normal (inc. subspecies)	61
43 Pictorella & Yellow Rump normal	62

44	Australian Mannikins – all variants	63
45	Blue-faced & Red-headed Parrot Finches	64
46	Blue-faced & Red-headed Parrot Finches – variants	65
47	All other Parrot Finches – normal	66
48	All other Parrot Finch colour variants	67
49	Any Other Variety Australian inc. Timor Zebras	68

### **Softbills**

69	Any Softbill smaller than and including Pekin Robins.
70	Any Softbill larger than and excluding Pekin Robins.
71	All Current Year Owner Bred Softbills.

### **Juniors**

72	All Parrotlike birds
73	All Seedeaters
74	All Australian Finches
75	All Softbills
76	All Current year Owner Bred Foreign Birds excluding Australian Finches
77	All Current Year Owner Bred Australian Finches

### **Zebra Finches (Pairs only)**

### **Mark Entry Form BBE for Breeders**

<b><u>Zebra Finches (Pairs only)</u></b>		<b>Novice</b>
Champion		
Z1	Normals	Z9
Z2	Fawns	Z10
Z3	Pieds	Z11
Z4	Dilutes including Silvers, Creams & Lightbacks	Z12
Z5	Chestnut Flanked Whites	Z13
Z6	Whites	Z14
Z7	Penguins	Z15
Z8	Any other standard varieties	Z16
Junior :		
Z17	Normals	
Z18	Fawns	
Z19	Any other standard variety (including Pieds, Dilutes, CFW's, Blackcheeks etc.)	
Champion, Novice or Junior :		
Z20	All non-standard varieties	

### **Zebra Finches (Singles)**

<b><u>Zebra Finches (Singles)</u></b>		<b>Novice</b>
Champion		
Z21	Any variety Cock	Z23
Z22	Any variety Hen	Z24
Junior :		
Z25	Any variety Cock or Hen	

**Bengalese Finches (Pairs only)****Mark Entry Form BBE for Breeders**

Champion		Novice
B1	Chocolate and White	B13
B2	Fawn and White	B14
B3	Chestnut and White	B15
B4	Variegated Dilute	B16
B5	Any other colour Variegated	B17
B6	Self Chocolate	B18
B7	Self Fawn	B19
B8	Self Chestnut	B20
B9	Self Grey	B21
B10	Self White	B22
B11	Any other colour Self	B23
B12	Crested	B24
Junior :		
B25	Any Colour Bengalese	

**OPEN SPECIALS**

1	Best Foreign Exhibit	£20 & Rosette
2	Second Best Foreign Exhibit	£10 & Rosette
3	Best Adult Parrotlike	£5 & Rosette
4	Best C.Y.O.B. Parrotlike	£5 & Rosette
5	Best Adult Seedeater	£10 & Rosette
6	Best C.Y.O.B. Seedeater	£10 & Rosette
7	Best Adult Australian	£10 & Rosette
8	Best C.Y.O.B. Australian	£10 & Rosette
9	Best Adult Softbill/ Nectar Feeder	£10 & Rosette
10	Best C.Y.O.B. Softbill / Nectar Feeder	£10 & Rosette
11	Best Current Year Owner Bred Foreign Bird	£10
12	Best Bengalese	£10 & Rosette
13	Best Champion Adult Bengalese	£5
14	Best Champion Breeder Bengalese	£5
15	Best Novice Adult Bengalese	£5
16	Best Novice Breeder Bengalese	£5
17	Best Bengalese Breeder	£5 & Rosette
18	Best Zebra Finch	£5 & Rosette
19	Best Champion Adult Zebra Finch	£5
20	Best Champion Breeder Zebra Finch	£5
21	Best Novice Adult Zebra Finch	£5
22	Best Novice Breeder Zebra Finch	£5
23	Best Zebra Finch Breeder	£5 & Rosette
24	Best Champion Single Zebra Finch	Rosette

25	Best Novice Single Zebra Finch	Rosette
26	Best Junior Single Zebra Finch	Rosette
27	Best Junior Foreign	£3 & Rosette
28	Best C.Y.O.B Junior Foreign	£5 & Rosette
29	Best Junior Bengalese or Zebra Finch	£3 and Rosette

## PATRONAGES

This is the Club Show of the **Foreign Bird League**. Non - Members wishing to Join the League should send subscriptions:- £16.00 Single, £19.00 Double, Seniors & Juniors £13.00 to Mr B Reed, 4 St Andrews Drive, Tividale, Oldbury, West Midlands. B69 1PR. Benefits Include Breeders Awards, Magazines & Outings

Members should enter "FBL" on the Entry Form.

