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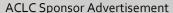
Jack LaFayette

First and foremost, congratulations to us, the ACLC, for winning the Keystone Clash! We had a great showing of awardwinning entries that secured our victory. Second, I'd like to thank everyone involved, from both our club and the Cichlid Club of York (and probably others). There were many people who contributed, and a few who contributed a whole bunch to planning, set-up, and execution that made the event as successful and fun as it was. The speakers were also a real treat, and I especially enjoyed the presentation on West African Aquariums by Ted Judy. Ugh, that's probably another two or three tanks I have to set up now.



On a completely unrelated topic, here are two DIY skills that I suggest you dabble in at some point in your fish career, if you haven't already. Feel free to ask me about either of them for more information. First, working with PVC. Gluing PVC is easier than you might think and quite forgiving, considering how cheap the materials are. There are also a multitude of applications where upping your PVC game will come in super handy. Second is glass-drilling. Not as easy or forgiving as PVC, but the ability to drill and install a bulkhead in the sides of aquariums make a whole bunch of other DIY projects and set-ups possible. Combine these two skills and you can create a multi-aquarium central sump set-up like I have, on the cheap!

Jack





EDITOR'S NOTES

We really have a great issue of Tank Tales this month with some really nice articles. The next few months should be great! Since June we have had 20 species of fish turned in for BAP and 11 species of plants for HAP. With only one article that I am aware of being turned in for these fish and plants, that means there are a lot of points being left on the table! Remember, just a short, descriptive article about the fish or plant that was submitted to BAP or HAP gets you bonus points and there are enough points out there to make a difference in the standings. Also, for every article you write and picture you take and submit it to Tank Tales, you get WAAP points and we submit many of the articles to the NEC and FAAS for their annual awards.

Let's get writing folks! All those BAP, HAP and CARES fish you are all breeding and maintaining as well as the trips to auctions, meetings and shows around the area make great material for articles.

Thank you

Kurt

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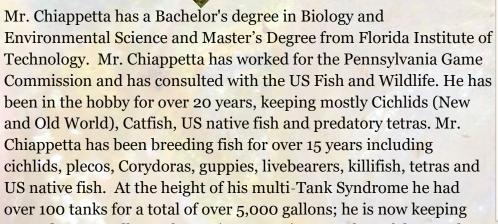


OCTOBER PROGRAM

Toothy Tetras: From Tank Busters to Tiny Predators

...an overview of predatory tetras & other toothy fish for any size tank





Time & Place

Saturday

October 15th

1:00 PM

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around 2,000 gallons of aquariums. He is a member of the North Jersey Aquarium Society, Jersey Shore Aquarium Society, American Cichlid Association and is active on various internet forums.

Mr. Chiappetta has collected fish in 22 states and seven countries for professional, academic and hobbyist purposes.

In Memoriam

Forest W. "Wayne" Calender



On August 1st, the Aquarium Club of Lancaster County and the entire aquarium hobby lost one of the best. Wayne was one of our founding members and until recently was actively participating in the activities of the ACLC and the Keystone Killi Group. Wayne started the ACLC's Breeder Award Program and is the namesake of our highest BAP Achievement award. He and Doris were always a fixture at ACLC events and will sadly be missed.

Obituary from Lancaster Online

Forest W. "Wayne" Calender, 88, of Lancaster, PA, passed away at his home on Monday, August 1, 2016. Born in Marion, OH, he had moved with his family to the Lancaster area when he was 12 years old, the son of the late Henry Edward and Grace Kelly Calender. He was the husband of the late Doris Mae Carpenter Calender, who passed away in 2008.

Forest had served with the U.S. Navy during World War II as a Seabee. He owned and operated his own painting contacting business that he started in 1953 until he retired in 1997, selling the business to Two Dudes Painting.

A tropical fish enthusiast, he was a founding member of the Aquarium Club of Lancaster County and was a breeder of tropical fish, for which he won numerous awards. He especially enjoyed his family time with his granddaughters and great-grandchildren.

Forest will be lovingly remembered by his sons, David W. Calender and Donald H., (Diana L.) Calender, his granddaughters, Daphne L., (Jason) Rhinier and Trista L. Ambs and his great-grandchildren, Alexis and Jason Rhinier, Jr.





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Piscatorial Pearls—January Aquarium Societies

Anubias: A Plant for Everyone!

Kurt Johnston

Maintenance, Cultivation, Reproduction

Best Article all Other Categories, Junior

Michael Buchma

Joseph Pacheco

Aquarium Societies

My Aquarium

Second Place

Aquarium Societies

Best Exchange Article

Best Traveling Aquarist Article

Piscatorial Pearls—March

Kurt Johnston

Topical Tank—February

The Traveling Aquarist: Sea World Joel Antkowiak

Best Cartoon Federation of American

Best Article all Other

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Categories, Junior

My Fish Tank Story

Joseph Pacheco

Third Place

Best Changing Cover, Original

2015 Tank Tales

Federation of American Karen Haas along of American

Best Exchange Article

Best Spawning Article, 500 -

Piscatorial Pearls—Iune Whatever You Want to Call Them: Kurt Johnston

1000 words

Best Traveling Aquarist

Tanichthys macaggemmae

Joel Antkowiak

Article

Mile High Cichlids and Other Fish!! Alan Rollings

Aquarium Societies

Best Cartoon

Topical Tank—?????

Bob Kulesa

Honorable Mention

Chapalichthys encaustus "Largo de

Best Spawning Article, under

500 words

Best Continuing Column by a Single Author (s)

Alan Rollings

President's Message

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Best Continuing Column by a Single Author (s)

What's in My Tank

Karen Haas

NOTE: The ACLC's 15 total awards was third behind Kitchener-Waterloo Aquarium Society's Fins & Tales(24) and the Federation of Texas Aquarium Society's Fish Tales (18). Let's keep up the good work! We still have 2 more issues for the 2016 Awards!

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The ACLC is scheduled to meet on the third Saturday of each month (except July and August) at the Hand-in-Hand Fire co., 313 Enterprise Drive, Bird-in-Hand, PA 17505. Meetings begin at 1:00 PM unless otherwise noted. Meetings usually are comprised of a program featuring a guest speaker, raffle and door prizes and a mini fish auction, with a period allowed for mingling and refreshments. The philosophy of the club is such that our activities are interesting to both the novice and advanced hobbyist alike. An effort is made to keep business to a minimum at the general meetings, with the board of directors meeting being held quarterly at a pre-established date and time.

DATE: /

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November 19th
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The inaugural year for the ACLC's Aquatic Life Education Fund concluded on August 31st and was certainly a success. The ACLC gave Hannah McNett, Science Research Program instructor at Manchester Valley High School, a check for \$706 at the Keystone Clash Banquet on September 17th. That money came from ACLC Auction proceeds (\$278.39), individual donations (\$227.61), and a \$200 check from Joel Antkowiak & Associates. We have already begun collecting money for the 2017 recipient, who has yet to be determined. If you know of a worthy education facility in the area, please contact Kurt Johnston at ALEF@aclcpa.org

LIVE FOOD REPORT

SPAWNING THE EARTHWORM

BY GARY HAAS

Originally published in the Bulletin of the Advanced Aquarists of the National Capital Area (B-AANCA), May-Jun 1976

Today we 'll be talking about the earthworm. Earthworms spawn in two's, but it doesn't matter which two as they all can be mama's or papa's. For that matter, there's no need to buy six to be sure of a pair. Homosexuality in the earthworm population is an irrelevant concept. Breeding activity occurs on damp nights (a heavy dew is sufficient), when all the earthworms leave their holes in the ground cruising the surface for a piece of tail. Small, reckless worms may leave their holes altogether; large nightcrawlers belie their name by keeping the tip of the tail anchored in the hole in case of a need for immediate flight, stretching their bodies all around the hole in search of a one-night stand.

When a worm finds a partner, the bodies fuse together from the ring to the tip of the head, in one of the slimiest, grossest acts of rapture I've ever witnessed. It's handy when hunting them

by flashlight, though, because two worms fused together are nearly 1" square of shiny reflection, which Is easy to see, and they 're usually too wrapped up in each other to notice you till you grab them and pull them both from their holes. (Small worms Indulge in puppy love, and will characteristically split up when grabbed, so you're lucky to get one), Later, one or both worms will lay an egg case which will hatch dozens of little worms, which are not guarded or cared for by the parents. Which probably explains why earthworms have never developed civilization, that and the lack of an opposable thumb.

