

# Canadian Association of Aquarium Clubs

# Aquarium Clubs

## NEWSLETTER May 2003

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### President's Notes

#### Convention 2003

One of our important upcoming events is the CAOAC meeting at the McKinley Park Inn, South 3950 McKinley Parkway, in Blasdell N. Y. Plan to attend and bring your best fish, plants and aquatic animals to the show. It promises to be an exciting and fun week-end.

#### Elections for CAOAC

Secondly, the elections for President, 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President and Corresponding Secretary will be held at the CAOAC Convention from June 6-8<sup>th</sup>. The current positions are held by Paul McIntosh {President} Tony Bernard {2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President} and Sarah Langthorne {Corresponding Secretary}.

#### Proposed Changes to CAOAC to be Considered

1. It has been suggested to revert back to the former way of choosing the CAOAC Executive. Instead of 2 year terms, it would revert back to 1 year terms with each officer elected each year.
2. The executive meeting hour may be changed to 10 a.m. followed by the General Meeting at 11:30a.m. or 12 p.m. This could be implemented for the months of September and October, possibly November, April, May and June. This may depend on the weather in the winter months if we choose to change them also.

#### Welcome to CAOAC

Welcome back to London and Regina Clubs. Also, welcome to Wayne Cole representing the Sarnia Club.

#### Thank you

A special thank you to Ray "Kingfish" Lucas for the \$100 donation to CAOAC.

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**President's Notes cont...**

**CAOAC Reminders**

1. Don't forget there is no meeting in May, but it is being held at the June CAOAC Convention.
2. We still need a Chair for the Judges' Committee
3. Committee Head Reports should be sent to Dave Boehm if you haven't done so
4. Prospective Speakers needed for the Speakers' List
5. Plant propagations by members given to Tony Bernard and fish species given to Tom Bridges. Try to encourage participation in these programmes in your clubs.
6. CAOAC Annual Needs questionnaire sent to Peter Orphanos or Spencer Jack

7. If you have any issue that you would like to bring up at the CAOAC meeting, please contact me by E-mail. Also, if you have any suggestions that could improve our meetings, let me know so that we can discuss them.

*Regards and Good Fishing  
Paul "Mac" McIntosh*

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# CAOAC Minutes April 27, 2003

## EXECUTIVE MEETING

The meeting was called to order by Paul McIntosh (President) on April 27 at 1100 hours in Water-down, ON. The following executives were in attendance: Tony Bernard (2nd Vice President), Jennifer Bawden Miller (Treasurer), Sarah Langthorne (Corresponding Sec), Dave Boehm (Past President/Newsletter/Webmaster) and Miecica Burden (Recording Sec). Also present were Wayne Rakestrow (Awards) and Randy and Teri Seufert (TFCEC/FAAS/CAOAC liaison/Convention 2003). Absent was Udo Rohmann (1st Vice President),

**Treasurer's Report:** Since Jennifer cannot stay for the general meeting the report will be read by Miecica Burden (Recording Sec) at the general meeting. It will also be printed as a sidebar in the June newsletter.

## OLD BUSINESS

**Pet Sitter's Convention:** Volunteer still needed.

**Rein's Award:** Is here at this meeting and Miecica volunteered to take it back to Kitchener and give it to Rein. It is slightly different than envisioned. The award is a glass trophy surrounding a small clock face - very impressive and admired by all. Thanks to Wayne for acquisition of such.

**Speakers on the web site:** Is a work in progress.

**CAOAC Questionnaire:** A passionate discussion lead by Jennifer about the questionnaire and just what is being done to help clubs that are in trouble. Clubs experiencing membership problems have requested assistance but there has been no follow through by CAOAC. The following actions were suggested: promotion of the club through the

various media outlets - radio, TV and newspapers, sending a letter from CAOAC to former members inviting them back to a meeting to see if that would revitalize the club and asking interested hobbyist to attend the meetings. More discussion at the general meeting when Peter Orphanos (Brampton/Futures/Steering) is present.

**Convention 2003:** Booklets/flyers are here. Full report given by Randy Seufert (TFCEC/CAOAC/FAAS Liaison) about speakers, meals etc.

