



ACE Show And Auction

**Sands Hotel
12340 Fort Road
Edmonton, Alberta
May 20-22, 2006**

Biographies of Speakers

BRIAN R. WATTERS
Nanaimo, British Columbia, Canada

Biographical Note:

Brian was born in 1944 in the town of East London in South Africa. He attended the University of Cape Town, graduated with a PhD degree in Geology in 1974, and emigrated to Canada the following year. Until 2005 he was a Professor in the Department of Geology at the University of Regina in Saskatchewan. Brian and his wife, Angela, are now retired and living in Nanaimo on Vancouver Island.

His interest in tropical fish goes back to the mid-1950s although his involvement in the killifish hobby began during 1971 while he was still living in Africa. While he has, over the years, maintained and bred many different types of killifish, his principal interest has always been in the genus *Nothobranchius* and he now maintains species of this genus almost exclusively.

Since 1988, Brian has carried out field investigations and collections of *Nothobranchius* and lampeyes in the African countries of Malawi, Uganda, South Africa, Zambia, Namibia (Caprivi Strip), Botswana, Kenya, Tanzania (including Zanzibar and Mafia islands), Mozambique and Chad during the course of about 30 field trips. As a result of this field work, numerous new species have been discovered and he continues to be involved in research on habitat conditions and the factors that control the distribution of these fish.

Subject of talks:

“Collecting killifish in Tanzania”

The East African country of Tanzania has the greatest concentration and variety of *Nothobranchius* killifish throughout their entire range of distribution. My talk will be concerned primarily with one of the seven trips that I have made to that country (the 2002 trip) during which a wide variety of species and populations were collected. The account will also serve to illustrate the methods that we employ in the field as well as the general experience of travelling in such a country.

and

“Maintenance and breeding of *Nothobranchius* killifish”

In this talk I will describe my personal methods for maintaining and breeding *Nothobranchius* killifish. The maintenance of East African lampeyes will also be briefly dealt with.

CHARLIE GRIMES
Indianapolis, Indiana, USA

I have been seriously keeping tropical fish for 40 years. I currently have over 100 aquariums in my fishroom (with another 40 or 50 in my storage barn). Additionally, I have 3 large yard ponds that I maintain for tropical fish in the warm months- - about 5 ½ months here in Indianapolis.

In addition to culturing lots of live foods in my fishroom, I set up a 1000 gallon daphnia pool in the back yard. The daphnia pool was a fantastic success for about 2 months and then Bioto my daughter's 13 'pet' ducks, was an impressive failure. This year, with a new plan involving 'less biologically active' ducks, promises to be a banner year for daphnia in my back yard.

I maintain about 60 cichlid tanks- -mostly African Rifts & Dwarf Cichlids, (mainly Apistos.) with the rest mainly housing killies, tetras & livebearers.

Additionally, with the onset of warmer weather, I usually get NATIVE FISH FEVER and do quite a bit of collecting locally & thru the Southeastern U.S.

In addition to collecting native fish, I have been to South America three times & once to Mexico.

My other hobbies are photography & gardening.

RUDY KERN
Edmonton, Alberta, Canada

Rudy Kern is a long-standing member of the Aquarium Club of Edmonton. He is currently the owner of Aquatic Plants Unlimited and is the representative of Tropica Plants of Denmark in Canada. He has given talks throughout Canada and is a sought after speaker on the subject of aquarium plants. His generosity in donating plants to various clubs and club functions is well known.

DENNIS GOODHELPSEN
Edmonton, Alberta, Canada

Dennis Goodhelpsen is a long-standing member of the Aquarium Club of Edmonton. He is a Past-President of the Club and has a special interest in marine aquaria. He has given talks on marine topics at prior club functions and meetings. His talks are very interesting to both experienced and novice aquarists.

