

DAGENHAM & DISTRICT CAGE BIRD SOCIETY NEWSLETTER

DECEMBER 2023



NEXT MEETING

**Friday 8th December 2023
8pm to 10pm**

**CHRISTMAS BUFFET EVENING
FREE CHRISTMAS RAFFLE DRAW
PREPARATION FOR THE ANNUAL SHOW THE
FOLLOWING DAY**

**ANNUAL SHOW CLOSING DATE FOR ENTRIES
MONDAY 4TH DECEMBER 2023**

(Please see inside for more information)

SALES TABLES AT EVERY MEETING

**Dagenham and District
Cage Bird Society
Meetings held at
Wantz Hall
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Newsletter	BARRY & VAL
Show Manager	STEVE WALLIS
Asst. Show Managers	LES RIX and DAVE MASON
Show Secretary	GEOFF LOUTH
Trophy Secretary	LES RIX
Canteen	FRAN, VAL & BARRY

And DICK LATHLEIFF, MICK PEGRAM & TED PAPANDREAS

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

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**

**SUBSCRIPTION RATES FOR THE CALENDAR YEAR
2023**

Single	£15.00
Partnerships:	£20.00
Juniors (to 16):	FREE

**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) Val (valkenh@btinternet.com)**

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LEFT AS YOU ENTER AND DO NOT ENTER IF THE LIGHT IS FLASHING**

Forthcoming Meeting Dates

2023

Fri 8th Dec Staging for Open Show followed by Christmas Raffle Draw and Buffet (8pm to 10pm)

Sat 9th Dec Open / Annual Show (all day)

2024

Sat 20th Jan AGM

The President's Comments

Nothing from Pete this month

The Secretary's Comments

This year's Young Stock Show was again very well supported with 125 birds benched from 18 exhibitors, which was slightly down on last year's numbers. There were a few other shows on the same day so I think this was good based on that.

Firstly I would like to thank our judges Glenn Lewingdon (British, Mules & Hybrids and Foreign) and John Martin (Canaries), both are members of Dagenham CBS, and a credit to our club and the hobby. Without people like these the club shows just wouldn't happen. Thank you to the Show Team Steve Wallis, Davy Hunt and Les Rix and all the people who helped set up and, more importantly, the ones who always stay behind and help pack up – Mick Pegram, Graham Gallimore, Les Rix and Michael Buckland. Also thank you to our canteen team, who always work so very hard every month. It should never be forgotten that all the above are paid up members as well, who give their own time to make the club the success it is. So please give a thought to these people and give a hand where you can. The more that help the less everyone has to do.

Well done to this year's winner Davy Hunt winning with a Canary x Bullfinch that he bred this year, a very deserving winner on the day. I would also like to add that the 3 top section awards all went to Novice exhibitors, Best British Davy Hunt, Best Canary Graham Gallimore and Best Foreign Barry Johnson, well done lads. Also the Show League's first & second positions were Novice exhibitors. It just goes to show how valuable these small club shows are for gaining experience and it must also be said how well all the canary exhibitors have stepped it up at our shows this year. Well done to everyone and let's see if next year we can do even better.

YOUNG STOCK SHOW SPECIALS LIST 2023

	CATEGORY	PRIZE	WINNER
1	BEST BIRD IN SHOW	Shield	Davy Hunt
2	BEST BIRD IN SHOW	Rosette, £50.00	Davy Hunt
3	BEST BRITISH MULE, HYBRID, SIBERIAN	Rosette, £10.00	Davy Hunt
4	BEST CANARY	Rosette, £10.00	Graham Gallimore
5	BEST FOREIGN, P/LIKE, BUDGIE	Rosette, £10.00	Barry Johnson
6	BEST CHAMPION HARDBILL	Rosette, £5.00	Mark Smithson
7	BEST NOVICE HARDBILL	Rosette, £5.00	Davy Hunt
8	BEST CHAMPION SOFTBILL	Rosette, £5.00	N/A
9	BEST NOVICE SOFTBILL	Rosette, £5.00	N/A
10	BEST CHAMPION MULE	Rosette, £5.00	S&B Wallis
11	BEST NOVICE MULE	Rosette, £5.00	Davy Hunt
12	BEST CHAMPION HYBRID	Rosette, £5.00	Richard Wilson
13	BEST NOVICE HYBRID	Rosette, £5.00	Davy Hunt
14	BEST CHAMPION SIBERIAN	Rosette, £5.00	S&B Wallis
15	BEST NOVICE SIBERIAN	Rosette, £5.00	Davy Hunt
16	BEST CHAMPION NORWICH	Rosette, £5.00	S&B Wallis
17	BEST NOVICE NORWICH	Rosette, £5.00	N/A
18	BEST CHAMPION YORKSHIRE	Rosette, £5.00	N/A
19	BEST NOVICE YORKSHIRE	Rosette, £5.00	N/A
20	BEST CHAMPION GLOSTER	Rosette, £5.00	N/A
21	BEST NOVICE GLOSTER	Rosette, £5.00	Michael Buckland
22	BEST CHAMPION AOV/LIZARD	Rosette, £5.00	N/A
23	BEST NOVICE AOV/LIZARD	Rosette, £5.00	N/A
24	BEST CHAMPION RAZA	Rosette, £5.00	Les Rix
25	BEST NOVICE RAZA	Rosette, £5.00	Peter Norris
26	BEST CHAMPION ENGLISH CINNAMON	Rosette, £5.00	N/A
27	BEST NOVICE ENGLISH CINNAMON	Rosette, £5.00	N/A
28	BEST CHAMPION BORDER	Rosette, £5.00	N/A
28	BEST NOVICE BORDER	Rosette, £5.00	N/A

