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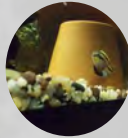
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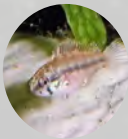
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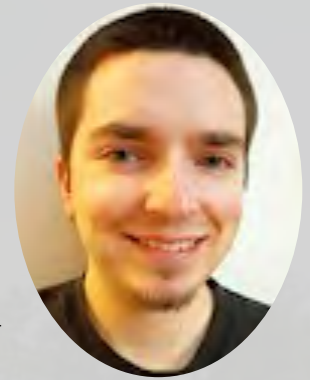


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# PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



*Michael Buchma*

ACLCLC, it has been a while. I hope everyone has enjoyed their summer. Did you do anything fishy this summer? Did you set up a new aquarium? Did you overcome something in the aquarium keeping hobby that was once difficult to you? If you did, please consider writing an article for our award winning presentation. It doesn't need to be large. Your experiences will surely interest our club or even educate us.

The ACLCLC will not meet at its regular location in September. I hope you know by now that the ACLCLC and the CCY are holding the Keystone Clash from September 22<sup>nd</sup> to the 24<sup>th</sup> at the Lancaster Host Resort. Fun will be had by all! 9 programs will be delivered by 4 separate speakers. There will also be vendors, a delicious banquet, a huge Sunday auction, and much more. If you can't make it, we understand. You will just have to see us again in October when we return to the Bird-in-Hand Fire Company.



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# EDITOR'S NOTES

ACLC Members,

It was one year ago this month that we took over the editorial reins and it has been both rewarding and frustrating. It is great to be able to put together a publication that has been an award winning product for so many years and be told that we are keeping the quality at the same high level our members have come to expect from Tank Tales. However, it is always difficult to put together a newsletter unless the members of this club submit the articles and photos to fill the pages. We thank those of you who have contributed to Tank Tales and encourage, beg and plead with the rest of you to put together a few thoughts to share with your fellow hobbyists here on the pages of Tank Tales!

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# GOING NUTS!

Photos & Text  
By  
John Dickel

We've had some really good speakers at our club lately talking about Apistogrammas and other small South American cichlids. I thought I'd share with you how easy it is to make coconut huts for those fish. Many fish use the hut to spawn and to raise their fry in. I myself have kribensis, ancistrus catfish and apistogrammas that have made themselves at home in these huts. I saw coconut huts down at House of Tropicals in Glen Burnie, MD for about \$25 each! That's crazy, make your own! Spend that extra money on more fish at your club auction!

There are plenty of YouTube videos out there showing you how. It is quite simple, here are the steps:

1. Buy a coconut at your local grocery store.
2. Where the hair gathers is the stem and blossom ends or top and bottom of the coconut. Halfway between in the middle, drill two small holes on opposite sides.
3. Drain the milk.
4. Use a spade bit appropriately sized for your fish and drill a hole above the halfway mark at two different locations (top and bottom). Secure the coconut in a vise or something to

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keep it from moving while you are drilling or you will end up with six stitches in your hand like yours truly.

5. Take a jigsaw, and using the smaller drilled holes as starter points, cut the coconut in half. If you are totally crazy, a machete will work too.
6. Score the coconut meat with a knife a few times. Loosen it and pop it out. Continue with a soup spoon until the inside of the shell is clean of all coconut meat.
7. Some folks boil them. I just dropped them in my 220 gallon tank and let the catfish and loaches play for a couple of weeks before I use them in the smaller tanks. When doing it this way, they release tannins in the water which is beneficial.
8. I leave the hair on the outside. It makes it easy to super glue java moss or your favorite plant to naturalize.

If you can't find coconuts at your local supermarket, another option is terra cotta pots. Rachel O'Leary has a wonderful video on YouTube showing how to use these inexpensive pots as caves.

So, let's go guys and gals. Get outside, crack a nut – coconut, that is. Let's see some huts at a future club auction!



# OCTOBER PROGRAM

## “Cyprinids”



**Bob Bock**

### Time & Place

**Saturday, October 21st  
at  
1:00 PM**

**Hand-in-Hand Fire Co.  
313 Enterprise Drive  
Bird-in-Hand, PA 17505**

In this talk, Bob surveys the cyprinids, a vast group of fishes native to North America, Europe, Asia, and Africa. He offers tips on caring for cyprinids in aquaria, reviews field studies on spawning behaviors of North American and European cyprinids, then applies these findings to breeding barbs, danios, rasboras and other cyprinid species in the home aquarium

Bob Bock has been collecting and keeping fish since he was 7 years old, when he brought home two mummichog from the Hackensack River Meadowlands of New Jersey. Bob likes writing and speaking about aquarium fish and belongs to all the Washington, D.C. area's freshwater aquarium societies. He is past president of the North American Native Fishes Association and wrote the "Meet the Hobbyist" column of Tropical Fish Hobbyist. Cyprinids are his main interest, but he has also bred sunfish, cichlids, corydoras and brochis, livebearers, loaches, and killifish. When he's not busy in his fishroom, Bob likes collecting native fishes. Every two years, he leads the native fishes collecting trip for the Potomac Valley Aquarium Society's All Aquarium Catfish Convention





# 2016 FAAS PUBLICATION AWARDS

Once again, the ACLC and our Tank Tales publication, did extremely well in the FAAS Publication Awards. We received a total of 17 awards, including several for the great articles submitted by our 2016 ALEF recipients at Manchester Valley H.S. These awards will be presented at our October meeting, but we wanted to list them here so that everyone knows what awards can be won. All you have to do is WRITE!

