



Newsletter Of the Canadian Association of Aquarium Clubs

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President's Message

Happy New Year to all!

We at CAOAC wish all of you the best of health and happiness in the New Year!

January is a busy month with making all of our New Year's resolutions regarding our fish hobby

Myself, it will be tearing down a few tanks and redoing them, replacing some filters and possibly an automatic water change system!

For CAOAC and all of our clubs, it will be time to get our nominations in for Newsletter awards- email to Peter Melady, and Our CAOAC memberships are due in.

Coming up in February we have our CAOAC recognition awards due so now is the time to get that paperwork done and sent in.

Feb. is also time for clubs to have great speakers. Durham has Spencer Jack from Winnipeg speaking. Check our their website or facebook page for details.

Happy New Year everyone!

Nancy



Executive Meeting – December 9, 2018

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Called to order at 11:00 by Nancy Egelton at Weston Lions Arena.

Executive Attendance

Position	Name	Absent/Present
President	Nancy Egelton (TCGG)	Present
1 st VP	Peter DeSouza (HDAS)	Present
2 nd VP	Ann-Marie Towell (TCGG)	Present (Skype)
Corresponding Secretary	Murray Brown (TCGG)	Absent
Recording Secretary	Ann Stevens (HDAS)	Present
Treasurer	Ed Bosker (HDAS)	Present
Past President	Ron Bishop (LAS)	Absent
Also In Attendance:	Phil Barrett	Cindy Golden

Minutes –Peter moved to accept the minutes from the September meeting as distributed. Seconded by Ed. Carried

Old Business

Pet Expo report – No report from Grant for how much was raised with coupon at this time. TCGG has purchased the lids on behalf of CAOAC that were on the tanks at the Pet Expo. They will be stored at Nancy's. They can be used for CAOAC shows or another Pet Expo. Pet Expo will be providing a heat plate for the bottom of the tanks so they will be heated. Tanks, stands and heat plate belong to Pet Expo. There were 25 volunteers for the weekend. People we talked to were from Barrie, Oshawa, Guelph, London, Walkerton, Hamilton and other areas. There is also a Go Station behind the International Centre. It was a very positive experience.

- \$100 donation from Northfin Canada (receipt to be sent)
- \$235 raised from sale of fish
- Remaining fish were given to Peter DeSouza to bring to this meeting, Jeff Mountjoy took the remaining and will be auctioned at meeting to be sent later.

Ann Marie asked if there are any deals they can get for the Pet Expo out west.

Phil provided Nancy with some Do's & Don'ts for the Pet Expo to help us look professional. Phil will send a report to share.

Phil suggested having an inflatable "Nemo" to have floating.

2019 Convention:

Nancy would like to send out a letter for donations for convention. Peter DeSouza has offered to send it out early to catch the budget for the companies, since he already has the letter created. If anyone has any ideas, please send to Peter DeSouza.

Nancy would like to see corporate sponsors for the speakers at \$1200 for each.

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Treasurer's Report

November			5,322.94
Chq #245 - convention postcards	107.35		
Chq#246 - Internet, Computer Maint.	191.48		
Bank Fees			
Deposit:			
HDAS		330.00	
LAS		300.00	
Sarnia AS		280.00	
Saskatoon AS		330.00	
Thunder Bay		78.00	
TCGG		90.00	
Windsor AS		280.00	
Winnipeg AS		310.00	
BRASS		280.00	
CKAS		280.00	
Donation from CDN Aquatic for Pet Expo		100.00	
Pet Expo - sale of fish		205.00	
Ending Bank Balance-December 5	298.83	2,863.00	7,887.11
Reserved Funds - Terry Little			(362.82)
Forest City Pond Club Donation			(648.00)
Working Balance			6,876.29

No bank fees this month due to balance being over \$5000.

Ann to set up appointment at bank with Murray and Peter DeSouza

Items to be paid:

- Rent
- KW
- PIJAC

Motion to accept the report by Ann, seconded by Nancy. Carried

Correspondence

New Business

Catharine Salmon's mother has passed away and a card will be sent.

Peter DeSouza will be working on updating the speaker database. His letter will be sent with the newsletter.