**Web Award:** Wayne is still waiting for Durham College to return his phone call regarding the judging of this award.

**Newsletter Award:** A suggestion that we give feedback to the college regarding our comments on how the award was judged. Would this assist the students in their studies?

**Annual Reports:** E-mail or send to Dave Boehm ASAP.

**CAOAC Elections:** nominations close at the break today. If positions are uncontested they will be reopened at the convention.

**Membership:** London and Regina have rejoined.

## Correspondence:

- Minister of Consumer & Business Services requesting corrections to some forms. Miecica will look after.
- Earthwatch Institute: Notice listing various web sites of interest. Will be passed on to Dave for inclusion in the newsletter.
- Kingfish Services: with a donation of \$100 (US Funds) from a raffle held at the 30<sup>th</sup>

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Anniversary of Kingfish Services and That Fish Place to be used in good faith for the hobby of tropical fish. A letter of thanks has been sent by Sarah Langthorne (Corresponding Sec).

**NEW BUSINESS:**

**Changing the hours of the meetings during the 'summer' months.** During April, May, June, September, October and November the exec meeting could be started at 1000 hours and the general meetings at 1200 hours. Reps to be consulted at the general meetings.

**Vice-President responsibilities:** discussion about dividing up the various committees and asking them to report to one of the two vice presidents. This kind of chain of command was proposed many years ago with little success.

Respectfully submitted by  
Miecia Burden (Recording Secretary).

## GENERAL MEETING

**The meeting was called to order** at 1300 hours by President Paul McIntosh on April 27, 2003 in Waterdown, ON.

**Executive present:** Paul McIntosh (President), Udo Rohmann (1st Vice President), Sarah Langthorne (Corresponding Secretary), Dave Boehm (Past President) and Miecia Burden (Recording Secretary).

**Executive absent:** Tony Bernard (2nd Vice President) and Jennifer Bawden Miller (Treasurer).

**Guests present:** Wayne Cole from Sarnia Aquarium Society and Carl McCleary.

**Roll Call:**

Bill Irwin (Brant)  
Peter Orphanos (Brampton/Futures/Steering)

Wayne Rakestrow (Durham/Awards)  
Paul McFarlane (Hamilton)  
Tom Mason (Ottawa Amphibians)  
Tom Bridges (St Catharines)  
Wayne Cole (Sarnia)  
Randy & Teri Seufert (TFCEC/CAOAC-FAAS/Convention 2003)

Paul McIntosh (Archivist/Historian)  
Miecia Burden (Binder/Membership)  
Tom & Pat Bridges (Breeders Dir)  
Terry Little (Fish Rescue Program/Open Show)  
Dave Boehm (Newsletter/Webmaster)  
Udo Roman (Programs)  
Sarah Langthorne (Ways & Means)

8 clubs and 14 votes.

**Membership Report:**

The following membership renewals were motioned by Miecia Burden (Binder/Membership): London Aquaria Society, seconded by Wayne Rakestrow (Awards). Voted on and carried. London has one vote and is insured. Regina Aquarium Society seconded by Dave Boehm (Past President/Newsletter/Webmaster). Regina has one vote and is insured.

**Treasurer's report:** Read by Miecia Burden (Recording Sec) and explained by Randy Seufert (TFCEC/CAOAC/FAAS Liaison). See separate chart for report. After discussion, the report was accepted on a motion by Wayne Rakestrow (Awards), seconded by Bill Irwin (Brant). Voted on and carried.

**Secretary's report:**

Executive minutes from March accepted as published on a motion by Randy Seufert (TFCEC/CAOAC/FAAS Liaison), seconded by Peter Orphanos (Brampton/Futures/Steering). Voted on and carried.

General minutes from March accepted as published on a motion by Dave Boehm (Past President/Newsletter/Webmaster), seconded by Peter Orphanos (Brampton/Futures/Steering). Voted on and carried.

**Correspondence:** See executive minutes.

## COMMITTEE REPORTS

**Archivist:** Nothing further from Tony Bernard (2nd Vice President/AH Directory) on how to preserve the original charter.

**AH Directory:** Chair absent - no report. After discussion it was decided that varieties of plants should be listed separately.

**Awards:** Wayne Rakestrow (Awards) gave the following report:

All awards are ready for the convention. The annual awards committee report has also been submitted.