30	BEST CHAMPION FIFE	Rosette, £5.00	Roger Mack
31	BEST CHAMPION NEW COLOUR	Rosette, £5.00	Mick Pegram
32	BEST NOVICE NEW COLOUR	Rosette, £5.00	Kelvin Samuel
33	BEST CHAMP. FOREIGN HARDBILL	Rosette, £5.00	Barry Johnson
34	BEST NOVICE FOREIGN HARDBILL	Rosette, £5.00	N/A
35	BEST CHAMP FOREIGN SOFTBILL	Rosette, £5.00	N/A
36	BEST NOVICE FOREIGN SOFTBILL	Rosette, £5.00	N/A
37	BEST PARROTLIKE	Rosette, £5.00	N/A
38	BEST BUDGIE	Rosette, £5.00	Barry Johnson
40	BEST NOVICE FIFE	Rosette, £5.00	Graham Gallimore

December's Meeting – The Club's Annual Show

The following is a brief summary of the Annual Show arrangements:-

Show Secretary – Geoff Louth – Receiving and booking in of birds and sorting out special awards.

Show Manager – Steve Wallis and **Assistant Show Managers, Dave Mason and Les Rix**, assisted by **Richard Wilson** – Welcoming the Judges, watering of birds, staging of birds and Show Hall management.

Stewards – Richard Wilson, Mick Pegram, Davy Hunt, Alistair Phillips-Hill, Graham Gallimore, Michael Buckland, Jamie Taylor Wally Scott, Gary Macbeath, Terry Hardy and John Welch. Stewards should be at the hall for 7.30am. Thank you all for asking to help.

Stewards please be aware that your services will be needed all day, first to arrive, last to leave!!

Stewards' Duties – Initial watering (half full) and staging of birds once booked in. Assist with delivering the birds to the Judge's bench

Once all birds have been judged and have been returned to their correct section in order – 1st to last – fill up all water drinkers and sweep floors ready for opening to the public.

Check water and sweep floors throughout the duration of the Show

At lifting time Stewards should stand at all exits as no birds are allowed to leave the hall until the Show Manager has given the all clear.

Once the hall is empty, dismantle staging and return it to the storeroom.

Canteen – Fran, Val and Liz – The canteen will be serving hot food and refreshments all day in the lounge for Members, Exhibitors and the general public and also in the main hall when the Show is open to the public (from 1.30pm). They will also be arranging the Judges' lunches and refreshments. **Barry and Pete** will also be helping during the morning when they've nothing else to do!!

Entrance Door (£3.00) – Pete

Raffle – Barry

Members & Guests Contact Details – Val

This is a full day and very hard work so thank you to all the Stewards and others who have volunteered.

Please remember to come and help put the staging up for the Annual Show on Friday 8th December. We will be doing the Christmas Raffle for £100.00 – **BUT** you must be at the meeting to win the prize. There will also be a buffet laid on for after the staging is up, so the more that help the quicker we can all enjoy ourselves. There will be the usual monthly raffle too (£50 first prize)

If you are unable to help or show your birds on the day, then please come and visit the Show and bring your family and friends to support the Club.

