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FishScience Aquarium Foods

Unique New Formula With Insect Meal

Contains cultured Insect Meal:

Recreates the natural insect based diet that most tropical fish would eat in the wild

Environmentally friendly and sustainable - reduces the use of fish meal which is taken from the sea

Easily digested for low waste

Plus Naturally enhances the colour of the fish using Spirulina algae, paprika and krill

....and the fish really like it

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VIRTUAL TABLE SHOW

The Federation's on-line series of Table Shows
Exhibits judged to FBAS Standards

- 31st May Round 1 : **NATURAL TROPICAL EGGLAYERS**
21st June Round 2 : **CULTIVATED TROPICAL EGGLAYERS**
5th July Round 3 : **NATURAL TROPICAL LIVEBEARERS**
19th July Round 4 : **CULTIVATED TROPICAL
LIVEBEARERS**
2nd August Round 5 : **NATURAL COLDWATER incl WCOMM
(excl Goldfish)**
16th August Round 6 : **FANCY GOLDFISH**

Please send entries by 6pm on, or before, above dates to
djalstevens@msn.com

Open to all fishkeepers

Keith Cocker, Chairman FBAS says... 'All fishkeepers everywhere will welcome this unique opportunity to compete against their arch-rivals again - without moving very much from their armchairs.

Please keep the spirit of exhibiting alive by supporting this venture'

Keep the interest going during 'Lock-down' and beyond!

VIRTUAL FISH SHOW

In these dark times one of the things I have missed most is going to Fish Shows either as a judge or an exhibitor, and I'm sure that many of you feel the same. And so we have decided to hold a Virtual Fish Show via the FBAS. Here's how it is going work.

1. Exhibitors will send a short video (max 1 minute) of each exhibit to the Virtual Show Secretary who will then organise them into Classes or Groups..
2. These will then be sent to the Judges who will point exhibits in the normal way except 'Size' will not be used, Preview of entries will only be featured on the FBAS website after the closing date for entries..
3. Winning entries (after final ratification) will then be posted on the website.

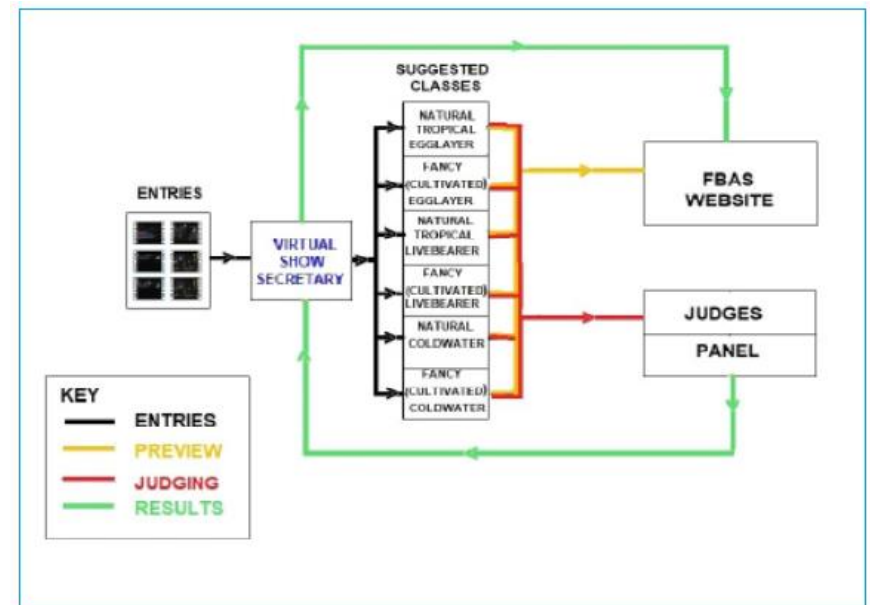
Being a 'virtual' Show, gives us the opportunity to tweak a few areas to make things easier for all concerned. I will be working to organise things as we go along - until we settle on a workable, acceptable pattern. I will be depending on your support to make a success of this venture and kept us all fish-sane during the months ahead.

