

Keystone Clash 2019

Show Rules

Entry Fees

1. Preregistration of your entries is required and guarantees your space at the show. **Registration ends at midnight on Friday, September 6, 2019.** Both entry fees and show forms must be submitted no later than this date. Entries for the show will not be accepted after this time. **No walk in's.** All checks are to be made payable to the Aquarium Club of Lancaster County in US funds or shall be paid via PayPal or through Credit Card on the website. See convention website for details at www.Keystoneclash.com.
2. Entry fee schedule is as follows:
 - a. \$3 per entry pre-registered
 - b. \$2 per entry if you pre-register and bring 20 or more entries
 - c. ****NOTE**** If you pre-register and pay for more than 20 entries at the reduced rate but bring less than 20 entries to the show, you will be charged the \$3 per entry fee. Please use the Coupon Code "20orMore" at checkout to secure the \$2per entry price point.
3. Entry fees are not refundable.
4. All entrants can declare one club as their home club for the purpose of the Club Keystone Challenge Championship. You must be a paid member of that club at the time of the show (September 13-15, 2019)

Show Exhibitor's and Entries Qualifications

1. All classes are open to any aquarist – no club membership is required.
2. There is no limit to the number of entries per exhibitor.
3. No exhibit will be entered in more than one class.
4. Only **ONE** entry is permitted in each tank **except** for Killifish Classes. Entries in the Killifish classes must be a male and female pair.
5. For all classes, entries shall be as described **with their scientific name with the corresponding class number annotated.**
6. If entrant is not present, they must have someone to tend to their entries. Neither the ACLC nor the CCY will be able to set-up. Killifish mail-in entries will be handled by KKG/CAKC staff.

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1. All exhibits must be set up on either Friday September 13, between 12:00 PM and 1:00 AM Saturday or on Saturday, September 14 between 6:00 AM and 9:00 AM.
2. Tampering with any exhibit other than that which belongs to oneself is strictly forbidden. If an entry needs attention or needs to be moved for any reason, please inform a member of the Show Committee and they will attend to the situation.
3. No extensions or early teardowns without prior permission of the Show Committee.
4. All exhibits will be under the full control of the Show Committee while in the show, they must remain there for the duration of the show.
5. All entries shall be removed from the show area between 10:00 PM September 14 and 10:00 AM September 15. Items not claimed by 10 AM on September 15 will become the property of the ACLC and CCY and will be placed in the auction.
6. Neither the Clarion Hotel & Conference Center, Cichlid Club of York, nor Aquarium Club of Lancaster County will be held responsible for any loss or damage incurred during the show.
7. Exhibitors do have a responsibility to be careful with water and should take care not to spill.
8. Exhibitors may choose to have their exhibits auctioned. The exhibitor is responsible to be sure that those fish are bagged and properly labeled after judging is completed, as well as being registered for the auction according to the auction rules.
9. Filtered and treated water will be provided. Hotel water has been measured and the complete report is available to download [HERE](#). However, water chemistry on Show day cannot be guaranteed.
10. For the Photography Class, photos of photographs are not allowed. All prints must be of a living animal. All entries must have been taken by the exhibitor. Digital prints should be as close to the original image as possible, (non-manipulated). These are photographic images that haven't been wildly altered from the originals with software tools (like Photoshop, In-design, Illustrator etc.), prior to printing or scanning. Exhibitors may use these computers editing tools to adjust for contrast, exposure, cropping and other traditional adjustments that could be obtained through a traditional darkroom process. Only basic image corrections such as sharpening, saturation, cropping, color balance and removal of dust, scratches or water spots are allowed. All photos should be at least 5"x7" or larger. Title of print or fish identification should be clearly marked on the back of the image or mount. Nothing should be on the photograph though that would identify the photographer. It is suggested that the prints be mounted on stiff backing or matted but this is not required.

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11. Arts and Crafts Class Rules: All entries in this class must be aquatic related and be original work of the exhibitor

Equipment

1. Containers: All non-photography/arts & crafts entries will be displayed in flat-sided containers. All containers shall be bare. Plants or decorations are not allowed. For Class 47 (Aquatic Plants), plants such as ferns or moss are permitted to be attached to rock or wood. ACLC and CCY will have a limited supply of containers for pre-registered travelers which must be requested during registration to be reserved. Please note on registration form how many you will need and what size (20T, 10, or 3).
2. Air: the show committee will provide air to within four feet of all exhibits. Exhibitors are to supply their own air stones. Sponges are optional. There will be no open-air lines.
3. Stands: Tables will be provided for all exhibits 3 gallons to 10 gallons. Exhibits over 10 gallons will require their own stands. Exhibits are not permitted to sit on the floor.
4. Lighting: No lights or reflectors are permitted.
5. Covers: All exhibits are to have full covers of the exhibitor's choice for the protection of the specimen(s) being displayed. Covers will be provided by the Clash ONLY for 3 gallon entries
6. Heaters: The show area is normally maintained at a minimum of 70 degrees. Heaters are not permitted except for the discus class. Entrants must bring their own heaters for the discus class.
7. Sprays: NO SPRAY TYPE WINDOW CLEANERS PERMITTED IN THE SHOW AREA.

Judging

1. Judging will take place on Saturday morning, September 14, 2019 beginning at 9:00 AM.
2. There will be awards for 1st, 2nd and 3rd place in each class. Decisions of the judges are final and are not subject to appeal.
3. Classification and size of fishes to be determined by references chosen by the show committee.
4. Photography class: Judging will be based on art, technical skill, and the ability of the Judge to identify the subject(s).
5. The CCY and ACLC reserve the right to combine or split classes as deemed necessary to provide a competitive show.
6. Judges shall move entries into the correct class if the entry is not properly classified. Being entered in the wrong class is not justification for disqualification of an entry.
7. Judges may disqualify entries for deformities, disease, injury or other health conditions.

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Keystone Clash Killifish Mail-in Show Entry Instructions

Registration of mail-in show fish is different in several ways from registration of carry-in show fish. Show registration for mail-ins is FREE. Just follow the website instructions using the coupon code "Killi19", which will cancel the entry fee.

Mail-in show entries MUST be auctioned (70/30 split). The auction is managed by MyGroupAuctions software, so all mail-in entries must ALSO be registered with MyGroupAuctions.com under the Keystone Clash group.

Mail-in show fish are registered as follows:

1. Register fish for the show at the Keystone Clash website using the "Killi19" coupon code. This code is only used for mail-ins.
2. In parallel, register your mail-in show fish for the Keystone Clash auction at MyGroupAuctions.com. This site provides online help for the required processes of a) registering the entrant, b) joining a group (Aquarium Club of Lancaster County), and c) adding items to an auction (Keystone Clash 2019 ACLC/CCY). If you are already registered with MyGroupAuctions, only steps b and c are necessary.
3. Notify me by text message, telephone, or voicemail at: Gary Haas 410-459-8397, on or before Saturday 7 September. This notification is so we can set up tanks for your entries, and be on the lookout for your shipment.
4. Ship your entries to the show venue, below. All mail-ins must arrive on Thursday 12 Sept. or Friday 13 Sept. Include a copy of your Clash Fish Entry Form and your MyGroupAuctions list including lot numbers, and a phone number. The latter can be printed from the MyGroupAuctions website. Bagged fish should be identified with the associated MyGroupAuctions lot number. Lists should be secured in a separate plastic bag or laminated to prevent damage due to any water leaks.

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Keystone Clash Event
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Clash killi staff will take it from there.