

# Canadian Association of Aquarium Clubs

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## NEWSLETTER

**March 2008**

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### *President's Notes*

We are coming quickly to the next convention which I'm sure everyone knows that this year will be in Edmonton. I am looking forward to meeting some new friends as well as putting faces onto a few more. It is a great time for all whenever a group of people with the same interests can get together. I myself am looking forward to the speakers many of which I have not heard speak. On the other side of the convention is the work. I would like to extend thanks to all the persons working in the back ground preparing, organizing and planning. I have been involved with a few myself and I am looking forward to be able to go as a participant this time.

To help support the convention, this year a team of talented individuals will be getting together at 9 am on the 16th of March to go

over and discuss the awards that are to be awarded this year in Edmonton. Some 30 awards are coming down the pipe this year. I have read stories when Wayne and his group would have to spend hours going over these awards debating who would get to be the Hobbyist of the Year. I would like to thank this year's team for the work they have already begun.

On another proud note, I would like to congratulate the Brant Aquarium Society for their attempt to bring their sister clubs into a friendly competition. I understand the London Aquaria Society, Sarnia Aquarium Society and the Tropical Fish Club of Erie County have all joined in the competition. I would like to ask that if you hear of other clubs doing things to help promote relations be-

tween other member clubs to please let me know.

On a final note and an extension of thanks to the Durham Region Aquarium Society (DRAS) we have the opportunity to have a speaker by the name of Heiko Bleher. You may have heard of him. He will be at a convention in Montreal in August and accessible. The members of DRAS feel that they can fly him over for an engagement for the day and are going to build a seminar around him. CAOAC has decided to help out in anyway we can. We are extending our arms out for all to come out and support this endeavour. We will fill everyone in as we find out more information.

Until then be good and play safe  
Tony

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<p><b>Awards</b> (see Past President)</p>	<p><b>Paul McIntosh</b></p>	<p><b>Newsletter</b> (see Recording Secretary)</p>	<p><b>Miecia Burden</b></p>
<p><b>Binder</b> (see Recording Secretary)</p>	<p><b>Miecia Burden</b></p>	<p><b>Open Show</b> (See 2nd Vice President)</p>	<p><b>Terry Little</b></p>
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<p><b>Fish Rescue Program</b> (see President)</p>	<p><b>Tony Bernard</b></p>	<p><b>Webmaster</b> (see Treasurer)</p>	<p><b>David Boehm</b></p>
<p><b>Futures</b> (see 1st Vice President)</p>	<p><b>Randy Seufert</b></p>	<p><b>Ways &amp; Means</b> (see Corresponding Secretary)</p>	<p><b>Sarah Langthorne</b></p>



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# Minutes of the Meetings

## February 10th 2008

### EXECUTIVE MEETING

**The meeting was called to order** at 1045 hours by Tony Bernard (President/FRP) on February 10<sup>th</sup> 2008 in Waterdown, ON.

**Executive present:** Tony Bernard (President/FRP), Terry Little (2nd Vice President/Open Show), Sarah Langthorne (Corresponding Secretary/Ways&Means) and Paul McIntosh (Past President/Archivist).

**Executive absent:** Randy Seufert (1st Vice President/CAOAC-FAAS/Futures), Dave Boehm (Treasurer/AHDir/Webmaster) and Miecia Burden (Recording Secretary/Membership/Binder/NL).

Also present was Bill Irwin (Brant/Judges).

#### REPORTS

**Correspondence:** Received by Tony Bernard (President)

- from Web Wheeler in BC re: new legislation on the banning of certain animals and fish. Tony will ask him for more specific information.
- from Shawn Lucky of the Winnipeg club asking if we will sponsor a trophy for their show in March. It was decided yes but only if the price is reasonable and the show is CAOAC sanctioned. Discussion followed on western clubs sanctioning their shows and the possibility of sending fish for their shows that would be auctioned off at the show.

#### Convention 2008:

See Pages 6 & 7 in this newsletter for information about the Convention.

It was suggested that CAOAC would spend \$200.00 for sponsorship of two trophies - \$50 for the brackish class #23 (as our logo is a mono) and \$150 on one of the large trophies – to be decided at the general meeting this afternoon.

Respectfully submitted by  
Sarah Langthorne (Corresponding Secretary)

### GENERAL MEETING

**The meeting was called to order** at 1215 hours by Tony Bernard (President/FRP) on February 10<sup>th</sup> 2008 in Waterdown, ON.

