

# **DAGENHAM & DISTRICT CAGE BIRD SOCIETY NEWSLETTER**

**JULY 2024**



**NEXT MEETING  
Saturday 20<sup>th</sup> July 2024  
10am to 12pm**

**TEAM QUIZ**

Please see inside for more information

**SALES TABLES AT EVERY MEETING**

**Dagenham and District  
Cage Bird Society  
Meetings held at  
Wantz Hall  
Rainham Road North  
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Show Secretary	GEOFF LOUTH
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Canteen	FRAN, VAL, PETER & BARRY

DICK LATHLEIFF, MICK PEGRAM & TED PAPANDREAS

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**Meetings are held on the third Saturday of the month from 10am to 12pm at Wantz Hall, Rainham Road North, Dagenham, Essex, RM10 7DX**

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**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**

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**SUBSCRIPTION RATES FOR THE CALENDAR YEAR 2024**

Single	<b>£15.00</b>
Partnerships:	<b>£20.00</b>
Juniors (to 16):	<b>FREE</b>

**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](mailto:lukeira@btinternet.com)) Val ([valkenh@btinternet.com](mailto:valkenh@btinternet.com))**

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## **Forthcoming Meeting Dates**

### 2024

Sat 20 <sup>th</sup> July	Team Quiz
Sat 17 <sup>th</sup> Aug	TBC
Sat 21 <sup>st</sup> Sep	Jason Jermy - A talk on Softbills & show cage decoration.
Sat 19 <sup>th</sup> Oct	Club Show League – Second Round – Hen Bird Show
Sat 16 <sup>th</sup> Nov	Young Stock Show (10am to 2pm)
Fri 29 <sup>th</sup> Nov	Staging for Open Show (This will be a work team only not a meeting)
Sat 30 <sup>th</sup> Nov	Open / Annual Show (all day)
Sat 14 <sup>th</sup> Dec	Christmas meeting & Raffle with buffet. (10am to 12pm)

### 2025

Sat 18 <sup>th</sup> Jan	AGM
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## **The President's Comments**

Once again, we had a very good turnout of Members at the June Meeting. I believe we had around 40 Members and Guests. All came to listen to a talk given by Steve Chennels on the ailments in birds and some of the medications to help in their recovery.

After Steve's talk Members present showed their thanks in the usual manner.

We had the usual raffle and tea bar, all of which did very well on the day.

Then, before Richard closed the Meeting, we had a minute's silence as a sign of respect on the passing of one of our Members, Glenn Lewingdon.

In the last few weeks, the Club has paid for a new Laptop and Printer and also a Label Printer at a cost of £450.00. This has been done to try and save money on our Show Days. I believe these will be in the hands of the Show Secretary. I hope this meets with everyone's approval.

We have a healthy bank balance, so if anyone has any ideas to help with things you might like to see done at our Club, please put pen to paper with your ideas and send them to Richard for discussion at one of our Meetings.

I recently had four days away at my daughter's chalet at Scratby in Yarmouth. I have written before about the birds around the site, i.e. types of birds and amounts.

This used to be a haven for birds such as flocks of Linnets, this time I saw none. Goldfinches – I only saw one and heard another. Greenfinches – I saw none and didn't hear any. Pied Wagtails – the last time I was down there, there were small flocks everywhere. This time only two and these were very far apart. Magpies – not one. Wood Pigeons – you could count on one hand. Seagulls – I would say only half as many as last time.

I for one am surprised at how much bird life seems to have disappeared in this area. When I think about it, the site is surrounded with fields and hedgerows and runs down to the sea on one side. I saw no Sparrows, but I did see a flock of Starlings (about 45/50) whereas before I saw only about a dozen. I hope to go down again in the near future so I will see if a lot of birds were out in the fields or is this a sign of things to come!

### **The Secretary's Comments**

At the June meeting we had Steve Chennels give us a talk on medications. This was very interesting and Steve shared his extensive knowledge on a wide range of medications to get our birds through the seasonal changes, from conditioning pre breeding season, to mite control and the moult. Thank you to Steve for a very well presented and informative talk.

### **July's Meeting**

Our next Meeting on the 20<sup>th</sup> July will be a Team Quiz with lots of prizes and questions on General Knowledge, Sport, Dagenham CBS and Birds.

### **2024 Show Prize Money Fund**

There were two donations in June  
Pete Decort donated £20.00  
Unclaimed Spot the Member Prize £10.00

Dec            Unclaimed prizes (N/A) £60.00  
                 Pete Decort donated £40.00  
                 Mick Pegram donated £20.00  
                 Unclaimed Spot the Member Prize £10.00  
                 Barry Scott Robson donated £10.00  
                 Richard Wilson donated £20.00  
                 Les Rix donated £10.00

Jan            No donations

Feb            Mick Pegram donated £5.00

Nigel Breese donated £150.00  
C&A Raffle £1,190.00  
Unclaimed Spot the Member Prize £10.00  
Sales Day door entrance fees £84.00  
Sales Day Table sales £105.00  
Mar Unclaimed Spot the Member £10.00  
Show League entries £45.00  
**Minus Show League Cash Prizes £60.00**  
April Sales Day – Door entrance fees £78.00  
Sales Day – Table sales £110.00  
May Song Bird Competition entries £17.00  
**Minus prize money £20.00**  
Total so far £1,924.00

Thank you to all who donate to the Club to help generate funds to go towards the prize money for the Club Shows. The amount raised last year was £1,094.50.

### **Useful Numbers and Contacts**

#### **Rings**

IOA (International Ornithological Association) Website – [www.ioa-com-uk.org](http://www.ioa-com-uk.org) For all rings call Richard Lumley on 01653 697565  
Email – [ruby@lordlumley.plus.com](mailto: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. The quality of the rings is excellent.

