The XXVI Convention of the Spanish Society of Killis (SEK) will be held in El Cuervo de Sevilla (Sevilla) during the 26th, 27th and 28th of April 2019 (Friday, Saturday and Sunday).

The Convention will take place at Centro Cultural "Casa de Postas", located at Av. Jerez, 5, 11400 El Cuervo de Sevilla. (https://andaluciarustica.com/el-cuervo-de-sevilla-casa-de-postas.htm)

El Cuervo is a small municipality located in the region of the lower Guadalquivir in the limits of the province of Sevilla and Cádiz and close to the Doñana National Park. The fundamental activity is the agriculture and currently has a population of approximately 8500 inhabitants.

Casa de Postas is in terms of Cultural Heritage, the oldest monument in the municipality (18th century). In its origins its use was for the provisioning, rest of travelers and animals or the
exchange of the pulling carriages. Illustrious figures of the History of Spain have passed through this place, as were the kings Carlos IV and Fernando VII. There is evidence that Princess María Luisa Fernanda de Borbón stayed at Casa de Postas.

At the present, after a profound restoration carried out between 2009-2010, it has been transformed into Centro Cultural Casa de Postas. A space that houses inside, the Municipal Theater 'El Molino', the Library, as well as different rooms that keep their original name: Guest Court, Carriages Court and Gañanía Room. Spaces, where exhibitions, educational and cultural events and flamenco festivals take place.

Tourism

The proximity to important localities, make El Cuervo a perfect starting point to know an interesting part of Andalusia.

Jerez, located about 20 km from El Cuervo has all kind of tourist attractions. A city with a long wine tradition (D.O. Jerez), a world reference for horse culture (La Real Escuela Andaluza de Arte Ecuestre is a prestigious equestrian school that organizes horse shows and has a carriage museum) and a great exponent of flamenco. Its historic center surrounds the Alcázar de Jerez, an Arab fortress of the 11th century. For wine lovers, you can visit some of the most famous worldwide wineries in this wine area. Motor lovers can visit the circuit of Jerez. If the trip is made with children, the zoo of Jerez is also a good option. Walking through the cobblestone streets of Jerez is a pleasure for all the senses and an opportunity that should not be missed.

The Doñana National Park is considered one of the most important natural protected areas in Europe. Important crossroads for migratory bird routes between the African and the European continent, it is also the last refuge for many endangered species. (Iberian lynx)

Around 45 km away is Sanlúcar de Barrameda, located on the left bank of the Guadalquivir river estuary, in front of the National and Natural Park of Doñana, a city full of monuments where the maritime trade has left a "colonialist" type of city. It is also the cradle of another essential wine in the Andalusian culture, the Manzanilla.

Around 35 km away is Arcos de la Frontera, considered one of the most beautiful villages in Spain. Arcos owes its current appearance to the Muslim culture. You can visit the Old Town through narrow and steep streets, declared Historic Site, where monumental jewels are preserved, such as the Castle of the Dukes (15th century), Puerta de Matrera (11th-14th centuries) and the remains of the walled enclosure. Arcos is the entrance to "the White Villages", which encompasses wonderful routes through beautiful towns of the Sierra Norte de Cádiz where the white lime that paints the walls of each town gives its name to this route.

The city of Sevilla, 72 km far away from El Cuervo, is the capital of the Autonomous Community of Andalucía. Its current population is around 700,000 inhabitants, which makes it the most populated city in Andalusia and the fourth in Spain (after Madrid, Barcelona and Valencia).

Se encuentra bañada por el río Guadalquivir, que es navegable hasta la ciudad y que supone una actividad económica de gran importancia tanto comercial como turística (cruceros).
Its old town is the largest in Spain and one of the three largest in Europe along with Venice and Genoa. Its historical and monumental heritage and its diverse scenic and cultural spaces make it a host city for national and international tourism (the third most visited city in Spain.) Among its monuments of international fame, are the Cathedral of Sevilla (which includes the Giralda), the Alcázar (which includes a wonderful garden surrounding), the Archivo de Indias and the Torre del Oro, many of them declared World Heritage Sites. It is bathed by the river Guadalquivir, which is navigable to the city and which entail an economic activity of a great importance both commercial and tourist (cruises).

Transport

Regarding the transport it should be noted that El Cuervo is located around 72 km from Sevilla, 20 km from Jerez de la Frontera.

For travelling the most used combinations are 2, through Sevilla or through Jerez de la Frontera, both with international airport and train stations.

- Sevilla (Aeropuerto)- El Cuervo:
  o Arrival at Sevilla through its International Airport that connects with more than 40 international destinations (http://www.aena.es/es/aeropuerto-sevilla/guia-aeropuerto.html)
  o Options:
    ▪ Car rental: At the same airport. The distance of about 79 km can be done through the toll motorway in approximately 53 minute.
    ▪ By train:
      • Airport- “Santa Justa” station: By public transport in a time of 35 minutes and a cost of about 4€. (http://www.aena.es/es/aeropuerto-sevilla/index.html) or with a taxi for about 20€.
      • “Santa Justa”- Lebrija: Regional line C-1 (journey of approximately 60 minutes)
      • Lebrija- El Cuervo: a distance of about 11 km, the best choice is the taxi service (approximately about 7€).

