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TROPICAL FISH CLUB OF ERIE COUNTY, INC.

Some Things Fishy

Fish of The Month



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Tin Foil Barb

Schedule Of Events

Aug 16th

TFCEC Meeting

Nov 13th

TFCEC Fall Auction

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Current Standings Bowl Show Fish of The Month



2011 Totals	
Bill Wroblewski	25pts
John Bukaczeski	14pts
Peter Reukauf	11pts
Bob Fessler	6pts
Donna Czarnecki	6pts
Tom Newer	5pts
Bonnie Gifford	3pts
Tony Hartmann	2pts

Bowl Show Results

June 2011		
Fish of the Month 1 Entries		
1st Tin Foil Barb		Bill Wroblewski
2nd		
3rd		
4th		
Any Other Variety Entries		
1st Parkinsoni Rainbow		Peter Reukauf
2nd Orange Freckle Sailfin Molly		Bob Fessler
3rd Gold Marble Angel		Donna Czarnecki
4th Golg Marble Angel		Bill Wroblewski
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Peoples Choice Award

Orange Freckle Sailfin Molly



2011 Bowl Show Classes

August	Aquatic Animals
September	Anabatids
October	Plants and Photo
November	Killies and Novelty
December	Sharks & Loaches

PUT YOUR WANTED AD HERE

WEBSITE IDEAS

We are looking for ideas to improve the club's website.

<http://tropical-fish-club-of-erie-county.com/index.html>

If you have an idea about the look, or content, or functionality, let us know!

You can send an email to Josh Vito (josh.vito@gmail.com) or Cathy Sanderson (fastdogcan@yahoo.com) detailing your request/idea, or just write it down and bring it to the next meeting.

We will be collecting ideas for a month or two, then we will create a consolidated plan of action and share our it with the club.

Don't let your good ideas be forgotten. We will consider all participants feedback.

Bags for Sale

3 X 10	\$4.50	All Bags are per 100ct
5 X 15	\$5.50	
6 X 15	\$6.00	
6 X 30	\$6.00 (special buy	
8 X 18	\$7.50	
Decapsulated Brine Shrimp Eggs \$15.50 per lb can		

EDITOR MESSAGE

Deadline for September newsletter is September 11th. Hope to see everyone at the meeting. Still looking for new things to put in the news letter. If there is anyone that is receiving a mailed copy of the newsletter and would like one emailed please email me at jfitz105@hotmail.com. This would greatly reduce the cost of producing the newsletter.

JIM FITZGERALD

Live Blackworm Group Order

I am organizing a group order of live blackworms from Eastern Aquatics.

If you would like to get in on the order, I will be collecting orders/money until the Wednesday before the next meeting.

The worms will arrive and be delivered at the next meeting.

Pricing:

1lb of worms = \$22.00

0.5lb of worms = \$12.00

0.25lb of worms = \$6.50

If you are interested or have questions, send me an email, or leave a voicemail on my phone. 716.208.5596

Josh Vito

Membership Report

By Teri Seufert

Dues are now due from: Jim Gilligan, Kevin Kohl, Troy Stevenson, Mary Bukaczeski.

Final Notice: Charles Mang

NEW MEMBERS:

Chairman's Message

Chairman's Message August '11

Well it has been a pretty warm summer, wish we could bottle some of the heat for the winter months ahead. The summer has been busy for TFCEC. The Pond show was held July 13th. The group traveled many miles . All finished up at the Duzen's for a nice relaxing meal. Teri and I made it there, seeing I had to help at the fire company money maker. Should have gone with the tour I wouldn't have had the fight with the tree and my face!!

The Family picnic was another great day. A little rain in the am but after the dry summer it soaked in real quick. Everyone had a great time. The food was great and we have a new Frisbee challenger for Ed, Check out some of the picnic pictures in the newsletter.

Time to get back together in August. Hopefully all will be home from their vacations. Back to bowl shows and mini auctions. Don't forget this falls auction is November 13th.

