## Easley Clearbody Didier Mervilde

Many Years mutations has been reported which produce clear yellow or white body with normal dark wing markings.

It was in Cage and Aviary Birds that Dr. T. Daniels noticed that they were already known in 1981.

The Dominant Clearbody was established in the USA and Australia at the same time.

The First interesting article came from Mr. C. F. Easley. He said: "The body color changed to white or yellow and wings and schaft feathers became black. The spots are black and the cheek patch are lavender.

The clearness of the body and the darkness of the wing barrings depends on the stengh of the factor in the idividual bird."

Because Mr. Easley was the First to recognise the mutation it was logical that he gave it the name "Easley Clearbody"

Mr. Easley lived in Rialto, California and when he first saw those birds he called them "laced clear" this was in 1957. At that moment he paired an Opaline Dark Green Cock to a Cobalt hen. In that nest he found the first "laced clear" later named "Easley Clearbody".

That was the start to establish a stud of over the 200 Clearbodies.

He noticed that the deph of wing markings were variable, he also proved the mutation to be an autosomal Dominant.

Only in 1965 he sold some birds. Mr. Easley died in 1973, having disposed of all his stock.

For Europe it was Mr. Molkentin (at that moment living in Germany) who imported two Dominant or Easley Clearbody cocks from California in 1990 and in 1992 Wilfried Kopp (Germany) obtained some birds later on.

It was in 1997 that I bought a pair from Mr.Kopp.

For the moment Easley Clearbodies are not so common and for myself I lost all my Easley Clearbodies after an disease in 2005.

## **GENETICS**

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The Easley Clearbody is dominant over its wild type alllele, so it possessing single factor Easley Clearbodies and double factor Easley Clearbodies. The double factor E. CL. have a clearer body and darker wings than the single factor birds.

## Table inheritance

1F Dominant x Normal = 50% 1F Dominant

50% Normal

1F Dominant x 1F Dominant = 25% 2 F Dominant

50% 1 F Dominant

25% Normal

2 F Dominant x Normal = 100% 1 F Dominant

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