

DAGENHAM & DISTRICT CAGE BIRD SOCIETY NEWSLETTER

JUNE 2022



NEXT MEETING

Saturday, 18th June 2022

10am to 12pm

**A talk and possibly a slideshow on Foreign
Finches by Malcom Thornton & Len March**

SALES TABLE AT EVERY MEETING

**Dagenham and District
Cage Bird Society
Meetings held at
Wantz Hall
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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 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 (lukeira@btinternet.com) Val (valkenh@btinternet.com)

Forthcoming Meeting Dates

2022

Sat 18 th June	Malcolm Thornton accompanied by Len March from The Bird Keepers Association will be giving a talk on keeping Foreign Finches
Sat 16 th July	Dave Mason will be giving a talk on Breeding Birds for Exhibition
Sat 20 th Aug	Keith Ferry will be giving a talk on Norwich Canaries
Sat 17 th Sep	Jason Jermy will be giving a talk on Softbills
Sat 15 th Oct	Club Show League – Second Round – Hen Bird Show
Sat 19 th Nov	Young Stock Show (10am to 2pm)
Fri 9 th Dec	Staging for Open / Annual Show followed by Christmas Raffle Draw and Buffet (8pm to 10pm)
Sat 10 th Dec	Open / Annual Show (all day)

2023

Sat 21st Jan	AGM
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The President's Comments

I would like to say thank you to those Members who turned up with birds for our Song Bird Contest. It was won by Lee Everist with, I believe, a Goldfinch Mule. In my opinion it is a very hard thing to judge, as no-one sits and watches the birds, so in the end it comes down to if you have noticed a bird singing as you walk round the Hall and I believe there were different opinions. But, even without song, there were some nice little birds so, once again, thank you to the Members who showed some birds.

I was talking to Richard at the Meeting and at the Bird Sale about how the breeding season had started. There were a few different views. Some said they were having a brilliant start while others not so good, but this seems to be the same every year. What did surprise me though, was some people had had such a good start and bred so many they were closing their season down.

Myself I keep getting a few young Gouldians, but most of the adults have started to moult, so I expect to see them start nesting in the Autumn. Also I had more Gouldian chicks leave the box, two I think.

The two pairs of Zebras I bought earlier in the season have both gone to next. Unfortunately, one pair only had one chick. At the moment it is being well looked after. The other pair have eggs, so I'll wait and see what occurs. The single Zebra has left its nest pure white with droplets below the eye, so I am presuming it's a hen.

I have only recently returned from my daughter's chalet, so I am still trying to sort out what happened while I was away. Once again, Barry was in charge of my birds and did a good job too.

The other nest of Zebras have just hatched some chicks. I am not sure how many, I think three. Because the nest boxes are so big the Zebras and Gouldians are building fully domed nests inside the boxes. This makes it nigh on impossible to see inside .

At last the Gouldians are getting their full colours so I will be able to see more easily what are Cocks and Hens, then I can have a good sort out. I will then have some to go.

I will stop wittering on now or Barry and Val will say I take up half the Newsletter with idle chat!!

Hope to see you all at the next Meeting.

Pete

The Club Secretary's Comments

May's meeting was our Songbird competition. Thank you to the members who entered birds and members & guests who supported the day. We had 16 entries on the day with Lee Everist's Goldfinch Mule narrowly beating Steve Wallis's Goldfinch Mule for top honours. Well done to all. Only twenty odd members in attendance, our lowest turnout for some years, which was disappointing.

June will be a talk and possible slideshow on Foreign Finches by Malcom Thornton & Len March which I'm sure will be very interesting,. They may also bring some of their birds in to show us.

Richard

Show Prize Money Fund

There were four donations last month:-

Martin Nye made a Cash Donation of £30.00

Valerie Holmes made a Cash Donation of £20.00

Shane Evans donated a Twite Mule – £20.00

May's Song Bird Show entry fees – £8.00

Micky Moffet donated Cages – £95.00
Laurie Butler donated a carry cage – £30.00
Richard Wilson auctioned a Mule – £50.00
Lee Everist made a Cash Donation of £15.00
Steve Wallis made a Cash Donation of £15.00
Sales Table – Drinkers – £5.00
Richard Wilson donated Cages – £50.00

TOTAL = £338.00

Thank you to all the above for their donations to the Club to help generate funds to go towards the prize money for the Club Shows