The breeding process of "fusion" should never be confused with the breeder reaction of lower worms, which undergo "fission", in which the worm simply splits and you have two worms instead of one, and then four, eight, sixteen, 32, etc., in a mushrooming population explosion. Many people don't recognize the difference, thus the earthworm's popular misnomer of, Fission Worm.





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2016 KEYSTONE CLASH SHOW RESULTS

BEST OF SHOW

Liosamadoras oncinus

Austin Johnson

RESERVE OF SHOW

Lamprologus congoensis

Karen Haas / Alan Rollings BEST CICHLID

Lamprologus congoensis

Karen Haas / Alan Rollings

BEST CARES SPECIES

Pundamilia nyererei

Karen Haas / Alan Rollings

RUSTY WESSEL CHOICE

Amphilophus citrinellus

Sam Phelan

KING & QUEEN CICHLIDS CHOICE

Amphilophus citrinellus

Sam Phelan

PEOPLE'S CHOICE

Symphysodon sp.

Chris Gazdick

BEST OF DIVISION WINNERS

Division I—New World Cichlids

Aequidens sp Jenaro Herrara

Bill Sensor

Division 2—Old World Cichlids

Lamprologus congoensis

Karen Haas/Alan Rollings

Division 3—Catfishes & Loaches

Liosamadoras oncinus

Austin Johnson

Division 4—Killies & Livebearers

Xiphophorus helleri "Black"

Karen Haas/Alan Rollings

Division 5—All Other Fishes

Chilatherina sentaniensis

Joel Antkowiak

Division 6—All Other Aquatic Life

Caridinia multidentata

Karen Haas/Alan Rollings

Division 7—Aquatic Expressions

Lampwork beads

Christine Keys

CLASS WINNERS

CLASS 1—ANGELFISH

1stAngelfish #1Dwayne Walker2ndAngelfish #2Dwayne Walker3rdAngelfish #3Kristina Bryson

CLASS 3—NEW WORLD DWARF CICHLIDS

Ist Apistogramma William Peregrine

2nd Apistogramma William Peregrine cacatuoides Triple Red

CLASS 2—DISCUS

ıst Symphysodon sp. #2 Chris Gazdick

2nd Symphysodon sp. #5 Chris Gazdick 001 3rd Apistogramma norberti Bill Sensor

3rd Symphysodon sp. #6 Chris Gazdick

2016 SHOW RESULTS CONT'D...

Ist

Ist

Bill Sensor

Aequidens sp Jenaro Herrara Ryan Farrish Aequidens metae 2nd Adinoacara sp Choco Bill Sensor 3rd

CLASS 5—S.A. CICHLIDS OVER 6"

Gymnogeophagus Joseph Chiappetta Ist balzanii Crenicichla lenticulata Scott McLaughlin 2nd Crenicichla sveni Karen Haas / Alan 3rd Rollings

CLASS 6—C.A. CICHLIDS 6" & UNDER

Amititlania Karen Haas / Alan ıst nigrofasciata "Black" Rollings Thorichthys meeki Scott McLaughlin 2nd Amititlania siquia "Rio **Christine Keys** 3rd Tempisque"

CLASS 7—C.A. CICHLIDS OVER 6"

Amphilophus citrinellus Sam Phelan

Cichlasoma festae Scott McLaughlin 2nd Sam Phelan Paratheraps bifasciatus 3rd

CLASS 8—FLOWERHORNS

Ist Flowerhorn #3 Frank Phelan Flowerhorn #1 Frank Phelan 2nd Flowerhorn #2 Joseph Chiappetta 3rd

CLASS 9—HAPLOCHROMINES, VIC. BASIN

Astatotilapia calliptera Lisa Hoebner Ist Karen Haas/Alan Pundamilia nyererei 2nd Rollings 3rd **Paralabidochromis** Tom Gillooly chromogynos

CLASS 10—LAKE MALAWI HAPLOCHROMINES,

Protomelas marginatus Mike Mull Ist Dwayne Walker 2nd Otopharynx tetrastigma Copadichromis borleyi Dwayne Walker 3rd

CLASS 11—ALL PEACOCK CICHLIDS.

Aulonacara stuartgranti Kristina Marie Ist mbensis Bryson Aulonacara maulana Lisa Hoebner 2nd Aulonacara rubescens Lisa Hoebner 3rd

CLASS 12—MBUNA.

Ist Tropheops sp Red Cheek Christine Keys 2nd Labeotropheus Dwayne Walker fuelleborni 3rd Pseudotropheus sp Dwayne Walker Williamsi North

CLASS 13—TANG. SUBSTRATE SPAWNERS

Altolamprologus calvus Joseph Chiappetta Ist Neolamprologus 2nd Gary Haas multifasciatus Neolamprologus pulcher Christine Keys 3rd Neolamprologus Joel Antkowiak 3rd brichardi

CLASS 14—TANGANYIKAN MOUTHBROODERS

Ist Callochromis Lisa Hoebner pleurospilus 2nd Tropheus sp. Julie Lovell



2016 SHOW RESULTS CONT'D...

(Class 15—AO Old Worl	D CICHLIDS 5" &
	UNDER	
t	Lamprologus congoensis	Karen Haas/Alai

Ist Rollings

2nd Coptodon snyderae Joel Antkowiak

Nanochromis splendens William Peregrine 3rd

CLASS 16—AO OLD WORLD CICHLIDS OVER 5"

Hemichromis elongatus Scott McLaughlin Ist

CLASS 17—CORYDORAS & RELATED SPECIES

Corydoras sp CW051 Tom Gillooly Ist

Corydoras habrosus Joel Antkowiak 2nd

3rd Corydoras gomezi Tom Gillooly

CLASS 18—PLECO TYPES

Kerry Dilks **Ist** L-129

Ancistrus cf cirrhosus Karen Haas/Alan 2nd

Rollings

Peckoltia sabaji L-75 Lisa Hoebner 3rd

CLASS 19—ALL OTHER CATFISH

Liosamadoras oncinus Austin Johnson Ist

2nd Loricaria simillima Bill Sensor

Phyllonemus typus Karen Haas/Alan 3rd

Cephalosilurus

apurensis

CLASS 20—ALL OTHER BOTTOM DWELLERS

Rollings

Petruichthys sp "Rosy" Karen Haas/Alan Ist Rollings

Botia striata **Joel Antkowiak** 2nd

3rd Botia striata Karen Haas/Alan Rollings

CLASS 21—OLD WORLD KILLIFISHES

Aplochcheilichthys Joel Antkowiak Ist pumilus

Fundulopanchax 2nd Gary Haas spoorenbergi

3rd Aphyosemion striatum Joel Antkowiak

CLASS 22—New World Killifishes

Hypsolebias hellneri Gary Haas Ist

2nd Nematolebias Michael Echt

papilliferus

Simpsonichthys Gary Haas 3rd

santanae

CLASS 23—GUPPIES & ENDLER'S

Poecilia wingei Blonde Karen Haas/Alan Ist

Rollings

Poecilia wingei Flametail Karen Haas/Alan 2nd

Rollings

Ioel Antkowiak 3rd Poecilia reticulatus

Tanaka's Blue Double X

HiFin Lyretail

CLASS 24—XIPHOPHORUS (DOMESTIC STRAINS)

Xiphophorus helleri Karen Haas/Alan Ist Black Rollings

Xiphophorus helleri Roy Allen

Xiphophorus helleri Karen Haas/Alan 3rd

Black Rollings

CLASS 25—XIPHOPHORUS (WILD TYPE)

