

**National Bird Show (NBS) - November 9, 2018 - St. Charles, IL**

12 Exhibitors

118 Entries

Judge: Luis Ramos

Rare & Eyering Division

		Code	Yr	#		
1	Violet Blue Fischer's	RSM	15	134	Renan Soto Matos	Caguas, PR
2	Green Abyssinian Hen	15H	14	078	Dave & Mary Arthur	North Platte, NE
3	Dilute Green Fischer's	RSM	18	026	Renan Soto Matos	Caguas, PR
4	Blue Pied Fischer's	ART	17	054	Dave & Mary Arthur	North Platte, NE
5	T1 Green Fischer's	CIA	15	090	Ivan Abreu	Camuy, PR
6	T1 Blue Fischer's	KJS	18	123	Ken & Jeanne Snyder	Palo, IA
7	Par Blue Pied Fischer's	TWP	16	102	Wendy Edwards	Youngsville, NC
8	Med Green Fischer's	AOR	15	043	Adalberto Ocasio	Carolina, PR
9	Blue Pied Fischer's	ART	14	052	Dave & Mary Arthur	North Platte, NE
10	Green Pied Fischer's	ART	15	037	Dave & Mary Arthur	North Platte, NE
11	DEC Yellow Fischer's	AOR	17	032	Adalberto Ocasio	Carolina, PR
12	Green Masked	DOC	17	006	Danny Cardona	Caguas, PR
13	T1 Green Fischer's	JMB	11	206	Manny Berdecia	Elizabeth, NJ
14	DEC Yellow Fischer's	RSM	15	103	Renan Soto Matos	Caguas, PR
15	Green Spangled Masked	AOR	13	111	Adalberto Ocasio	Carolina, PR
16	Violet Blue Masked	ART	15	048	Dave & Mary Arthur	North Platte, NE
17	Dilute Par Blue Fischer's	TWP	15	013	Wendy Edwards	Youngsville, NC
18	T2 Green Fischer's	ART	15	001	Dave & Mary Arthur	North Platte, NE
19	Violet Par Blue Fischer's	JMB	16	099	Manny Berdecia	Elizabeth, NJ
20	Med Green Pied Fischer's	JMB	16	097	Manny Berdecia	Elizabeth, NJ

Best Novice

None						
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Best Unflighted

Dilute Green Fischer's	RSM	18	026	Renan Soto Matos	Caguas, PR
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Champions

6	Dark Dilute Fischer's	ART	13	071	Dave & Mary Arthur	North Platte, NE
10	Med Green Fischer's	ART	14	012	Dave & Mary Arthur	North Platte, NE
17	Green Fischer's	AOR	13	068	Adalberto Ocasio	Carolina, PR
18	Green Fischer's	RSM	14	070	Renan Soto Matos	Caguas, PR

What a great experience was to be and judge the National Bird Show 2018 on its 70<sup>th</sup> anniversary. Once again, the Show took place at the Pheasant Run Resort in St. Charles, Illinois. Hotel commodities were excellent with plenty space for sponsors, vendors, exhibitors, birds and visitors. Get together with old and new friends on the hobby was just priceless. Judging process started at 8:15 am with a walk through where some birds were reclassified on its corresponding classes.

In Division 13 (Rares and Eyerings - Lovebirds) we had 118 good bird's belongings to 12 exhibitors. I want to express gratitude to my stewards Wendy Edwards and Dave Arthur, and my secretary Katy Secor who made my job enjoyable.

Section 1 (Rares): 11 birds. The winner of this section was an Abyssinian.

- Black-cheekeds and Abyssinians were shown.

Section 2 (Green Fischer's): 63 birds. The winner of this section was a Dilute Green (Light).

- 19 Greens-Type I. Most of them with almost perfect round orange bib and nice conformation. Missing flight and pin feathers was an issue that prevent some birds to advance. Other observations were that markings on the front and face side was not well defined in some cases, size and deportment can be improve. The bird that won this class took 5 in the top bench. This bird has almost perfect markings and color, just a little small for the standard.
- We had Type II, Darks Factors, Violets, Dilutes, Dark-Eye Clear, Lutino, Spangled, Pied, Misty, Euwing and Pale.

Section 3 (Blue Fischer's): 29 birds. The winner of this section was a Violet Blue.

- In this section we had Type I, Violets, Par-Blues, Dilutes, Spangled, Pied and Euwing.

Section 4 (Masked): 9 birds. The winner of this section was a normal Green Masked.

- Only 9 birds in this section – Normal Green, Dark Factors, Violets, Dilute and Spangled.

Section 5 (Champions): 6 birds. The winner of this section was a Dilute Green Fischer's.

- We had an Abyssinian, Type I Green Fischer's, Medium Green Fischer's and Dilute Green (Dark) Fischer's.

After 5 and half hours of judging the top bench went as follow: Best in division was a stunning Violet Blue Fischer's with a brilliant feathers color, white clean face, nice head markings, perfect size and upstanding Department. 2<sup>nd</sup> best in division was a beautiful Abyssinian hen with a nice size, color and deportment. 3<sup>rd</sup> best in Division and best young was a Dilute Green Fischer's with a great orange head color, very good conformation and deportment. 4<sup>th</sup> best in show was a Violet Pied Blue Fischer's with a white head and nice pied markings. 5<sup>th</sup> was a Type I Green Fischer's with almost perfect markings and color. Places 6 to 20 were also beautiful birds that can win any show in the future.

I was so eager to see relative new mutations like Misty, Euwing and Pale in the show. Thanks to all the exhibitors for bring your birds to the show and let people look then closer.

Best Regards,

Luis P. Ramos

**2018 HIGGINS WINNER**

