

**TRI-COUNTY TROPICAL FISH SOCIETY
50th ANNUAL TROPICAL FISH SHOW**

DATES: August 31, September 1, 2019 (LABOR DAY WEEKEND)

LOCATION: NORTHWOODS MALL, PEORIA, ILLINOIS (At Sterling Exit 88 on I-74)

Show hours:

August 28, 2019 (Wednesday)	- set up stands - TO BE ANNOUNCED
August 29, 2019 (Thursday)	- set up tanks - 11:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m.
August 30, 2019 (Friday)	- set up tanks - 10:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m.
August 31, 2019 (Saturday)	- Open to public - 10:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m.
September 1, 2019 (Sunday)	- Open to public - 10:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m.
September 1, 2019 (Sunday)	- removal of tanks and stands at 6:00 p.m.

Please read your rules over carefully

Entry fee: - **\$5.00 for unlimited entries**

Entry Blanks: Entries will be accepted until 8:00 P.M. on Board meeting night (August 21, 2019). The Board will decide that night as to if a Show or Display will be held, based on number of entries.

Classes

Aquascape
Family
Male Betta Splendens
Female Betta Splendens
Corydoras Type
Cichlid
Egglayer
Catfish, Plecos, Sharks, Loaches and Botias
Male Guppy
Female Guppy
Livebearer
Novelty
Photo

Judging

<u>Aquascape</u>	
Condition and Size - Health, Split Fins, Etc.	25
Department of Fish	25
Aquascaping (Beauty and Naturalness)	<u>50</u>
	100
<u>Family</u>	
Appearance and Condition of Parents	40
Appearance and Condition of Fry	40
Effectiveness of Display	<u>20</u>
	100
<u>Species</u>	
Fins	20
Size	30
Color	20
Condition	20
Department	<u>10</u>
	100
<u>Novelty</u>	
Appearance of Display	30
Condition - Apparent Health	25
Following Theme	30
Originality	<u>15</u>
	100

Photo

The points awarded in this class will be at the judge's discretion.

General Rules

1. TRI-COUNTY TROPICAL FISH SOCIETY welcomes any person to exhibit in our Annual Show. As a matter of ethics, all fish must be the property of the exhibitor
2. Each entrant must correctly state on his entry form which class he is entering and the outside dimensions of the display.
3. All entries must be completed by Time stated for set-up Friday unless prior exception is made by the Show Chairman. You may replant plants, carefully add water to tanks, and clean glass after set-up. Damaged fish may be changed prior to qualification with Show Committee approval.
4. All fish entered must have a label on the lower left corner of the tank stating the common name (if known), scientific name, entrant's name and Class entered. All labels must be on the tanks by 8:00 p.m. on Friday unless with Show Committee's prior approval.
5. All entries and exhibits, displays, and decorations are the sole responsibility of the owner. TRI-COUNTY TROPICAL FISH SOCIETY is to be free and clear of all liability of same. The Show Committee will, to the best of its ability, protect contestant's property against theft or tampering.

6. The back of all tanks must be smooth black, or sky blue, paint or background may be used. No background on any bowls. Novelty Class must have a background.
7. Minimum aquarium size for any entry in the Show will be 2 1/2 gallons; Bowls will only be allowed in (Male Betta), (Female Betta), (Male Guppy), (Female Guppy), and (Corydoras Type), which will be shown in a half-gallon flat-sided bowl. (Novelty) must be shown in any size container suitable for the fish entered. Tank size in all classes must be appropriate for the size of the fish entered. Each tank will be provided an air supply. Any aquarium or display over 30 gallons and/or 16 inches wide must have its own stand and air supply.
8. All airline must have a check valve. A limited number will be available for purchase from TRI-COUNTY TROPICAL FISH SOCIETY.
9. Any display not shown in a bowl (see classes above) must have a light. Only standard sized flat front tanks may be used. No outside additions except power filters. Optional black or blue end covers may be used except in Novelty Class.
10. No glass cleaner may be sprayed in the Mall. Northwoods Mall Management's rules will not allow us to use any glass cleaner inside the Mall area. Use paper towels or another means of cleaning the glass. The Show Committee and Mall Management appreciates your cooperation.
11. Tank frames and glass must be clean. Any entry that detracts from the overall quality of the Show because of owner's neglect may be penalized up to 10 points by the Qualifying Committee. Extreme cases will be disqualified and asked to be removed by the Show Committee. There shall be no visible water lines. If necessary, only one straight width (3/4") of black electrical tape may be used.
12. Natural substrate will be classified as any substrate not artificially colored or man-made. Artificially colored or man-made gravel may be used in the Novelty Class only. Any natural rock that has not been artificially colored or altered will be allowed. No glass decorations allowed except in Novelty Class.
13. Exhibits must not be removed until tear-down time on Sunday, September 1, 2019 at 6:00 p.m.
14. Judging will be based on the enclosed point system. Fish deemed unhealthy by the Show Chairman shall be removed or will be covered.
15. No artificially colored fish allowed except in Novelty Class.
16. Show Chairman and a member of the Qualifying Committee will make decisions pertaining to the Show entries. The Qualifying Committee will check all tanks to see that all rules comply. Entries in violation of Show rules will be penalized or disqualified. The Qualifying Committee's and Judge's ruling on all matters pertaining to the Show and all entries are final.
18. BEST TANK IN SHOW will be the best tank as selected by the judges from any 1ST PLACE TANK.
19. BEST FISH IN SHOW shall be the best fish as selected by the judges from ANY CLASS.
20. CHUCK GLACZENSKI MEMORIAL AWARD shall be any other entry than BEST TANK IN SHOW OR BEST FISH IN SHOW.