To date, I have not received any feedback from Durham College on the web site award. If you have an institution in your area that you think might be able to help us, let me know, or better still, contact them yourself.

All the revolving awards have been rounded up and will be taken to convention by Miecia Burden (Recording Sec) who will also make sure that they are engraved correctly with the 2002 winners names.

**Binder:** Thanks to Carl McCleary for the return of the Judges Committee binder.

**Breeder's Directory:** Submissions received from TFCEC. A list of "First In" certificate recipients will be published in the newsletter. 50 copies of the Directory will be printed by this committee for distribution with the next update scheduled for the binder in June. After discussion the directory will not be published on the web site. Any club or club member wishing a copy of the database can request a copy of such from Tom Bridges.

**CAOAC/FAAS:** No response to Randy Seufert's (TFCEC/CAOAC/FAAS Liaison) inquires.

**Convention 2002:** A late bill from the hotel received last week and will be paid ASAP.

**Convention 2003:** Information is on the web site and also in this newsletter.

If you are interested in sponsoring a class see Jennifer Bawden Miller. The cost is \$30 Canadian.

The bulletin/flyers are available today. Take some along to your club. In answer to a question about taking fish across the border, there should be no problem as long as all the paper work is in order. Just use the show forms supplied in the brochure and there should be no problems.

**Fish Rescue Program:** There continue to be "inquiries" into the rescuing of fishes. There have been over 200 fish "rescued and replaced". Brochures have been put in local pet stores and clubs are requested to assist with this distribution.

**Futures:** Lengthy discussion about the questionnaire and how to assist clubs requesting help. We need to stop discussing and start acting. Terry Little outlined the problems that the Brant club has experienced over the past year and what he has been doing to try to get the club back on it's feet. For the next two months Jerry Draper from the Tropical Fish Room in Brantford and Sue and Brian Glazier from Mississauga have volunteered to be guest speakers at the clubs regular meetings. Ads have been placed in the local newspapers and on the radio to promote the club. Brochures have been printed and distributed. Other clubs are urged to support these efforts. Terry feels that if he can get this club through the summer membership might pick up in the fall. Peter Orphanos (Brampton/Futures/Steering) will meet with Terry to discuss what else can be done. The root of the problem seems to be the size of the club and the general downturn in interest this hobby is sustaining at this time. A larger club can absorb a decrease in membership whereas a smaller club cannot.

**Judges:** Nothing to report.

This committee chair is open. You do not have to be a judge to head this committee but a retired judge would be ideal. Responsibilities include

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resolving judging complaints and being involved with the apprentice judges.

The question of the apprentice judges was discussed and a suggestion to refund the 3 apprentice judges their monies and request the return of the judges' binders until this program is once again viable was made. The apprentice judges are Paul McIntosh, Gerry Berezoski and Twyla Lindstrom Peters.

**Newsletter:** The following report sent in by Rein Breitmaier (Newsletter):

- 1) We used to publish 80-odd newsletters monthly, then when the E-list started it dropped to 65-ish ... and this month (april) I slashed that number to 36
- 2) To accomplish this feat, I data entered from the membership renewal forms all souls who had email addresses, and deleted them from the hard copy mailing list ... further I went through both lists of long-time recipients, and where I found an email address, again I chopped from the mailing list ... this included committees, faas recipients, caoac executive, etc
- 3) I had by this time however printed enough copies of both march and april TNL's to service the former list so a small stack are available at this meeting
- 4) Next I need to have input from standing committees and especially the judges as I expect that further cuts can be realized by adding them to the growing E-list
- 5) For any club that had a recipient on the E-list where the recipient changed with the membership renewal, I left the former name on the E-list so long as the club renewed ... this costs us nothing and can only help promote caoac with the additional contacts receiving our publication monthly ... if they were on the hard copy list only they were dropped
- 6) Any club that fails to renew will be deleted from both lists
- 7) I recommend that any individual who insists, begs, cries or otherwise makes it known that they cannot find success or pleasure with the electronic format, that they be invited to contact the publisher and they would then be re-instated to the mailing list
- 8) There are now 58 names on the E-list
- 9) I have found that on occasion some instruction is in order with our E-list participants to get them up and running ... while this wasn't entirely expected, it is substantially easier to help out than collating, folding and stuffing envelopes for all those extra newsletters
- 10) We have received praise aplenty for the newsletter in it's current form ... DaveBoehm does a terrific job and it remains my pleasure to continue to contribute as your publisher  
Rein

**Open Show:** Show sanction fees received from Kitchener Waterloo Aquarium Society. Terry congratulates Kwas on holding their first show in many years.

