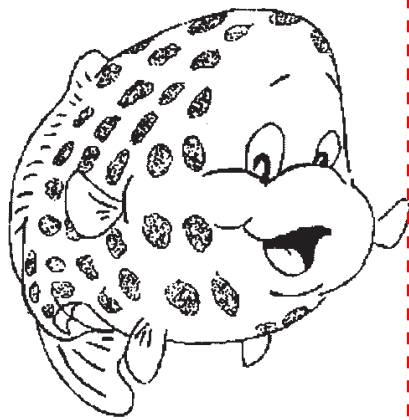


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Our Mission Statement

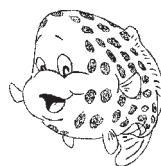
The Society, established in 1958, is a non-profit educational organization dedicated to the task of promoting interest in the breeding, raising, maintenance and study of tropical fish; both at the beginner and more advanced levels.

Meetings of The St. Catharines & Area Aquarium Society, (SCAAS) are held on the 1st Monday of each month at the Columbus Club at 6944 Stanley Avenue in Niagara Falls. Doors 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.**, (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 close to 700 members on this page. Unfortunately, due to Facebook policies we are unable to post fish for sale ads using our club page.



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Quarter Page	\$80
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Membership Fees

Family/Couple	\$30
Adults	\$25
Junior (under 16)	\$15
Senior (60+)	\$10
Senior Couple (60+)	\$15

Jar ShowFOM

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

Committees

Breeder/OAA Awards: Tom Bridges
tp.bridges@sympatico.ca

Horticulture Awards: Andrew Fruck

CAOAC Representative: Phil Barrett

Programs: Open Position

SCAT Newsletter & Jar Show Coord.: Pat Shriner

Past President & Membership: Jon Mattatall

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Ways & Means: Open Position

CAOAC Corresponding Secretary & SCAAS:
Cindy Barrett

Auction Committee: Cindy Barrett
& Trish Fruck

Jon's Outgoing Presidential Message



Here we are at the start of another new club year and guess what..... This year is our club's 65th birthday. I'm sure we all have had a wonderful summer full of family get together's, BBQ's, travelling and much much more. Even though summer may not be totally over, it's time to get back to fishy business.

This year there are a lot of new changes. We are holding our monthly meetings at The Columbus Club of Niagara Falls located at 6944 Stanley Ave. We also have a switch up in our executive committee. Trish Frück had stepped down as 2nd Vice President to win your vote as our new club President. Replacing her position as second Vice President is Natalia Ospina Cian. I would like to wish them a great club season and hope they succeed in all their endeavours this year making our club great.

I would like to thank Mike Majer for being our speaker this month on such short notice due to a cancellation of our current set speaker. Mike's presentation will be about how the pandemic affected the fish hobby.

I would also like to remind everybody that September is when membership fees are due. So please come see me at my membership desk to renew your membership and receive your new discount card for the year. Junior, adult and adult family memberships have increased by \$5.00 dollars this year to help with increased club costs. Senior and senior couple memberships remain the same price.

Since I am no longer your president, I will still be fulfilling my duties as your membership chairperson, canteen person, as well as the web master for S.C.A.A.S.

I hope you all enjoy what we have planned for you during this up-and-coming club year.

Your Past President,

Jon

Trish's Presidential Message



Hello everyone, welcome back to the start of another great year of meetings, shows and auctions with SCAAS. We officially kick off our first meeting on Monday September 4th 2023 with a talk from Mike Majer on the "Pandemic vs the Hobby", should be very interesting. Doors open 7:00pm and the meeting starts at 7:30pm at our new location-Columbus Club at 6944 Stanley Ave, Niagara Falls. We are meeting in the Upstairs Hall.

Don't Forget your membership dues will be due at the September Meeting, Jon will be there to renew all memberships.

As we embark on another year, the club celebrates its 65th year as an Aquarium Society. We are Ontario's longest running club and even predate CAOAC! We will be doing something special to commemorate this anniversary please watch your email for updated information.

We have some fun things coming up in the fish community. Sept 15/16th we will have an aquarium on display at the CAOAC booth at the Canadian Aquatics Expo in Toronto. CAOAC is still in need of people to volunteer their time to help at the booth. If you can spare even 2-3hours, it would be greatly appreciated. This show features a Presidential tank challenge that our club will be entering. There is also a biotope contest open to the public to enter, if interested in the biotope or volunteering time please reach out the exec team at SCAASEXEC@GMAIL.COM and we can get you the information.

We also have our big Fall Auction on Saturday November 4th, 2023. Registration starts at 8am and Auction will start promptly at 10am. We will also have some vendor tables set up for our club sponsors to sell dry goods. For more information contact the auction committee at SCAASAUCTIONS@GMAIL.COM

I look forward to serving as SCAAS club president this year, and seeing everyone back at the September meeting.

