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The Official Newsletter of the American Emu Association

President's Message

Greetíngs From Iowa

Hello to all, I hope you are all having a good summer. Your Board of Directors has been busy promoting the emu industry in different ways. We will be having a virtual Emu Convention in September including a ZOOM Membership Meeting. Please watch the AEA newsletter and web-site for more information. We are hoping to have an in-person Emu Convention in 2022. However, we need YOUR input. What are your wants and needs from your American Emu Association? We want to help both the new emu farmer, plus the seasoned farmer. We want to bring them together to share knowledge and to be a support to one another. But we need to know what you are most interested in and how we can help. Please contact any of the board of directors with any questions or concerns.

There are many good ways to help promote the emu industry. One way that brings a lot of exposure is your State Fair (most will be starting soon). We have worked a booth at the Iowa State Fair many times and it is very rewarding. It is fun meeting a lot of people and educating them about the emu industry. It is interesting that when we first got involved in the emu industry, most people had never heard of an emu. Now, most of the people we talk to have heard of emus and the benefits they provide, but are interested in learning more.



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Other ways to create awareness are **County Fairs and Local Festivals.** Be creative and let us know how we can help. **We all need to help each other to grow the emu industry.**

Sincerely,

Dennis Anderson, AEA President oaksaveemuranch@heartofiowa.net home: 641-475-3498 cell: 641-751-4527

AEA Board Election

Soon you will be receiving a ballot for the AEA Board of Directors.

The **Region 1&2 Director** has only one nominee – Kymara Lonergan

- The **Region 3 Director** has only one nominee Dennis Anderson
- One At-Large Director opening has only one nominee – Terry Turner

Ballots must be returned and received by August 12^{th} .

Please fill it out and return it to:

American Emu Association - Ballot 11950 West Highland Ave. Blackwell, OK 74631

2021 AEA Convention in September will <u>NOT</u> be held "in-person" this year. Instead a ZOOM Membership Meeting will be hosted. Watch for more information.

BREEDERS LIST

The Breeders List will once again be offered to members at no cost for 2020. If you sell emu chicks yearlings or breeder pairs, add your farm to this FREE listing. This is the first place people look for emus on the AEA website.

Discount for Veterans - The AEA is offering a 10% annual membership discount to veterans and current military personnel with verification required. New & renewing members will be eligible for this discount. Apply online or contact susan.wright@aea-emu.org

COVID-19 & The Emu Industry

The COVID pandemic has cause a mixture of problems for the emu grower.

Many Fairs, Festivals and Farmers Markets were cancelled last year creating a lack of places where farmers would normally sell emu items, including, emu oil and emu meat. Thankfully, most Fairs and Farmers Markets are once again being scheduled for this summer.



Processing plants were shut down due to COVID outbreaks and this created a major backlog for processing appointments. Besides this, recent ransomware attacks on JBS Meat Processing have added to this problem. This backlog continues to be a major roadblock for both traditional livestock owners and emu growers. Being forced to wait to process livestock beyond their prime weights is very costly because of added feed and labor.

Website orders increased for some during the lockdown phase but, in person sales remained extremely low or even non-existent for most of the past year.

Fuel prices rose as COVID left refineries shorthanded, limiting their output.

Many other factors besides COVID contribute to the higher prices of needed supplies that we are seeing. Rising demand, along with low inventories, has caused inflation to spiral upward.

Adding to the rapidly rising cost of fuel were - freezing temperatures in Texas last winter that caused fuel refineries to stop production for a time; executive orders that prohibit oil drilling on public lands helped push future prices higher and the ransomware attack on the Colonial Pipeline that caused gas shortages on the East Coast. All of these led to higher fuel prices.

Feed Prices are sky rocketing, as drought conditions in some areas of the US and South America cause grain prices to continue an upward trend.

The 6 day blockage of the Suez Canal by the container ship, Ever Given, caused a worldwide back up of goods from China. This in turn, caused a shortage of many everyday items - most noticeably for the emu industry were the plastic containers used in bottling oils, cosmetics and lotions that are still slow to arrive. And, on top of that, there is a worldwide shortage of shipping containers used to ship all types of cargo, including bottles and jars. Merchandise must wait until these shipping containers become available before they can be transported to their destinations.