- Jerez de la Frontera (Airport)- El Cuervo
  o Arrival at Jerez de la Frontera through its Internacional Airport that connects with destinations such as Barcelona, Bilbao, Dusseldorf, Frankfurt, Hamburg, London, Madrid and Palma de Mallorca (http://www.aena.es/es/aeropuerto-jerez/index.html)
  o Jerez de la Frontera- El Cuervo: A distance of about 10 km, the best choice is the taxi service (approximately about 10€)
XXVI CONVENCIÓN SEK – EL CUERVO DE SEVILLA 2019
PRESENTATION AND TRANSPORT
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The accommodation for these days can be made in the same location of El Cuervo, which has about 120 hotel beds. If that was not enough or the visitor preferred another place, Lebrija (9 km) and Jerez (20 km), the two closest locations, could accommodate all visitors who wish it.

The interested party must contact the establishment directly and manage the reservation and the corresponding details. The indicated prices below are ILLUSTRATIVE.

**HOSTAL ANDALUCÍA**

- **Address**: Avda de Jerez 73, El Cuervo de Sevilla.
- **Contact**: 695029996/955979377
- **Distance to the Convention**: 550 metres to the convention (7 minutes walk)
- **It is indicated an illustrative price of 15€ per person/night and its availability is**:
  - 4 single rooms
  - 2 triple rooms
  - 19 double rooms

**HOTEL ENFASIS**

- **Address**: Avd. 19 de Diciembre, El Cuervo de Sevilla.
- **Contact**: 629538853
- **Distance to the Convention**: 500 metres to the convention (6 minutes walk)
- **Web**: [http://www.enfasishotel.com](http://www.enfasishotel.com)
- **The illustrative prices per night and its availability are as follows**:
  - 9 double rooms: 55€/per night
  - 3 apartements:
    - 1 with a capacity of 4 persons: 80€/per night
    - 2 with a capacity of 6 persons: 100€/per night
  - 1 flat with 6 beds: 120€/per night

**HOSTAL RESTAURANTE SANTA ANA**

- **Address**: Avda. de Jerez 42, El Cuervo de Sevilla
- **Contact**: 955 979 119/650 306 349
- **Distance to the Convention**: 240 metres to the convention (3 minutes walk)
- **The illustrative prices per night and its availability are as follows**:
  - 7 single rooms: 15€/per night
  - 11 double rooms: 25€/per night
  - 1 triple- quadruple room: 35 45€/per night

*In case of any doubt, contact with convencion2019@sekweb.org*
**Friday 26th of April 2019**

10:00  Reception of the pre-registered fish for the contest  
12:00  Official opening of the SEK Convention El Cuervo de Sevilla 2019  
20:00  End of the exhibition  
21:00  Dinner (pending to inform prices and reservations)  

**Saturday 27th of April 2019**

10:00  Opening of the exhibition  
11:00  End of the pre-registered fish reception for the contest  
12:00  SEK General Meeting of Members  
17:00  Conference: “Use of Killifish as a research model in biomedicine”. Interesting talk about the role of the Killi research, carried out by the University of Sevilla in collaboration with universities all over the world. Control of the reproduction parameters such as diapause and breeding. 
Juan Tena (Doctor in biology and researcher of the University of Sevilla)  
Silvia Naranjo (Doctor in biology and researcher of the University of Sevilla)  
Marta Moreno (Graduate in biology and researcher of the University of Sevilla)  
20:00  End of the exhibition  
21:00  Awards dinner (pending to inform prices and reservations)  

**Sunday 28th of April 2019**

8:00  Dismantling of the exhibition  
10:00  Public auction of the exhibition fish.  
14:00  Exhibition closing and farewell lunch.  

During the Convention it will take place a market for Killiophile products.
**Competition of killis**

The categories to the competition will be:

- **Group I**: Callopanchax, Fundulopanchax, Gularopanchax, Paludopanchax, Paraphyosemion and Raddaella.
- **Group II**: Archiaphyosemion, Mesoaphyosemion (Callirium group) and Scriptaphyosemion.
- **Group III**: Aphyosemion and Mesoaphyosemion (except Callirium group).
- **Group IV**: Chromaphyosemion, Diapteron and Kathetys.
- **Group V**: Aphyoplatys, Aplocheilus, Epiplatys, Episemion and Pachypanchax.
- **Group VI**: Small Rivulus.
- **Group VII**: Big Rivulus.
- **Group VIII**: Fundulosoma and Nothobranchius.
- **Group IX**: Annual South American.
- **Group X**: Aphanius.
- **Group XI**: Other types including Oryzias.

Fish for the competition must be **compulsorily registered** before 3 pm on Wednesday, the 24th of April by email, to inscripcion2019@sekweb.org indicating name of the breeder, association, number of the member, group, species, population and composition of the group (pair, trio or breeding group). They must be delivered at the Convention before 11 am on Saturday, the 27th of April.

They are accepted couples, trios (1 male and 2 females), reverse trios (1 female and 2 males) and breeding groups (3 pairs or 2 trios).

Killis can also be sent to the competition to (for better tracking, please inform the shipments to inscripcion2019@sekweb.org):

Marco Antonio Gómez Labrador
Los Quinteros, 1
41749-El Cuervo de Sevilla
Sevilla, España

3 prizes per group and 1 prize in each group will be awarded to the best breeding group. All the fish will become property of the SEK and will be publicly auctioned, on Sunday, the 28th of April.