

DAGENHAM & DISTRICT CAGE BIRD SOCIETY NEWSLETTER

September 2019



NEXT MEETING

Saturday, 21st September 2019

10am to 12pm

**SECOND ROUND OF CLUB SHOW LEAGUE
ANY BIRD SHOW**

SALES TABLE AT EVERY MEETING

**Dagenham and District
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Committee:

Dick Lathleiff, Mick Pegram and Ted Papandreas

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

Committee Members' meetings

**Would Officers and Committee Members please
attend these monthly meetings starting from 10am
on every meeting day.**

**SUBSCRIPTION RATES FOR THE CALENDAR YEAR
2019**

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

Forthcoming Meetings

SAT 21 st Sep 2019	Club Show League – Second Round – Any Bird Show
SAT 19 th Oct 2019	Club Show League – Third Round – Pairs Show
SAT 16 th Nov 2019	Young Stock Show
FRI 13 th Dec 2019	Staging for Open Show followed by Christmas Hamper Raffle Draw and Buffet
SAT 14 th Dec 2019	Open Show
SAT 18 th Jan 2020	AGM

August 2019 Meeting **The President's comments**

At the last Meeting there was a discussion on the Open Show. Although I could not be there I did put forward a few suggestions in the Newsletter which I understand were discussed with some of them agreed and I look forward to seeing the results of the discussions in the Secretary's Comments Section of this Newsletter.

One thing I did mean to mention in last month's Newsletter about the Show was – did we not at one time say we would have a "Pet Bird Section"? Could this perhaps be discussed?

Pete.

August 2019 Meeting **The Secretary's comments**

Firstly some thank you's

Thank you to Marilyn for her support helping Val in the Tea Bar as Fran has been unwell with a lot of discomfort for many weeks but still turned up every month to apply her catering skills, I do hope you're on the mend now.

As a club we are so lucky to have these ladies who work so hard every month in the Tea Bar serving up refreshments to us members. But please all remember they do not get paid for the hard work they do, in fact most of what they supply is their donation to the club, plus they are members also who pay their membership the same as everyone else so please help with the clearing up and taking your cups back.

Thank you also to Peter for his washing up skills, Barry for doing the raffle and Fergus for doing the football card. Also to Micky Pegram, Les Rix & Steve Wallis for helping to set up and pack away.

The August meeting had a fair turnout to discuss the preparations for this year's Open Show to take place on Saturday 14th December 2019. This is the second Saturday in December as the normal third Saturday was too close to Christmas. So the December meeting will be Friday 13th December when we will put up all the staging for the show and have our Christmas buffet and free Christmas raffle for the M&S Hamper.

We discussed some possible changes to the schedule, the first being the numbering system as some people got confused with their "M's" and their "N's" so this year it will be numbered 1 – 675 with no letters.

The judges were also discussed and are as follows –

British Birds	Dan Taylor
Mules & Hybrids, Siberian	Derek Smith
Foreign	Roger Green
Norwich	Brian Rayfield
Fife & Border	Kevin Peck
New Colour Canary	TBC
Yorkshire Canary	TBC
Gloster Canary	John Martin
AOV & Lizard Canary	TBC

We also took out the Novice section in the Foreign Birds as apparently they only have a Champion Section but of course we kept the Juvenile Section.

We then got to Peter's questions which were put to the floor to discuss. Answer to each question below in **RED** –

1. An answer to my idea for a free raffle for a bag of seed for all who help with the Show.

This was well accepted and agreed. Once we know who the winner is we can get the right seed for them.

2. Also I would like to have a "Member of the Year" prize, i.e. a bag of seed or perhaps £25.00.

This was discussed at length. It is not a question for the Open Show, but something worth following up. However it needs some thought as to what the criteria is for "Member of the Year"? Who judges who wins? Or does everyone vote? I think this is something for the AGM.

3. Would it be possible to drop the Membership fee for non-members to enter their birds at our Annual Show – even to just try it for one year?

This was a straight “No” from the Members present. It was felt that if people wanted to show at the Club they needed to pay the same as the Members.

