# DAGENHAM & DISTRICT CAGE BIRD SOCIETY NEWSLETTER

#### **JANUARY 2023**



## NEXT MEETING Saturday, 21<sup>st</sup> January 10am to 12pm

#### ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

(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
Dagenham, Essex
RM10 7DX

#### **PRESIDENT**

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## Committee Members 2022 / 23 (Subject to change at the AGM

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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** 2022

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 (<u>lukeira@btinternet.com</u>) Val (<u>valkenh@btinternet.com</u>)

#### **Forthcoming Meeting Dates**

#### 2023

Sat 21st Jan AGM

**NB**: All the following are for discussion and agreement at the AGM.

Sat 18<sup>th</sup> Feb Club Show League – First Round – Cock Bird Show

Sat 18<sup>th</sup> Mar TBC Sat 15<sup>th</sup> Apr TBC

Sat 20<sup>th</sup> May Song Bird Competition

Sat 17<sup>th</sup> June TBC Sat 15<sup>th</sup> July TBC Sat 19<sup>th</sup> Aug TBC Sat 16<sup>th</sup> Sep TBC

Sat 21<sup>st</sup> Oct Club Show League – Second Round – Hen Bird Show

Sat 18<sup>th</sup> Nov Young Stock Show (10am to 2pm)

Fri 8<sup>th</sup> Dec Staging for Open Show followed by Christmas Raffle Draw

and Buffet (8pm to 10pm)

Sat 9<sup>th</sup> Dec Open / Annual Show (all day)

2024

Sat 20<sup>th</sup> Jan AGM

#### **This month's Meeting**

This month is our AGM. It's important that you support this meeting as this is your chance to have your say or maybe join the Committee, bring up any ideas or suggestions, and let us know what speakers you would like to see at our monthly meetings? Once our 2023 Committee has been appointed it is their job to manage and steer the Club with the best intentions for the Club in mind.

For instance where would you like to see the Club funds spent? An excursion? A coach trip? New equipment?

Personally I think we could do with a top up order of the show staging so we can do away with the last of the wooden staging, and another hoover, as cleaning the hall with just one hoover is hard work.

Richard

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

Firstly I would like to say a big "Thank you" to those who came to the Club on Friday night to put up the staging and arrange the Hall for the next day

Also a big "Thank you" to Richard for arranging the buffet for the Friday evening. A wonderful evening for all who came.

Although everyone connected with the Show didn't get home till well gone 11 o'clock on Friday night, they were all there by 7 the next morning to book in the entries and put them on the Show Benches ready to be judged.

The canteen staff, as usual, were set and ready to go serving tea, coffee and food all day long, as well as cooking a dinner for the Stewards and Judges.

Well done all and on behalf of all present thank you for all you do.

To all concerned with the actual Show, may I say on behalf of all Members many thanks for all your support and efforts. A great Show. As usual I will leave it to the Secretary to give a more detailed report.

As your President and General Dog's Body I would like to say to all who helped and those who showed, if you had as good a day as I had, you must have enjoyed your day. Thank you.

Our next Meeting is our A.G.M.

I hope we will see as many of you as possible at the Meeting to either show your support for the present Committee or to elect new Committee Members. But most of all to have your say in how the Club is run; if there are any changes you would like to see made and what happens at your Club. We, the Committee, are there for you. See you there. 10 o'clock sharp.

At this time of year it falls to me to remind you that your subs are now due. Full Membership is £15.00 – Joint Membership is £20.00 – Juniors are free to 16 years of age.

These fees just about cover the cost of the Newsletters (if that). To those who have already paid may I say thank you. I look forward to receiving all other subs either at the next Meeting or by post. Do not forget all cheques should be made payable to Dagenham and District Cage Bird Society.

Before I close, may I say a big thank you for your support for the past year or years. A Great Club.

Pete

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

What a great day our Annual Show was, a fantastic turn out of nearly 600 entries and very well supported by our members and guests. Well done to the Lawson & Wells Partnership with their Greenfinch Cock that won best in show and well done to all our specials winners.

The show team led by Steve Wallis (Show Manager) & Geoff Louth (Show Secretary) did a super job this year and we almost opened on time, so just a few little tweaks this year and we will be spot on.

