

Ilford & District Aquarists & Pondkeepers Society

Last Month

Mick Minns – Discus



Well as you know I was not at the last meeting but the feedback I got from the committee was very positive. Here are some of the things they told me about the evening. Mick Minns gave an excellent talk that was well presented, with plenty of pictures. After the break there was a video on discus breeding. Then followed a question and answer session. It was good to hear that plenty of questions were asked. Mick also brought with him some things for the raffle and did not make any charge for the talk.



David Lai also came along with Mick. David is a discus breeder from Doddinghurst. He brought along some discus for members to buy. They seemed quite reasonably priced at £10 & £20 and I think some members did purchase some. So all in all a good meeting that was well attended.

On The Move

Roger has now moved down to darkest, deepest Hampshire, but will continue in his post as Programme Secretary. Roger still hopes to come to the monthly meetings as often as he can. I'm sure all members will wish Roger the best of luck in his new home.



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Next Meeting

Monday 9th August

This Month

Pete Cottle – A Myanmar Adventure



I didn't know but Myanmar is the name of the country that old f--ts like me knew as Burma.

Well Pete has been to the club on many occasions and is a knowledgeable aquarist, speaking on a variety of fishy subjects.

I'm sure he won't have missed the opportunity to delve into the fishy side of Burma oops sorry Myanmar.



I did notice that in August they hold a fish feeding ceremony, now that's something different isn't it?

Club Shop

Cliff cannot be at the meeting this month so there will only be food on sale.

But our brave Chairman has fought the elements of Brentwood and overcome all the obstacles put in his way and is fetching down 2 yes **two** boxes of bloodworm. So don't let all that endeavour go to waste please, please, please buy some or we will never hear the last of it!



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Pond Competition

Results



- 1st Mike Brill
- 2nd Ken Wrightson
- 3rd Len Smith
- 4th Brian Lowe
- 5th Rab Dingwall
- 6th Joy Brill
- 7th Mario German

Congratulations to everyone who took part, the judges said that all the ponds were in excellent condition, which made their decisions even harder. Thanks to the judges for giving up their Sunday and to all who entered the competition.

Home Aquaria Competition

19th September



Time to think about entering your tank in the home aquaria competition.

There's still time to get them new plants, get rid of that algae on the glass and make that tank look fantastic.

I'm sure your tank is better than you think so have a go. There is only this meeting and the next to enter. Names to Dave Stock please.

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A Visit to Fishy Friends

Wednesday 18th August



The Committee thought it was time we visited Kelvin at Fishy Friends again. Last time it was a very enjoyable evening with tea and cakes and plenty of fish and plants purchased.

Kelvin is always giving the club fish food for the shop and donations for the raffle **so we are looking for a lot of support from members for this event.** Please try to come. It's a good evening, and don't forget Kelvin gives us 10% discount on all purchases. Fishy Friends can be found at

73 Southernhay, Basildon, Essex. SS14 1EU
phone 01268 271442.

Quiz Night

23rd October

The Quiz night has been booked. Ray has all the questions (and answers I hope?) It's at the same venue as last time. The Wanstead Cricket Club. Tickets are £5 per head, bring your own drinks and nibbles. Please try to support this evening as it does help the club finances. More info in next month's Newsletter. Names to Ray as soon as possible please.



The September meeting is the **Auction** so time to sort out things to bring and some money for things to buy.

See you all Monday Barry

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