

DAGENHAM & DISTRICT CAGE BIRD SOCIETY NEWSLETTER

MARCH 2023



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

GARY MACBEATH – A TALK ON FIFES

(Please see inside for more information)

SALES TABLE AT EVERY MEETING

**2023 MEMBERSHIP SUBSCRIPTIONS ARE NOW DUE
IF YOU HAVE NOT YET PAID YOUR SUBS FOR THE
CURRENT YEAR THIS WILL BE THE LAST
NEWSLETTER YOU WILL RECEIVE PENDING PAYMENT**

**Dagenham and District
Cage Bird Society
Meetings held at
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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
2023**

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

Sat 18 th Mar	Gary Macbeath – A Talk on Fifes
Sat 15 th Apr	Sales Day (open to the public)
Sat 20 th May	Song Bird Competition
Sat 17 th June	Malcolm Thornton – Foreign Finches
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

Sat 20 th Jan	AGM
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The President's Comments

Our last Meeting was probably the best supported Meeting held for many years. We had around 50 Members and Guests present.

The Meeting was our Cock Bird Show. The Winners were as follows:-

- 1st was a lovely little Fife
- 2nd was a Linnet Cross Bullfinch
- 3rd was a cracking little Song Sparrow

All were shown in a lovely condition, a credit to their owners. Well done to all that showed.

The Canteen was busy all morning, with Fran and Val rushed off their feet with the selling of teas, coffees and various rolls and cakes and Barry had a wonderful morning selling a large amount of raffle tickets. He was also taking lots of photos for the Newsletter.

I hope everyone had a great morning.

The following morning Barry, Fran and I went to the BKA Meeting at Cowdray Hall, West Thurrock. On walking into the Hall we were surprised at the amount of different varieties of birds that were on show. The Hall was packed with buyers. They also had seed and equipment tables there

with most things you could want. I would recommend that you go to the next Meeting. A good morning out.

Subs – Those who have not already paid their subs only have this month to pay. If they do not re-join then their Newsletters will stop. I hate having to say this.

At our last Meeting there were some Members there that had not paid their subs so, if you are not sure if you have paid, just come over to me and ask. This reminder is not made to upset anyone, it's just a gentle reminder and I'm sorry if it upsets anyone.

Bank – We have now completely closed our Account with Santander. They sent me a cheque for £10,771.48 which has now been deposited in our new Account with Lloyds. The Account at this moment has approximately £12,000.00. Not bad for a little CBS.

Barry and I will be buying a new Hoover and a Toaster soon in line with Members' wishes.

My Birds

My birds still look like they are in moult, but I am still getting some go to nest.

The Canary men will by now have their birds sorted out and will have made up their minds about pairings. Some with light and heat may already have made a start. I, for one, wish them the best of luck.

Pete

The Club Secretary's Comments

February's meeting was the first round of the Dagenham CBS Show League, Cock Bird Show, and what a great turn out it was with 16 Members taking part showing 60 birds in total. The winner with a Fife Canary was new member Graham Gallimore. Well done Graham congratulations. There was also a very good turnout of around 50 members & guests to support the show.

The results were as follows:-

BEST BIRD IN SHOW – Graham Gallimore
Best British in Show – Richard Wilson
Best Canary in Show – Graham Gallimore
Best Foreign in Show – Barry Johnson

Dagenham Show League 2023 (after First Rounds)						
	Name	Birds Shown	Cock Show	Hen Show	Total Points	Average per bird
1	Richard Wilson	4	350		350	87.5
2	Davy Hunt	4	335		335	83.75
3	Sanjay Dindyal	4	280		280	70
4	Mick Pegram	4	270		270	67.5
5	Steve & Bill Wallis	4	250		250	62.5
6	Roger Mack	4	190		190	47.5
7	Graham Gallimore	2	185		185	92.5
8	Miley Copeland	4	170		170	42.5
9	Paul Jupe	4	150		150	37.5
10	Michael Crotty	4	140		140	35
11	Shane Evans	3	120		120	40
12	Barry Johnson	4	100		100	25
13	Les Rix	4	45		45	11.25
14	Lee Everest	4	35		35	8.75
15	George Philpot	4	20		20	5
16	Steve Smith	3	15		15	5

At the March meeting we have Gary Macbeath talking about Fife Canaries, please come and support the club. Gary is one of our members who always puts himself out to help the club. It will be very interesting so do your best not to miss it.