**Programs:** One program was rented last month

**Steering:** Nominations are closed at the end of the break today. If positions are still uncontested the nominations will re-open at Convention. Nominations as follows:

President - Paul McIntosh

2<sup>nd</sup> Vice: Tony Bernard

Corresponding Secretary - Sarah Langthorne

Peter will prepare a report to be sent to all clubs via Miecia Burden (Recording Sec) e-mail list listing the nominees.

**Ways & Means:** Four more cases of the new plastic tanks will be ordered. They are \$2.00 each or \$50.00 per case. Let Sarah know if and when you want some and she will bring them to the next meeting.

**Webmaster:** Dave has encountered some problems but they are being worked on. If you cannot download the newsletter let him know and he will try to assist.

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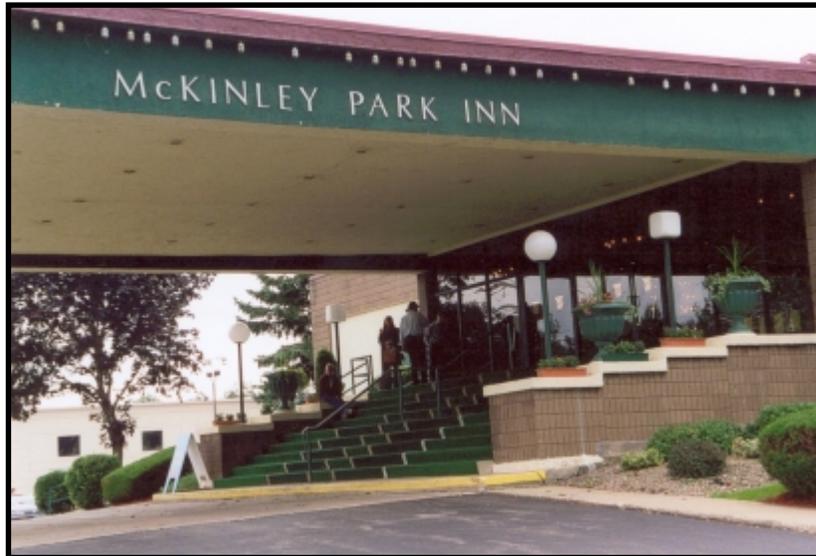
# CAOAC Convention 2003

hosted by

**The Tropical Fish Club of Erie County**

June 6-8, 2003

at the McKinley Park Inn, South 3950 McKinley Parkway  
Blasdell, NY 14219 Phone 716-648-5700



<http://buffalo.hotelguide.net/data/h10057.htm> or [www.mckinleysinn.com](http://www.mckinleysinn.com)

## SPEAKERS

- Tom Ulbrich — Ponds & Watergardens
- Jody Ghaianni — Fish Genetics
- Mike Schadle — Livebearers
- Wally Billingham — Native Fish
- Jaap Jan DeGref — Collecting Trips
- Larry Johnson — “Come To Malawi”
- Dave Franco — topic TBA
- Paul Spiece — Banquet Speaker

**Hospitality Suite by: “The Fish Place”**

## Convention Ticket Price:

\$60.00 (US) per person includes:

Saturday Buffet Dinner, Sunday AM Awards Breakfast, all speakers, Friday Night Game Night, Saturday Night Kareaoke and all the the other goodies we have planned

## Room Rates:

\$79.20 (US) for DD & Queen, \$87.20 for King, \$119.20 with Jacuzzi

## SHOW

**44** Classes with Best of Show, Best Livebearer, Best Egglayer, Best Rift Lake Cichlid (\$200US cash prize), and Best Scavenger

### Class Sponsorship Fee:

- \$30.00 Canadian Clubs and Members
- \$30.00 American Clubs and Members

Plaques for all classes with Special Awards and Cash for Best Of’s



## A Note From The Convention CHairman

Hi All,

Only a few days left before the Convention starts. If you have not registered please do ASAP as we need a preliminary food count to the Hotel by the preceding Thurs. If you want to come and haven't sent out your registration, please contact Bill Duzen at theduuz@aol.com or (716) 549-4281 so we can include you in all the activities. We will be kicking off Friday with fish entries

and registration. We should have the fish room up and running by 10am, so we will be ready for your entries. If you have questions on the show, contact Mike Daniels at mikesfish@sysr.com or (716) 284-9174. Friday eve we will have Dave Franco doing his program on a collecting trip to Southeast Asia.