Xiphophorus mayae Roy Allen Ist

Xiphophorus continens **Ioel Antkowiak** 2nd

Xiphophorus continens Joel Antkowiak 3rd

2016 Show Results Cont'd...

2nd

3rd

Ctenopoma kingsleyi

Betta rubra

	CLASS 26—ALL OTHER	POFCILIIDS	CLASS 31—NATIVE FISHES			
ıst	Brachyrhaphis rhabdophora	Joel Antkowiak	ıst	Lucania goodei	Karen Haas/Alan Rollings	
2nd	Brachyrhaphis holdrigei	Karen Haas/Alan Rollings	Cı	.ass 32—All Other Fre	SHWATER FISHES	
3rd	Gambusia holbrooki	Karen Haas/Alan Rollings	ıst	Tanichthys albonubes	Karen Haas/Alan Rollings	
			2nd	Danio kerri	Joel Antkowiak	
	CLASS 27—ALL OTHER	LIVEBEARERS	3rd	Parachirodon simulans	Christine Keys	
ıst	Ameca splendens	Joel Antkowiak		Class 33—All Mar	ine Fishes	
2nd	Characodon <mark>audax</mark>	Joel Antkowiak	Ist	Cyprinodon brontotheroides	Joel Antkowiak	
3rd		Karen Haas/Alan Rollings	2nd	Cyprinodon brontotheroides	Joel Antkowiak	
	Class 28—Rainbo	OWFISHES	3rd	Cyprinodon brontotheroides	Joel Antkowiak	
ıst	Chilatherina sentaniensis	Joel Antkowiak				
2nd	Melanotaenia	Gary Haas	CLA	ASS 34—ALL FRESHWATER	RINVERTEBRATES	
3rd	boesemani Melanotaenia pygmaeus	Callie Parker	Ist	Caridinia multidentata	Karen Haas/Alan Rollings	
	Class 29—Betta splen	DENS—MATE	2nd	Clea helena	Karen Haas/Alan Rollings	
	GEROS 27 DETTR STEER	DEINS IVIALE				
Ist	Crowntail	Emily Moyer		CLASS 35—MARINE INV	/ERTEBRATES	
2nd	Crowntail	Joel Antkowiak	No E	ntri <mark>es</mark>		
	CLASS 30—ALL OTHER A	NABANTOIDS	Cı	.ass 36—All Other Aq	uatic Animals	
ıst	Betta splendens (F)	Joel Antkowiak	ıst	Axolotl	Liz Walker	

2nd Axolotl

Joel Antkowiak

Gary Haas

Liz Walker

CLASS 37—AQUATIC PLANTS

Isoetes lacustris Karen Haas/Alan Ist

Rollings

Bolbitus heudelotii 2nd

Tom Gillooly

Vallisneria sp. 3rd

Karen Haas/Alan

Rollings

CLASS 40—BOWL BEAUTIFUL

Bowl Joel Antkowiak Ist

and Bowl Joel Antkowiak

CLASS 41—AQUARIUM BEAUTIFUL 5G & LARGER (NATURAL AQUASCAPE)

No Entries

CLASS 38—ART (PAINTINGS, DRAWINGS)

No Entries

CLASS 42—AQUARIUM BEAUTIFUL 5G & LARGER (THEMED/ARTIFICIAL)

CLASS 43—PHOTOGRAPHY

No Entries

CLASS 39—CRAFTS

Lampwork Beads **Christine Keys** Ist Angelfish Joel Antkowiak Ist Lampwork Beads **Christine Keys** 2nd 2nd Rainbowfish Joel Antkowiak 3rd Lampwork Beads **Christine Keys** Polyps Joel Antkowiak 3rd

INDIVIDUAL SHOW CHAMPION (TOTAL POINTS)

Karen Haas/ Alan Rollings - 219 points

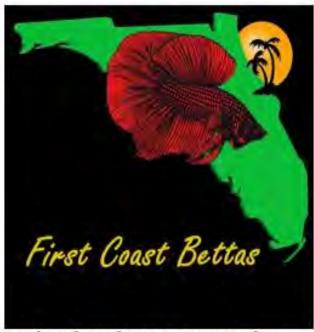
CLUB SHOW CHAMPION (TOTAL POINTS)

Aquarium Club of Lancaster County—461 points





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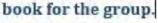
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AQUATIC LIFE EDUCATION FUND

In January 2016, the Aquarium Club of Lancaster County Board of Directors announced a new program, the ACLC Aquatic Life Education Fund. This program has been instituted to assist schools in our area with funding for the continued development of curriculums related to the study of aquatic life. The importance of continued education of young people in this field could not be overstated and we felt that there is no better way to show our support than to develop a means for our club to assist financially.

The program will work as follows:

- Five percent (5%) of the ACLC's auction proceeds annually between September 1st and August 31st will be earmarked for this fund
- The ACLC will also collect any donations offered by members and guests at all meetings and events held during the year and put 100% of those into the fund
- The ACLC will accept nominations from ACLC Members in good standing, for schools to be considered recipients beginning in September of each year and the decision will be made by a vote of the ACLC membership no later than at the March General meeting.
- Nominations should be accompanied by a letter from that school's representative with a description of the program the funds will be used for.
- Schools must be pre-college education facilities from neighboring counties in Pennsylvania, Maryland, Delaware and New Jersey.
- No fees or other costs will be deducted from the funds collected. 100% will go to the school selected by the ACLC. A check will be awarded to that school as soon as possible after August 31st each year.

We look forward to this being and long term annual program to help educate our areas' young people in all aspects of our hobby and to promote the conservation efforts necessary for the continues existence of aquatic life.

IMPORTANT!

The Aquarium Club of Lancaster County is currently looking for nominations for the 2017 recipient of the Aquatic Life Education Fund proceeds. If you know of any school that could benefit from this program please contact or have the school contact Kurt Johnston at ALEF@aclcpa.org.

AQUATIC LIFE EDUCATION FUND OCTOBER REPORT

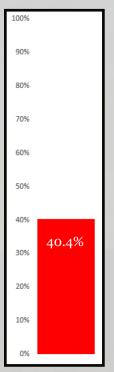
The second year for the ALEF is now underway, and what a start! At the Keystone Clash, the ACLC team won the Challenge and that included a cash award of \$352. The Board decided to donate half of the money to the ACA Guy Jordan Research Fund and the other half to the Aquatic Life Education Fund. We also collected \$66 from Clash attendees. When the auction proceeds are finalized, the totals from that will be added. Since we were able to raise over \$500 last year, I have set a goal of \$600 for this year. Now we need to find a school to be the recipient. If you are aware of any school that meets the requirements, please contact

me at ALEF@aclcpa.org.

Thank you

Kurt Johnston

ALEF Chair



Goal = \$600.00 Current = \$242.25





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PISCATORIAL PEARLS

"Reviewing Aquarium Society Newsletters from Around the World"

This month we will begin our journey in the Peach State Capital with 2 articles in the August 2016 issue of the Atlanta Area Aquarium Association's

Fish Talk. The first article is titled "The Red Jewel Cichlid" by Tom Koranda. Tom gives a brief description of his experience with several Hemichromis species. The second article is titled "Ponds are easy—right?" by David Ramsey. David tells us all about his successful? Efforts to put as many large tubs as possible in the available space he has.

Our next stop is in the Empire State for 10 stories in the September-October edition of the <u>Brooklyn</u> <u>Aquarium Society</u>'s **Aquatica**. The

first story id another in the Catfish Dreams series by Sy Angelicus all about "Brichard's Synodontis" a beautiful, hardy Congolese catfish. Next we have Anthony Kroeger with a great profile of the "African Clipper Barb, Barbus callipterus". The next story is all about "Ghost Shrimp" and is a very good profile by Ryan Curtis. Ryan also wrote the next invertebrate related story titled "pH in a Dwarf Shrimp Aquarium" that addresses some of the issues related to water parameters. "Bubble, **<u>Bubble</u>**" by Anthony Kroeger is an excellent story about the popular dwarf gourami, Colisa lalia. The next story is another in The Practical Plant series by Izzy Zwerin that gives us all the information we need about "Propagating Didiplis diandria". Next we have a couple of stories by Anthony Kroeger for you saltwater folks. The first is a story that gives us all the necessary details about "Tongue Coral, Herpolitha limax" and the second one is a very detailed story regarding some "Experimental Treatment of Diseased Corals" that I am sure will be of some assistance to anyone maintain coral. Anthony also wrote Part 3 of his Terrific Tetras series which id all about the "Rosy Tetra, Hyphessobrycon rosaceus" and gives us a great all around description. The final story this edition is a story by Joe Graffagnino that is all about Joe's

success with "<u>The Columbian Tetra</u>, <u>Hyphessobrycon columbianus</u>".

