

Canadian Association of Aquarium Clubs

Aquarium Clubs

NEWSLETTER November 2003

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President's Notes

Welcome!

We welcome all members of the CAOAC Executive and club members who attend our meeting. A special welcome to Diana Causton, the new President of the Durham club (DRAS). Don't forget that the Executive meets at 10:00 a.m. followed by the General Meeting at 11:30.

CAOAC Membership and Insurance

These are due by the December meeting \$60.00 for membership plus \$150.00 for insurance, but this is the projected amount. Post dated cheques are acceptable for January 1st 2004

Meeting Dates for CAOAC

These have been set and are listed in the October minutes and will be in the Coming Events Calendar with dates. I also believe that Dave Boehm is working on a CAOAC calendar that will show upcoming events and dates. More information will be provided at the meeting.

Brampton SHOW and Presidents' Meeting

The Brampton club had a very successful Show and Auction on Sunday, November 9th. They are to be congratulated for doing a great job. More information will be provided at the CAOAC meeting on Sunday.

Many presidents attended our meeting on Sunday at the Brampton Show. Many pros and cons were discussed and shared by the presidents. Peter Orphanos will provide an update at the CAOAC meeting. Thank you to those presidents who attended the meeting. I hope to see many of the club reps at the CAOAC meeting on Sunday, November 16th.

*Regards and Good Fishing
Paul "Mac" McIntosh*

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

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THE NEWSLETTER

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WANTED

CAOAC is looking for pictures to go on next year's calendar. If you have a fish or herptile picture you would like to submit for consideration, please contact Dave Boehm as soon as possible. You must own all the rights to the picture.

Phone (519) 885-1761 - home (519) 575-1129 - cell or Email fishman@golden.net. (If you don't get a receipt notice from me in 4 days, your email may have been trapped by my spam filter. Please contact me by phone.)



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CAOAC Minutes October 19, 2003

EXECUTIVE MEETING

The meeting was called to order by Paul McIntosh (President) on October 19, 2003 at 1000 hours in Waterdown, ON. The following executives were in attendance: Tony Bernard (2nd Vice President), Jennifer Bawden Miller (Treasurer), Sarah Langthorne (Corresponding Sec), and Miecica Burden (Recording Sec/Seconded by). Also present was Dean Crawford (KWAS). Randy and Teri Seufert (TFCEC/FAAS/CAOAC liaison/Convention 2003) joined the meeting in progress. Absent executive were Udo Rohmann (1st Vice President) and Dave Boehm (Past President/Newsletter/Webmaster)

Under the new guidelines committees who have not contacted Paul to be included on the agenda will not be asked to report.

Convention 2004: no bids (or rumours) to date. Long discussion about CAOAC hosting the convention again. Several ideas were mentioned and will be further explored before bring the discussion to the general meeting.

Motions: to be voted on at this meeting are as follows:

- **Motion 0306-03:** *that any of the executive with the exception of the president can make a motion and vote on that motion at annual and general meetings. Motioned by Randy Seufert (TFCEC/CAOAC/FAAS Liaison), seconded by Terry Little (Brant/FRP/OpenShow).*

- **Motion 0306-05:** *To revert back to the one-year term for the whole executive to start next year. Motioned by Dean Crawford (KWAS), seconded by Randy Seufert (TFCEC/CAOAC/FAAS Liaison).*

No proxy's votes were received either by email or by regular mail.

Membership: Renewal applications will be distributed at the general meeting today and all others will be mailed tomorrow. If any club has not received their application by the time they read these minutes please let the chairperson Miecica Burden know at mbburden@look.ca. The insurance fee has been increased to \$150.00 per club to cover the expected increase. Returns are requested by the December meeting so that we can notify the insurance company of the numbers to be covered. Post-dated checks are acceptable. All applications will be held and processed/accepted at the January meeting 2004.

Calendar: Dave Boehm is willing to do the set-up required for the 2004 CAOAC calendar that was started last year. Several clubs have submitted dates for the calendar and these will be passed on to Dave Boehm (Past President/Newsletter/Webmaster). Anyone wishing to submit a photo for the picture on the calendar is asked to send it to Dave also.

Meeting Dates for CAOAC: After discussion the dates are as follows:

Nov 16
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June 27

Jennifer will book these dates with the landlord and will also send payment for rent up to and including June 27, 2004.

These dates will also be sent to Dave for inclusion on the calendar.

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Minutes continued

Newsletter: Dave Boehm (Past President/Newsletter/Webmaster) experienced a computer crash. Rein stepped in and created a quasi-newsletter of minutes and presidents remarks, which was then emailed to all reps. Thanks Rein.

Discussion about the western clubs forming a small group within CAOAC was held. Tony Bernard (2nd Vice President) offered to contact the western clubs to get their input about this idea.

