# DAGENHAM & DISTRICT CAGE BIRD SOCIETY NEWSLETTER

# **AUGUST 2021**



## **NEXT MEETING**

Saturday 21st August 2021

10am to 12pm

(Please see inside for more information)

SALES TABLE AT EVERY MEETING

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

#### **PRESIDENT**

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#### **CHAIRMAN**

Barry Johnson **01708 348330** 

#### **TREASURER**

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#### **SECRETARY**

Richard Wilson Mitchells Farm London Road Stapleford Tawney RM4 1SP 07852 959447

#### SHOW SECRETARY

George Philpot **0208 805 8179** 

#### **Committee Members 2021 (subject to change)**

President PETER DECORT

Vice President Vacancy

Chairman BARRY JOHNSON

Vice Chairman Vacancy

Secretary RICHARD WILSON

Asst. Secretary Vacancy

Treasurer PETER DECORT
Publicity & Raffle BARRY & VAL
Newsletter BARRY & VAL
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 2021

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.

#### **Forthcoming Meeting dates**

**NB**: As you all know, the Meetings would have been arranged at the AGM. The following are the dates when the Meetings would have been held this year and show the same details as last year. They are of course all subject to change and / or cancellation.

2021

Sat 21<sup>st</sup> Aug Annual Show Preparation

Sat 18<sup>th</sup> Sep TBC

Sat 16<sup>th</sup> Oct Club Show League – Second Round – Hen Bird Show

Sat 20<sup>th</sup> Nov Young Stock Show (10am to 2pm)

Fri 10<sup>th</sup> Dec Staging for Annual Show followed by Christmas Raffle Draw

and Buffet (8pm to 10pm)

Sat 11<sup>th</sup> Dec Annual Show (all day)

2022

Sat 15<sup>th</sup> Jan AGM

#### **The President's Comments**

Over the last 18 months we have lost some Members to illness which is always very sad.

We have also had a couple of Members very unwell who have had to spend time in hospital, but I am glad to say these Members are on the mend.

Another sad thing is that we have had a couple of Members decide, for their own reasons, to leave the Club. I am very sad that they did not contact someone on the Committee to have a chat to see if there was anything we could do. If there are other Members in our Club who are having difficulties for some reason or another please give someone on the Committee a ring and perhaps they can have a chat and offer help or reassurance in some way. If something has happened at the Club that you do not like or has offended you, if you don't let us know, we can't sort it out.

We will try to keep you informed in all the things happening around the Club. So, if you have anything you think will be beneficial for the Club and the Members to know about please get in touch with Barry or Val so they can put the information in the Newsletter.

Pete

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

On Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> August the Club will re-open its doors to its Members for the first time since March 2020. Now although the Government has relaxed all Covid restrictions the Committee of Dagenham CBS has put together the following rules for all Members and visitors to abide by at all times when at our Club Meetings & Shows:-

#### **NEW CLUB RULES**

- All Members book in at the door with contact name and number so if we have any issues, we can notify everyone who attended.
- If after the Meeting any Member shows any symptoms, please notify Richard on 07852 959447 immediately so he can inform the rest of the group.
- All Members must use the hand sanitiser which will be stationed at the door.
- A mask or visor/shield must be worn when moving around the hall (standing or walking) and at the tea bar.
- Chairs will be spaced out and all Members should practice social distancing where possible.

Any Members or visitors who feel they cannot abide by these rules please stay away. The rules are in place as the Committee has a responsibility to safeguard all the Members at all times.

If any Members feel uncomfortable with the current situation or have any signs of Covid symptoms, they should stay away and seek medical advice.

This month's Meeting is the preparation for December's Annual Show (Members Only). This Meeting is important to us all so please do your best to come along and tell us what you would like to see done at the Show.

Our Club Sponsors, Direct Bird Products, will have a sales table at every Meeting – Seed, Equipment, Medicines and more. Ring Shane with any orders and he will deliver them to the Club.