All types of wood, plastics, paint & building supplies, microchips and most other farm supplies, have gone up significantly in price, "if" they are even available.

This past year has been hard for farmers in general but, we are an optimistic group. We will survive.

The Farmer Has to Be an Optimist Or... He Wouldn't Still Be Farming

RECIPE

For a very hearty, but delicious, type of spice cake, you have to try this one made with raw ground emu. It is a sweet dessert with a dash of protein. It may sound strange but, you will be surprised at how good this hearty cake tastes.

EMU CAKE

AEA Official Cookbook – page 159

INGREDIENTS 1 lb. ground Emu (raw) ½ tsp. salt 3 c. brown sugar

1 tsp. cinnamon 2 c. flour

¹/₂ tsp. ground cloves

2 c. raisins 1 c. hot coffee 1/2 c. chopped nuts 1 tsp. baking soda

ICING

3 oz. cream cheese 1.2 c. softened butter 2 cu. Powdered sugar

DIRECTIONS

Preheat oven to 350° In large bowl mix the emu, salt and brown sugar

(mixing by hand is the easiest). Add cinnamon, flour and cloves. Mix well. Mix in raisins, coffee, nuts and baking soda. Bake in a greased 9"x13" pan for 35-40 minutes. Turn out to cool

Cream together the cream cheese, butter and powdered sugar. Spread over the cooled cake.

Volunteer Editor (or co-editors) Wanted

The AEA newsletter, the "AEA EMUpdate", needs an editor to put it together every 2 months i.e., January, March, May, July, September & November (the copies are emailed the week before the start of these months).

Current templates are in Microsoft PUBLISHER. The newsletter is then converted in PUBLISHER to PDF for emailing. The



board provides some current item information. Mentoring will be available.

There is a lot of clip art along with relevant past articles from long ago on file that can be used when needed.

Anyone interested in volunteering for this important and necessary job, contact:

Joylene Reavis, current editor emujoy@SugarMapleEmu.com





WEB INQUIRY REPORT

The Live Bird Requests are sent out to the members by these two electronic venues-Facebook and the AEA Google Email List. WANTED

Less than 2 month old chick Adam Fruitport, MI 2331-578-8182 Morse, amorse304@vahoo.com

Less than 5 chicks up to 3 months Amy Holland, Hanover, IL 563-581-4338 amerz30@sbcglobal.net

1 or 2 emus for zoo Brenda Hammond, Racine, WI 414-708-4582 amiafreak2u@wi.rr.com

Pair of emus for petting zoo Lisa Brothers, 252-619-3920 Elizabeth City, NC brothersfarmmarket@gmail.com

Less than 5 chicks up to 3 months Billie Jean 337-704-1416 Johnson, Lake Charles, LA billiejeanhardy@yahoo.com

Looking for emus Joey Faust, Thornfield, MO 417-255-5610 jfaust1611@gmail.com

Pair of chicks Stephanie Rohrer, Dayllin, VA 540-820-2113 hrleaderstephanie@gmail.com

2 male emu chicks or adults Wil Mullins, AEA member Catawba, NC 760-885-1117 wilbirdland@gmail.com

Interstate Shipment of Meat

The U.S. Department of Agriculture's (USDA) Food Safety and Inspection Service (FSIS) and these 9 states, Indiana, Iowa, Maine, Missouri, North Dakota, Ohio, South Dakota. Vermont, and Wisconsin, have finalized and signed a Cooperative Interstate Shipment (CIS) agreement allowing state inspected meat processed in selected state inspected establishments (if, they so choose) to be shipped throughout the United States.

The CSI program is limited to establishments located in the 27 states that have established a Meat & Poultry Inspection (MPI) program. For more information about CIS, visit www.fsis.usda.gov/cis.

Promoting Your Emu Business for National Emu Week (N.E.W.) & Beyond

Covered on this CD are farm tours, booths and farmers market hints and guidelines, business and marketing plans, obtaining a Proclamation, press releases and media tips, school hatch projects and much more!



Also includes templates, announcements for the paper and radio, a schedule to follow, contest ideas, activity sheets, guest book pages... everything you need to promote your emu business.