IMPORTANT

If you see an article that you would like a copy of, just click on the article title. It will generate an email for you to send to the ACLC Exchange Editor, requesting a copy. If you would like to visit the website of the Club that publishes the newsletter, just click on the club name. If you have any questions contact the ACLC Exchange Editor at exchange@aclcpa.org

Now we head to the Hoosier State capital for 2 articles in the September 2016 issue of the Circle City
Aquarium Club's Fancy Fins. Both articles are BAP reports and the first is a good description of the success that Dave McKane had with "Spawning Lithochromis xanthopteryx 'Makobe Island'" after a short hiatus from the hobby. The other article is titled "African Fire Barbs" and is written by Charlie Grimes in his always detailed and humorous manner.

Our next stop is back in the Keystone State for 2 stories in the August 2016

edition of the <u>Greater Pittsburgh Aquarium</u> <u>Society</u>'s **Finformation**. The first story is an excellent profile of a fairly uncommon plant, "<u>Cryptocoryne hudoroi</u>" by Tim Gross. Next we have a story by Joe Doyle titled "<u>Corydoras</u> <u>pygmaeus</u>" in which Joe relates his experience with this little catfish.

Next we head west to the Evergreen State for an article in the September 2016 issue of the <u>Greater Seattle Aquarium Society</u>'s **Northwest Aquaria**. This article is titled "<u>Water Change Factory</u>" by Dean Tweeddale and shows us in detail how Dean has made his water changes easier.

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Our next stop is going to require our passports as we head north to Canada for 6 stories in the September 2016 edition of the <u>Kitchener Waterloo</u> <u>Aquarium Society</u>'s **Fins & Tales**. The first story is

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PISCATORIAL PEARLS

"Reviewing Aquarium Society Newsletters from Around the World"

titled "Salt Water School" by Zack Brideau and is a very good description of what a coral is and is done in layman's terms. Next is a great story titled "Evolution of a Fish Keeper" by Karen Murray that walks us through the steps from our first fish to addict. Next is a great story by Dr. Glenn Roberts the walks us through his "Big Fat Leaky Adventure"! Next Karen Murray gives us a good profile on "Adidarum mini" a neat little plant from Borneo and then Karen tells us about the good and the bad when she purchased "The Background on an Impulse Buy". Final story in this edition is titled "Assassin Snails" by Stuart Morley that gives us a good account of Stuarts' experience with these great invertebrates.

The Show Me State is the location of our next stop for 7 articles in the September/October issue of the Missouri Aquarium Society's **Darter**. The first article is titled "Mistaken Identity Fish Rescue" by John Van Asch in which John relates his experience with rescuing some fish through the MASI Fish Rescue & Rehoming Service. We then have an article titled "Will you be ready when the power goes out?" by David Thies that gives us a very good checklist to go by and reasons for acquiring a whole house generator. Ed Millinger wrote the next article titled "Geophagus winemilleri" that details his successes and difficulties spawning and raising this fabulous S.A. Cichlid. The next article is all about "Fish Room Efficiency" and details all the parts and procedures in Jack Heller's water changing system. Kathy Deutsch asks the question "What's Lurking in your Tank?" and it makes you think about how well fish can adapt and hide. Next we have an article titled "Resurrecting My Pond" by Jim Mueller that tells us about his trials and tribulation over the years with a 800 gallon outdoor pond. Finally, we have an article titled "Iris pseudacoras" by Chuck Bremer that gives us the good and the bad about the Yellow Flag Iris.

Next we revisit the Hoosier State for a story in the August 2016 edition of the <u>Michiana Aquarium</u>
<u>Society</u>'s **Tropical Times**. This story is a report by Ben Slocum on his experiences with "<u>Jenynsia onca</u>" a livebearer from South America.

Our next stop is in the Garden State for a pair of articles in the July 2016 issue of the North Jersey

Aq <u>larium Society</u>'s **Reporter**. The first article is Dr. Paul's Fish of the Month for July, "<u>Clypeobarbus</u> <u>pleuropholis</u>" and is a great profile on a rarely seen African barb. Then we have an article titled "<u>Electric Blue Acara</u>" by Chuck Davis that describes Chuck's adventure with this hybrid.

A short trip back up north to Canada gives us a story in the September & October 2016 edition of the Sarnia Aquarium Society's Aqua Antics. Jack Vander Aa give us a good profile of his experience with the forever popular "Mikrogeophagus ramirezi".

We finish this month with a visit to the Sunshine State for an article in the September issue of the <u>Tampa Bay Aquarium Society</u>'s **Filter.** This article is a very descriptive account of Bill Little's unfortunate experience with the "<u>Coffee Bean Tetra</u>", Hyphessobrycon takasei.

See you on the 15th!

Kurt Johnston – Exchange Editor exchange@aclcpa.org



FISH STORES IN PITTSBURGH

...AN ADVENTURE WITH ALAN

BY KAREN HAAS

photos by the author

Alan was invited to speak at the Youngstown Area Tropical Fish Society in Ohio in August. We made the 5 ½ hour trip in about 7 hours including breaks and traffic jams. We spent Thursday evening and Friday morning bagging fish to donate to their club. We ended up taking 3 boxes of fish because we will be moving our fish room in a few months. We are glad that we could share many unique and endangered species with a new region of enthusiastic fish keepers.

The next day, we started our journey home and stopped at several aquarium stores in the Pittsburgh area recommended by the infamous Joe Doyle. We were not disappointed. The first stop was Aqua-World, http://www.aquaworldpsc.com/



Outside the store is a large koi pond where you can buy food from coin operated dispensers and feed them. There is also a used equipment sale area under an awning at the door. Inside there are many tanks and seem to specialize in large sized fish. They did appear to be undergoing renovations in the fish room. They also carry a range of other pets and supplies besides fish.





The second stop was Wet Pets in Canonsburg, http://www.wetpetsandfriends.com/. Their fish are beautifully displayed in red oak stained cabinets. They appear to specialize in high end and rarely seen fish. The back of the store has an attached greenhouse type of building containing all types of koi and goldfish. They also carry other types of pets besides fish.





The third store we visited was A&B Oddball Pets and Aquariums, http://oddballpets.com/. This was formerly owned by Eric Bodrock, I believe. It's a small store, easily missed because it sits back from the road and looks like a warehouse. They only cater to tropical fish enthusiasts, both freshwater and saltwater. The Pittsburgh Area Planted Aquarium Society meets at this store and it really shows. The club has set up several planted display



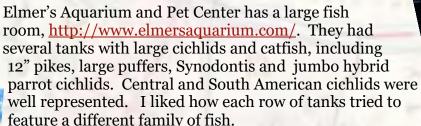
tanks. There are many more tanks containing a wide variety of aquatic

plants for sale. I was able to make friends with the cockatoo that lives there.

The last two stores we visited are on the same street within a couple of blocks of each other. Burton's Total Pet, http://totalpetstores.com/, appeared to have a pet rooster standing guard at the front of



the store. He stood proudly on top of his little coop trying to impress us. I think he wanted us to introduce him to Rachel O'Leary's famous Stalker Chicken. Burton's has a smaller fish room in comparison to the other stores and the tanks looked a bit neglected, but they did have some impressive non-tank buster fish.





Next time we are traveling to Western Pennsylvania, we hope to be able to visit each one of these stores again.



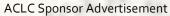


Karen's new buddy at A&B Oddball Pets & Aquariums

Could this be Stalker Chicken's new honey at Burton's?









WRITER'S & ARTIST'S AWARD PROGRAM

A new participant this month – Charles Vickery! Let's get writing – Kurt and Tim have given Tank Tales a great transformation and it is looking better than ever! Let's make the content as good as the look!

