**South Jersey Guppy Group**

is honored to host the

51st Annual Meeting & IFGA Sanctioned Show

October 13-15, 2017

**CONTACT INFORMATION**

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**LOCATION FOR ANNUAL & ACCOMMODATIONS**

Days Hotel Conference Center East Brunswick

195 Route 18 South East Brunswick, NJ 08816

1-732-828-6900

Please visit [www.DaysHotelEastBrunswick.com](http://www.dayshoteleastbrunswick.com/) for more information on hotel amenities and area attractions.

Room rates $65.00 plus tax for standard room, includes continental breakfast.

Make your room reservation before September 12th

and mention SOUTH JERSEY GUPPY GROUP to receive discount rate.

**CLOSEST AIRPORT**

The airport serving the area is **Newark Liberty International Airport - EWR**.

It is approximately 25 miles from the hotel (no shuttle to hotel).

The hotel can arrange for a shuttle back to airport.

**FISH ROOM TOURS**

Friday there will be visits to Dave Polunas and Ron Rapka fish rooms.

Light refreshments will be served at Ron’s house.

We will meet in the hotel lobby at 5 pm to get maps and arrange rides.

**RSVP**

This year we ask that you kindly let us know that you are attending. We are doing so to help with planning for the fish room tours, the banquet, and we would like to print name tags. The name tags would need to be printed before the event. It would be lovely if you could respond as soon as possible, but we will be able to have a tag printed for you if we receive notice by Monday, October 9th. When you RSVP, please let us know if you will have a car, who you already plan on transporting, and if you are willing to drive anyone else. To RSVP, please use the following link to fill out the form. <https://goo.gl/forms/ApEgLKrNcwXvuSpY2> If you cannot use the form, please contact a show chairman.

**SHIPPED ENTRIES**

Send All Shipped Entries To:

 **Days Hotel Conference Center East Brunswick
 195 Route 18 South East Brunswick, NJ 08816
 Attention: South Jersey Guppy Group**

Must be received by 5 pm on Friday, October 13th, 2017

A courtesy notification email sent to Michael Soda @ gemstarguppies@comcast.net prior to shipping is appreciated!

Use the carrier’s “no signature required” option if available.

Collect shipments will not be accepted.

Sufficient return fare must be included if fish are to be returned or fish will be auctioned.

All entry fees must be paid at time of registration.

Shipped entries which are to be returned must include return postage fees and mailing label along with bags for returning fish.

Breather bags may be used for shipping to and from show.

If breather bags are used new unused breather bags MUST be supplied for return of entry, otherwise fish will be returned in standard bags as per IFGA rules.

Minimum bag size: 3” x 10”

Check with your local post office for exact delivery time.

**SHOW SCHEDULE**

**Thursday, October 12th**

5 - 10:00 pm Showroom setup begins

**Friday, October 13th**

9:00 am Entries open

9:00 am Training session on Show Entry Program

10:00 am Panel Discussion

12:00 pm Break

1:00 pm IFGA Judging Seminar and Written Exam

5:00 pm Shipped entries must be received

5:00 pm Fish Room Tours begin - gather in lobby to receive maps

7 - 10:00 pm Hospitality Room, pizza will be served in the Middlesex Room

w/ Cash Bar

**Saturday, October 14th**

9:00 am IFGA Annual Meeting

1 - 2:30 pm Showroom open to the public for viewing

1:30 pm Entries close

1:30 pm IFGA Visual Exam

2:30 pm Judging begins.

 If you would like to be an observer, the sign-up sheet will be

 at the admin table.

 Remember, you must watch sign at least 5 classes for it

 to count toward judging requirements!

2:30 pm Public (Non-IFGA & Non-SJGG members) must leave the show room

7:00 pm Awards Banquet in the Ballroom w/ Cash Bar

**Sunday, October 15th**

9:00 am Auction fish on display. Public is welcome to attend!

10:00 am Auctions begins

11:00 am Hotel Check-out, unless you have made other arrangements

12:00 pm De-Benching begins with oversight of an SJGG member

**AWARDS BANQUET**

The cost per person is $45 including the gratuity.

A cash bar will be available in the banquet room.
There will be a sign-up sheet at the admin table.
You may pay Rob Stein (SJGG member) any time prior to the banquet.
The awards banquet will be Saturday evening at 7:00 p.m.