Do you remember the time you had to be voted in at a CBS club by a member and then had to be seconded by another member to join a club. That used to keep the Riff Raff out. I’m not saying we have any Riff Raff, we have only the best members.

4. Being an Open Show, can we put some Classes in for Budgies?

This is where it got interesting. It only turns out we have an official Club Mascot called Barry the Budgie owned by Barry Johnson who has promised to bring Barry the Budgie to some of the Club Meetings to meet the Members. (Photos with Barry the Budgie & autographs may be possible!!). So we thought it was only right to introduce back into the Open Show Schedule a Section for any Budgie. There was an air of excitement when this was announced so I think there may be some other secret Budgie keepers in the Club.

5. My daughter bought me a radio for my Shed. Since I have been playing music down my Shed I have noticed that some of my birds have started to dance. So would it be possible to have a new Class for “Dancing Birds”? Just a thought!

It was agreed that Mrs Decort shouldn’t let Peter have alcohol in his bird shed.

It was agreed that on the show day judges would get a bacon roll & a drink on arrival and served lunch and stewards would get lunch provided.

Other items discussed were:-

- We must make time to do a presentation at the Open Show for the winners of the Top awards to be presented by our President Peter.
- To contact the Dagenham Post and Cage & Aviary with regards to the Show date and an invitation to visit the show which Barry and Val will take care of.
- A list of Stewards was taken and will be confirmed closer to the show date.
- It was also suggested to get patronage to the Essex Kent & Counties Fife Club for the Open Show which Brenda Kettle is arranging for us.

Richard

Pete’s chit chat

I have some wonderful news. Fran has had her operation and is doing well. So wish you well Fran and hurry back as the Tea Bar did not do so well last month (only joking about the Tea Bar). Best wishes from all to Fran.

I understand that one or two people at the last Meeting were asking about Beryl Blake so I have been on the phone to her. She is alright although having difficulty walking, but she assured me she would be at the next Meeting.

My Birds

By now I should think all breeding is over and we are well into the moult with feathers everywhere. Soon, from tatty looking birds, we will see some wonderful Canaries and some lovely birds will appear. I look forward to seeing a lot of these birds on the show bench.

For Sale

4 Norwich Show Cages – £10 each. If you're interested please contact **Paul Jupe** on **07891 517 797**.

Would you please let Barry or Val know if you want your advert changed or removed from next month's list. Thank you

If you have any birds or equipment for sale either bring them to the Club or let Barry or Pete know so that they can be put in the next Newsletter.

Items wanted

Has anyone got a **Winnower** which they are not using? If so, please phone **Fergus McCarthy** on **07961 803 100**

Two Goldfinch Hens are wanted by **Mark Logan**. If you can help, please phone him on **01708 501926**.

A **Sierra Cock** is wanted by **Roger Mignot**. If you can help, please phone him on **07763 352 449**

An **African Grey (NOT a Timor)** is wanted by **Ted Papendreas**. If you can help, please phone him on **01708 443284**.

Would you please let Barry or Val know if you want your advert changed or removed from next month's list. Thank you.

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.

Treasurer's Monthly Report for August 2019

Raffle made:	£89.00	Members present:	26
Tea Bar made:	£25.40	Guests :	1
Donations	£20.00.	New Members (inc. above)	0

Raffle

Alan Anderson won the £50.00 from this month's Raffle

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

Football Card

Winning Team – West Ham – £15.00 was won this month by Nigel Breese with £15.00 going to the Club. Thanks to Fergus for organising this again this month.

New Members

There were no new Members in August

The Club's Website

The Club's website is www.dagenhamcbs.com where you can find out all about our Club right back to 1935, Newsletters, Shows, our history and much more.

The Club can also be contacted by e-mail - info@dagenhamcbs.com

September 2019 Meeting

This Meeting is the second round of our Club League Shows.

The Dagenham CBS Show League has 3 rounds.

