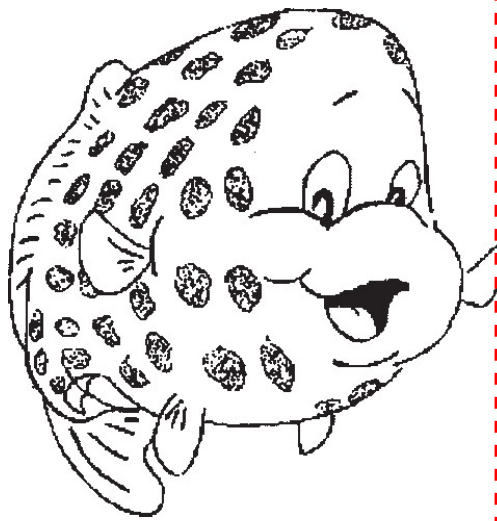
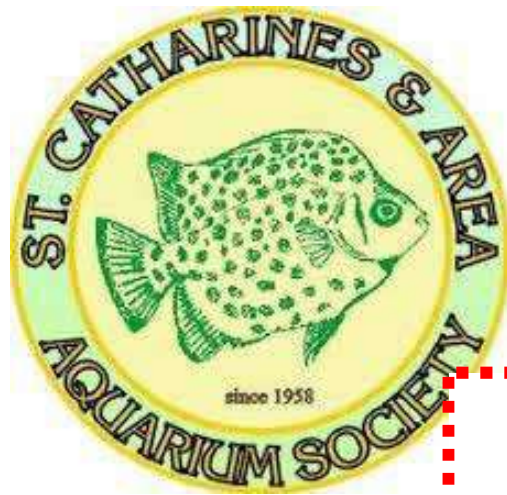


# THE SCAT



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## Our Mission Statement

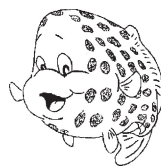
*The Society, established in 1958, is a non-profit educational organization dedicated to the task of promoting interest in the breeding, raising, maintenance and study of tropical fish; both at the beginner and more advanced levels.*

Meetings of The St. Catharines & Area Aquarium Society, (SCAAS) are held on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Monday of each month at the Grantham Lions Club at 732 Niagara Street in St. Catharines. at 7 PM.

SCAAS is a charter member of the **Canadian Association of Aquarium Clubs Inc.**, (CAOAC, [www.caoac.ca](http://www.caoac.ca)), and a member of the **Federation of American Aquarium Societies**, (FAAS, [www.faas.info](http://www.faas.info)).

More news and information about SCAAS can be found at our website: [www.scaas.info](http://www.scaas.info)

We also have a Facebook page under **The St. Catharines and Area Aquarium Society** where you can ask aquarium related questions and post photographs of your aquariums and fish, plants, etc. We have over 650 members on this page. Unfortunately, due to Facebook policies we are unable to post fish for sale ads using our club page.



## Executive

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## Jar Show FOM - Suspended

<b>September:</b> Goldfish	<b>March:</b> Swords, Platies, Mollies
<b>October:</b> Danios, Barbs, Tetras	<b>April:</b> Anabantids including Gouramis and Bettas
<b>November:</b> Cichlids	<b>May:</b> Guppies
<b>December:</b> Open to All Types	<b>June:</b> Corys, Catfish, Plecos
<b>January:</b> Plants	<b>No shows for July and August</b>
<b>February:</b> Loaches, Sharks	

## Committees

**Breeder/OAA Awards:** Tom Bridges  
[tp.bridges@sympatico.ca](mailto:tp.bridges@sympatico.ca)

**Horticulture Awards:** Andrew Fruck

**CAOAC Representative:** Phil Barrett

**Programs:** Ernest Biktimirov  
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**Jar Show Coordinator & Judge:** Pat Shriner

**Membership:** Jon Mattatall

**Webmasters:** vacant

**Ways & Means:** vacant

## Jon's Presidential Message



As I sit here and think about the things good and bad that have happened in 2022, I personally cannot wait to see what 2023 brings. Starting the new year with no restrictions or any of that nonsense, we should be able to have a great year here at the club. Since the start of our 2023 season, our club has continued to grow in membership after our 2-year shut down. Let's continue to grow the society in the new year and hopefully all of our planned activities will be able to continue to the end of the year.

I would like to thank everybody who came out to our Christmas party as it was an amazing success. With all the different dishes everyone brought, and the pizza that the club provided we had an amazing enjoyable evening full of fun and laughter. I would also like to thank Trish Frück our second VP for all that she has done to make that party possible especially with the busy life she lives.

I would also like to send out another thank you to all of our sponsors who have contributed to the club this year. Stores such as Garden City Pets, Big Al's Hamilton, Niagara Pet Corner, Rainforest Pets, The Tropical Fish Room as well as online and small businesses such as 520 BUCE and Cat's Fish Caves and large corporations such as Zoo Med, Northfin and Aqueon. Without the sponsors and their continued support, many of the things we do here at the society wouldn't happen.

In this new year, we will see more exciting things such as a spring auction and hopefully some interest and participation in bringing the jar shows back. This month we will also bring back the canteen with drinks such as coffee, tea, water and pop and if all goes over well maybe other things to come.

A new major change to the club is our website. The website has changed domains and has moved to a Canadian company. The new website is [scaas.ca](http://scaas.ca) and is now live. This major change was a much-needed modernization of our current website. It is now much more informative and has many resources for all to use. I will be looking for different pictures to be featured on our website, such as great snapshots of your aquariums, fish and plants. I ask that any of our members wishing to have their images featured on the site contact me by email at [jonmattatallscaas@gmail.com](mailto:jonmattatallscaas@gmail.com). Please ensure all photos are crisp and clear.

