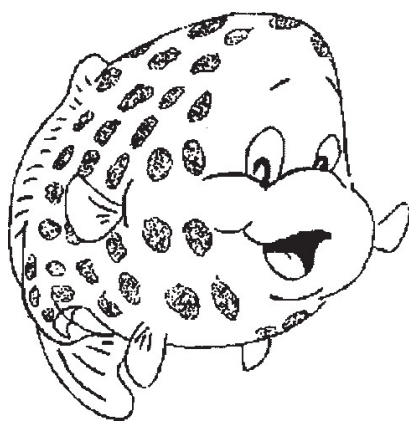


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Our Mission Statement

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 June meeting of The St. Catharines & Area Aquarium Society, (SCAAS) is going to be held on Monday November 3, 2025, at Our Lady of Scapular Hall at 6557 Thorold Stone Road in Niagara Falls. The doors open at 7:00 PM and the meeting will be starting at 7:30 PM.

SCAAS is a charter member of the **Canadian Association of Aquarium Clubs Inc.**, (CAOAC, www.caoac.ca).

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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Horticultural Award Program	OPEN	N/A	N/A
Program Director	OPEN	N/A	N/A

Jim's Presidential Message



Hello all,

As I write this, I am preparing for our auction on Saturday November 1/25! All indicators are saying we should be successful! At our November club meeting we will have Brian Glazier talk on swordtails, a passion he has had for years. We will also talk about our December Christmas meeting and what we have planned! Come on out and have some fun! See you at the meeting.

Jim Chalmers, President

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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.

Special thanks to all those who contributed to the previous SCAT newsletters.

Thank you.

Pat



Treasurer's Report for October 2025

What an exciting meeting we had in October. So many new faces, it was quite the turnout, I do believe it may have been our largest yet. Seeing a tank come to life with natural materials was quite interesting and educational. We can all learn from watching videos but to see it done in person where you can get up close and see the strategies for placement made quite the presentation. Thanks so much to Franky Sebastiao. Now on to the nitty gritty. Last meeting we ended with a cashbox balance of \$853.95:

10-06-25	Balance carried forward			\$853.95
10-06-25	50/50 Raffle	\$46.00		\$899.95
	Raffle	\$43.00		\$942.95
	Fish Auction - club share	\$40.10		\$983.05
	Tank Raffle	\$240.00		\$1,223.05
	Membership Supplies		\$7.90	\$1,215.15
	Presenter Fee - Franky Sebastiao		\$200.00	\$1,015.15
	Grace/Gratitude	\$0.25		\$1,015.40
				\$1,015.40
	Total			\$1,015.40

With the purchase of the lights, filter and extra presenter fee, the profits of the tank raffle were \$41.37.

Not much has changed in the bank, we ended last meeting with a balance of \$5852.08:

				\$5,852.08
October 6, 2025	OLOTSC - October Rent	\$100.00		\$5,752.08
	cheque twenty seven			\$5,752.08

Our shareholder account has not changed; it is still \$135.00. That account only gets a new dividend added in the beginning of the year.

With the up auction that just took place two days prior to our November meeting, I am sure we will have a nice deposit to make to the bank. We have such a supportive community that always seems to rally around come auction time. Great deals and finds and a fun time to be had by all. Thank you to all our members for your continued support of this club and hobby, all our success is because of you!

Kandys Mattatall - Treasurer



PRESENTS

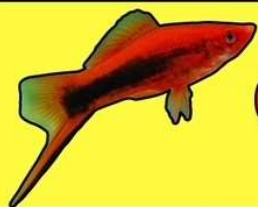


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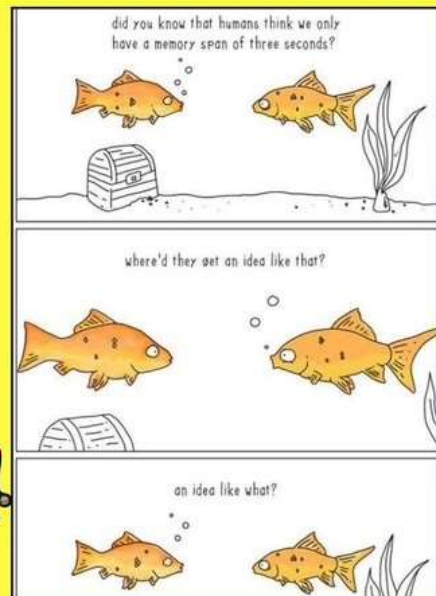
**THE
FISHY
FUNNIES**

