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*Kindness, mutual cohesion, and ethical behaviour in the parrot world are the only "recipes" for developing breeding in the long term as well as maintaining a sense of breeding in them.*



**We live in a totally unique and historically primordial times. The times, when selfish maximization of power and money has been the primary value, is ending with this exceptional year, and a new way of functioning of human society is being born from its ruins. I believe that it is kindness and awareness of the interconnectedness and belonging of all living things that will become the basic principles of the new paradigm.**

Karel Janeček, a prominent mathematician and visionary,  
the founder of the Karel Janeček Foundation, [@janecek252](#)

Today, I would like to borrow the words of Karel Janeček, a genius mathematician, who transformed his skills into many excellent projects helping people, as I couldn't describe the current times better. Indirectly, I'm moving into the parrot world, because the previous lines are related to it, indeed.

In the past year, most parrot breeders have had a lot of time for deeper thinking as well as determining objectives and concepts in breeding management. Of course, it's up to everyone what their breeding should look like and what they feel good about.

Nevertheless, now I think we all see how important cohesion and solidarity are. And it doesn't have to be just about cohesion among people, but also about cohesion between people and parrots, whether in captivity or in the wild. The application of kindness is now more than necessarily important. It is always possible to improve the welfare, i.e. to take care of the most suitable conditions; it is always possible to cooperate more with other breeders and pass on information; it is always possible to support foundations directing their funds to protect

parrots and their natural habitats. Kind deeds should be creating the new future. If breeding skills are transformed into an effort to actually help the parrots, and if it is not primarily about financial gain and excessive mass reproduction, the work that we devote to will make sense.

I have been associated with the breeding world for a very long time and I know that many breeders have big and sincere hearts for parrots. Those should be the authors of a new post-pandemic era, which should focus on enough arguments for self-proclaimed organizations fighting for a senseless ban on the operation of zoos and breeding itself.

While the facts speak for themselves, public education is very important. And this exactly is one of the goals of our magazine, which is here for responsible breeders and owners of parrots.

Have beautiful days!

  
Alena Winner  
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# Povl Jorgensen



## I couldn't live without my parrots

*By* Alena Winner & Povl Jorgensen

Povl Jorgensen is a very well-known Danish breeder of nearly a hundred species and subspecies of parrots. Personally, we have been connected by numerous meetings and also a love of books. Povl is a librarian by his original profession, working as an information specialist at the University Library in Copenhagen. One of my unique memories is linked to him - it was beside this tall likable man with a sparkle in his eye that I saw Spix's macaws for the first time. Povl is a devoted enthusiast. He puts great fervour into his breeding skills, which he masterminds conceptually, creating the best possible living conditions for parrots. He attends many breeding meetings and congresses not only in Denmark but also around the world, where he meets friends and holds long talks about breeding. Our interview will introduce his interesting Danish breeding.

# ECLECTUS PARROT SUBSPECIES

**By** Thiely and Ed de Moor

In the second part of the article, we will talk about the Eclectus Parrot subspecies. In the first part (published in the Awiparrots 2-2021), we already told you a few things about the species of Eclectus Parrots. Of course, over the years, we have had to read many books to learn more about these fantastic birds. However, in addition to reading, I also wanted to visit breeders all around the world. In the years 2009, 2011, 2015, and 2019, I went to Australia to see the birds in the wild. I also went to South Africa to meet breeders. In Asia, I was with breeders who had all the subspecies; this was in Singapore and Thailand. Also, in Europe, I wanted to see the species. To share knowledge and see the differences between subspecies is **very important but not always easy.**

