



Fish of The Month



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Ruti Island Pundamilia Nyererei

Schedule Of Events

June 21st

TFCEC Meeting

July 31st

TFCEC Picnic at Spraguebrook Park

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- *Meeting Notice*
- *Fish Bag Prices*
- *Annual Auction*



Current Standings Bowl Show Fish of The Month



2011 Totals	
Bill Wroblewski	20pts
John Bukaczeski	14pts
Peter Reukauf	11pts
Bob Fessler	6pts
Donna Czarnecki	6pts
Tom Newer	5pts
Bonnie Gifford	3pts
Tony Hartmann	2pts

Bowl Show Results

2011 Totals	
Bill Wroblewski	21pts
Bob Fessler	19pts
John Bukaczewski	13pts
Peter Reukauf	6pts
Tony Hartmann	4pts
Tom Newer	3pts
Bonnie Gifford	2pts

May 2011	
Fish of the Month 6 Entries	
1st Ruti Island Pundamilia Nyererei	Donna Czarnecki
2nd Six Bar Frontosa	Bill Wroblewski
3rd Double Blk Veiltail Angel	Bonnie Gifford
4th Red Shoulder Severum	Peter Reukauf
Any Other Variety 4 Entries	
1st Sail Fin Mollie	Bill Wroblewski
2nd Neon Sword	Tony Hartmann
3rd Blue Pearl Angel	John Bukaczeski
4th Black Veil Tail Angel	Bob Fessler
JUDGE Dick McEniry	

2011 Bowl Show Classes	
June	Barbs/Danios/Rasboras
July	No Bowl Show
August	Aquatic Animals
September	Anabatids
October	Plants and Photo
November	Killies and Novelty
December	Sharks & Loaches

Peoples Choice Award

Ruti Island Pundamilia Nyererei



WANTED

I am in need of a recent copy of a Fish Magazine. If anyone has one please bring it to the meeting and it will be returned, I am looking for ads for my donation list.

Renae
Promotional Resources Fisher

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.

Fish Humor

Two fish are sitting in a tank, one turns to the other and says "Who's driving this thing??"

Two fish are swimming and they run into a wall. The one turns to the other and says "dam!"

Submitted By Tom Heisler

EDITOR MESSAGE

Deadline for August newsletter is August 7th. 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: Charles Mang, Jim Gilligan, Renae Johnson, Paul Evans, Tom Heisler, Kevin Kohl, Steve Baker, Troy Stevenson and Paul Piduch

Final Notice: Stan Winiarz and Jeff McKee

NEW MEMBERS:

Bags for Sale

Chairman's Message

Chairman's Message June '11

First off I want to thank Pete Mang on behalf of the club for the very informative program on shipping fish. I think everyone learned a few tips from someone who has done a lot of shipping of live goods.

As summer approaches we have many activities planned. The Pond Show will be July 10th, and The Club Family Picnic is July 31st. So remember there will be no newsletter or Reg. Meeting in July. We will be back in action in August with our regular meetings.

The Fall auction is now confirmed as November 13th at the Patchin Fire Hall, same location as in past auctions.

The All Species Fish show is going to be held off, due to the Mall not being receptive to having us back. Attend the meeting to find out what we are planning for.

We will also have a Video Home show starting, more details on this soon.

The Trip is being worked on and prices are coming in, details are forth coming on this also.

Well, time to cool off.

See you at the Meeting

Randy

TIN FOIL BARB

The Tinfoil barb has a silvery body with bright and shiny scales and beautiful black and red-orange fins. The Tinfoil barb is sometimes confused with another species in the aquarium trade.

The Tinfoil barb is an active species that will inhabit the lower part of the aquarium, from the bottom and up to mid-level. Most Tinfoil barbs in the aquarium trade are wild caught, since their size makes them difficult to breed in captivity. Sexing the fish is also hard. Tinfoil barbs are egg-scatters and a female Tinfoil barb can produce several thousands of eggs during one spawning.

Tinfoil barbs should only be kept by aquarium keepers with really large aquariums, since it is one of the largest barbs and can reach a length of 36 centimeters (14 inches). It is also a schooling species, so you must have enough space to house a group of Tinfoil barbs. A school of Tinfoil barbs is unaggressive and can be combined with fish from other species as long as those fishes are as large as the barbs or bigger.

