Another new Marking Station, this time in the West Midlands

Like the old saying, you wait ages for a bus and then two come along together. So, following the recent news of a new marking station in Dublin, another is going to open in the West Midlands. And many would say this is long overdue. The new station will be at the Lea Hall Miners and Social Welfare Club in Sandy Lane, Rugeley. WS15 2LB. The marking times haven't been completely finalised yet but it will probably open from 9:00am to 11:00am, on a Thursday morning. The birds will then be race-marked into Steventon to meet the transport around 12 noon.

Richard Chambers will be the I/C and organise the marking station. He would like fanciers who might be interested in using the new station to contact him. Richard wants to gauge potential support, so he can work things out like transport requirements etc. Richard can be contacted on 07922 827 932 or emailed at <u>chamb18@hotmail.com</u>.

The BICC would welcome new members in the West Midlands and the surrounding areas and application forms can be downloaded from the website at, <u>www.biccpigeons.co.uk</u>. Forms need to be sent to Carol Francis and the membership fee is £30 a year with a one-off payment of £5.00 for new members.

Brighton Marking Station

The BICC are also looking for expressions of interest for an I/C for the Brighton Marking Station. The station marks for national races and in 2020, they marked 894 and 808 birds for the first two old bird races and then 340 and 167 birds for the next two. They also marked just over 600 birds for the last three YB/AA races. So, it is a fairly busy station but should be manageable for a good team of markers. Anyone interested should contact Russell Bradford on 07798 625 231 or email russellbradford@gmail.com

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