~ Joel Antkowiak WAAP Chair

2016 MIGHTY FIN STANDINGS

STANDINGS THROUGH SEPTEMBER 15, 2016

Alan Rollings	115 points
Joel Antkowiak	105 points
Kurt Johnston	105 points
Karen Haas	80 points
Michael Buchma	40 points
Bob Kulesa	30 points
Paul Tangredi	30 points
Charles Vickery	30 points
Gary Haas	15 points





Writer's & Artist's Award Program

Participant	Total Pts	Base Pts	Bonus Pts	Reprints (Articles/Photos)	Special Awards				
		Ultimate	Writer A	ward					
Joel Antkowiak	2730	1975	755	5/0	Fishy Photographer Popular Fish Head Writing Breeder				
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Kurt Johnston *	1650	1365	285	I/O					
Bob Kulesa	720	500	220						
Scott McLaughlin	575	480	95	I/O	Fishy Photographer				
Karen Haas	553	433	120	2/0	Fishy Photographer				
		Auth	or's Awa	<u>rd</u>					
Gary Haas	455	400	55	2/0	Fishy Photographer				
Alan Rollings	363	328	35						
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Richard Bressler	190	70	120						
Lonny Langione	170	100	70	2/0					
Joseph Pacheco	100	50	50						
Michael Buchma	95	65	30						
		Other .	Participa	nts					
Brandon Moyer	40	40	0						
Lindsey Moyer	40	40	0						
Sheila Garl	30	30	0						
Charles Vickery	30	30	0						
Ellen Haas	IO	IO	0						

^{*-} indicates that participant has enough points to qualify for the next higher award but, needs to complete one or more requirements to qualify

Participants who are no longer ACLC members are not on the list but, their records are maintained.

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HAP REPORT

DUCKWEED

by Alan Rollings

Almost all freshwater aquarists have enjoyed, or suffered, to some extent duckweeds. The suffering is that it can clog filters whether they are internal canister types, sponge filters, or as I have encountered an external canister filter. Another source of suffering caused by Duckweed is the blanket surface covering tanks as small as a 5 gallon to as large as 40 gallons, even with vigorous surface movement.

The joys of duckweed can be a seen in many tanks. Our cichlids can often be seen engorging themselves on duckweed. They can be the herbivorous species, and even the insectivores can be observed feeding on the plants r the small insects living on the plants. A floating mat in a fry grow on tank has often proven beneficial for their growth and color.

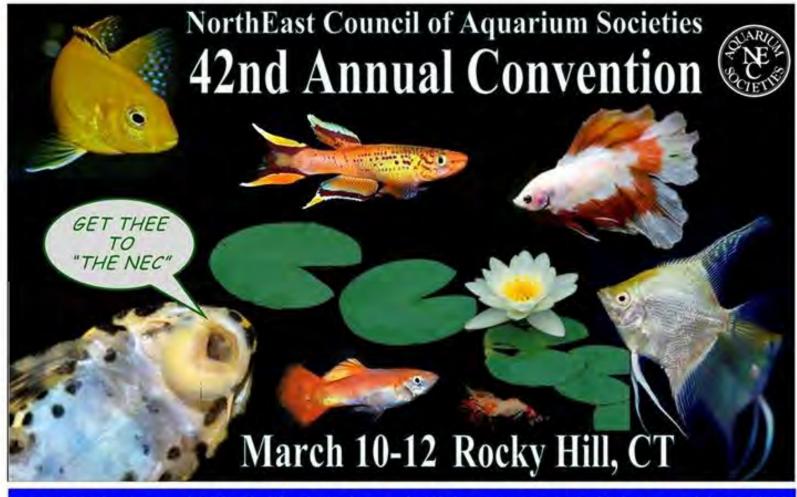
There are many aquatic plants classified under the name **Duckweeds**, or water lens. They are flowering that float on or just beneath the surface of still or slowmoving fresh water and wetlands. Duckweed is often known as "bayroot,".

These are very simple plants, lacking any obvious stem or leaves. The greater part of

each plant is a small organized "thallus" or "frond" structure that is only a few cells thick, very often with air pockets that allow it to float on or just under the water surface. Depending on the species, each plant may have no root or may have one or more simple rootlets.

Reproduction is mostly by asexual budding, which occurs from a meristem enclosed at the base of the frond.
Occasionally, three tiny "flowers" consisting of two stamens and a pistil are produced, through which reproduction occurs.





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October 2016 CARES Report

This month sees more new CARES fish in ACLC aquaria, all of them in Joel Antkowiak's tanks. Joel took advantage



of the big auction at the Keystone Klash to add 6 new CARES species, including several Goodeids, an annual killifish, and a couple of cichlids.

Many of them are new to the club.

~Gary Haas ACLC CARES Coordinator



JOEL ANTKOWIAK

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Tanichthys micagemmae	•		•	5
Ameca splendens	•	•		5
Tanichthys albonubes	•			4
Puntius denisoni	•			4
Pseudotropheus saulosi	•			3
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JOEL ANTKOWIAK (CONT'D)

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Pseudotropheus demasoni	•				3
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Pachypanchax sparksorum	•				2
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Ataeniobius toweri	•	•	•	•	2
Fundulopanchax amieti	•				2
Coptodon bythobates	•				2
Xenotaenia resolonae	•				2
Pachypanchax patriciae	•				2
Rivulus uroflammeus	•				2
Melanotaenia boesemani	•		•		2
Melanotaenia eachamensis	•				2
Cryptoheros myrnae	•				1
Bedotia geayi	•				1
Xiphophorus malinche	•			•	1
Zoogeneticus tequila	•				1
Melanotaenia parva	•				
Chilatherina sentaniensis	•				
Paretroplus maculatus	•				
Enigmatochromis lucanusi	•				
Chapalichthys peraticus	•				
Nothobranchius	•				
Neotoca bilineata	•				
Cryptoheros septemfasciatus	•				
Characodon lateralis	•				

Pelvicachromis silviae

STEVE ARNOLD

Tanichthys micagemmae

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BARRY BIXLER

Tanichthys albonubes Ameca splendens

GARY BOYER

Xystichromis sp. 'Kyoga flameback'

Cryptoheros nanoluteus

Pundamilia nyererei

Ataeniobius toweri

Ilyodon whitei

Symbol Key

The Gold Seal • , designates that species is registered in ACLC CARES

The Green Seal , designates that a spawning report has been published in Tank Tales.

The Blue Seal • , designates that species has been distributed and registered within the ACLC

The Red Seal o, designates that species has been distributed and registered in another clubs' CARES program.

Longevity Seal #, indicates the number of years the member has maintained the species.

TIM BRADY

Xenotica eiseni

Zoogeneticus tequila Ameca splendens

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RICH BRESSLER

Melanotaenia lacustris

Bedotia geayi

Zoogenetius tequila

Ataeniobius toweri

Xiphophorus malinche

Glossolepsis incisus

Fundulopanchax sjoestedti

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PAUL BRICKNELL

Ilyodon whitei (lennoni)

Zoogeneticus tequila

Ameca splendens

Ataeniobius toweri

JOHN & NATALIE DICKEL

Tanichthys micagemmae	•		4
Zoogeneticus tequila	•		1
Xenotoca eiseni	•	•	1
Ameca splendens	•		

JAYSON GARD

Chapalichthys encaustus	•		1
Tanichthys micagemmae	•		1
Enigmatochromis lucanusi	•	•	1

GARY HAAS

Fundulopanchax sjoestedti	•	•		3
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Puntius titteya	•	•		2
Tanichthys albonubes	•			2
Melanotaenia boesemani	•			1
Nematolebia papiliferus (Inoa)	•			1
Nothobranchius				1
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Puntius denisonii	•			1

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KAREN HAAS

Synodontis brichardi	•		2
Glossolepis incisus	•		2
Chapalichthys encaustus	•	•	2
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Xystochromis sp."Kyoga Flameback"	•	•	1
Cryptoheros nanoluteus	•	•	1
Characodon lateralis "Los Berros"	•		1
Ilyodon whitei	•	•	1
Ataeniobius toweri	•		1
Pundamilia nyererei	•	•	1
Ameca splendens	•	•	1
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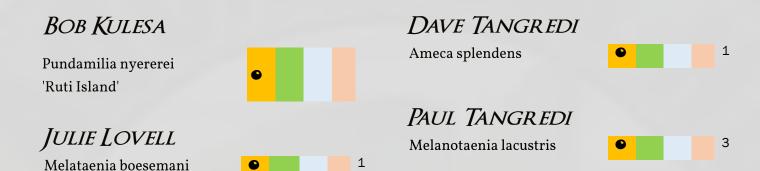
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WHAT IS THE C.A.R.E..S. PROGRAM?

Founded in 2004 by hobbyist and conservationist Claudia Dickinson, the **C.A.R.E.S.** (Conservation, Awareness, Recognition and Responsibility, Encouragement, Sharing and Support) Preservation Program is based on the critical and timely significance of Conservation, our Awareness, as hobbyists, of the issues involved, the public Recognition of members, our Responsibilities as fish keepers, member Encouragement, Sharing of fish and data, and Support for those who take part in playing a vital role in ensuring a positive future for species-at-risk.

