

Ilford & District Aquarists & Pondkeepers Society



**Next Meeting Monday
8th September**



This Month

We're Back

Ssshh at the Library



Yes the floor has been re-laid (we hope!), so the club nights can get back to normal. The club shop will be open for all the things you forgot to get at the July meeting and don't forget to get your frozen

bloodworm. The club library will also be back in action, so have a look, as we have got some very informative books on many aspects of fish keeping.

Mark Breeze

Apistogrammas



That's Dwarf Cichlids to you and me. This is a fairly large family of fishes, many of which can be kept in the community tank. But I am sure Mark will put us right on how to look

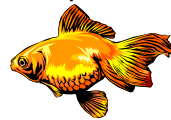
after these colourful fish. Mark has not been to our club before, and as he is coming a long way to give us this talk it would nice if we had a good turnout.

These fishes are a favourite of mine and I hope to have a go at breeding some in the near future, so I will be listening intently to what Mark has to say.

Last Month

Bob Esson

I hope nobody went to the Wanstead Library for the last meeting! If you did (whoops who didn't read their newsletter!?) you missed an interesting talk. It was nice to see a lot of members made the effort to come to Stoneleigh Court. With members seated in easy chairs Bob talked about how he started in the hobby, about breeding, feeding, keeping goldfish and many other things. Although Bob didn't bring any slides, in the informal atmosphere of the meeting room I think everybody enjoyed the evening.



Home Aquaria competition

Sunday 21st September



I know I said in the August newsletter that the August meeting was the last chance to enter the Home Aquaria

competition. However I think Dave is getting soft in his old age and has decided to give you one last chance to enter your pride and joy at the September meeting.

It's simple to enter. All you have to do is give your name to Dave Stock and he will do the rest. Good luck to all those that enter and may the best tank win!

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Fishy Friends Aquatics

Donation



Kelvin of Fishy Friends Aquatics, is a member of our club, and despite having to run the shop, he manages to get along to most of our meetings.

Kelvin has donated a book to the club the title being: "Back to Nature Guide to L Catfish". (Whoops I have forgotten who the author is) So look out for it in the Club Library.

Kelvin's shop is in Basildon, next to the Eastgate shopping centre. It is a family run business with over 30 years experience in all aspects of fish keeping and the friendly staff will give you all the advice you may need, and if you show them your Iford membership card you will get a 10% discount on your purchases. A shop that is well worth a visit.

Club Dinner

10th January 2009



I know you'll be saying "it's only September", but I thought I would let you know the venue and the cost as it stands at

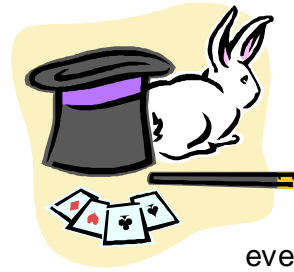
the moment. The venue is Luigis in Beehive Lane. The menu will consist of a meat meal, fish meal or a vegetarian option. The suggested cost at the moment is around £25.

Menus will be sent out in a newsletter at a later date. Ray Downer will be taking names and deposits from the November meeting onwards. Luigis comes well recommended so

early booking is advisable as numbers may be restricted.

Magic Night

Saturday 14th March 2009



Definitely a date to put in your diary for next year. Anyone who went to the last one (**February 2005**) will know what a brilliant evening of entertainment it was. This group of magicians are very popular, hence the 4 years we have had to wait to get them again, so don't miss out this time. It will probably be another 4 years before we can get them again!

Names can be given to Ray Downer at any time. Numbers may be restricted depending on the venue (as yet to be decided as is the cost.)

Auction

October meeting



The auction is fast approaching so now is the time to start thinking about the things you want to put in.

More information about the auction in next months

newsletter.



Well that's another one done, I don't think I've forgotten anything?.

See you Monday

Barry