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President's Notes

NO TICE! Change of Time

Executive meeting at 11:a.m. followed by the General Meeting at 12 noon starting at the January 15th meeting.

A Very Happy and Prosperous Year to All!

Welcome back to all former clubs and private members who have renewed their memberships. At present we have 18 clubs with 17 taking insurance.

I trust that you all had a wonderful Christmas with friends and relatives. I suppose that everyone is stuffed with turkey and goodies of this festive season.

Unfortunately Paul McFarlane is in hospital and we wish him a speedy recovery. Also, our Vice President, Randy Seufert lost his Mother over the holidays. We send our sincere condolences to Randy, Teri, his wife and all other members of his family.

Newsletter Award and Other Awards

Don't forget to enter your club for this award. Bring in 10 copies of your Newsletter. We already have 2 entries. Also, applications for the Breeder Awards, Aquatic Horticulturist Awards and Recognition Awards are due at the February meeting. Contact your regional representative or consult the Awards section of your CAOAC binder for the rules and regulations governing these awards.

CAOAC CONVENTION 2006 in LONDON

Plans are well underway for this year's convention on May 19th to 22nd. All classes are sponsored. Booklets are being reprinted with a few corrections. Plan to attend and buy your ticket for \$75.00 in advance. Look for information on the web site and in the CAOAC Newsletter.

Christmas Luncheon

Many thanks to those who showed up at our meeting and brought along the food. It was enjoyed by all. A big thank you to Sarah who looked after our coffee, condiments and other necessary items for

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Futures	Tony Bernard & Co.	Ways & Means (see Corresponding Secretary)	Sarah Langthorne

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the luncheon as well as throughout the year. Also thank you to Miecia who donated the pop and the prizes for the lucky draws.

CAOAC Dates to Remember

1. Newsletter award applications are due in January
2. All other awards are due in February
3. Tropical Fish Club of Erie County Auction only February 12th, 2006
4. DRAS Show & Auction on April 9th 2006
5. CAOAC Convention on May 19th to May 22nd 2006

Please see the back page of the Newsletter for other upcoming events

*Regards and Good Fishing
Paul "Mac" McIntosh*

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Minutes of Meetings

December 10th, 2005

EXECUTIVE MEETING

The meeting was called to order by Paul McIntosh (President) on November 20th, 2005 at 1000 hours in Waterdown, ON.

The following executives were in attendance: Paul McIntosh (President), Tony Bernard (1st Vice President), Sarah Langthorne (Corresponding Sec) and Miecia Burden (Recording Secretary).

Executive absent: Randy Seufert (2nd Vice President), Jennifer Bawden (Treasurer) and Dave Boehm (Past President).

Correspondence: Paul has received a large box of newsletters from Howard Norfolk. Tony Bernard (1st Vice President/FishRescueProgram/Futures) will take them home to sort out. We will decide what to do with them at a later meeting.

Awards: various deadlines are coming up. See the Events Calendar on the back page of the newsletter for details.

Memberships: Reminders sent to Brampton, CKA and Edmonton who are delinquent at this time. Membership reminders will also be sent to TFCEC and CRLCA who take membership but not insurance. All memberships are due at the January meeting and all will be accepted at that meeting.

Fish Rescue Program: Paul mentioned that someone in the Bowmanville area has a large tank of fish to be placed. Tony Bernard (1st Vice President/FishRescueProgram/Futures) suggested that Paul take a digital picture and send it to him so that he can ID some of the fish in order to get them placed.

Invasive Alien Species Partnership Program: A draft copy of the proposal that was sent via email to all the executive by Francine MacDonald from the Ontario Federation of Anglers and Hunters asking us to consider partnering with them in this venture was passed on to Tony Bernard (1st Vice President/FishRescueProgram/Futures). Below is an excerpt from the email sent by Francine and received with the document.