Pond Speaker
To Be Announced

Classes for ACE 2006 Show

Class sponsorship \$35 per class

Class 1	Guppy, Male
Class 2	Guppy, female
Class 3	Xiphophorus species, Swordtails
Class 4	Mollies, All Types and Species
Class 5	All other Variety (AOV) Livebearer - Prairie Livebearer Organization
Class 6	Cichlids, Lake Tanganyika
Class 7	Cichlids, Lake Malawi
Class 8	Old World, AOV
Class 9	New World, Dwarf
Class 10	New World, AOV
Class 11	Corydorus, Brochis and Aspidoras
Class 12	Catfish, Sucker mouth – Ken Harrison
Class 13	Catfish, New World, AOV
Class 14	Catfish, Old World, AOV
Class 15	Characins and Characoids
Class 16	Cyprinids
Class 17	Killifish, Old World, Nothobranchius
Class 18	Killifish, Old World, AOV
Class 19	Killifish, New World
Class 19	Betta Splendens
Class 20	Anabantids, AOV
Class 21	Rainbowfishes, All Species
Class 22	Sharks, Loaches and Eels
Class 23	Brackish
Class 24	Marine, Fish species
Class 25	Marine, Invertebrate species
Class 26	Egglayers; AOV
Class 27	Aquatic Animals, Non-fish species - Educational Vivarium of Alberta
Class 28	Pairs, Fish Species
Class 29	Species Group, Fish
Class 30	Aquatic Plants, Rooted
Class 31	Aquatic Plants, AOV
Class 32	Aquarium Beautiful, 10 Gallon or smaller
Class 33	Photography

Best of Show Awards

Best of Class sponsorship \$50 per class

Best Cichlid in Show
Best Catfish in Show
Best Killifish in Show - **Peter De Souza**
Best Livebearer in Show
Best Egglayer in Show
Best Plant in Show

Best Entry in Show

Best Junior Entry in Show

Best in Show (overall)

Sponsorship \$200

Best in Show (overall)

Aquarium Club of Edmonton Tropical Fish Show

General Rules and Regulations

1. Anyone may enter the show, however, those persons who are not members in good standing of a recognized aquarium club or society will be subject to increased fees as described under the heading "Entry Fees".
2. Registration for the show must be postmarked no later than May 10, 2006. Forms may be emailed to the show Chairperson, Peter DeSouza [pdesouza1@msn.com]. Payment of fees must be made prior to setting up any show entries.
3. Entries must be the property of the exhibitor on the date of registration.
4. Entries will be accepted for set up by the Show Chairperson from 1500 to 2200 hours Friday, May 19, 2006. These hours are inflexible. Previous arrangements must be made with the Show Chairperson for any deviation in setup from the listed times.
5. Fish showing any symptoms of disease or extreme stress may not be shown. The Show Committee's decision is final. Tanks containing these fish and or plants will be covered from public view and will not be judged.
6. All entrants must register with the Show Committee by 2100 hours, Friday 19, 2006. No changes in classes will be allowed after this time.
7. Entries may not be removed from the show prior to 1600 hours, Sunday, May 21, 2006 without permission of the Show Committee. All entries must be removed from display no later than 1800 hours.
8. The Show Committee reserves the right to split or collapse classes if numbers warrant, refuse entry or specify class entry.
9. Decisions of the judges will be final in all cases and are not subject to review. Any interference with the judges will result in disqualification. The judging sheets will be available for viewing at a convenient time after the awards have been presented at the awards banquet.
10. Any situation not covered by any general or show rule will be decided upon by the Show Committee, whose decision is final.
11. The Aquarium Club of Edmonton, The Sands Motor Inn or any of their representatives are not responsible for loss, injury or damage of any kind to entries, equipment or persons.

Show Rules and Regulations

1. Tanks will be provided for mail-in entries only.
2. **Tank size is limited to a maximum of 25 gallons (100 liters)** for display on show stands; tanks larger than this must have their own stand or special permission from the Show Committee.
3. Multiple entries in a single tank must be in the same class and each entry must be separated from the other(s) by a fixed divider.
4. All tanks must have a flat front. As the plastic will be cut out around the front panel acrylic aquariums are not recommended.
5. **All tanks must be clean, have a background and a fully covered top.**
6. Sand or gravel is optional in Classes 1 to 31, but is highly recommended.
7. Heaters will not be allowed without prior approval of the Show Committee. Where they are approved the entrant must supply a CSA approved heater and a grounded extension cord long enough to reach the power source.
8. Plants and limited aquascaping is desirable but optional in Classes 1 to 31
9. **Entries in Class 32, Aquarium Beautiful** must be no larger than stated in rule 3.
10. **Entries in Class 33**, must have been photographed and be the property of the entrant.
11. Leaky or defective equipment will be removed by the Show Committee.
12. **Entrants must supply their own tanks, valves, and new airstones; NO open airlines will be allowed. Airline will be supplied and airstones are available at \$1.00 each or 12 for \$10.00.**
13. Entrants will not be allowed to feed their fish before or during stated hours of public viewing.
14. **During judging the fish room will be closed to all but the Show Committee, the judges and invited apprentices.**