Peter DeSouza suggested making some changes to the By-Laws for the term of office. He will send his recommendation for discussion at the next meeting.

January 2019

Motion to adjourn at 12:25

General Meeting

Called to order at 12:30 by President Nancy and welcomed everyone. Due to no quorum casual discussion with those present ensued.

Thank you to the following people who brought:

- Ed for the soup
- Peter for custard tarts,
- Nancy for chocolate brownies
- Cindy for chocolate cake.

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Club	Name	
St. Catharines	Phil Barrett	
Guests:		

Treasurers report – see Executive report for details

Business Arising from Executive – see Executive minutes.

Committee Chairs

Title	Chair	Co-Chair
AHD	Ann Marie Towell	
Binder	Ann Stevens	
Social Media/Advertising	Cindy Golden	
Fish Rescue	Ann Marie Towell	Various clubs
Membership	Ed Bosker	
Newsletter	Ann Stevens	
Education Directory	Open	
Ways & Means	Cindy Golden	
Webmaster	Ann Stevens	
Convention	Nancy Egelton	

If you would like to be a part of a committee please contact either the chair or an executive member.

AHD- nothing to report

Archivist –

Awards – Newsletter Award submissions are due the January 2019 CAOAC meeting. The Awards Committee will be judging them. Make sure that they are sent to the Awards Chair (hpmelady@hotmail.com). A good idea is to mention 'CAOAC Newsletter Award submission' in the subject line as some have been missed in the past. So far two clubs have sent in their newsletters but others have promised.

All other Achievement and Recognition Award submissions are due the February 2019 CAOAC meeting. These submissions can be sent at any time to the Awards Chair. You don't have to wait until the deadline to apply.

Binder – no updates

Memberships – cheques have been received from the following clubs:

Club	Paid	Source
Membership & Insurance		
Aquarium Society of Winnipeg	310.00	Cheque
Saskatoon Aquarium Society	330.00	Cheque
Hamilton & District AS	330.00	Cheque
Ottawa Valley AS	310.00	PayPal
Greater Victoria AS	280.00	PayPal
Chatham-Kent AS	280.00	Cash
Sarnia AS	280.00	Cheque
London AS	300.00	Cheque
Windsor AS	280.00	Cheque
Barrie Region AS of Simcoe	280.00	Cheque
Durham Region AS	310.00	Cheque
Membership Only		
Thunder Bay AS	78.00	Cheque
Trans Canada Guppy Group	90.00	Cheque
Société d'Aquariophile de Montréal ('SAM')	90.00	PayPal

Outstanding:

Club	Comments
Aquarium Club of Edmonton	No reply to emails
Betta Breeders of Canada	No reply to emails
Calgary Aquarium Society	Cheque to be sent shortly
Kitchener-Waterloo AS	Cheque TB sent this month
Marine Aquarium Society of Toronto	Advised at PetExpo wants to renew with insurance
Regina Aquarium Society	No reply to emails
St. Catharines & Area Aquarium Society	Cheque being sent registered mail
Peel Region Aquarium Society	No replies to emails

I am presuming that Brant has folded. No confirmation on this.

Motion to accept Thunder Bay AS and GTA Aquarium Club as new clubs. Seconded by Peter DeSouza

Nancy mentioned that she was approached by Mike Majer that there is a new club forming in the First Nations.

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Ways & Means – opening balance was \$85.50..\$7.65 was spent on treats for November's meeting. The 50/50 draw brought in 21.00.with Rick from London winning \$11.00 Donations brought in \$4.00.Totalling it to \$100.55.Merry Christmas Everyone and enjoy the holidays!

Website –

- Next year's dates and locations have been added to the calendar.
- Removed the Clubs Needs form.
- Added link for the month of November for discount on PetExpo tickets.

Club Reports

Calgary – Calgary is at 75 members . We will be having our Christmas potluck this Tuesday and our Aquaticon is on March 2. We held our AGM and elections in November and we are looking for more board members.

Durham – The Dec. Meeting is our Annual Social meeting. in February we are having our Social dinner featuring Spencer Jack. I have in closed the flyer.