The purpose of the **C.A.R.E.S.** Preservation Program is to encourage hobbyists worldwide to devote tank space to one or more species-at-risk, while forming an information network between aquarists, scientists, and conservationists. The **C.A.R.E.S.** Preservation Program may be implemented by societies, educational institutions, and independent aquarium retailers, as all are encouraged and welcome to participate. Whatever one's level of expertise, there is a fish for you. Please plan to begin with a species that you are most comfortable working with, and a support team will be ready to assist, guide, and counsel you as needed.

The foundation for any program relies on the strength in its roots, which results in a solid base for growth and enrichment as we move into the future. For the hobbyist, the **C.A.R.E.S.** Preservation Program is intrinsic as the aquarium hobby does, in fact, truly care. The **C.A.R.E.S.** Preservation Program has four major objectives:

- to bring AWARENESS to the critical situation of fish in nature, while educating and stressing the importance of our roles as RESPONSIBLE aquarists;
- 2) to **RECOGNIZE**, **ENCOURAGE**, and offer **SUPPORT** to hobbyists who maintain species -at-risk;
- 3) to SHARE fish as well as data and experiences through notes, graphing, and manuscripts so that others may learn to maintain those identical, and similar species; and
- 4) to **PRESERVE** species-at-risk for future generations.

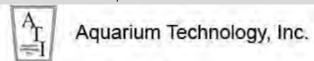
HORTICULTURAL AWARD PROGRAM MONTHLY REPORT

PROPAGATOR OF THE YEAR

GARDENER OF THE YEAR

Gary Haas	12 species	Gary Haas	220 points
Bressler Family	12 species	Alan Rollings	190 points
Alan Rollings	10 species	Bressler Family	180 points
Scott Sommer	6 species	Scott Sommer	70 points
Clair Klinedinst	4 species	Clair Klinedinst	50 points
Charles Vickery	4 species	Charles Vickery	50 points

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LIFETIME ACHIEVEMENT AWARDS

2 Star Gardener

Gary Haas

1 Star Gardener

Bressler Family Gary Boyer Alan Rollings

Novice Gardener

Charles Vickery Clair Klinedinst Scott Sommer Karen Haas

NOTE: Since the HAP is barely one year in existence, no member has yet to achieve the top 5 categories of 3 star, Senior, Master, Grand Master and Supreme Grand Master Gardener,

HORTICULTURAL AWARD PROGRAM MONTHLY REPORT

SPECIES PROPAGATED—SEPTEMBER 2016

Bressler Family—10 Total Points

Eichornia crassipes * 10 points **ALAN ROLLINGS - 175 TOTAL POINTS** Ceratophyllum demersum (Hornwort)* 10 points Cryptocoryne wendtii 'Red'* 20 points Cyperus alternifolius (Umbrella Plant)* 30 points 5 points Eichhornia crassipes (Water Hyacinth)# Elodea Canadensis* 10 points Iris pseudacorus (Yellow Flag Iris)* 20 points Lemna minor (Duckweed)+ 20 points Myriophyllum aquaticum (Parrot's feather 20 points

Vallisneria american (Jungle Val)*

10 points

Orontium aquaticum (Golden Club)*

* indicates that plant was donated to club auction (2x points) +indicates plant was donated & article submitted to Tank Tales # donation points only—plant was registered earlier

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30 points

BREEDER AWARD PROGRAM MONTHLY REPORT

BAP News as of September 28, 2016

ACLC BAP folk were busy this summer. Glenn Davies rejoined the BAP program with spawns of two Rift Lake cichlids, both lovely and one a CARES fish (once he gets it registered with the CARES program – hint hint). Danny Corman claimed points for a South American cichlid, a rainbow fish, and a catfish, reflecting his eclectic fishroom. Charles Vickery claimed points for the wrestling halfbeak, and then more points for writing about it (very well, in my opinion) in Tank Tales! Breeding Reports also earn ACLC Writers and Artists Award points, and are frequently entered in regional competition as well. Rich Bressler checked in with a catfish and a killie. And I claimed points for a couple annual killies (finally! -- I've been waiting MONTHS for those killie eggs to mature), a livebearer, and my first ever mouth-brooding cichlid.

The team of Karen Haas and Alan Rollings bred three South American cichlids this month, completing class 7, their third completed class. Along with their 720 accumulated lifetime achievement points, the third completed class moves them to the rank of Advanced Breeder! Well Done!

And, belated congratulations is due to Dave Tangredi on completing his One Star Breeder requirements. Dave actually spawned the CARES livebearer Ameca splendens in January, but I overlooked it at the time. Raising fry from a critically endangered species such as this, as Dave did, builds up points in a hurry, as well as increasing the population of a fish that can't do it in the wild. Congratulations to Dave on both counts.

SUMMER SPECIES BRED

Team Haas/Rollings

Australheros sp. "Red Ceibal"
Thorichthys maculipinnis
Characodon lateralis "Los Berros"
Astatilapia burtoni

Gary Boyer

Pundamilia nyererei "Ruti Island"

Herotilapia multispinosa

Aplochilus lineatus

Cynotilapia afra

Bressler Family

Corydoras julii Aphyosemion celiae celiae

Gary Haas

Nothobranchius kilomberoensis Gnatholebias zonatus Pseudocrenilabrus multicolor victoriae Dermogenys pusilla

Danny Corman

Hemichromis bimaculatus Corydoras aeneus Glossolepis incises

Glenn Davies

Placidochromis phenochilus Tanzania
Protomelas taeniolatus

Charles Vickery

Dermogenys pusilla

2016 BREEDER OF THE YEAR		2016 SPECIES	2016 SPECIES BRED		
Team Haas/Rollings	213 points	Team Haas/Rollings	15 Species		
Bressler Family	149 points	Bressler Family	9 Species		
Gary Haas	89 points	Danny Corman	6 species		
Danny Corman	79 points	Gary Haas	5 Species		
Gary Boyer	71 points	Gary Boyer	5 Species		
Joel Antkowiak	46 points	Joel Antkowiak	4 Species		
David Tangredi	39 points	Clair Klinedinst	3 Species		
Charles Vickery	39 points	Charles Vickery	3 Species		
Glenn Davies	20 points	David Tangredi	2 Species		
Clair Klinedinst	13 points	Glenn Davies	2 Species		

BAP LIFETIME ACHIEVEMENT AWARDS

CURRENTLY ACTIVE ACLC MEMBERS

F. Wayne Calend	er Breeder			
Bressler Family 1881 pts		1 Star Breeder		
Wayne Calender	1593 pts	Gene Regener	245 pts	
GRAND MASTER	R BREEDER	Pat Kelly*	165 pts	
Paul Bricknell	2003 pts	Clair Klinedinst	146 pts	
David Stephon	1120 pts	Glenn Davies*	140 pts	
Pedro Sanchez	1050 pts	Dave Frehafer	90 pts	
Expert Bre	EDED	Scott Shenk	70 pts	
		David Tangredi	67 pts	
Bob Kulesa*	812 pts	Tony Kline	60 pts	
Advanced Bi	REEDER	Robin Antkowiak	57 pts	
Joel Antkowiak*	1271 pts	Kurt Johnston	56 pts	
Haas/Rollings*	720 pts			
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3 STAR BREI		Sam Jones	66 pts	
Gary Boyer*	662 pts	Charles Vickery	39 pts	
2 Star Bre	EDER	The Moyers	37 pts	
Gary Haas*	504 pts	Lonny Langione	35 pts	
Danny Corman*	478 pts	Ashley Antkowiak	21 pts	
J/N Dickel	178 pts	Mackenzie Dalton	14 pts	

^{*}Breeder has enough points for next higher class award but needs to complete one or more classes to achieve the award.

