

Birdy Bytes

Newsletter for the High Desert Bird Club of New Mexico



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August 2022

Upcoming Events

August 21st – General Meeting

Sunday, 3:00PM – 5:00PM

Parrot Treats Competition

Private Residence, RSVP Required
Albuquerque, NM

Sept 24th – Bird Toys and Stands Sale

Saturday, 10:00 AM – 5:00 PM

Location: Inez Park

2027 Wisconsin Street NE
Albuquerque, NM 87110

Sept 24th – General Meeting

Saturday, 3:00 PM – 5:00 PM

Location: Inez Park

Topic: Meet and Greet at the Bird Toys
and Stands Sale

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Words from the Prez

Greetings Everyone,

Summer may be winding down, but we are ramping up for some fun and exciting events.

The general meeting topic for August is a parrot treats competition. Bring samples of your favorite parrot treats for our birdie version of a state fair bake off. The treats can be home made or store bought; your choice. Let's see what it takes to impress our panel of experts – the parrots at the meeting.

In September, we'll be co-hosting with Birds of a Feather Parrot Rescue another bird toys and stands sale. If you attended past sales, you know this is a great opportunity to purchase high-quality bird toys and stands. If you have yet to attend, be sure to mark your calendar and plan to be there. We will also hold a bird club meeting that day for a meet and greet opportunity. Reconnect with old friends, make some new friends, and shop for your bird family.

Speaking of birds, the number of birds being surrendered continues to increase. Although many birds have been adopted, even more continue to arrive. A waiting list is in place if the surrender situation can wait. Sometimes they can't, and the rescue and fosters make room for "one more".

Most of these birds are really nice birds and just need a second chance. The parrot rescue makes every effort to match a parrot with the right person to maximize the opportunity for success. See Page 5 for more information.

Jennifer Catron

A rescue bird isn't 'damaged'
A rescue bird isn't a 'problem'
A rescue bird is a phoenix
Who needs a gentle hand
And understanding home
To begin anew.



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

Monthly, Usually on a Sunday

Meeting time: 3:00 PM – 5:00 PM

Location:

Private Residence, usually, but may change depending on weather and availability of space. Location is posted in newsletter and website.

Club Officers

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

Committee Chairpersons

Social Media/Publicity: Victoria Collier
AFA Delegate: Carolyn Newell
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 6/30/22)	\$1,336.05
Revenue	
Expenses	
Ending balance (stmt 7/31/22)	\$1,336.05

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 HDDB 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 HDDB 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 half-page 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 jrcatron@Q.com, or (505) 235-2803.

Thank you.



General Meetings

August 21, 2022

****Sunday****

Parrot Treats Competition

Do you make or bake some special treats for your birds? Think your recipe can win over our panel of experts on parrot treats?

For our August meeting program, everyone is encouraged to bring in samples of their choice of a parrot treat.



Winners will be determined by a panel of experts. The panel of experts will be all the birds at the meeting willing to participate.

The most eaten parrot treats will decide the winners. First, second, and third places can pick a prize from the HDBC prize bin.

It's a lot of fun for our birds and people alike.

Date: Sunday, August 21, 2022

Time: 3:00 PM – 5:00 PM

Location: RSVP to:

Jennifer Catron
JRCatron@Q.com

Meeting Minutes

No meeting was held in July. No minutes.

Hospitality Table

Do you like snacks? Do you like to share? HDBC invites you to share some snacks at our hospitality counter at each monthly meeting.



Everyone is encouraged to bring snacks when they can. We're very informal about who brings what and when. Donations are always welcome.

Thank you for your support.

HDBC Hotline



The majority of calls for end of July through mid-August were regarding parrot surrenders. All callers were referred to Birds of a

Feather Parrot Rescue of NM. Only one caller was interested in adopting a parrot.

A few calls are still coming in for wild birds. These calls were referred to either the Wildlife Rescue of New Mexico, or Mikal Deese (On a Wing and a Prayer). Both have Facebook pages for more information. A call about an injured hawk was referred to Hawks Aloft.

For bird adoptions, surrenders, and lost and found birds, Birds of a Feather Parrot Rescue of NM is the go to place.

AFA 2022 Conference

The American Federation of Aviculture educational conference for 2022 happened on August 5-7, 2022, in Herndon, Virginia.



Only a few days before the conference, they decided to offer Zoom meeting participation for the presentations for a flat fee.

All the presentations were recorded. We're told they will be posted on YouTube at a future date to be determined.

We'll keep track of the video availability and post links when they become available.

Next year's AFA Conference is scheduled for August 18-20, 2023, in Las Vegas, Nevada.

Bird Toys and Stands Sale

Back by popular demand! Creations by JT Bird Toys and natural wood parrot stands by Avianica are returning to Albuquerque for another one-day sale. This time they are bringing another friend, Tiffany who sells foraging type bird toys.

Date: Saturday, September 24, 2022

Time: 10:00 AM to 5:00 PM

**Location: Inez Park
2027 Wisconsin St 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

[Creations By JT Bird Toys | Facebook](#)



Julie of Avianica has a Facebook page and a website where you can see more pictures of

parrot stands and find information about their products.

Email: dandjconcepts2020@outlook.com

[Avianica | Facebook](#)

Website: <https://avianica.com>



Tiffany of Parrot Playground Toys offers safe, engaging, and fun toys for parrots, toucans, and corvids.

Email: parrotplaygroundtoys@gmail.com

Phone: 406-450-6254

[Parrot Playground Toys | Facebook](#)



This is a great opportunity to purchase high-quality parrot products for reasonable prices.

These one-day sales are the closest we get to a bird mart in New Mexico. Mark your calendar, plan on attending, stock up on supplies, and do some early Christmas shopping.

Like previous one-day sales, we will also have some tables and chairs to sit and visit with other birdie people.

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.



Amazon



**Bare-Eye Cockatoo
(Little Corella)**

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 and cockatiels. They've even had some hand-tame doves available for adoption.



African Grey

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 at (505) 980-6166 or check out their Facebook page at:

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

Their website is:

<https://www.birdsofafeathernm.org/>

Rehoming fees and adoption policy process apply.



**Budgies
(Lots of Budgies)**

Friends of HDBC



Avianica

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Facebook Fun



Not Everyone Will Get this Joke