3rd Place	Best Editor & Publication > 6 issues	Karen Haas/Kurt Johnston	
1st Place	Best Changing Cover, Original Art	Karen Haas/Kurt Johnston	
1st Place	Best Exchange Column	Kurt Johnston	Piscatorial Pearls
2nd Place	Best Exchange Column	Kurt Johnston	Piscatorial Pearls
3rd Place	Best Exchange Column	Kurt Johnston	Piscatorial Pearls
2nd Place	Best Spawning Article , 500–1000 words	Alan Rollings	Pseudocrenilabris multicolor victoriae
3rd Place	Best Spawning Article , > 1000	Alan Rollings	Rice Fish, Oryzias latipes
Honorable Mention	Best Article on Plant Maintenance, Cultivation or	Alan Rollings	Eichhornia crassipes
1st Place	Best How To or DIY Article	Karen Haas	Go Fish! Shipping Fish through the Mail
2nd Place	Best Traveling Aquarist Article	Joel Antkowiak	The Aquarium of the Pacific
Honorable Mention	Best Continuing Column	Karen Haas	Re-Tanked, Recycling and Tips for the Fish Room
JUNIOR AWARDS			
1st	Best Article on a Species of Fish	Benjamin Gantz	Behaviors of Betta smaragdina
2nd	Best Article on a Species of Fish	Dalton Stoner	Growth Study Focused on Lepomis cyanellus
1st	Best Article on Plant Maintenance, Cultivation or	Holly Bolander	Petroselinum crispum germination & growth ...
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1st	Best Article, All Other Categories	Zachary Leitner	My Experience with Marine &
2nd	Best Article, All Other Categories	Zach Uggowitzner	The Effects of Water Quality on

# Piscatorial Pearls

*“Reviewing Aquarium Society Newsletters from Around the World”*

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This month we are going to try and catch up from a summer off and begin in the State of Georgia with an article in the June 2017 issue of the [Atlanta Area Aquarium Association’s Fish Talk](#). This article is titled “[Micropoecilia obscura](#)” by Brianna and David Mercer. They not only describe their experience with this little livebearer but help in its identification.

Our next stop is in Iowa for 2 stories in the June 2017 edition of the [Eastern Iowa Aquarium Association’s Fin Flap](#). The first story is titled “[Aphyosemion wachtersi Obilly](#)” by Lee Van Hyfte and describes the patience Lee had in successfully spawning this beautiful Killifish. Lee also wrote the second story titled “[Breeding the Red Badis](#)” that describes, in detail the experience that Lee had keeping and breeding this beautiful Indian fish.

We now head north to Canada and 3 articles in the May 2017 issue of the [Kitchener Waterloo Aquarium Society’s Fins & Tales](#). The first article is titled “[Melanotaenia praecox](#)” by Catherine Salmon and gives a very good description of Catherine’s success with this New Guinea Dwarf Rainbowfish. Next, we have an article that tells us about the “[Science of CO2](#)” with a very good explanation about how this relates to our aquariums by Dr. Glenn Roberts. The final article in this issue is titled “[The Particulate Theory](#)” by Karen Murray that gives a good recommendation regarding mulm in your aquarium.

Coming back to the USA we head to the midwest for 5 stories in the July/August 2017 edition of the [Missouri Aquarium Society’s Darter](#). The first story is titled “[Spawning Buccochromis nototaennia](#)” by Mike Huber

that explains Mike’s successful methods with this Malawi Hap. The next story is written by Patrick Tosie and tells us all about Patrick’s experience with “[Melanochromis kakazini](#)” a beautiful blue mbuna. The third story is titled “[Skiffia bilineata](#)” by Mike Huber that gives us all the methods Mike uses to successfully raise this little Goodeid. The next story is titled “[Hobby Hacks](#)” by Rick Renfro and is about an extremely interesting build that melds an aquarium with some aquaponics and the results are quite exciting. The final story in this edition is another in the Minifins series by Mike Hellweg, this one being all about “[Tanichthys albonubes](#)” the ever popular White Cloud Mountain Minnow and all the great things that make this little fish a favorite of hobbyists.

Back to the east coast for a stop in New Jersey for an article in the

June 2017 issue of the [North Jersey Aquarium Society’s Reporter](#). This article is another of Dr. Paul’s Fish of the Month, the “[Andinoacara biseriatus](#)”. Dr. Paul give us an excellent description of his experience and success with this great looking Colombian Cichlid.

A short trip north brings us to Connecticut and a couple of stories in the Spring 2018 edition of the [Norwalk Aquarium Society’s Wet Pet Gazette](#). The first story titled “[Put a Fish in it—the series Spring](#)” by Basil Holubis is a good description of Basils plans for his outdoor fishkeeping. The second story this issue is titled “[The Littlest Fishkeeper](#)” by Antoinette Carey that is a very touching story about Austin and Fred and the future of our hobby.

Our next stop is in the state of Florida for an article in the June 2017 issue of the [Tampa Bay](#)

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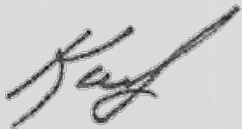
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Aquarium Society's The Filter. This article is Part 1 of "R/O: All you Need to Know" by Joe Gargas and it begins to go into the details regarding water science and the different measurements we need to understand.

Finally, we come home to Pennsylvania for 2 stories in the July 2017 edition of the Greater Pittsburgh Aquarium Society's Finformation. The first story is titled "Corydoras napoensis" by Dan Simanek. Dan gives us an excellent description of this Cory and his experience with spawning and maintaining this catfish. Next we have a story by Joe Doyle that describes his success with "Nothobranchius fuscotaeniatus", a peat spawning Killifish that he got from our own Gary Haas.