Enjoy the rest of the summer, see you at the meeting

Randy



PICNIC PICTURES



The grill was busy all day



Lots of Food and good times



Winners from the Frisbee Golf Tournament

Pond Show July 2011

By Bill Duzen

On July 10th the Tropical Fish Club of Erie County had a , I think, great pond show. Liz Duzen and Donna Czarnecki consented to be judges for the day and along with Rene Johnson and Dick McEntry and myself, met at Bill Wroblewski's house at 10A.M.. Bill and Sophia have carved out an oasis just behind the old Train Station in Buffalo. The two judges viewed Bill's two tub ponds while I was scoping out a 55 gallon outdoor tank filled with goldfish and a few koi and checking out the new swimming pool. Bill says he keeps this tank outside all year with a heater being utilized in the Winter time to keep the water from freezing. Bill had Timmy Hortons coffee and donuts waiting for us. After this "bribe" Bill and Sophia took second place in the under 250 gallon category. Next up was Tom Heisler's tub ponds at his house. Tom is also a brewer of fine beers and grows his own hops on trellis in the back yard. He was kind enough to bring a jug of beer to the party afterwards. We all started to car pool out to Tony Martina house in Delevan, NY. Some one wanted to know if this was in the same time zone but in reality it just down the road a piece from Cheektowaga, about 35 miles. Walking into Tom's yard is a little like walking into a Better Homes and Garden entry. Tom and his wife have created a master piece of form and function. Every where you look there exquisite plantings and neat little surprises like a gnome house or Daisy a visiting sulcata Tortoise that had the run of the fenced in yard while we were there. Tony's pond was entered into the over 250 gallon category and won first place. After a time we had to tear our self away from the tranquility of the yard and we all started off to Ray Lucas house in Boston, NY, but first since it was already after noon this traveling bunch of gypsies stopped at Earls for sandwiches and pie!

Now that we were all stuffed and starting to fall asleep, we were off to Rays. Rays pond is about 100 feet long. It consist of a upper pond of about 200 gallons and a 75 foot meandering stream that ends into a lower 300 gallon pond that has koi and goldfish. Along the way you encounter all sorts of ceramic frogs, water wheels and statues. The beauty of Rays ponds is only exceeded by his generosity. Ray took second place in the over 250 gallon category. We all left with either some sort of pond care product, koi cut-outs of plecos from the fish room. Next we went to Dick McEntry house to view his entry in the in the 250 gallon category. Dick has a pond of over 1000 gallons with a waterfall and great rock work and some oriental dragons and a alligator(fake of course) . The pond is full of 12"-16" koi. We all had drinks under the gazebo furnished by Dick.

Next up was Paul Evans house in Derby. Paul had a over 250 gallon entry and a under 250 gallon entry. The over was a great looking pond with several goldfish , water lilies and a water fall. The under entry was a converted hot tub sunk into the back patio. This pond had several platies, mollies and guppies swimming around. Paul took first place in the under 250 gallon category. Several people also went home with fish from the fish room. If we would have arrived a half hour soon we could have seen Paul dispatch of a rabid Raccoon. We all ended up at my house in Angola where Bob Fessler and wife were already waiting. Randy and Terry joined us shortly. Many hot dogs, hamburgers and sausages were had by all and washed down with soft drinks and Labatt pop. Every one bought a dish to pass and no one went home hungry. After stuffing our selves the judges huddled at the table. The judging was in three categories, first impression 20 pts, health of plants 10 pts, health of fish 10 pts, clarity of water 10 pts and in case of a tie extras such as water spitters, ornaments, water falls, etc. Both Judges had almost the exact same scores for all the ponds. Thanks again to the two ladies for the great work judging. Randy will have pictures of all the ponds in an upcoming program. I hope with the great entries we had this year, next year will be bigger and better. Thanks again to all that participated.



TFCEC Monthly Meeting

**Tuesday August 16th
Hank Nowak Amvest Post 45
3071 Abbott RD Orchard Park N.Y.
7 PM**

Bowl Show: Aquatic Animals

Program: Pictures from the pond show & Fish Videos

Mini Auction, Raffles

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