The Orpington Club

2016 Year Book

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PRESIDENT'S ADDRESS

I shall be retiring as President at the AGM 2016. Having served for 70 years or so in all Orpington Club's administration capacities through pioneering expansion and promotion eras, also breeder exhibitor and exporter of all (existing) Orpington's large and bantam it is time (surely) to stand down.

I am hoping that the successful replacement at the Stafford meeting will be sufficiently enthusiastic, efficient and energetic to help our club move on alongside modern trends. There are some aspects that need reviewing. For instance, falling entries at Club shows of the lesser kept varieties. It is true of course that blacks have been the leader for a century or more, but it is our duty and responsibility to maintain and support (also) ALL of our standard colours.

It is worth looking at the present global Orpington Club situation (in contrast) for a different outlook and culture than ours. They (all) support every variety rare or new with an egalitarian approach – (upholding the equality of ALL varieties), consequently they have a wide tolerance to each and every creation resulting in collective colourful displays, bigger entries and more club show participants.

This is the 130th year of the Orpington (1886-2016) and in my view the appropriate time to for us to endeavour to (permanently) revive the Cook family legacy of the rarer Spangles, Jubilee and Cuckoo varieties (which are standardised). Attempts have been made recently but not sufficiently supported and encouraged. Whereas the European Orpington breeders have successfully produced these (and other colours) in numbers in their typical purposeful breeding culture! Our bantams on the other hand present a different challenge, apparently there are numerous small flocks of various rare good quality colours of European imported stocks scattered around the country. If our club has the inclination (and time)? to source these flocks there is a possible welcome addition and colourful interest in our club show entries – just a thought to ponder over

I am pleased to have given our club long service and wish it well in the future.

My best wishes

Will Burdett MBE

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Chairman's Comments

This will be my last Chairman's notes as I intend to retire at the end of the current year.

The Orpington club is strong, supporting a great breed in this ever changing world. I want it to thrive in this world of internet communication. Not having any internet skills, only a "quill pen" and a telephone connected to a wire, I feel I do not have as much contact with members as a Chairperson should have.

I am not suggesting by any means that my interest in serving the club is in any way diminishing, the club and breed will always be a part of me and I will serve in any way I can.

I have every confidence for the future of the club, we have a great Secretary in Andrew who has always been helpful to me, no one could wish for a more amiable person to work with and we have a President who has been an inspiration to his generation and long may he continue.

I am looking forward to meeting as many of you as possible at the National and Federation shows

I remain yours most sincerely

Brian Anderton

FOOTNOTE

Having just heard of the sad passing of our President Will Burdett MBE, I can only reiterate what I have already written in my above comments.

I have known Will since joining the Orpington bantam club in 1957. His enthusiasm for our breed, club and the whole poultry fancy never faltered. He was a true gentleman, an inspiration to his generation and I am sure his legacy will continue to be felt for many years to come

Brian Anderton (Chairman)

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Best Black Male at Reading Bantam Show, Feb 2015;
Best Softfeather Heavy Bantam at Taunton Poultry Fanciers Show, March 2015.

Results for 2015:

Dawlish Championship Show, Feb 2015 – Best in Show (Black Bantam Hen)

Reading Bantam Show, Feb 2015 – Best Orpington (Black Hen)

Cullompton Poultry Show, Oct 2015 – Best of Breed, Best Softfeather Heavy Bantam Male (Black Cock)

Dawlish Autumn Show, Nov 2015 – Best Softfeather Heavy Bantam, Best Bantam, Best of Breed (Black Cock)

Federation Championship Show 2015 – Champion Orpington Bantam, Reserve Champion Orpington (Black Hen)

Results for 2016 so far:-

Cullompton Poultry show, Oct 2016 – Best Softfeather Heavy Bantam,

Best Bantam, Best Orpington.

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Roger Clarke, Hugh Thompson, Geoff Hamer,
Richard Rowley, David Pownall, Ian Davis,
Andrew Richardson, James Finlayson MBE,
Fiona Clewes, Philip Smedley, Mark Rangeley

Committee

Richard Rowley (Vice President),
Roger Clark, David Pownall, Graham Hodge,
Stephen Hodge, Mark Rangeley, Lauren Sanders

Life Members

Will Burdett MBE, Brian Anderton

Secretary's Report

Imagine my surprise when I received reports from both our senior position holders and both gave notice of their intention to stand down at this year's AGM. If I deal with Will first, he thinks that in the present climate of falling membership and pressure on the amount of breeds and colours enthusiasts breed and show we need someone at the helm who can meet members throughout the year to enthuse and encourage them to higher levels of participation with the breed and club.