- What Is A Fish's Favourite Subject At "School"? Algae-Bra
- What Did The Fish Say When He Hit The Wall? Dam!!!
- Why Don't Fish Like Basketball? Cause They're Afraid Of The Net!
- What Did The Magician Say To The Fisherman? Pick A Cod, Any Cod!
- What Is A Belugas Favourite Tv Show? Whale Of Fortune!
- What Fish Only Swims At Night? A Starfish!
- Why Did The Fish Get Bad Grades? He Was Below Sea Level At His "School"

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**OUR FIRST MEETING OF
THE NEW CLUB SEASON
IS ON SEPTEMBER 9TH**

Club meetings resume in September.

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**THE ST. CATHARINES AND AREA
AQUARIUM SOCIETY**

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, 6657 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.

**Ready to Join
The Club?**

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THANK YOU - MANAGEMENT



Upcoming Events

November 1, 2025

**St. Catharines & Area Aquarium Society Fall Auction
Niagara Falls, Ontario**

November 14, 15 and 16, 2025

CAOAC Convention, Burlington, Ontario





CLUB YEAR AT A GLANCE 2025-2026

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SCAAS MEETING DATES

SEPTEMBER 8TH	FEBRUARY 2RD
OCTOBER 6TH	MARCH 2RD
NOVEMBER 3TH	APRIL 6TH
DECEMBER 1ND	MAY 4TH
JANUARY 5TH	JUNE 1ST

HOLIDAYS

September 1 - Labour Day
October 13 - Thanksgiving
November 11 - Remembrance Day
December 25 - Christmas Day
December 26 - Boxing Day
January 1 - New Years Day
February 16 - Family Day
March 17 - St Patrick's Day
April 3 - Good Friday
April 5 - Easter Sunday
May 18 - Victoria Day
July 1 - Canada Day

SEMI-ANNUAL FISH AUCTION

SATURDAY NOVEMBER 1ST



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Hamilton and District Aquarium Society 75th Birthday Bash and CAOAC Convention.

Hall - Burlington Holiday Inn - Fri Nov 14 - Sun Nov 16

- 1000 room - Biotope, Aquascape

- 2000 room -Dinner

- Speaker & Auction room

5th Canadian Biotope Competition

Aquascape Competition

Vendors -

Speakers - Marcus Nicholls

- Dean Baayen

- Jacqueline Heijman Bennett-Leaver

- Eric Bodrock

Sponsors - sponsor a Speaker -

Donations - Mike M is in charge of Donations

Fri - 4:00 - Welcome - check in

7:00 - opening of convention, meet the speakers

8:00 - speaker

Hospitality Suit - mingle

Sat - speakers 9, 10:15, 11:30 lunch 1:30, 2:45, 4

5th Canadian Biotope Competition

Aquascape Competition

Vendors

6:00 - cocktails

7:00 - dinner - buffet

8:00 - *presidents table* gift draw, draws, 50/50

8:45 - dinner speaker

Hospitality Suit - mingle

*asking all clubs to provide a donation for a draw at the dinner appropriate value \$100-\$150.

All gifts should be fish related.

Sun - 10am - auction

GUEST ROOMS - rates available Thurs thru Sun

Room Type Thursday Friday Saturday Sunday

King Bed \$160.00

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- July 15 to Sept 14 - \$135

- Sept 15 to Nov 5 - \$150

Speakers only - \$85

Dinner only - \$65

- e-transfer - information on website first week of April

Other items/suggestions

-Room fish sales - anyone wanting to sell fish from their room

-There are many restaurants in this area - only Sat dinner is provided

All information will be on our website the first week of April



Dean Baayens Marcus Nicholls



**Jacqueline Heijmen
Bennett-Leaver**

Eric Bodrock



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**Nov 16th
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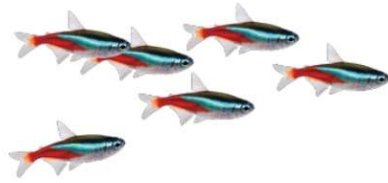