SPECIALIST BREEDER AWARDS

CURRENTLY ACTIVE ACLC MEMBERS

CLASS 1—LIVEBEARERS

Paul Bricknell (A)

Wayne Calender

Bob Kulesa

Pedro Sanchez

David Stephon

Joel Antkowiak (M)

Bressler Family (M)

Gary Boyer (A)

J/N Dickel

Haas/Rollings (A)

CLASS 2—CATFISH

Wayne Calender

Bob Kulesa

Bressler Family

CLASS 3—BARBS & MINNOWS

David Stephon

Paul Bricknell

Bressler Family

CLASS 4—CHARACINS

Wayne Calender

David Stephon

Danny Corman

Bressler Family

CLASS 5—KILLIFISH

Bob Kulesa

Wayne Calender

Pedro Sanchez

Paul Bricknell (M)

Bressler Family

Gary Haas

CLASS 6—ANABANTOIDS

Bressler Family

CLASS 7—NEW WORLD CICHLIDS

Bob Kulesa

Pedro Sanchez

David Stephon

Bressler Family

Paul Bricknell

CLASS 8—OLD WORLD CICHLIDS

Bob Kulesa

Joel Antkowiak

Bressler Family

Paul Bricknell

Gary Boyer

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Class 9—Rainbows & Blue-eyes

Bressler Family

CLASS 11—OTHER AQUATIC ANIMALS

Bob Kulesa Bressler Family Joel Antkowiak

Paul Bricknell

Haas/Rollings Bressler Family

CLASS 12—U.S. NATIVE SPECIES

Wayne Calender

Paul Bricknell

Bressler Family

CLASS 14—ALL OTHER FW FISH

Bressler Family

SPECIAL NOTES

(A) - Designates Advanced Breeder for that Class

(M) - Designates Master Breeder for that Class

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ADVANCES IN THE REINTRODUCTION OF

ZOOGONETICUS TEQUILA

IN THE SPRINGS OF

TEUCHITLAN, JALISCO, MEXICO

Continued from Tank Tales, September 2016 Issue

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Dr. John Lyons of the NAGWG provided us with this very important report with the encouragement to publish it for everyone to read and digest. Due to the length of this report we will have to publish it over several issues. Please enjoy and join the North American Goodeid Working Group and the American Livebearer Association

Aquatic vegetation

Sampling sites had high differences in submerged, emergent and rooted floating aquatic vegetation. For S1 (Spring La Alberca) and S2 (Spring El Rincon) aquatic vegetation was absent (Fig. 6), and shade and fish refuges were provided by the canopy and roots of riparian trees.

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Figure 6. Spring el Rincon location (S2)

In other locations some species of macrophyta were present, mainly the genus *Pistia*. Another important component of aquatic flora is the genus *Typha*, which is present in most of the Teuchitlán River; its presence is in scattered-discountinuous patches (Fig. 7).



Figure 7A. Pistia at site S5



Figure 7B. Thypa at site S6

At the lowest part of the river (S7), two species of aquatic vegetation were found, *Eichornia* spp and *Eigeria* spp, the first of which provides substantial biomass to the system, while the second has been found near the untreated wastewater discharge into the river (Fig. 8).



Figure 8A Eichornia spp at the lower part of the river Teuchitlan (S7)



Figure 8B Eigeria spp in the wastewater discharge

Fish community

The fish community is composed of ten species belonging to four families; four native, five exotic, and one translocated (Table 2). *Chapalichthys encaustus* is translocated because its native distribution is restricted to the nearby but separate Chapala Lake basin and surrounding areas.

Background Picture: From the GWG website—©Frank Kroenke



This is one of the few documented cases of a translocated fish species in the family Goodeidae, and therefore, little is known about the effects this translocation may have on fish the native fish community.

species (*Ameca splendens, Goodea atripinnis, Ictalurus dugesii* and *Zoogoneticus purhepechus*) was less than 10%. Although the genus *Oreochromis* has low abundance in number of individuals,

Table 2. Fish species collected durig surveys in the Teuchitlan River.

Family	Species	Mexican name	English name	Origin
Cichlidae	Oreochromis spp.	Tilapia/Mojarra	Tilapia	Exotic
Goodeidae	Ameca splendens	Mexclapique mariposa	Butterfly Goodeid	Native
	Chapalichthys encaustus	Pintito de Ocotlan	Barred Splitfin	Translocated
	Goodea atripinnis	Tiro oscuro	Blackfin Goodea	Native
	Zoogeneticus purhepechus	Picote Purepecha	La Luz Splitfin	Native
Ictaluridae	Ictalurus dugesii	Bagre del Lerma	Lerma catfish	Native
Poeciilidae	Heterandria bimaculata	Repotete	Twospot livebearer	Exotic
	Poecilia sp	Molly	Shortfin molly	Exotoc
	Xiphophorus helleri	Cola de espada	Green swordtail	Exotic
	Xiphophorus maculatus	Platy	Southern platyfish	Exotic

The most diverse fish sites are S2 and S3. The relative abundance of exotic species was greater than that of the natives; across all sites, and the overall percentage of exotics was greater than 80% (Fig. 9). Native fish decreased in number and presence in the direction of the river flow, wth the opposite pattern for the exotic fishes. The most abundant species overall was Heterandria bimaculata, representing ~60% of the total fish abundance. This poecilid have been listed in other water bodies as a "risk to native fauna" because of its aggressive behavior and its potential competion for food resources. The next two most abundant species were Xiphophorus helleri (16%) and Poecilia sp. (14%), both non-native. The combined relative abundance of all native

some organisms of this genus can reach a size exceeding 30 cm in length and up to 1 kg, so it represented a substantial proportion of total fish biomass. Abundance fluctuations of the community apparently were determined mainly by temperature variation.



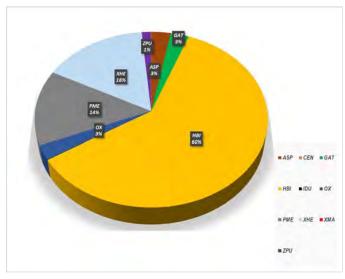


Figure 9. General abundance of fish species in Teuchitlán River. ASP= Ameca splendens, CEN= Chapalichthys encaustus, GAT= Goodea atripinnis, HBI= Heterandria bimaculata, IDU= Ictalurus dugesii, OX = Oreochromis spp., PME= Poecilia sp, XHE= Xiphophorus helleri, XMA= Xiphophorus maculatus y ZPU= Zoogoneticus purhepechus.

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Native species had their greatest abundance at sites S1, S2 and S3. *Ameca splendens* had its maximum abundance at S2 and S7 with a few individuals at the rest of the sites. *Zoogoneticus purhepechus* was most abundant at S1 and S2, declining in abundance downstream (Fig. 10). The abundance of *Z. purhepechus* is generally low, and the maximum number of organisms obtained for this species was in March. Although native species had lower density, their biomass by site was greater than that of the non-native species.

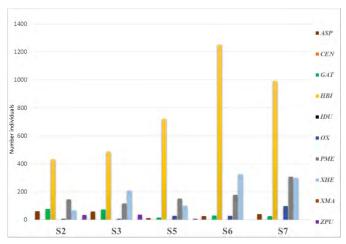


Figure 10. Abundance of fish species by site. ASP= Ameca splendens, CEN= Chapalichthys encaustus, GAT= Goodea atripinnis, HBI= Heterandria bimaculata, IDU= Ictalurus dugesii, OX = Oreochromis spp., PME= Poecilia sp, XHE= Xiphophorus helleri, XMA= Xiphophorus maculatus y ZPU= Zoogoneticus purhepechus.

Trophic analyses

The trophic web of the fish community was composed of 20 diet elements. Only

omnivorous species consummed organic matter and plant debris. Two trophic guilds were present: omnivorous and carnivorous-insectivorous. The fish community is formed mostly by primary consumers with atrophic level of 2. Of the seven species analyzed, only two were secondary consumers (*Z. purhepechus* and *H. bimaculata*) (Table 3).

Due to its consumption of macroinvertebrates and zooplankton, *Z. purhepechus* is a potential competitor with *H. bimaculata*. However, *H. bimaculata* has a greater diet breadth, which may make it more adaptable to to changes in prey availability.

