## **Rob Friedrichsen – RF7**

Rob had been breeding pet type budgies as a hobby for a number of years before joining United in 2011.

After becoming interested in breeding and showing the birds, Rob has spent the last few years learning all about the issues involved in the hobby, including the genetics and breeding requirements to become competitive on the show bench.







As can be seen, Rob first started with a small aviary & very cramped breeding room.

Being the owner and manager of a small business, combined with a young family and another passion, Fishing, Rob has found it hard to put in as much time as he would like, but this is gradually changing.

Another important aspect Rob leant as a beginner, is not to have too many varieties.

Rob is now concentrating on maintaining a line of strong normal's whilst working hard to build up a line of Fallow's that will be really competitive on the show bench and contribute to the club's success at the shield shows. The normal are essential to use in building up the lesser variety of Fallow.

Rob has recently moved up from Beginner to Intermediate, and is currently in the process of building his new Breeding room and aviaries. Although the shed is new, Rob was fortunate to be able to buy a retiring breeders cages and equipment.

When finished Rob plans to have the birdroom set up with 20 breeding cages, baby holding cages, seed bins, sink, water, power and storage for show cages. Attached to the birdroom will be 3 flights for his stock.







Rob plans to have the set up completed in time for this year's (2017) breeding season, and is really looking forward to working in his new set up with more cages and importantly more room.