# ASPERGILOSIS

## basic information

By Helena Vaidlova

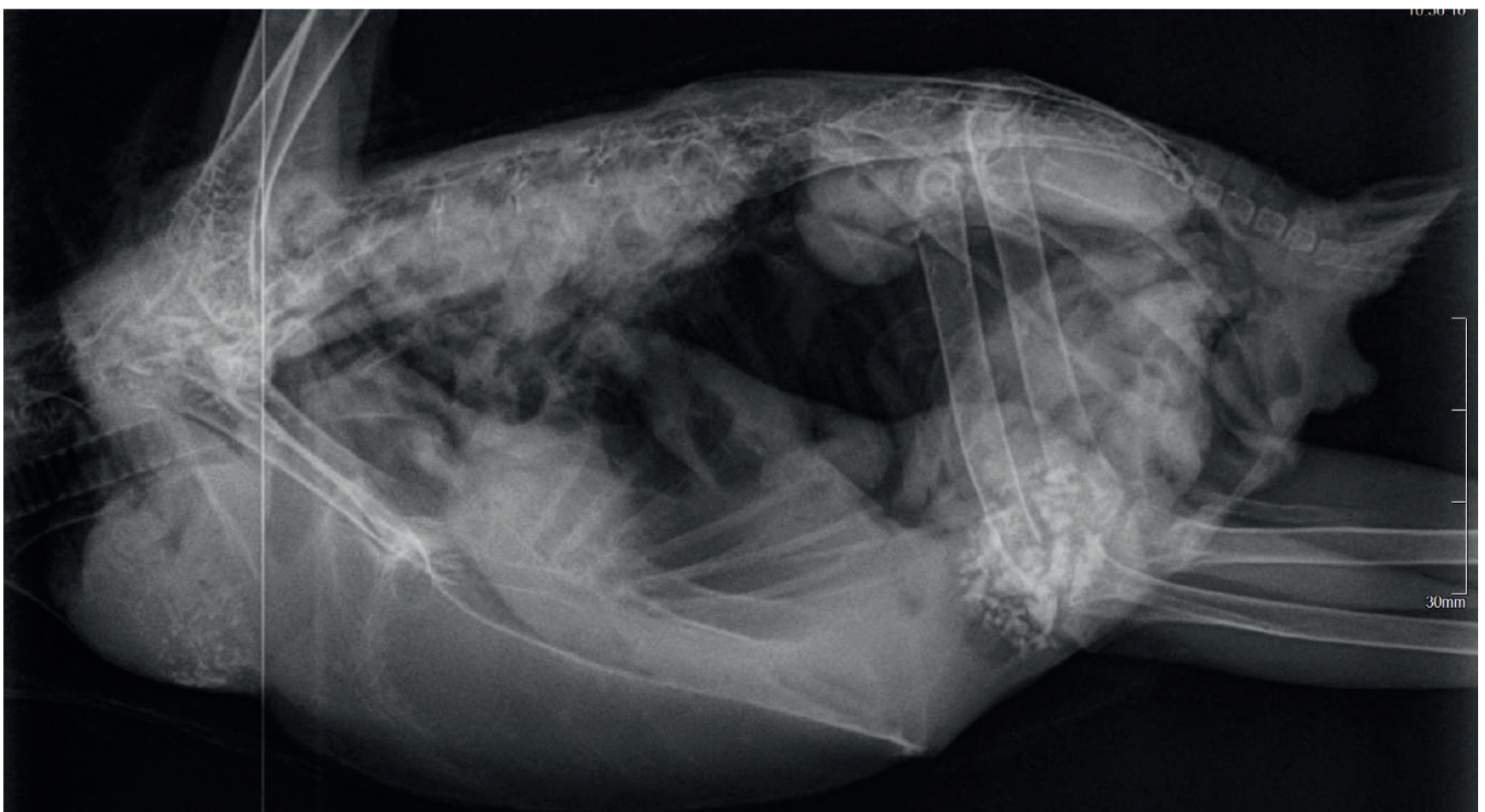
The importance of aspergillosis in human medicine has steadily been growing due to the increasing number of people with reduced immunity. Aspergillosis is the most common generalized mycosis in birds. The infection is very difficult to treat.

The most common causative agent is called ***Aspergillus fumigatus***. In 1993, avian aspergillosis **was classified into 4 types**:

- ❶ an acute form after encountering a large number of spores;
- ❷ a tracheal form (a granuloma present in the trachea);
- ❸ bounded granulomas in the lungs and air sacs;
- ❹ an invasive form that first attacks the respiratory system and then spreads from there into the whole body.

The perception of individual birds is predisposed by their species (there are very perceptive species among parrots, such as grey parrots and Amazon parrots of the *Pionus* genus, etc.), genetically, by their nutrition, by the environment, and last but not least by stress as well as the influence of other diseases (viral, bacterial, parasitic) and their treatment.

**The left side of the air sacs is affected by mycosis.**





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Adult Yellow-fronted Parrot  
feeding on *Erythrina* flowers.  
NABU/LPF



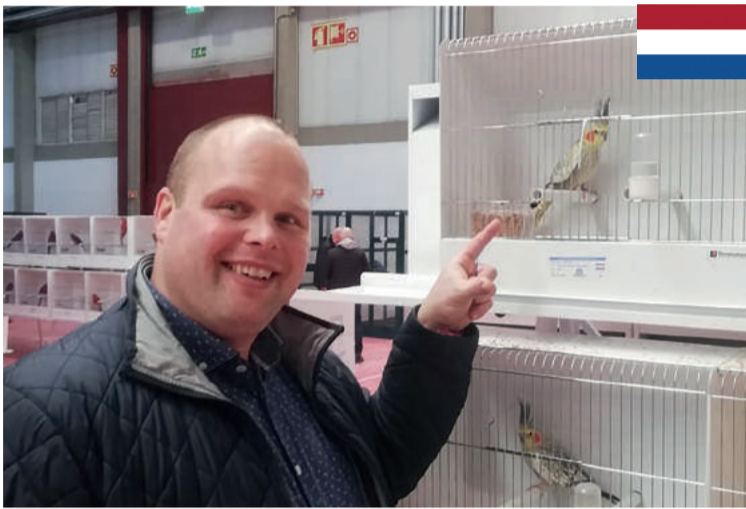
**By** Dr. David Waugh  
Correspondent  
Loro Parque Fundación

# Yellow-fronted Parrots and species-rich forests of south-west Ethiopia

“There it is, I told you” the small-holder whispered triumphantly to the project ranger as a Yellow-fronted Parrot (*Poicephalus flavifrons*) poked its head out of its nest cavity in a large tree. This was doubly good news, first because the parrots were breeding, and secondly because this modest farmer was responding to the project’s conservation message within the local communities. This was happening in the Kafa Biosphere Reserve (KBR) in south-west Ethiopia, home to one of the country’s last natural highland forest areas, a habitat rich in wildlife.

*By* Karel Van de Kolk

# Breeding of opaline mutation in Cockatiels



I have pursued breeding cockatiels since 1992. We have been engaged in this hobby together with my brother Ruth Van de Kolk, the opaline mutation being our narrow specialization. We currently own fifteen pairs of cockatiels in this impressive coloration.

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