



Tropical Fish Society of Rhode Island

Triple Crown Fish Auction Saturday, March 23, 2019

Free Admission!
All are welcome!

**St. Joseph's Parish Center
1303 Mendon Road (Rte. 122)
Cumberland, RI**

**Doors will be open at 9:00 AM.
The auction starts promptly at Noon**

**Visit www.tfsri.net for
complete rules and auction forms.**

DIRECTIONS TO THE AUCTION:

Route 295 to Route 122, (exit 10). Take a left off the ramp, proceed past the Burger King on your left and Route 116 on your right. Continue on route 122 for approximately one mile. St. Joseph's church will be on your left. Turn left into the driveway immediately before the church, and follow the driveway around the rear of the church and proceed to the top of the hill. The Parish center will be on your right.

The Tropical Fish Society of Rhode Island meets on the third Wednesday of each month at 7:30 PM. Meetings are free and all are welcome to attend. Go to www.tfsri.net for meeting location

BRING YOUR BEST FISH!

For a \$1 fee you can put a reserve on any lot! **YOU** set the minimum bid, if the lot doesn't sell for your price or better, you get it back! **TFSRI's split is \$3 per bag sold, all the rest goes to the vendor!**

No limit on the number of lots submitted. All lots must be live fish, plants or aquarium-related items. See rules for complete details.

All TFSRI members get 3 free bumps. Join at the auction for 3 free bumps.

All lots open at \$3. Lots not selling for the minimum bid of \$3 are returned to the seller. Lots selling for only \$3 are considered donations to TFSRI.

Vendor Fee: \$2

Bidder Card: \$2 (Waived for Vendors)

Bump any lot \$2 Rebagging fee: \$2

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TFSRI Auction Rules

1. **Live fish and aquatic invertebrates, aquatic plants and aquarium-related material only!**
2. Each participant may bring as many lots as they like. There is a limit of 3 lots per species.
3. No animals or plants restricted or deemed illegal by the Rhode Island or Federal Governments will be accepted. No deformed fish will be accepted including “Bloody Parrot Cichlids” and any “ballon” fish. No hybrids except for Flowerhorn Cichlids and domestic livebearer strains are accepted.
4. **All fish lots must be properly double-bagged – A fee of \$2.00 will be charged for lots not double-bagged, leaking or otherwise requiring rebagging.** Seller must mark each bag for species, pairs, male/females etc. Unidentifiable lots will be returned to the seller.
5. **Dry goods must be in clean, new or like-new condition.** No used aquarium gravel. No light bulbs in any condition.
6. Lots not selling for the minimum bid of \$3 are returned to the seller. Seller’s proceeds may be collected after all of a seller’s lots have sold. If the seller leaves before all lots are sold, the seller’s proceeds will be mailed to the address provided by the seller.
7. The seller must pick up any lots that fail to sell. **Any items left will become the property of TFSRI.**
8. All bidders must register at the auction table for a bidder number. Bidder numbers are available for **\$2.00 each.** – Vendor registration includes a free bidder number.
9. Bidders must pay for all purchases before leaving the auction. Payment must be by cash or check with a valid driver’s license. Credit cards are NOT accepted.
10. The registrar and auctioneer have the right to refuse any lot due to size, defects, sickness, inadequate bagging or any other disqualifying reason.
11. All current TFSRI Members receive 3 “bump stickers” to place on a bag. Bumped bags are auctioned first. If you wish to join TFSRI, you qualify for pro-rated dues of \$12 and receive 3 free bumps. Memberships are good through September.
12. After the “Member Bumps” items are sold, the 10 table system will be used. The order of the tables will be determined by random draw. Lots may be bumped to the start of the line any time after the member bumps are sold for a \$2 fee.
13. All sellers must completely fill out a vendor form. Vendor forms are obtainable at our web site www.tfsri.net, at a meeting, by e-mail request, or at the auction.
14. All vendor forms and lots to be sold must be received at the registration table **before 12 Noon on the day of the auction.** Lots may be received after Noon at the club’s discretion.
15. TFSRI and the auctioneer will do their best to assure that all items at the auction are what they claim to be, but it is the bidder’s responsibility to assure that the item is what you intend to bid on. Unless the item was misrepresented by the auctioneer, **all purchases are final.** You are responsible for assuring the lot is what you want **BEFORE** you bid.
16. Unless a reserve price is set by the seller, the opening bid amount is \$3.00. The auctioneer may open at a higher price for items expected to sell at higher prices. If a lot sells for only \$3.00, it is considered to be a donation to TFSRI .
17. **The auctioneer has the FINAL WORD on all bids.**