

DAGENHAM & DISTRICT CAGE BIRD SOCIETY NEWSLETTER

JANUARY 2026



Saturday 17th January

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

SALES TABLES AT EVERY MEETING

**2026 MEMBERSHIP SUBSCRIPTIONS
ARE NOW DUE**

Dagenham and District
Cage Bird Society
Meetings held at
Wantz Hall
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All Committee Members 2025/26 **(Subject to change at the AGM)**

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Show Secretary	GEOFF LOUTH
Trophy Secretary	LES RIX
Canteen	FRAN, VAL, BARRY & PETE

**Meetings are held on the third Saturday of the month
from 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 2026

Single	£20.00
Partnerships:	£25.00
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

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Forthcoming Meeting Dates

2026

Sat 17th Jan AGM

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

Sat 21st Feb Club Show League – First Round – Cock Bird Show

Sat 21st Mar Sales Day ???

Sat 18th Apr TBC

Sat 16th May Song Bird Competition

Sat 20th June TBC

Sat 18th July TBC

Sat 15th Aug TBC

Sat 19th Sep TBC

Sat 17th Oct Club Show League – Second Round – Hen Bird Show

Sat 21st Nov Young Stock Show (10am to 2pm) Christmas Raffle & Buffet

Fri 11th Dec Staging for Open Show

Sat 12th Dec Open / Annual Show (all day)

2027

Sat 16th Jan AGM

The President's Comments

I was looking back over the type and amounts of birds shown at the Annual Show. For instance, Borders. On the entry count, I couldn't see any shown Why? A few years ago they were probably the most Canaries shown at most shows. I realise their popularity has waned recently in favour of the Fife. Is it because of the cost of Borders, so people are not breeding them anymore or are they not bothering to show them?

Another Canary that seems to be out of favour is the Gloster. Only 22 shown. Again, years back these were possibly the most popular Canaries. What's going on with these two breeds of Canaries? Or is it, once again, because people just can't be bothered to show them?

Again, AOV Canaries – 2; Lizards – 4; Old Variety – 6.

I see that the Coloured Canaries, Irish Fancy and Razza Canaries are making a comeback, or should I say they are getting a better following?

Also, the Foreign Section only had eight birds shown - disappointing.

On paper I must say "Well Done" to the British Section, also to the Fife Section.

Could it be possible that some people i.e. Members, didn't show because they did not want to register their birds, so they did not have a Registration Number for their Entry Form? Perhaps they thought this was hard to get, but I heard that some people got their numbers in a matter of days.

Apart from all that I would like to say "Well Done" to the people who gave their time and effort to put on the Show. Well done all.

Before I say a sad farewell again, I would like to wish all of you a Prosperous and Happy New Year and a wonderful breeding season. Good Luck all.

See you at the A.G.M.

The Secretary's Comments

What a great day our Annual Show was although the entry numbers were down from the previous year with no Yorkshire, Border, or English Cinnamon Canaries and very few Foreign birds but well done to the Raza, Irish and New Colour Canary exhibitors with a fantastic turn-out. The British Section was very well supported as always with the highest standard particularly in the Hybrid section. Well done to Davy Hunt who won Best in Show with a Greenfinch x Bullfinch and well done to all our other winners.

The Show Team led by Davy Hunt (Show Manager) & Geoff Louth (Show Secretary) did a super job this year. Thank you to all our stewards & helpers for their hard work setting up the staging the night before and on the show day.