See you at the Clash!



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# Help Needed!

Most of you are aware of the 2017 Keystone clash on September 22-24. Well, we could use your help. Whether it be with the show, registration or the auction, we need some help with working the event. Some of us are getting together the Saturday before the Clash (September 16th) at the Bird-in-Hand Firehall to go over the final plans and to collect some of the supplies we will need for the operation of the Clash. Remember, this is our main fund raiser to maintain the operation of the ACLC. If you can make it, please be at the firehall at 12 Noon on September 16th and help us make the 2017 Keystone Clash a moment to remember!



# NANNACARA TAENIA

## TWO INCH TERROR

Photos & Text by Don Kinyon

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Sometimes called the pin-striped dwarf cichlid, *Nannacara taenia* comes from the state of Parà, Brazil, and the only known spot they are native to is a small area in the Rio Tocantins basin near Belèm. These are not very common in the hobby and are seldom found in pet shops or even in stores that specialize in tropical fish. This may be partially due to the unremarkable appearance of the fish outside of spawning and rearing coloration and the reclusive nature of the fish in the aquarium.

There was a group of four of these fish donated to an auction at a local aquarium society's event and I'd never seen them available before, so the bidding was on. As it worked out, I took them home without spending as much as I'd



expected. From my observation, it appears that there are three males and a female in the group, but I may be mistaken; one of the suspected males may be a smaller female. The very similar

shape and color of the sexes and the shy nature of the fish make it difficult to tell unless you put the fish through the trauma of close inspection in a specimen container. The male of this species is the smaller of the pair, opposite of the more common *Nannacara anomola*. My fish appear to be nearly full grown: the males at 1 3/4", female 2". Both sexes, outside of breeding and rearing coloration, are silvery white with olive pin stripes running longitudinally along the body. The fins of both sexes are mostly clear, but there is some dark coloration in the dorsal and the first few rays of the pelvic fins.

The fish's new home is a standard 15 gallon aquarium with soft, acidic water (mostly rain water) with a pH of 6.5, TDS of 35ppm, and temperature of 75° F. Filtration was a simple air-driven sponge filter in the corner. *Anubias* broad-leaved plants and some Java fern were added for cover, along with several crocks and stone caves to keep the aggression of the fish to a minimum. A thin layer of river sand covered the bottom glass. There was no lighting other than ambient and the tank's location on a lower level made for a dimly lit environment for the fish.

The first thing you notice when you set these fish up in a planted or semi-planted tank is that you seldom see them unless you lure them out with food. They're shy

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to the point of reclusiveness. Once they are settled in, you notice that they are a little on the territorial side, chasing each other away from each fish's chosen area. I'm not sure if it was only the males doing this or all four of the fish, as they are very fast and tend to stay under cover as much



as possible even when the chase is on. Some *Hemigrammus hyanuary* tetras were added to the tank in order to make the cichlids more comfortable, and seemed to help out a little. I was a little concerned that the tetras were too big; the adults being larger than the largest of the *Nannacara*. I found later that my fears were unnecessary.

These fish are not fussy about food. They will accept flake foods or freeze-dried, but go crazy for frozen blood worms, live black worms, chopped earth worms, and particularly mosquito larvae. This was the spring of the year and the mosquitoes were plentiful outside, so they could be collected every day and the small cichlids ate very well indeed!

It didn't take long, with all the live food and twice-weekly water changes at a rate of about 40% using rain water, for the fish to come into condition. My first sign that something had changed was one of the females guarding a small crock near the center of the tank. She had dramatically

changed in appearance as well. While she was an olive and white before, she had transformed into a striking silver with bold dark markings crisscrossing her body into a semi-checkerboard pattern. Her eyes had turned extremely dark, giving her a sinister look.

Assuming that there may be eggs in the crock, I carefully reached in to upturn the pot and have a look. My hand hadn't gotten very close to the pot yet when the female bit me! The bite didn't draw blood, but it was more painful of a pinch than many larger cichlids had done in the same situation. Yes, there were eggs in there and no, she wasn't thrilled with my intrusion. I hated to disrupt the natural scheme of things, but I wasn't sure how well she could take care of the nest with the other fish in the tank, so I removed the crock carefully and put it into a smaller tank that had been filled with water from



the original. Once it was set up in the hatching tank, the crock was placed on its side and an air stone was placed at the opening in order to keep water circulating over the eggs.

It was two days later at about 75° F. that the eggs hatched out and fell to the bottom of the pot and floor of the tank, and a full six more days before they became free-

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# ABOUT THE ACLC™

Established in 1972, the Aquarium Club of Lancaster County is dedicated to further the study of all forms of aquatic life, to promote interest, exchange ideas, distribute information concerning the aquarium hobby and to encourage the breeding and display of aquatic life. The ACLC is an affiliated member of the Northeast Council of Aquarium Societies, Federation of American Aquarium Societies, International Guppy Education & Exhibition Society and the C.A.R.E.S. Preservation Program. The ACLC also actively supports and encourages our members to join the American Cichlid Association, American Livebearer Association, American Killifish Association and any other International, National, Regional or Local Club and Societies. In 2015 we hosted the American Livebearer Association Convention and in 2016 established the Aquatic Life Education Fund.