Full list of the winners is below

Richard

#### **Annual Show Results**

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No	TOP AWARDS	
1	BEST BIRD IN SHOW	LAWSON & WELLS
2	BEST CYB BIRD IN SHOW	R RUDGE
3	BEST CANARY IN SHOW	R RUDGE
4	2ND BEST CANARY IN SHOW	G PHILPOT
5	3RD BEST CANARY IN SHOW	S CHENNELLS
6	BEST BRITISH, MULE, HYBRID or SIB	LAWSON & WELLS
7	2ND BEST BRITISH, MULE HYBRID, SIB	R WILSON
8	3RD BEST BRITISH, MULE, HYBRID, SIB	D CARPENTER
9	BEST FOREIGN, PARROTLIKE OR BUDGIE	B JOHNSON
10	2ND BEST FOREIGN, PARROTLIKE OR BUDGIE	N PHILLIPS HILL
11	3RD BEST FOREIGN, PARROTLIKE OR BUDGIE	N PHILLIPS HILL
	CANARY AWARDS	
12	BEST CHAMPION YORKSHIRE	NA
13	BEST NOVICE YORKSHIRE	NA
14	BEST CHAMPION NORWICH	R RUDGE
15	BEST NOVICE NORWICH	A PHILLIPS HILL
16	BEST CHAMPION BORDER	NA
17	BEST NOVICE BORDER	NA
18	BEST CHAMPION GLOSTER	S CHENNELLS
19	BEST NOVICE GLOSTER	D RUSSELL
20	BEST CHAMPION FIFE	K PECK
21	BEST NOVICE FIFE	DAMS & VICKERS
22	BEST CHAMPION NEW COLOUR	G PHILPOT
23	BEST NOVICE NEW COLOUR	S J WILSON
24	BEST RAZZA CANARY	J WELCH
25	BEST ENGLISH CINNIMON CANARY	J TAYLOR

26	BEST CHAMPION AOV/LIZARD	NA
27	BEST NOVICE AOV/LIZARD	D WARDLEY
28	BEST CYB CANARY IN SHOW	R RUDGE
	BRITISH AWARDS	
29	BEST CHAMPION BRITISH HARDBILL	LAWSON & WELLS
30	BEST NOVICE BRITISH HARDBILL	A PHILLIPS HILL
31	BEST BRITISH HARDBILL COCK	LAWSON & WELLS
32	BEST BRITISH HARDBILL HEN	D CARPENTER
33	BEST BRITISH CYB HARDBILL COCK OR HEN	W SCOTT
34	BEST CHAMPION MULE	LAWSON & WELLS
35	BEST NOVICE MULE	D HUNT
36	BEST MINIATURE MULE	C CUMMINGS
37	BEST CHAMPION HYBRID	R WILSON
38	BEST NOVICE HYBRID	D HUNT
39	BEST CYB MULE OR HYBRID	R WILSON
40	BEST CHAMPION SIBERIAN	S&B WALLIS
41	BEST NOVICE SIBERIAN	D HUNT
42	BEST CHAMPION BRITISH SOFTBILL	NA
43	BEST NOVICE BRITISH SOFTBILL	A PHILLIPS HILL
44	BEST CYB BRITISH, MULE, HYBRID,	R WILSON
	SIBERIAN	IN WILSON
	FOREIGN AWARDS	
45	BEST FOREIGN, P/LIKE, SOFT & HARDBILL,	B JOHNSON
	BUDGIE	
46	BEST FOREIGN PARROTLIKE	N PHILLIPS HILL
47	BEST FOREIGN HARDBILL	B JOHNSON
48	BEST FOREIGN SOFTBILL	N PHILLIPS HILL
49	BEST BUDGIE	B JOHNSON
50	BEST ZEBRA OR BENGALESE	J WELCH
51	BEST CYB FOREIGN,P/LIKE, BUDGIE	N PHILLIPS HILL
	JUVENILE AWARDS	
52	BEST JUVENILE BIRD IN SHOW	A KEENAN
53	BEST JUVENILE CANARY IN SHOW	NA
54	BEST JUVENILE BRITISH IN SHOW	A KEENAN
55	BEST JUVENILE FOREIGN OR BUDGIE IN SHOW	NA

### An open "Thank you" letter from Paul Jupe

Thank you for a great show on Saturday 10th December and what a great venue we have in Wantz Hall.

It was plain to see the significant changes that had been made to both receiving and benching the birds and also to judging the exhibits. I thought having separate check-ins for the canaries and British etc, was a really good idea that made dropping the birds off go really smoothly.

Having four specialist canary judges, two judges for the British, mules and hybrids and a specialist foreign judge, helped not only to move the judging along swiftly, but also gave those exhibiting the confidence that their birds were being judged with an unhurried, competent, critical eye.

With around 450 birds and the judges there were also many helpers or stewards in attendance, at one stage there appeared to be more bodies in the show hall than there were exhibitors waiting patiently outside in the lounge area.

Also, well done to Geoff, for so accurately predicting the failure of the postal service and having the cage labels ready to hand as the exhibitors arrived. My own labels arrived through the letter box around midday on the day of the show.

It was great to see such a variety of canaries at the show, in particular the Norwich and clearly inviting specialist societies along to the show not only boosts the numbers, but also generates extra interest for all. Although across the board from foreign finches to the British and including some varieties of canary, many of the classes were quite small. I don't believe that this should deter people from showing, even if you get a first or a second in a class of two, there's always a chance of getting a best in section.

On a personal level I was very satisfied with my ageing cock Greenfinch gaining a second place on a very distinguished bench, however, as always the star of the show for me was a full bodied, dark, rich, very well presented bread pudding, gorgeous!!!

Setting up the staging on a Friday night, enjoying a buffet and taking part in the prize draw all helps to engender a feeling of fellowship and builds a camaraderie within the club. Sadly I was unable to attend the Friday night this year, however on the Saturday I was able to remain after the birds were lifted to dismantle the staging and sweep the seed from the floor and help the others clear the hall.