February	1 st Show	Cock Bird Show	(Cock birds only any species)
September	2 nd Show	Any Bird Show	(Cock or Hen any species)
October	3 rd Show	Pairs Show	(Cock and Hen same species)

Only one bird in a cage
Entry fee 50p per cage
Each Member can show no more than 6 birds in each Show

Our judge for the Any Bird Show is Ken Grigg.

These Shows are based on points for places. So, for example, if the total birds in any one Show is 30, then the first placed bird will get 30 points, second placed bird will get 29 points, third placed bird will get 28 points, down to the last placed bird which will get 1 point.

All Members' points from the 1st Show in February have been used to create a League Table and the points from the 2nd and 3rd Shows will be added to it to create.....

THE DAGENHAM CBS SHOW LEAGUE CHAMPION 2018

Prizes for the League Winner £100.00 + Cup + Trophy
Second £50.00 + Trophy
Third £25.00 + plus Trophy

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The League Table so far....,

Dagenham Show League 2019 (After First Round)				
	Name	Birds Benched	Total Points	Average per bird
1	Bill Wallis	6	277	46.1
2	Steve Wallis	6	258	43
3	Richard Wilson	6	199	33.1
4	Wally Scott	5	166	33.2
5	Mark Logan	5	123	24.6
6	Roger Mack	6	106	17.6
7	Fred Thorn	6	100	16.6
8	Les Rix	4	96	24
9	Barry Johnson	6	95	15.8
10	Nigel Breese	4	89	22.2
11	Kevin Leach	1	31	31

The meeting date is Saturday 21st September 2019 at the usual venue from 10 o'clock to 12 o'clock.

December's Open Show

If you would like to support or sponsor any part of the Show please get in touch with Richard or the Show Secretary, George Philpot.

December's Open Show - Publicity

I have contacted both Cage & Aviary and the Dagenham Post.

I have spoken to Lynne Maxwell at C&A. Unfortunately they do not have any photographers. (There are only three of them in the office!!). I have therefore arranged to send them the usual information once all the Judges have been booked so that they can put in an article before the Show. Also I have arranged to send in a report and photos after the Show for an article in their magazine.

Dagenham Post have taken some of the information for our Open Show and have put the date in their Diary so as to contact us a week or so before the event when they will know whether or not they can cover it.

Barry

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

Mick is donating £10.00 to the Member who is circled in the following photo and plans to do this each month. 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 Richard Wilson and he kindly donated the £10.00 to the Club. Thanks Richard.



2019 Membership Subscriptions

The Club's year runs from January to December.

Subscriptions

Single - £15.00

Partnerships - £20.00

Juniors (to 16) – Free

Members' Christmas Hamper Raffle

Don't forget to collect your free pink raffle ticket from Val at each Meeting you attend. This is for the draw in December.

Essex Bird Fancier

Their advert is at the end of the Newsletter. Members can have their orders delivered by post or they can be collected at the monthly Club Meetings.

Raffle

Anyone wishing to donate a raffle prize for any Meeting, and especially the Annual Open Show, will be more than welcome and appreciated. Thanks

Mick Pegram's wishful thinking

I was sitting at home a few weeks' ago looking at the rain pouring down and noticed a large flock of starlings jumping in and out of the roof gutters of three houses opposite having a shower as the rain fell off the roof tiles – looked absolutely brilliant. Wish I'd had a camera so that I could have zoomed in on them all.

Barry The Budgie

Here is a photo of Barry the Budgie who is now basking in the spotlight thanks to last month's Meeting!!!

Barry's rescued

Several weeks ago I ground below our apple discovered that it was a unsuccessfully, to build something a bit more along with a few twigs finished building her during some high winds blown out of the tree



Squab

kept finding twigs on the tree and eventually Wood Pigeon trying, a nest. So I put substantial in the tree and she came back and nest. Unfortunately the whole nest was along with a Squab.

I was surprised that our cats and dogs hadn't seen it. So – once again I climbed the tree. I put in some larger pieces of wood, re-built the nest and put the Squab back in. The parents were soon back looking after the chick and I hope all was well.

I took the following photo of the Squab safely back in it's refurbished nest.



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.



Many thanks to Marilyn who helped Val in the Tea Bar

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