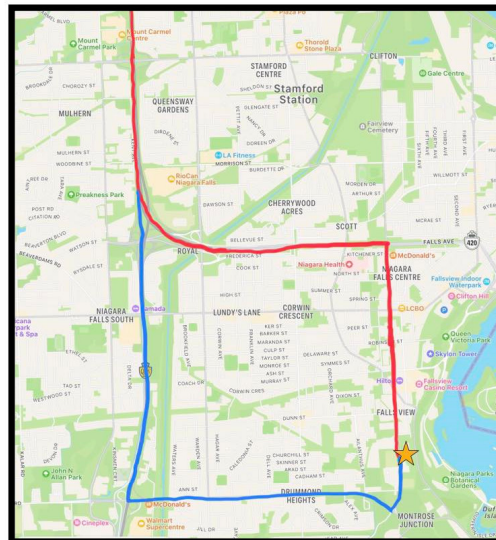
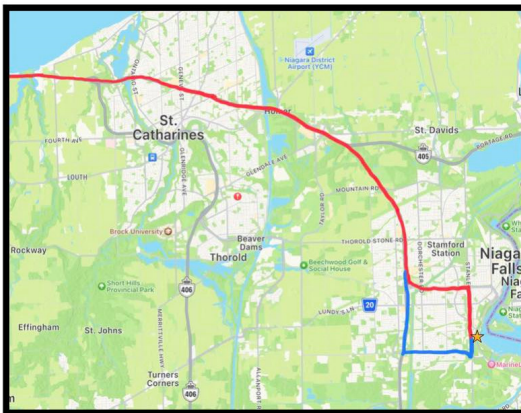
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STARTING WITH OUR SUMMER AUCTION ON JULY 1ST OUR CLUB WILL BE MOVING TO THE COLUMBUS CLUB IN NIAGARA FALLS AT 6944 STANLEY AVE



- 1.) Take QEW Niagara to HWY 420
- 2.) Follow HWY 420 to first set of lights (Stanley)
- 3.) Turn Right onto Stanley
- 4.) Follow Stanley Ave for 2.3 KM
- 5.) The Columbus Club Will Be On The Left

ALTERNATIVE WAY

- 1.) Take QEW Niagara To QEW Fort Erie
- 2.) Follow QEW Fort Erie For 3.5KM To McLeod Exit
- 3.) Turn left on McLeod Rd.
- 4.) Follow McLeod Rd for 3KM To Stanley Ave
- 5.) Turn Left on to Stanley Ave.
- 6.) Follow Stanley for 0.7KM to The Columbus Hall
- 7.) Columbus Hall will be on Your Right





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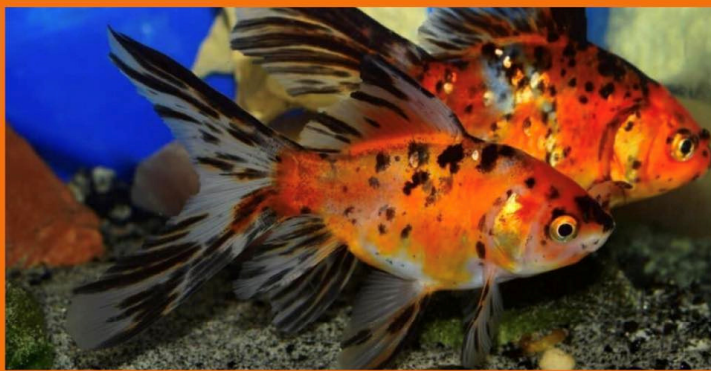
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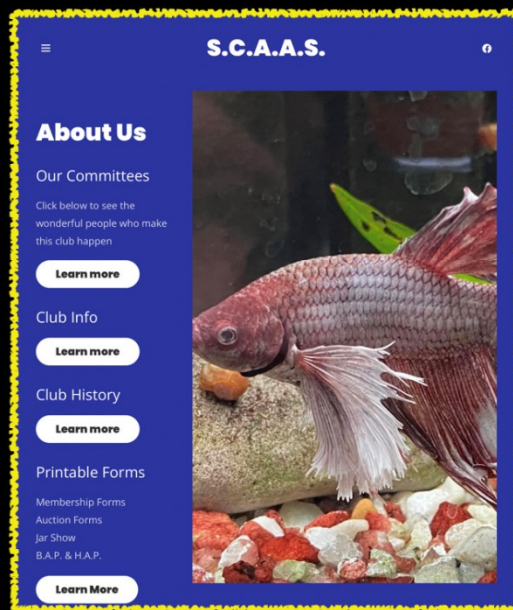
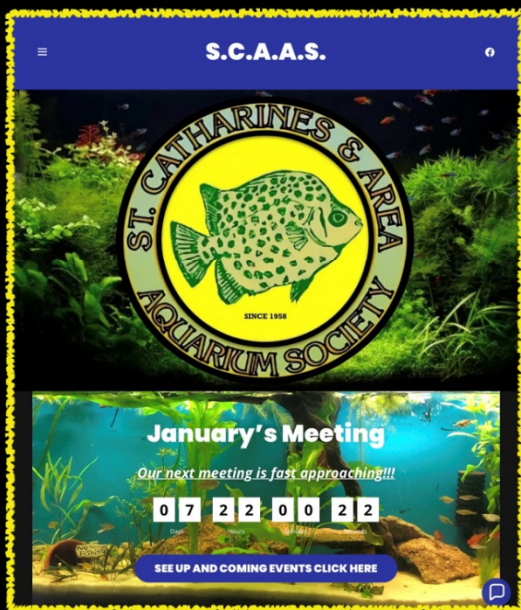
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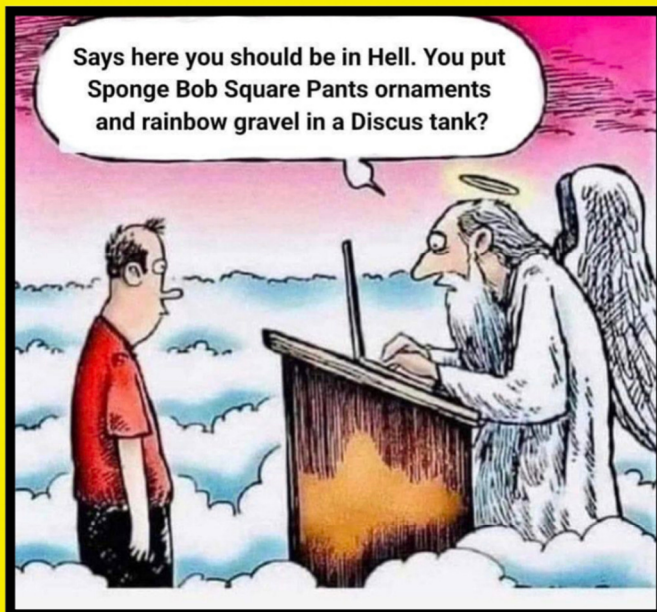
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July 1, 2023 Club Auction