Hamilton – Our Dec program on Thurs Dec 13 is our Christmas Special with Noel providing the program. We have our Neighbour to Neigh our Food Drive, Sarah's Table Draw, mini auction, table raffle, etc. Pizza and Wings will be supplied. Add ons and deserts are always welcomed.

Our Spring Auction and Show is on Sat Mar 23 at the Waterdown Legion.

Kitchener-Waterloo – Our December meeting was attended by about 45 members. It was our Holiday Season Pot Luck and free members raffle. There were lots of good food and plenty of draw prizes.

The annual Kwas club awards were given. Author of the Year is Karen Murray, Breeder of the Year is Terry Clements, Horticulturalist of the Year is Stuart Morley, Mini Show 3rd David Deleeuw, 2nd Terry Clements, 1st Zenin Skomorowski, Hobbyists of the Year - Jay & Jenny Oliver.

Find Kitchener-Waterloo Aquarium Society meeting and mini show photos also on Facebook.

Our website is www.kwas.ca

St. Catharines – We had a great turnout for our December potluck dinner meeting. We had a raffle, jar show and mini auction . Member prize draws where also held.

January 7th is our next meeting and we'll have a presentation on arowana by Oscar Virgilio , everyone is welcome

Merry Christmas everyone .

Sarnia – We had our Christmas/Awards party (Dec 4) where our year end Awards were given out. Everyone brought something to eat and a great time was had by all. We have ended the year with 19 members and look forward to a prosperous 2019.

Windsor - The Windsor aquarium society December meeting is one of our biggest meetings of the year because of our huge December raffle. This year was the best yet!!! We had some awesome prizes to be won like a 32 gallon fluval flex setup, 4.5 lbs of flake fish food, a number of new filters and 2 15 gallon column tanks just to name a few.

We also had a Lego contest for our bowl show and a biotope contest as well. As always we had a small auction and we had a small presentation by one of our members on the evolution of our club logo, we also got to see our new and improved logo.

It was another great meeting for the Windsor Aquarium Society.

Happy holidays

Thank you Peter, Myron, Phil and Cindy for sending their reports prior to the meeting. Thank you to those who sent their reports after also. It is appreciated.

Old Business

Convention 2019

Trans Canada Guppy Group have secured our speaker for the 2019 CAOAC Convention is sponsoring Steven Elliott from England. He will be speaking and explaining on guppy classification classes.

Ann & Nancy to go to the convention hotel for set up for next year.

New Business

Adjourned at 1:15 by Ed.

Upcoming Events

January 2019			March 2019	
20	CAOAC Meeting – Optimist Hall Waterdown		2	Calgary Aquarium Society Aquaticon,
			17	CAOAC Meeting – Optimist Hall Waterdown
			23	Hamilton & District Aquarium Society Show & Auction
			31	Barrie Regional Aquarium Society of Simcoe Auction
February 2019			April 2019	
10	CAOAC Meeting – Optimist Hall Waterdown		13	Saria Aquarium Society Auction
23	Durham Region Aquarium Society speaker dinner – Jack Spencer		27	Windsor Aquarium Society Swap Meet
			28	CAOAC Meeting – Optimist Hall Waterdown

Check the website calendar for links for more details.

PLEASE REMEMBER TO SEND ME YOUR CLUB EVENTS TO BE INCLUDED ON THE CALENDAR



January 2019

New CFIA animal health requirements for the import of Koi

December 18, 2018/in Alerts, Business /by Susan Dankert

We are working with the Canadian Food Inspection Agency (CFIA) to help distribute information about a new requirement regarding the importation of Koi from the USA into Canada. This new measure is in response to outbreaks of Koi herpesvirus disease (KHV) in Canada in 2018. They are reaching out through us to collect feedback as soon as possible. A memo from the CFIA outlining export certificate requirements is below. Please review it and send your comments and questions directly to programs@pijaccanada.com. We will be gathering the feedback and sending it to our contact at the department. It is important to note the start date for this adjustment is sometime in January 2019.

We appreciate your assistance with this. Your engagement helps to keep our Canadian pet business network strong, as well as our collaborative relationships with the government.

Changes to the CFIA animal health requirements for the export of Koi carp from the USA to Canada

December 17, 2018

As a result of outbreaks of Koi herpesvirus disease (KHV) in Canada in 2018, the CFIA has renegotiated with the USA, the export certification requirements for Koi carp. Implementation of these new export certification requirements will begin in January 2019.