Table 3. Troph	iic clas	sification	of fish	species
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Species	Trophicguild	No. prey	Main Prey	Trophic Level
Oreochromis spp.	Omnivore	7	Detritus	2
A. splendens	Omnivore	3	Detritus	2
C. Encaustus	Insufficient data (ISD)	ISD	ISD	ISD
G. Atripinnis	Omnivore	4	Detritus	2
Z. purhepechus	Carnivore-insect.	12	Aquatic chironomidae larvae	3.26.±43
Heterandria bimaculata	Carnivore-insect.	25	Aquatic true-bugs and ants	2.88±0.35
Poecilia sp.	Omnivore	7	Detritus	2.01±0.04
XiphophorusHelleri	Omnivore	9	Detritus	2.01±0.03

Food resources that were used by all the species were plant debris and organic matter. Poecilia sp and X. helleri consumed small amounts of aquatic insects. Only H. bimaculata and Z. purhepechus had a trophic level greater than 2.5. Heterandria bimaculata used a large number of different resources, but it also used significant amounts of organic matter (30%) and for this reason, its trophic level is less than that of Z. purhepechus, which has the highest trophic level in the system. Zoogoneticus purhepechusis carnivorous-insectivorous and a specialist consumer of the insect family Chironomidae (Relative Importance Index-RII<70). Its consumption of organic matter is also the lowest of all the studied species.

Zoogoneticus tequila in semi-captive conditions ate mostly insect larvae and adults (>90% of the Relative Importance Index-RII), copepods, cladocerans, algae, mollusks, diatoms, ostracods and plant debris. The proportion of each item by month is show in Figure 11.



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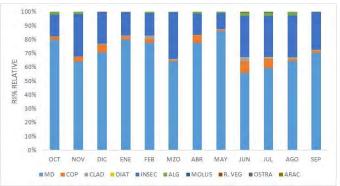


Figure 11. Prey importance in the stomach contents of *Zoogoneticus tequila* expressed as % according to RII. MD= Digested material (insect remains), COP= Copepods CLAD= Cladocerans DIAT=diatoms, INSEC= rest of insects, ALG= Algae, MOLUS = Mollusc, R.VEG. = plant remains, OSTRA= Ostracoda ARAC= Arachnidae.

Its diet niche breadth, determined by the Levin index, had a maximum value of 0.24 and a minimum of 0.11, indicating that the diet of this species is not very broad and does not change in different seasons. It is also a diurnal food consumer, feeding mainly during daylight. Its trophic level places it as a secondary consumer.

Reproductive aspects

Preliminary data on the reproductive aspects of 7 species in the natural environment of

Teuchitlán indicate that the alien species Poecilia sp. had the highest fecundity (Table 4). Five native and nonnative species had similar but lower fertility

values, , and the fertility of non-native *Oreochromis* spp was not evaluated because the captured individuals were not sexually mature. *Heterandria bimaculata* was sexually mature at the smallest length size, 21mm standard length (SL), and the native *Goodea atripinnis* at the largest size (48.35 mm SL). The native *Ameca splendens* had the second largest size at 38.36 mm SL, while the other 4 species reached maturity below 30 mm SL (figure 34).

Under semi-captive conditions, *Zoogoneticus tequila* had a sex ratio of 2:1 (F / M), , a fertility varying between 1 to 4 fry per female, and a size at first maturity of females of 23.63mm and of males of 20.48. There were two reproductive periods, winter (January) and during the rainy season, August.

..continued in next issue of Tank Tales

Table 4. Reproductive aspects of viviparous and oviparous species from the Teuchitlán River, Jalisco. ND= Not Determined.

Species	Reproductive Strategy.	Size at first maturity (mm)	Sexual Proportion (Female:Male)	Absolute Fertility (mean number of embryos per female)
G. atripinnis	viviparous	48.35	ND	5
H. bimaculata	viviparous	21	1.18:1	5
A. splendens	viviparous	38.36	0.25:4	5
Poecilia sp.	viviparous	27.78	0.68:1	14
X. hellerii	viviparous	31.18	1.38:1	7
Z. purhepechus	viviparous	27.34	0.75:1	7
Oreochromis spp.	oviparous	27	0.66:1	ND

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0.5 mi Turn left onto South St
0.2 mi Turn right onto 1ST St
Arrive at 9 1ST St, Windsor Locks, CT 06096

From I91 North



At exit 42, take ramp right for CT-159 toward Windsor Locks

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Visit New England Cichlid Association on Facebook for more information

TROPICAL FISH CLUB OF BURLINGTON



Giant Auction

Fish, Plants, New and Used Equipment, Fish Foods, etc

Sunday Oct 30, 2016 12 noon



S. Burlington



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The Jersey Shore Aquarium Society presents its fall 2016 tropical fish and dry goods auction!

Featuring rare and exotic tropical fish, a wide selection of aquatic plants, with free goodies and door prizes all day long! Snacks and refreshments will be available.

Open to public – free admission.

To be held
Sunday, November 6th, 2016 at the
South Wall Fire Rescue Company
2605 Atlantic Ave., Manasquan, NJ 08736

For more info:

e-mail Russ White at rwhite8@optonline.net, call (732) 928-2838, visit jerseyshoreas.org, or LIKE on facebook.com/jerseyshoreas

Live goods registration: 9 to 11 a.m. No guarantee that items registered after 11 a.m. will be auctioned. No used dry goods.

Viewing of items: 11 a.m. – 12 noon. There will be no viewing allowed after noon.

Auction starts at noon sharp!

Any person may bring quality live fish and aquatic plants to enter into auction.

- Pre-registration will be TBD on our club's website (jerseyshoreas.org). Pre-registration will get a 60/40 split.
- 50/50 split for walk-ins at the auction. Auction rules available upon request.



Boston Bash!



Boston Aquarium Society 100th Anniversary Weekend

Nov 5th & 6th
Beverly Mass Elks Hall
39 Bow Street
Beverly, Massachusetts

Saturday Nov 5th

All Attendees on Saturday receive a free bidder card for the auction on Sunday!

2 Fish Shows!!!

Boston Guppy Club -IGEES Guppy & Endler Show Boston Aquarium Society - All Species Show Entry fee waived for preregistered entries.

5 Video Presentations IIIII

Rick Bornstein – Spawning Cichlids Mike Helweg- The Great Tetra Renaissance Mark Denaro – Nano Aquariums 101 Ted Coletti – Xiphophorus Rachel O'Leary – Invertebrates Primer

Hourly Raffles!!!!

Project Plaba Silent Auction!!!

Boston Guppy Club Imported Guppies Group Buy!!

Sunday Nov 6th

The Return of the BAS Annual Auction

Bidding Starts at Noon!

Bidder Card \$2 Auction Split: 60% Seller 40% BAS All Items \$3 minimum bid.

Auctioneer: Chuck Fittz

Blue Dot - Buck-A-Bag!

Sellers who bring in 5 lots or more will receive a blue dot to attach to one of their lots. The club will only keep \$1 of the sale price for that lot.

Contact:

BIII GIII
BostonBreeder@BostonGuppyClub.com
Russ & Donna McAndrews
marksdonnam@hotmail.com

Open to the Public - Free Admission!!!!

Parking across the street and 2 doors down at 43 Bow Street

Directions: Take Exit 22 off of 128 North For Route 62/ Elliot Street - Right onto Bridge St - Left onto Margin St (becomes Federal St) - Right on Ashland - Left on Home St. - Right on Bow (located on the Right)



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Join the Project Piaba team for an experience of a lifetime!

Join the expedition to the Rio Negro River in Brazil and observe all aspects of the home aquarium fishery.

The trip includes:

- 2 weeks on a well appointed live-aboard boat
- Visit biological hotspots
- Visit Fishing communities
- Participate in the Ornamental Fish Festival of Barcelos
- Visit home aquarium fish export facilities
- Visit the world-famous Manaus Opera House

Rio Negro Expedition January 21 -

February 3, 2017

Contact Scott Dowd for more information and to reserve your spot for the next Expedition!

SDowd@NEAq.org (617) 973-5243









Cardinal Tetra (Paracheirodon axelrodi)

Project Piaba's mission is to increase the environmental, animal welfare and social sustainability of the Amazonian aquarium fish trade as well as the Amazon itself and its indigenous people.



- 40,000 people are impacted in the riverine communities in Barcelos (Amazonas state, Brazil) where the home aquarium fishery is the principal subsistence activity.
- The wild-caught fish of the Rio Negro are the first live animals to gain Geographic Indication Certification, like Champagne is to France.
- 46,000 square miles of preserved forest is in the Project Piaba study area.
- Approximately 80% of trade from the artisanal fishery is from a single species, the Cardinal Tetra (Paracheirodon axelrodi)