December's Annual Show

Full list of the winners is as follows:

	SPECIALS LIST FOR PAID UP MEMBERS	NAME
1	BEST BIRD IN SHOW	D HUNT
CANARY AWARDS		
2	BEST CANARY IN SHOW	D SIMPER
3	2ND BEST CANARY IN SHOW	D GALLIMORE
4	3RD BEST CANARY IN SHOW	G GALLIMORE
5	BEST CYB CANARY IN SHOW	D SIMPER
6	BEST CHAMPION YORKSHIRE	N/A
7	BEST NOVICE YORKSHIRE	N/A
8	BEST CYB YORKSHIRE	N/A

9	BEST CHAMPION NORWICH	D SIMPER
10	BEST NOVICE NORWICH	R HOADLEY
11	BEST CYB NORWICH	D SIMPER
12	BEST CHAMPION BORDER	N/A
13	BEST NOVICE BORDER	N/A
14	BEST CYB BORDER	N/A
15	BEST CHAMPION GLOSTER	S CHENNELLS
16	BEST NOVICE GLOSTER	M BUCKLAND
17	BEST CYB GLOSTER	S CHENNELS
18	BEST CHAMPION FIFE	K PECK
19	BEST NOVICE FIFE	G GALLIMORE
20	BEST CYB FIFE	G GALLIMORE
21	BEST CHAMPION NEW COLOUR	S WILSON
22	BEST NOVICE NEW COLOUR	D GALLIMORE
23	BEST CYB NEW COLOUR	D GALLIMORE
24	BEST CHAMPION RAZZA CANARY	S FISHER
25	BEST NOVICE RAZZA CANARY	SANJAY & WELCH
26	BEST CYB RAZZA	S FISHER
27	BEST CHAMPION IRISH FANCY	N/A
28	BEST NOVICE IRISH FANCY	T SAGE
29	BEST CYB IRISH FANCY	T SAGE
30	BEST CHAMPION ENGLISH CINNIMON CANARY	N/A
31	BEST NOVICE ENGLISH CINNIMON CANARY	N/A
32	BEST CYB ENGLISH CINNIMON	N/A
33	BEST CHAMPION AOV/LIZARD	S FISHER
34	BEST NOVICE AOV/LIZARD	D ALLRIGHT
35	BEST CYB AOV/LIZARD	S FISHER
	BRITISH, MULE, HYBRIDS & NORTHERN AWARDS	
36	BEST HARDBILL, SOFTBILL, MULE, HYBRID OR NORTHERN IN SHOW	D HUNT
37	BEST BRITISH HARDBILL IN SHOW	J COVENTRY
38	BEST MULE IN SHOW	D HUNT
39	BEST HYBRID IN SHOW	D HUNT
40	BEST SOFTBILL IN SHOW	TEAM SOUTH COAST
41	BEST NORTHERN BIRD IN SHOW	C HALL
	HARDBILLS	
42	BEST CHAMPION FLIGHTED COCK HARDBILL	J COVENTRY
43	BEST CHAMPION FLIGHTED HEN HARDBILL	P JUPE
44	BEST CHAMPION CYB COCK HARDBILL	J COVENTRY
45	BEST CHAMPION CYB HEN HARDBILL	J COVENTRY
46	BEST NOVICE FLIGHTED COCK HARDBILL	T DOUGHTY
47	BEST NOVICE FLIGHTED HEN HARDBILL	D HUNT
48	BEST NOVICE CYB COCK HARDBILL	D HUNT
49	BEST NOVICE CYB HEN HARDBILL	T DOUGHTY
50	BEST CV HARDBILL CHAMP OR NOV	D CARPENTER
	MULES & HYBRIDS	
51	BEST CHAMPION FLIGHTED MULE	T ROBERTS