After this telephone conversation I attended a show at Harrogate and on talking to Philip Smedley he indicated that Will had given away the last of his birds and was not quite as well as he had indicated on the telephone. Sadly the very next day Philip, amongst others, rang to inform me that Will had passed away that morning, at home surrounded by his family. Although this is a very sad time for family and friends Will was in his 93rd year and when we sit back and study his life and his achievements his is truly a life worth celebrating. A proud Father, Grandfather and Great Grandfather and married to Phyllis for over 50 years, she being one of the nicest people you are ever likely to meet.

Of course poultry was a big part of his life and this is what we will most remember him for, the name Burdett has been synonymous with Orpington's for over a century, Will carried on the foundations of his father John's work and added to it by bantamising most colours. He has held all the offices in the Orpington club in all its forms being the original secretary of the Orpington bantam society.

He also had many resounding successes with the breed, as his current advert points out 10 times club show champion throw in two gold cup wins in the modern era and umpteen other best in shows whilst at his peak in the sixties, seventies and eighties.

The poultry club will no doubt report on his 3 tenures as President and his influence on the National show etc. More about Will will be reported next year but for now we have lost a true gentleman, visionary and a legend that will always be referred to in the history of the Orpington Breed

Brian feels that the club needs a more technology savvy chairperson to help the club communicate more with its members. Let's not forget that Brian was quite happy being our President and did a role reversal with Will in order to keep Will's name on the list of officials, this at a time when no one else could be persuaded to do the job, and has done a sterling job since 2005. I'm sure you will join with me in thanking him for all the work he has done promoting the club and the breed, apart from being hard to get on the phone

(until recently when he discovered an answering service) he has always been a great help to me in going about my secretarial duties. Fortunately we have some active members who are willing to take up these positions if asked.

After the passing of our president other problems pale into insignificance, but are still there, falling membership and non-renewal of subscription are becoming more of a problem, and we are not alone in this, many breed clubs are in the same position. At last year's AGM Mark Watson asked what we needed to do to encourage members to stay for the long haul, can anyone help us out with that question. Many exhibitors nowadays want to win, we all do, but it takes time to gain the experience needed to produce consistent winners, look at David Pownall, Steve and Graham Hodge and Mark Rangeley, these lads have been in the fancy a long time and are achieving the fruits of their work. My focus every year when putting my breeding pens together is firstly to breed something that will beat one of these lads in a class and then dream of winning a club show or regional champion. I could keep another breed and join another club if I had White Wyandotte's I would have to beat Allan Procter, Sebrights Robin Creighton, Rosecombs Stephen Taylor OEG Peter Watkinson,all breeds are difficult so I might be better stopping were I am and trying harder.

The new Poultry Club of Great Britain standards will not be printed until 2018 but we have already submitted our standard and three of the photographs we have asked them to use are printed on the middle page, the large black female will be copied off a photograph depending on how it copies depends on whether we will use it but there is time to find another yet if needed.

I hope to see many of you at Stafford but only if the operation I am due to have on a broken hand is cancelled as it is penciled in for the day before.

All the best for the season

Andrew

I Have been asked by French Orpington Club President Stephan Desmette to remind members that it will be the EUROPEAN ORPINGTON SHOW in Epinal on 25th/26th November 2017. They are expecting over a thousand birds large and bantam, even more if British breeders would participate, if there was enough support from us they would consider a British judge. Any of you top showmen out there fancy your chances in Europe?

THE ORPINGTON CLUB 2015 A.G.M.

HELD AT THE FEDERATION SHOW STAFFORD
ON THE 20/12/2015 IN ROOM 2 AT 9.30 AM

Present:-The Chairman and 9 members

1) APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

There were no apologies

2) CHAIRMAN'S WELCOME

Brian Anderton welcomed everyone to the meeting.
He thanked the secretary for all his hard work for the club throughout the year, he also thanked Stephen Adcock for judging the club show and hoped he had enjoyed his day. Once again he said he was trying for a later slot for our meeting but those who were there did not mind getting it over with for the day.

3) MINUTES OF THE 2014 AGM

The minutes of the 2014 AGM had been published in the 2015 year book and were read out by the secretary, they were accepted as a true record Proposed by Mark Rangeley, and seconded by Matt Priestly.