Richard

#### **Annual Show**

This will be discussed at our August meeting.

#### **Staging Fund**

Here is the current list of donations towards the new show staging (same as last month) –

Mark and Sally Logan donated cash = £500.00

Les Rix donated a Yellow Hammer = £50.00

Dave Mason donated a Pair of Redpolls = £60.00

Richard Wilson donated a Canary x Bullfinch = £210.00

Mick Pegram donated a Hospital Cage = £40.00

Lawson & Wells Partnership donated a Light Greenfinch Mule = £160.00

Fergus McCarthy donated cash = £200.00

Steve & Bill Wallis donated cash = £200.00

Steve & Bill Wallis donated a Goldfinch Mule = £145.00

Lawson & Wells Partnership donated a Cock Greenfinch = £40.00

Les Rix donated cash = £120.00

Richard Wilson donated Bullfinches = £120.00

John Young donated cash = £50.00

Nigel Breese donated a Pair of Goldfinches = £80.00

Barry and Fran Johnson donated cash = £100.00

Valerie Holmes donated cash = £100.00

Phil Perkins donated cash = £50.00

Mr & Mrs Ken Grigg donated cash = £75.00

Paul Jupe sold 4 Cock Greenfinches = £50.00

Pegram & Hussey Partnership donated cash = £50.00

TOTAL = £2,400.00

If you or someone you know would like to help with a donation please get in touch with Richard. Every little bit helps.

#### **Update on New Staging**

As previously mentioned, I received another quote for the staging which came in at over £7000 so still looking for a better option. I have emailed and phoned the company in Portugal hoping they may be back to work but I have had no response from them.

Richard

#### **Useful Numbers and Contacts**

#### <u>Rings</u>

IOA (International Ornithological Association) Website – www.ioa-com-uk.org

For all rings call Richard Lumley on 01653 697565

Email - <u>ruby@lordlumley.plus.com</u>

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 Phone: 0049-721-686023

Fax: 0049-721-683029 - E-Mail: ma.herr@vogelringe.de

#### **Members' Outlets**

#### **Bavister's Pet Centre**

James Bavister Telephone – 01268 544 336

Website - <u>www.bavisterspetcentre.com</u> e-mail – <u>info@bavisterspetcentre.com</u>

#### **Essex Bird Fancier**

Mark Smithson Telephone – 07983 108 383

Facebook and Ebay e-mail – <u>essexbirdfancier@gmail.com</u>

#### **Direct Bird Products** This year's Club Sponsor

Shane Evans

Please see information following their advert at the end of the Newsletter.

If there are any other Club Members with similar outlets who would like a mention in this section of the Newsletter please send the relevant information to Val (<a href="mailto:valkenh@btinternet.com">valkenh@btinternet.com</a>) or Barry (<a href="mailto:lukeira@btinternet.com">lukeira@btinternet.com</a>).

#### **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**

**Terry Hardie** is looking for some wire mesh measuring 900mm x 2mts with 1\2 slots for a wire door. If you can help please ring Terry on 07305 843 540. (1st entry)

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.

#### **New Members**

There were no new Members last month

#### The Club's Website, etc

The Club's **website** is <u>www.dagenhamcbs.com</u>. 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** – <u>info@dagenhamcbs.com</u> – or via our **Facebook** page.

<u>Dagenham CBS Facebook and Group Page</u>: We now have 163 Members on the Group Page. Please give it a look and join in the banter and the up to date news from the members.