This show has been granted Gold Patronage of **The Australian Finch Society**. Their awards are for paid up members only. Benefits of membership include - Extensive Show Patronage, Tri-monthly Colour Magazine, Members List, Service Items, Free Advice and Advertising. 2026 AFS Closed Ring Colour – Green.

Subscription Secretary : Mr John Richards. 26 Allen Vale. Liskeard. Cornwall. PL14 4HL e-mail: waxbills@hotmail.com Tel: 01579 344720

Best Adult Australian £10

Best CYOB Australian £10

2nd Best Adult Australian £5

2nd Best CYOB Australian £5

Best Junior Adult Australian £5

Best Junior CYOB Australian £5

Rosettes for :- Best in Show; 1st, 2nd & 3rd Best Adult; 1st, 2nd & 3rd Best CYOB; Best Junior.

Members should enter "AFS" on the Entry Form.

This show has the FULL Exchange Patronage of **Norfolk Foreign Bird Association**, whose rosettes are awarded to fully paid up members only.

Annual subscriptions due 1st January are as follows :- Adult £6.00, Adult Partnership £10.00, Juniors £1.00 to be sent to Subscription Secretary - Mr Les Tooley, "Fiveways", Richmond Rise, Reepham, Norwich, Norfolk NR10 4LS

5 Rosettes are to be awarded at the judges' discretion.

Members should enter "NFBA" on the Entry Form.

This is a Patronage Show of **The Zebra Finch Society** .

Memb. Sec Mr & Mrs F. Dawson - 11 Woodford Cres., Plympton, Plymouth, Devon PL7 4QY. Annual Subs:- Adult Single & Partnerships £15; Senior Citizens, Single or Partnerships £12; Juniors £10.

Best Zebra Finches: Rosette Best Champion Breeder: Rosette

Best Novice Breeder: Rosette Best Junior Breeder: Rosette

Breeder birds should be nominated with 'BBE' on the Entry Form - current year ZFS closed rings to be worn bearing the ZFS number of the exhibitor.

Members should enter "ZFS" on the Entry Form.

This is a FULL Patronage Show of the **National Bengalese Fanciers Association** who offer the following rosettes to fully paid up members:

Rosettes for :-

Best Champion Adult, Best Novice Adult, Best Junior, Best Champion Breeder, Best Novice Breeder (Mark Entry Form BBE for breeders).

All pairs rung or unrung qualify for rosettes

Single Adult £10.00, Adult Partnerships £12.00, Junior £5.00, Joint Junior £6.00,

Senior Citizen (over 65) £6.50, Joint Senior Citizens (both over 65) £7.50, Overseas £15.00 (sterling).

Hon Sec: Wayne Brown. 3, Orchard Flats Crescent, Wingfield, Rotherham, S. Yorks, S61 4AS

Members should enter "NBFA" on the Entry Form.

## **BIO SECURITY**

To comply with the terms of the General Licence that this exhibition is held the following conditions must be complied with:-

All exhibition bird sales / exchanges must be recorded, this must include the name and address and phone number of both the seller and the buyer, also any identifying features or individual identification (rings) of the purchased birds(s).

All exhibitors / entrants must disinfect the show cages, crates or box before the event and be advised that they should be cleansed and disinfected on return to the home premises and before they are used to hold any other bird.

Buyers must isolate the purchased bird(s) from all other birds (except those purchased at the same event) for at least one week.

Any signs of ill health observed in the purchased bird(s) during this period of isolation must be reported to a Veterinary Surgeon and such birds must not be mixed with any other birds until the presence of an avian notifiable disease has been ruled out.

All litter and manure within the cages, crates or boxes must be contained until disposal.

Any spillages outside the cages to be cleansed and disinfected immediately.

All litter and manure must be disposed of in a manner, which does not present a risk of spread of the disease, e.g. in sealed bags for normal refuse collection in such a manner that other birds do not have direct access to it.

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**Vets on Call :** Church House Veterinary Clinic, Brook Street, St Neots, Cambs. PE19 2BP