4) MATTERS ARISING

Although we had voted on and accepted the wording for the standard in the new Poultry Club of Great Britain standards book due to be printed in 2017, we had to consult the Buff Orpington club. They balloted their members and ratified the proposal at their 2015 AGM.

5) SECRETARY'S/TREASURER'S REPORT

The secretary reported that it had been another slow year for new members, but there was still more members who had not renewed their subscriptions in last year's accounts with only 53 paid up members, though many had paid their arrears at Stafford after asking why they had not received a year book last year.

He thanked Roger Clark for judging the National and Stephen Adcock for judging the Club Show. Congratulations to David Pownall on winning both with his current year's large blacks.

TREASURER'S REPORT

The secretary reported that after last years loss we had made a profit this year of £83.69, this was due to subscriptions being £68 up and big savings on postage by not posting out newsletters to members in arrears and e-mailing our publications out to members and friends overseas, this allows their members to see our material on their own website.

We must continue to be vigilant on costs and hope for an influx of new members to swell our coffers.

Accounts accepted, proposed by Colin Habberfield and seconded by Mark Rangeley.

6) ELECTION OF OFFICERS

It was proposed by Mark Rangeley and seconded by Matt Priestley that all officers be elected en-bloc.

7) ELECTION OF COMMITTEE

It was proposed by Teresa Habberfield and seconded by Mark Watson that Mark Rangeley and Lauren Sanders be added to the committee. Jane Allman has resigned from the club.

8) ELECTION OF JUDGES PANEL

No additions to the judges panel though Rob Boyd and Matt Hanson to be removed due to three years arrears in membership.

9) CLUB, REGIONAL SHOWS AND JUDGES 2016

Philip Smedley to judge the Club Show at Stafford
James Finlayson MBE to judge the National
Brian Anderton reserve

10) ANY OTHER BUSINESS

There was much discussion on how to retain new members
1) "There is a need to develop new members and make them feel part of the club".
2) Mark Watson suggested the brief is "encourage and embrace breed development"
3) He also suggested that it would be interesting for members to have a series of Breeder profiles, a day/season in the life of a top breeder /exhibitor.
4) Teresa Habberfield to set up a Facebook page and forum for members.
5) At the request of Ryan Liggett the Ulster show is to be made a regional show due to the support we have for the Orpington in Northern Ireland.

11)PRESENTATION OF AWARD

The main winners were presented at the AGM.

BACS

The Orpington Club now has a current cheque book bank account and as such the Treasurer can now view online payments and income. This means that members can now pay their subscription by bank transfer.

Subscriptions of £10 are due on the 1st November every year

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ORPINGTON CLUB ACCOUNTS

1/11/2014 - 31/10/2015

Income		**2013/14**
Subscriptions	575.00	507.00
Year Book Adverts	160.00	160.00
Badges	2.50	25.00
Donations	13.00	20.00
Year Book	4.00	4.00
Key Rings	-	5.00
Total	**754.50**	**721.00**
Expenses		
Receipt Book	1.99	1.99
2013 Year Book (120)	364.54	373.00
Year Book Postage	13.39	44.16
Spring Newsletter (inc Postage £69.44)	87.59	145.38
Federation Aff & Judges' Lunch	24.00	38.00
Other Postage	6.61	30.58
PCGB Aff & Judges' Lunch	20.00	35.00
2013 Replica Trophies	40.00	84.75
Rosettes	84.61	84.00
Certs. of Merit	-	-
Australian Prize Cards	10.08	-
Badges/Keyrings	-	-
Total	**670.81**	**836.86**
EXCESS INCOME OVER EXPENDITURE	**£ 83.69**	**£ -115.86**
CASH IN BANK	**£ 378.12**	**£ 192.90**

Orpington Club Show Results - Stafford 20th/21st December 2015

CLUB SHOW RESULTS STAFFORD 20/21 DECEMBER 2015

LARGE FOWL

BLACK HEN (6)

1 D G POWNALL	Good type, handled well
2 M RANGELEY	Pale in face
3 M WALKER	Poor type
4 A RICHARDSON	Good in body, not fit

BLACK COCKEREL (10)

1 D G POWNALL (CHAMPION)	Excellent bird, handled very well, good tail carriage well shown
2 T MARSHALL	Decent bird, not as fit as winner
3 D G POWNALL	Nice type, needed more body
4 M RANGELEY	Not as fit, needed more time

BLACK PULLET (16)

1 D G POWNALL	Good type, deep body
2 D G POWNALL	Good type, did not show as well as winner
3 T MARSHALL	Good type, lacked body
4 M RANGELEY	Decent type, not in full feather