**Executive present:** same as executive meeting.

**Executive absent:** same as executive meeting.

#### Roll Call:

Bill Irwin (Brant/Judges)  
Brad Smith (Hamilton)  
Tom Bridges (St Catharines/Breeders Directory)  
Ken Boorman (Sarnia)  
Frank Aguirre (Peel Region)

Paul McIntosh (Archivist/Awards)  
Tom & Pat Bridges (Breeders Directory)  
Tony Bernard (FRP)  
Terry Little (Open Show)  
Sarah Langthorne (Ways & Means)

5 clubs and 10 votes.

**Membership:** Chair absent. No report.

#### Secretary's Report:

**Minutes from the executive meeting in January:** accepted as printed on a motion by Terry Little (2nd Vice/Open Show), seconded by Brad Smith (Hamilton). Voted on and carried.

**Minutes from the general meeting in January:** accepted as printed on a motion by Brad Smith (Hamilton), seconded by Ken Boorman (Sarnia). Voted on and carried.

**Correspondence:** See executive minutes.

#### Treasurer's report: See next page

emailed by Dave Boehm (Treasurer/AHDir/Webmaster)

<b>Treasurer's Report February 10, 2008</b>	
Cash on hand	\$196.96
TD Bank	10854.71
Outstanding cheques	-5525.85
Cheque to deposit (DRAS)	100.00
Sub-total	5625.82
Committed funds	621.28
<b>Working Balance</b>	<b>5004.54</b>
<i>Note: The final tally of the CAOAC convention has not yet been received. The impact it will have on the balance is unknown at this time.</i>	
<b>Committed Funds</b>	
Programs	\$441.28
Apprentice binders	\$80.00
Dec 7/07 unknown deposit	\$100.00
<b>Total committed funds</b>	<b>\$621.28</b>
<b>The following cheques remain uncashed</b>	
<b>Description</b>	<b>Amount</b>
Bob Wright (Programs)	191.92
Calgary (Membership overpayment)	50.00
Waterdown Optimists (Room Rental)	450.00
Fisher Stevenson Boehm (Insurance)	2770.20
Fanshawe College	2063.73
<b>Total of uncashed cheques</b>	<b>5525.85</b>

Motion to accept the treasurer's report made by Brad Smith (Hamilton), seconded by Ken Boorman (Sarnia). Voted on and carried.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS**

**Archivist:** Needs a new chair.

**AH Directory:** Chair absent. No report.

**Awards:** received submissions from Sarnia.

**Binder:** Chair absent. No report.

**Breeders Directory:** Updates received from Sarnia

and Winnipeg.

**CAOAC/FAAS:** Chair absent. No report.

**Convention 2008:** See Executive minutes for details. *Motion 0802-01: that CAOAC sponsor Best Junior in the Convention Show; motioned by Brad Smith (Hamilton), seconded by Ken Boorman (Sarnia). Voted on and carried.*

**Convention 2009:** Any club interested in bidding on this convention is urged to contact the executive prior to the April meeting as suggested in the Binder under Section 15.

**Fish Rescue Program:** Tony is unable to contact the lady that wants a home for a large pacu.

**Judges:** Nothing to report.

**Futures:** Chair absent. No report.

**Newsletter:** Deadline for next issue is February 29<sup>th</sup> 2008. **Please check the Events Calendar for show and auction dates – there are changes and additions. The Events Calendar is on the back page of the NL and also on the web site.** Remember **show dates only** are reserved for the following year NOT auction dates.

**Open Show:** It was suggested that CAOAC establish rules regarding the description of classes.

**Program:** Chair absent. No report. Ken Boorman (Sarnia) brought new programs which were handed out.

**Steering:** Open. Chair needed. Contact Tony if interested. Criteria – must be able to attend convention and cannot run for executive position.

**Ways & Means:** Not enough people present for a ticket draw.

**Webmaster:** Chair absent. No report.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

**CAOAC Policy Regarding Support for Speakers** submitted by Brad Smith (Hamilton).

Each year CAOAC shall earmark an amount up to \$1,000.00 for support of speaker sponsorship. 50% of the amount allocated shall be made available

to the club sponsoring the CAOAC Annual Convention. 25% shall be made available to each of the two clubs that in the opinion of the executive meets the following criteria:

Applications must be received by the CAOAC Executive prior to the November CAOAC meeting for sponsorship for the following year.

1. The speaker must be one that will promote interest in the aquarium hobby.
2. The club must undertake to publicize the event beyond their regular membership
3. Preference will be given to allocate the monies geographically i.e. West and East when CAOAC Annual Convention is hosted in Ontario
4. Preference will be given to co-operative events by more than one CAOAC member club
5. Clubs receiving funds must give a report after the event detailing attendance and what efforts where made to publicize the event.