Website – [www.vogelringe.de](http://www.vogelringe.de) Phone: 0049-721-686023  
Fax: 0049-721-683029 - E-Mail: [ma.herr@vogelringe.de](mailto:ma.herr@vogelringe.de)

### **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**

We have another Sponsor this year. Mooro's Events are based in Chigwell, Essex and have agreed to supply 2 bottles of drink for our raffle prizes every month in 2024

Please see details in the advert at the end of the Newsletter

### **Members' Recommendations**

#### **Suppliers of Colour Food by The Standard Laboratory**

Carrophyll Red/Orange/Yellow

Contact George Weeks

E-Mail: [george@standardlabs.co.uk](mailto:george@standardlabs.co.uk)

Phone: 01959 573 719

(New Phone No Mar 2024)

#### **Wiltons Pet Centre**

95-97 Pound Lane, Bowers Gifford, Basildon, SS13 2HN

Phone: 01268 726 216

#### **Gladwells Pet & Country Store**

Lubbards Lodge Farm, Hullbridge Road, Rayleigh, SS6 9QG

Phone: 01268 642 601

#### **DG Pest Control - David Galea**

(Club Member)

E-Mail [davidgalea@live.co.uk](mailto:davidgalea@live.co.uk)

Phone 01708 472172 or

07882 951 578 (Mobile)

[www.dgpestcontrol.co.uk](http://www.dgpestcontrol.co.uk)

#### **Latchford Farm Aquatics, Upminster**

Bird, Fish and pet supplies

Phone: 01708 641363

### **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.

**For Sale** – **Sally Logan** is selling the following for £50.00 for the lot. If you are interested, please contact Sally on **07397 002527**.



***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 June 2024**

Raffle made	£138.00	Current Members present	36
Tea Bar made	£79.40	Guests	3
Donations:-	0	New / Returning Members	1

#### **Raffle**

**Pete Decort** won the £50.00 from this month's raffle

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

**Dick Lathlieff** won this month's Club Members' Seed Raffle

#### **New and Returning Members**

We had one new Member at the June Meeting  
Welcome to

**Brett Worden** who keeps Canaries & Gouldians

Our Club Membership is currently 108 made up as to  
80 Single Members, 12 Partnerships (24 Members) and 4 Juniors

#### **The Club's Website, etc**

The Club's **website** is [www.dagenhamcbs.com](http://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](mailto:info@dagenhamcbs.com) –  
or via our **Facebook** page

**Dagenham CBS Facebook Group Page** – We now have 617 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.**

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.

**For Glenn Lewingdon**  
**From Les Rix**

One night I dreamed a dream as I was walking along a beach with my Lord.

Across a dark sky, there flashed scenes of my life.

For each scene I noticed two sets of footprints in the sand one belonging to me and one belonging to my Lord.

After the last scene of my life flashed before me I looked back at the footprints in the sand. I noticed that many times along the path of my life, especially at the lowest saddest times, there were only one set of footprints. This really troubled me so I asked the Lord about it.

Lord, you said once I decided to follow you, you'd walk with me all the way but I noticed that during the saddest and most troublesome times of my life there were only one set of footprints 🦶. I don't understand why when I needed you the most you would leave me.

He whispered my precious child I love you and will never leave you never ever during your trials and testings. When you saw only one set of footprints it was then that I carried you.

Glenn you will be sadly missed. Sleep well my friend and God bless you. I can only hope you will rest in eternal peace.





## **Glenn Lewingdon**

Friday 5<sup>th</sup> July was Glenn Lewingdon's funeral at Halstead, Essex. It was a fantastic send-off organized by his wife Chris and his family. The chapel was full of friends and family and a very good turn out from our club members which was good to see. It was clear from the stories his family told, that Glenn lived his life to the full. Glenn will be truly missed by the bird community.

RIP Glenn.

## **Travel assistance required please**

Can anyone help Len March and Alan Short to continue to come to the Club as neither of them drive and they will no longer be able to get their usual lift? Both live in Southend. Len is in Shoeburyness (SS3 9HU) and Alan is in Great Wakering (SS3 0BJ) but they can travel to a convenient pick-up point.

If anyone thinks they might be able to help, can you please ring Len on 01702 293 053 or Alan on 07927 454 412. Thank you

## **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 prize was unclaimed so it was donated to the Club's Prize 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 2024 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.....Partnership – £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 Saturday, the 14<sup>th</sup> December otherwise another ticket will be picked until a winner is declared.

The usual monthly raffle will also take place on the 14<sup>th</sup> December, with its £50.00 cash prize plus other prizes as normal.

## **Bird Keepers Association**

As you know, Shane Evans & Jamie Taylor are now running the BKA  
The Sales Days are continuing and the remaining dates for this year are  
15<sup>th</sup> September and 17<sup>th</sup> November

Shane and Jamie are also organising the first BKA Premier All Varieties  
Show Day which will take place on Sunday, the 8<sup>th</sup> December  
Venue for all events is Cowdray Hall, West Thurrock, RM20 3JE

Further information relating to the BKA, the  
Sales Days and the Show Day can be obtained from  
Shane on 07376 669 333 or Jamie on 07999 354 911

They can also be contacted via the website [www.bkauk.org.uk](http://www.bkauk.org.uk)  
or by e-mailing [info@bkauk.org.uk](mailto:info@bkauk.org.uk)

**Some Photos from last month's Meeting**



**Steve giving a talk to members**





### This Year's Club Sponsors

**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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