BLUE MALE (1)

1 M RANGELEY	Decent bird, good type, no competition

BLUE FEMALE(7)

1 M WALKER	Good type,handled well, laced throughout
2 M RANGELEY	Similar to winner ,not as well marked
3 T MARSHALL	Shade too dark
4 A RICHARDSON	Better colour but lacked body

WHITE MALE (0)

WHITE FEMALE (0)

AOC MALE (1)

AOC FEMALE (1)

1 R BETT	Good bodied bird ,no competition

NON STANDARD M OR F (0)

BANTAMS

BLACK COCK (8)

1 S & G HODGE	Good type, very deep in body
2 T PAICE	Another good bird but did not show itself
3 PRIESTLEY & SANDERS	Narrow feathered, not fit
4 N PINFIELD	Very narrow in body

BLACK HEN (6)

1 T HABBERFIELD (RES CHAMP)	Good type ,shown well,nice broad feather
2 D G POWNALL	Decent type, not quite as fit as winner
3 P SWANDELL	Lacked body
4 S & G HODGE	Lacked body, narrow in feather

BLACK COCKEREL (10)

1 S & G HODGE	Best type, shown well
2 N PINFIELD	Good type, not the body of winner
3 PRIESTLEY & SANDERS	Slightly narrower than first two
4 S & G HODGE	Lacked fitness

BLACK PULLET (12)

1 R O ROURKE	Good bodied bird ,good for type, correct tail carriage
2 R O ROURKE	Similar to winner, spoilt by poor comb
3 S & G HODGE	Decent type, broad feather
4 S & G HODGE	Another good type bird but not as fit

BLUE COCK (1)

1 W BURDETT MBE	Good body, lacked lacing, no competition

BLUE HEN (3)

1 A RICHARDSON	Good type hen, well laced
2 A RICHARDSON	Deep body, but lacked lacing
3 W BURDETT MBE	Good in body, but uneven in colour

BLUE COCKEREL (7)

1 PRIESTLEY & SANDERS	Good type,fit,with good colour and lacing
2 S & G HODGE	Good type, lacked lacing
3 S & G HODGE	Good type
4 A RICHARDSON	Good in body,uneven in colour

BLUE PULLET (7)

1 S & G HODGE	Best type, good blue shade
2 A RICHARDSON	Deep body, but lacked lacing
3 C P RENWICK	Similar to second but not fit
4 PRIESTLEY & SANDERS	Decent body, lacked lacing

WHITE MALE (0)

WHITE FEMALE (0)

NON STANDARD M OR F (0)
1 E JOPLING(cuckoo) Only entry, lacked body, not fit

NOVICE/JUVENILE (4)
1I ANTHONEY
2 R GAMBLE
3 R GAMBLE
4 MARSH & WALTON

Always a pleasure to judge the Orpingtons, especially when you come across a bird like the large black cockerel I made champion. Good type, excellent size, with correct tail carriage, shown to perfection. A bird with the look at me factor were does he keep finding them? The reserve champion coming from the bantam hens, another good type bird with the correct tail carriage, very fit on the day and shown well. Thank you for asking me to judge, it is always an honour

Stephen Adcock

RESULTS OF THE REGIONAL SHOW HELD AT STONELEIGH ON 21st/22nd NOVEMBER 2015

As always it was an honour to be asked to judge the regional show at Telford, sadly there was no big numbers in the classes to pick from, like Andrew spoke about in last year's year book when there was 23 pulletts in a class I always remember Will saying to me that they were the ones to win, lets hope that things start to improve from here.

I was also disappointed that the AOC colours were poorly represented, only one bird shown over the last two years, there has been so much noise made about getting them standardised and a lot of time and work Andrew has put into this. Committee meetings held at different parts of the country which Brian Anderton, Richard Rowley and myself attended, giving up our own time and at our own expense, that to me shows dedication to the breed, it would be nice to see these classes more fulfilled in the future **1994 24 COCKERELS/30 PULLETS**

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LARGE FOWL

BLACK COCK (0)

BLACK HEN (2)

1 GILBERT & PRICE	Fair hen, slight twist in comb

BLACK COCKEREL (3)

1 DAVID POWNALL	Good colour, neat head, fair type
2 PHILIP SMEDLEY	Fair type, not finished in feather

BLACK PULLET (9)

1 DAVID POWNALL	Little to fault (champion)
2 DAVID POWNALL	Neat head, good dark eyes
3 C & I THOMAS	Good sized, not balanced