Thank you to all of those that made this year's annual show the success that it was and for all the hard work that is often unseen and goes on in the background.

A particular thank you goes out to those heroes of the kitchen who fed and watered us throughout the day and for that matter at all our club meetings. Thank you.

Regards, Paul Jupe (Club Member and Treasurer of the Basildon CBS)

#### Another open "Thank You" letter - this one from Mick Pegram

What an excellent turn-out for Dagenham and District CBS – not only on the 9th December 2022 to erect show staging but especially on Saturday 10th December 2022 for our Annual Open Show in conjunction with the Norwich Plainhead Society – 600 plus exhibits of a cross section of quality cage birds bred by exhibitors from far and wide. Thank you all for your time and interest in this wonderful hobby of ours. I applaud you all for your efforts on behalf of Dagenham CBS for making it such a great experience. have been collated and entered on our www.dagenhamanddistrictcagebirdsociety.com - well worth a look as well as seeing what our club is about.

A big thank you to Charlie and Simon Meredith of Exseeds for assisting us with investing in our brand new exhibition staging - a well worth investment.

A big thank you also to Simon Gladwell of Copdock Mill seed merchants for donations of vouchers to spend at any of their stores and to George Weeks of Standard Laboratories for the donations of Carophyll Red and Orange.

Last but not least a massive thank you to the judges for attending and honouring us with their expertise. Not forgetting our members and non-members who all worked tirelessly Friday night and all day Saturday not only for stewarding but setting up and dismantling/putting away/clearing up after the show. The girls in the canteen did an excellent job in looking after everyone with refreshments. Thank you Fran, Val and Liz.

A few pictures for you to admire as well.







Mick Pegram

#### **Show Prize Money Fund**

Thank you to all who 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.

We will again be looking at ways we can raise money for our show fund for 2023. We have the largest prize fund in the country, this includes all CBS's and Specialist Clubs. Wow how far we have come. Hopefully our 2023 Annual show will be even bigger.

A few of our British Bird keepers have been flying the Dagenham CBS flag up and down the country with great success at many of the all British shows, so if any of you Canary or Foreign members do a similar thing please let us know or maybe you have shown abroad. All our members would be interested to know how you get on.

Richard

#### **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

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# 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

E-Mail: <a href="mailto:george@standardlabs.co.uk">george@standardlabs.co.uk</a>

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#### **Items for Sale**

Phone 01708 472172 or

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.

**Trevor Prior** has an **Aviary for sale for £150.00** (See photos). It is 7' 1" long x 4' 5" wide x 6' 8" high. Collection will be from East Ham (E6 1QZ). If you are interested please contact **Trevor on 07815 432 024** (2<sup>nd</sup> entry)





**Cage and stand for sale** Reasonable donation to go to club prize fund. Any more information or to organize collection see Mick on monthly meeting day (1<sup>st</sup> 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** (1<sup>st</sup> 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** (1st 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 December 2022**

#### Friday evening

Raffle made: £109.00 Current Members present: 28
Tea Bar made: £20.20 Guests: 2
Donations £10.00 New / Returning Members 0

#### **Raffle**

Wally Scott won the £50.00 from this month's Raffle

Our thanks to Vista Workspace Solutions
for their sponsorship and the raffle prizes
Thank you also to Gladwells Pet & Country Store and
The Standard Laboratory for their raffle donations this month
Thanks also to all Members who donated raffle prizes during the year

**John Welch** won the bag of seed donated by the Club.

#### Saturday Show Day

Raffle made: £252.00 Members present: At least 40
Tea Bar made: £134.90 Guests : Not counted

Door £140.00 New / Returning Members 6

Catalogues £30.00

Donations £3.00

There were also 12 Exhibitors who paid to enter the Show which will entitle them to receive Newsletters for the next couple of months.

Our thanks to Vista Workspace Solutions for their continued sponsorship and the raffle prizes Thanks also to the Members who donated raffle prizes for the Show

#### **New Members**

We had five new Members and a Partnership in December Welcome to **S.Camilleri** who keeps Canaries and British; **Steve Chennells** who keeps Glosters; **Nick Phillips-Hill** who keeps Foreign; **N.Prentice** who keeps British; **R.Rudge** who keeps Canaries and **Tony Gilder** and his daughter, **Sarah**, who keep Canaries

We also had a new Member join after the Meetings via Mick Pegram so welcome also to **Milton Savva** who keeps British, Mules and Canaries

#### 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.

<u>Dagenham CBS Facebook and Group Page</u>: We now have 311 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.

#### **Obituary**

We are sorry to have to report that Vic Rampling, who was a member of the Club for many years and who some of you may remember, has sadly passed away.

#### 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 **Roger Mack** and he kindly donated the £10.00 to the Club Funds.



# 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

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#### **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 8<sup>th</sup> 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.

#### A few pictures from December's Meeting and the Show







Eddie Wells of the Lawson & Wells Partnership with their winning Greenfinch Cock









Putting up the staging on Friday night ready for the show on Saturday







#### **Bird Keepers Association**

The next sale date is the 19<sup>th</sup> February 2023 see the poster on the back page of this newsletter.

#### **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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