Currently Koi carp exported to Canada from the USA are required to have a valid CFIA import permit and shipments must be accompanied by the USDA endorsed export certificate "Veterinary Health Certificate for Export of Aquarium/Outdoor holding units-private/commercial from the United States of America to Canada".

As of February 2019, all imports of Koi will require the new USDA- APHIS export certificate "Veterinary Health Certificate for the Export of Live Koi Carp for Aquarium or Outdoor Holding unit from the USA to Canada" to accompany the valid CFIA import permit. This new certificate will apply exclusively to the export of Koi carp from the US to Canada. There will be no change in the export certification requirement for all other susceptible ornamental or aquarium species and these species will continue to use the existing export certificate "Veterinary Health Certificate for Export of Aquarium/Outdoor holding units-private/commercial from the United States of America to Canada".

There will be a transition period to provide time to adjust to the new import requirements to minimize impacts on trade. Importers are reminded that the CFIA only requires import permits for species that are susceptible to CFIA regulated diseases (Susceptible Species List).

The new zoosanitary requirements for Koi carp are summarized below:

Either

The exporting premises can be designated as free from the diseases of concern if the US official can verify that:

- The facility has historical testing and ongoing testing to support freedom from CFIA regulated diseases.
- The facility has a biosecurity plan.
- There have been no unexplained morbidity/mortality prior to export and no official disease restrictions have been placed on the exporting facility.

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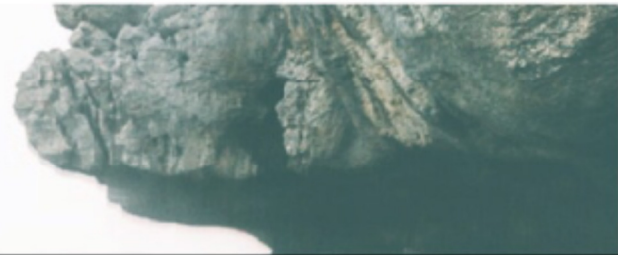
- The populations have not been in contact with water or animals of a lesser or unknown health status.
- The animals have not been vaccinated for the diseases of concern.

OR

If the premises doesn't have a recognized health status as free from diseases of concern, then the population to be exported:

- Has been tested and found free of diseases of concern.
- Has had no unexplained morbidity/mortality prior to export and no official disease restrictions have been placed on the exporting facility.
- The animals to be exported have not been in contact with water or animals of a lesser or unknown health status.
- The animals have been inspected and shown no clinical signs of disease.
- The animals have not been vaccinated for the diseases of concern.

Durham Region Aquarium Society Speaker Dinner



ANNUAL DINNER

FEBRUARY 23, 2019

GUEST SPEAKER: SPENCER JACK

AUCTION WILL INCLUDE FISH AND SPONSORED ITEMS

Fish Farmin'

"A talk featuring many stops along my travels focusing on fish farms and plant nurseries. Included within is a look to African Cichlid Farms, Koi Farms, Guppy Farms, Plant Nurseries plus much much more!"

Tickets are \$50

space is limited

For online Payments via e*transfer, contact our treasurer Rick Glencross: rtg.consult@sympatico.ca

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Guest Speakers



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Invertebrates,
Amphibians and
Equipment for sale

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Calgary Alberta

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What do you want to read?

The intent of this newsletter is to share some of the details of the meeting and upcoming events. From time to time, I try to include recent news. If there is something you would like to see, or if you have an article you would like included, please send it to me, ann.stevens11@gmail.com.

Regular Monthly Meetings

Who can attend? Any member of an Aquarium Club can attend the General Meeting that follows the Executive Meeting. It usually starts around 12:00 noon.

We have raffles, 50/50 draws, and snacks to share.

Why should you attend? To be part of the discussion that takes place between other clubs and items that are raised by the Executive. It's a great way to share ideas and discuss issues you may be having.