BLUE MALE (1)

1 W & J SHARP	Strong bird, colour good, unfinished tail

BLUE FEMALE (2)

1 MARCUS WALKER	Shade to pale, good size
2 T & J BUCK	Good colour, needs more size

WHITE MALE (0)

WHITE FEMALE (0)

AOC MALE (0)

AOC FEMALE (1)

1 RICHARD BETT	Fit, well shown but small

NON STANDARD M OR F (0)

BANTAMS

BLACK COCK (5)

1 N PINFIELD	Decent type, raggy in feather
2 PRIESTLEY & SANDERS	Similar to first, needs more tail

BLACK HEN (2)

1 GILBERT & PRICE	Sleepy eye, moulting

BLACK COCKEREL (11)

1 S & G HODGE (RESERVE CHAMPION)	Good quality finished bird
2 DAVID POWNALL	Neat all round, unfinished tail
3 RICHARD O ROURKE	Similar could be fitter

BLACK BANTAM MALE (For new standards book)

BLUE BANTAM MALE (For new standards book)

LARGE BLUE FEMALE (For new standards book)

Teresa Habberfield receiving Club Show Reserve Champion trophy (Club Show 2015 Reserve Champion)

BLACK PULLET (7)

1 RICHARD O ROURKE	Very neat, difficult to fault
2 S & G HODGE	Quality bird, unfit
3 S & G HODGE	Good type, smaller bird

BLUE COCK (1)

1 WILL BURDETT MBE	Pale colour, brassy backed

BLUE HEN (2)

1 D & J SHORT	Good type and colour
2 WILL BURDETT MBE	Not up in wing, fair type

BLUE COCKEREL (6)

1 PRIESTLEY & SANDERS	Grand bird, one shade to light
2 S & G HODGE	Typey, peppering in wing
3 S & G HODGE	Similar, lacks contrast in colour

BLUE PULLET (2)

1 S & G HODGE	Good type and colour, fitness spoils
2 PRIESTLEY & SANDERS	Patchy colour

WHITE MALE (4)

WHITE FEMALE (3)
A/C NON STANDARD MALE (1)

AC NON STANDARD FEMALE ()

<u>NOVICE (3)</u>

1 CLAIRE RENWICK	Grand type patchy colour

JUVENILE

1 TOM MARSH	Small fishtail in comb, little to fault, well shown
2 IMOGEN ANTHONEY	Good type, could be fitter

LARGE (0)

BANTAM (1)
DERMOT GARDINER

ROGER CLARKE

The Orpington Club Awards 2015

B D Anderton Trophy for Club Show Champion	D G Pownall
G Hamer Trophy for Reserve Club Show Champion	T Habberfield
Will Burdett Award for Show Champion	D G Pownall
Will Burdett Award for Res Champion	T Habberfield
Jean Bridson Salver for Best Large	D G Pownall
John Locke Rosebowl for Best Bantam	T Haberfield
Trophy for Best Black Bantam Hen	T Habberfield
Wicks Trophy for Best Blue Bantam Male	Priestley & Sanders
Smalldon Trophy for Best Blue Bantam Female	S A & G Hodge
Rob Boyd Trophy for Best Large Blue	M Walker
A Morris Shield for Best White Bantam	N/a
Allman Trophy for Best Large Non Standard Male	N/a
Hildreth Trophy for Best Large Non Standard Female	N/a
Junior/novice Shield	I Anthoney

Results of Scottish National January 2016

LARGE FOWL

BLACK COCK (6)
1 J Cuthbert

BLACK HEN (7)
1 P Swandell (Best Opp Size)
2 S & M Hutchinson
3 S & M Hutchinson
4 M Walker

AOC MALE (0)

AOC FEMALE (3)
1 M Walker
2 K Dixon

BANTAMS

BLACK COCK (4)
1 J Roberts
2 H Lines
3 L McDougall

BLACK HEN (11)
1 J Roberts
2 J Roberts
3 J Roberts

BLACK COCKEREL (11)
1 S & M Hutchinson
2 S & M Hutchinson
3 L McDougall

BLACK PULLET (13)
1 S & M Hutchinson (Champion)
2 D R C Gardiner
3 D R C Gardiner

