

DAGENHAM & DISTRICT CAGE BIRD SOCIETY NEWSLETTER

FEBRUARY 2023



**NEXT MEETING
Saturday, 18th February
10am to 12pm**

**FIRST ROUND OF CLUB SHOW LEAGUE
“COCK BIRD SHOW”**

**ENTRY 50p PER BIRD – MAXIMUM 4 BIRDS PER MEMBER
(See inside for more information)**

YOU MUST BE A MEMBER TO SHOW
(Membership can be paid for on the night)

(Please see inside for more information)

SALES TABLE AT EVERY MEETING

**2023 MEMBERSHIP SUBSCRIPTIONS
ARE NOW DUE**

**Dagenham and District
Cage Bird Society
Meetings held at
Wantz Hall
Rainham Road North
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Committee Members 2023

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|---------------------|------------------------|
| 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 Managers | LES RIX and DAVE MASON |
| Show Secretary | GEOFF LOUTH |
| Trophy Secretary | LES RIX |
| Canteen | FRAN, VAL & BARRY |

And DICK LATHLEIFF, MICK PEGRAM & 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 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

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| 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.

Barry (lukeira@btinternet.com) Val (valkenh@btinternet.com)

Forthcoming Meeting Dates

2023

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|---------------------------|--|
| Sat 18 th Feb | Club Show League – First Round – Cock Bird Show |
| Sat 18 th Mar | Gary Macbeath – Talk on Fife's. |
| Sat 15 th Apr | Sales Day (open to the public) |
| Sat 20 th May | Song Bird Competition |
| Sat 17 th June | TBC |
| Sat 15 th July | TBC |
| Sat 19 th Aug | Jim Galbally – Weeds, Seeds & Live Food |
| 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) |

2024

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| Sat 20 th Jan | AGM |
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The President's Comments

As you all know, we had our AGM in January.

Richard opened the Meeting. He asked for a vote of thanks for the Committee of the previous year and we got a nice round of applause from all present. He then asked if all serving Members were willing to stand again. All said yes. This was put to the Members who all agreed for the Committee to stand again. Carried unanimously.

He then asked for Judges' nominations from the floor.

He then asked for suggestions for the Meeting days. Various suggestions were put forward. One I particularly liked was a sale of birds and equipment.

As Treasurer, I then spoke about the Accounts. I reported that for the last six months or more I had had trouble with the bank (Santander) not allowing me to take money out or write cheques. After 30 odd years with this Account they had lost my name on it. I won't go into the amount of sleepless nights I have had and the stress worrying about this, but with Barry's help I think we have got it sorted. So we have closed the Santander Account and opened a new one with Lloyds. We are now waiting for a cheque to clear the new Account. I will let you know more

later. As requested at the AGM, the Accounts for 2022 are included in this Newsletter.

| DAGENHAM CBS | | | | | |
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| Profit and Loss Account 2022 | | | | | |
| Expenses | | | Income | | |
| Cash | | 351.50 | Raffle | | 1,466.00 |
| Stamps (N/ltr / Treasurer) | | 556.16 | Canteen | | 630.00 |
| Seed Raffle | | 125.00 | Donations | | 67.50 |
| Rosettes | | 447.50 | Sponsor – IOA | | 200.00 |
| NameTags | | 21.00 | Sponsor – Direct Bird Products | | 300.00 |
| Cleaning Mat (Shows) | | 110.00 | Entries + £10. Fee | | 626.00 |
| Secretary's Exp. (Shows) | | 295.00 | Door & Catalogues | | 170.00 |
| Hall Fees | | 60.00 | Subs | | 835.00 |
| Badges | | 20.99 | | | |
| Funeral Flowers | | 50.00 | | | |
| Prize Money (February) | | 40.00 | | | |
| Newsletter Expenses | | 93.30 | | | |
| Canteen Exp (Cups & Food & Drink for Annual Show) | | 190.00 | | | |
| Judging Fee (Norwich) | | 40.00 | | | |
| Entry Fees | | 46.00 | | | |
| | | £2,446.45 | | | £4,294.50 |
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| Bank/Cash 2022 | 11,360.60 | | Bank Santander | 10,717.00 | |
| Ditto 2021 | 8,348.77 | | Lloyds | 602.00 | |
| | | | Cash | 41.60 | |
| | | | | £11,360.60 | |
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| | | | Profit | £3,011.83 | |
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There were other things discussed at the Meeting and it closed with a minute's silence for Vic Rampling.

Again, as Treasurer, may I say thank s to all who paid their subs at the Meeting. We have quite a few people still to pay, so I hope to see cheques drop through my letterbox or I will see you at the next Meeting.

