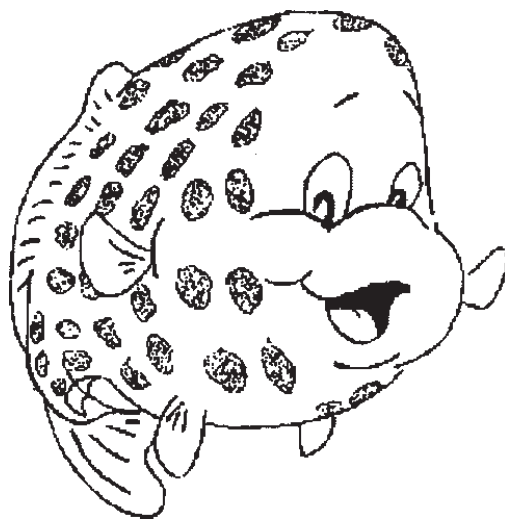


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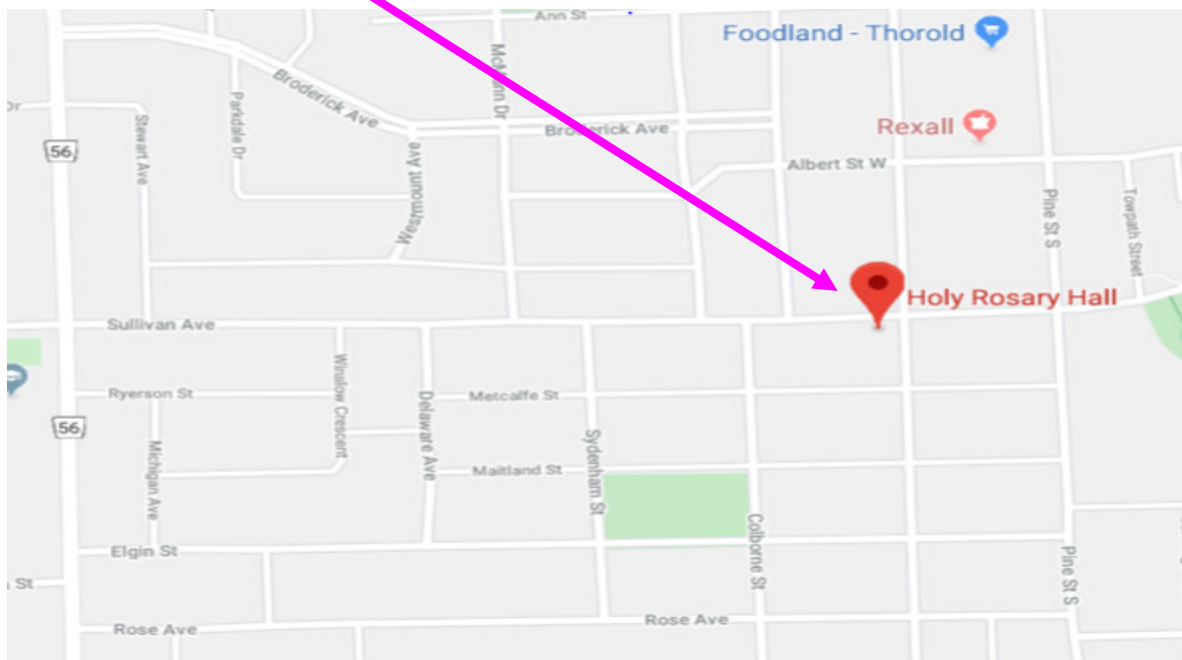
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Our Mission Statement

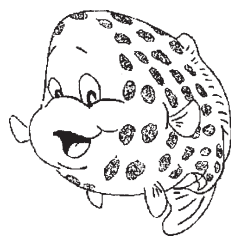
The Society, established in 1985, is a non-profit educational organization dedicated to the task of promoting interest in the breeding, raising, maintenance and study of tropical fish; both at the beginner and more advanced levels.

Meetings of the St. Catharines & Area Aquarium Society, (SCAAS), are held on the **first Monday** of each month at the Holy Rosary Hall, 35 Queen Street S., Thorold, ON. **The parking lot for new location is off Sullivan Ave. Enter the hall through the back door located in the parking lot. There will be a sign up showing what door.** If the first Monday falls on a holiday, the meetings are held on the second Monday. **Meetings begin at 7:30.** There are no meetings in July and August.

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

More news and information about SCAAS can be found at our website: 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 400 members on this page.