AOC MALE(3)
1 S A & G Hodge
2 S & M Hutchinson
3 S A & G Hodge

AOC FEMALE(2)
1 S A & G Hodge
2 K S Wilson

Some Show Winners

Richard Bett BSF Bantam East of England Poultry Show - Black
James Bett Best Juvenile East of England Show - Blue Bantam
Tom Marsh Best Juvenile Southport & Ormskirk Show-Black Bantam Male
Tina Jauncey. Show Champion Manx Fur &Feather Coc Show - Black Bantam Hen
S & G Hodge BSF Bantam Heavy - Black Male
Tina Jaunsey Res BIS Ramsey Fur & Feather - Black Bantam Cockerel
S & G Hodge BSFBh Northern Poultry Show - Black Bantam Female
S & G Hodge Best Orpington Ribble Valley Show - Black Bantam Male
S & G Hodge BSFBh Welsh Federation Show - Black Bantam Male
A large black Orpington male was best large fowl at Peebles Championship Show
S & G Hodge Best Orpington Reading & District Championship Show
K & A Chatburn Best Orpington North of England Championship Show
S & G Hodge BSFBh Cheshire County show
S & G Hodge BIS Great Eccleston Agricultural Show _ Black Bantam male
Ryan Liggett BLSF Balymena Show
Patricia Swandell Best Orpington Ulster Federation
Patricia Swandell BIS South of Scotland - Large Black Female

Northern Ireland Results

With the beginning of February comes the final show in the Northern Irish Winter show calendar the Ulster Poultry Federation, this being a new Orpington Regional, classes were well filled with in excess of thirty entries. The Show attracted breeders from both the local area and the mainland with awards well distributed amongst the membership. The Best Orpington and Best Bantam award finally going to Patricia Swandell with a black bantam cockerel, Reserve and Best Large was won by D A Sleator with a large black pullet Andrew also won the large black male class. Special mention I feel should be made to Richards Bett's mottled large which was of excellent type and solid in body. Unfortunately the bantams were only represented in black but classes were strong and I must say it was great to see the quality and number of Orpingtons being shown this side of the Irish Sea.

I would like to take this opportunity on behalf of the Committee of the Ulster Poultry Federation, to thank the membership of the Orpington club for gifting us with this Regional which I feel with time will grow in numbers. Finally I wish you all, an excellent breeding season with lots of quality birds and I hope some more of the members would consider making the Journey over to the Ulster Federation show next year where you will be meet with a warm welcome.

Large Black Male

1st	D A Sleator
2nd	R Liggett

Large Black Female

1st	D A Sleator
2nd	R.Liggett
3rd	P Swandell

AOC large male/Female

1st	R Bett - Mottled

Bantams

Black Male

1st	P Swandell
2nd	R O'Rourke
3rd	D Gardiner

Black Female

1st	R Liggett
2nd	P Swandell
3rd	R.Liggett

Oliver Hereford was a writer, poet and illustrator who became known as the American Oscar Wilde (though he was actually born in Sheffield) through his witty writings. Living in New York since the age of twelve he wrote some gloriously scathing and witty verse of the late 19th and early 20th century.

THE HEN

by Oliver Hereford (1863 – 1935)

Alas my Child, were is the Pen
That can do Justice to the Hen?
Like Royalty, She goes her way
Laying foundation everyday
Though not for Public Buildings yet
For Custard, Cake and Omelette
Or if too Old for such use
They have their Fling at some Abuse
As when to Censure Plays Unfit
Upon the Stage they make a Hit
Or at elections Seal the Fate
Of an Obnoxious Candidate
No wonder Child, we prize the Hen
Whose Egg is mightier than the Pen

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1977	W Burdett	Large Blue Hen	Club Show
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1978	W Burdett	Black Bantam Ckl	Club Show
1979	W Burdett	Large Black Ckl	Club Show
1980	W Burdett	Large Black Cock	Club Show
1981	Dr W C Carefoot	Black Bantam Ckl	
1982	W Burdett	Large Black Ckl	
1983	W Burdett	Large Black Pullet	Club Show
1984	W Burdett	Large Black Cockerel	Club Show
1985	S Adcock	Large Blue Male	
1986	Dr W C Carefoot	Bantam Black Pullet	Club Show
1986	Anne Rolls	Large Black Pullet	National Champion
1987	G Hamer & Son	Black Bantam Cockerel	Club Show
1988	W Burdett	Black Bantam Pullet	Club Show
1989	D Phillips	Large Black Cockerel	Club Show
1990	Clarke & Godfrey	Black Bantam Pullet	Club Show
1991	R Clarke	Black Bantam Cockerel	Club Show
1992	R Clarke	Black Bantam Hen	
1993	R Clarke	Black Bantam Pullet	Club Show
1994	R Clarke	Black Bantam Cockerel	Club Show
			National Champion
1995	G Hamer & Son	Large Black Hen	Club Show
1996	N Watson	Large Black Cockerel	Club Show
1997	R Clarke	Black Bantam Pullet	Club Show
1998	R Clarke	Black Bantam Cockerel	Club Show
1999	B D Anderton	Large Blue Female	Club Show (Blsf)
2000	B D Anderton	Black Bantam Cockerel	Club Show
2001	B D Anderton	Large Black Hen	
2002	B D Anderton	Black Bantam Cockerel	Club Show
2003	G Hamer	Black Bantam Hen	
2004	B D Anderton	Large Black Hen	
2005	No Show Avian Flue		
2006	R Clarke	Black Bantam Cockerel	Club Show
2007	D Pownall	Large Blue Hen	Club Show
2008	B D Anderton	Black Bantam Cockerel	Club Show