The ACLC is scheduled to meet on the third Saturday of each month (except July and August) at the Hand-in-Hand Fire co., 313 Enterprise Drive, Bird-in-Hand, PA 17505. Meetings begin at 1:00 PM unless otherwise noted. Meetings usually are comprised of a program featuring a guest speaker, raffle and door prizes and a mini fish auction, with a period allowed for mingling and refreshments. The philosophy of the club is such that our activities are interesting to both the novice and advanced hobbyist alike. An effort is made to keep business to a minimum at the general meetings, with the board of directors meeting being held quarterly at a pre-established date and time.

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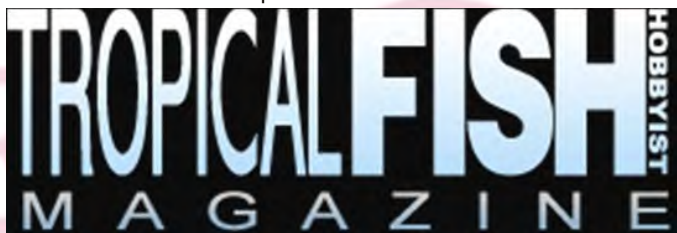
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SEPTEMBER

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**I**t is hard to believe but it has been a year since the Aquarium Club of Lancaster County and the Cichlid Club of York got together for the first Keystone Clash. This collaboration was an attempt to bring together the great hobbyists in both clubs to put on a show only possible in the Susquehanna Valley.



This year we have taken a big step forward, bringing 4 of the most knowledgeable speakers available from all over the world to present 9 programs all under one roof for a very affordable price. The variety of programs presented by Mark Denaro, Chris Biggs, Lawrence Kent and Andreas Tanke should be helpful as well as entertaining for anyone on the fishkeeping hobby.

In addition there is the fish show with 34 Classes covering all aspects of our hobby



and a possible 115 different awards including the ACLC Keystone Challenge which awards cash prizes to the individual and the club with the most total points in



the show.

There is also the Vendor Room, which will be bigger and better than 2016 and of course the Sunday Mega Auction with a 70/30 split!



We really hope you have registered and are going to join the many great hobbyists at the 2017 Keystone Clash!

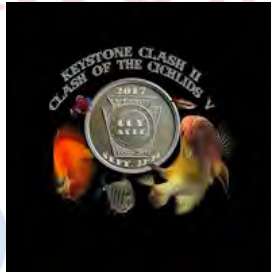


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# ACLC SPEAKER SCHEDULE

2017

September 22-24—Keystone Clash II



October 21st—Bob Bock  
“Cyprinids”

November 18th—Larry Jinks

“Corydoras Capers”

December 16th—TBA

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swimming. The fry are small; maybe three sixteenths of an inch, but capable of eating newly-hatched brine shrimp as a first food. They were also fed decapsulated brine shrimp eggs and *Golden Pearls* brand powdered food. Coloration of the fry is quite different than the adult fish and very attractive. If they kept the contrasting light brown / dark brown pattern I think they would be a very popular aquarium fish. The head and main part of the fry's body is chocolate brown, the belly and lower body orangey-tan (more orange after feeding on BBS) and there's a silver stripe along the top of the body from the head to the tail. The dorsal fin has wide bold chocolate and yellow vertical stripes.

It was only a few days after the first bunch of fry were free swimming when one of the females in the breeding tank had changed color and was guarding the top of another clay pot. I had to know, so I turned the pot over to look and, once again, was bitten for my nosiness. This time it was left to the fish to do hatching and raising of the fry. I didn't bother the tank again and just watched. I should never have had concern about the female's ability to guard the nest. Though the tetras were larger and faster, they wouldn't come into the open when the female was present. The other cichlids were nowhere to be found when the mother took the brood around the tank to forage. All residents of the aquarium stayed out of sight or paid the price. She was a vicious protector of her brood. I have not seen the male of the pair displaying any sort of protective behavior of the nest or young fish. If he has a role in this, he does it with subtlety.

The young fish in the second brood, being left with the mother in the breeding tank, were much more active and visible than the first group. I'm assuming that presence of the mother fish gave them the confidence to be out in the open to feed without fear. As a result, they grew more quickly and soon caught up to the first group in size. Until the fry were old enough to be on their own, the mother stood guard and the other residents stayed out of the way. Even during feeding, they only darted out long enough to grab a bite and rush back, and even then they sometimes incurred the wrath of Mom.

Once the youngsters were around five weeks free-swimming, they no longer stayed with the mother fish and ventured around the tank on their own. Other than a short chase now and then, they showed little aggression towards each other and the aquarium was at peace once again.

The second brood hadn't been on their own for more than a week when I noticed all the tetras and a good share of the *Nannacara* all huddled into a top corner as I was feeding them. A quick look around the tank showed that one of the females was guarding an upturned pot near the center of the tank and no one was going to test her. Not wanting to stress the other fish out any more, I removed them to another tank and left the mother and her nest alone.

At this writing, the eggs have hatched; the female is still guarding them and looking for any other fish to come into sight. I get the feeling that she's disappointed there are no interlopers to challenge.

# AQUATIC LIFE EDUCATION FUND

In January 2016, the Aquarium Club of Lancaster County Board of Directors announced a new program, the ACLC Aquatic Life Education Fund. This program has been instituted to assist schools in our area with funding for the continued development of curriculums related to the study of aquatic life. The importance of continued education of young people in this field could not be overstated and we felt that there is no better way to show our support than to develop a means for our club to assist financially.