A MESSAGE FROM OUR PRESIDENT

I just want to take a moment to thank everyone for coming out to our July 1st auction. It was a great turn out for a Canada Day auction with lots of new sellers and many of our amazing repeat sellers attending. I also want to thank the Columbus Club Hall for hosting our auction. This is the new permanent location for our monthly meetings and future auctions.

I want to thank Cindy Barrett for all her help securing the new venue, decorating and getting all our buyers and sellers registered, Phil Barrett for helping get members to the auction, helping with set up, take down and chit writing. Patrick Shriner thank you for helping with chit writing we definitely appreciated it. Tom Hiller and Jim Chalmers our amazing Auctioneers thank you for keeping everything moving smoothly. Jon Mattatall thank you so much for all your help with advertising, printing all the chits and table signs, setting up and taking down hall clean up, Andrew & Gary for making sure all the chits were inputted and all our sellers paid out successfully. Bruce Palmer one of our amazing members who showed up early and stayed late to help up set up all the tables, chairs and clean everything up. To all our runners, Ernest, Skip, Adam and the girls who ran items and money all day long without you guys we would not be able to have a successful auction. I don't want to forget all our buyers and sellers that came out on the long weekend, we couldn't have had an auction without you. To anyone I forgot I am sorry, thank you so much for everything you did to make it a successful auction.

We also want to thank our Club Sponsors that came out with vendor tables, Garden City Pets, 520 Buce, Rainforest Pets, Cats Caves & Advitan, thank you for all your support of the club. We look forward to seeing everyone at our Fall Auction Nov 4th 2023. Details will be posted soon.



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Awards from Last Month's Meeting

None to report

Upcoming Events

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Sept. 23, 2023 – Sarnia Auction, 1273 Exmouth St., Sarnia

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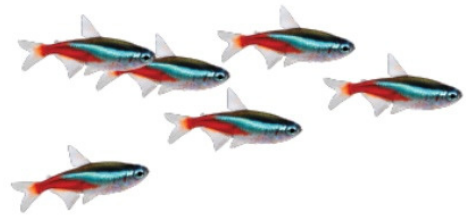


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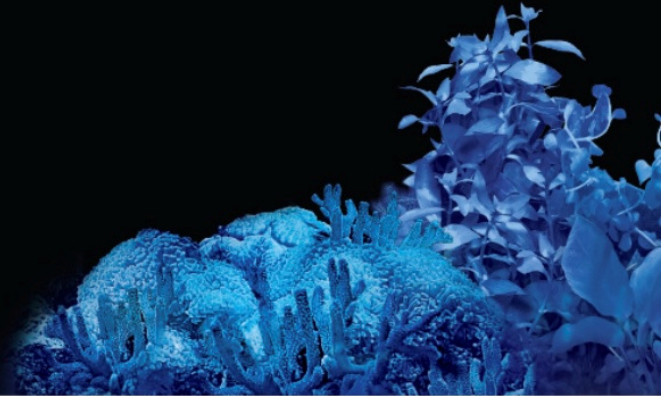
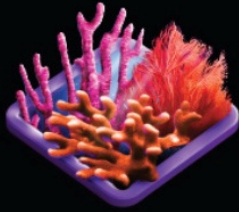
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