NATIONAL CHAMPIONS (Continued)

2009	M Hanson	Large Blue Hen	Club Show
2010	R Boyd	Black Bantam Cockerel	
2011	D G Pownell	Large Black Hen	
2012	D G Pownell	Large Black Pullet	
2013	M Rangeley	Large Black Pullet	
2014	N & J Allman	Black Bantam Cockerel	
2015	S & G Hodge	Black Bantam Cockerel	

FEDERATION CHAMPIONS

1980	W Burdett	Large Black Pullet	Club Show
1981	W Burdett	Large Black Pullet	Club Show
1982	W Burdett	Black Bantam Hen	Club Show
1983	Dr W C Carefoot	Black Bantam Cock	
1884	W Mullinger	Large Black Pullet	
1985	W Mullinger	Large Black Hen	
1986	B D Anderton	Black Bantam Hen	
1987	B D Anderton	Black Bantam Pullet	
1988	W Burdett	Black Bantam Cockerel	
1989	R Dowden	Large Black Hen	
1990	B Place	Black Bantam Hen	
1991	G Wadell	Black Bantam Pullet	
1992	M & S Shimwell	Large Black Pullet	Club Show
1993	R Clarke	Black Bantam Cock	
1994	M & S Shimwell	Large Black Pullet	
1995	D G Pownall	Large Black Pullet	
1996	G Hamer & Son	Large Black Hen	
1997	B D Anderton	Black Bantam Cockerel	
1998	B D Anderton	Black Bantam Cockerel	
1999	D G Pownall	Black Bantam Cock	
2000	D G Pownall	Black Bantam Cock	
2001	R Rowley	Black Bantam Pullet	Club Show
2002	B D Anderton	Black Bantam Cockerel	
2003	D G Pownall	Large Black Pullet	Club Show
2004	G Hamer	Black Bantam Hen	
2005	No Show Avian Flu		
2006	D Pownall	Large Black Cockerel	Club Show
2007	B D Anderton	Black Bantam Cockerel	

FEDERATION CHAMPIONS (Continued)

2008	D G Pownall	Large Black Cockerel	Club Show
2009	D G Pownall	Black Bantam Pullet	
2010	D G Pownall	Large Black Pullet	Club Show
2011	D G Pownell	Black Bantam Cockerel	Club Show
2012	D G Pownell	Black Bantam Pullet	Club Show
2013	M Rangeley	Large Black Pullet	Club Show
2014	S & G Hodge	Black Bantam Cockerel	Club Show
2015	D G Pownall	Large Black Cockerel	Club Show

I went to the National Poultry Show in Sydney and was struck by the different judging styles. Whilst appreciating the effort the judges put in I couldn't resist having a friendly dig. I hope they take it with a smile

Judging at the Nats

A National Show is different so the breeders say
The judging and organising goes on all flamin day
It's hard to get a feeling for the best bird in the show
With chooks, ducks, turkeys and geese and breeds that no one knows
I found a spot that clearly was the best to hang around
To study judging at its best and this is what I found
On the left the judges faced the pens, looking pretty slick
A quick survey and off they went poking with their stick
The steward tapping on the notebook in a sort of trance
The judge prancing, hands on hips like a mating dance
Bending cards and clothes pegs to mark the best in breed
The sight to see the judge's work was a spectacle indeed
The right hand side was similar with different styles on show
Marching up and down and down and up to select the one to go
Round and round and round they went, spectacular indeed
Stopping now and then to feel a bird to go for 'Best of Breed'
Finally a sigh as they marched up to the desk
"All done they said, time to start the specials and select the best"
It's funny how the ritual dance started up again
I'm glad in not a poultry judge, I couldn't stand that pain

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Dear Mr Richardson,

Robert Callinan advised me of the passing of the great man of the Orpington world, Mr Will Burdett. Whilst I never knew the man personally, being the recipient of various British poultry publications over the past 30 odd years I was well aware of the position he held within the British Fancy. As our club's patron, he was never anything but encouraging and gracious about all our Orpington endeavours in Oz. On behalf of the Australian Orpington club, please pass on to your members our most sincere condolences.

