

DAGENHAM & DISTRICT CAGE BIRD SOCIETY NEWSLETTER

December 2019



NEXT MEETING

Friday 13th December 2019

8pm to 10pm

**CHRISTMAS BUFFET EVENING
FREE HAMPER DRAW
PREPARATION FOR OPEN SHOW THE
FOLLOWING DAY**

**OPEN SHOW CLOSING DATE FOR ENTRIES
MONDAY, 9TH DECEMBER**

SALES TABLE AT EVERY MEETING

**Dagenham and District
Cage Bird Society
Meetings held at
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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 2019

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

Forthcoming Meetings

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

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

These Newsletters seem to come round quicker and quicker, but it gives me great pleasure to talk about our Club. A Club I have been a Member of since as far back as I can remember. Great Club, but with you the Members here it can get bigger and better.

Our last Meeting was our Young Stock Show. We had a pretty good number of entries – about 120 – of all types of birds, and I would like to thank the Judges for coming and judging our Show.

At this point we usually talk about the winning birds, but for once, I am going to say that all you Members who put in some birds were all winners in my opinion. You gave us a lovely Show. THANKS.

I recently bought some new Rosettes the cost of which was £350.00. Richard used some of them at the Young Stock Show. There were some comments on how they looked on the cages. GREAT.

We had one of our new Members, Tara Boddington, drive for nearly two hours to get to our Club. I hope she enjoyed it.

I sit at home thinking of ways we could try to improve our Club. We, the Committee, are always available to listen to suggestions. So if you have anything to say please bring it up at a Meeting or talk to a Member of the Committee. This can be about Shows, Meeting Days, or something you would like to see done. I personally would like to see a restriction on the number of times visitors are allowed to attend before becoming a member. I do not mean where a Member brings someone from his family. Your views please.

I would like to thank Les for his article in last month's Newsletter.

Our next Show is our Open Show, so please, those that have birds, try to show. Hopefully it will be our best Show yet.

If you are going to show, please get your entries in as early as possible.

We will be giving away more prize money than any other Club that I know of. To some Members, it is not all about money; it is about the joy of seeing their birds with a big rosette or two on their cage. So whichever way you like best, try and show, and make it a day to remember.

November 2019 Meeting
The Secretary's comments

Our last Meeting was the Young Stock Show.

What a great turn out with 116 birds entered which was over double what we had last year. There were some top-quality birds on show in all sections. Well done to all members that made the effort to show their birds and thank you to everyone who came and showed their support.

A big thank you to our Judges, Dave Mason (British), John Martin (Canaries) and Peter Decort (Foreign)

The results are as follows:-

**Best bird in show was won by Steve & Bill Wallis
with a Crossbill x Bullfinch**

Best British	Steve & Bill Wallis
Best Canary	George Philpot
Best Foreign	Tara Boddington
Best Hardbill	Paul Jupe
Best Mule	Steve & Bill Wallis
Best Hybrid	Steve & Bill Wallis
Best Siberian	Steve & Bill Wallis
Best Norwich	Richard Wilson
Best Gloster	Davy & Tommy Heys
Best AOV/Lizard	Fred Thorn
Best Border	Mick Pegram & Charlie Hussey
Best Fife	Roger Mack
Best New Colour	George Philpot
Best Foreign Hardbill	Tara Boddington
Best Parrotlike	Fred Thorn
Best Juvenile	Davy & Tommy Heys



Best bird in show Steve & Bill Wallis with their Crossbill x Bullfinch

Pete's chit chat

Memory permitting, these are some of the older Members coming through to some of the more modern Members, some of which I am sorry to say have now passed on to "The Bird Club in the Sky". To those that are still with us I hope you have many more years down here with your birds.

Yorkshires

Sid Decort	Harry Prendegast	Albert Gilmour
Ron Andrews	Ted Chester	H. Hamill
Mr & Mrs John Moore	Joe Shaw	W. Burrells

Glosters

Sid Lumb	Peter Smith	Martin Legge
Bill Ward	Pete Decort	Albert Gilmour
John Ditmore	G. Archer	Paul Cimbruzzi
Mr R. Loane		

Again, sorry, I cannot remember too many Life Members. Most of my family were Life Members. Those that are still with us are Jenny, Jill, Denise and myself.

Another Life Member, I am sorry to say now deceased, who warrants a mention, is Bunn Greenaway. A lovely man.

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

A **Blue Pennant Hen** and a **Mountain Parakeet Hen** are 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.

Treasurer's Monthly Report for November 2019

Raffle made:	£121.00	Members present:	36
Tea Bar made:	£67.25	Guests :	12
Donations	0	New Members	0

Raffle

Mick McCarthy 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 – Notts Forest – £20.00 was won this month by Fred Thorn with £20.00 going to the Club. Thanks to Pete for organising it this month.

New Members

There were no New Members this month.

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

December 2019 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 put in the draw.

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 and **Assistant Show Manager – Les Rix** – Welcoming the Judges, watering of birds, staging of birds and Show Hall management.

Stewards – Richard Wilson, Derek Hollaway, Ernie Oakley, Fergus McCarthy, Ken Grigg, John Young, Mick Pegram, Dick Lathlieff and 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.

Please note – No Steward will be assisting a Judge 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

Presentation at 3.45 – Pete – Best Bird in Show, Best British, Best Canary and Best Foreign.

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.

**OUR CLUB SPONSORS ESSEX BIRD FANCIER WILL HAVE
A STALL SELLING SEED & EQUIPMENT THROUGHOUT THE SHOW.**

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.

Don't forget Entries must be in by Monday the 9th December

Dates for your Diary

If you belong to other Clubs and would like a short entry in our Newsletter for their Shows, etc. please let Val or Barry have the club name, show date, and contact details.

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 winners were Davy and Tommy Heys who each received £5.00..



2019 Membership Subscriptions

The Club's year runs from January to December so your 2020 subscriptions will be due in January.

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 enclosed in this issue as a separate flyer. 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. Thank you.

Lost and Found

A pair of ladies glasses were left in the Hall at last month's Meeting. Val is looking after them and will bring them with her to the next Meeting.

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.

More photos from last month's Meeting





Pictures below sent in by Mick Pegram

A set of miniature cages (not for sale) made by Ronnie Jones aka Ronnie the cage maker aka Deafy, a popular figure around hundreds of bird men. Brass drinkers made by the late Jerry Kelly also another popular figure amongst the bird men. These cages are set in a smart glass fronted showcase.





Picture below also courtesy of Mick Pegram

Nature's larder helping birds feed during the winter months. British birds love the berries so do the feral pigeons



The Pyracantha

White flowers attracting pollinators in early summer with red, orange or yellow berries that attract wild birds in the winter. Also a shelter for nesting and roosting birds.

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