

# **DAGENHAM & DISTRICT CAGE BIRD SOCIETY NEWSLETTER**

**AUGUST 2022**



## **NEXT MEETING**

**Saturday, 20<sup>th</sup> August 2022**

**10am to 12pm**

**A talk by Keith Ferry on  
Norwich Canaries**

**SALES TABLE AT EVERY MEETING**

**Dagenham and District  
Cage Bird Society  
Meetings held at  
Wantz Hall  
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Trophy Secretary	LES RIX
Canteen	FRAN, VAL & BARRY

Dick Lathleiff, Mick Pegram and Ted Papandreas

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**Meetings are held on the third Saturday of the month  
at 10am to 12pm at Wantz Hall – Rainham Road  
North – Dagenham – Essex RM10 7DX**

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**Committee Meetings**

**The Show Committee will arrange the Shows.  
General Committee Meetings will be arranged as and  
when needed. All Meetings and decisions will be  
reported by the Secretary in the Newsletters**

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**SUBSCRIPTION RATES FOR THE CALENDAR YEAR  
2022**

<b>Single</b>	<b>£15.00</b>
<b>Partnerships:</b>	<b>£20.00</b>
<b>Juniors (to 16):</b>	<b>FREE</b>

**If anyone would like to contribute an article to the Newsletter about their  
birds or their showing – or anything else – please speak to Barry or Val  
at any of the meetings or e-mail them at the addresses shown below.  
Barry ([lukeira@btinternet.com](mailto:lukeira@btinternet.com)) Val ([valkenh@btinternet.com](mailto:valkenh@btinternet.com))**

## **Forthcoming Meeting Dates**

### **2022**

Sat 20 <sup>th</sup> Aug	Keith Ferry will be giving a talk on Norwich Canaries
Sat 17 <sup>th</sup> Sep	Jason Jermy will be giving a talk on Softbills
Sat 15 <sup>th</sup> Oct	Club Show League – Second Round – Hen Bird Show
Sat 19 <sup>th</sup> Nov	Young Stock Show (10am to 2pm)
Fri 9 <sup>th</sup> Dec	Staging for Open / Annual Show followed by Christmas Raffle Draw and Buffet (8pm to 10pm)
Sat 10 <sup>th</sup> Dec	Open / Annual Show (all day)

### **2023**

Sat 21st Jan	AGM
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## **The President's Comments**

### **Zebras**

My second round of babies by my pair of CFW's started with the Hen starting to lay, as stated in last month's article, before the baby had left the box. This time she made two separate nests in the one box (flat nests). She laid eggs in both ends of the nest – 3 in one end and 3 in the other. When the first hatched to be honest I thought it was dead, but no, the next day there were two babies but still 1 egg. In the meantime, the eggs from the other end started to hatch. So now I had four babies and two eggs but on a subsequent day there were three babies one end and one the other end. It seems she or he moved one of the chicks.

The parents carried on in the same way of feeding as with the first chick but with one exception – the chick from the first nest keeps going in and out of the nest box. I assume it is helping with the new chicks.

They have now left the nest box and the colour is nothing like CFW's.

My second pair raised six chicks. Five are an orange colour and one I think looks like a young Bullfinch. They are all doing well. The Hen has gone back to nest, so I will wait and see what happens next.

Since all the babies have left the nest I have seen the youngster from the first nest going round feeding all the CFW's chicks from the second round.

### **Gouldians**

Meanwhile I have two nest boxes with Gouldians in and from the amount of noise coming from them it brings me to the idea that there are several young in both boxes. As I have said before, because of the way the nests are built you cannot see what is in them.

Unfortunately, a few days after writing this piece for the Newsletter I found the CFW Cock dead on the feeder. I think he just wore himself out

At this time of the year we are fast coming to the end of the breeding season, especially for Canaries. British and Foreign will go on for a little longer. I hope you have got your brooms ready, or, if you have a few bob, your hoovers, because as you know, we are fast approaching the moult when our sheds will be full of feathers. This, to me, is the worst time of year, when your birds look like they have been pulled through a hedge backwards. So, all you can do is keep your birds well fed with plenty of baths and look forward to seeing your birds when the moult is over.

All being well you should have some nice quality birds not only for showing, but to grace your cages. Also for selecting your birds for the coming season.

After the last few years we have had I hope you all have had, if not a marvelous year, a very good year, with some beautiful birds to make you feel better.

Feel free to write and tell us how your season has gone. Your ups and downs. I personally hope you have only had a few downs, and have had a great season. So come on put pen to paper and let us know.