I've attached a DRAFT copy of the proposal thus far in progress (it is just

an outline of what we are hoping to achieve...there are no budget figures yet)...and I was hoping that CAOAC would review this and let us know if you are interested in partnering on the project. From my initial perspective, we would be looking to CAOAC to provide us with technical advice on the education products and workshops that are developed, and assistance with distributing the information to your members.

The deadline for all proposals is December 15...so we have a fairly tight timeline (The funding program was just announced in November). Thus it would be greatly appreciated if you could let me know if CAOAC is interested in participating in the project...I will be in the office all week available to answer any questions that you may have or provide additional details.

Tony will call Francine before the 15th and let her know we are interested and will assist in any way through the FRP, our website and newsletters.

Meeting Times for next year: Discussion about a later meeting time for the executive. Executive meetings for the next few months will start at 1100 am followed by the general meeting at 12 noon.

Respectfully submitted by
Miecia Burden (Recording Secretary)



GENERAL MINUTES

The meeting was called to order at 1230 hours by Paul McIntosh (President) on December 10th, 2005 in Waterdown, ON. Paul welcomed all the reps that showed up and thanked them all for the delicious goodies that made up our pot luck lunch.

Executive present: Paul McIntosh (President), Tony Bernard (1st Vice President), Jennifer Bawden (Treasurer), Sarah Langthorne (Corresponding Secretary) and Miecica Burden (Recording Secretary).

Absent: Randy Seufert (2nd Vice President) and Dave Boehm (Past President).

Roll Call:

Terry Little (LondonAqSoc/Open Show)
 Bob Saunders (TorontoWillowdale)
 Kai Sing (Durham)

Paul McIntosh (Archivist)
 Miecica Burden (Binder/Membership/NL)
 Tony Bernard (FRP/Futures)
 Bill Irwin (Judges)
 Sarah Langthorne (Ways & Means)

3 clubs and 8 votes.

Membership: Edmonton, Brampton and CKA have been contacted by email to remind them that their fees are past due. CKA's fees were received today. CRLCA and TFCEC will be reminded by email that membership fees are due at the January meeting. Neither club takes the insurance. All memberships will be accepted at the January meeting.

Secretary's Report:

Minutes from the executive meeting in November: accepted as printed on a motion by Bill Irwin (Judges), seconded by Tony Bernard (1st Vice President/FishRescueProgram/Futures). Voted on and carried.

Minutes from the general meeting in November: correction to the spelling of Kai Sing's name on page 5 - should read Kai Hing. Accepted as amended on a motion by Tony Bernard (1st Vice President/FishRescueProgram/Futures), seconded by Kai Hing (Durham). Voted on and carried.

Correspondence: as per executive meeting.

Treasurer's report: submitted by Jennifer Bawden (Treasurer), read by Miecica Burden.

November 20th 2005 to December 10th 2005

ITEM	IN	OUT	BALANCE
Opening Balance			3603.55
Newsletter		21.85	
Binder (postage)		57.92	
Share the Wealth draw	14.50		
Auction Income (Miecica)	10.50		
Program rental	15.00		
Bank charges		7.68	
Closing Balance			2180.48
Committed Funds			1375.42
Total (CB + CF)			3555.90

Accepted on a motion by Terry Little (LondonAqSoc/OpenShow), Bill Irwin (Judges).

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Archivist: Box of newsletter from Howard Norfolk in BC. Given to Tony to sort.

AH Directory: Chair absent. No report. Dave Boehm (Webmaster) will continue to maintain the AH Directory. Accepted as chair by Tony Bernard (1st Vice President/FishRescueProgram/Futures), seconded by Bob Saunders (Toronto Willowdale). Voted on and carried.

Awards: Chair absent. No report. Deadlines for all applications and nominations are listed on the Events Calendar found on the back page of the newsletter. Criteria for all the awards are found in Section 8 of the Binder and the application/nomination forms are found in Section 11.

Binder: No report.

Breeders Directory: Chair absent but this report sent by email - *there have been no updates to the directory since last month. We'd like to wish everyone happy holidays and a healthy new year.*

CAOAC/FAAS: Chair absent. No report.