This CD, with over 100 items covered, is available from Emu Today & Tomorrow (ET&T) - 580-628-2933.

AEA member price - \$15.00 plus \$9.00 shipping

AEA Convention Survey

We still need to know your preferences. At this time, due to COVID, we are not sure when the next AEA Annual Convention will be held but, we are hoping for 2022. Whenever it is held, we want to be ready.

We need to know:

- 1.) What month for convention (currently mid-Sept.)?
- 2.) Where to hold the convention? City, State, Region?3.) Room prices? Highest you would be willing to pay.
- 4.) Topics to discuss? Would you attend?
- 5.) Do you prefer an airport hotel or downtown hotel?
- 6.) Convention Friday morning thru Saturday evening
- with program on Thursday evening for those interested?

We need everyone to respond. Your input is important and will be very helpful in planning future conventions.

Respond to secretary@aea-emu.org or (608) 897-8224

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From the Vice-president - Amy E. Hall June was wet at the beginning, but is shaping up to be a hot dry summer. My barn well has already gone dry which doesn't bode well for the next couple of months. I purchased some incubators from Cyril Klein and I've had to reconfigure the shop, again, for these and I'm running new dedicated electric to them. My other incubators are on the adjacent wall. In the area where I raised chicks last winter, I'm remodeling for the freezers and display. I now have a shop full of possibilities. But still disorganized and cluttered.

I have a new barn on order just for chick runs. The contractor I had lined up backed out of the deal and so I'm looking for another guy. If I don't get the barn up this year, then my car is going to be out of the garage again this winter.

I hope that doesn't happen because I have five pairs now and that little garage isn't big enough. However, I'm still laying the groundwork for the new barn, dealing with rain water management, and building a driveway.

All my chicks are now 3-5 months old and they are all running together. I filled up their little swimming pool for them. I could stay all afternoon watching them play. All the adults in adjacent pens look onto the scene with envy.



So, now I will tell you about my experience home processing my first bird. I had one mildly aggressive male bird, who came at me a couple of times while I was out collecting eggs. Because of this he had been marked for termination for a while now.

Last month while I was moving birds around and putting up some new fence lines, I had one section of temporary fence that I hadn't completely attached yet and he apparently got chased through it. He was still inside the perimeter fence line, but he got a bit scratched up and I took this opportunity to dispatch him (plus, I was out of meat).

I do not have the proper home facility yet to do any kind of organized butchering. I did have a tractor, a chain, some clean buckets, and a knife, and I now have bags of meat in the fridge. Some of the pieces are even kind of recognizable. Hey, I never said I was a butcher. This is why we definitely need processing plants.

I hope you all have a wonderful summer. Amy

AEA Board Activities

Besides the everyday business of answering inquiries, the AEA Board has been very busy.



Several committees have been quite active including: the Internet

& Technology (I.T.) Committee that is trying to make the AEA website more user friendly (there will be lots of changes and useful additions to the website later this year).; the Oil Committee is also busy (they oversee the use, and abuse, of the Certified Emu Oil logo); the Election Committee, (they search for election nominees to fill board openings); the Newsletter

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Committee that helps to create the AEA EmUpdate newsletter; and the Convention Committee who is planning this year's online meeting and next year's convention both at the same time. At least one board member is on each committee as a liaison to bring back information and guidance to the board for discussion at their monthly board meetings.

As for the convention, after deciding to forgo an in-person convention again this year, the board is busy figuring out how to host a membership meeting in September and bring some emu industry information to the membership. They are looking at a ZOOM "Annual AEA Membership Meeting" and possibly some video links with helpful information for members to view at their convenience.

Along with this year's convention, the board is also looking toward returning to an in-person convention in 2022. Thus, the convention survey (pg. 3) to get our membership's opinions. Sadly, only a few members have responded. This leaves us with only a few opinions to help us plan ahead. We really need your input.

A hunt has been on during the past year for a copy of the AEA copyrighted commercial processing video and the accompanying handbook from 1995. The processing video fortunately has been found and is being edited. We are still looking for a copy of the 8"x11" grey booklet, "Emu Processing & Meat Cuts - A Guide for Commercial Processors", that goes with it. Once found, that booklet will be scanned as a PDF and burned into a CD for future use. In addition, an introduction booklet about emus (meat cuts, fat harvesting and handling, the value of emu oil & an overview of the industry) is being developed to give to prospective processing plants.