The program works as follows:

- Five percent (5%) of the ACLC's auction proceeds annually between September 1<sup>st</sup> and August 31<sup>st</sup> will be earmarked for this fund
- The ACLC will also collect any donations offered by members and guests at all meetings and events held during the year and put 100% of those into the fund
- In 2017 the ACLC BOD decided that the moneys we collect from Amazon Smile will also be used to fund the ALEF.
- The ACLC will accept nominations from ACLC Members in good standing, for schools to be considered recipients beginning in September of each year and the decision will be made by a vote of the ACLC membership no later than at the March General meeting.
- Nominations should be accompanied by a letter from that school's representative with a description of the program the funds will be used for.
- Schools must be pre-college education facilities from neighboring counties in Pennsylvania, Maryland, Delaware and New Jersey.
- No fees or other costs will be deducted from the funds collected. 100% will go to the school selected by the ACLC. A check will be awarded to that school as soon as possible after August 31<sup>st</sup> each year.

We look forward to this being and long term annual program to help educate our areas' young people in all aspects of our hobby and to promote the conservation efforts necessary for the continues existence of aquatic life.



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# AQUATIC LIFE EDUCATION FUND FINAL 2017 REPORT

Another great year the ACLC can truly be proud of. We surpassed our goal of \$600 and raised a grand total of \$605.00! The check will be presented to WAHS Aquarium Science teacher, Larry Flint at the Keystone Clash Banquet.

The funds that we raised this year will be donated to the [Williamsport Area High School](http://reefconservationsociety.org/550.html) Aquarium Science program headed by teacher Larry Flint. The amazing work being done at WAHS can be viewed at <http://reefconservationsociety.org/550.html>. If you have any questions, please contact me at [ALEF@aclcpa.org](mailto:ALEF@aclcpa.org).

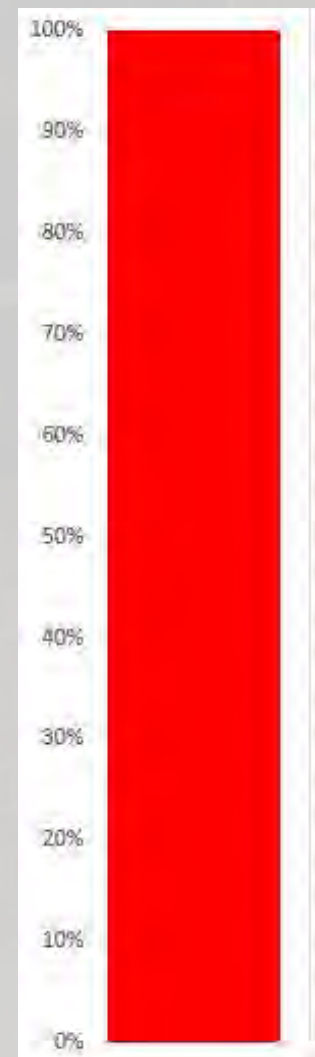
Thank you

Kurt Johnston

ALEF Chair



**2017 Goal = \$600.00**  
**We Raised = \$605.00**

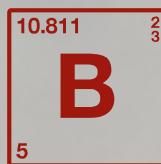


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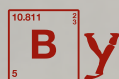




# reaking



# rachy



aren



aas

I was introduced to the genus *Brachyraphis* a couple of years ago when Dan Fromm put a pair of *Brachyraphis roswithae* in the Delaware County Aquarium Society meeting's auction. Nobody knew much about them, and because of that, I bought them for a few dollars. They're livebearers, so how hard could it be to keep and breed them, right? Wrong! I put them in a 20H with some little danio type fish. I fully intended to move them to a bigger tank in the near future. The danios started disappearing. Then the male disappeared. Oh crap! There went my BAP chances. I never found any fry from that bad fish. I eventually lost the female.



When Alan came for a visit nearly 3 years ago, he surprised me with a bag of 6 *Brachyraphis holdridgei* from England. We had better luck with this species. We kept them in a bare bottom 20 Long with a sponge filter, a couple of pieces of PVC pipe, and lots of floating plants: guppy grass, hornwort, and duckweed. Alan inquired with a friend who keeps Brachys and he said that he uses lots of plastic Easter basket grass instead of live plants for the fry to hide in. I've come to realize why hardly anyone keeps these bad fish, the mothers love to eat their fry. Also, the females, which are much larger than the males, get irritated from constant harassment from the male's amorous advances

and kills them. I've heard of another way to save fry. I haven't tried it yet, but will when moving our fish room is done. Take a piece of plastic needle point canvass and roll it into a tube. Use a rubber band to keep it together or lash the ends together with fishing line or zip ties. Place this upright in the center of the aquarium. The fry will swim through the holes to safety inside the tube.



Back to the *B. roswithae*; last summer Dan Fromm was kind enough to give us another trio from his stock. This time I put them in a 22 long with a good amount of flow from a power head. The opposite end had floating plants for protection for the fry. After 3 months, one baby was recovered which was promptly placed in another aquarium with some *Amatitlania nanoluteus* fry. Oh no, I hope this lone fry turns out to be a males. A couple of months later, I got lucky. It's a boy! Now I just had to wait till it grew a little bigger so it wouldn't become a snack for mom when I reintroduced him. While I was waiting, I didn't see any more fry from the females.

In the meantime, we decided to downsize and move into an apartment which meant moving and rebuilding the fish room. The young male went into the girls' tank. He knew exactly what

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to do and was trying to mate with the ladies immediately. Every day I'd check to make sure that he was still alive.

Two weeks later we moved them to the new place and each fish was placed into its own 5 gallon tank. I didn't want to take any more chances in losing this species. I figured it was my best chance in saving fry from one of the mothers while we completed our move. About 5 weeks had passed before I discovered at the morning feeding about 20 fry hovering at the surface amongst the plants. I tried to catch the fry with a small net, but they would dart down where their mother would lunge for them. I removed the mother to a different tank. I waited a couple more weeks hoping to see fry from the other female to no avail. I started feeding the fry vinegar eels. After a week I added microworms along with the vinegar eels.



