

Canadian Association of Aquarium Clubs

Aquarium Clubs

NEWSLETTER

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April 2010

President's Notes

Our annual convention is coming up, May 21-23 at Sheridan College in Oakville, please book your tickets and your room if you haven't already done so. We have a great line up of speakers and a good time will be had by all. We have really nice embroidered shirts available for the first time in Men's and Women's sizes but they need to be ordered as soon as possible to ensure the amazing price. If you want one make sure you order it soon.

Check out the convention website for full details on pricing of the convention and shirts. Oliver Lucanus will have his new book available at the convention, checkout his website <http://www.amazon-below-water.com/index.php> and let him know in advance if you would like a copy. The convention also marks our annual elections, if you are interested in running for any of the positions let our Steering Chair Phil Maznyk know (pmaznyk@rogers.com).

All executive positions are open and nominations should be in no later than the April General Meeting. I proposed a new set of bylaws at the March meeting which will be voted on at the May general meeting. I did this because I wanted to make some changes and because it would appear that the bylaws have not been updated as changes have been made over the last few years. Working from a new set will allow all of us to be reading from the same page.

I will be sending out a complete explanation of all of the proposed changes so keep an eye out and review them carefully. Some are minor changes to language, like using only "Executive" instead of "Board" and "Executive", some are significant but reflect what has always been done – e.g. the election procedure, and some are fairly major, e.g. reducing the majority needed to amend the bylaws and reducing the number of required meetings.

Our efforts to put the contents of the CAOAC binder onto CD is making progress and should be complete for distribution at the convention to all member clubs. Hopefully, this too will ensure that we are all working from the same documents. Please check out our calendar for upcoming events, if you are out west on the Easter weekend, try and drop in to Aquarium Society of Winnipeg's Aquaria Expo, DRAS's Aquariama 2010 is the following weekend. Look for these and lots of other events on our calendar page.

All the best, Bob

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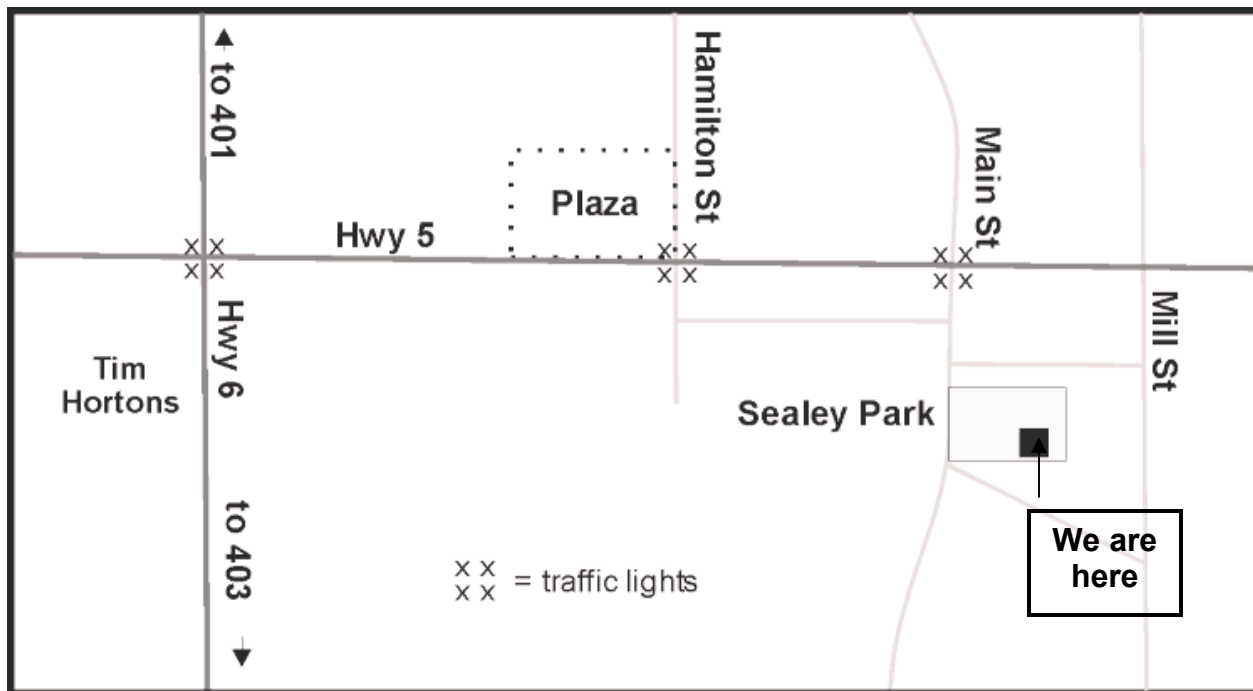


CAOAC has officially joined **PIJAC (Pet Industry Joint Advisory Council)** to show our support for this organization

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HOW TO FIND US!



