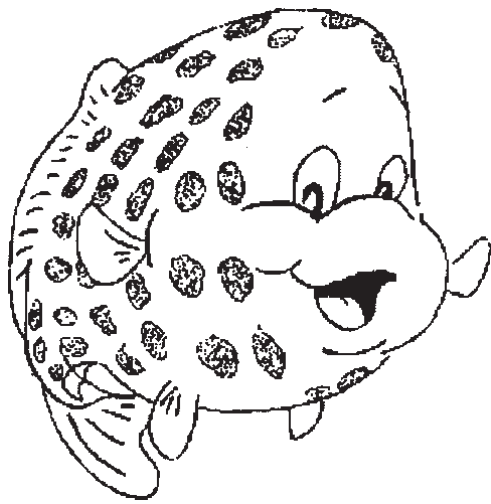


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## Our Mission Statement

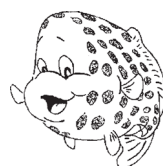
*The Society, established in 1958, is a non-profit educational organization dedicated to the task of promoting interest in the breeding, raising, maintenance and study of tropical fish; both at the beginner and more advanced levels.*

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. Door open at 7 PM with the meetings starting at 7:30 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 680 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

<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

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**Jar Show Coordinator & Judge:** Pat Shriner

**Membership:** Jon Mattatall

**Webmasters:** Jon Mattatall

**Ways & Means:** vacant

## Jon's Presidential Message



Welcome to March everyone. The month where mother nature can never make up her mind. We have been lucky so far in previous months and have had a very mild winter, but this March seems to be coming in like a lion with a few more winter storms sneaking in as spring is trying to poke its nose into the weather as well. Pretty soon it will be beautiful out and many of our members will be anxious to get outside and get our ponds back up and running.

If you're not a pond person and prefer working in your fish room, this month's speaker Udo Rohmann may be just the presentation your looking for. Udo will be joining us from the Durham Region Aquarium Society to give us a talk on how to build and design a fish room in your house. He will discuss all the ins and outs of how to properly construct or renovate your current fish room.

For the month of March our Jar Show continues with the fish of the month category being Swords, Platys and Mollies and the open categories for junior and adult members are also available to try out. We encourage all members to participate in this fun competition between each other. So don't forget to bring your fish in to possibly win a ribbon and earn points that tally up at the end of the year to see who has shown the nicest fish for the year.

Don't forget that our newsletter editor is continually looking for articles or photos from members to publish in the SCAT. If you have anything that you would like to contribute to our newsletter, please contact Pat Shriner with your submissions. All content may be sent to [pshriner17@gmail.com](mailto:pshriner17@gmail.com).

Anyone wishing to join our BAP and HAP programs are more than welcome. If interested, rules and application forms will be available at the meetings. These programs are a fun way to earn certificates for breeding or plant cultivation as well as being known across Canada and the United States through CAOAC for your accomplishments.

Remember we now run a small canteen at each meeting. So skip the run to Tim Hortons as we have pop, coffee and multiple types of tea as well as some small bags of chips for a purchase. All proceeds from our canteen, go directly to the club to help support the cost of speakers and events. With every item purchased from the canteen, you will receive a ballot to win a small prize at the end of each meeting. All ballots that have been filled out throughout the year, will be kept until the end of the year meeting for a larger prize to thank you for supporting our canteen.

One last announcement is that we are no longer in the same room at the Lions Club. Since our club is growing in membership size we have had to get a bigger room to accommodate everyone. We will now be in the larger hall in the same building. So, instead of entering on the right side of the building, where we usually do, we ask you to enter on the left side of the building to access the larger hall where we had previously held our fall auction. I look forward to seeing you all at our next meeting on Monday, March 13. Please remember doors open at 7:00 PM and our meeting commences at 7:30 PM.





**FISH OF THE MONTH**  
**SWORDS, PLATYS**  
**& MOLLIES**







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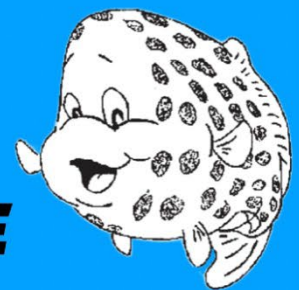
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## SNACKS