52	BEST CHAMPION CYB MULE	A MOORE
53	BEST NOVICE FLIGHTED MULE	D HUNT
54	BEST NOVICE CYB MULE	D HUNT
55	BEST CHAMPION FLIGHTED HYBRID	R WILSON
56	BEST CHAMPION CYB HYBRID	LAWSON & WELLS
57	BEST NOVICE FLIGHTED HYBRID	D HUNT
58	BEST NOVICE CYB HYBRID	TEAM SOUTH COAST
59	BEST MINIATURE MULE, CHAMP OR NOV	M BLAKEMAN
60	BEST CV MULE OR HYBRID, CHAMP OR NOV	D HUNT
61	BEST HEN MULE OR HYBRID, CHAMP OR NOV	D HUNT
SOFTBILLS		
62	BEST CHAMPION SOFTBILL	N/A
63	BEST NOVICE SOFTBILL	TEAM SOUTH COAST
NORTHERN		
64	BEST CHAMPION NORTHERN COCK HARDBILL	P JUPE
65	BEST CHAMPION NORTHERN HEN HARDBILL	P JUPE
66	BEST NOVICE NORTHERN COCK HARDBILL	C HALL
67	BEST NOVICE NORTHERN HEN HARDBILL	B KIRBY
FOREIGN		
68	BEST FOREIGN, P/LIKE, SOFT & HARDBILL & BUDGIE IN SHOW	TEAM SOUTH COAST
69	BEST FOREIGN PARROTLIKE	TEAM SOUTH COAST
70	BEST FOREIGN HARDBILL	TEAM SOUTH COAST
71	BEST FOREIGN SOFTBILL	TEAM SOUTH COAST
72	BEST BUDGIE	N/A
73	BEST ZEBRA OR BENGAL ESE	N/A
74	BEST CYB FOREIGN SOFT/HARDBILL,P/LIKE OR BUDGIE	TEAM SOUTH COAST
JUVENILE		
75	BEST JUVENILE BIRD IN SHOW	I GALLIMORE
76	BEST JUVENILE CANARY IN SHOW	I GALLIMORE
77	BEST JUVENILE BRITISH IN SHOW	H SAGE
78	BEST JUVENILE FOREIGN IN SHOW	N/A
79	MOST BIRDS ENTERED	D HUNT
DONATED SPECIALS		
90	BEST BRITISH HARDBILL IN SHOW - PRINTED MUG	J COVENTRY
91	BEST MULE IN SHOW - PRINTER MUG	D HUNT
92	BEST HYBRID IN SHOW - PRINTED MUG	D HUNT
93	BEST NORTHERN BIRD IN SHOW - PRINTED MUG	C HALL
94	BEST MINIATURE MULE, CHAMP OR NOV - PRINTED MUG	M BLAKEMAN
95	BEST HEN MULE OR HYBRID, CHAMP OR NOV - PRINTED MUG	D HUNT
100	BEST NATIVE COCK BULLFINCH	R WILSON
101	BEST CYB HEN GREENFINCH	LAWSON & WELLS
102	BEST GOLDFINCH MULE	T ROBERTS
103	BEST GOLDFINCH	TEAM SOUTH COAST
104	BEST LINNET	D HUNT

105	BEST CYB REDPOLL	J COVENTRY
106	BEST CANARY X BULLFINCH	R WILSON
107	BEST GREENFINCH MULE	A MOORE
108	BEST CROSSBILL MULE	D HUNT
109	BEST COLOUR CANARY IN SHOW	D GALLIMORE
110	BEST CHAMP UN-FLTD COLOUR CANARY	S WILSON
111	BEST NOVICE UN-FLTD CANARY	D GALLIMORE
112	BEST CHAMP WHITE FIFE	K PECK
113	BEST NOVICE WHITE FIFE	G GALLIMORE
114	BEST ENGLISH CINNAMON	N/A
115	BEST CORONA GLOSTER CANARY	M BUCKLAND
116	BEST CONSOFT GLOSTER CANARY	S CHENNELLS
117	BEST UN-FLTD GLOSTER CANARY	S CHENNELLS
118	BEST CHAMPION CINNAMON RAZZA	S FISHER
119	BEST NOVICE CINNAMON RAZZA	SANJAY & WELCH
120	BEST SELF GREEN RAZZA	S FISHER
121	BEST COLOUR CANARY IN SHOW	D GALLIMORE
122	BEST RED LIPOCHROME	D ALLRIGHT
123	BEST YELLOW LIPOCHROME	D GALLIMORE
124	BEST WHITE LIPOCHROME	D GALLIMORE
125	BEST MOSAIC LIPOCHROME	R BERNARD
126	BEST MELANIN	R BERNARD
127	BEST JUNIOR	I GALLIMORE
128	BEST LIPOCHROME	D GALLIMORE

2025 Show Prize Money Fund

Thank you to all who donate to the Club to help generate funds towards the prize money for the Club Shows. £2,467.00 was raised in 2025.