Alan Stevens, General Secretary & Trophy Officer
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THE NEW GROUPS

- A Natural Tropical Egglayers
- B Cultivated Tropical Egglayers
- C Natural Tropical Livebearers
- D Cultivated Tropical Livebearers
- E Natural Coldwater (excl Goldfish) incl WCMM
- F Fancy Goldfish

HOW IT WORKS



GUIDANCE FOR EXHIBITORS

1. Video clips should be approximately 1 minute in length. Make sure that both sides of the fish are included at some point in the video.
2. To avoid 'sending problems', minimise file sizes by reducing 'Resolution'. Aim to produce an mp4 file with a picture size of around 854 x 480 pixels (Windows Moviemaker does this) or alternatively 640 x 480 (VGA setting)

Send large files free (up to 2GB total) by www.wetransfer.com

3. Avoid unwanted reflections when using smartphones by tilting camera slightly downwards. Smartphones are not designed for tripod use - be sure to avoid camera shake!
4. Place a suitable monochrome background behind the Show tank - it helps to define fishes with transparent fins more clearly - points deducted for garden sheds and/or wallpaper backgrounds!
5. Typical information on Entry Form - A 1 *Barbus oligolepis*
A 2 *Botia histrionica*
A 3 *Corydoras concolor*

Rules

- 1 All entries to be grouped into the following Categories:
A) Natural Tropical Egglayer, B) Cultivated Tropical Egglayer,
C) Natural Livebearer, D) Cultivated Livebearer,
E) Natural Coldwater, F) Fancy Goldfish.
(incl W.C.M.M)
- 2 All entries to be sent to the Virtual Show Secretary, be shown to FBAS Show Rules and Standards and exhibited in regulation Show Tanks, one entry per tank.
Videos of entries in home aquaria will not be accepted.
- 3 All entries will be sent by the Show Secretary to the Judge(s). Entries will only be featured on the FBAS Website after the closing date for entries
- 4 Exhibitors to supply each entry with the scientific name of the entry and the name of the owner (name of owner to be withheld until after judging).
- 5 The lighting of exhibits will be up to the exhibitor except in the case of colour-intensifying lighting which will not be allowed.
- 6 One entry per species per person except in the cultivated sections where exhibitors may show different varieties of the same species.
- 7 Videos of each entry shall be approximately one minute in length
- 8 The 'Size' category where applicable will not be used, instead entries will be pointed out of 20 for 'Presentation'.
- 9 Videos must be playable on other devices;. Exhibitors entering incompatible material will be invited to re-submit material in a more suitable format.

Sending videos, irrespective of Groups, ahead of Closing Dates will help minimise any 'last-minute' rushes!

Entries must arrive by 6pm on, or before, stated Closing dates.
Please send entries to djalstevens@msn.com

VIEWING ENTRIES

Each 'Entry' can be run independently of the others. Double-clicking on a single image will produce a full-screen movie.

To study an entry longer than its running time, 'right-click' on it and select 'Loop' from the drop-down menu. Toggle the 'Loop' control on and off as required. Slow-motion (still-frame) playback is also possible. Similarly, the 'Control' bar beneath each Entry can be turned off, again by 'right-clicking' and selecting 'Hide Controls'.

Refresh rate of images will depend on the speed of your device's processor.

INVITED JUDGES

Judges for each Round of Classes/Groups will be drawn from an invited Panel as required, bearing in mind availability.

Looking to the future, this could be an opportunity to give Judges more 'less-travel inclusive' experience, or even provide an introduction for newcomers to exhibiting for the first time.

RESULTS

A certain amount of logistical work needs to be done ahead of actual judging taking place, particularly when entries arrive at the very last minute.

Unlike the normal Open Show, judging will not be completed on the same day – more likely we will be allowing a week or so for everything to be done.

Results will be published as soon as practicable, on the FBAS website – www.fbas.co.uk – but please be patient, we're making it up as fast as we can, as we go along!

AWARDS

Award Cards for 1st – 4th Places and Best in Group will be issued.

For full information about the Federation of British Aquatic Societies' services to the hobby, please visit www.fbas.co.uk