B. roseni male (above) & female (below)



A couple weeks later they got crushed flake and baby white worms.

Some of our other Brachy species are still challenging us. They've been neglected during the move. The B. roseni that Leslie Dicks mailed to us from the spring NEC auction has dwindled to one male and 5 females. They're in a 40



B. rabadaphora—female

breeder and I only found one fry amongst the floating plants so far. I tried isolating one

female but she must have eaten the fry before I found them.

We saved the last female B. rabadaphora from 5 males and a few weeks later she dropped some fry. We got lucky again. The extra males are being dither fish for our smaller Central American Cichlids. Their robustness and constant movement make them good dithers.



B. rabadaphora—male

The sparring between them is entertaining to watch. Unfortunately, a few weeks after I started this article we lost all the fry. We had some trouble in the fish room with a few of our tanks. I think it got too warm during the summer in some of the tanks.

We were fortunate to be able to visit Dan Fromm and his wife, Patricia recently. He graciously gave us a tour of his fish room. It was a delight to see how colorful his B. roswithae are as were all of his fish. All his tanks were packed full with java fern which I think is the key in order to maintain these challenging fish.

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# C.A.R.E.S. REGISTRATION

## September 2017 CARES Report

In August we had one new CARES registration from Karen Haas and Alan Rollings.






But the big news is the way Alan and Karen registered their fish. As mentioned in the past couple of reports, CARES national has instituted some new registration procedures. In short, you register your fish through a website, and the registration goes directly to the national database. Registration through this process requires a photograph of the fish, to assure that all fish in the national database are correctly identified. So Karen and Alan have registered their new species through this process.

The local clubs (or at least THIS local club) will continue to maintain a local database of CARES species. If you want your fish to be registered in the national database, you have to register it through the national website, and it will be reflected in the local database and in the monthly report. See [caresforfish.org](http://caresforfish.org) for more details on the national organization, and see Clair Klinedinst the new CARES coordinator for questions on ACLC's implementation











































~Clair Klinedinst  
 ACLC CARES Coordinator

### SYMBOL KEY

- The Gold Seal , designates that species is registered in ACLC CARES
- The Green Seal , designates that a spawning report has been published in Tank Tales.
- The Blue Seal , designates that species has been distributed and registered within the ACLC
- The Red Seal , designates that species has been distributed and registered in another clubs' CARES program.
- Longevity Seal , indicates the number of years the member has maintained the species.

### JOEL ANTKOWIAK

Tanichthys micagemmae					6
Ameba splendens					6
Tanichthys albonubes					5
Pachypanchax sparksorum					3
Neotoca (Skiffia) multipunctata					3
Coptodon snyderae					3
Ataeniobius toweri					3
Coptodon bythobates					3
Xenotaenia resolonae					3
Pachypanchax patriciae					3
Rivulus uroflammeus					3
Melanotaenia boesemani					3



# C.A.R.E.S. REGISTRATION

## JOEL ANTKOWIAK CONT'D

Melanotaenia eachamensis	●				3
Cryptoheros myrnae	●				2
Bedotia geayi	●				2
Xiphophorus malinche	●			●	2
Zoogoneticus tequila	●				2
Melanotaenia parva	●				1
Chilatherina sentaniensis	●				1
Paretroplus maculatus	●				1
Nothobranchius	●				1
Neotoca bilineata	●				1
Cryptoheros septemfasciatus	●				1
Characodon lateralis	●				1
Pelvicachromis silviae	●				1
Xenotoca melanosoma	●				1
Skiffia francesae	●				1
Characodon audax	●				1
Glossolepis incisus	●				1
Xenotoca doadrioi	●				1

## STEVE ARNOTT

Tanichthys micagemmae	●		●		5
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## GARY BOYER

Xystichromis sp. 'Kyoga flameback'	●				1
Cryptoheros nanoluteus	●				1
Pundamilia nyererei	●		●		1
Ataeniobius toweri	●				1
Ilyodon whitei	●				1

## RICH BRESSLER

Melanotaenia lacustris	●				5
Tanichthys micagemmae	●		●		5
Bedotia geayi	●		●		3
Zoogoneticus tequila	●	●	●		3
Ataeniobius toweri	●		●		3
Xiphophorus malinche	●		●		3
Glossolepis incisus	●		●		3
Melanotaenia boesemani	●				2

## PAUL BRICKNELL

Ilyodon whitei (lennoni)	●				1
Zoogoneticus tequila	●				1
Ameca splendens	●				1
Ataeniobius toweri	●				1

## JOHN & NATALIE DICKEL

Tanichthys micagemmae	●				4
Zoogoneticus tequila	●				1
Xenotoca eiseni	●		●		1
Ameca splendens	●				1
Ataeniobius toweri	●				1

# C.A.R.E.S. REGISTRATION

## GARY HAAS

Fundulopanchax sjoestedti	● ● ● ● ●	3
Fundulopanchax amieti	● ● ● ● ●	2
Puntius titteya	● ● ● ● ●	2
Tanichthys albonubes	● ● ● ● ●	2
Melanotaenia boesemani	● ● ● ● ●	1
Nematolebia papiliferus (Inoa)	● ● ● ● ●	1
Nothobranchius kilomberoensis	● ● ● ● ●	1
Puntius denisonii	● ● ● ● ●	1