DATE	NOTES	MONEY IN	MONEY OUT
Jan-25	Brought forward from 2024	£ 466.00	
	Donated from C&A Raffle	£ 1,583.00	
Feb-25	Cock show prize money		-£ 100.00
	Cock show entries	£ 59.00	
	Mick Buckland donation	£ 16.00	
	Alan Green donation	£ 20.00	
	2 x Bus stops	£ 30.00	
Mar-25	Sales Day entry money	£ 48.00	
	Sales Day Table fees	£ 130.00	
	Mick Buckland donation	£ 10.00	
Apr-25	IOA Donation	£ 100.00	
	Allan Morton Donation	£ 10.00	
	Paul Jupe Donation	£ 20.00	
	Mick Buckland donation	£ 10.00	
	Sales Table	£ 5.00	

Jun-25	Laurie Butler Donation	£ 50.00	
	Phil Perkins	£ 10.00	
Oct-25	Hen Bird show entries	£ 45.00	
	Hen bird prize money		-£ 100.00
	Show league prize money		-£ 170.00
Nov-25	Young stock show entries	£ 85.00	
	Young stock prize money		-£ 145.00
	Young stock/annual trophies		-£ 310.00
Dec-25	Annual Show prize money		-£ 1,325.00
		£ 2,697.00	£ 2,150.00

Cage & Aviary Avian Draw

Thank you to the following for their kind donations this year to the Cage & Aviary Christmas Raffle that has raised around £1,600.00 for this years (2026) prize fund. Lawson & Wells Partnership, Shane Evans, Danny Gallimore, Les Rix and Richard Wilson.

January's Meeting – AGM

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. For instance, where would you like to see the Club funds spent? An excursion? A coach trip? New equipment? Come along and let us know.

AGM Agenda

1. The current committee to stand down from their positions.
2. 2026 committee to be agreed.
3. Agree monthly meetings.
4. New equipment needed.
5. Subscription increase
6. Annual show
7. Raffle
8. Any other Business”

Members on other Committees etc.

IOA Committee

Richard Lawson & Eddie Wells

British Bird Council Delegates

Richard Wison & Davy Hunt

Are there any other members sitting on any committees at their specialist canary clubs? We would be interested to know what's going on so we can put it in the newsletter.

Useful Numbers and Contacts

Rings

IOA (International Ornithological Association) Website – www.ioa-com-uk.org For all rings call Richard Lumley on 01653 697565 or 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 and is very helpful. 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

BBC (British Bird Council). Call or e-mail for rings or Membership.
Phone: 0121 476 5999 Office open 9.15 - 12.00 Mon, Tue, Thu, Fri.
E-mail - info@britishbirdcouncil.com

Membership – Adults & Partnerships £15.00: 60 or over £9.00: Juniors (under 16) Free.

This Year's Club Sponsors

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 details in the advert at the end of the Newsletter

Mooro's Events – Davy Hunt

Mooro's Events are based in Chigwell, Essex and have again agreed to supply 2 bottles of drink for our raffle prizes every month in 2026
Please see their details in the advert at the end of the Newsletter

Members' Recommendations

Suppliers of Colour Food by The Standard Laboratory

Carophyll Red/Orange/Yellow
Contact George Weeks
E-Mail: george@standardlabs.co.uk Phone: 01959 573 719
(New Phone No Mar 2024)

Wiltons Pet Centre Phone: 01268 726 216
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(Copdock Mill)
Lubbards Lodge Farm, Hullbridge Road, Rayleigh, SS6 9QG

DG Pest Control - David Galea Phone 01708 472172 or
(Club Member) 07882 951 578 (Mobile)
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Items for Sale or Items Wanted

If you have any birds or equipment for sale, or wanted, please let Barry or Val know, and they will add it to the next Newsletter.

