Birdy Bytes

Newsletter for the

High Desert Bird Club of New Mexico



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Upcoming Events

April 9th - Bird Toys and Stands Sale Saturday, 10:00 - 5:00 PM Location: Inez Park 2027 Wisconsin Street NE

Albuquerque, NM 87110

April 9th – General Meeting

Saturday, 3:00 - 5:00 PM

Location: Inez Park

Topic: Meet and Greet at the Bird Toys

and Stands Sale

May 22nd - General Meeting

Sunday, 3:00 – 5:00 PM Location Change

Topic: Fostering for a Parrot Rescue, Questions and Answers, Repeat **Location**: Private Residence

RSVP Required Albuquerque, NM

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Words from the Prez

Greetings Everyone,

The bird toy and stand sale is this Saturday; only days away! The location is an outdoor venue at Inez Park in Northeast Albuquerque.

The cutoff date for special orders of customized stands or toys is passed. However, you can still reach out to either vendor to see if what they have in inventory will meet your needs and they can bring it with them. Either way, there will still be an amazing selection of bird toys, perches, and stands to choose from.

A food truck is also scheduled to be there on Saturday. So if you want to purchase lunch, an early dinner, or just a snack, the opportunity will be there.

We will also hold our April bird club meeting on same day of the bird toy and stand sale. The meeting will be more of a meet and greet social for anyone that wants to learn more about our bird club or just talk about birds.

The previous bird toy sale last year was a lot of fun. Lots of birds got new toys and accessories. Lots of us had a chance to socialize and visit with people we hadn't seen in a while. A good time was had by all. This year's sale should be equally fun.

Mark your calendars and plan on attending. See you soon.

Jennifer Catron



Very Fancy Easter Eggs

Bird Club Biz

High Desert Bird Club of NM P.O. Box 67855 Albuquerque, NM 87193 www.HighDesertBirdClub.org

Bird Rescue Hotline: (505) 554-0804

General Meetings – Unless Posted Otherwise

Fourth Thursday of the month

Meeting time: 6:30 PM - 8:30 PM

Location:

Raymond G. Sanchez Community Center

9800 - 4th Street NW Albuquerque, NM

Map link: http://goo.gl/maps/tk52Y

Club Officers

President: Jennifer Catron Vice President: Dorothy Newbill Secretary: Ramona Buzard Treasurer: Carolyn Newell

Committee Chairpersons

Social Media/Publicity: Victoria Collier

AFA Delegate: Available
Bird Rescue: Jennifer Catron
Education: Dorothy Newbill
Fundraising: Available
Hospitality: Available
Library: Available
Membership: Available
Newsletter: Jennifer Catron

Raffle: Available

Website: Jennifer Catron

Treasurer's Report

Beginning balance (stmt 2/28/22) \$1,338.55

Revenue: 0 Expenses: AFA Affiliation \$65.00

Ending balance (stmt 3/31/22) \$1,273.55

The High Desert Bird Club of NM is a 501(c)(3) educational, public charity recognized by the IRS.

Membership Requirements

Any person interested in cage birds who agrees to support the objectives in the HDBC By-Laws is eligible for membership.

Membership Dues

\$20.00 Individual \$30.00 Household \$15.00 Junior (17 or younger) \$15.00 Senior (60 or older) \$25.00 Senior Household

Dues are payable in January of each year or at a quarterly pro-rated amount upon joining the Club.

Newsletter Policy

Birdy Bytes is generally issued on a monthly basis. Content from members is encouraged. Content deemed obscene, inflammatory, overtly personal, copyrighted without permission to republish, or insufficiently bird-related may not be published at the discretion of the newsletter Editor.

Newsletter Advertising Policy

Any individual or business that supports HDBC through the donation of money, goods, or services may have a near business-card sized ad published in the newsletter for three months for no cost.

Members may have a text ad of up to 50 words and a reasonable number of supporting photos for no cost. Ads run for two months and may be renewed for two-month increments. Members are responsible for contacting the newsletter Editor to renew their ad.

Advertising space may be purchased. A halfpage ad costs \$25 for six months. Additional ad sizes and corresponding rates are available.

Newsletter Editor reserves the right to accept or reject any advertisement based on the appropriateness for *Birdy Bytes*.

To submit content for *Birdy Bytes*, contact Jennifer Catron, Editor, at <u>ircatron@Q.com</u>, or (505) 235-2803.

Thank you.

General Meeting

April 9, 2022

Saturday

Date, Time and Place Change

Meet and Greet Social

Our April meeting will be combined with the bird toy and stand sale. Instead of a specific program, it will be more like a meet and greet social. It's a great opportunity to do some shopping for your birds, socialize with other birdie people, and learn more about the High Desert Bird Club of NM.