## KAREN HAAS & ALAN ROLLINGS CONT'D

Amphilophus lyonsi	● ● ● ● ●	
Ptyochromis sp. Red Rock Sheller	● ● ● ● ●	
Paralabidochromis sp. Fire	● ● ● ● ●	
Pundamilia pundamilia Senga Point	● ● ● ● ●	
Amatitlania myrnae	● ● ● ● ●	

## KAREN HAAS & ALAN ROLLINGS

Synodontis brichardi	● ● ● ● ●	2
Glossolepis incisus	● ● ● ● ●	2
Chapalichthys encaustus	● ● ● ● ●	2
Cryptoheros nanoluteus	● ● ● ● ●	1
Xystochromis sp. "Kyoga Flameback"	● ● ● ● ●	1
Cryptoheros nanoluteus	● ● ● ● ●	1
Characodon lateralis "Los Berros"	● ● ● ● ●	1
Ilyodon whitei	● ● ● ● ●	1
Ataeniobius toweri	● ● ● ● ●	1
Pundamilia nyererei	● ● ● ● ●	1
Ameca splendens	● ● ● ● ●	1
Xystochromis phytophagus	● ● ● ● ●	3
Fundulopanchax sjoestedti	● ● ● ● ●	
Hypancistrus L333	● ● ● ● ●	

## CLAIR KLINEDINST

Fundulopanchax amieti	● ● ● ● ●	
Tanichthys albonubes	● ● ● ● ●	2
Tanichthys micagemmae	● ● ● ● ●	2
Fundulopanchax sjoestedti	● ● ● ● ●	
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# The Littlest Fishkeeper

By Antoinette Carey, Norwalk Aquarium Society

*Reprinted from the Spring 2017 Issue of the Wet Pet Gazette*

“Fred is hungry”, he says as he grabs a pinch of food from the can of TetraMin in his left hand. He tosses too much food in and I peer through the tank, past the fish, and see Austin, standing at an imposing 3’6”, watching carefully as Fred the Angelfish eats her dinner.

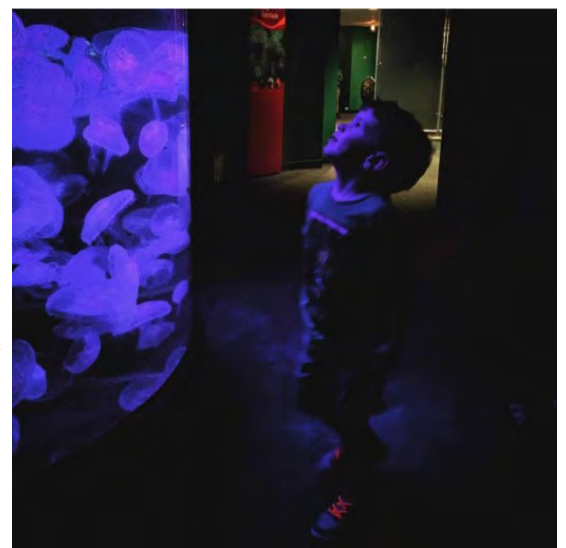
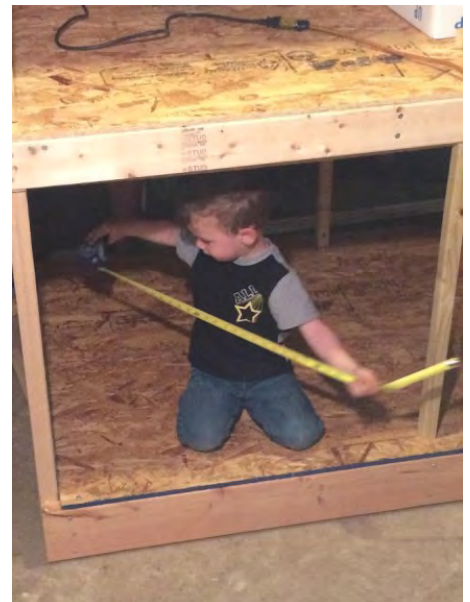
At 5 years old, Austin has been keeping fish for his whole life. His first exposure to fish were some tetras in a small tank his nursery. Once he was old enough to talk, he took an interest in Betta’s. Chocolate Milk was a bright blue male, handpicked by Austin. Chocolate Milk died in an unfortunate petting accident a few months later. An important lesson was learned that day though; we do not pet the fish. Since then there have been no petting accidents.

When we built our fish room, Austin was the shop foreman. He came prepared with his plastic hammer and hardhat, and got right to work on “The Fishy House”. Most importantly, he always made sure we took our union juice breaks. Once “The Fishy House” was built, his eyes filled with wonder as we added more and more fish to our ever expanding fish room.

Fred was the first fish Austin was able to identify on his own. She was an ugly angel that no one wanted. Her fins were chewed, her, color nondescript, her shape was off. I rescued Fred from the

store I worked in at the time, and Fred sat in our fish room for months. Austin named her “Fred”. No amount of arguing that Fred was a female was going to change Austin’s mind; Fred was Fred, end of story. I contemplated bringing her to a monthly NAS meeting in hopes that someone more interested in Angels would take her. As the meeting approached, we were feeding our fish, and Austin pointed at Fred and said with confidence that Fred was an Angel Fishy. 3 years later, Fred is still in our fish room.

As I peer through Fred’s tank at Austin, I can see the amazement in his eyes. The same amazement as when we go to the aquarium, or any fish store, or any other fish room. Austin is an aquarist. This is the future of fish keeping, and it’s my job to keep the wonder alive for him.



