



President's Message

September 2013

What a fabulous summer we had in Niagara. It was sunny days and comfortable nights. No extremes. I hope everyone was as lucky and is ready for an exciting and fun-fish-fall. Club meetings, auctions, and shows are on the CAOAC Calendar and coming up quickly. It's time to do our fish tank inventories and get the HAP/BAP forms done and bags ready for the auctions. It's also a great opportunity to get some different hardy (HAP) pond plants for next year, new fish to breed and enjoy and meet new friends.

Our first two club auctions are Sarnia (14th) and Hamilton (21st). These are SATURDAY auctions! The London Auction and SHOW is on Sunday (29th). A fish show is a fun way to introduce someone to the hobby. Take a relaxing drive, bring a friend and support your fellow clubs and hobbyists.

The Sunday, September 15th CAOAC meeting promises to be a busy one. The Executive meets at 11AM, and the General Meeting starts at 12PM. Everyone is welcome to attend. The Executive (7 positions) and Committee Chairs (16 positions) are comprised of volunteers. No-one of us lives in Waterdown, Ontario where the CAOAC meetings are held, 'in person'. Each of us travels to the meeting at our own expense, and each of us travel one or two and more hours each way. Our Corresponding Secretary and AHAP Chair (Ann Marie Towell) attends via SKYPE at 9AM from Calgary, AB. We offer Skype to every one and every club. All clubs needs to "attend" and let other hobbyists know what is happening in their club and region, regardless of where they are located in our great country.

The September meeting will focus on the Fish Rescue, website-binder status, committee budgets, Award rules and deadlines, membership and dues forms and deadlines, and Convention 2014. If you have any other concerns, please let me know.



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We are an Association of Clubs. The activities of each club are important. At every CAOAC meeting, there are club reports presented. Whether you have an event planned, or are reviewing a previous event, other clubs may benefit from your experience. Please share and submit your club report, in writing, before the monthly meeting date. The report should be short but concise and refer to your club's website or Newsletter for specific details, if needed.

The Durham Region Aquarium Society is hosting the 55th Annual CAOAC Convention in May 2014. This promises to be a notable and fantastic North American event. It will spotlight the vital importance of the C.A.R.E.S. program. Please watch the DRAS and CAOAC Websites for the latest information.

I personally want to thank the Forest City Pond Club for making my summer months so enjoyable. The enthusiasm, knowledge, and friendliness of the members won my heart. I am in love with Big Willie and his friends (with and without fins). As CAOAC President, I wanted to see what a Pond Club was about; and I cannot tell you what a wonderful and educational experience it has been. If you have a pond, you need to take a look at FCPC. I cannot wait until their next meeting: September 8th.

Please watch the Website and Newsletter for the latest CAOAC events list. Attend and bring a friend.

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Executive

2013-2014

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Want to participate in the meeting??

Can't make a meeting in person but would like to attend via Skype. You can, just look up Ann Stevens our Recording Secretary and add her to your list. Search for user Nov18angel and then let Ann know prior to the meeting, and she will sign onto Skype and accept your call.

2013

September

- 14 - 11:00 a.m. - Sarnia Aquarium Society Fall Auction. Details can be found [here](#).
- 15 - 11:00 a.m. - CAOAC Executive Meeting, Waterdown, Ontario
- 15 - 11:00 a.m. - General Meeting, Waterdown, Ontario
- 21 - Hamilton & District Aquarium Society Fall Auction, Waterdown, Ontario, Details can be found [here](#).
- 29 - London Aquaria Society Fall Show & Auction, Dorechester Ontario. Details can be found [here](#).

October

- 20 - 11:00 a.m. C.A.O.A.C. Executive Meeting, Waterdown Ontario
- 20 - 12:00 a.m. C.A.O.A.C. General Meeting, Waterdown, Ontario
- 27 - Kitchener Waterloo Aquarium Society Oktoberfish, Kitchener, Ontario. Please not room location has been changed to the basement this year. Details can be found [here](#).

November

- 2 - Tropical Fish Club of Erie County - Auction only - Details can be found [here](#).
- 3 - Peel Region Aquarium Society Auction. Details will be found on [here](#) their website.
- 9 - Chatham-Kent Aquarium Society presents a Dinner and Guest Speaker - Ted Judy, Chatham Ontario. Details can be found [here](#).
- 10 - St. Catharines & Area Aquarium Society - Fall Auction - Details can be found [here](#).
- 16 - Hamilton & District Aquarium Society presents a Dinner & Guest Speaker - Mark Denaro, Waterdown, Ontario. Details can be found [here](#).
- 17 - 11:00 a.m. - CAOAC Executive Meeting, Waterdown, Ontario.
- 17 - 12:00 a.m. - CAOAC General Meeting, Waterdown, Ontario.

