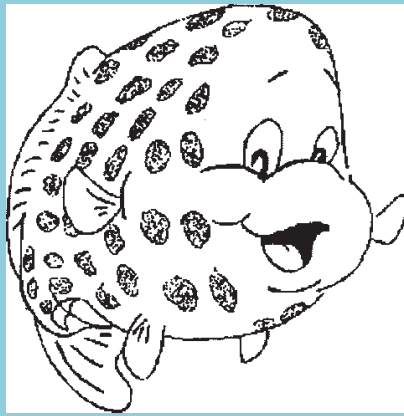


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Our Mission Statement

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.

The January meeting of The St. Catharines & Area Aquarium Society, (SCAAS) is going to be held on Monday January 6, 2025, at Our Lady of Scapular Hall at 6557 Thorold Stone Road in Niagara Falls. The doors open at 7 PM with the meeting starting at 7:30 PM.

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 on our website: www.scaas1958.ca

We also have a Facebook page under **The St. Catharines Area Aquarium Society 1958** where you can ask aquarium related questions and post photographs of your aquariums and fish, plants, etc. Unfortunately, due to Facebook policies we are unable to post fish for sale ads using our club page.



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Full Page	\$150
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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

October: Danios, Barbs, Tetras

November: Cichlids

December: Open to All Types

January: Plants

February: Loaches, Sharks

March: Postponed

April: Anabantids including Gouramis and Bettas

May: Guppies

June: Corys, Catfish, Plecos

No shows for July and August

Committees

Breeder/OAA Awards: Vacant

Horticulture Awards: Vacant

CAOAC Representative: Phil Barrett

Programs: Open Position

SCAT Newsletter & Jar Show Coord.: Pat Shriner

Past President & Membership: Jon Mattatall

Webmaster: Jon Mattatall

Ways& Means: Open Position

CAOAC Corresponding Secretary & SCAAS:

Cindy Barrett

Auction Committee: Cindy Barrett

Jim's Presidential Message



Hello all,

Well, we are in another very cold winter! If you have ponds keep an eye on them, check the ice that is covering the pond and don't let it freeze over. At the next meeting, we will have Katie Church, with a program on Invasive species. It should be very interesting. We are looking for volunteers to fill the BAP and HAP positions. If you are interested, see one of the execs and we will gladly get you started. Upcoming auctions are at Durham and Peel region both are in April our club will be May 3rd. As you know Hamilton will be hosting the Convention on Nov. 7, 8, 9, 2025 in Burlington at the Holiday Inn and on Saturday September 27 at the Royal Canadian Legion in Waterdown will be their auction. As usual, the executive have been working to make this year as good or better than last year.

Hope to see all who can attend.

Jim Chalmers, President

Minutes from the September Meeting

- Call to order @7:43 PM
- Attendance 39
- Announcements
- Financial report
- Brian Glazer spoke on killie fish
- We had 50/50 draw
- Raffle
- Monthly Auction
- Door prize
- Meeting adjourned 9:45 PM

Editor's Note



Please I need your aquarium related articles, and photos for future editions of the SCAT. Wanted or for sale ads are welcome too.

Please send them to me by email at pshriner17@gmail.com by the 20th of the month to be included in the next SCAT edition.

Thank you.

Pat

Treasurer's Report for January 2025

What a great start to the new year. So glad to see everyone back and we even had some new faces join us, we are growing as well as the interest in the hobby. What a great first meeting we had, so much information shared. Last year we finished with a cashbox balance of 250.00, during the meeting we had:

50/50 Raffle	\$34.00		\$284.00
Fish Auction - club share	\$59.80		\$343.80
Raffle	\$44.00		\$387.80
Books auctioned	\$12.70		\$400.50
Memberships	\$18.00		\$418.50
Canteen Supplies/Receipts		\$55.88	\$362.62
CAOAC Membership Dues - E-trans		\$60.00	\$302.62
Grace/Gratitude	\$3.78		\$306.40
Total			\$306.40

As stated at the meeting a deposit was being turned in that now gave us a balance of \$4595.82. Since our meeting we have had some changes.

OLOTSC - January Rent cheque twelve	\$100.00	\$4,495.82	
OLOTSC - May Auct Rent cheque eight	\$350.00	\$4,145.82	

This last month proved to be a bit of a setback in the bank account but that will soon be on the way up again. We have a few months of our regular meetings to gain some ground and then our spring auction in which we have always done well with. I know that with everyone's help we can see the numbers rise, let's do this!!