Convention 2006: All classes have been sponsored. Second draft booklets are here today. Advertizing is still available – send to Terry Little at tlittle28@rogers.com. Tickets will be available at the next meeting. All informa-

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tion is online at www.londonaquariasociety.ca or www.caoac.on.ca The Convention committee will be visiting clubs in the spring to give a presentation on the Convention and will also supply a speaker for that meeting if asked. Please let Terry know when you want them to visit.

Convention 2007: Bids for this Convention will be entertained at the 2006 Convention. Clubs are urged to start thinking about bidding.

Fish Rescue Program: Tony Bernard (1st Vice President/FishRescueProgram/Futures) will contact Francine MacDonald regarding the Invasive Species proposal as discussed in the executive minutes.

Judges: Very few apprentice judges reports from judges have been received by the committee. It is the responsibility of the apprentice judge to make sure that the report is sent in by the judge. Suggested that we put the form on the web so that it can be downloaded and sent in by the judges. Miecia will talk with Dave about putting all the forms on the web site.

Futures: Discussion about adding a "Question of the Month" to the newsletter to get some feedback from member clubs. Answers or replies would be sent to Tony for discussion at the next meeting.

Newsletter: Please send any changes or additions to the Events Calendar to Miecia Burden (Membership/Binder/Newsletter) and she will pass them on to Dave Boehm (Webmaster) to be changed on the web site also. Dates held in reserve for the next year are for shows only NOT auctions. An 'awards' ad will be added to the newsletter next month.

Open Show: No report.

Program: Chair absent. No report.

Steering: Chair absent. No report.

Webmaster: Chair absent but the following is a report sent by email:

I am working on a small project for CAOAC (keeping it under wraps for now) and I would like to ask all the member clubs to send me a high-quality copy of their club logo. It can be hard copy or electronic. If it is electronic, it should be a .tif or .bmp with 300 dpi resolution. About 700 pixels in either direction would be sufficient. Please wish everyone a Merry Christmas for me at the meeting.

Ways & Means: Miecia donated two raffle prizes for the Christmas meeting – a bottle of wine and a bottle of chocolate. Free tickets distributed at the break.

OLD BUSINESS

Speakers on the web site: Only 4 out of 25 speakers contacted replied in the affirmative to Terry's email requesting speakers for our web site posting.

New Plant Book by Christal Kasselmann: contact Wayne Rakestrow (Awards) if interested in ordering. Cost is about \$35.00 US.

NEW BUSINESS

Raffle Draws: wine won by Bob Saunders (Toronto Wil- lowdale) and chocolate won by Terry Little (LondonAqSoc/OpenShow).

New meeting hours for 2006 (till further notice): Executive at 1100 am and the general meeting at 1200 noon.

NEXT MEETING INFORMATION

January 15th 2006 Executive at 1100 am and General at 12 noon.

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.... Would like to wish everyone a Merry Christmas and all the best in the New Year.

St. Catharines Aquarium Society..... Tim Arndt's program on Bettas at the December meeting was splendid. Tim was able to stay right until the end of the meeting, and while we were clearing up after the meeting, he was swarmed by people wanting to ask questions and talk Bettas. We even had to take his chair out from under him in order to put it, with the rest of the chairs, back in the auditorium!

Respectfully submitted by
Miecia Burden (Recording Secretary).

SUPPORT
YOUR CLUB

2006 CAOAC Convention

The London Aquaria Society is very proud to host the 2006 CAOAC Convention. We are working very hard to make it the best Convention ever held in the 47 year history of CAOAC. We realize most of the Conventions have been great but just you wait. Some of the details are shown below and I hope you will all give serious consideration to attending the Convention.