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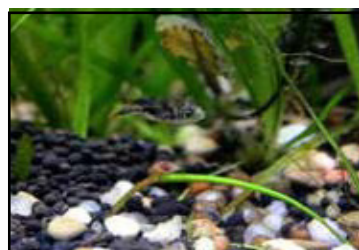
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Student with card	\$10
Senior over 65	\$10
Senior Couple over 65	\$15

Jar Show FOM

September: Goldfish

October: Danios, Barbs, Tetras

November: Cichlids

December: Open to All Types

January: Plants

February: Loaches, Sharks

March: Swords, Platies, Mollies

April: Anabantids including
Gouramis and Bettas

May: Guppies

June: Corys, Catfish, Plecos

No shows for July and August

Committees

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Pat's Presidential Message



Our next meeting is Monday, February 3, 2020 at 7:30 PM at our new meeting location, Holy Rosary Hall located at 35 Queen Street South in Thorold. Our January meeting at our new hall went well as we had over 50 people attend. We have decided that we are going to have our future meetings in the large gymnasium as things were a little tight in the meeting room that we had. Thanks to our January speaker Jeff Mountjoy from NorthFin Inc. whose presentation on *"Feeding Fish – Food for Thought"* was quite interesting and well received. NorthFin Inc. have always been a big supporter of our club and they some of the best fish foods in the hobby.

We have another ZooMed canister filter draw. We started selling tickets at our January meeting. Once the 40 tickets are sold, we will do the draw.

For our February meeting we will welcome Bob Wright who will deliver a presentation on *"Adventures at the Georgia Aquarium"*. I am looking forward to this presentation as our family visited it several years ago and my daughter was fortunate enough to swim with the whale sharks.

As always, we will have our auction, raffle and jar show at this meeting.

We hope to see you at our new hall on February 3, 2020.

Pat





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January Meeting Minutes

Call to order 7:30 PM by P. Shriner
 1st meeting at Holy Rosary hall
 1 visitor, 2 new members
 No BAP/AHAP awards
 Library report by Gary
 Speaker; Jeff Mountjoy on feeding your fish
 Attendance 52 Raffle
 Mini auction
 Adjourned 9:15

Awards from Last Month's Meeting

No awards were given out



Upcoming Events

No aquarium related events
 scheduled for January 2020.

February Program

Bob Wright will deliver the "Adventures at the Georgia Aquarium"
 presentation at our meeting on February 3, 2020.

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Limia (dominicensis) Tiburon (Limia Tridens) Breeding by Dave Furness

Limia tridens are from Central America and Mexico where they enjoy small, shallow flowing waters with a lot of vegetation in the marshy area.

Tridens are livebearers which can have from 15 to 40 fry. Each fry is 6mm long. The gestation period for these fish is 24 days. The males of this species are 3 cm, and the females reach 4.5 cm.

The tridens need a regular water change once weekly. The temperature of the tank should be 72 to 78 F, with a pH of 7.5 to 8.5.

I set up a 15-gallon tank with the odd floating plant and a sponge filter. I hung a breeding box with slots at the bottom for the fry to escape into the tank. One male and two females were introduced into the box. Floating plants were not really needed in this setup.

Their diet should be varied with flake and frozen or live foods.



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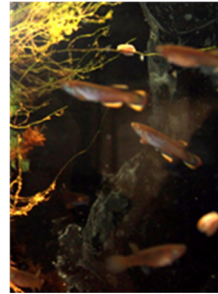


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Aphyosemion celiae (Aphyosemion celiae) Breeding by Dave Furness



Aphyosemion celiae, once known as Aphyosemion cinnamomeum, is from Mambanda, Cameroon. It is also found in rain forest brooks and streams near Kumba, Western Cameroon.

According to AKA.org, there are three variants of this species from around nine locations with some slight differences.

- Variant #1 Body colour almost entirely dark metallic green, on which lighter metallic colour was present.
- Variant #2 An almost entire pinkish body, carrying some purplish to dark spots. The pelvic and pectorals were bright orange.
- Variant #3 A purplish body colour with dark metallic green spot overlaid. The yellowish colouration was also much brighter in the unpaired fins.

The size of this fish is 2.25" to 3". The water conditions for the home aquarium, is, pH 6.0 to 7.5 (6.0 to 6.8 in the wild). Water temperature is between 73 to 79 F.

Breeding; I set up a 20-gallon tall aquarium with a sponge filter. The tank was painted black on the back, both sides and the bottom. They prefer subdued light. The temperature varied with the temperature of the basement from 70 to 75 F. I placed two mops in the tank, one hanging and the other on the bottom. The bottom of the tank was littered with almond leaves and some sphagnum moss. I forgot about the tank for awhile, and never checked the mops. Several weeks later, I checked the tank, and saw many fry swimming around the leaves, and larger one's swimming with the adults.

Eggs hatch in 17 to 22 days at 77 F. The fry would eat micro organisms around the leaf litter, and some baby brine shrimp, and micro worms. Adults eat the usual, frozen brine shrimp and blood worms, plus some live foods.

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