Clubs are encouraged to tape or record the presentation with the consent of the presenter and to make a copy available for the CAOAC library.

***Motion # 0802-02 to accept this policy made by Ken Boorman (Sarnia), seconded by Brad Smith (Hamilton).***

***Motion # 0802-03 to table motion #0802-02 made by Bill Irwin (Brant/Judges), seconded by Terry Little (2nd Vice President). Voted on and carried.***

***The motion will be read out at each meeting and voted on at the Convention.***

**Speaker Program:** Frank Aguirre discussed the following;

- Changes to the website speakers' page – need to double check info from phone numbers to biographies – seems that most information is not accurate.
- Meeting with Microsoft and Dell looking for laptop and projector donation.
- Looking into rules and regulations to become a CAOAC speaker.

#### **NEW BUSINESS:**

None.

#### **NEXT MEETING INFORMATION:**

March 16<sup>th</sup> 2008 - Awards meeting at 0900 hours,

Executive meeting at 1030 hours, General meeting at 1200 noon in Waterdown ON

Respectfully submitted by

Sarah Langthorne (Corresponding Secretary)

## **First in CAOAC Certificates**

Based on the latest submission from the Aquarium Society of Winnipeg, the Breeders Directory Committee has issued certificates to:

**Steve Bansee** of ASW for  
Apistogramma iniridae

**Richard Engstrom** of ASW for  
Aphyosemion punctatum

**Melanie Fraser** of ASW for  
Tilapia snyderae

**Margaret LeMaitre** of ASW for  
Tilapia bythobates

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

## **JUST A REMINDER FROM YOUR EDITOR**

Any CAOAC club can  
advertize in this newsletter

### **FREE OF CHARGE.**

Just send a poster or a copy ready ad  
and I will be more than  
happy to insert it in the Newsletter.

Deadline for submission  
is the last day of each month!

# AQUARIUM CLUB OF EDMONTON

## 2008 CAOAC CONVENTION

Room rates at the Sands Hotel Edmonton:

\$79.00 plus 4% Tourism Levy and 5% GST per night.

There are rooms with two double beds and rooms with one double bed and they are all available for the same cost. There should be enough two double bed rooms available but to be sure it would be best to reserve early. 1-888-444-3402 [www.sandshoteledm.com](http://www.sandshoteledm.com)

Book flights early to get the best rate and let us know who will be traveling.

Also supply arrival times so that we can arrange pickups from the airport.

The main speakers have been confirmed.

You can read their bios on our web page.

Dr. Anton Lamboj (Austria)

Ingo Seidl (Germany)

Rusty Wessel (USA)

Rudy Kern (Canada)

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## ACE/CAOAC SHOW 2008 Schedule

**Friday May 16, 2008**

Show set-up (entries will be received Friday night and Saturday morning).

**Saturday May 17, 2008**

Judging, speaker presentations, banquet and award presentations

**Sunday May 18, 2008**

CAOAC morning meeting, optional brunch, speaker presentations, show break down

**Monday May 19, 2008**

Giant Auction-fish, plants, and aquarium supplies

## SHOW CLASSES

Class 1	Guppy, Male	Class 18	Killifish, New World
Class 2	Guppy, female	Class 19	Betta splendens
Class 3	Xiphophorus species, Sword-tails	Class 20	Anabantids, AOV
Class 4	Mollies, All Types and Species	Class 21	Rainbowfishes, All Species
Class 5	All other Variety (AOV) of Live-bearer	Class 22	Sharks, Loaches and Eels
Class 6	Cichlids, Lake Tanganyika	Class 23	Brackish
Class 7	Cichlids, Lake Malawi	Class 24	Marine, Fish species
Class 8	Old World Cichlids; AOV	Class 25	Marine, Invertebrate species
Class 9	New World; Dwarf	Class 26	Egglayers; AOV
Class 10	New World; AOV	Class 27	Aquatic Animals, Non-fish species
Class 11	Corydorus, Brochis and Apsidoras	Class 28	Pairs, Fish Species
Class 12	Catfish, Sucker mouth	Class 29	Species Group, Fish
Class 13	Catfish, AOV	Class 30	Aquatic Plants
Class 14	Characins and Characoids	Class 31	Aquarium Beautiful, 10 Gallon or smaller
Class 15	Cyprinids	Class 32	Photography
Class 16	Killifish, Old World; Nothobranchius	Class 33	Junior Livebearer
Class 17	Killifish, Old World; AOV	Class 34	Junior Egglayer
		Class 35	Junior Aquarium Beautiful

### Best of Show Awards:

Best Entry in Show  
 Best Cichlid in Show  
 Best Catfish in Show  
 Best Killifish in Show  
 Best Livebearer in Show  
 Best Egglayer in Show  
 Best Junior Entry in Show  
 Best Plant Award

The Aquarium Club of Edmonton have agreed to the following sponsorship for show classes.

