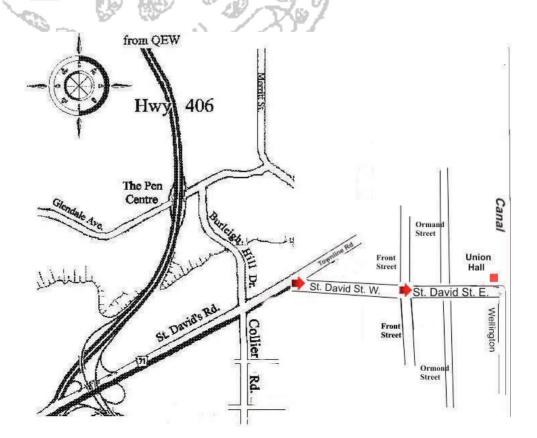


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Jar Show F.O.M.

- September Goldfish
- October Danios, Barbs & Tetras
- November Cichlids (Any Type)
- December. No Specific Fish of the Month Open to All Types
- January Plants
- February Loaches & Sharks
- March Swords, Platies, Mollies
- April Anabantids including Gouramis and Bettas
- May Guppies
- June Corys & Catfish (Including Plecos)
- OPEN CLASS EVERY MONTH

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<u>May Program</u>

On Monday, May 6th, Ken Boorman will deliver "Beyond Rainbows: Other Great Australian Fishes" presentation. Ken Boorman is originally from Australia, but he is now living in Chatham, Ontario. Ken has kept fish for over 50 years. A good part of this time he has dedicated exclusively to collecting, keeping and breeding Australian and New Guinean native fishes in his numerous home aquariums. In his presentation, Ken will talk about the "other" native Australian aquarium fish commonly kept by Australian aquarists. Some of this fish are widely found in North America (and have been in the aquarium hobby here for a long time already), and others he is hoping to introduce to North American aquarists. Of course this

will be followed up by our door prize, raffles, and mini auction

CAOAC Elections

It is election time again. CAOAC Executive positions are one year terms that are announced at our May Long Weekend Convention.

If you are interested in an Executive position with CAOAC, please submit your request or nomination to Peter DeSouza,pdesouza1@msn.com.

At this time, the following is the current status of the Executive positions:

President: Nancy Egelton Status: Standing for re-election

1st Vice President: Peter DeSouza Status: Standing for re-election

2nd Vice President: Ann Marie Towell Status: Standing for re-election

Recording Secretary: Ann Stevens Status: Stepping down

Treasurer: Ed Bosker Status: Stepping down

Corresponding Secretary: Murray Brown Status: Standing for re-election

There are two open positions for the next term currently. However, a submission for any position will be accepted.

We ask that you don't delay with your submission as time is short to assemble the nominations and conclude the election for announcement at the Convention.

Please remember as per the ByLaw:

Nominations for the Executive will close at the end of the break at the regularly scheduled April meeting. If there is only one nomination to any position, the person so nominated will be acclaimed to the position for the following year. If there are no nominations, nominations will be requested at the Election at the Annual meeting.

Please consider helping the Canadian Aquarium Hobby by running for an Executive position or indicate your interest in any of the committee positions.

Best Regards,

Peter DeSouza

Steering Committee

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Pat's Presidential Message



Welcome to you all, it was a great turnout for our April meeting with Haydn Pounder speaking on Culturing and Collecting Live Foods. I found it quite informative on the variety of live foods that you can collect and also culture at home. I believe it truly helps with getting fish into breeding condition as well as some of the cultured food like microworms are the only food that some of my fry (catfish) will seem to eat as first foods.

Our May meeting will feature Ken Boorman who will deliver the "Beyond Rainbows: Other Great Australian Fishes" presentation. We will begin the meeting at 7:30 PM sharp so please try to make it to the hall a few minutes early. We will have our usual member door prize draws, raffle draws and our auction.

Upcoming events include the London Auction on May 5 and the CAOAC Convention in Burlington on the long weekend May 17 to 19, 2019. Please check the CAOAC event calendar for a complete listing of events.

Please see Jim Chalmers if you are interested in running for any of the executive positions with our election at the June meeting.

If you have any suggestions regarding topics for presentations or speakers that you are aware of, please do not hesitate to contact Ernest or any member of the executive.

Keep getting the word out about our club. Its definitely working as we continue to see new faces at just about every club meeting.

I hope to see you at our club meeting on Monday May 6.

