

National Chinese Owl Club

Master Breeder Point Program

(Updated 2024 by Vote of Membership)

1. **Purpose:** Being aware of the skill and perseverance of many individuals in attempting to perfect the Chinese Owl, the NCOC has established its Master Breeder Program to honor those individuals who have established their breeding excellence in open competition. Further, the NCOC has built its program around the idea of fostering the further growth of the art of breeding and perfecting the Chinese Owl. This Master Breeder Program is thereby established to encourage the novice and veteran alike to seek perfection in breeding the Chinese Owl. This honor of Master Breeder is placed within the reach of all those fanciers whose goal is the improvement of the Chinese Owl.
2. **Qualifications:** To Achieve the honor of Master Breeder must fulfill the following to qualify:
 - A. Sustained membership in the NCOC for a minimum of five (5) years.
 - B. Must collect over a period of years a total of 1,000 points in competition under the NCOC point schedule.
3. **Records:** One NCOC member is to be appointed permanent coordinator of records to review and keep records of the show points earned by the membership.
 - A. Points will be allocated only on the basis of receipt of authorized show reports submitted by members.
 - B. At least 50% (500) points must be won by showing birds.
 - C. Points will be allotted only on shows after 1970. All points must be claimed and show reports received no later than one year after the show is past.
 - D. Prior to January 1, 1978, all birds exhibited by someone other than the breeder shall earn Master Breeder points. Any points earned shall be divided 50/50 between the breeder and the exhibitor. After January 1, 1978, no Master Breeder points will be awarded to any bird that is shown other than the breeder of said bird.
 - E. No points will be allowed for shows judged by other than an NCOC certified judge. In the event that a certified judge dedicated only to the purpose of judging the meet is not available, a panel of three (3) certified judges who are exhibiting birds are allowed to judge the meet as a team. Whenever possible, a class should be judged by a judge that does not have an entry in that class. When all three (3) judges have an entry in the class it will be judged as a team. The champion and nine (9) reserve champions will be selected by the full panel of three (3) by eliminating color class winners until there are only ten (10) birds left. Then each judge will place those ten (10) in order with the first place receiving ten (10) point, the second receiving nine (9) points, third receiving eight (8) points, etc. The bird with the most points total from the panel will be the champion. In the case of a tie, the panel will vote again on the two (2) birds. The reserve system of judging will be used in the finals so additional votes may be needed to determine the nine (9) reserve champions.
 - F. There will be no more than three (3) district meets per district that are designated NCOC Master Breeder Points Shows. This is in addition to our regular annual meets; the National Young Bird Show, Annual Fall Meet, and the Grand National Show. (See Article VI, Section 1 of the Constitution)
 - G. To qualify for Master Breeder points at a district meet, there must be no less than 60 Chinese Owls shown by four (4) or more exhibitors.
 - H. Once yearly, the Point Coordinator will submit to the Secretary an updated list of points allocated to each member to be published in the NCOC newsletter.
 - I. If a breeder allows his/her membership in the NCOC to lapse and has not earned 1,000 points and does not rejoin within 5 years, then all of the breeder's Master Breeder points are reduced to zero. If the breeder rejoins within the 5 year period then the Master Breeder points will be reinstated upon written proof provided by said breeder. If the breeder rejoins after a 5 year absence, none of the points earned prior to rejoining may be reinstated.

J. Whenever rule (I) becomes effective (September 21, 2005) all Master Breeder points earned prior to September 21, 2005, may be reinstated upon written proof provided by said breeder if said breeder rejoins the NCOC.

4. Points will be awarded to the champion and 4 reserve champions at all meets. The judge will select an additional five (5) reserve champions at all meets. These five (5) will receive awards for the Grand National, National Young Bird Meet, and the Annual Fall Meet but there will be no additional Master Breeder points awarded for the last five (5) reserve champions.

To receive Best of Color points there must be a minimum of two (2) birds from two (2) exhibitors. If there is only one (1) exhibitor, Best of Color points will only be awarded if the bird representing the one (1) exhibitor places in the top ten (10).

To receive Reserve of Color points there must be a minimum of ten (10) total entries in the color class, except when the reserve places in the top ten (10) of champion or reserve champions.

A color can be presented for recognition as a new color class when the color meets the criteria detailed in the last paragraph of the color descriptions for a total of 5 shows in a 3 year period.

Point Allotment:

	<u>NPA Grand National</u>	<u>National Young Bird Meet or Annual Fall Meet</u>	<u>Scheduled District Meets</u>
Champion	100	80	70
Reserve Champion	70	50	40
2 nd Reserve Champion	45	40	35
3 rd Reserve Champion	35	30	25
4 th Reserve Champion	25	25	20
Best of Color	10	8	5
Reserve of Color (10 in class)	4	3	2

Class Points:

One bird, one exhibitor	1 point
Two birds, one exhibitor	
1 st	1 point
2 nd	0 points
Two birds, 2 exhibitors	
1 st	2 points
2 nd	1 point
Three to nine birds, two or more exhibitors	
1 st	3 points
2 nd	2 points
3 rd	1 point
Ten to fifteen birds, two or more exhibitors	
1 st	4 points
2 nd	3 points
3 rd	2 points
4 th	1 point
Sixteen or more birds, two or more exhibitors	
1 st	5 points
2 nd	4 points
3 rd	3 points
4 th	2 points
5 th	1 point

Development of New Color 200 points

Levels of Achievement:

Master Breeder	1,000 Points
Hall of Fame	5,000 Points
Presidential Award	10,000 Points
Life-time Achievement	15,000 Points

Master Judge Program

1. **Purpose:** The NCOC has established its Master Judge program to honor those individuals who have demonstrated their knowledge of the NCOC Standard of Perfection and their ability to apply that knowledge to the task of judging at numerous NCOC sanctioned meets.
2. **Qualifications:** The applicant must be a current certified judge at the time the application is submitted. The certified judges must have judged at least one (1) meet where the judge is elected (Grand National or National Young Bird Show). The accumulated points needed to qualify is one thousand (1,000). The term "Master" will be added behind the name of the successful applicant on the certified judges list.
3. **Records:** The potential master judge must submit an application (form provided by the NCOC secretary) listing the meets judged to the current Master Breeder Points Coordinator. The application must be approved by the current Master Breeder Points Coordinator, the current NCOC President, and at least two (2) other current NCOC officers.

Points:

NPA Grand National – Elected Judge	150
Annual Young Bird Meet – Elected Judge	100
Annual Fall Meet	100
NCOC Sponsored District Meets	75

*When panel judging is used in emergencies no judging points are awarded to anyone on the panel.

Individual Bird Hall of Fame Program

Purpose: This program is established to recognize those outstanding Chinese Owls that prove their excellence in open competition.

Qualifications: To achieve the honor of NCOC Hall of Fame Chinese Owl the bird must fulfill the following two (2) conditions:

1. Collect 1,500 points in NCOC competition.
 - A. Point Allotment:
 - a. Points will be awarded for qualified/certified NCOC Meets.
 - b. Points will be awarded to the top five (5) birds (Champion through 4th Reserve Champion)
 - c. One point will be allotted for each Chinese Owl that said bird beats (e.g. In a 200 bird NCOC meet, the Champion Chinese Owl would be awarded 199 points, the Reserve Champion 198 points, and so on.
 - d. Points will be allotted only to birds that earn points after 2002. Birds that earn points after 2002 can claim points from shows before 2002.
2. The bird must have placed Champion through 4th Reserve Champion in NCOC meets judged by five (5) different NCOC certified judges.