Please note, adverts in this section 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 2025

Raffle made	£323.00	Current Members at least	40
Tea Bar made	£106.30	Guests – not counted	
Show Entry/Catalogue	£164.00	New / Returning Members	0
Donations –			
Albert Moore	£10.00		

Raffle

There was no £50.00 prize in December

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

There was no Club Members' Seed Raffle.

New and Returning Members

There were no new Members at the December Meeting

Our Club Membership is currently 109 made up as to
79 Single Members, 13 Partnerships (26 Members) and 4 Juniors

(NB: Details of Exhibitors who paid £10.00 to enter the Annual Show
are not yet available)

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 Group Page – We now have 868 Members
on the Group Page. Please give it a look, join in the banter
and see the up-to-date news from the Members.

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 prize must be claimed at the next Meeting or the £10.00 will be donated to the club

Last month's winner was **Albert Moore** and he kindly donated his prize to the Club's funds.



Membership Subscriptions

The Club's year runs from January to December
If anyone is unable to get to the Meetings, they can send their subs to
Pete (details at the front of the Newsletter)
Cheques should be made payable to
Dagenham and District Cage Bird Society
Single – £20.00....Partnership – £25.00....Juniors (to 16) – Free

Members' Christmas Raffle

The Members' Christmas Raffle this year of £100.00 will be paid by the Club. Every Member who is signed in at the Meetings will receive one entry for each Meeting attended. This year the draw will take place at the November Meeting and the winner will receive a cash prize of £100.00.

To win the prize you must be at the Meeting on Saturday, the 21st November otherwise another ticket will be picked until a winner is declared.

The usual monthly raffle will also take place on that day, with its £50.00 cash prize plus other prizes as normal.

Bird Keepers Association

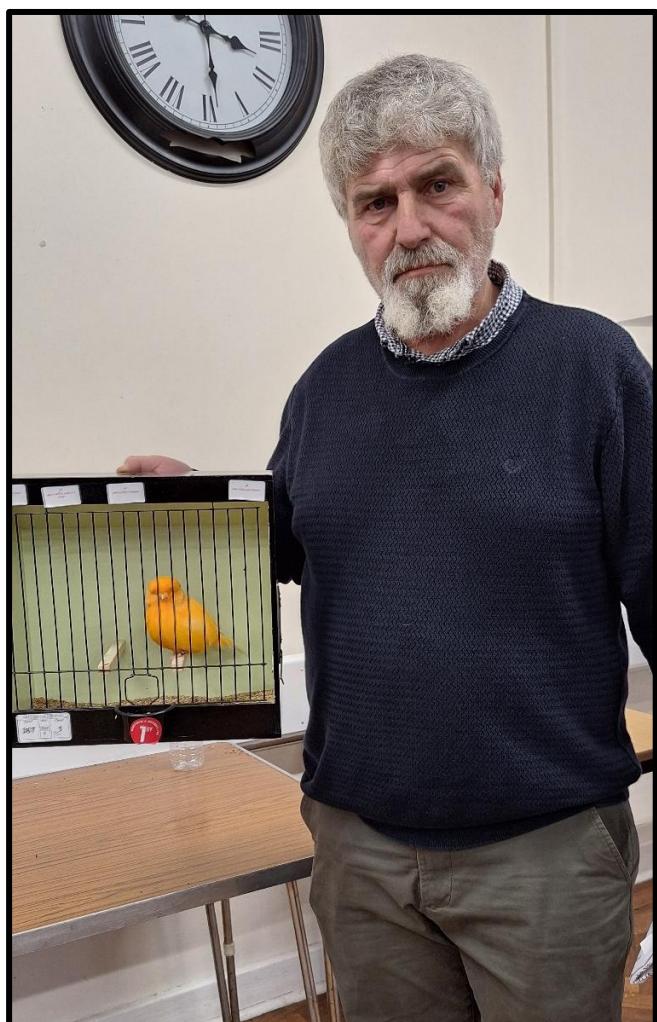
The 2026 BKA Sales Days are
15th February, 19th April, 21st June,
16th August, 18th October and 20th December

