



Ilford & District Aquarist & Pondkeepers Society

January Meeting – Monday the 9th

A GUID NEW YEAR to you all

This is always a fairly short newsletter because there is no committee meeting in December from which I can get material. The 2005 programme on the whole was very good, Roger again showing his worth as our programme secretary but sadly the December meeting was not quite up to our usual standards. It would most likely have been better with a presenter who had been on the trip and the video could have benefited from an extensive editing session. A pity really because there was certainly some very good material in there – lost among the breakfast reviews.

Roger is however forging ahead with the programme for 2006 with speakers arranged up to August covering pond plants, marines, Koi, Discus and pond life. The new programme for 2006 is enclosed giving you a little more detail.

Ken Wrightson will present our first meeting of 2006 on **Breeding Fishes**.

Ken has supplied the majority of fry for the fry rearing competitions in recent years so we know he can breed fish. Perhaps you might pick up a few of his secrets – one of which must be his well organised fish house in which I saw quite a number of shoals of young fish last weekend.

In case any of you who took away fry in last months fry rearing competition are thinking that your Black Phantoms look a little odd its because they are Black Widows.

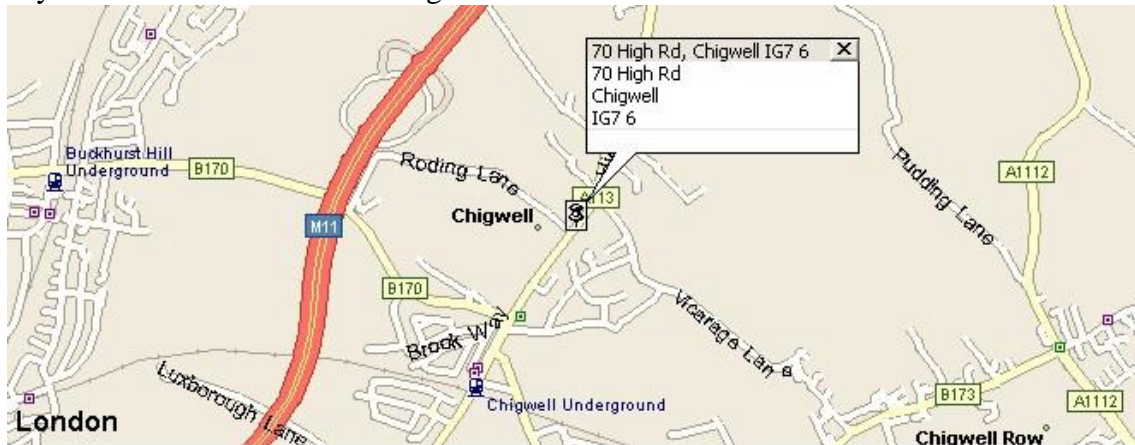
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Social Calendar

Club Dinner - Saturday 14th January 2006 Ye Olde King's Head Chigwell

The dinner is still on and I am assured that the menu now includes Roast Beef in place of the scampi. Place your orders with Roger on Monday. We meet at 6:00 for dinner at 6:30 If you don't know where the King's Head is – it was on his shoulders



Old Tyme Musical Hall - Saturday 18th March 2006 – The William Torbitt Primary School Ilford 7.30pm. Roger is still taking bookings for this popular evening.

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A PLEA

While I enjoy doing this newsletter the hardest thing about is not the printing or mailing (which a home computer makes easy) but the writing. I just do not have the time to write articles but I am sure that a few of you not only have the time to put pen to paper but also experiences and knowledge that is worth passing on. A fair number of you attended the Festival of Fishkeeping in October; others went to Berlin and Boulogne last summer.–

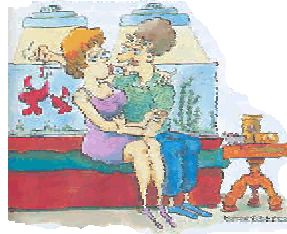
Where are your reports?

Can I please have some contributions during 2006?

Following the spread in the Ilford Recorder the club has again recently got into print.



Some of you will recall an article in one of our own magazine some years ago entitled “Marriage and the Aquarist” by a long-suffering wife. It has been reprinted in a few club magazines and web sites around the world but has now made it to a glossy publication in – Turkey.



There are some superb pictures in the Turkish magazine and you will recognise some of the adverts. I'll bring it along on Monday. I might even reprint the tale next month if I don't get any response to my plea.

I hope you all had a good Christmas even though the white stuff arrived a few days late – as can be seen on the right (Ken buying some Rainbows for a future fry rearing competition). I was gifted some plastic ducks for the pond. They must have been fairly realistic because a kind fox has snaffled them!

The new 2006 programme is enclosed



See you on Monday **Rab**

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