DAGENHAM & DISTRICT CAGE BIRD SOCIETY NEWSLETTER

SEPTEMBER 2023



NEXT MEETING Saturday, 16th September 10am to 12pm

LAWSON & WELLS PARTNERSHIP Our Birds

(Please see inside for more information)

SALES TABLES AT EVERY MEETING

Committee Members 2023

Dagenham and District Cage Bird Society Meetings held at Wantz Hall Rainham Road North Dagenham, Essex RM10 7DX

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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 |
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| 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)

Forthcoming Meeting Dates

| <u>2023</u> | |
|--------------------------|---|
| Sat 16 th Sep | Lawson & Wells Partnership – Our Birds |
| Sat 21 st Oct | Club Show League – Second Round – Hen Bird Show |
| Sat 18 th Nov | Young Stock Show (10am to 2pm) |
| Fri 8 th Dec | Staging for Open Show followed by Christmas Raffle Draw |
| | and Buffet (8pm to 10pm) |
| Sat 9 th Dec | Open / Annual Show (all day) |
| <u>2024</u> | |
| Sat 20 th Jan | AGM |

The President's Comments

Our last Meeting was exceptional with 47 Members and Guests turning up. Our speaker was Jim Galbally. He gave us a very good talk on the different wild foods we can pick for our birds, and had a slide show of these foods and birds that ate them. He also answered many questions.

This was a very good Meeting and the Members showed their thanks in the usual way. I would, on your behalf, like to say many thanks to Jim.

Our next Meeting should also be very good. It will be a talk by Lawson & Wells and I would hope to see as many Members as possible to show their thanks and appreciation for them giving us a talk.

I must also, on your behalf, thank Shane for once again sponsoring our Club to the tune of £300.00. Thank you Shane.

As the majority of our Members know, Shane of Direct Bird Products has tables at our Club Meetings and will take orders over the phone and send orders to you or bring them to the Club. Shane's details are included towards the end of all the Newsletters.

We are a very lucky Club because in one way or another we have many sponsors to whom we also give many thanks.

<u>Birds</u> – Most people have finished their breeding for this year. A lot of people are saying it has been a very poor season with some saying they haven't even bred a single bird. I personally hope these people don't get disheartened and instead concentrate on preparing their birds for next year when I hope they will have more success.

As I said before with the breeding season over, the moult in full swing and bird rooms full of feathers, hopefully training has started for the Show Teams. So thoughts and hopes now turn to the Show Season and hopefully most bird people will have some birds for the Shows.

Regarding our Annual Show, I hope we will be putting in some more Classes for Budgies for our Show as I know we now have some Members who have bred some this year. I personally also think we do not put in enough Classes for old varieties. Again I would like to see more Classes in these Sections so when the Show Committee meets could you do something about this please?

Pete

The Club Secretary's Comments

Another fantastic talk from Jim Galbally. I could have listened to him all day. I'm not sure if anyone got to see Jim's book which he has put together with some beautiful illustrations of birds and inscriptions about the birds, an absolutely stunning piece of art, well done Jim.

I would like to say a big thank you to Jim and our other members who have given us talks, for giving us their time and sharing their thoughts and knowledge about how they see our great hobby.

It's not an easy task to stand up in front of a hall of people and talk, even if it is about a hobby that you love and feel passionate about. So, I find it embarrassing and rude to see and hear members chatting with one another while the speaker is in full flow. Please can you all show a bit of common courtesy when we have guest speakers in the future.

Richard

September Meeting

At the September meeting, we have Richard Lawson & Eddie Wells who will be giving a talk about their birds. They have given very good talks at the Club on previous occasions so please come along and show your support

Show Prize Money Fund

There was one donation in August:-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 |
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| 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 |

TOTAL to date = $\pounds 880.50$

Thank you to all who have donated to the Club to help generate funds to go towards the prize money for the Club Shows. The amount raised last year was £854.00.

Useful Numbers and Contacts

<u>Rings</u>

IOA (International Ornithological Association) Website – <u>www.ioa-com-</u> <u>uk.org</u> 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 Fax: 0049-721-683029 - Phone: 0049-721-686023 E-Mail: <u>ma.herr@vogelringe.de</u>

<u>This Year's Club Sponsor</u> 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 S Carrophyll Red/Orange/Yellow Contact George Weeks E-Mail: george@standardlabs.co.uk | Standard Laboratory Phone: 01959 576 998 or |
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| Wiltons Pets | Phone: 01268 726 216 |
| Gladwells Pet & Country Store (Essex) | Phone: 01268 642 601 |
| DG Pest Control - David Galea (Club Member) E-Mail <u>davidgalea@live.co.uk</u> | Phone 01708 472172 or 07882 951 578 (Mobile) www.dgpestcontrol.co.uk |

Latchford Farm Aquatics, Upminster

Bird, Fish and pet supplies Phone: 01708 641363

Items for Sale

If you have any birds or equipment for sale please 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 & Attendance for August 2023

| Raffle made | £153.00 | Current Members present | 42 |
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| Tea Bar made | £79.85 | Guests | 5 |
| Donation from | | New / Returning Members | 0 |
| Pete Decort | £10.00 | | |
| Sponsorship | £300.00 from Direct Bird Products | | |

<u>Raffle</u>

Steve Wilson won the £50.00 prize this month Our thanks to Vista Workspace Solutions for their sponsorship and the raffle prizes

George Philpot won the seed donated by the Club for this month's raffle

New and Returning Members

There were no new or Returning Members at the August Meeting

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 Page: We now have 464 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.

Obituary

We are very sorry to have to tell you that Ron Anderson sadly died on the 30th August. Some of you may remember Ron as he had been a Member of the Club for many years and always attended with his friend, Martin McGrath.

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

Mick is continuing with his monthly "Spot the Member" and will be donating $\pounds 10.00$ 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 $\pounds 10.00$ will be donated to the Club.

As last month's prize was unclaimed it was donated to the Club's Prize 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 2023 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

This year's remaining sale dates are 17th September and 19th November Please see the poster/flyer with this newsletter

Some Photos from last month's Meeting





Jim top left and his keen listeners top right and below





Val talking to Barry's neighbours that came along to hear Jims talk



Two baby budgies 2 days old

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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