December

- 8 - 11:00 a.m. CAOAC Executive Meeting, Waterdown, Ontario
- 8 - 12:00 a.m. CAOAC General Meeting, Waterdown, Ontario

2014

March

- 29 - Brant Aquarium Society, Annual Spring Show & Auction

April

- 6 - Durham & Region Aquarium Society, Aquariana Show & Auction

May

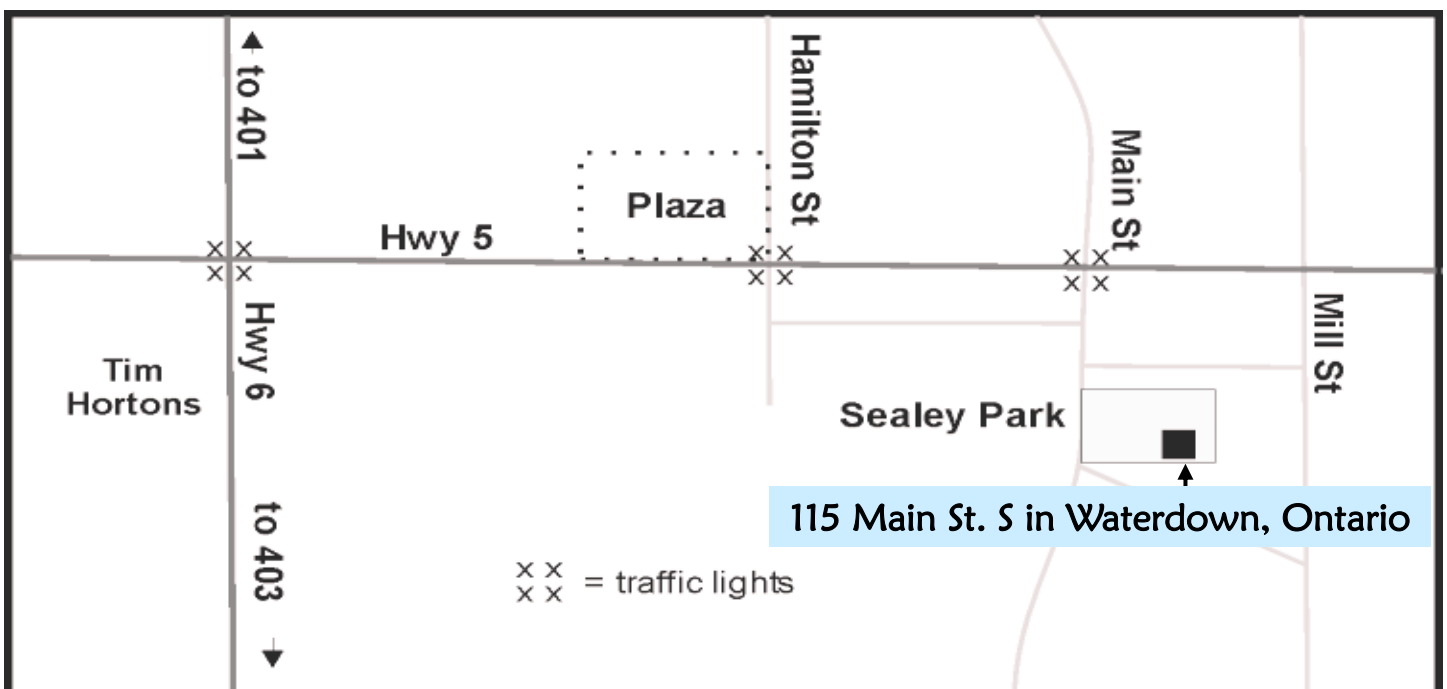
- 4 - London Aquaria Society, Spring Auction, Dorchester, Ontario - Details will be found [here](#).



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For more information in regards to events listed above, please check their website or members.

**CAOAC Meetings are Held at the Optimist Hall,
115 Main Street South Waterdown, Ontario.**



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Join us on Saturday, October 5th, 2013 for a special presentation by Joseph Uy, owner of *Miyabi Aqua Design Ltd.*, the exclusive Canadian distributor of *ADA (Aqua Design Amano)* where he shares his knowledge about "Nature Aquariums". Nature Aquariums, a Japanese art form based on a thriving and aquascaped planted tank, is like underwater bonsai. Practiced by enthusiasts all over the world, Nature Aquariums are designed to reflect the beauty of nature. Joseph shares his knowledge from studying with the master, Takashi Amano.

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- Techniques of Takashi Amano
- The Do's and Don'ts of Aquascaping
- Arranging Stones

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- Water Parameters and Substrates
- CO2 and Lighting
- What makes plants grow underwater

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- Daily, Weekly and Monthly maintenance
- Adding Nutrients
- Trimming Techniques

Door Prizes!
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<p>When: October 5th, 2013 1:00 PM – 5:00 PM</p> <p>e-mail exchange@dras.ca for more details</p>	<p>ADMISSION IS FREE</p>	<p>Where: Whitby Centennial Building (Attersley Room) 416 Centre Street South Whitby, Ontario L1N 4W2</p>
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