Minutes of the Executive & General Meetings March 21, 2010

EXECUTIVE MEETING

Called to order by Bob Wright (President)

Executive Attendance

Position	Name	Present/Absent
President	Bob Wright (LAS)	Present
1 st VP	Ken Boorman (SAS)	Absent
2 nd VP	Claudia Carthew (TFCEC)	Present
Corresponding Secretary	Noel Wright (TWAS)	Present
Recording Secretary	Ann Stevens (SAS)	Present
Treasurer	Dave Boehm (KWAS)	Present
Also in attendance:	Phil Maznyk (KWAS) Peter Melady (SAS)	Bill Gibbons
	Richard Carthew (TFCEC) Paul McIntosh (DRAS) Terry Little (BAS)	

There was an error in the minutes in regards to the Treasurer's Report. The \$100 should have read unknown deposit, not binders.

Approval of November minutes – Ann Stevens 1st, Dave Boehm – 2nd

Matters arising from Previous Minutes:

1. Ken Boorman has confirmed that Ian Fuller will be doing a presentation; due to Ken's absence he was unable to confirm the date.
2. A very nice email was received from Grant Crossman. He will be invited to attend the April General Meeting.

Executive Reports

Treasurer's Report was received and will be included in newsletter.

Motion to accept: Claudia – 1st, Ann – 2nd.

Correspondence

Nothing to report, other than Grant's email that was mentioned earlier.

Convention

Phil brought a sample of the shirt. The material is really nice and the embroidery is excellent. It was decided to go with that shirt. In order to lock in that price, Phil will place an order to try and get the best price for all concerned.

Noel indicated we are getting donations from:

- Kordon
- Moores Water Garden
- ZooMed
- Hagen
- Ray "Kingfish" Lucas
- Ad Konings
- Pleco Caves
- Ken is to check with David Boruchowitz to see if he will be able to donate something from TFH.

A sample of the program was circulated. Ann will attempt to get sponsors to help to offset the cost of printing.

Claudia has agreed to be Auction Chair. She listed off her concerns and several people have volunteered to assist. There will be 2 auctioneers and they will be paid \$75 each.

Bob is going to check that the PA system availability. Chits need to be printed.

George from Durham AS will be asked if he will look after doing the 50/50 draws.

At the convention meeting, it was decided the caterers for the Durham AS guest speaker and award night will cater our Banquet.

There has been three clubs so far agree to participate in the President's Challenge. They are KWAS, HDAS and Ottawa.

Show classes still have sponsors needed.

There will be 3 judges to be paid \$75 each.

New Business

Nothing to report.

Executive Meeting adjourned at 12:05pm.

GENERAL MEETING

Club	Present	
Brant	Bill Irwin	
Durham	George Banavage	Myron Iwanochko
Hamilton	Sarah Langthorne	
Kitchener-Waterloo	Phil Maznyk	
London	Terry Little	
Sarnia	Peter Melady	
St. Catharines	Tom & Pat Bridges	
Erie County	Richard Carthew	
Peel	John Van Rompu	
TFEC	Richard Carthew	
Guests		
Committee		Chair
AHD		Dave Boehm
Archives & Historian		Paul McIntosh
Awards		Terry Little / Peter Melady
Binder		Ann Stevens
Fish Breeders Directory		Tom & Pat Bridges
Judges		Bob Wright
Membership		Dave Boehm
Newsletter		Phil Maznyk
Open Show		Terry Little
Steering		Phil Maznyk
Ways & Means		Sarah Langthorne
Webmaster		Phil Maznyk

Approval of previous minutes – January minutes – Terry – 1st, Bill – 2nd Carried

Matters Arising from Previous Meeting

The convention shirts were decided upon. There is approximately a 2 week window to lock in the price. Noel will send emails out to everyone for pre orders.

Treasurer's Report

Dave gave a detailed report of our finances. Details to be included in newsletter.

Motion to Accept – Ann – 1st, Myron – 2nd Carried

Committee Reports

Awards

The Awards meeting was held prior to the Executive Meeting. It was well attended and went well. Minutes will be forthcoming.

