Manuschanok Vorrapant 2010: Urbaners' Expectation of Caring Fresh Water

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The purposes of this survey research were to investigate urbaners' expectations

of caring fresh water aquarium fish for recreation and to explore relationship among

personal factors, social factors and related factors to the expectation caring of fresh

water aquarium fish for recreation of urbaners. The participants were 450 samples who

were residential in Bangkok. Data were collected by using self-report questionnaire

which the reliability was .91. The statistical methods used in data analysis were

Percentage, Mean, Standard Deviation, Chi-square and Pearson's Product Moment

Correlation Coefficient.

The results indicated that the expectation of caring fresh water aquarium fish for

recreation was at the medium level. There were significant correlations to the

expectation of caring fresh water aquarium fish for recreation with personal factors,

social factors and relevant factors. The personal factors which had correlations were

gender, marital status and the occupation. For social factors, peer influence, the

member of the group and information received from the media had significantly played

important roles. For relevant factors, the knowledge had significantly related to the

expectation of caring fresh water aquarium fish for recreation of urbaners at the level of

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