Show Prize Money Fund

There were eight donations in November:-

Peter Norris donated £5.00

Paul Jupe donated £16.00

Phil Perkins donated £20.00

Davy Hunt donated £20.00

Les Rix donated £5.00

Mick Pegram donated £5.00

Young Stock Show - £62.50

Unclaimed Spot the Member Prize – £10.00

January	Steve Smith donated £50.00 Allan Morton donated £10.00
February	Milton Savva donated £20.00 John Young donated £5.00 Jim Galbally donated £20.00 Richard Wilson donated £40.00 Allan Morton donated £10.00 February's Cock Bird Show Entries – £30.00
March	Valerie Holmes donated £20.00 Richard Wilson donated £25.00 Sales table – £5.00 Unclaimed Spot the Member prize – £10.00
April	Les Rix donated £10.00 Peter Decort from sale of birds – £40.00
May	April's Sales Day Income – £361.00 Donna Coleman-Prayter & Karen Brampton sale of birds – £50.00 Phil Perkins donated £20.00 Laurie Butler donated £10.00 Jim Galbally donated £20.00 Song Bird Competition Entries – £7.50
June	Steve Newman donated £2.00 Mick Buckland donated £20.00 Les Rix donated £30.00 Richard Wilson donated £20.00
July	Mick Buckland donated £10.00 Trevor Prior donated £5.00 Richard Wilson donated £20.00
August	Unclaimed Spot the Member Prize - £10.00
Sept	Unclaimed Spot the Member Prize - £10.00 Phil Perkins donated £6.00 from sales
October	Dick Lathleiff donated £10.00 Phil Perkins donated £3.00 Laurie Butler donated £5.00 Michael Buckland donated £10.00 October's Hen Bird Show Entries – £26.50

TOTAL for 2023 = £1,094.50

A special thank you to all the people on this list for donating money for our Prize Fund for the two shows we have. Through your generosity it allows the club to give a much higher value of prize money and more specials at

our shows, in fact higher than any other CBS or Specialist club in the UK. This is another reason that sets us apart from other clubs in the country.

Team Dagenham

Team Dagenham are doing well across the country representing the club and spreading the word in their team colours and flags, competing in many sections, British, Mules & Hybrids, Northern/Siberian, Norwich Canaries, Fife Canaries, English Cinnamon Canaries, Gloster Canaries. So far this season we have sent teams of birds to East Ipswich, The National in Stafford, Cambridge, Yorkshire, Lancashire, Beverley in Hull, Havant and Walsall. Our next show at the time of writing this article will be The North East British Bird Mule & Hybrid club in Newcastle.

Cage & Aviary Avian Draw

The following members have donated birds in the Avian Draw to raise funds for the clubs show fund for next year:-

Lawson & Wells Partnership
S&B Wallis Partnership
Davy Hunt
Richard Wilson
Les Rix
Wally Scott
Shane Evans

Details on how to purchase tickets can be found in the Cage & Aviary magazine, Facebook or aviandraw.win. Tickets are £1.00 each and there are 50 prizes.

Useful Numbers and Contacts

Rings

IOA (International Ornithological Association) Website – www.ioa-com-uk.org For all rings call Richard Lumley on 01653 697565

Email - 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. The quality of the rings is excellent.

Website – www.vogelringe.de Phone: 0049-721-686023

Fax: 0049-721-683029 -

E-Mail: 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

Carrophyll Red/Orange/Yellow

Contact George Weeks

Phone: 01959 576 998 or

E-Mail: george@standardlabs.co.uk

Wiltons Pets

Phone: 01268 726 216

**Gladwells Pet & Country Store
(Essex)**

Phone: 01268 642 601

**DG Pest Control - David Galea
(Club Member)**

Phone 01708 472172 or
07882 951 578 (Mobile)

E-Mail davidgalea@live.co.uk

www.dgpestcontrol.co.uk

Latchford Farm Aquatics, Upminster

Bird, Fish and pet supplies

Phone: 01708 641363

Items for Sale or Items Wanted

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

Please note, adverts in the "For Sale" or "Items Wanted" section 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 & Attendance for November 2023

Raffle made	£121.00	Current Members present	32
Tea Bar made	£96.70	Guests	3
Donations	£10.00	New / Returning Members	1
From Glenn Lewingdon			

Raffle

Davy Hunt won the £50.00 prize this month

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

There was no seed raffle prize this month.

New and Returning Members

We had one new Member at the November Meeting
Welcome to **Ross Firth** who keeps British & Irish

The Club's Website, etc

The Club's **website** is 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 – or
via our **Facebook** page

Dagenham CBS Facebook and Group Pages: We now have 480
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.

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.

Nigel Breese



We understand from Roger Mack that Nigel is unwell
and is in hospital.
All at the Club wish you well Nigel. Get well soon.

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 prize was unclaimed and has been added to the Club's Prize Fund.



Membership Subscriptions

Your 2024 Subscriptions will be due in January

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 2024 subs to Pete (details at the front of the Newsletter)

Cheques should be made payable to Dagenham and District Cage Bird Society

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 8th December otherwise another ticket will be picked until a winner is declared.

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

Bird Keepers Association

There are no more sales this year but information relating to the BKA can be obtained from Malcolm Thornton via their website www.bkauk.org.uk or by e-mailing info@bkauk.org.uk

Last month's photo competition

Last month we included a photo of two former secretaries of Dagenham CBS with a £10.00 prize for the first member who knew who they were. Glenn Lewingdon was the only Member who knew the answer – Pete Decort and his Dad, Sid – so he won the £10.00 which he kindly donated to the Club's funds. Well done Glenn and thank you for the donation.

Some Photos from last month's Meeting



Well done to Davy Hunt winning Best Bird in Show



Pictures above Graham Gallimore's Fife Canary and Barry Johnson's Gouldian







**Well done to everyone who brought their birds to our
Young Stock Show**





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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