Date May 19-22, 2006

Location Fanshawe College, 1460 Oxford Street East,
London, Ontario, Canada. N5Y 5R6

Convention Rates

Full Convention \$75.00 each (until April 1st) \$80.00 each (after April 1st) **Children 10 or under** \$40.00 each

Saturday Banquet \$45.00 per person **Sunday Banquet** \$45.00 per person **Sat Speakers** \$45.00 per person

Fanshawe Suites

All bedrooms have double width king length beds and the two bedroom suites can be supplied with either a kitchenette or a sitting room. The four bedroom suites are supplied with both a kitchenette and sitting room. Find some friends and share to save.

Two Bedroom Suites (2 people) \$49.95 per night Four Bedroom Suites (4 people) \$99.90 per night

There is a \$5.00 surcharge for each additional person per bedroom.

Convention Speakers

Ian Fuller, UK	Topic-Catfish
Juan Migel Artigas Azas, Mexico	Topic-Cichlids
Karen Randall, Boston, MA	Topic-Plants
Mike Schadle*, Chesterton, IN	Topic-Humour
Robert DiMarco, Montreal	Topic-Marines

***Mike will speak on Friday evening, May 19, 2005**

Contact Terry Little at tlittle28@rogers.com or phone 519-752-8642.

All current Convention information is available on the club web site

www.londonaquariasociety.com and also on www.caoac.on.ca



AWARD INFORMATION



Breeders Awards (4)

Basic to Senior Aquatic
Pages 8101 to 8103

Horticulturalist Awards (5)

Aquatic to Master
Pages 8705 to 8707

How to Apply

All the information is in
Section 8 of the Binder
How to apply....pages 8055 to 8056
Rules for applying..pages 8061 to 8063

Application Forms are in Section 11

Specialist Breeders Awards

Killifish
Characin
African Rift Lake Cichlids
Livebearers
Pages 8151 to 8253

Recognition Awards

Hobbyist
Service
Scientist
Junior Hobbyist
25 Years of Service Award
Pages 8901 to 8911

DEADLINE FOR AWARDS IS FEBRUARY 2006

Question of the Month?

What do you think has contributed to the downfall of Aquarium Societies/ Clubs in the world today?

Send your thoughts and ideas to
Tony Bernard at
utakaman@porchlight.ca

Wanted from each CAOAC Club
for a project by the webmaster

high-quality copy of their club logo. It can be hard copy or electronic. If it is electronic, it should be a .tif or .bmp with 300 dpi resolution, about 700 pixels in either direction would be sufficient.

Send to Dave Boehm at
fishman@golden.net

CAOAC EVENTS CALENDAR

- Jan 15* **CAOAC Executive & General Meetings (exec at 11 am, general at 12 noon)**
 NOTE: Newsletter Award nominations are due
- Feb 12* **CAOAC Executive & General Meetings (exec at 11 am, general at 12 noon)**
 NOTE: Second Sunday of the Month
 NOTE: All other Award nominations/applications are due
- Mar 19* **TROPICAL FISH CLUB OF ERIE COUNTY Auction only**
- Mar 5* **OTTAWA VALLEY AQUARIUM SOCIETY Auction only**
- Mar 12* **HAMILTON & DISTRICT AQUARIUM SOCIETY Auction only**
- Mar 19* **CAOAC Executive & General Meetings (exec at 11 am, general at 12 noon)**
 NOTE: Awards meeting (time pending)
- Mar 26* **CAOAC SPRING AUCTION in BRANTFORD**
- Apr 9* **DURHAM REGION AQUARIUM SOCIETY Show & Auction**
- Apr 15* **SARNIA AQUARIUM SOCIETY Auction only**
- Apr 23* **CAOAC Executive & General Meetings (exec at 11 am, general at 12 noon)**

May 19—22 CAOAC CONVENTION in LONDON ONTARIO

- June 25* **CAOAC Executive & General Meetings (exec at 11 am, general at 12 noon)**

FOR THE MOST CURRENT AND COMPLETE EVENT INFORMATION SEE THE EVENTS CALENDER AT

HOW TO GET THERE...