Pete

### **The Club Secretary's Comments**

At July's meeting we had a very interesting talk by Dave Mason on breeding birds for exhibition. A good number of members turned up and they had many questions which were all answered, from pairings to breeding and colour feeding.

At the August meeting we have Keith Ferry talking about Norwich Canaries. Keith has been at the very top of the Norwich world for some years now and will talk about all the elements of breeding & showing Norwich Canaries.

Richard

### **Show Prize Money Fund**

There were seven donations last month:-

Fran Johnson made a cash donation of £10.00

Barry Johnson made a cash donation of £20.00  
John Young made a cash donation of £20.00  
Mick Pegram made a cash donation of £60.00  
Dave Hunt made a cash donation of £20.00  
George Philpot made a cash donation of £20.00  
Les Rix made a cash donation of £25.00

Micky Moffet donated cages – £95.00  
Laurie Butler donated a carry cage – £30.00  
Richard Wilson auctioned a Mule – £50.00  
Lee Everist made a cash donation of £15.00  
Steve Wallis made a cash donation of £15.00  
Sales Table – drinkers – £5.00  
Richard Wilson donated cages – £50.00  
Martin Nye made a cash donation of £30.00  
Valerie Holmes made a cash donation of £20.00  
Shane Evans donated a Twite Mule – £20.00  
May's Song Bird Show entry fees – £8.00  
Charlie Aldis made a cash donation of £10.00  
Tara Boddington made a cash donation of £6.50  
Dave Hunt donated Canaries – £100.00  
Richard Wilson donated a carry case – £20.00  
Mick Pegram made a cash donation of £10.00

TOTAL = £659.50

Thank you to all the above for their donations to the Club to help generate funds to go towards the prize money for the Club Shows

We also received our yearly sponsorship from the IOA for £200.00 minus our £10.00 membership. Thank you to Eddie Wells & Richard Lawson who are on the committee of the IOA for fighting our corner and getting it raised from £150.00 to £200.00 this year.

### **Useful Numbers and Contacts**

#### **Rings**

IOA (International Ornithological Association) Website – [www.ioa-com-uk.org](http://www.ioa-com-uk.org)

For all rings call Richard Lumley on 01653 697565

Email - [ruby@lordlumley.plus.com](mailto:ruby@lordlumley.plus.com)

Richard is very helpful and provides a great service. The IOA are also sponsors of Dagenham CBS.

For closed or split rings email or call Hans Herr in Germany. Contact Melanie Siegel she speaks very good English, is very helpful and quick, I ordered & paid for rings on a Wednesday and I received them on the Monday. The quality of the rings is excellent.

Website – [www.vogelringe.de](http://www.vogelringe.de) Phone: 0049-721-686023

Fax: 0049-721-683029 - E-Mail: [ma.herr@vogelringe.de](mailto:ma.herr@vogelringe.de)

**This Year's Club Sponsor**  
**Direct Bird Products – Shane Evans**

Don't forget you can ring Shane and give him your order which he will bring to the next meeting or he can post it to you. Please see the details in his advert at the end of the Newsletter.

**Members' Recommendations**

**Suppliers of Colour Food by The Standard Laboratory**

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Contact George Weeks

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E-Mail: [george@standardlabs.co.uk](mailto:george@standardlabs.co.uk)

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**DG Pest Control.- David Galea**

(Club Member)

E-Mail [davidgalea@live.co.uk](mailto:davidgalea@live.co.uk)

Phone 01708 472172 or

07882 951 578 (Mobile)

[www.dgpestcontrol.co.uk](http://www.dgpestcontrol.co.uk).

**Items for Sale**

If you have any birds or equipment for sale please bring them to the Club or let Barry or Val know and they will add it to the next Newsletter.

**Items wanted**

If there are any birds or equipment you want please let Barry or Val know what you are looking for so that it can be added to the next Newsletter.

***Please note, adverts in the "For Sale" and "Items Wanted" sections will only be included in two Newsletters. If you want your advert in after the two months please let Barry or Val know. Thank you.***

## Treasurer's Monthly Report for July 2022

Raffle made:	£121.00	Current Members present:	29
Tea Bar made:	£48.40	Guests :	1
Donations	£00 (Sales)	New / Returning Members	1

### Raffle

Our new Member, Steve Toop, won the £50.00 from this month's Raffle

**Our thanks to Vista Workspace Solutions  
for their sponsorship and the raffle prizes**

### New Members

We had one New Member in July  
Welcome to Steve Toop who keeps Fifes

### The Club's Website, etc

The Club's **website** is [www.dagenhamcbs.com](http://www.dagenhamcbs.com). You can find out all about our Club right back to 1935 – Newsletters, Shows, history and much more. The Club can also be contacted by **e-mail** – [info@dagenhamcbs.com](mailto:info@dagenhamcbs.com) – or via our **Facebook** page.

