

DAGENHAM & DISTRICT CAGE BIRD SOCIETY NEWSLETTER

July 2019



NEXT MEETING

Saturday, 20th July 2019

10am to 12pm

**A TALK BY BRENDA KETTLE
ON HOW SHE KEEPS HER FIVE CANARIES**

SALES TABLE AT EVERY MEETING

**Dagenham and District
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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

SAT 20 th Jly 2019	A Talk by Brenda Kettle on how she keeps her Fife Canaries
SAT 17 th Aug 2019	Open Show preparation
SAT 21 st Sep 2019	Club Show League – Second Round – Any Bird Show
SAT 19 th Oct 2019	Club Show League – Third Round – Pairs Show
SAT 16 th Nov 2019	Young Stock Show
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

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

We had over forty Members and Visitors turn up for the talk by Agata Witkowska, the Avian Vet. She had a very good set-up and gave a very good talk. You could hear a pin drop in the Hall as the Members were so intent on watching and listening.

At the end of the talk Agata answered quite a few questions and was given a lovely round of applause by the Members.

Well done Richard for arranging this.

Did you all read about our Show in C&A? It was in the 12th June edition. I realise it was a long wait, but it was worth the wait as it was a very good summary of the Show.

Pete

The Secretary's comments

At June's meeting we had vet Agata Witkowska from Trinity Vet Centre in Kent to come and talk about some of the questions the Members had asked about. A lot was discussed about "Going Light" and the different reasons that cause this in our birds. It was very clear that there were several elements to this disease so it was not a simple answer, and Agata gave us an insight into all the possible reasons why some of our birds contract this disease and possible medications we can give them.

What was interesting to hear was that some of our birds already have some of the elements of the disease in them but show no ill effect. Along the lines of humans that have good bacteria and bad bacteria in their bodies.

So this talk gave us another insight to the one Colin Leask from "Birds First" in Scotland gave us in March this year regarding the Health, Environment and Nutrition for our birds.

At the end of her presentation Agata went on to answer other questions that the Members had, and also stayed to answer people's individual questions.

Thank you to everyone who managed to get to the meeting. We had over 40 Members present which seems to be the norm at Dagenham now. Agata remarked what a friendly Club we were, which again seems to be the view of people not connected to the Club, so well done to all involved in making Dagenham CBS the great Club it is.

Richard

Nesting Birds



On the right of the photo is a Siskin Cock with a Redpoll Hen which had just laid her third egg, but look how close the nest is to the Crossbill x Bullfinch. It just goes to show how safe she must feel nesting just six inches from the birds in the next cage. I hope the eggs are full as it would be nice to breed a Siskin x Redpoll.

Richard

Pete's chit chat

My Birds

I was looking forward to the young birds leaving the nests to see if there were any Mules. Fifteen young exploded the nests in a matter of days. Unfortunately, none were Mules.

The Hens are going back to nest. The Goldfinch and the Redpoll are still trying to mate the Hens so once again it's going to be wait and see!

I personally would like to see if we could re-book Kim Smith from Discount Pest Control. Any chance Richard?

Pete

Pete's Jovial Section

When I received my Newsletter last month and saw the photos Barry had taken, they were either out of focus or I need new glasses for they showed what an ugly lot bird keepers are. Makes me think I am the only good looking bird keeper around!! So I am proposing we take some money out of the Club funds and pay for some "nip & tucks" all round. Failing this we buy an iron and an ironing board and try to iron out our wrinkles. I am only joking about the ironing board, but we can keep the iron and hope that this will help!

The good thing these bird keepers do though is to breed beautiful birds. Having said this, I hope you are all having a great breeding season with lots of lovely birds to show at our Shows in the coming months

Just joking!! (But not about the lovely birds and showing them).

Your good looking, hard working President, Treasurer and Bottle Washer (still no dishwasher!).

Pete

For Sale

4 Norwich Show Cages – £10 each. If you're interested please contact **Paul Jupe** on **07891 517 797**.

Would you please let Barry or Val know if you want your advert changed or removed from next month's list. Thank you

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

Has anyone got a **Winnower** which they are not using? If so, please phone **Fergus McCarthy** on **07961 803 100**

Two Goldfinch Hens are wanted by **Mark Logan**. If you can help, please phone him on **01708 501926**.

A **Sierra Cock** is wanted by **Roger Mignot**. If you can help, please phone him on **07763 352 449**

An **African Grey (NOT a Timor)** is wanted by **Ted Papendreas**. If you can help, please phone him on **01708 443284**.

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 June 2019

Raffle made:	£127.00	Members present:	39
Tea Bar made:	£54.90	New Members:	0
Donations	£12.00.	Guests	5

Raffle

Ted Short 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 – West Ham – £20.00 was won this month by Barry with £20.00 going to the Club. Thanks to Fergus for organising this again this month.

New Members

There were no new Members this month

The Club's Website

www.dagenhamcbs.com 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

July 2019 Meeting

At our next Meeting, on the 20th July, we have Brenda Kettle coming to talk about how she keeps her Fife Canaries, from how she winterises her birds to her breeding regime which I know many of you will find interesting. Speaking to Brenda this week she has bred around 120 Fifes this year so clearly her way works. Brenda will be taking questions throughout her talk.

Richard

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 winner was Ralph Tiah.



2019 Membership Subscriptions

The Club's year runs from January to December.

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.

Bird Bath!!

This photo was sent in by David McClennaghan. It was taken last month at Waltham Abbey, a lovely action shot of a pair of goldfinches well done David

Cage and Aviary Magazine

We hope that some of you saw the Show Report which was printed in the 12th June edition of Cage and Aviary. We had photocopies pinned on the wall near the Kitchen at the June Meeting but if you didn't get a chance to read the report and would like to, Val will have the copies at the July Meeting.

Essex Bird Fancier

Please see the advert at the end of the Newsletter and the Special Offer Flyer which is enclosed. Members can have their orders delivered by post or they can be collected at the monthly Club Meetings. **Please note their new phone number.**

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
From Last
Meeting**



**Photos
Month's**



Richard with our guest speaker Agata Witkowska



Above some of the many members and guests enjoying Agata's talk

Below more photos from last month's meeting





On behalf of all Dagenham CBS members I would like to thank Agata for making our last month's meeting a very interesting talk

Barry

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