\$50 per class,  
 \$150 for the seven best of group,  
 \$300 for best in show.

The charge for the CAOAC Convention weekend will be \$30 which includes a banquet ticket (cash bar) and entry to the speaker presentations. The Sunday brunch following the CAOAC meeting will be optional and at the delegates expense.

Members of a CAOAC club will be treated as an Aquarium Club of Edmonton member during the weekend. Income from the giant auction will be split 30% club/70% member.

An information flyer similar to your last year's convention flyer will be available shortly.

# **TROPICAL FISH & EQUIPMENT AUCTION & FLEA MARKET**

HOSTED BY THE

## **BRANT AQUARIUM SOCIETY**

### **SUNDAY MARCH 30<sup>th</sup>**

BRANTFORD AND DISTRICT CIVIC CENTRE

69 Market Street South, Brantford.  
(beside the Brantford Charity Casino)

**for more information**

**519-752-8642**

**[auction@brantaquariumsociety.ca](mailto:auction@brantaquariumsociety.ca)**

DOORS OPEN AT 7:00 AM TO RECEIVE AUCTION ITEMS  
AND TO SET UP THE FLEA MARKET

FLEA MARKET RUNS FROM 8:00 AM UNTIL SOLD OUT

AUCTION STARTS AT 10:00 AM & ENDS WHEN FINISHED





# 2008 Aquaria Expo

Canada's Largest Tropical Fish Show!

March 21<sup>st</sup>-23<sup>rd</sup>, 2008

Canad Inns Polo Park

1405 St. Matthews Ave.

Free Admission!



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# CAOAC EVENTS CALENDAR

## 2008

- Mar 2* HAMILTON & DISTRICT AQUARIUM SOCIETY -Auction only  
*16* CAOAC Executive & General Meetings (exec at 1030 am, general at 12 noon)  
NOTE: Awards meeting at 9:00 am  
*30* BRANT AQUARIUM SOCIETY Auction only
- April 13* DURHAM REGION AQUARIUM SOCIETY Show & Auction (sanctioned)  
*19* SARNIA AQUARIUM SOCIETY Auction only  
*20* CAOAC Executive & General Meetings (exec at 1030 am, general at 12 noon)  
NOTE: Annual Reports due
- May 4* LONDON AQUARIA SOCIETY - Auction only  
*May 16 - 19* 49TH CAOAC CONVENTION in EDMONTON  
Hosted by the AQUARIUM CLUB OF EDMONTON  
NOTE: AGM and ELECTIONS
- June 22* CAOAC Executive & General Meetings (exec at 1030 am, BBQ and  
general following BBQ)  
NOTE: Fourth Sunday of the Month  
NOTE: President's BBQ at 12 Noon  
NOTE: Committee heads are chosen
- Sept 13* SARNIA AQUARIUM SOCIETY Show & Auction (sanctioned)  
*21* CAOAC Executive & General Meetings (exec at 1030 am, general at 12 noon)  
NOTE: Budgets are reviewed & accepted  
*28* LONDON AQUARIA SOCIETY Show & Auction (reserved)
- Oct 5* HAMILTON & DISTRICT AQUARIUM SOCIETY Show & Auction (reserved)  
*19* CAOAC Executive & General Meetings (exec at 1030 am, general at 12 noon)  
*26* KITCHENER WATERLOO AQUARIUM SOCIETY Show & Auction (reserved)
- Nov 16* CAOAC Executive & General Meetings (exec at 1030 am, general at 12 noon)
- Dec 14* CAOAC Executive & General Meetings (exec at 1030 am, general at 1 pm)  
NOTE: Second Sunday of the Month  
NOTE: Christmas Pot Luck Lunch at 12 Noon  
NOTE: Membership Applications & Insurance are due  
NOTE: Authors & Advanced Authors nominations due

## 2009

- Jan 18* CAOAC Executive & General Meetings (exec at 1030 am, general at 12 noon)  
NOTE: Newsletter Award nominations are due &  
Memberships accepted
- Feb 8* CAOAC Executive & General Meetings (exec at 1030am, general at 12 noon)  
NOTE: Second Sunday of the Month  
NOTE: All other Award nominations/applications are due