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

E-Mail: george@standardlabs.co.uk

Wiltons Pets

Phone: 01268 726 216

Gladwells Pet & Country Store

Phone: 01268 642 601

DG Pest Control.- David Galea

(Club Member)

E-Mail davidgalea@live.co.uk

Phone 01708 472172 or

07882 951 578 (Mobile)

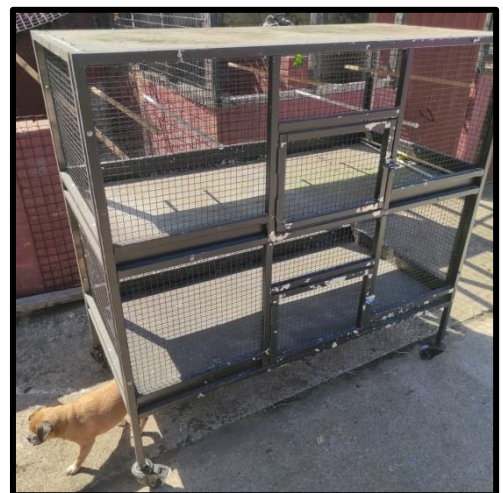
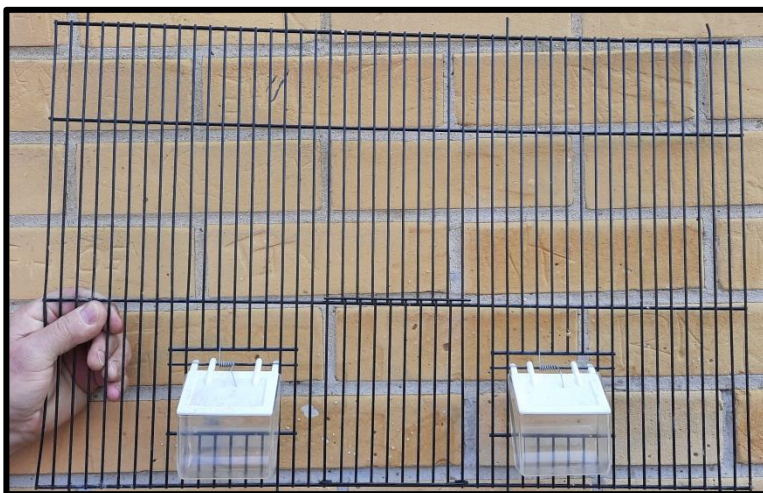
www.dgpestcontrol.co.uk.

Items for Sale

Fergus has for sale **10 Cage fronts complete with feeders. Size 24 inches long x15 inches high** and a flight **5 feet long x 2.5 feet wide x 4 feet 10 inches high** made of aluminium which has been painted black. Please note legs can be shortened.

Cage fronts are £50 O.N.O. Flight is £100 O.N.O. Photos below.

If you are interested please phone Fergus on **07961 803100** (2nd entry)



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.

Items wanted

Barry is looking for a **Hen Bullfinch** not necessarily for breeding, just to keep an older bird company, so can be an elderly bird that you no longer need. If you can help please contact him on **0751 609 1070** (2nd entry)

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.

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 for May 2022

Raffle made:	£76.00	Current Members present:	22
Tea Bar made:	£29.70	Guests :	0
Donations	£00 (Sales)	New / Returning Members	4

Raffle

Shane won the £50.00 from this month's Raffle

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

New Members

There were 3 New Members in May
Welcome to Sid Aldis, John Dewey and Len March
and welcome back to John Martin

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 have 219 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 **Martin Nye** who kindly added his winnings to his donation to the Club's Prize Money Fund.



Membership Subscriptions

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 2022 subs to Pete (details at the front of the Newsletter)

Cheques should be made payable to Dagenham & District CBS

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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 9th 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.

June 2022 Meeting

Our next Meeting is on on the 18th June and Malcolm Thornton accompanied by Len March, both from The Bird Keepers Association, will be giving a talk on keeping Foreign Finches.

A few pictures from the May Meeting







Romford Bird Sale

The Romford Bird Sale will be held on the 2nd Saturday of each month at Noak Hill Victory Hall, Romford, Essex, RM4 1LD. For more details see their Facebook page or ring Jamie Taylor on 07999 354 911

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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