**AUCTION**

9:00 am Auction fish on display

10:00 am Auctions begins, there will be no viewing once the auction begins

The auction will be a standard verbal auction.

The SJGG will retain 50% of the sale of all auctioned fish or other items.

 All fish to be auctioned must include a male and a female of the same strain.

Any single male or female will only be auctioned with all proceeds being retained by the SJGG as stated in the new IFGA bylaws.

Entries to be auctioned must be clearly noted on the entry show form.

Additional pairs and trios may be placed in the auction and should be clearly marked with breeder’s name and strain of fish.

Any fish not receiving an opening bid will be retained by the SJGG.

Bidding cards can be purchased for $ 2.00 so as to place a bid.

Credit cards will be accepted.

**RULES COVERING THIS SHOW**

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| **1** | Fish will be judged visually in accordance with IFGA rules, uniform black background with fluorescent and incandescent lights. Window drapes in room will be closed. |
| **2** | Exhibitors to determine the class in which their entries will compete. Assistance will be available upon request to determine classification. |
| **3** | All entries improperly classified will be disqualified. |
| **4** | Tanks will be furnished. No gravel, plants or decorative items will be allowed. |
| **5** | Every precaution will be taken against loss or hazard of any kind. SJGG cannot assume responsibility for any loss. |
| **6** | All entries must be born and raised in the exhibitor’s tanks. |
| **7** | All DOA or DOB fish will not be returned due to contamination issues. |
| **8** | Entry forms to be submitted in duplicate. Indicate on form whether award cards or plaques are desired. Mark on form any fish to be auctioned. |
| **9** | No one other than those individuals appointed by show chair persons may move or rearrange tanks already positioned on show bench prior to judging. Any tanks being benched should be placed in next available position within the class. |
| **10** | Sale of fish, other than through the SJGG Sunday auction, is strictly prohibited. |
| **11** | Entry forms may be printed from the IFGA website: [www.ifga.org](http://www.ifga.org/) under Show Section. |

**AWARDS**

 1st place winners will receive an award

 2nd, 3rd, 4th place winners receive award cards if requested on entry form

 All 1st, 2nd, 3rd, 4th place, and Best of Show receive awards

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| **CLASS** | **DESCRIPTION** | **FEE** |
| **Single entry** | consist of one male or female in a 0.5-gallon tank. A female may be added to a male entry but will not be judged. | $ 2.00 |
| **Tank entry** | consist of two matched males in a 1 gallon tank. | $ 3.00 |
| **Breeder entries** | consist of 5 matched males or 3 matched females in 1.5-gallon tank. | $ 4.00 |
| **Junior class** | is open to anyone 16 years of age or younger at start of show season. | $ 1.00 |
| **Novice class** | open to anyone who has never won an Annual Award or placed in the top two for the Novice Annual Award. |  |

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| **Tank Classes** | **Delta Classes** | **Veil Classes** |
| Red | Red | All Color Veil |
| Blue | Blue | Novice Veil/Sword |
| Green | Green | Junior Veil/Sword |
| Black | Black |  |
| Multi | Multi |  |
| AOC | AOC | **Female Classes** |
| Yellow | Yellow | Red |
| Purple | Purple | Blue/Green |
| Albino (Red) | Albino (Red) | Black |
| Albino (AOC) | Albino (AOC) | Gold |
| Bronze | Bronze | AOC |
| Gold | Gold | Half Black AOC |
| Half Black Green | Half Black Green | Half Black Red |
| Half Black Red | Half Black Red | Bronze |
| Half Black Blue | Half Black Blue | Albino |
| Half Black Pastel | Half Black Pastel | Novice |
| Half Black AOC | Half Black AOC | Junior |
| Half Black Yellow | Half Black Yellow |  |
| Half Black Purple | Half Black Purple |  |
| Red Bicolor | Red Bicolor | **Breeder Classes** |
| Blue/Green Bicolor | Blue/Green Bicolor | Males (5 matched) |
| AOC Bicolor | AOC Bicolor | Females (3 matched) |
| Snakeskin Solid | Snakeskin Solid | \* Breeder classes all colors combined |
| Snakeskin Variegated | Snakeskin Variegated |  |
| Single Swordtail | Single Swordtail |  |
| Double Swordtail | Double Swordtail |  |
| Novice | Novice |  |
| Junior | Junior |  |