Breeders

New additions to get certified for first in.

Binder

Bob informed us the judges committee met and reviewed the judges section of the binder. The program section of the binder was also reviewed and some recommendations will be made. Ann reviewed the outstanding sections. Dave Boehm's section of Horticultural Directory is current. Tom Bridges indicated he will send the new directory by next month. It will only be current to that point in time, since changes are always being added. Paul will check to see if he can fill in the missing years for the History section. Terry indicated he will try to have something out by next month. Bob will check the How To and Committee Responsibilities sections.

Fish Rescue

Tom Mason said he would chair this position, with the provision that all clubs get a representative from their club to assist with rescues in their local areas. Dave Boehm said he would help for KWAS, Terry Little will assist for Brant, Bob Wright will assist for TWAS. Please check back with your clubs and advise Tom who will be your rep.

Judges

The minutes from the Judges meeting was sent out via email. There are new apprentices.

Membership

One club, Saskatoon, has still not sent in payment for their membership, after confirming their intent. No replies to emails have been received. Phil will go to their forum to see if he can get contact with someone.

Newsletter

Phil asked people to remember to get their reports to him by March 26th.

Open Show

Terry listed the sanctioned shows up coming.

Programs

There is a recommended revision to the Programs. Please review the attachment sent out via email.

Steering

Phil is ready to notify all clubs by the end of April.

Webmaster

Phil reported the website is continually updated as he receives information.

REMINDER – ANNUAL REPORTS ARE DUE NEXT MONTH TO DAVE BOEHM.

Old Business

Nothing to report

Club Reports

Brant

Auction and show is March 28. Come in the main entrance.

Cambridge

Auction will be held at the Galt Curling Club on Saturday, May 1/10.

Durham

Auction and Show is April 11. Oliver Lucanus is taking orders for his new book.

Hamilton & District

On Sunday, June 27, HDAS is planning a bus trip to Moore's Water Garden in Port Stanley. We went last year

and had a wonderful time. Will all that are interested please contact Carla MacDonald to reserve a seat. It will cost \$15 each. Phone 905-575-9279 or de_spacey_carla@hotmail.com. There will be more information on our web page. Thank you to Sarah for your written submission for your club report.

Kitchener-Waterloo

All is going well, -Guest speakers confirmed for the rest of the year.

- April (Jerry Draper) Breeding Techniques
- May (Frank Aguirre) Synodontis Catfish
- June KWAS is celebrating 50 years. They hope to have lifetime members present and special draws.

London

Auction is May 2 in Dorchester.

Peel

April guest speaker is Larry Johnston. In May they will have Barry and company with their presentation on Uruguay.

Sarnia

April 17 is the auction. June 26 is dinner with Gary Lange. He will conduct 2 talks. One talk will be on collecting and the other on care of rainbow fishes. The cost is \$25 per person. Tickets are now available.

St. Catharines

Our new rep couldn't make it today because he was in hospital last night.

Tropical Fish of Erie County

April 21 is our big party for the Awards night.

New Business

An attachment was sent via email with proposed changes to the By-Laws. Also a proposed change to the Program Policy.

Motion – 1st Bob, 2nd – Terry

John Van Rompu mentioned he had received a reply from CFIA in follow up to his email he sent.

A reminder to all CAOAC clubs that all insurance inquiries must come from Dave Boehm. He is the only point of contact with our insurance company.

Meeting adjourned at 2:15 by Ann & Phil



The ALA is having their annual convention at The Detroit Marriott - Southfield, in Southfield, MI, April 22nd through the 25th this year and is looking forward to a successful and informative convention. They have a full schedule of speakers from around the country and a Behind-the Scenes trip to the Toledo Zoo Aquarium.

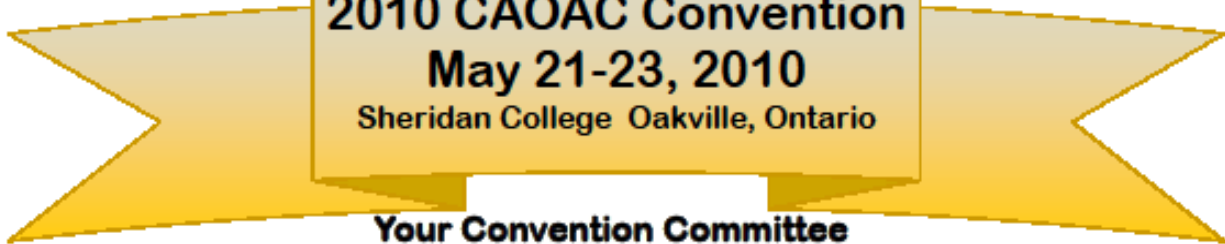
More information can be found at www.ALA2010.com. Please help them in promoting this convention to your clubs membership. In addition they are also asking for donations of livebearers or livebearer related supplies. Dry goods and plants are also welcome and all donated items are auctioned on the last day of the convention. Any donations can be sent to :