Thank you

Pat



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Upcoming Events

May

- 4 5 KW Pet Expo, Kitchener Auditorium
- 5 London Aquaria Society Spring Auction
- 17-19 CAOAC Convention, Burlington Conference Centre, Burlington ON

Awards From Last Months Meeting

BAP AWARDS
PRESENTED AT
THE APRIL MEETING

Michael Daniels

Liosomadoras oncinus (Jaguar Cats)......20 pts

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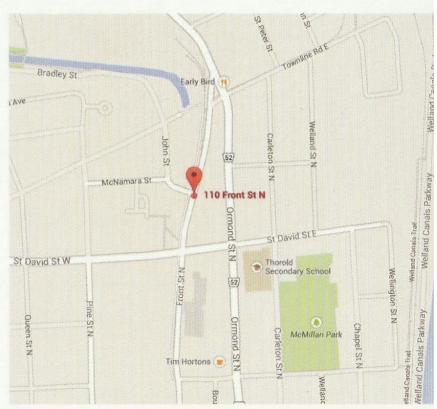
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Female Friendly Service

Frontosa "Burundi" (Cyphotilapia Frontosa) Breeding

by Patrick Shriner

The Frontosa "Burundi" (Cyphlontilapia Frontosa) originates from Lake Tanganyika in Africa. I keep a group of four (two males and I believe two females) in a 150-gallon cichlid tank that also houses several synodontis



catfish. There are a few Peacock cichlids in the tank as well. The tank contains a black sand substrate (blasting sand) with a large piece of driftwood and several large pieces of weathered limestone rock with lots of holes, nooks and crannies. The tank is maintained at a temperature of around 78°F and is filtered by a large pond pressure canister filter. A DC powered pump is situated within the tank and is used to pump the water out of the tank through the filter and back into the tank. This system provides good water movement with the output spray bar from this filter.

I originally obtained the Frontosa fry (about 1 inch) through one of the club auctions that I had attended a number of years ago. I found them to be fairly slow growing to start and

it took several years for them to reach maturity. They are ravenous and feed on a combination of cichlid pellets, Tetra Colour bits, defrosted chopped shrimp and mussels and live earth worms. They now range in size from approximately 5" to 8" in length and are quite hardy in my opinion. The females are smaller than the males. One of the males has developed the classic hump and the other is just developing one.

Frontosa are mouth-brooders. Unfortunately, I missed the first breeding and the only reason that I knew that they had bred was that there was a single fry that had been hiding out in the rock work. About a month later I noticed that one of the females was not eating and was in fact holding. I was able to catch and strip the fry, they were fully developed and would soon have been



released to the main tank. There were about 12 of them. I kept them in a separate tank that I use to grow out other cichlids.

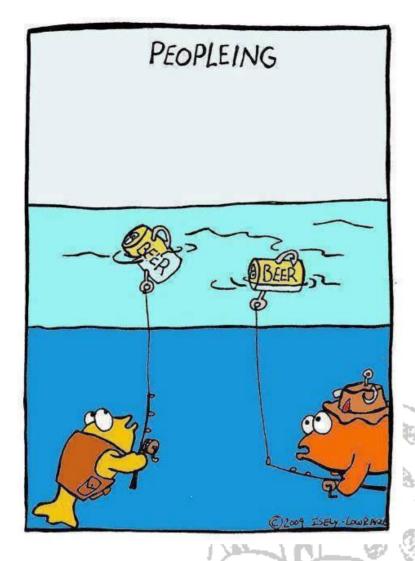
The fry seemed to relish crushed cichlid pellets as well as crushed Tetra bits and a good quality flake food.

This has always been one of my fishkeeping goals to be able to breed Frontosa. I noticed another female was holding eggs as I complete this article. It will be a regular occurrence from



now on.

















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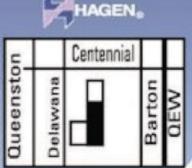
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C.A.O.A.C Update Phil Barrett

The most recent caoac meeting was held Sunday April 14th with 9 people in person and 1 via Skype.

Final details of convention were gone over . Nominations for the 2019, 2020 season where held. Murray Brown who is the current corresponding secretary has been nominated for the position of recording secretary. My wife Cindy who's been one of the social media chairs and ways and means chair was nominated for the position of corresponding secretary. Albert Van Montford who was previously treasurer has entered his name to be treasurer again.

If anyone is interested in helping out by sponsoring a class in the all species show please contact one of the caoac executive.

The next meeting will be held Sunday morning during the convention, this will be the annual general meeting, the executive for the following year will be named. Any aquarium club member is welcome to attend.

Cheers Phil Barrett

P.S Carolina is the convention show chair and can be contacted at showcaoac@gmail.com with regards to sponsoring or any show related questions.