Subs have not changed although prices of everything to do with the Newsletter have. As I have said before, subs just about cover the cost. If you are not sure if you have or haven't paid see me at the next Meeting and we will sort it out.

I have just paid Richard the bill for the Hall. This was £510.00. This is good as the price has not gone up since we have been at Wantz Hall.

One of our biggest bills each month is stamps which cost in the region of £40 - £50 and sometimes more. That's enough about bills.

My Birds – Over the last few months I have been losing some Gouldians. I have not changed their diet and they get plenty of food. They look like they have gone back into a moult, and are just sitting around moping and sleeping, except for a few pairs that have young.

I have heating on day and night (I hope the wife doesn't find out!!). But, seriously, the ones I have lost lose all their body weight and are dead within a few days. This is a new one on me. I have never had this happen before, although I was talking with a Member at the Meeting and he is having the same experience with Gouldians.

As you will probably remember, I breed them in a mixed flight i.e. with Zebras. The Zebras are fine. Any ideas?

Years ago my Dad had Yorkshires, so as I was having a walk round the hall at the Meeting someone had put some up for sale. This sparked memories. They were lovely looking so I bought them. The only problem is they are both Cock Birds so if anyone knows of anyone with any Hens for sale, please let me know as I would like to try and breed them. Thanks.

I was talking to two people at the Meeting who have just gone into Yorkshires. Perhaps with some luck we may see Yorkshires at our Club again. (Hope so).

Another Canary that seems to have lost its way is the Border (none at our Show). Why? A few people I spoke to said it's getting the birds when you can as the price is very high. Why? Is it greed or are they that hard to get?

We were having a chat at the Club. Some people seem to think there is discrimination between British and other types of birds at our Club. I do

not think so, but for those that do, have a good look around the birds and you will see the way and amount the British men put up.

So I think we should try and put up more Canaries, Foreign and Budgies. Let's see if we can get more Canary and Foreign Members at the Club.

As I was saying before, no Yorkshires or Borders either. There's a challenge. Let's see if we can get more of these people interested to come to our Club.

I, for one, am guilty of not showing my Foreign, but this is because I do not have any cages and it is very hard to catch birds in my flight, but perhaps I may try in the future. We will see.

Pete

Life Membership

I was very pleased to see that Mick Pegram was nominated for a Life Membership at the AGM. Well deserved Mick and thank you for all you do for the Club.

Barry



The Club Secretary's Comments

Last month was our AGM and it was very well supported by our members, many of whom took part in the discussions deciding what they wanted to see at our monthly meetings. The same committee members were voted in as last year. Thank you to everyone who is on the committee, you all work so hard and it is very much appreciated. It is very clear how important the club is to all its members and what a great atmosphere there is on meeting and show days. It's so sad when you hear about other CBS's struggling and possibly coming to an end. In the last 10 years this club has seen many changes and has overcome many challenges, moving to a new hall after 50 years at the old hall, changing the meeting day from a Friday night to a Saturday morning after 70 years of having it on a Friday night. New show staging, Covid, Bird Flu, yet throughout this time the club has got stronger, it just goes to show that with a vision, a plan and great support, what can be accomplished.

We talked about how the British guys were showing their birds all around the country spreading the good name of the Dagenham Club, also the Canary guys have been doing the same with some top wins. Well done Team Dagenham CBS.

Richard

Show Prize Money Fund

Thank you to the following people, who were the first to support the club in generating prize funds to go towards the club shows –

Steve Smith donated £50.00

Allan Morton donated £10.00

TOTAL = £60.00

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

Rings

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

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 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

This Year's Club Sponsor
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 Standard Laboratory

