



Something Fishy



The Newsletter of the Ilford & District Aquarists & Pondkeepers Society



Last Month

Cichlids – Garry Steptoe



Garry gave a very good talk (as usual) on Cichlids. They were mainly Rift Valley Cichlids which are particular favourites of his, but he did cover others as well. I must admit the Rifts are very colourful fish, if some are a little pugnacious, so all in all a good evening, with plenty of pictures and lots of knowledge.

This Month

The Christmas meeting



At this meeting we will have the review of the Pond and Home Aquarium Competitions, with pictures and comments from the judges.

Don't forget the fry rearing competition. Bring your best Glowlight back (or the one you can catch).

but bring some extra of your tank water with you to top up the tank. There will be a bag of Tetramin for the winner.



There will be plenty of nibbles, crisps, peanuts etc. Our President Len Smith is very kindly supplying the Mince pies and Sausage Rolls, and my youngest daughter (Amy) will be making one of her chocolate cakes.

The raffle will be for two food hampers paid for by the committee



**Next Meeting
Monday 12th December**



and put together by Keith, a fruit hamper donated by Yvonne and a bottle of whisky donated by our President Len.



That alone makes it worth coming along to this meeting, apart from all the other things.

Also at this meeting we would like all the Cups that were won last year to be returned to Mike Brill so that he can get them engraved for presentation next year.

This will be our last meeting at Wanstead Library, so let's make it a good one.



Next Month

New Venue, New Day, New Time

Don't forget January will be our first meeting in our new venue.

Don't forget it's a Tuesday night.

Don't forget it's a 7.45 start.



The date is Tuesday 10th January



I will put the map and directions again in this and next month's Newsletter.

Ken will be giving the talk, he will be demonstrating setting up a tank, brine shrimp etc, as well as showing some slides.

Ken's talk will be a good start to our meetings in the new hall.



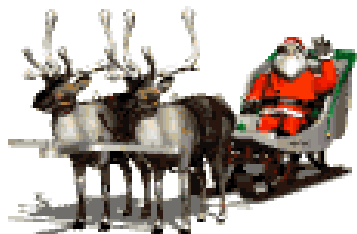


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Parking



The car park at the new hall is on the small side, so could members please try to park carefully.

But there is parking available in the side streets.



Thank You



I'm glad to say Cliff is feeling a lot better and is able to resume his job as Shop Manager.

Thanks to Keith who did the storage, bringing the shop as well as weighing up the fish food while Cliff was unwell.

Thanks to Colin at Woodford Aquatics. He has said that he will give Ilford members a discount on any purchases made.



London Zoo Aquarium Visit

ZSL London Zoo Aquarium



ZSL London Zoo has had an Aquarium since 1853, and has a fascinating history. Separated into

three different halls, which are home to different types of fish, the Aquarium is involved in many different conservation projects and breeding programmes.



Keith has been a busy boy and has been in touch with Brian Zimmerman (who gave us a talk in May this year) about a behind the scene visit to the Aquarium. We do need to know how many members would be interested in going so we can let them know numbers. Hopefully this will take place next March/April time. More info as I get it.



Well I hope you have written your Christmas list, and you get everything on it.

The Committee would like to wish all members and their families a very Happy Christmas & New Year

See you all

Monday

Barry