COVID restrictions have brought all current AEA funded research to a halt. As life starts to return to normal, we hope that these various projects can be continued and completed. Then we can look at getting new research projects started. Any & all research ideas from our members would be welcomed by the board.

A 38 second radio promo ad is being developed for use by our membership. A lot of local radio stations will include an on-air interview, if ad space is purchased. Pictures are being added to this audio ad, so that it could be posted on a website and/or social media.

Elections have posed a major problem this year. The board had one open seat without an at-large director nominee for it. It has been difficult to find a nominee who is eligible according to our bylaws, and who is willing to serve. Fortunately, a former board member stepped up at the last minute and will run for that position.

ZOOM Chats have been well received by the few who have been able to attend. Members have been meeting on ZOOM every few weeks or so. Discussions have included feed, husbandry, health issues, processing, incubating, etc. and just plain old chit chat. It's not an actual meeting. There is no agenda. They just talk about whatever subject they want to bring up and, hopefully, get answers to their questions. For those without enough bandwidth to participate online, there are phone numbers that you can use to connect to the meeting, if you like. Contact Amy Hall for more details.

Besides these things the board is: busy archiving items (so they aren't lost forever), watching legislative proposals and new laws, attending webinars and talking to members.

Emu Farmers Reminded to Vaccinate for EEE

As mosquito season begins in earnest in some southern parts of our country, it brings with it the threat of mosquito-borne disease. For the emu farmer, this includes the danger of their flock picking up Eastern Equine Encephalitis (EEE). EEE is known to occur in many species of birds (including emus), horses and even man. An outbreak of EEE can lead to the depopulation of an entire flock. This reminds us to be prepared, if an outbreak occurs near you. **To deter mosquitoes empty all standing water containers regularly, use LP mosquito lamps and** vaccinate, if EEE is found in your area.



Signs of EEE in emu include sudden onset of weakness, staggering, bloody diarrhea and rapid death, (usually within 24 hours of first onset of symptoms). The virus can be "shed" in feces, blood or vomit. Humans can pick up this disease through contact with the virus, through mucous membranes and/or open wounds, so caution should be used when handling the carcasses.

Fortunately, there is a **vaccine available to prevent EEE in emu. It is the same one used for horses**. "The farmer should know that giving an equine product is off label and there is always a possibility of a vaccine reaction," says Thomas N. Tully, Jr., DVM, MS. Tully reports that such reactions are rare, but that the farmer should be aware that it could happen. "A complete equine dose should be injected in the leg muscle using appropriate restraint and aseptic technique," said Dr. Tully.

Another thing to consider when using an off-label product is that even though the equine EEE vaccine has been recommended for use in emus for the past 20 years, any drug or vaccine being used off-label is **NOT approved for that animal to be used as food**. Thus, the vaccinated animal is no longer "approved" for human consumption. After contacting USDA/APHIS I was directed to the Senior Biologics Epidemiologist at the Center for Veterinary Biologics. I was told, "We can't make specific recommendations regarding withdrawal times for these vaccines when they are used off label in emus. However, the products do have specified withdrawal times for horses used for food, and that means that everything in the product would be Generally Regarded as Safe (GRAS)."

A further discussion with **my local vet clinic** revealed that my local veterinarians use the equine EEE vaccine off-label for protecting cattle. They **tell farmers at the time their cattle are vaccinated**, **"Do NOT send these animals to slaughter for 30 days".**

When opting to vaccinate with the equine EEE vaccine, use only the EEE or EEE/WEE vaccine. The vaccine can be multivalent EEE, WEE, and VEE. According to Dr. Tully, the **equine vaccine may safely contain equine tetanus, but should NOT be manufactured from "cell culture" or contain "equine influenza" vaccine.** Do NOT use any vaccine containing Equine Influenza because the birds produce antibodies to Flu and will test positive for Avian Influenza leading to depopulation of all emus on your property, if an outbreak of Avian Influenza would occur on your property or nearby.