Kandys Mattatall - Treasurer



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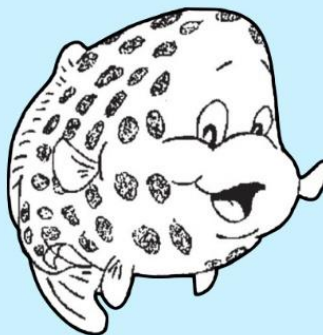
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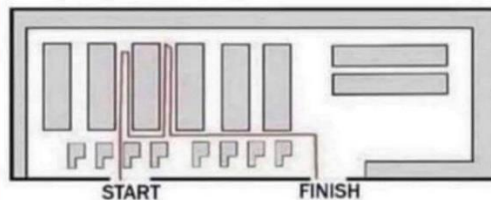
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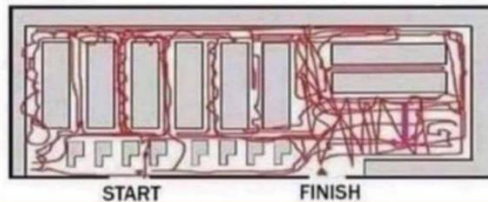
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About Us

Welcome to the St. Catharines & Area Aquarium Society. The Society was established in 1958. It is a non-profit, educational organization dedicated to the task of promoting interest in the breeding, raising, maintenance and study of tropical fish and plants both at the beginner and advanced levels. We hold our monthly meetings in the months of September to June on the first Monday off every month at 7:00 pm at OUR LADY OF THE SCAPULAR, 6557 THOROLD STONE RD, Niagara Falls Ontario. At the meetings we start off with welcoming new members and discussing club business. After that we have a presentation/speaker who will speak on a specific topic in the aquarium hobby.

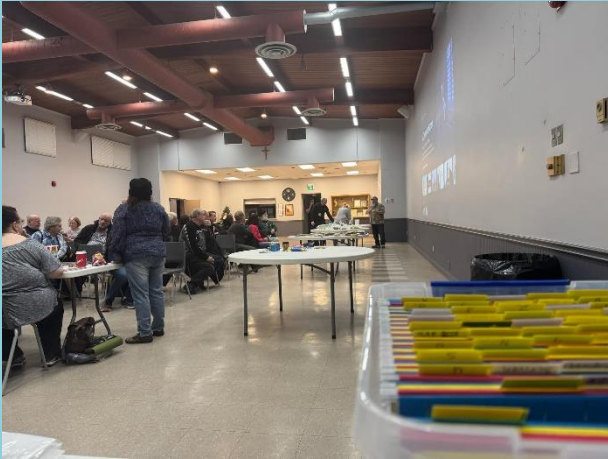
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Upcoming Events

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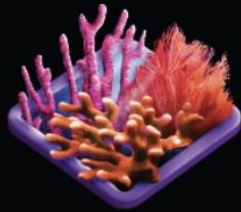
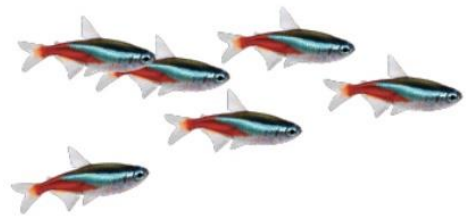
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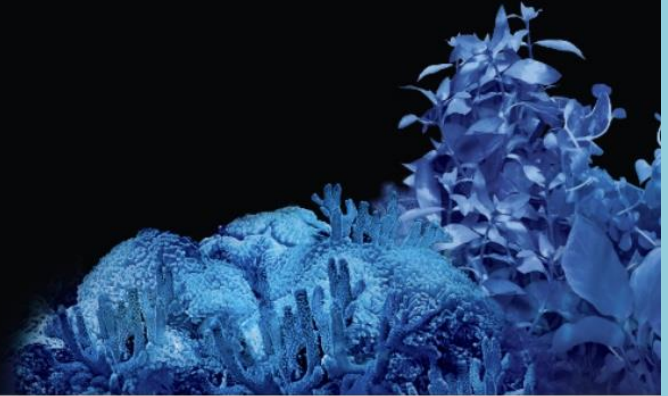
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