My best regards,

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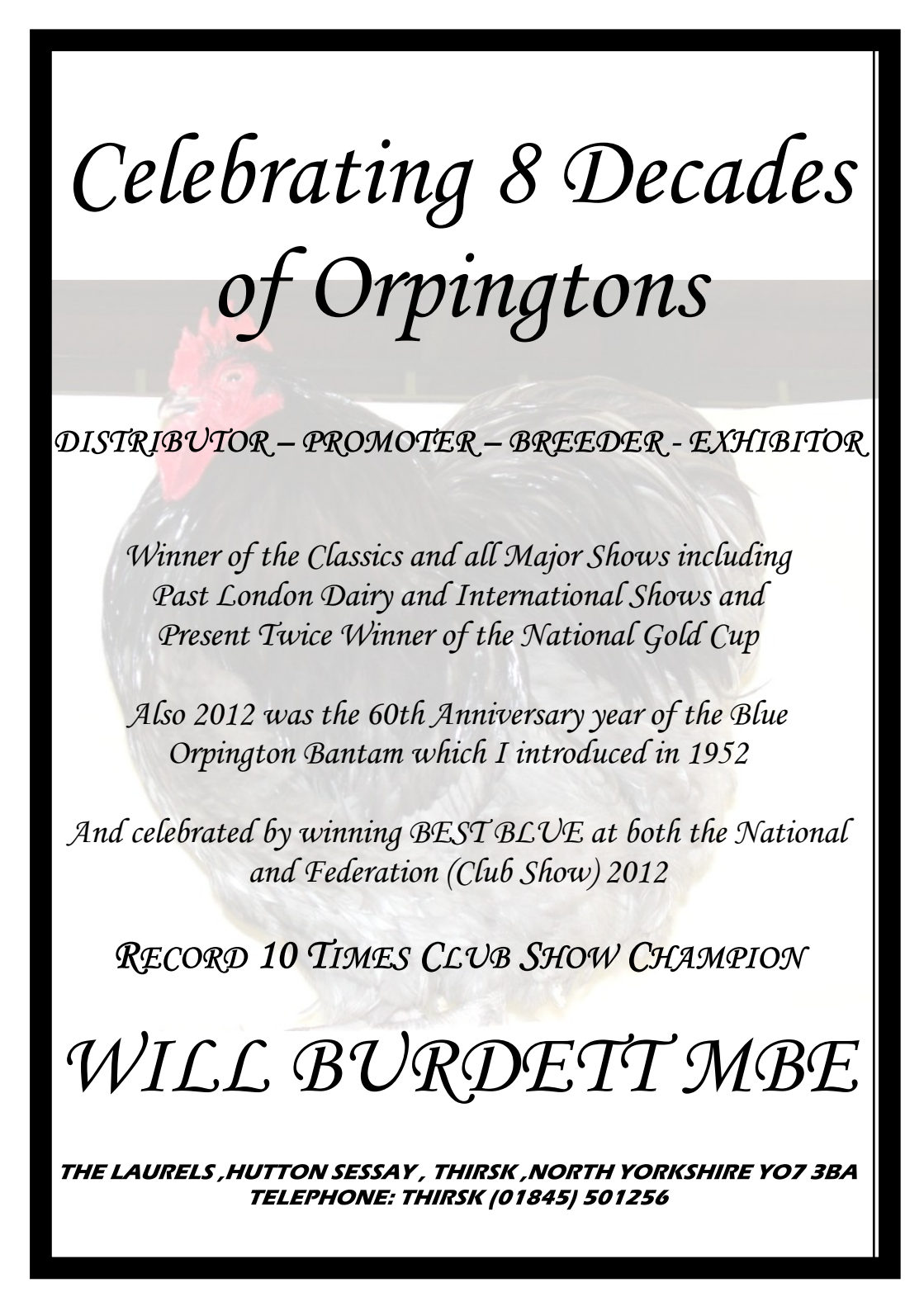

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