Most emu growers agree that the benefits of vaccination outweigh the risks when considering the possibility of an EEE outbreak. In addition to the possible danger to you and your family, you can lose an entire emu population on one farm within days. Your local vet clinic will know if EEE is a local concern or, if there is an EEE outbreak in your area, since this is important information for horse owners. Keep a good relationship with your vet and ask to be notified if EEE is found in your area.

Dr. Tully recommends vaccinating emu chicks starting at 6-8 weeks then again at 10-12 weeks, with a final injection at 16-18 weeks, then every 6 months thereafter. "In the face of an outbreak the farmers can booster their birds at that time," says Dr. Tully. "For adults that have not been vaccinated they should be vaccinated once with a booster 3 weeks later, then every 6 months thereafter." Various vaccines for ratites and additional information are available in the book, "Ratite Management, Medicine and Surgery", edited by Thomas N., Jr. Tully and Simon M. Shane. This book is a guide to the diagnosis and prevention of infectious diseases and metabolic conditions in commercial ratites. There are contributions by more than 15 experts in specific fields. *Thomas N. Tully, Jr., DVM, MS is a Diplomate ABVP (Avian), ECAMS & was Professor of Zoological Medicine at the Louisiana State University–School of Veterinary Medicine, Baton Rouge, Louisiana, USA.*

NOTE—We were told to never give shots in the drumstick (leg) area because of all the tendons. If you stab one of these the emu might end up with a permanent limp. I don't know if it was correct but, we gave all shots in the thigh area.

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

Wil Mullins, Catawba, North Carolina

Vicki is a retired High School Counselor/teacher and I am a retired Attorney moved from California in July 2015. We built our home on a 14 acre lot. I have a fascination with birds so, of course, I started raising the basic farm birds (50 chickens and 50 ducks). In addition to the basic farm animals Vicki and I built an aviary with:

- 50 breeding Cockatiels
- 160 breeding parakeets
- 150 breeding zebra finches 50 breeding lovebirds
- 50 breeding society finches
- 20 breeding Canaries

As fun as the aviary is those Exotic birds do not utilize our "FARMZOO"!! We began researching a bird that would utilize our property as a farm. Of course, I'm old and need friendly type animals. We discovered that with patience and our farm structure, the Emu was the perfect bird product for us! We started with some chicks purchased from Liberty Farms and a couple eggs that we hatched! We intend to have 5 mating pair whereby we will incubate the eggs ourselves to be sold as chicks and processed as emu products! We are hopeful to have ratites for process Spring of 2023!

Vicki is an artist and has won competition with her Emu paintings!





Russel Travis, Athol, Idaho

Nancy and I got our start in emus just this year. We live on 10 acres in Athol, ID and have chickens, Scottish Highland cattle, alpacas, goats, cats and dogs!

I had started getting interested when a local businessman was talking to us and stated that it was getting impossible to find emu products. As I researched I came across Wild Rose Emu farm. After reaching out to them for information we learned they were getting out of the emus and were selling everything off. They also recommended joining the AEA if we were going to do this. Looking into the AEA we discovered so much knowledge, experience and information that we would need!

Here was our opportunity! As we went forward with the process, God opened every door for us!

We are still trying to get the emus accustomed to us but it is a wonderful experience. By this winter we hope to have 1 more pair and plan to have an incubator room ready. By spring we plan to have a series of chick runs.

As Nancy says "Go big or go home"! Lol! So, we are dedicating 4+ acres to the emus and hope to eventually have a rotation of 200-300 and around 10-15 permanent breeding pairs.

Who knows? Maybe more?? LOL!





WAXING & EMU OIL

Some people are exploring the use of Emu Oil after waxing. Coconut oil and olive oil are two oils used for after waxing treatment of irritated skin. These oils tend to remove wax and soothe the skin but, leave the skin oily. Emu Oil absorbs deep while soothing the inflamed skin, without leaving oiliness behind.

Coconut oil is a great option to remove wax from your skin and any other surfaces after waxing. Simply rub the coconut oil into the waxed area and wipe it away with a warm washcloth. Coconut oil also has wonderful hydrating properties that calm the skin after a wax and lock in moisture to keep the skin healthy and free from irritation.

