

DAGENHAM & DISTRICT CAGE BIRD SOCIETY NEWSLETTER

APRIL 2020



**NEXT MEETING
which should be on
Saturday 18th April 2020
10am to 12pm
HAS BEEN CANCELLED DUE TO THE
CORONAVIRUS**

(Please see inside for more information)

SALES TABLE AT EVERY MEETING

2020 MEMBERSHIP SUBSCRIPTIONS ARE NOW DUE

Dagenham and District
Cage Bird Society
Meetings held at
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Show Manager	STEVE WALLIS
Asst. Show Manager	LES RIX
Show Secretary	GEORGE PHILPOT
Asst. Show Secretary	Vacancy
Trophy Secretary	LES RIX
Canteen	FRAN, VAL & BARRY

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 2020

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.

Forthcoming Meeting dates during 2020
CANCELLED UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE DUE TO THE
CORONAVIRUS

Sat 18 th Apr	TBC
Sat 16 th May	Song Bird Competition
Sat 20 th June	TBC
Sat 18 th July	TBC
Sat 15 th Aug	Open Show Preparation
Sat 19 th Sep	TBC
Sat 17 th Oct	Club Show League – Second Round – Hen Bird Show
Sat 21 st Nov	Young Stock Show (10am to 2pm)
Fri 11 th Dec	Staging for Open Show followed by Christmas Raffle Draw and Buffet (8pm to 10pm)
Sat 12 th Dec	Open Show (all day)
<u>2021</u>	
Sat 16 th Jan	AGM

March 2020's Cancelled Meeting
The President's Comments

On behalf of the Committee may I apologise for the cancellation of our Bird and Equipment Auction. This was done at the very last minute so we did not get a chance to put the notification in the March Newsletter. If anyone did turn up at the Club please accept our apologies. I hope you realise this was done because of the Virus.

I hope Members and their families are well and look forward to seeing you all again as soon as the Club can re-open

Your Committee will be keeping a close eye on things so this will be our last Newsletter for a while and we will inform you by another Newsletter as soon as things change.

In the meantime, if there is anything we can help with or advise on just give anyone on the Committee a ring.

For now please do all you can to keep yourself and your family and friends safe in these horrendous times.

Will see you all soon.

Pete

March 2020's cancelled Meeting The Club Secretary's Report

Firstly I hope all you Members are well and keeping safe, most people are struggling with what to do with their time, but all of us in the bird hobby can get all those little jobs done around the bird shed that we have been putting off. I for one am looking forward to spending the breeding season in my bird room. This will be the first season I have not been at work, so can't wait to watch it unfold and be on hand for any of those moments where you need to intervene and help.

It is sad we will not be meeting up for a while, but please keep in touch with as many of the Members as possible. Just a five minute call can make all the difference and I will also keep updating the website www.dagenhamcbs.com and our Facebook page with news. As a club we should have done more to enter Members' telephone numbers to our Members Page, but we need you, the Members, to agree to let us do it. It's just your name, number and what type of birds you keep, NO ADDRESSES. This information could make all the difference to someone who needs help or advice or just wants to talk at this difficult time. Currently there are details for just myself, Mick Pegram and Steve Wallis. Communication is key, never more so than now, please call or text me with your acceptance of this. 07852 959447.

At our last meeting we had arranged an Auction and because of the Virus, the Committee made the decision to cancel it for the wellbeing of everyone. I did go to the hall just in case someone had not got the message it was called off. I had drummed up a lot of interest from our website and in particular Facebook. I think we would have seen around 100 to 140 people present which would have generated a good amount of money towards the new show staging, so I think this is something we should look at doing next year around March time.

A big thank you should go to our Members who donated items to the Club to be auctioned some of which had already been delivered to me so I had a bit of a dilemma – I can't get the donations back to them because now I'm in isolation, they can't come and get them from me for the same reason, and holding on to them for however long did not suit my set up with the breeding season upon us – so I decided to sell them via raffle on Facebook and here are the results.

Yellow Hammer donated by Les Rix = £50.00

Pair of Redpolls donated by Dave Mason = £60.00

Canary x Bullfinch donated by Richard Wilson = £210.00
Hospital Cage donated by Mick Pegram = £40.00
Light Greenfinch Mule donated by Lawson & Wells = £160.00
CASH donation by Fergus McCarthy = £200.00
CASH donation by Steve & Bill Wallis = £200.00

Richard

Pete's chit chat

By now many people will have birds breeding, i.e. on eggs and possibly some with chicks.

I hope in these perilous times they are getting all the food they need. If you are able to get out for a while, you may be able to find some wild food. This will do the birds a power of good. So, later in the year, I hope to see many lovely birds.

Talking about birds, Barry and myself are, I think, looking for the impossible:-

1. Gouldian Hens – 3 or 4 if possible.
2. Diamond Sparrows – 2 pair.
3. Bichenos – 2 pair.
4. Zebras – some of the new colours being bred.

So if you have or you know of anyone who has any of the above please give me or Barry a ring. (Phone numbers at the front of this Newsletter).

Pete

Dagenham CBS – Information request

I am still looking to complete the Club's History on our Website and am missing information between the years 1979-1998 and 2006-2015. If anyone has got any information relating to the Club during these years, for example, news, photos, show results or any other information, would you please let me know? Other than these breaks in years I have researched and have found something for each year since 1935.

Richard

Items for Sale

Several pairs of Glosters and some single Cock Birds (Consorts and Coronas). If you are interested please ring **Fergus McCarthy on 07961 803 100** and make him an offer.

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 please bring them to the Club or let Barry or Val know and they will add it to the next Newsletter.

Items wanted

Owl Finches (Bicheno's Finches) a pair and a single Hen are wanted by **Barry Johnson**. If you can help please phone him on **0751 609 1070**.

A **Rosa Bourke Hen** and a **Rock Pennant Hen** are wanted by **Roger Mignot**. If you can help, please phone him on **07763 352 449**

A **Blue Pennant Hen** and a **Mountain Parakeet Hen** are also still wanted by **Roger Mignot**. If you can help, please phone him on **07763 352 449**

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

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.

The Club's Website, etc

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 – or via our **Facebook** page.

*Don't forget to keep checking the Website and Facebook
for Richard's updates*

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

The winner from last month's Newsletter was DAVID DAWKINS so this is being held over until the Club re-opens to give David a chance to claim his winnings.

2020 Membership Subscriptions

The Club's year runs from January to December so your 2020 subscriptions are now due.

Subscriptions

Single - £15.00

Partnerships - £20.00

Juniors (to 16) – Free

If anyone knows any Members who want to pay their subs they can still send a cheque to Pete and will be put back on the mailing list.

Essex Bird Fancier

Their advert is at the end of this Newsletter. Members can have their orders delivered by post.

Below is a picture sent in by Mick Pegram from an old book called Cassells Natural History of Birds. One of many that we can put in the newsletter when space allows



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