*Respectfully submitted by
Miecia Burden (Recording Secretary).*

GENERAL MEETING

The meeting was called to order at 1130 hours by President Paul McIntosh on October 19, 2003 in Waterdown, ON.

Executive present: Paul McIntosh (President), Tony Bernard (2nd Vice President), Jennifer Bawden Miller (Treasurer), Sarah Langthorne (Corresponding Secretary), and Miecia Burden (Recording Secretary).

Executive absent: Udo Rohmann (1st Vice President) and Dave Boehm (Past President/Newsletter/Webmaster).

Paul welcomed the new president of Durham club, Diane Causton, to the meeting and the reps and executive introduced themselves to her.

Roll Call:

- Bill Irwin (Brant)
- Paul McFarlane (CKA)
- Dean Crawford (KWAS)
- Dorothy Reimer (London)
- Diane Causton (Durham)
- Tom Mason (Ottawa Amphs)
- Teri Seufert (TFCEC)
- Randy Seufert (Hamilton/CAOAC-FAAS)

- Paul McIntosh (Archivist/Historian)
- Miecia Burden (Binder/Membership)
- Tony Bernard (AH Directory)
- Terry Little (FRP/Open Show)
- Sarah Langthorne (Ways & Means)

8 clubs and 13 votes.

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Treasurer's report: Read and whoops! We forgot to motion an acceptance of the report.

Balance September 21, 2003		\$2020.07
	Debit	Credit
Bank Charges	5.00	
Breeders Directory	89.24	
Office	133.11	
BBQ refund		15.00
Brampton Show Sanc Fees		20.00
Transfer to Committed Funds	640.00	
Best Western	172.14	
Working Balance		\$1015.58
Committed Funds		\$640.00
Balance October 19, 2003		\$1655.58

Jennifer expressed concern that she has not received any bills from Rein Breitmaier (Newsletter Editor) for printing and mailing the newsletter. A float was issued to Rein Breitmaier (Newsletter Editor) in March of this year but since then no bills have been received and therefore we have no idea of the amount of monies that have been spent by this committee.

Jim Brown Donation: After discussion *a motion (0310-01) to send a \$25.00 donation to the Heart and Stroke Foundation as requested in Jim's obituary was made by Terry Little (FRP/OpenShow), seconded by Randy Seufert (Hamilton/CAOAC/FAAS Liaison).* Voted on and carried. Discussion about how to honour past hobbyists mentioned memorial trophies sponsored by CAOAC and Honour Role page in Information Binder. Ideas would be appreciated.

Secretary's report: Minutes from executive meeting in September accepted on a motioned by Terry Little (FRP/OpenShow), seconded by Bill Irwin (Brant). Voted on and carried.

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Correspondence: Forms from the Ministry of Consumer & Business Service completed and returned by Miecja Burden (Recording Sec). She has scanned them into her computer for future reference.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

AH Directory: Tony Bernard (AH Directory) reported that he needs to have Dave Boehm (Past President/Newsletter/Webmaster) follow through on a promise from 1 ½ years ago to create a program for this committee. He has seen nothing to date and is frustrated at the delay. If nothing is done soon he feels that he will have to step down from this committee.

Breeder's Directory: Submissions received from Winnipeg and Hamilton.

Convention 2004: Nothing to date.

Fish Rescue Program: Two large red-tailed cats are still looking for a home. Potential growth is up to 5 feet. One has been placed. The situation is critical - any suggestions are welcome.

Futures: There will be a President's Meeting at the Brampton show site on November 9th at noon. All club presidents are invited to attend.

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Open Show: London Aquaria Society results have been received. Waiting for Sarnia Aquarium Society results. Kitchener Waterloo Aquarium Society show and auction flyers are here and Brampton Aquarium Club's are on the web site. Durham Region Aquarium Society show date is changed to April 4th, 2004.

Judges & Steering: Both open.

All other committees had no report.

OLD BUSINESS:

Motions to be voted on:

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Aquaria Speaker Program: Ray Lucas contacted Miecia Burden (Rec Sec/Membership/Binder) about the closure of this program. He was not aware that it was being stopped. He will investigate and will get back to her with any information. A new date of December 31, 2003 was mentioned as an ending date. More to come!

Motion to be voted on in November:

Bylaw amendments: Because of a previously passed motion that made the past president a member of the current executive (Motion 200212-04 - to make the past president a voting member of the executive. Voted on and carried.) there has to be a change in the bylaws on page 414 as follows:

Current bylaw: #6, B, 4) - No one person may hold more than one Executive position at any one time

Amended to: No one person can hold two elected positions at the same time.

Motion 0309-02 that the bylaws be amended as above was made by Terry Little (Brant/FRP/Open-Show), seconded by Randy Seufert (TFCEC/CAOAC/FAAS Liaison).

NEW BUSINESS

Future Meeting Dates: are as follows:

Nov 16, Dec 14, Jan 18, Feb 22, Mar 21, April 18, May 16, June 27

Jim & Linda Brown Memorial Auction held by the Durham Region Aquarium Society was a huge success and the Durham club thanked all who attended.

