DAGENHAM & DISTRICT CAGE BIRD SOCIETY NEWSLETTER

December 2018



NEXT MEETING Friday 14th December 2018 8pm to 10pm

CHRISTMAS BUFFET EVENING FREE HAMPER DRAW PREPARATION FOR OPEN SHOW

OPEN SHOW CLOSING DATE FOR ENTRIES MONDAY, 10^{TH} DECEMBER

SALES TABLE AT EVERY MEETING

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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.

2018 MEMBERSHIP SUBSCRIPTIONS

Subscription rates for the calendar year 2018

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

Forthcoming Meetings

 FRI 14th Dec 2018 Staging for Open Show followed by Christmas Hamper Draw and Buffet
SAT 15th Dec 2018 Open Show
SAT 19th Jan 2019 AGM

November 2018 Meeting

Our last Meeting was the Young Stock Show.

There were a disappointing number of people showing, with only 48 birds entered compared to last year when there were 91 birds. However there were some quality birds on show in all sections.

The results are as follows:-

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Best bird in show was won by Steve Wallis with a Goldfinch x Bullfinch.

Best Canary	Dick Lathlieff
Best Foreign	Fred Thorn
Best Hardbill	Richard Wilson
Best Mule	Richard Wilson
Best Hybrid	Steve Wallis
Best Siberian	Steve Wallis
Best Norwich	John Young
Best AOV/Lizard	Fred Thorn
Best Fife	Dick Lathlieff
Best New Colour	Barry Johnson
Best Foreign Hardbill	Fred Thorn

Richard



Steve's winning Goldfinch x Bullfinch

More Photos from the Young Stock Show



We take this opportunity to thank Glen Lewington for judging our Young Stock Show





Dear Member

As most of you are aware, our last Meeting was our Young Stock Show.

I was a bit taken aback with not only the poor amount of birds on show, but the lack of Members. When you think about it, many people not only give their time to put the Show together – i.e. staging, sponsors, and time before and after the Show. Also those who run the canteen – getting in and preparing the food – bacon or cheese rolls, cakes, etc.

Sometimes I wonder if it is all worthwhile but thankfully not all people think like me.

All these people are the backbone of the Club and your Committee has a huge backbone.

So, once a month why can't you say to yourself "Let's get across to Dagenham" and show the Club your support. After all, the Committee Members are all working for you and your Club.

As many of you know, I have been at this Club for many years and I still think it is the best Club around. With your support it can be even better. Look forward to seeing you all in December.

Sorry about the winge

Your President - Pete

Back to the Show. It was a nice day not only for the Show but for a cup of tea with friends and people who love birds.

I believe there were approximately 40+ exhibits with around 35 Members and Guests.

There were some stunning Fifes, Norwich, British and New Colours on show and also some AOV's.

After a lot of deliberation the Judge on the day (Glen Lewington) selected a Goldfinch x Bullfinch as Best Bird.

So **WELL DONE** not only the winner but all who showed.

As you are probably aware, the next time we meet is on Friday, the 14th December. This night is not only to erect the staging for the Annual Show the next day, but for a Buffet and the draw for the Christmas Hamper donated by our Sponsors, Vista Workspace Solutions. So I hope to see as many as possible there.

This is our last Meeting in 2018. So, on behalf of all your Committee may I wish you a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

Once again, sorry about the winge. I will try to be happier in the New Year.

All the best.

<u>My Birds</u>

I advertised in our last Newsletter for a Greenfinch Cock, a Goldfinch Cock and a Siskin Cock. I have got a lovely Greenfinch, but am still looking for a Siskin and a Goldfinch.

Pete

For Sale

If you have any birds or equipment for sale either bring them to the Club or let Pete or Barry know and we will put them in the next Newsletter.

Items wanted

Softbill Show Cages or Fronts. Please phone Phil Perkins on 07890 328 507

A Goldfinch Cock)	If you have any of these for sale please ring Pete
A Siskin Cock)	on 01708 750036

If there are any birds or equipment you want please let Barry know what you are looking for so that it can be added to the next Newsletter.

Treasurer's Monthly Report for November 2018

Raffle made:	£95.00	Members present:	27
Tea Bar made:	£49.70	New Members:	0

<u>Raffle</u>

David McClenaghan won the First Prize of £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 – Wolves – \pounds 20.00 was won by Lee Wallis – with \pounds 20.00 going to the Club. Thanks to Barry for organising this at the meeting.

New Members

There were no new Members this month

The Club's Website

<u>www.dagenhamcbs.com</u> 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

December 2018 Meeting (Friday Evening 8pm – 10pm)

At this Meeting we will have the free draw for the Christmas Hamper. At each Meeting Members have attended they have received a free raffle ticket so the more Meetings you attend, the more tickets you get.

All the tickets are put into a pot at the December evening meeting and one lucky Member wins a hamper donated by our Club Sponsor – **Vista Workspace Solutions**.

Vista are also again paying for this year's Christmas Buffet for those Members who attend and help put up the staging for Saturday's Open Show.

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

Show Secretary – George Philpot – Receiving and booking in of birds and sorting out special awards.

Show Manager – Steve Wallis – Welcoming the Judges, watering of birds, staging of birds and Show Hall management.

Stewards – Richard Wilson, Mr Holloway, Mr Oakley, Fergus McCarthy, Les Rix, John Young, Mick Pegram, Dick Lathlieff, Nigel Breese – Stewards should be at the hall for 7.30am

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

<u>Please note – No Steward will be assisting a Judge</u> in the section in which they are showing.

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 – **Valerie, Fran 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 (£2.00) – Pete

Raffle – Barry and Fergus

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

We are expecting a lot of entries so it will be a very busy day for all the Members who are helping.

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.

December's Open Show

Don't forget Entries must be in by the 10th December.

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

Mick is again donating £10.00 to the Member who is circled in one of the photos below and hopes to do this each month. The winner will be circled 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.

As last month's prize was unclaimed, Mick donated the £10.00 to the Club.



If you are at the next meeting don't forget to claim your £10

Essex Bird Fancier

We are pleased to say that Essex Bird Fanciers will be having a stand at the Open Show selling seed and equipment etc.

For more information see their advert on the last page of this Newsletter

2019 Membership Subscriptions

The Club's year runs from January to December so your 2019 subscriptions will be due in January.

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 Valerie at any of the Meetings. **ESSEX BIRD FANCIER** Covering all aspects of British & European bird keeping, showing, breeding & singing birds.



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