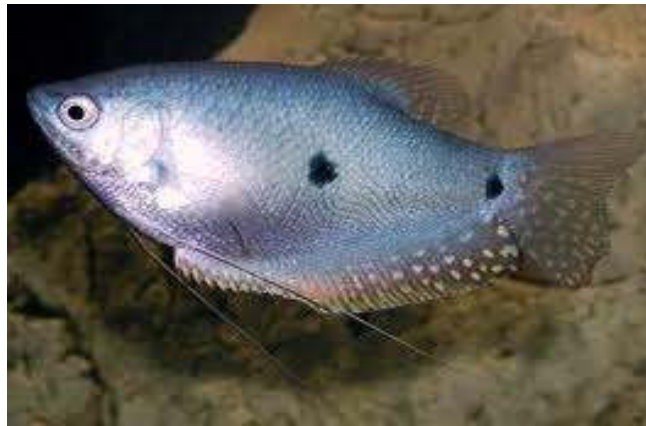




Fish of The Month



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Blue Gourami

Schedule Of Events

- Oct 18th** **TFCEC Meeting**
- Oct 30th** **Erie Aquarium Society Auction at West Ridge fire hall**
- Nov 13th** **TFCEC Fall Auction At Patchin fire hall**

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- *Meeting Notice*
- *Fish Bag Prices*
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Current Standings Bowl Show Fish of The Month



| 2011 Totals | |
|---------------------------|--------------|
| Bill Wroblewski | 34pts |
| Peter Reukauf | 20pts |
| John Bukaczeski | 14pts |
| Donna Czarnecki | 9pts |
| Bob Fessler | 6pts |
| Tom Newer | 5pts |
| Bonnie Gifford | 3pts |
| Spencyr Wroblewski | 3pts |
| Tony Hartmann | 2pts |

Bowl Show Results

| September 2011 | |
|------------------------------------|------------------------|
| Fish of the Month 3 Entries | |
| 1st Blue Gourami | Peter Reukauf |
| 2nd Gold Gourami | Bill Wroblewski |
| 3rd Betta | Donna Czarnecki |
| 4th | |
| Any Other Variety 4 Entries | |
| 1st Pike Cichlid | Peter Reukauf |
| 2nd Sail Fin Molly | Bill Wroblewski |
| 3rd Discus | Mike Culkowski |
| 4th Albino Red Guppy | Tony Hartman |
| JUDGE Dick McEniry | |

| 2011 Totals | |
|-------------------------|--------------|
| Bill Wroblewski | 31pts |
| Bob Fessler | 23pts |
| Peter Reukauf | 19pts |
| John Bukaczewski | 16pts |
| Mike Culkowski | 8pts |
| Tony Hartmann | 6pts |
| Donna Czarnecki | 3pts |
| Tom Newer | 3pts |
| Bonnie Gifford | 2pts |

2011 Bowl Show Classes

| | |
|----------|------------------------|
| October | Plants and Photography |
| November | Killies and Novelty |
| December | Sharks & Loaches |

Peoples Choice Award

Gold Gourami



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

**Put Your
Article here
or Wanted
list here.**

EDITOR MESSAGE

Deadline for November newsletter is November 6th. 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

Bags for Sale

.THE NEW BAGS ARE IN

| | |
|--------------|-------------|
| 3 X10X 2 MIL | \$ 5.00/100 |
| 5X15X2MIL | \$6.50/100 |
| 6X15X2 MIL | \$6.75/100 |
| 8X18X2 MIL | \$8.50/100 |
| 10X20X2MIL | \$10.50/100 |

DECAPSULATED BRINE SHRIMP EGGS \$16.00 PER POUND

The club makes a penny per bag. The bag price were the same as last year but the shipping went up.

Membership Report

By Teri Seufert

Dues are now due from: Tom Wlosinski, Tom Rizzo, Roslyn Berkovitz, Jodi Ghianna, Bob Fessler, Peter Reukauf, Tom Rosetti, and Norman Richards

Final Notice: Kevin Kohl, Troy Stevenson, and Mary Bukaczeski

NEW MEMBERS:

Chairman's Message

Wow , summer over all ready!! Hard to believe the leaves are changing and the temps are dropping. Time to think about auctions again. Many of our members were at the ARVAS Auction this past Sunday. Some nice fish and lots of used equipment. Never thought I would see prices like we saw at this auction, that seller would have been happier with our Max \$15.00 club cut rule for the over \$400.00 item they sold. Thanks to our members that helped run and who were there to sell and buy. Remember Erie's Auction is the 30th and ours follows soon behind on November 13th. We will need many hands to help at our auction so plan on lending a hand for a bit of time. The proceeds from our auctions pays for the parties that we don't charge for to the members. If everyone helps it makes the day more enjoyable for all.

The plans are underway for our club to do a major convention next May. We will be needing help in the many aspects of running this event. There will be more information at the meeting and the following meetings as we progress.

See you at the meeting/

Randy

Java Moss - *Taxiphyllum barbieri*

The Java Moss, *Taxiphyllum barbieri*, is the most common aquatic moss kept in the aquarium. The Java Moss, *Taxiphyllum barbieri*, is self-attaching, and a very natural aquascape can be created by tying the Java Moss, *Taxiphyllum barbieri*, onto aquarium objects like stones or driftwoods with thin fishing line or cotton thread. The Java Moss, *Taxiphyllum barbieri*, will produce rhizoids (root-like structures) and attach the moss to the objects. The rhizoids function as organs of attachment and do not have a role in nutrient absorption.