**Dagenham CBS Facebook and Group Page:** We now have 240 Members on the Group Page. Please give it a look and join in the banter and the up to date news from the members.

### Members' Info.

Mick Pegram is still dealing with most of the posts on our Facebook page. Please don't forget to let Richard have your contact details if you are happy for them to be put onto the website page. This will allow members, especially those who are not on Facebook, to stay in touch and give advice and help to other members who keep the same species or share the same problems.

## **"My Starting With Canaries" by Terry Hardie**

Hi all. I started with Canaries in the late 1980's. I joined Dagenham CBS when Pete's Dad, Sid, was Secretary. I didn't have any birds at that time and didn't know what Canaries I was going to keep.

At the Dagenham CBS I was introduced to a Border fancier by the name of Jimmy Todd. That was my start with Borders. I was under his wing for a while and I joined other clubs – Rainham, Romford and Barking. I was on the Committees of all those Clubs but they have all gone now.

I packed up in the 1990's due to work. I started again in 2012 with Fife Canaries. I went off Borders - they seemed too big and hard to breed.

I was good mates with Gary McBeath. He is good friends with Gerald Spencer. I think he is the best Fife man around and Gary's next in my opinion. Gary and myself went to Gerald's shed in Yorkshire. I bought two Trio's from him and Gary helped me out. Everything went well and I had two good years on the Show Bench winning Best Novice at some of the Shows and Best In Show at one Show. I was well pleased.

In 2015 I had Red Mite big time so I called it a day. Then in 2018 I tried again. I had Northern Mite right through the shed. I couldn't get on top of it. The breeding season was bad so, again, I called it a day. In 2019 I was really ill and couldn't leave the house.

In 2021 Gary McBeath came round my house and convinced me to start again. He has been a good mate. (I have made more come backs than Frank Sinatra!) Gary has really looked after me with the birds. I can't drive any more so he takes me to Shows. I really like my Fifes and wouldn't change. With Dagenham CBS there are many types of birds and I like to look at them. Dagenham is a good Club and very friendly.

That's all for now. Terry

## **Mick Pegram's "Spot the Member" give-away**

Mick is continuing with his monthly "Spot The Member" and will be donating £10.00 to the Member who is circled in the following photo.

The winner will be picked at random by a non-member who does not know anyone at the Club. The prize must be claimed at the next Meeting otherwise the £10.00 will be donated to the Club.



Last month's winner was **Fran Johnson** and she kindly donated her winnings to the Club's Prize Money Fund.



### **Membership Subscriptions**

The Club's year runs from January to December

If you know anyone who is unable to get to the Meetings they can send their 2022 subs to Pete (details at the front of the Newsletter)

Cheques should be made payable to Dagenham & District CBS

Single – £15.00.....Partnerships – £20.00..... Juniors (to 16) – Free

### **Members' Christmas Raffle**

Richard is continuing the Members' Christmas Raffle again this year. Every Member who is signed in at the Meetings will receive one entry for each Meeting attended. The draw will take place at the December Meeting and the winner will receive a cash prize of £100.00 donated by Vista Workspace Solutions.

To win the prize you must be at the Meeting on Friday, the 9<sup>th</sup> December otherwise another ticket will be picked until a winner is declared.

The usual monthly raffle will still take place on the Friday night, with its £50.00 cash prize plus other prizes as normal.

### **August 2022 Meeting**

Our next Meeting is on the 20<sup>th</sup> August and Keith Ferry will be giving a talk on Norwich Canaries

A few pictures from the July Meeting





### **Romford Bird Sale**

The Romford Bird Sale will be held on the 2nd Saturday of each month at Noak Hill Victory Hall, Romford, Essex, RM4 1LD. For more details see their Facebook page or ring Jamie Taylor on 07999 354 911

### **Bird Keepers Association**

Malcolm Thornton has asked if we could put an advert in for the Association's Sale Days and we are of course happy to do this. The Venue for the sale days is Cowdray Hall, London Road, West Thurrock, RM20 3JE. All other information is on the enclosed poster.

## Club Sponsor

**Direct Bird Products** is this year's Club Sponsor and are suppliers of seed and equipment. They are happy to post Members' orders to them or deliver to the hall on meeting days.

They also plan to have a sales table at every meeting.

Members can contact them by calling **Shane Evans** on **07376 669 333** or message on Facebook Direct Bird Products.



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