

# Marsh Daisy Census 2012

Please complete as many of the questions that you feel able to and return this form either by email to [marsh.daisy.breeders@gmail.com](mailto:marsh.daisy.breeders@gmail.com) or by post to

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## Closing Date for the census: 30<sup>th</sup> September 2012

The most important information we require is the number of each colour and how many of those meet the standard. **We would still like to receive your form even if the information is incomplete – ALL information will be very useful!** Please include photographs too if you are able to do so. **Thank you!**

1. Do you feel able to determine which colours of Marsh Daisies you have? Yes/No
2. How many Marsh Daisies do you have? Please include all birds whether they are close enough to the Standard to breed from or not (do NOT include any that hatched this year).

	Hens	Cockerels
Brown		
Wheaten		
Buff		
Black		
White		
Total Marsh Daisies		

3. From discussions with several of you and from our own experiences, we know that a significant number of Marsh Daisies do NOT meet the Standard and are not good enough to breed from. Please record below the number of birds that in your opinion DO meet the Standard and ARE good enough to breed from (do NOT include any that hatched this year).

	Hens	Cockerels
Brown		
Wheaten		
Buff		
Black		
White		
Total breeding Marsh Daisies		

4. Please describe in the following table any faults/problems that you find when you breed e.g. double leader on comb, legs not willow green, upper body feathers too dark or too light etc.

	Hens – faults/problems	Cockerels – faults/problems
Brown		
Wheaten		
Buff		
Black		
White		

5. How many birds have you bred from this year?

	Hens	Cockerels
Brown		
Wheaten		
Buff		
Black		
White		

6. How many eggs have you incubated/placed under a broody this year? \_\_\_\_\_

7. How many of the above number of eggs hatched? \_\_\_\_\_

8. How many of the chicks hatched above met the breed standard?

	No. that <b>do</b> meet the breed standard	Number that <b>do not</b> meet the breed standard
Brown		
Wheaten		
Buff		
Black		
White		
Colour unknown (too young to tell)		

9. How many years have you kept Marsh Daisies? \_\_\_\_\_ years

10. How many years have you been breeding Marsh Daisies? \_\_\_\_\_ years

11. Where did you get your original stock from? (Continued on next page)

Name of breeder/ market	Address/ Town/ County	Hens	Cockerels	Colour	Eggs	Young stock (under 5 mths)	Adults

Question 11 continued.....

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12. Have you maintained a "closed flock" or introduced new bloodlines/ stock?

Closed\_\_\_\_\_ Added new stock\_\_\_\_\_

13. If you have introduced new bloodlines/stock, where did you get your stock from? (Continue on separate sheet if necessary)

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14. What is the average size and weight of the eggs your Marsh Daisies lay?

Weight: \_\_\_\_\_ Length of egg: \_\_\_\_\_

15. Estimate the average number of eggs you get from each of your hens each year: \_\_\_\_\_

16. Is there anything else you can tell us about your Marsh Daisies that you think might help us all with breeding these birds? (continue on a separate sheet if necessary)

17. Your contact details:

(If you do not want to give your full address, please just put in the town/county you are in)

Name:

Address:

Email:

Telephone:

- Are you a member of the Rare Poultry Society? Yes / No
- Are you a member of the Marsh Daisy Breeder's Group? Yes / No
- May we contact you for additional information? Yes / No

**Data Protection Act Questions:**

- Do you give us permission to share your contact details with other members of the Marsh Daisy Group and the RPS Secretary? Yes / No (we will not share this with anyone else)
- We get calls from people looking to purchase Marsh Daisies and their fertile eggs. Do you want to be contacted if someone is looking to buy? Yes / No

**Thank you for your time and effort, it is much appreciated!**