The scientific name of the Java Moss has been mis-identified to be as *Vesicularia dubyana* for a long time, and all the aquarium literatures have been using the scientific name of *Vesicularia dubyana* all along. However, the Java Moss actually belongs to the genus *Taxiphyllum*. Please refer to the following link for more detail information about the identification of Java Moss.

Java Moss, *Taxiphyllum barbieri*, is widely used by aquarists as a spawning medium. Egg scatterers such as barbs and characins will scatter their eggs onto the Java Moss, and the moss prevents the fish from devouring their eggs as the eggs would have fallen into the moss. It is also the perfect spawning medium for the plant spawners group of killifish, where a clump of Java Moss, *Taxiphyllum barbieri*, can be introduced into a small tank with the killifish, and the moss can be collected a week later, which will be full of eggs.

The Java Moss, *Taxiphyllum barbieri*, can also be the perfect filter medium for fry rearing. Other than providing micro-organism for the growing fry, the Java Moss, *Taxiphyllum barbieri*, soaks up all the waste products produced by the fry and the leftover foods. From my years of experience in breeding fish, it has showed that the fry grows faster and healthier when they are reared together with Java Moss, *Taxiphyllum barbieri*. Well, in actual fact, any other aquatic plants would have the same effect, but Java Moss, *Taxiphyllum barbieri*, is a much more hardy plant, and it can even grow in low light level. You could just dump a clump of the moss into the tank and all your worries will be over.

TROPICAL FISH AQUATIC PLANT & SUPPLY AUCTION

Public invited, you do not have to belong to a fish club to buy or sell!

Sponsored by:

TROPICAL FISH CLUB OF ERIE COUNTY

Sunday November 13th 2011

11:00 A.M. AUCTION START TIME

9:30 A.M. Registration Starts

PATCHIN FIRE HALL

8333 Boston State Road, BOSTON, NY

70/30 SPLIT FOR SELLERS

INFORMATION:

Randy Suefert (716)649-9165

Email tfcpres2@aim.com

Refreshments available



TFCEC Tropical Fish and Supply Auction

The auction will be a 70/30 split auction, 70% of the selling price goes to the seller and 30% to the Tropical Fish Club of Erie County Inc. . All items will be auctioned off to the highest bidder.

Procedures and Rules:

1. **Each seller must register and receive ID letters before placing items in the auction. ITEMS MUST BE NUMBERED CONSECUTIVELY 1-10, 11-20 ETC.** The items will be auctioned off by number, all #1, #11, #21 etc. items will be auctioned first, followed by all #2, #12, #22 etc. There will be tables for each number 1-10. Sale items are to be placed on the corresponding tables. After table 2 a lottery will be held for the remaining Tables. The order in which they are picked will be the table that will be sold next. No items may be renumbered or moved from the original positions.

2. Buyers may register to charge their purchases, or pay cash at the time of the sale. Each buyer that registers will be given a buyers ID number. These are to be used during bidding and purchase of an item.

3. All items must be properly labeled: item letter and number, brief description, type of species, quantity, and also if the fish are a pair, trio, male or female, if known. On dry goods items, mark the condition of the item. **Sellers name and Phone number is suggested.**

4. **On dry good items only a limit of 5 like items will be accepted** (ex. 5 bags of flake food) **New: ALL USED EQUIPMENT MUST BE CLEAN or it WILL BE REJECTED**

5. We have established a sales limit for Duckweed and ramshorn snail. Not more then three (3) bags of these 2 items in any combination per seller will be allowed. Example 2 bags of snails and 3 bags of duckweed.

5. **Selling increments will be \$1.00. NO ITEM WILL BE SOLD FOR LESS THAN \$1.00--if it does not sell, it will be returned to the seller.**

6. **Proper bagging is necessary.** Fish and plants must be in proper fish bags (available from most fish stores). **NO BAGGIES, ZIP LOCK BAGS OR TWIST TIE BAGS ALLOWED.** There will be a 50 cent re-bagging charge if re-bagging is necessary. This will be deducted from your auction money. Double bagging is suggested.

7. **Minimum bid:** Sellers may place a minimum bid on an item. This should be a reasonable price. Any item with a minimum bid that does not sell at the minimum bid will be put to the side. If the seller so requests a lower price, these items will be auctioned at the end of all the numbered 10 items.

8. **Any single item that sells for \$50.00 or more, there will be a maximum club split of \$15.00, all other proceeds for that item goes to the seller.**

9. **The Tropical Fish Club of Erie County Inc. and the Patchin Volunteer Fire Company will not be responsible for any personal injury or any damages or losses incurred before, during or after the auction.**

10. All unclaimed items become the property of the Tropical Fish Club of Erie County Inc.

11. **Payment:** The auction staff will keep track of all transactions throughout the auction. Buyers may pay their tab anytime before leaving. Sellers may settle up after all of their items have sold or if the seller chooses to leave early, a check will be mailed to the seller. However, **all purchases must be paid for before leaving.** No checks will be accepted, **CASH ONLY.**

TFCEC Monthly Meeting

**Tuesday October 18th
Hank Nowak Amvest Post 45
3071 Abbott RD Orchard Park N.Y.
7 PM**

Bowl Show: Plants And Photography

Program: Game Show Night

Mini Auction, Raffles

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