Olive oil is perfect to use on the skin after waxing. Olive oil works well to soothe irritated skin and, being natural, it will not cause any additional irritation. Olive oil also nourishes the skin with vitamins and minerals. Nutrient rich Emu Oil would also be perfect for after waxing without leaving the oiliness.

Post-Waxing Care

In the 24-48 hours following a waxing session, you will find that your skin might be swollen and tender. Applying any unnecessary product might irritate it further, so it is important to follow some post-waxing care rules.

Stay out of the sun – Your skin will be very delicate after waxing, especially in the first 48 hours. Try and avoid going into this sun during this time, as your skin will be more susceptible to UV rays. Going into the sun too soon after a wax can lead to permanent sun damage and even hyperpigmentation of the skin. **Do not go swimming** – Swimming pools, lakes and other large bodies of water can contain bacteria that could cause an infection in the skin in the 48 hours following a wax.

Do not visit a sauna – When in the sauna, the steam will open up your pores and push hair upwards, this could cause premature stubble and cause your hair to grow back quicker. There is also a risk of bacteria growing in the warm, hot environment, which means you are open to infection as well Do not get a spray tan soon – Chemicals contained in spray tan products could irritate your skin further, and the resultant tan will look uneven between the freshly waxed and unwaxed areas. On the other hand, don't get a spray tan too soon before waxing either. Choose your skincare wisely – It is always a good idea to use a post-wax oil to soothe the skin, but you should be very careful with the products you use following your wax. Lotions and soaps containing fragrance and colorants can irritate the newly waxed skin, so choose products that have been created to suit sensitive skin. Emu Oil sounds perfect for this. Shower, don't bath - Running water reduces the risk of infection, whereas sitting in the bath leaves your skin open to bacteria that could irritate or infect the newly waxed skin.

Wear loose clothing – It is so important to wear loose-fitting clothing before and after your waxing appointment. Tight clothing can irritate the skin and rub against raw spots which could really cause some damage and pain to your skin.

Apply cold compresses – Cold compresses work wonders to soothe the skin. Use a washcloth under cold water and apply it to the affected area until soothed.

Apply warm compresses – If you notice any ingrown hairs appearing on your skin, you should apply a heating pad to your skin to draw out any ingrown hairs.

After the Tornado or Hurricane

It's that time of year again when storms occur. In many cases, wind and rainfall from the storm does not create as many problems as the after effects of the storm. Prolonged power interruptions, blocked roadways, downed trees (often across fencing and structures) and increased populations of biting insects are all challenges facing animal owners.



The following recommendations

will help reduce the effects of a storm and help to protect your animal's health:

* After the storm has subsided, immediately check your animal's welfare.

* Take pictures of storm damage to facilities, fences and roadways.

* If your power is out, persistently notify the power company. Advise them of the number of animals on your farm and the importance of electricity to their wellbeing. You may want to invest in a power generator and the electrical hook-up needed to run your farm.

* Contact the local fire department and request water delivery. Most fire departments will accommodate, if you have a large number of animals and you are experiencing a prolonged power outage. Make certain you have several tubs available to hold the water.

* Check your animal's vaccination schedule against diseases caused by biting insects. Horses and emus should be vaccinated annually for Eastern Equine Encephalitis (EEE). The increased mosquito population that occurs immediately after a storm has typically resulted in an increase incidence of encephalomyelitis. Vaccinations should be given twice a year, six months apart.

* Contact your county extension agent for information concerning storm-related agricultural assistance programs for livestock owners.

Emergency situations may force animal owners to make the difficult, but practical decision of putting human life above that of your animals. Animal owners are encouraged to care for themselves first and their animals second. Animals have demonstrated a remarkable survival ability in the face of natural disaster which far exceeds those of humans.

First Aid Kit

Develop an emergency first aid kit for your animals and include the following:

- * Knife
- * Adhesive Tape
- * Scissors
- * Duct Tape
- * Nylon/Cotton Rope
- * Extra lead ropes and halters
- * Clean Towels
- * Antiseptic, Soap
- * Leg Wraps
- * Topical Antibiotic Ointment
- * Bandages
- * Insect Repellent
- * Flashlight & Batteries



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