The Tinfoil barb feeds chiefly on plant material, but will not turn down occasional treats in the form of worms, insects, crustaceans or small fishes. Keeping your Tinfoil barbs with small fishes is therefore not recommended, since they might be perceived as prey. It is not hard to get your Tinfoil barb to eat in captivity. If you have tender plants in the aquarium, or plants that have not yet rooted themselves in the substrate, your Tinfoil barb might eat them.

The Tinfoil barb will also appreciate filamentous algae. Many aquarium keepers choose artificial plants for their Tinfoil barb aquarium, but you can go for real plants if you choose sturdy plant species that will tolerate nibbling. Ideally begin with really inexpensive plant species to test how your particular Tinfoil barbs will treat the live plants.

The Tinfoil barb originates from tropical waters in Borneo, Sumatra, Thailand, and the Malayan peninsula, and the water temperature in the aquarium should therefore be 22-25 ° C (72-77 ° F). Since it inhabits rapidly moving rivers and streams in the wild, the Tinfoil barb will appreciate strong currents in the aquarium. The preferred pH is in the 6.5-7.0 range and the water hardness should not be higher than 10 degrees of general hardness. If you care for your Tinfoil barbs and provide them with a suitable environment and appropriate diet they can live for 8-10 years

POND SHOW

For those of you in the club who have ponds or those of you who are thinking of expanding your hobby outdoors and setting up your first pond , TFCEC is going to have its 5th annual pond show (with a few years off) on Saturday July 9th or Sunday July 10th (date to be decided at the May meeting). The rules are as follows: Each entry must have at least one fish and one plant and water. The categories are:

Container ponds, any thing that can hold water i.e. ½ barrels, tubs, flower pots, old commodes, well you get the idea. Containers should be under 50 gallons.

Ponds under 250 gallons

Ponds over 250 gallons there will be prizes for 1st and 2nd place.

We really needed at least 4 entries in each category and the last two will be combined if we need to in order to get at least 4 entries. Judging will be based over all appearance, originality, health of plants and fish

There will be a party at the Duzens after the judging. The club will pick up the meats and soft drinks. Please bring a dish to pass. To sign -up please see Bill Duzen at the meeting or call at 549-4281 or e-mail me at Theduuz@aol.com By June 21st.



Pond Show Update

This years semi-annual pond show will be on July 10th if..... we have a few more entries. We currently have 4 ponds, three people. We really need at least a couple more people to enter. Our judges, or judge will go anywhere as long as its in the same time zone. We have entries from Buffalo, Cheektowaga and Delevan with the show ending in Angola. So spruce up the pond or barrel and enter. For food and beverage purposes I need a count of people who will be either joining the caravan going to each house or just ending at my house to eat, drink and be merry. I will have two sign-up sheets at the next meeting, one for ponds and one for the caravan. If you can't make the next meeting just e-mail me at theduuz@aol.com or call at 549-4281.

Top 20 Suspects in Mysterious FISH Deaths:

1. **Incompatibility** - fish could harass each other to death
2. **Lack of oxygen** - asphyxiation is just one of its many complications
3. **Overfeeding** - leads to pollution, obesity, and other problems
4. **Decaying food and debris** - raises the level of toxic chemicals
5. **Décor accidents** - fish bruised, crushed, snagged, or punctured for art's sake
6. **Toxic or unsafe décor** - unwashed, metallic, or contaminated
7. **Medication** - read the fine print for the side effects
8. **Contamination** - from sick fish, polluted water, infected tanks, or rotten food
9. **Chlorine poisoning** - attacks the gills, and gags the fish
10. **Ammonia poisoning** - like swimming in a pool of pee
11. **Nitrite poisoning** - breathing in an alien atmosphere
12. **Copper poisoning** - nobody survives a diet of metals
13. **Toxic fumes** - they dissolve in the water
14. **Improper or inept handling** - can injure externally and internally
15. **Sudden changes** - not for the faint of heart
16. **Equipment failure** - like pulling the plug on a life support system
17. **Loud vibrations** - killing softly with loud songs
18. **Poor nutrition** - a form of torture
19. **Constipation** - can distress a fish to death
20. **Electric shock** - just one zap and it's all over

TFCEC Monthly Meeting

Tuesday June 21st

Hank Nowak Amvest Post 45

3071 Abbott RD Orchard Park N.Y.

7 PM

Bowl Show: Barbs/Danios/Rasboras

Program: Shows from around the World

Mini Auction, Raffles

Tropical Fish Club of Erie County

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Hamburg, New York 14075

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