

**DAGENHAM & DISTRICT
CAGE BIRD SOCIETY NEWSLETTER
SEPTEMBER 2022**



NEXT MEETING

**Saturday, 17th September 2022
10am to 12pm**

Jim Galbally will be giving a Slide Show

SALES TABLE AT EVERY MEETING

**Dagenham and District
Cage Bird Society
Meetings held at
Wantz Hall
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Canteen	FRAN, VAL & BARRY

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 17 th Sep	Jim Galbally will be giving a Slide Show
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

August was one of the best Meetings at our Club that I can remember. We had thirty-one Members and several guests, all enjoying the talk and each other's company.

The girls in the canteen were kept very busy selling food and tea and coffee. Barry was also very busy, not only selling raffle tickets, but taking lots of photos. Well done to all for making it such a good Meeting.

I, on your behalf, wish to thank Shane for his generous sponsorship of £300.00 to the Club Funds.

Also, to the IOA for their Sponsorship to our Club. We also have to thank our Secretary, Richard, and his firm for the continuous support of our Club in the way of raffle prizes and money.

Another group of people we have to thank are all those that have been digging deep in their pockets and donating money and items towards our Show Prize Fund.

As your President it makes me proud to see the way you, the Members, have rallied in support of the Club. Thank you all and may this support carry on for a long, long time and keep this great Club **GREAT**.

When you look back and see all the good Clubs that have closed their doors over the years, it just goes to show what a very good Club we have, if not the best around.

We have a very healthy bank balance, so with this in mind, I would like some suggestions from you as to how we could use some of this money.

I know what you're going to say – that I should go on holiday, but I have only just come back. Please, no letters, the last part was only a joke (I am going again soon). Seriously, if you would like a coach trip to Stafford or any other sales event please let Richard, Barry or me know.

Birds

Since the last Newsletter my second pair of Zebras have started to hatch their second round of eggs. I think it looks like about five babies. All look very dark in colour and quite a difference in age.

One thing I have noticed since the eggs were laid, is that the parents only pop in and out of the nest box. They still carry on the same way with the chicks and the Cock and Hen still go in separately, but the chicks have full crops.

Another thing I have noticed is that the chicks have a blueish circle round their gape. At the time of writing this, some of the chicks are about 8 to 10 days old, so by the time you get this Newsletter hopefully they will have left the nest. Then we can see exactly what we have.

Most of the Gouldian Cocks seem to be completely through the moult, whilst the majority of the Hens are now deep in moult.

Pete

The Club Secretary's Comments

At the August meeting, we had the pleasure of a talk from Keith Ferry about keeping, breeding and showing Norwich Canaries. Keith went into detail about what he's looking for when it comes to pairing up for the breeding season and that he doesn't use stock birds to breed. He only uses show birds to breed as he wants to breed the very best for the show bench. The meeting ran over a little as there were so many questions asked and I'm sure Keith could have done another hour or two on this subject. A big thank you to Keith for travelling from Northampton and giving up his time for a very interesting talk.

We have had some very good speakers at the Club this year and in September we have Jim Galbally who will be giving us a Slide Show.

Hope you all come and support and give them the usual Dagenham CBS welcome.