Following his program we will have a Monte Carlo Night, followed by an auction to use your winnings (all play money).

Followed by FISHO our Bingo version using fishy names.

This year we will be playing for a possible **2 Million dollar prize!!!!!!!!!!!!!!** Would give you some spending cash to use at the auction for sure.

Saturday kicks off with 3 speakers at 8, 9:15, and 10:30, then 3 more speakers at 1, 2:15 and 4:30 The Banquet Saturday starts with a cash bar at 7 followed by dinner and guest speaker Paul Spiece. After the Banquet "Elvis" will be in the building to sing and play Karaoke for you till the weeeee hours of the morning. Sunday morning come to the Awards Breakfast to find out what placed in the show. This will be the first anyone knows who one the awards in the show. We also have the CAOAC Awards to present. At 12 noon we will have the Fish, Aquatic Plant and Supply Auction.

We hope you plan on attending. We have a great line-up of speakers: Jaap Jan Degreef, Larry Johnson, Tom Ulbrich, Dave Franco, Wally Billingham, Jody Ghianni, Mike Schadle and Paul Spiece.

There is a 44 Class show with plaques for 1st, 2nd and 3rd, and trophies for "Best Of's". The Best Rift Lake Cichlid receives a \$200.00 Cash Award from the Canadian Rift Lake Cichlid Assoc. The International Best of Show Award requires you to bring your Best of Show from another show with record showing as such. This can be from June 8 last year untill present. No entry fee is required and you could win a US Savings Bond for the best in the class.

Manufactures Room and More. Come buy a chance on a 72 Gallon Bow Front Aquarium with goodies donated by Kingfish Services. \$1.00 each 6 for \$5.00. Gift Basket Raffle and other fun stuff.

If you know someone else who might be interested in attending, please pass this message on.

Come on down to the "Nickel City International Tropical Fish Exposition 2003" at McKinley's, Blasdel NY, For more info check out the CAOAC web site at <http://www.caoac.on.ca>

### First in CAOAC Certificates

Based on the latest submissions from the Tropical Fish Club of Erie County and the Hamilton & District Aquarium Society, the Breeders Directory Committee has issued certificates to:

**Bill Duzen** of TFCEC for:

*Etheostoma caeruleum*

*Limia caymanensis*

**Tom Mroz** of TFCEC for:

*Corydoras adolfoi*

**Don Zilliox** of TFCEC for:

*Apistogramma atahualpa*

*Apistogramma maciliensis*

*Apistogramma piauiensis*

*Pseudomugil tenellus*

*Taeniacara candidi*

**Paul & Sally McFarlane** of H&DAS for:

*Hyphessobrycon socolofi*

They are the first in CAOAC member clubs to breed and submit these species and are to be congratulated on their achievements.

Thanks  
Randy

**OLD BUSINESS**

**Pet Sitter Convention in September:** Peter Orphanos (Brampton/Futures/Steering) has contacted them and is waiting for a reply. Thanks Peter.

**Speakers:** The names and resumes of Mike Daniels (St Catharines) and Charlie Drew (Hamilton) as speakers are being posted on the web site.

**NEW BUSINESS**

**Annual Reports:** from all committees are due at the end of April. Please send to Dave Boehm.

**Elections:** Changes to the election procedure that were voted on last year i.e., electing half of the executive one year and the other half the following year is causing concern among some of the reps. To be put on the agenda for discussion at the next meeting.

**Futures committee:** This was an ad hoc committee formed to recognise problems within CAOAC. Has it run its course and done its job? After discussing the pros and cons of said committee it was decided that there should be guidelines as to what we expect from this committee, its purpose needs to be redefined and that there is no harm in letting the committee remain as long as there is someone willing to chair this committee.