ALA 2010 Convention Donations

c/o Julie Singer
51700 Julies Dr.
Chesterfield, MI 48047



2010 CAOAC Convention
May 21-23, 2010
 Sheridan College Oakville, Ontario



Your Convention Committee

Dave Boehm / Bob Wright / Ann Stevens / Noel Wright / Ken Boorman / Terry Little



GUEST SPEAKERS

- David Boruchowitz
- Spencer Jack
- Ad Konings
- Ray 'Kingfish' Lucas
- Oliver Lucanus
- Lee Newman



Ticket price includes the following at no extra charge

- Lunch meal Saturday
- Catered banquet dinner Saturday night
- Breakfast meal Sunday morning

CAOAC Executive meeting, Annual Elections & Awards Presentations

Bring your fish, reptiles, amphibians, plants, crafts & photos to show

Large Auction Sunday afternoon

All for only \$75 per person!

Purchase your tickets online.

Bring the family! Lots to see and do in the area!

Visit www.caoac.ca for all the convention details

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2010 Convention Event Schedule

Time	Event	Location
Friday May 21		
4:00-7:00pm	Registration	Conference Room
8:00-9:30pm	Spencer Jack Gymnogeophagus Of Uruguay	Connexions
Saturday May 22		
8:00-12:00am	Showroom open	Conference Room
9:30-10:45am	David Boruchowitz Swimming In A Toilet	Lecture Hall
11:00-12:15pm	Ad Konings Aulonocara Of Lake Malawi	Lecture Hall
12:00-1:15pm	Lunch *included with full ticket purchase*	
1:00-5:00pm	Showroom closed for Judging	
1:30-2:45pm	Lee Newman - Cool Fish In Warm Water - Tropical South American Earth Eaters	Lecture Hall
3:00-4:15pm	Oliver Lucanus Rheophile Fishes In Nature	Lecture Hall
4:30-5:45pm	Ad Konings The Genus Tropheus	Lecture Hall
6:30-7:00pm	Cocktails	Connexions
7:00-8:30pm	Dinner *included with full ticket purchase*	Connexions
8:30-9:30pm	Ray 'Kingfish' Lucas Fish, Food, Fun & Friends	Connexions
9:45-11:00pm	Spencer Jack Confessions Of A Cichlaholic	Connexions
Sunday May 23		
8:00-9:30am	CAOAC Annual General Meeting	Connexions
9:30-11:30am	Awards breakfast *included with full ticket purchase*	Connexions
11:30-12:30pm	Auction registration	Connexions
12:30-5:00pm	Auction	Connexions

REMINDER FROM THE CAOAC STEERING CHAIR

GENERAL RULES & PROCEDURES FOR NOMINATIONS & ELECTIONS

1. All nominations close at the end of the meeting break of the regularly scheduled April business meeting. A list of candidates will be published in the May newsletter. A list of the candidates and options for voting will be e-mailed to each member club ASAP after the April meeting.
2. Any one nominated for an office and defeated for election to that office can be re-nominated for any lower office even when nominations for new candidates have been closed.
3. Any office not contested will be opened for nominations at the Annual Meeting. Acclimation will only be allowed after every reasonable effort has been made to provide for a contested election.
4. Any member of a CAOAC member club can nominate any other member (including himself) of a CAOAC club. Private members may also run but only one can be elected to the executive.
5. All nominees will be contacted by the steering committee and only those wishing to stand will have their names published.
6. All officers will be elected by a majority of the votes cast. If a majority is not reached on the first ballot the top 3 vote getters and ties will stand for a second ballot. If a third ballot is required the top 2 vote getters will be voted on. In the event of a tie after the third ballot, the executive in office at the beginning of the election and present at the meeting shall immediately meet in a special closed meeting to break the tie.
7. The order of voting will be: President, 1st Vice president, 2nd Vice President, Recording Secretary, Treasurer and Corresponding Secretary.
8. All voting will be done by secret ballot. Vote count will not be announced. A candidate may request vote tabulation on any office for which he stood for election.
9. Clubs that give official notification of inability to attend the Annual Meeting have two options: A) notify steering of the name of the CAOAC member to whom they have given their proxy. No person can vote on behalf of more than one club. B) send in their vote by mail or by e-mail. This vote would only apply to the initial vote.
10. Current executive or nominated executive members cannot be appointed by a club to vote on their behalf.