Fund Raising Idea: discussed by Terry Little (FRP/OpenShow) involving a company called Melaleuca Inc., "THE WELLNESS COMPANY". They sell products that are good for the body and good for the home. Wellness Seminars are held bi-weekly in Brantford. Call Terry at 519 755 8927 for more information. CAOAC can benefit on a long-term basis. There is no obligation to get involved and you do not sell anything.

Thanks to all who donated goodies for the lunch

NEXT MEETING INFORMATION

Agenda: Committee chairs are reminder that if they have anything to discuss at the meeting they are to please let Paul know ahead of time so that it can be added to the agenda. We are hoping to streamline the meetings by cutting out non-essential reports.

Next Executive Meeting is 10 am November 16, 2003

Next General Meeting is 11:30 am November 16, 2003

CLUB REPORTS

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

KITCHENER WATERLOO AQUARIUM SOCIETY: invites everyone to our first show in many years - OKTOBERFISH 2003 - held October 25th at the Swimplex in Waterloo. Flyers are available today and the information is also posted on our web site at www.kwas.ca

LONDONAQUARIASOCIETY: thanks all who came to our very successful show and auction. We got 4 new members at the auction and 2 more at the meeting.

*Respectfully submitted by
Miecia Burden (Recording Secretary).*

Letter to the Editor, September 3, 2003

To the members of CAOAC.

Just last night I was pleasantly surprised and overwhelmed, with the engraved glass commemorative that recognized my work with the CAOAC newsletter. Our representative Bob Brown took the opportunity of our September club meeting to make the presentation before my peers at the Kitchener- Waterloo Aquarium Society. It has been my passion to contribute to the organized aquarium hobby and I urge each of our members to ask how they may contribute their time and talent to support clubs that help hobbyists in their quest for skills and knowledge.

Thank you CAOAC ... it has been my pleasure.....

rein breitmaier

Editors Note

This letter should have been published in a previous newsletter but the email was lost and had to be re-submitted. My apologies.

MEMBERSHIPS DUE

Please remember that cheques for CAOAC membership and insurance for the year 2004 are due at the November meeting. Please check the President's Notes and the minutes in this issue for further details

CAOAC AWARDS

Submissions for the CAOAC Authors and Advanced Authors Awards are due at the December CAOAC meeting. Check the calendar on the last page of this Newsletter or the CAOAC website (www.caoac.on.ca) or your area

AWARDS REPS

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Region #4

TFEC
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Region #5

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Region # 7

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Advertising

CAOAC will now accept advertising in our monthly Newsletter. Pricing for 10 months is as follows:

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

CAOAC EVENTS CALENDAR

- Nov** 16 **CAOAC Executive & General Meetings (exec at 10 am, general at 11:30 am)**
NOTE: Cheques for membership and insurance due
- Dec** 14 **CAOAC Executive & General Meetings (exec at 10 am, general at 11:30 am)**
(Christmas meeting)
NOTE: Second Sunday of the month
NOTE: Authors and Advanced Authors Awards nominations due
- Jan** 18 **CAOAC Executive & General Meetings (exec at 10 am, general at 11:30 am)**
NOTE: Membership Vote
NOTE: Newsletter Award submissions due
- Feb** 8 **CANADIAN RIFT LAKE CICHLID ASSOCIATION - Spring auction**
15 **TROPICAL FISH CLUB OF ERIR COUNTY - Show & auction**
22 **CAOAC Executive & General Meetings (exec at 10 am, general at 11:30 am)**
NOTE: Fourth Sunday of the month
NOTE: Breeders, Aquatic Horticulturists, Recognition award submissions due
- Mar** 21 **CAOAC Executive & General Meetings (exec at 10 am, general at 11:30 am)**
14 **HAMILTON & DISTRICT AQUARIUM SOCIETY - Auction**
- Apr** 11 **EASTER**
17 **SARNIA AQUARIUM SOCIETY - Spring auction**
18 **CAOAC Executive & General Meetings (exec at 10 am, general at 11:30 am)**
- May** 2 **LONDON AQUARIA SOCIETY - Spring auction**
16 **CAOAC Executive & General Meetings (exec at 10 am, general at 11:30 am)**
- Jun** 27 **CAOAC Executive & General Meetings (exec at 10 am, general at 11:30 am)**
- Sep** 12 **CANADIAN RIFT LAKE CICHLID ASSOCIATION - Fall auction**
19 **CAOAC Executive & General Meetings (exec at 10 am, general at 11:30 am)**
26 **LONDON AQUARIA SOCIETY - Show & auction**
- Oct** 3 **HAMILTON & DISTRICT AQUARIUM SOCIETY - Show & auction**
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For the most current and complete event information see the events calendar at www.caoac.on.ca