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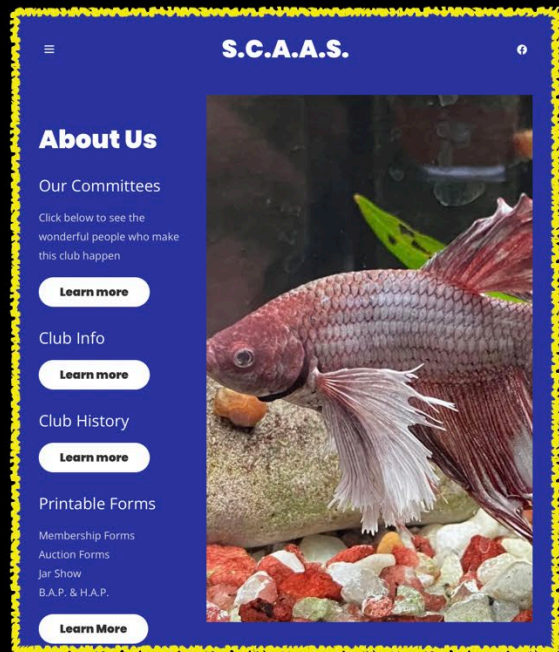
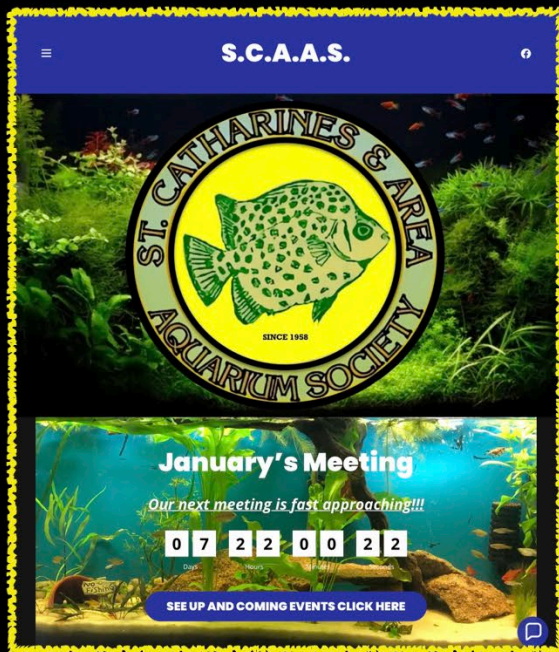
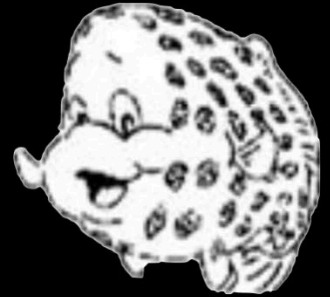
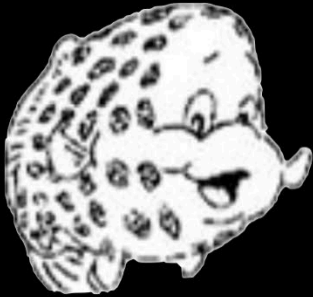
ALL PROCEEDS GO RIGHT BACK TO THE  
CLUB TO SUPPORT PROGRAMS AND EVENTS



# Our New Website

[scaas.ca](http://scaas.ca)

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## Check out our brand-new informative website

# SCAN



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**THE  
FISHY  
FUNNIES**



**There's plenty of fish in the sea...**



**...sadly many of them look like this.**

**WIFE:** Did you buy another Fish tank ?  
**ME:**



- ◆A: It was an accident.
- ◆B: I've had that.
- ◆C: I got a deal on it.
- ◆D: You look very pretty today.

**What Do You Call a Fake Koi Fish?**



**A De Koi**

**JUST SETUP MY NEW TANK**



**CAN I PUT 6 OSCARS IN THERE?**

**YOU KNOW YOU'RE ADDICTED  
TO FISHKEEPING**



**WHEN...**

Noone told frank



**he could breath underwater**

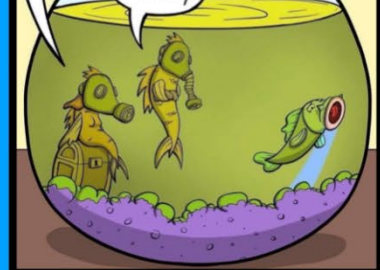
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### February Jar Show results

#### Fish of the Month

1<sup>st</sup>. Annie Bemma -Dojo loach

#### Any other variety

1<sup>st</sup> Jon Mattatall - angelfish

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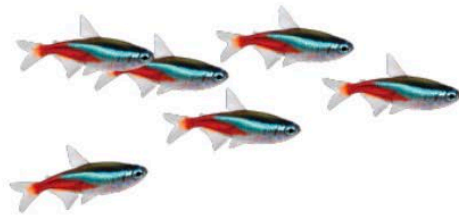
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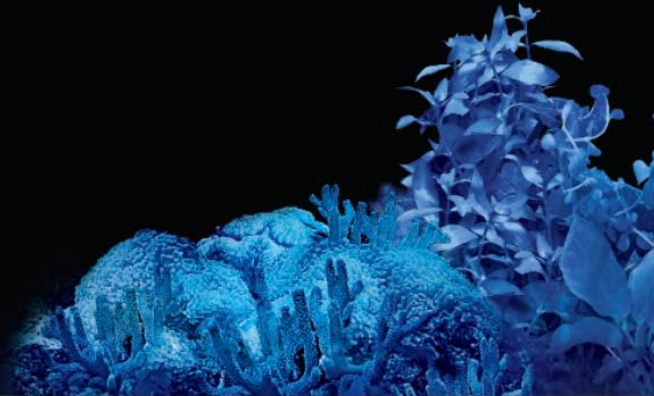
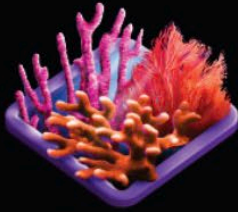




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