Treasurer's Report March 21, 2010	
Cash on hand	\$389.85
TD Bank	\$9,556.24
Outstanding cheques	\$0.00
Cheques to deposit	\$0.00
Paypal	\$2,575.18
Sub-total	\$12,521.27
Receivables	\$561.31
Committed funds	\$621.28
Working Balance	\$12,461.30
USD	\$0.00
Committed Funds	
Programs	\$441.28
Apprentice binders Tony Bernard, Bob Wright, Paul McIntosh, Chelsey Smith	\$80.00
Dec 7, 07 unknown deposit	\$100.00
Total committed funds	\$621.28

IMPORTANT KEEP US UPDATED!

Noel Wright our corresponding secretary needs to know if there are any changes with your clubs contact information / mailing information / website changes and any upcoming events within your club.

PLEASE send her any changes and additions so we can update our files. This way CAOAC and its member clubs will have the most current information available about your club.

Corresponding Secretary **CAOAC**
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 416-883-0571

IMPORTANT REMINDER

Annual reports are due from committee members at the April general meeting.

First in CAOAC Certificates

Based on the latest submission from CAOAC member clubs, the Breeders Directory Committee has issued certificates to:

Charlie Drew (HDAS) Corydoras similis & Hypancistrus L-174
Barry McKee (DRAS) Chilatherina sentaniensis & Brachyrhaphis roswithae
Brian & Sue Glazier (SCAAS) Skiffia lermiae & Xiphophorus mayae

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

EVENT CALENDAR

April 2 –4, 2010
 Aquarium Society of Winnipeg **2010 AQUARIA EXPO**

April 11th, 2010
 Durham Region Aquarium Society. **SHOW & AUCTION.**

April 17, 2010
 Sarnia Aquarium Society. **AUCTION ONLY**

April 18, 2010
 10:30 AM CAOAC Executive meeting Waterdown, ON
 12:00 PM CAOAC General meeting Waterdown, ON

May 1, 2010
 Cambridge District Aquarium Society. **AUCTION ONLY**

May 2, 2010
 London Aquaria Society. **AUCTION ONLY**

May 21 – 23, 2010
 Canadian Association of Aquarium Clubs.
2010 ANNUAL CONVENTION. Sheridan College
 (Trafalgar Road Campus) Oakville, ON.

June 26, 2010
 Sarnia Aquarium Society Dinner & Guest speaker
 Gary Lange (Rainbowfish) 25.00 per person. This
 event includes 2 talks and a mini-auction.

June 27, 2010
 10:30 AM CAOAC Executive meeting Waterdown, ON
 12:00 PM CAOAC General meeting Waterdown, ON
(PRESIDENT'S BBQ)

September 18th, 2010
 Sarnia Aquarium Society. **SHOW & AUCTION**

September 19, 2010
 10:30 AM CAOAC Executive meeting Waterdown, ON
 12:00 PM CAOAC General meeting Waterdown, ON

September 26, 2010
 London Aquaria Society **SHOW & AUCTION**

October 3, 2010
 Hamilton & District Aquarium Society. **SHOW & AUCTION.**

October 17, 2010
 10:30 AM CAOAC Executive meeting Waterdown, ON
 12:00 PM CAOAC General meeting Waterdown, ON

October 24, 2010
 Kitchener-Waterloo Aquarium Society. **SHOW & AUCTION.**

October 31, 2010
 St Catharines & Area Aquarium Society. **SHOW & AUCTION**

November 7, 2010
 Peel Regional Aquarium Society. **AUCTION ONLY**

November 21, 2010
 10:30 AM CAOAC Executive meeting Waterdown, ON
 12:00 PM CAOAC General meeting Waterdown, ON

December 12, 2010
 (Christmas pot luck lunch following the executive
 meeting) **(Membership and Insurance applications
 are due) (Author and Advanced Author applica-
 tions are due)**
 10:30 AM CAOAC Executive meeting Waterdown, ON
 12:00 PM CAOAC General meeting Waterdown, ON

PROGRAMS

CAOAC has some fantastic programs available to any member club. All you pay is a small shipping and handling fee. See our website for full details.

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