May General Meeting

Fostering for a Parrot Rescue: Questions and Answers **Repeat**

Ever wonder what it takes to be a Foster Parront? What makes a good foster? What are the good, bad, and ugly aspects about fostering a parrot?

Dorothy Newbill, Director of Birds of a Feather Parrot Rescue of NM, will give an overview on what it takes to be a Foster Parront. Members and guests with fostering experience will also be available for questions and answers about fostering parrots.



Fostering a parrot can be both challenging and rewarding. Some foster parrots are even adopted by their foster family. Join us to learn more about fostering, and sharing of some amusing and heart-warming stories about foster parrots.

Date: Sunday, May 22, 2022 Time: 3:00 PM – 5:00 PM

Location: RSVP to:

Jennifer Catron

JRCatron@Q.com

If you wish to attend, please RSVP for location address.

Meeting Minutes

The meeting was called to order at 3:00PM. Three of four club officers, members, and guests were present.

The Treasurer's report is posted in the newsletter, *Birdy Bytes*, every month.

HDBC affiliation with the American Federation of Aviculture (AFA) was renewed for 2022.

Planning for the bird toy and stand sale is confirmed and looks to be a great opportunity to purchase bird toys and accessories difficult to find in New Mexico.

May meeting topic will be a repeat of Fostering for a Parrot Rescue: Questions and Answers.

The numbers of birds being surrendered to the parrot rescue continues to increase. The rescue is at capacity and a waiting list is in place. The need for good foster homes is exceeding the supply. This presentation is an excellent place to start to learn more about fostering and what is involved.

Dorothy Newbill will give a presentation on what it takes to be a Foster Parront. Members and guests with fostering experience will also be available for questions and answers about fostering parrots.

Meeting adjourned by 5:00PM.

HDBC Hotline

March calls included a few surrenders of birds and callers interested in adopting.

A few calls were about wild birds and were referred to wild bird rescues. Some other calls included a cat up a tree, an exotic pheasant, and a friendly

white pigeon hanging around someone's home.

For bird adoptions, surrenders, and lost and found birds, Birds of a Feather Parrot Rescue of NM is the go to place. They have a website at: www.birdsofafeathernm.org, and a Facebook page at:

https://www.facebook.com/birdsofafeathernm.

Bird Toys and Stands Sale

Time is fast approaching for the bird toy sale with Creations by JT Bird Toys and natural wood parrot stands by Avianica.

Date: Saturday, April 9, 2022 Time: 10:00 AM to 5:00 PM

Location: Inez Park

2027 Wisconsin Street NE Albuquerque, NM 87110

This is an outdoor venue.

All the toys and perches are high quality, locally sourced, and made in the USA. If you want a specific size perch, stand or bird toy, reach out to Tina with your request and to place an order.

Creations by JT Bird Toys do not have an online store, but you can contact Tina by email, phone, or Facebook.

Email: creationsjt@aol.com Phone: 623-341-3375, or

Facebook:

https://www.facebook.com/Creations-By-JT-Bird-Toys-270955316336106/



Racks of Bird Toys for all Types of Parrots

Julie of Avianica also has a Facebook page where you can see more pictures of the variety of stands.

Facebook: https://www.facebook.com/avianica/

Email: dandjconcepts2020@outlook.com



Table Stands



Floor Stands

The deadline for any custom orders has passed. However, you can still reach out to either Tina or Julie to see if they have something already in inventory that may meet your needs and can bring it to Albuquerque.



Manzanita Perches in a Variety of Lengths and Sizes

Bird Rescue, Foster, and Adoption

A variety of birds are available for adoption at Birds of a Feather Parrot Rescue of New Mexico (BFPR). HDBC is partnering with BFPR to help with receiving, fostering and rehoming pet birds.

If you're interested in adding a feathered friend to your family, please contact Dorothy Newbill (BFPR) at (505) 980-6166, or you can call our HDBC Pet Bird Rescue Hotline at (505) 554-0804 for assistance.



Macaws



Yoshi - Umbrella Cockatoo Male

If you are interested in fostering or adopting a parrot, BFPR is a **very** active parrot rescue. They are always working with a variety of different pet birds from Amazons to Macaws, and the smaller birds like budgies, cockatiels, canaries and finches. They've even had some hand-tame doves available for adoption.



Amazon Parrot

The rescue is at capacity and a waiting list for surrenders is in place for other than emergency situations. If you are interested in adopting or fostering, please reach out to Dorothy Newbill.

For more information, call Dorothy Newbill at (505) 980-6166. Their Facebook page is: https://www.facebook.com/birdsofafeathernm/

Their website is: https://www.birdsofafeathernm.org/

Rehoming fees and adoption policy process apply.



Sun Conures

Friends of HDBC









Facebook Fun

Parrot version of Easter bonnets.







