



Ilford & District Aquarist & Pondkeepers Society

May 2005

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May Meeting – Monday the 9th April

Last month **Jim Humphries and Peter Riley** chatted to us about **Breeding Cichlids**. A very good talk with some excellent information for those of you who have never kept these very interesting fish.

This month – Vic Boreham on Buying and Keeping KOI

Vic is a member of the Crouch Valley section of the BKS and will be talking about the things we need to know about buying and keeping these majestic fish. I understand that he has a couple of short videos to show us, which gives us a great chance to use our new video projector.

Fry Rearing

Ken has been busy in his fish house again and has brood of Cherry Barbs for you to raise, usual terms 50p per bag. These are perfect community tank fish and at this price are an absolute bargain. To encourage you to bring them back in a few months we now only want to see your best two fish.

Aquarium Competition – Sunday 17th April

The judges had a very pleasant morning viewing 9 tanks in 6 homes. Some sample photographs have been posted on the website but you will be able to see the 36 best shots in the second half of the June meeting – after the AGM business.



Richards Tank

- First**
Richard Barnetson
- Second
Len Smith
(And most improved)
- Third
Shirley Cirsch
- Fourth
Brian Waters

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Pond Competition – Sunday 26th June

Not many entries as yet – please see Don as soon as possible if you want to enter. It was suggested that we revert to two visits – June when marginals are at their best and July when the lilies should be in full flower. Not yet decided but we will keep you advised.

Forthcoming Outings

The response to a suggested coach trip to the gardens of Beth Chatto and Glen Chantry was so overwhelming that we are going in a convoy of 3 or 4 cars. The trip is planned for the 19th of June. Full arrangements will be advised at the May meeting. Maps, for those who need them, in June.

Other Events

FBAS Quarterly meeting on the 4th of June. Jan will have details
Viviparous Auction on the 16th October at the Festival of Fish keeping at Bracklesham

Hanover 2005 – A few final reminders

- Don't forget to get an E111 and Travel Insurance
- Pick ups are at
 - Alfred's Way Romford at 6.30 a.m. (**Prior arrangement only**)
 - Redbridge Station at 7.00 a.m. (Everyone else)



AGM – Election of Officers

The Annual General Meeting is in June. Your nomination forms are enclosed and should be completed and returned to a member of the current committee at the May meeting or by post (see the form).

Margaret Walters

It is with some sadness that I report that Margaret sadly lost her long battle with cancer on Wednesday the 27th April. Her funeral is for family only but there may be a memorial service in a few weeks time.

New Members

Last month was the busiest I have ever known for new members and we welcome to our ranks:

- William Baker
- Kevin Browse
- David Lewis & Gwendolyn Tietze
- Jas Sangha

They will find a copy of the club rules with their newsletter and (as will a few others who have been forgetful) Data Protection forms to be completed and returned to me ASAP.

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Future Meetings

July: Paul Green from the GSGB on Fish Houses etc.

Aug: A DVD or two from the 8 titles recently purchased from the FBAS library

And finally:

Can we have a few more volunteers for car park duty? I know we all come along to hear the talks but it is YOUR cars that are being broken into!

See you on Monday

Rab

A few pictures from the Aquarium Competition



Annual subscriptions are now overdue
Only fully paid up members may vote at the AGM
 Single £12.50 Family £16.00

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