CLASS

RULES

- Aquascape
- A. Must use natural or natural looking substrate.
 - B. May use natural or natural looking decorations
 - C. Tank must be arranged by exhibitor during setup times.
 - D. Must exhibit at least 3 species of fish.
- Family
- A. Must use natural or natural looking substrate.
 - B. May use natural or natural looking decorations
 - C. Tank must be arranged by exhibitor during setup times
 - D. Must exhibit one pair of fish and at least 10 of their fry, between 60 and 120 days old.
- Guppy, Betta and Cory
- A. Shall be shown in a flat-sided half-gallon bowl.
 - B. No plants in bowls.
 - C. No gravel may be used.
 - D. No lights.
 - E. No backing will be used.
 - F. A single fish will be shown
- Species Display
- A. Must use natural or natural looking substrate.
 - B. May use natural or natural looking decorations
 - C. Single fish is recommended, all fish will be judge as 1 entry.
- Cichlid
- A. Must use natural or natural looking substrate.
 - B. May use natural or natural looking decorations
 - C. Single fish is recommended, all fish will be judge as 1 entry.
- Novelty
- A. Anything may be used that is not detrimental to the health of any fish.
 - B. Exhibit must have a backing.
 - C. A sign stating the theme must be on the display in at least 3/4-inch Lettering.
 - D. Exact dimensions of display must be stated on the entry form.
- Photo
- A. Entry must be entrant's own work.
 - B. Subject will be limited to an aquatic subject.
 - C. Photographic prints can be black and white or color.
 - E. Photographic prints will be limited to paper-type framing only.
 - F. Maximum size of photo display (including matting) will be 16" X 20".

AWARDS BANQUET

DATE: SATURDAY, AUGUST 31, 2019 AT 6:30 P.M.

PLACE: KLUSENDORF'S SKY HARBOR STEAKHOUSE, 1321 NORTH PARK
ROAD, PEORIA

PRICE PER PERSON: WE WILL BE ORDERING FROM THE MENU. You may choose what you would like to eat. REMEMBER, THE TAX AND GRATUITY WILL BE ADDED TO YOUR BILL.

(Alcoholic beverages will be available - CASH BAR.)

Come and join us in this meal. The food will be EXCELLENT.

Number of people attending banquet _____

(NOTE: WE WILL BE ORDERING FROM THE MENU AND WILL NOT BE COLLECTING MONEY IN ADVANCE FOR THE BANQUET. WE DO, HOWEVER, NEED TO KNOW HOW MANY WILL BE ATTENDING. WE MUST KEEP A VERY CLOSE COUNT OF THE NUMBER ATTENDING.

Number of Entries: _____ Total Entry Fee(s) Enclosed: \$ _____ \$5.00

Entry fee must be enclosed for registration. Upon completion of this form, please mail to:
ROGER HALLEEN, SHOW CHAIRMAN

301 BAYLOR

EAST PEORIA, ILLINOIS 61611

PHONE: 309-699-7394

EMAIL: roghfish@comcast.netCOMCAST.NET

Entries will be accepted until 8:00 PM. ON THE BOG MEETING NIGHT (August 21, 2019). Classes not filled will be announced at the regular club meeting (August 14, 2019). . Additions for unfilled classes **ONLY** will be taken until 8:00 PM. ON THE BOG MEETING NIGHT (August 21, 2019). Entry blanks are to be mailed, telephoned or emailed to Roger Halleen, Show Chairman, as above, or submitted to him on or before the August regular meeting.

ENTRY DEADLINE - SEE ABOVE PARAGRAPH

GOOD LUCK.....AND SEE YOU THERE!!!