**CRLCA:** Discussion as to whether this is a club or a business? Prompted by an article in the Star April 19<sup>th</sup>. In answer to a question about their eligibility for membership within our group, they are not banned in our bylaws. The subject of insurance coverage will have to be asked of our insurance company.

**Meeting Time Changes:** Suggestion that meetings in April, May, June, Sept, Oct and November be started an hour earlier was briefly discussed. More next month.

**Publish and Agenda:** Suggestion to publish and

e-mail an agenda prior to the meeting was also made. To be further discussed at next meeting

**Thanks to** Paul, Sarah and Pat for the break-time goodies.

**Next Meeting is Saturday, June 7 at the CONVENTION in Buffalo.**

**CLUB REPORTS:** Are submitted in writing at the meeting or by e-mail within in week of the meeting to Miecica Burden (Recording Secretary) for inclusion in TNL and do not necessarily reflect CAOAC policy.

**CANADIAN CICHLID ASSOCIATION:**

invites everyone to a meeting May 25<sup>th</sup> at 2 PM at the Toronto Zoo to hear Tom Mason speak on Fishes of Costa Rica. Details are on the web site.

**DURHAM & REGION AQUARIUM SOCIETY:**

Our annual show and auction was a great success. Our auction had 900 items plus our donation items. The sales table was also a worthwhile - we had approximately 100 items that were sold. The show portion was a little disappointing with just under 100 entries. We would like to thank everyone who took time to attend to enter fish, sell or buy. Again, our sincere thanks.

**KITCHENER WATERLOO AQUARIUM SOCIETY:**

invites everyone to our first show in many years - OKTOBERFISH 2003 - held October 25<sup>th</sup> at the Swimplex in Waterloo. Flyers will be ready for the Convention.

Respectfully submitted by  
Miecica Burden (Recording Secretary).





# Awards Committee

Each issue over the next few months will feature a different CAOAC award that is available to all members of CAOAC clubs.

## Aquatic Horticulturist Awards

The following are the awards available in ascending order of proficiency

- Aquatic Horticulturist Award**
- Advanced Aquatic Horticulturist Award**
- Expert Aquatic Horticulturist Award**
- Master Aquatic Horticulturist Award**
- Grand Master Aquatic Horticulturist Award**

### HOW TO APPLY FOR AN

## AQUATIC HORTICULTURIST AWARD

1. Make sure you keep precise records of all plant propagations and even have an Executive member of your local Club/Society verify the propagations.
2. Before applying for a Horticulturist Award, check to see if in fact you meet the requirements of the particular award you are applying for. Remember that you are applying for a C.A.O.A.C. Aquatic Horticulturist Award. This may, in fact, be different from your Club/Society's Aquatic Horticulturist Award.
3. You may apply for as many levels in the Horticulturist Award Program as you are qualified for in any one year.
4. When applying for an Aquatic Horticulturist Award, fill out the APPLICATION FOR HORTICULTURIST AWARDS form on page 1171 of your Club/Society's C.A.O.A.C. Information Binder. Part A of the form must be completed by you. Part B is to be completed by an Executive member of your local Club/Society. **MAKE SURE THAT THE APPLICATION IS LEGIBLE.**
5. A Propagation Resume must accompany the Application. This form is on page 1173 of your Club/Society's C.A.O.A.C. Information Binder, if you care to use it. If you wish to send a computer generated list, make sure it includes the same data requested on Page 1173; otherwise it will not be accepted.
6. Make sure that the form has been submitted to your local Club/Society's Regional Representative on the Awards Committee by the **FEBRUARY C.A.O.A.C. GENERAL MEETING.**
7. At the Awards Committee meeting, each application is reviewed to ensure that the qualifications are met for the award applied for. Again, the Awards Committee stresses that you include as much information as possible; too little could eliminate you from receiving the award.
8. Check the "Rules for Applying for an Aquatic Horticulturist Award", Page 8062 in your Club/Society's C.A.O.A.C. Information Binder.