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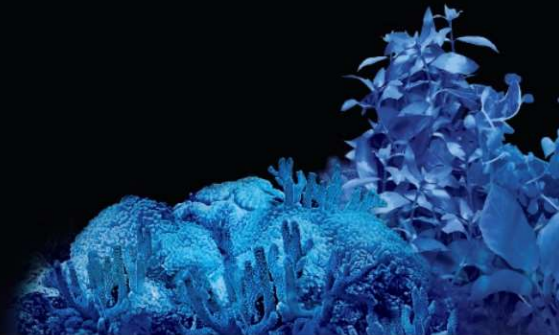
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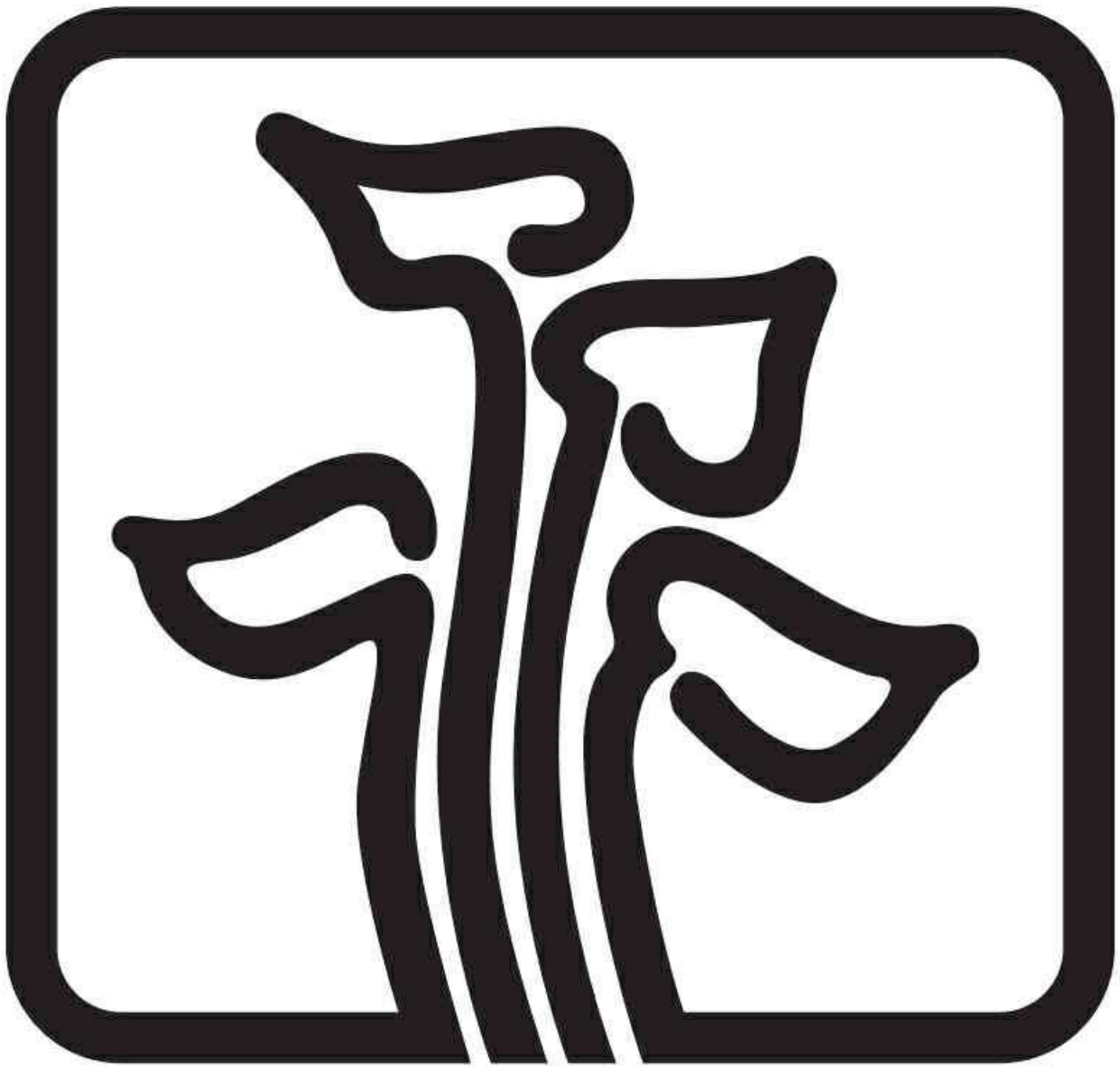




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