Carrophyll Red/Orange/Yellow

Contact George Weeks

Phone: 01959 576 998 or

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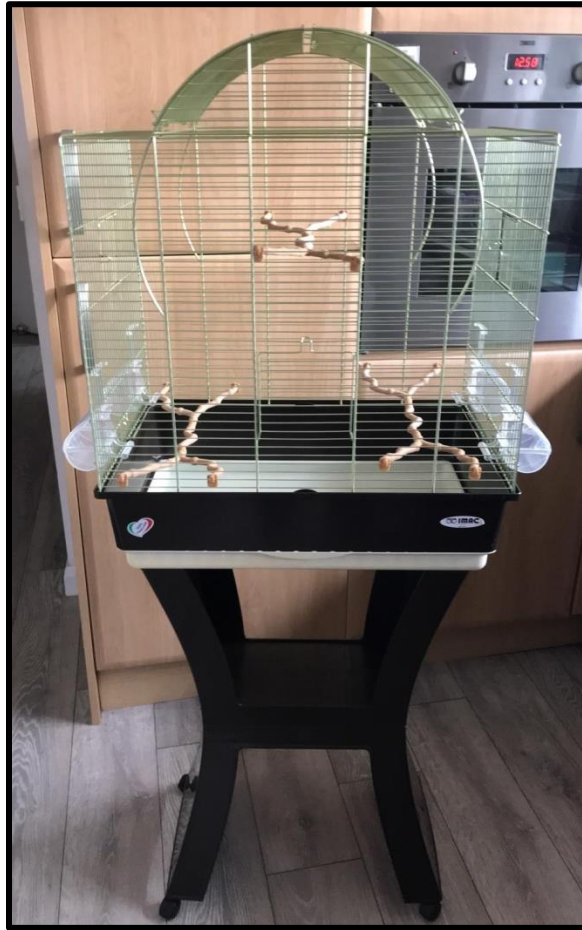
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Items for Sale

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.

Cage and stand for sale. Reasonable donation to go to club prize fund. For more information or to organize collection see **Mick Pegram** on monthly meeting day or contact him on 0770 907 6594 (2nd entry)



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.

Len March is looking for **Unflighted Lipochrome Red Canaries**. If anyone can help please ring **Len on 01702 293 053** (2nd entry)

Reasonably new members want to start into **Gloster Canaries**. They are not into showing birds at present but have kept them for many years.

If any member can help them out with a **pair of Glosters** please call **Tony Gilder on 07432 642 429** (2nd entry)

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 January 2023

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| Raffle made: | £119.00 | Current Members present: | 30 |
| Tea Bar made: | £47.70 | Guests : | 4 |
| Donations | £0 | New / Returning Members | 7 |

Raffle

Steve Smith won the £50.00 from this month's Raffle and kindly donated it to the Show Prize Money Fund

**Our thanks to Vista Workspace Solutions
for their sponsorship and the raffle prizes**

Barry won the bag of seed donated by the Club.

New Members

We had 5 new Members and a Partnership in January
Welcome to **Mick Buckland** who keeps Fifes, Glosters & British;
Kevin Cowell who keeps various birds; **Graham Gallimore** who
keeps Fifes; **M. Grotty** who keeps Irish Fancies, **Alan Short** who
doesn't have any birds at present and
Steven Newman and Lawrence Butler, who keep Canaries and
Goldfinches

February 2023 Meeting

This is the First Round of the Dagenham CBS Show League 2023

We have changed the format of the show to try to give a more balanced outcome.

Members can only enter the maximum of 4 Birds for each show (50p per cage)

Judges

Jim Galbally – British
John Martin – Canaries
Peter De Cort – Foreign

Judges will judge each section 1st to 15th. Any birds outside these positions will be awarded 5 points.

Points for each position are as follows – 1st = 150, 2nd = 140, 3rd = 130, 4th = 120, 5th = 110, 6th = 100, 7th = 90, 8th = 80, 9th = 70, 10th = 60, 11th = 50, 12th = 40, 13th = 30, 14th = 20, 15th = 10 points.

If there are less than 15 birds in a section the points will be diluted down as per the below examples:-

- Only 5 birds in a section, 1st = 50, 2nd = 40, 3rd = 30, 4th = 20, 5th = 10 points.
- Only 3 birds in a section, 1st = 30, 2nd = 20, 3rd = 10 points

Best bird in show from the 3 sections will receive 25 bonus points.

All members' scores will be calculated together to create the Show League Table.

Prizes for each show

Best Bird in Show – £30.00 + Large Rosette
Best British – £10.00 + Rosette
Best Canary – £10.00 + Rosette
Best Foreign – £10.00 + Rosette

Prizes after both shows

1st Place – Shield + Trophy + £50.00
2nd Place – Trophy + £30.00
3rd Place – Trophy + £20.00

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 331 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.

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.

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

Mick is continuing with his monthly "Spot The Member" and will be donating £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 £10.00 will be donated to the Club.

Last month's winner was Jamie Taylor.

Sorry everyone – there's no "Spot the Member" this month
as Barry didn't manage to take any photos.
Hopefully back to normal next month!!

Membership Subscriptions
Your 2023 Subscriptions are now due

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 still take place on the Friday night, with its £50.00 cash prize plus other prizes as normal.

Bird Keepers Association

This year's sale dates are:-

19th February
23rd April
17th September
19th November

Please see the poster/flyer with this newsletter.

Well Done Team Dagenham
Representing the Dagenham CBS at various locations



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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circumstances beyond our control require
these dates to change.

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