Venue for the Sales Days is Cowdray Hall, West Thurrock, RM20 3JE

The Southern Premier Bird Show will be on Monday, the 28th December
Venue for the Show is Chelmer Valley High School in Chelmsford

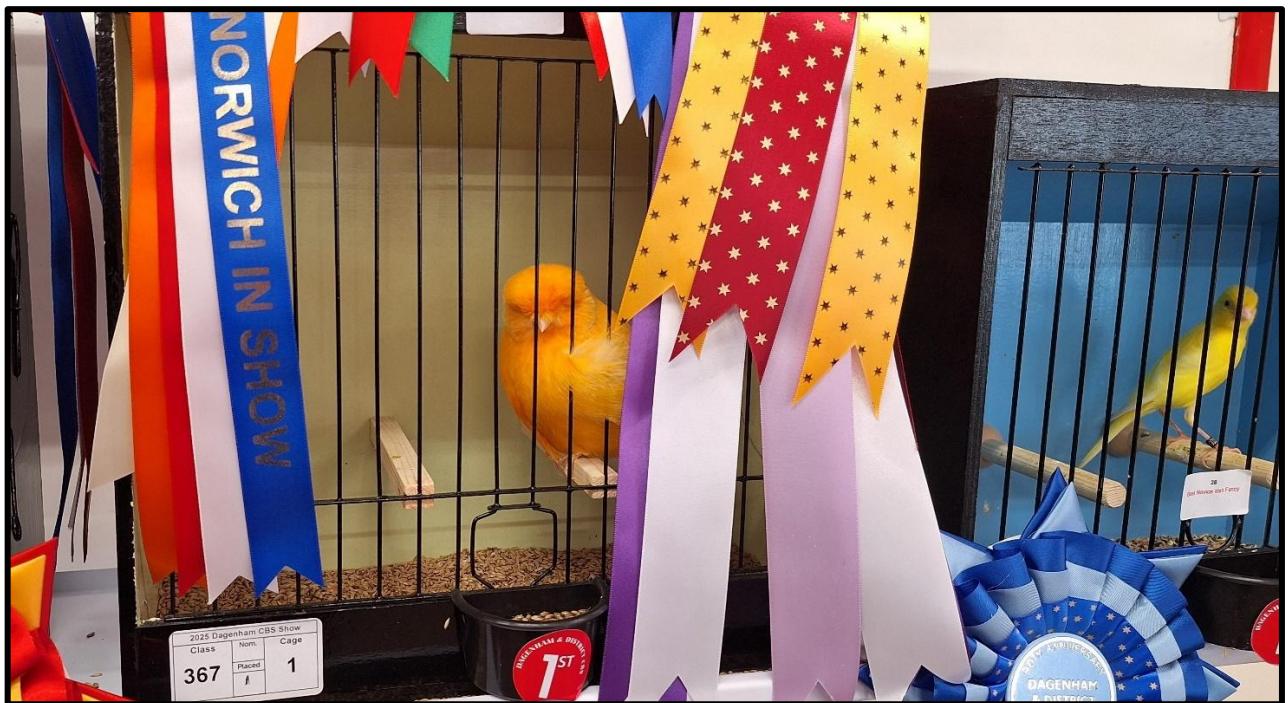
Further information relating to the BKA can be obtained from
Shane Evans on 07376 669 333 or Jamie Taylor on 07999 354 911
They can also be contacted via the website www.bkauk.org.uk
or by e-mailing info@bkauk.org.uk

Some Photos from the last Meeting













Thank You

A big “Thank You” to **Davy Hunt** for arranging take-aways for the Members who were helping to put up the staging on the Friday evening before the Show

This Year's Club Sponsors

Direct Bird Products

Direct Bird Products 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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