

Re: What's wrong with Scruffy Moe?

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pammyT wrote:
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a few annoying features take him from my life. especially over a chicken.
If a marriage gets in trouble over chickens, I'll eat the chickens and
break bread with my husband.

You are eminently more toleranmt than I am which is self evident by the fact
that you allow your neighbours to dictate whether you can kill the vermin
which thratens your birds and you are subservient to your husband.
I bow to nobody.

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That is really a shame Pammy!
Are you happy in your life bowing to nobody and rubbing about everybody
the wrong way?

Life and marriage are about compromise, something you have repeatedly
demonstrated you have no comprehension of. Fowl are a hobby, or a
business, and everyone knows something that they want to tell you. Most
of the information that comes from these experts is rubbish, but everyone
has an opinion. My wife hates fowl in all forms, that does not stop us
being happy and yes she has her say in what happens in the fowl yard. We
compromise!

Personally I read this group and at times wonder if the some of the
people posting really are using any common sense at all, or are just
another brand of PETA. On the whole I ignore the lunatic posts
recommending veterinary care for something which is worth all of a few
dollars, but then my opinion is probably considered lunatic by those who
appear to think that money is not an option.

Reality and circumstance have to be considered in all things, and the
treatment of fowl is something that will vary dependent on a persons
location and culture. I would NOT take a sick bird to the vet, unless I
was trying to diagnose an epidemic in the flock. I would treat it where I

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could and lop it's head and replace it with a healthy one if I could not cure it. Given that I can not get access to antibiotics without spending 50 odd dollars on a vets consultation, they are automatically excluded from my kill or cure regime. Does this attitude make me a poor bird keeper? or a realist? I think it makes me a realist, you may think it makes me a monster, but I have raised thousands of birds in the past 30 years.

Finally Pammy, could you cease treating people as fools, sadists, negligent etc. They are asking questions here because they are at least interested enough in their birds to want to do something right for them. Being Rude and dominating as an obvious animal lover is not constructive and may even drive off people who have done nothing more wrong than ask a question.

You really make me laugh when you criticise people for having an animal and knowing nothing about it. I clearly remember my first born son, we knew nothing at all about babies and fumbled along, asked questions and sought advice all over. Eventually we raised him to an adult and in the process learned enough to not have half the 'problems' with the following four. The point here is that parents usually know nothing or very little and are charged with raising the next generation. What is so wrong with people buying a few fowl with a similar level of ignorance and like new parent asking lots of questions.

Matt

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