Richard

Show Prize Money Fund

There was one donation last month:-

Steve Toop made a cash donation of £10.00

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

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

Charlie Aldis made a cash donation of £10.00

Tara Boddington made a cash donation of £6.50

Dave Hunt donated Canaries – £100.00

Richard Wilson donated a carry case – £20.00

Mick Pegram made a cash donation of £10.00

Fran Johnson made a cash donation of £10.00

Barry Johnson made a cash donation of £20.00

John Young made a cash donation of £20.00

Mick Pegram made a cash donation of £60.00

Dave Hunt made a cash donation of £20.00

George Philpot made a cash donation of £20.00

Les Rix made a cash donation of £25.00

TOTAL = £669.50

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

Wiltens 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

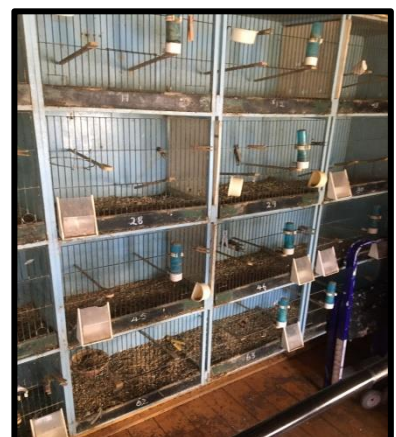
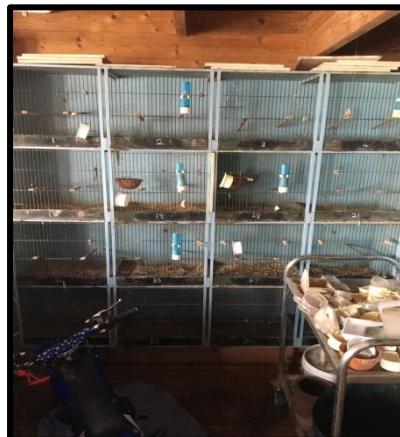
If you have any birds or equipment for sale please bring them to the Club or let Barry or Val know and they will add it to the next Newsletter.

Mick Pegram has several items for sale – see the photos below. The mini oil filled heater is one year old. It is thermostatically controlled and is 15 x 9 x 5 – £15.00. Mick is asking for sensible offers for the remainder. If interested please ring **Mick on 0770 907 6594**. All money raised will go towards the Club's Show Prize Money Fund.(1st entry)



Pete Decort has some **Zebra Finches** for sale @ £4.00 each. If interested please ring **Pete** on **07726 664 671** and he will bring them to the Meeting. (1st entry)

Sally Logan has **various cages** for sale – see photos below. If you are interested please ring **Sally** on **01708 501 926**. (1st 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.

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 and Attendance for August 2022

Raffle made:	£133.00	Current Members present:	31
Tea Bar made:	£42.80	Guests :	5
Donations	£00 (Sales)	New / Returning Members	1
IOA Show Sponsorship £200.00 less Membership £10.00			
Club Sponsorship from Shane Evans, Direct Bird Products, £300.00			

Raffle

One of our guests, Karen Bampton, won the £50.00 from this month's Raffle

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

New Members

We had one Returning Member in August
Welcome back to Patrick Mehegan who keeps British

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 251 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.

"Bent and Bowed but not Broken" **By Paul Jupe**

When disaster is heaped upon disappointment do we despair or dust ourselves down and try to understand what has gone wrong? There is no way other than deeply disappointing to describe my breeding season. My only success was two young Bullfinches, who were fostered under a Greenfinch hen. The greenie hen was a superb mother, sadly both of her own clutches were clear. The two fostered bullies were strong and vigorous as they left the greenies nest and within a very short time capable of fending for themselves.

I decided to remove the two young bullies from the greenie flight and place them into a flight cage to allow the greenies another chance to try and fill some eggs. Whilst transferring the young bullies one escaped. A schoolboy error, I left, by accident, a door slightly open. Fifty percent of my meagre breeding success had just got away. Despite climbing my neighbours six foot fence and landing in a thorny rose patch, my efforts to recapture this precious youngster failed. Battered, bruised and bloodied I returned to my own garden. Later in the early evening I could hear a familiar pipping song somewhere in the canopy of a garden tree. I caught a glimpse of the young bullie but despite placing some tasty morsels of food at the entrance of an aviary safety door the Bullfinch would not come down. The bullie was enjoying its new found freedom far too much to be enticed back into captivity by mealworms, peas and sunflower.

Never to be seen again I hope this plucky, vibrant, inquisitive Bullfinch survives and maybe passes it's genes onto its progeny in the future. With disappointment heaped onto disaster I can't afford to allow myself to despair, I need to learn and make next year a better year.

Regards Paul.

Ted Papandreas



Ted enjoying the talk

All those at the August Meeting congratulated Ted on reaching his 87th birthday which was a few days before the Meeting. Congratulations again Ted.

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 **Steve Toop** and he kindly donated his winnings 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
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 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.

September 2022 Meeting

Our next Meeting is on the 17th September and Jim Galbally will be giving us a Slide Show.

A few pictures from the August 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

Bird Keepers Association

Please see the advert at the end of this newsletter for the Association's Sale Days. The Venue is Cowdray Hall, London Road, West Thurrock, RM20 3JE.

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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**18/09 20/11
2022 2022**

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