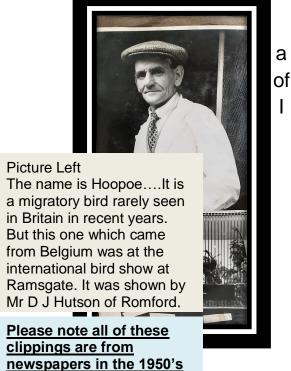
Don't forget to keep checking the Website and Facebook for Richard's updates

#### 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.

#### **Mr David James Hutson**

I was telephoned by Marion from Dagenham who told me about her grandfather his daughter Win (Marion's mother) and sons Geoff & Tim who were well known in the bird world of the 1950's. She asked if we could possibly make use of a spoon and eggcup trophy that her grandfather had won as she would like to see it used rather than be stored away in a drawer. Pete and I went to see her. We were made very welcome and had quite a lengthy chat with Marion and her husband



Maurice. Marion's grandfather was a very interesting person and I would like to share via some press cuttings and couple of photo's some his experiences with you. hope you find the following interesting.

Prize Bird
A Song Thrush found in a
London gutter nine years
ago has won its 100<sup>th</sup> first
prize at the exhibition of
caged birds at the Royal
Horticultural Hall. The bird
was a centre of attraction for
hundreds of visitors at the

show today. Its proud owner

Hutson

was Mr D Hutson of Romford. Winner of 108 cups last year. He feeds his birds on a diet of horsemeat, egg, bread, lentils, halibut oil and honey. Disappointing to most visitors were the nightingales. They were drab to look at and they would not sing a note.

#### The Dippers and Choughs go on show

Rare birds....Hundreds of them were on show at Ramsgate, Kent, during the week end at the first international ornithologists show to be held in Britain. There were more than 1000 different exhibits, including Tree Creepers, Flycatchers, Choughs. Dippers and Fruit suckers.

#### The Rarest

# Bird fanciers 'Took A Risk' but Ramsgate World Show was a big success

'By taking our courage in both hands and risking all our finances we have been successful' declared an official of the Ramsgate Cage Bird society on Monday after his organisation had staged the first International World Show ever held in this country. The official disclosed that the show will come back to Ramsgate in 1951, and will include entries from more than 20 countries. There were approximately 1000 entries for the 1950 show held in the Westcliff Concert Hall at Ramsgate over the week-end. The total amount of prize money and trophies was in excess of £500. Kent fanciers, competed against the pick of the world's bird enthusiasts fared exceptionally well. At a meeting of the International Ornithological Association in Ramsgate on Sunday afternoon, the chairman of the Ramsgate Society Mr A. Farley, was honoured by election to the first chairmanship of the British Section of the I.O.A

#### Colourful

Highlight of the glittering array of multi-coloured birds on Monday was the collection of 15 entered by Mr D.J.Hutson of Romford, Essex. Flown from India in a specially pressurised cabin his three-

years-old Indian White Coated Bab since 1907 that a bird of this rare sp die en route to England or within a was Mr Hutson's Hoopoe a second been publicly exhibited in this cour Mr Hutson is a master builder by tr world in search of additions to his c I. It was the first time the Babblers usually refeature of the show The Hoopoe has not Section of the I.O.A his time travelling the

er October 20<sup>th</sup> 1950

Many and varied are the methods of feeding cage birds But this unusual practice is adopted by Mr Geoff Hutson to feed his 12 year old South American Toucan. He is seen in this picture offering food to the bird while at the annual show of Romford CBS



Romford CBS



Mr David Hutson was a long standing member of Romford Cage Bird Society. Shown left is one of many diplomas and trophies that he won over the years he kept birds. There is not enough space to show his entire collection or to mention all of his achievements but I hope you have enjoyed reading this article.

Barry

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

The winner from the March 2020 Newsletter was DAVID DAWKINS so this is still being held over until the Club re-opens to give David a chance to claim his winnings.

#### **2021 Membership Subscriptions**

# The Club's year runs from January to December 2020 Subscriptions

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

As mentioned by Richard in the October Newsletter, all 2020 paid up Members will get their 2021 Membership free of charge

If you have already paid your 2021 Membership Fee it will be carried over to 2022

Some pictures from our happy times in January 2019



## Mick looks sad because he has no tea





#### **New Club Sponsor**

Direct Bird Products is this year's new 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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