



Showfish

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Next month's meeting:

August 1st, Sunday, 1:00 to 5:00, Costa Mesa Neighborhood Community Center, Victoria Rm.

Tentative speaker: Chuck Rambo on African cichlids

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Saturday, July 17th – Fish Room Tour & Pot Luck Buffet

John Niemans is opening his fish room for the entire day to COAST members as the July meeting.

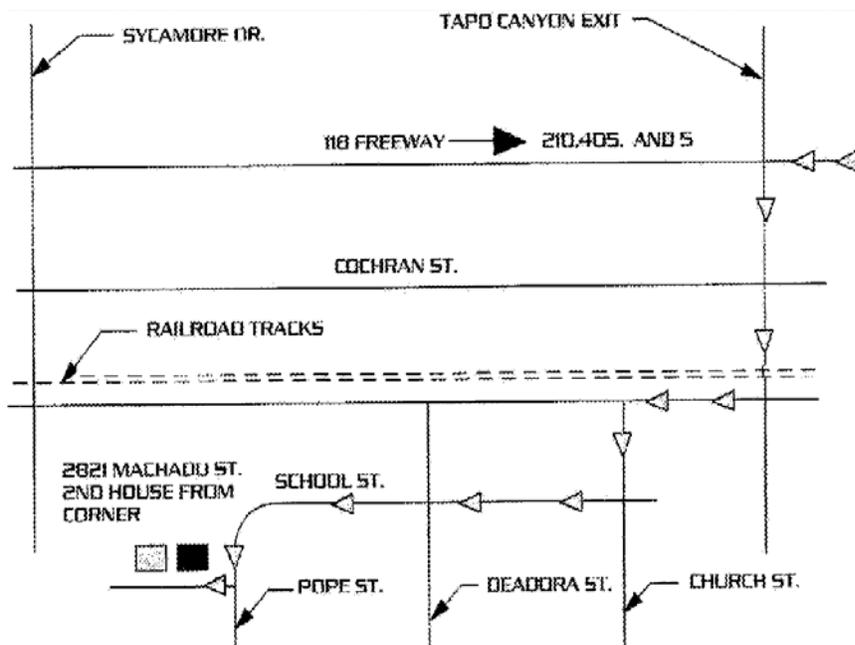
Arrive anytime, stay as long as you like, bring a bit of food for the buffet table and something for yourself to drink.

To call the location of John's second full time job a "fish room" is a bit of a misnomer. For one thing, it's a respectable size detached building: I've seen two-bedroom condos with fewer square feet than the building where John keeps his fish. For another, his "fish room" is actually one of the largest wholesale cichlid hatcheries on the west coast, and he regularly ships his fish to retail fish stores and pet shops all over the place. Come and see how John has created a smooth-running, efficient set up comprised of multiple racks of various sized tanks with various water requirements. Here's the address, map, and phone:

John Niemans
2821 Machado St
Simi Valley, CA 93065
Phone 805-522-4518

If you are the proud parents of **incorrigibly curious children** who simply must pick things up, handle them, and open them up to see what makes them tick, who crawl all over the furniture, under the tables, and get into everything – please **leave them at home** this year.

John and Anne are taking advantage of these few precious years between having raised their children and taking care of [possible future] grandchildren to create a home decorated and arranged just for adults.



Membership News —

New/Returning Members

The following people joined COAST this month – Welcome and Thanks!

Sal Arias
Larry Gentry of Chatsworth

Renewals

The following people have renewed their memberships—Thank You!

John Pitcairn

Member Renewals Due Now

Please remember to renew your membership this month. Showfish is not sent to people whose memberships have been expired more than one month.

Wayne Stewart
Linda Sweet



▶ This symbol means this is your last Showfish until you renew.

Member Renewals Due in August

Kevin Bruner
Russ and Jane Madsen
Bonnie Lewis
Sallie Boggs

Renewing and transferring members please fill in a fresh membership application and mail to Pauline Jackson. Application and Pauline's address are on the last sheet of the newsletter. Membership due date is on the Showfish address label.

Trading Post —

Speaking of complete fish room setups ready to be put in your very own house or garage, Borje Forslund is selling a complete fish room setup. The items are not available piecemeal; the entire fish room is being sold as a single lot.

His asking price for the lot is **\$1000 obo** (that's less than \$1.50 /gal)

Here's what you get for your money:

- Six (6) 60 gallon tanks
- Ten (10) 20 gallon tanks
- Three (3) 10/15 gallon tanks
- Four (4) 70 (approx) gallon acrylic tanks, compartmentalized into four sections of about 15 to 18 gallons each
- One Blower, 1/3 hp at 220 VAC (If you have central air or an electric stove, you probably have a 220V circuit.)
- African Cichlids
- South American Cichlids
- Central American Cichlids
- Rainbow Fish
- Angels
- Flowerhorns
- Miscellaneous fishes

For more information, contact Borje Forslund at 714-970-3934 (home) or 714-307-0857 (cell)

Due to the need for post-operative care by my father-in-law, who is recovering from surgery that repaired a broken vertebra, followed by the hospitalization of my husband for several days to treat an infection, I have been unable to write articles this month for the newsletter or deliver it to the printer on time. Hopefully I'll be able to make up for it in the August issue.

I regret these circumstances and apologize for failing to deliver an informative newsletter for July. Nonetheless, if someone wants me to listen to complaints about this, they must first hand me an article for the Showfish. If I had had articles from members in reserve, I could have delivered a newsletter for all of us this month. — *Editor*

August is the month for nominating yourself or others to stand for election for club officers. Every year, we must elect a President, Vice-President, Recording Secretary, Correspondence Secretary, and Treasurer. Do not expect the current board to serve a third consecutive term.

We also need several volunteers to help contact and make arrangements for visiting speakers, a couple of volunteers to put together the potluck buffet and store the supplies, and a volunteer to help with auction check out. The only qualifications required to fill these positions is willingness to do the work, keep in touch with other board members, and attend most of the meetings. Experience is not required.

Serving as a volunteer for the club is a lot like cleaning the bathroom: it's work that has to be done, doing it well gives some sense of accomplishment, and you sure don't want to go back to not having one.

MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION
 MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL
 GUEST Registry / AUCTION Sign-In

COAST MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION FORM

Mail to: Pauline Jackson, COAST Treasurer
 10926 Ranney Ave., Garden Grove, CA 92843

(Received by _____ Date Rcvd _____ Payment \$ _____ Member No. _____)

Yes! I want to be a member or guest of COAST. Enclosed/attached is my check or money order made payable to COAST in the amount of \$20 for a one year membership as an individual or family (within the same household please). Senior citizen (aged 62 or over) or junior (aged 20 or under) memberships are \$15 for one year. Members receive Showfish (COAST's monthly publication), which contains information of interest to hobbyists. Meetings have programs specific to the hobby, and you are eligible to participate in our monthly auctions and raffles. Why wait any longer?

Name _____ Email _____

Address _____ Phone _____

City _____ State _____ Zip Code _____

Thank you for your membership and registration. Please tell us how you heard about COAST:

Member Magazine Fish Store Website Showfish Other _____
 Renewing Returning Update Guest Referred by _____

Hobby Interests _____

What information would you like to share with club members in the Membership Directory? (Membership Rosters are COAST property and distributed only within the club to encourage fellowship among members)

Yes to full membership listing Name, Phone Name, email Name, City

Unless otherwise specified, the full membership listing of member no., name, phone number, address, city, state and zip code will be listed in our membership directory. Please be sure to notify us of any changes in your contact information, either by email or by using this form.

Please fill it out completely when you're renewing, too. That's how we keep the membership list correct and up to date.

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