Skype Details

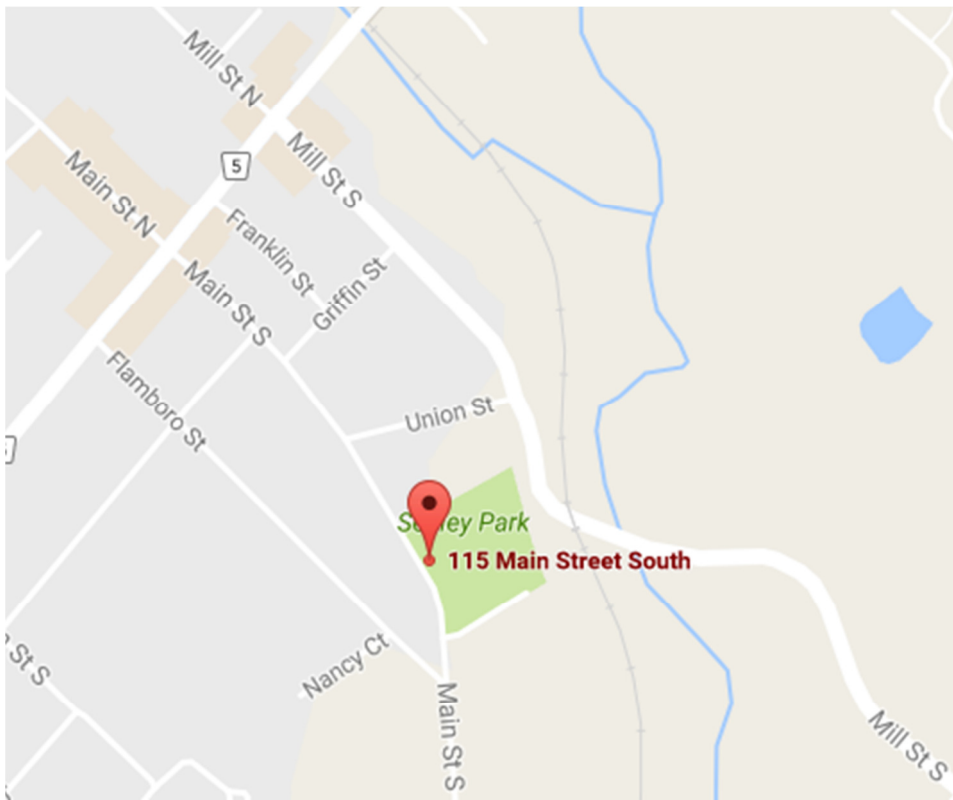
Can't attend the meeting? You can Skype in and participate that way. Here are the details:

Search for either Nov18angel or ann.stevens11@gmail.com

Request to be added to your contacts and I will accept.

Where do we meet?

Optimist Hall, 115 Main Street South Waterdown, Ontario



What is CAOAC?

We are often asked this question. CAOAC stands for The Canadian Association of Aquarium Clubs. We are a non-profit corporation and are composed of member aquarium, reptile & amphibian, pond & water garden, and similar clubs or societies from across Canada and the Northeast United States. CAOAC was founded in 1959 (incorporated in 1963) to allow the clubs to work together for their common good and the good of the hobby. Legislative issues, promotion of events, a judging system, national awards, assistance for new clubs, & liability Insurance are just a few of the things on which clubs can work and benefit together. Recently, a Fish Rescue Program has begun. This has been developed with outside partners who also have an interest in our hobby and environmental issues.

What are the benefits of being a member?

- National awards program to honour those in member clubs who have achieved success in breeding, plant propagation, or other endeavours related to the hobby.
- National judging program to train and certify judges as well as set standards that all can use to judge their shows.
- Third-party liability insurance program to protect club members in case of an unfortunate accident at one of their functions.
- National forum to express views and opinions.
- National voice to deal with legislation which may impact negatively on our hobby and to put forward constructive ideas to politicians and bureaucrats.
- A chance to become involved with people who share similar interests with yourselves.
- If you are interested in joining CAOAC as a club or as a private (non-voting) member, please contact our Membership Chair, see under committees for email address.
- In person meetings are held monthly (except July & August) in Waterdown, Ontario (unless otherwise posted) at the Optimist Hall where clubs which are within driving distance send their representative (s) to discuss issues of the day as well as the future.