## TREASURER'S REPORT FOR FEBRUARY AND MARCH MEETINGS 2003

Date	Item	Debit	Credit	Balance
January 31/03	Balance Forward			\$4489.61
February 9/03	Show Tanks (250)	388.01		4101.60
	Convention		485.00	4586.60
	Postage Binder		57.18	4529.42
	Breeders Directory	7.71		4521.71
	Calendar (St Catharines)		68.75	4590.46
	Calendar (Hamilton)		150.00	4740.46
	Calendar (Brant)		82.50	4822.96
	Calendar (Brampton)		90.00	4912.96
	Calendar (TFCEC)		137.50	5050.46
	Membership & Insurance (Brampton)		195.00	5245.46
	Membership (Edmonton)		60.00	5305.46
	Membership & Insurance(Brant)		195.00	5500.46
	Show Jar (Jennifer)		50.00	5550.46
	Show Jar (St Catharines)		50.00	5600.46
	Show Jar (KWAS)		50.00	5650.46
	Show Jar (Brant)		50.00	5700.46
	Postage & Printing	57.18		5643.28
	Newsletter (Rein)	792.03		4851.25
	Insurance	2138.40		2712.85
	Convention Sponsors		60.00	2772.85
March 16/03	Return on monies from Awards		25.00	2797.85
	Awards (Wayne)	400.00		2397.85
	Web Domain Registration (Dave)	32.05		2365.80
	Computer Program (Dave)	96.71		2269.09
	Show Jars (Jennifer)		100.00	2369.09
	Newsletter Float (Rein)	100.00		2269.09
	Calendars (FCPC)		39.00	2308.09
	Calendars (Norfolk)		5.50	2313.59
	Membership & Insurance(WAS)		220.00	2533.59
	Program Rental (HDAS)		15.00	2548.59
	Show Sanction (Durham)		20.00	2568.59
	Show Jars (sold at Durham Show)		86.00	2654.59
	Convention Sponsor (in /out)	60.00		2594.59
	Bank Expenses	5.85		2588.74
April 27/03	Balance			\$2588.74

Submitted by Jennifer Bawden Miller (Treasurer)  
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# CAOAC EVENTS CALENDAR

- Jun** 6-8 **CAOAC Convention** in Buffalo NY  
Hosted by **The Tropical Fish Club of Erie County** Contact **Randy Seufert**  
**(CAOAC AGM & election of officers)**
- 22 **CAOAC Executive & General Meetings (exec at 11 am, general at 1 pm)**  
**(committee heads installed)**  
**NOTE:** Fourth Sunday of the month  
**NOTE:** Presidents meeting and barbeque
- Jul** 19 **CAOAC Summer Picnic** in Brantford  
Hosted by **The Brant Aquarium Society**  
Contact **Terry Little**
- Aug** 03 **TROPICAL FISH CLUB OF ERIE COUNTY** - summer picnic
- Sept** 13 **SARNIA AQUARIUM SOCIETY** - show & auction
- Sept** 14 **CANADIAN RIFT LAKE CICHLID ASSOCIATION** - Fall auction
- Sept** 21 **CAOAC Executive & General Meetings (exec at 11 am, general at 1 pm)**  
**(budget meeting)**
- OCT** 05 **HAMILTON & DISTRICT AQUARIUM SOCIETY** - reserved show & auction date
- 19 **CAOAC Executive & General Meetings (exec at 11 am, general at 1 pm)**  
**NOTE:** Submissions for the CAOAC calendar due (picture & dates)
- 25 **KITCHENR-WATERLOO AQUARIUM SOCIETY** - Oktoberfish show & auction
- Nov** 02 **BRAMPTON AQUARIUM CLUB** - auction
- Nov** 16 **CAOAC Executive & General Meetings (exec at 11 am, general at 1 pm)**  
**NOTE:** Cheques for membership and insurance due
- Dec** 14 **CAOAC Executive & General Meetings (exec at 11 am, general at 1 pm)**  
**(Christmas meeting)**  
**NOTE:** Second Sunday of the month  
**NOTE:** Authors and Advanced Authors Awards nominations due
- Jan** 18 **CAOAC Executive & General Meetings (exec at 11 am, general at 1 pm)**  
**NOTE:** Membership Vote

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1/4 page .....	\$60	Full page .....	\$150
1/2 page .....	\$100	Back page .....	\$225