April meeting, please note, we will be having a Table Sale which will be open to the public. Details below –

- Table sale 15th April
- Trade stands and breeders' tables available
- Refreshments from 10am
- Direct Bird Products will be there with a huge selection of items
- Members' tables – £5 each
- Non-members' tables – £10 each
- Members' entrance is free
- Non- members – £3 per person
- Membership to the club is £15 per year and runs from 1st January to 31st December
- Sellers arrive 9.30am (no trading until 10am)

- Buyers from 10am.
- Doors close 11.30am
- No seed or new plastic equipment to be sold at sale.

Richard

Show Prize Money Fund

There were six donations in February:-

Milton Savva donated £20.00
 John Young donated £5.00
 Jim Galbally donated £20.00
 Richard Wilson donated £40.00
 Allan Morton donated £10.00
 February's Cock Bird Show Entries – £30.00

Steve Smith donated £50.00
 Allan Morton donated £10.00

TOTAL to date = £185.00

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

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Contact George Weeks

Phone: 01959 576 998 or

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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.

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.

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 February 2023

Raffle made:	£185.00	Current Members present:	45
Tea Bar made:	£78.70	Guests :	3
Donations	£0	New / Returning Members	5

Raffle

Sarah Gilder won the £50.00 from this month's Raffle.

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

Sarah Gilder also won the bag of seed donated by the Club.

New Members

We had 4 new Members and a Junior Member in February
Welcome to **Jimmy Brinkley** (Wally Scott's grandson), **Miley Copeland**
who keeps Irish Fancies; **Alan Green** who keeps Canaries & Finches;
Kelvin Samuel who keeps Canaries and our new Junior Member,
Kelvin's granddaughter, **Isobal Holick**.

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 387
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.

Congratulations to Steve and Bill Wallis for their achievements at the 2023 World Show

Below is a photo of the Rosettes and Medals won by Dagenham CBS Club Members Steve & Bill Wallis at the 2023 World Show.



Here is a list of the winning birds.

- Yellow Siskin Mule Cock – Gold Medal
- Stan of 4 Yellow Hammer Cocks – Gold Medal
- Stan of 4 Crossbill x Bullfinch Cocks – Silver Medal
- Stan of 4 Crossbill Mule Cocks – Silver Medal
- Stan of 4 Linnet Mule Cocks – Bronze Medal

A Day At The Zoo by Peter Decort

A few weeks' ago my daughter took her son and my wife and I to a little Zoo down near Basildon. I believe at one time it was called "World of Wings".

When we walked in we went into the Tropical House. They had free flying birds and butterflies. These would land on you if you stood still. They had a flight full of Javas and Gouldians. These were popping in and out of their nest boxes. They also had other birds running in and out of the shrubbery.

When we went outside we were greeted with the most beautiful Sulphur Crested Cockatoo. At first he was a bit aloof staying at the back of his flight. People were not taking much notice of him, but when I approached his flight he came bounding down to the front as if we were old friends. He said "Hello" to me and started to display. His crest came up and he was bouncing. Then the people were looking and taking photos

He would not leave me alone. Wherever I went he followed putting his foot through the wire so he could get hold of my finger and getting annoyed when I wouldn't let him touch me. He was a magnificent bird. Needless to say I went back to his flight many times.

They also had a beautiful pair of Hyacinth Macaws, some Blue & Gold Macaws, Owls and Birds of Prey.

There was a paddock full of Goats. You could walk round with them. Although they said "Do not touch", who could resist??

There were also Wallabies along the pathway. When I leaned down to get a proper look, out from the pouch popped a Little Joe. I have never been so close to these before, so it was a first, and beautiful to see.

They had the Meercats in their enclosure, with a difference. You could actually go in and sit with them and they would come and sit on you and let you stroke them.

There were many other different animals to see but, for me, it was back to the Cockatoo. It brought back memories of when I had them and hand reared them.

It was a lovely day.

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.



Membership Subscriptions

Your 2023 Subscriptions are 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 remaining sale dates are
23rd April 17th September 19th November

Please see the poster/flyer with this newsletter

Some Photos from last month's Meeting



Graham Gallimore

With his Fife Canary winning
Best Canary in Show
Overall Best Bird in Show



Richard Wilson

With his Linnet Cross Bullfinch
winning Best British in Show



Barry Johnson

With his Golden Song Sparrow
winning Best Foreign in Show





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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