One last thing I would like to mention is that our newsletter the Scat is in desperate need of articles provided by our members. If anyone would like to write an article, whether it be on how to maintain an aquarium or how to breed a specific type of fish, or even how to propagate different types of plants, better yet an article on a tour of your fish room, or how you got into the hobby would be greatly interesting. I asked that you forward your articles to Pat Shriner as he is putting the newsletter together with very minimal content and is in need of your input as members. Please contact Pat by email at [pshriner17@gmail.com](mailto:pshriner17@gmail.com).

I would like to wish all members and their families a very happy new year and I can't wait to see everyone at our next meeting Monday January 9th 7:00pm at 732 Niagara St. in St. Catharines.

Jon



Christmas Party 2022



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Pot lot buffet at Christmas Party 2022

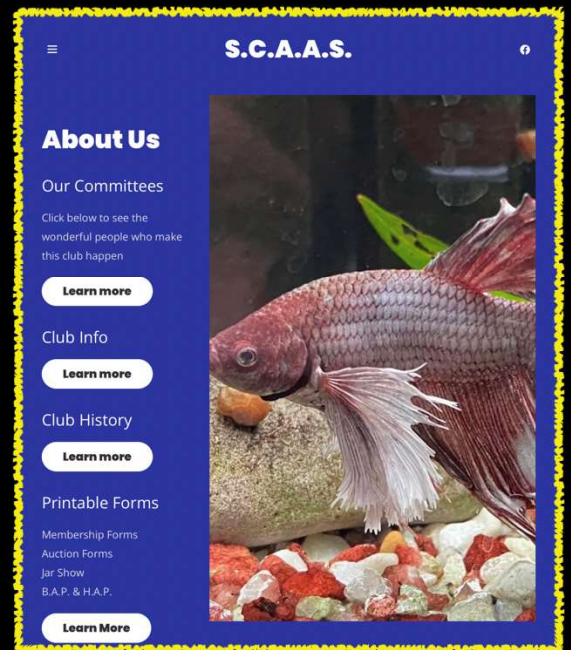
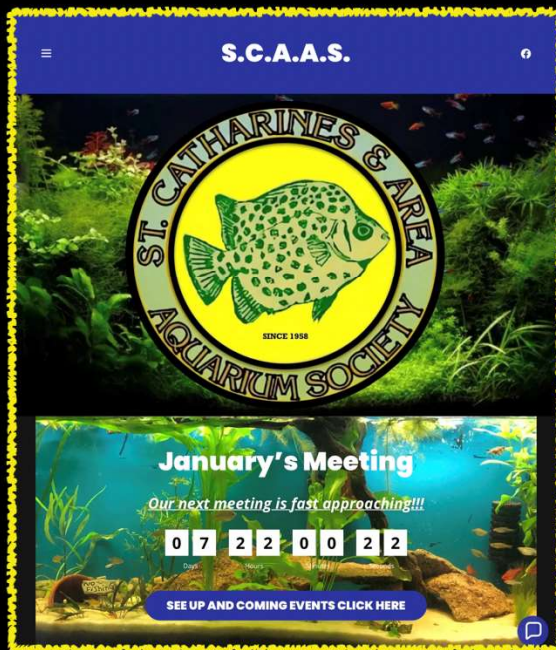
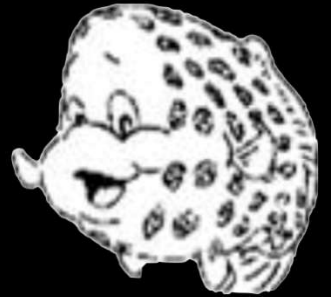
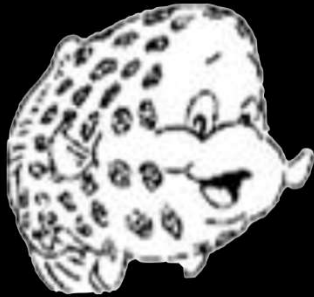


Some of the desserts Christmas Party 2022

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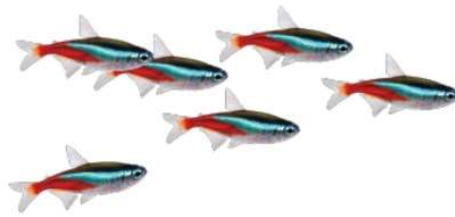


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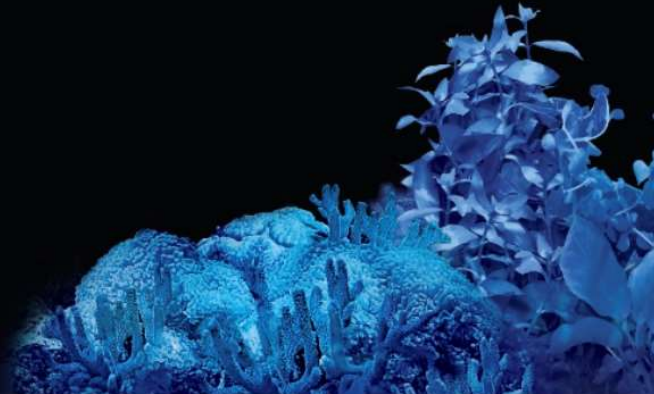
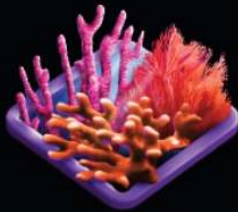
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