# WRITER'S & ARTIST'S AWARD PROGRAM

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This year's point totals are well ahead of last year's pace. Our two leaders at this point have already surpassed the winner of the 2016 Mighty Fin Award. Keep up the good work!

Congratulations to Kurt Johnston for sweeping the Exchange Article class for the 2016 FAAS awards. And congratulations to all the winners. I am sure Kurt will have the results for ACLC elsewhere in this issue.

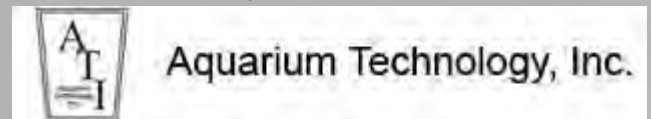
This will be my last report as the Writer and Artists Award Program chair. I have been the chair since the program's inception and it is due for a change. I am sure Kurt Johnston will do a fine job as the new chair.

~ Joel Antkowiak  
WAAP Chair

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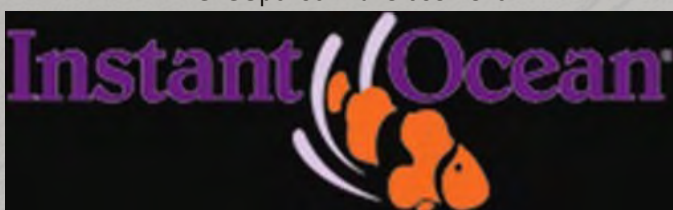


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## 2017 MIGHTY FIN STANDINGS

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Don Kinyon	270 points
Kurt Johnston	260 points
Karen Haas	130 points
Michael Buchma	80 points
Gary Haas	55 points
John Dickel	35 points
Alan Rollings	35 points
Joel Antkowiak	30 points
Joseph Pacheco	10 points

# WRITER'S & ARTIST'S AWARD PROGRAM

Participant	Total Pts	Base Pts	Bonus Pts	Reprints (Articles/Photos)	Special Awards
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## Ultimate Writer Award

Joel Antkowiak	2805	2020	785	6/0	Fishy Photographer Popular Fish Head Writing Breeder
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## Pen & Quill Award (No Current Qualifying Participant)

Karen Haas	818	653	155	2/0	Fishy Photographer
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## Wordsmith Award

Kurt Johnston *	2000	1655	345	1/0	
Bob Kulesa	720	500	220		
Gary Haas	525	470	55	2/0	Fishy Photographer

## Author's Award

Alan Rollings	378	333	80		
Don Kinyon	270	260	10		

## Writer's Award

Richard Bressler	190	70	120		
Michael Buchma	175	145	30		
Lonny Langione	170	100	70	2/0	
Joseph Pacheco	110	50	60		

## Other Participants

John Dickel	45	35	10	1/0	
Brandon Moyer	40	40	0		
Lindsey Moyer	40	40	0		
Sheila Garl	30	30	0		
Charles Vickery	30	30	0		
Ellen Haas	10	10	0		

\*- indicates that participant has enough points to qualify for the next higher award but, needs to complete one or more requirements to qualify

Participants who are no longer ACLC members are not on the list but, their records are maintained.

# HORTICULTURAL AWARD PROGRAM MONTHLY REPORT-SUMMER 2017

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## PROPAGATOR OF THE YEAR

Wesley Bahrt	6 species
Scott Sommer	3 species
Charles Vickery	3 species
Gary Haas	3 species
Paul Tangredi	1 species
Bressler Family	1 species
Gary Boyer	1 species
Danny Corman	1 species

## GARDENER OF THE YEAR

Wesley Bahrt	85 points
Gary Haas	65 points
Scott Sommer	60 points
Charles Vickery	40 points
Bressler Family	15 points
Gary Boyer	10 points
Danny Corman	10 points
Paul Tangredi	5 points

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## SPECIES PROPAGATED—SUMMER 2017

### WESLEY BAHRT 60 TOTAL POINTS

Anubias barteri*	20 points
Lysimachia nummularia 'auria'*	20 points
Microsorium pteropus*	20 points

### DANNY CORMAN 10 TOTAL POINTS

Bolbitis heudelotii	10 points
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### GARY HAAS 5 TOTAL POINTS

Taxiphyllum alterans	5 points
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\* indicates that plant was donated to club auction (2x points)  
 +indicates plant was donated & article submitted to Tank Tales  
 # donation points only—plant was registered earlier

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## LIFETIME ACHIEVEMENT AWARDS

### 2 Star Gardener

Gary Haas  
Bressler Family

### 1 Star Gardener

Gary Boyer  
Alan Rollings  
Scott Sommer

### Novice Gardener

Charles Vickery  
Clair Klinedinst  
Karen Haas  
Wesley Bahrt

# NEC BOWL SHOW LEAGUE

The Northeast Council of Aquarium Societies has initiated a new “Bowl Show League” and the Aquarium Club of Lancaster County’s Board of Directors has decided to join in at our November meeting. This is an OPEN Class Peoples Choice Bowl Show and is open to any member of an NEC affiliate Club. All attendees will get a ballot and we will have a number of 3 gallon Kritter Keepers available to be used. If you need something larger or have questions see me at a club meeting or send me an email at [vicepresident@aclcpa.org](mailto:vicepresident@aclcpa.org) . Below you will find the information provided by the NEC.

Kurt Johnston

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To increase participation in the Exhibitor Competition and revitalize interest in fish shows in general the NEC has formed a bowl show league for 2017-2018. Any NEC member club in good standing can hold up to two sanctioned bowl shows during bowl show season.

## Criteria and Rules:

1. League shows must have a single open class.
2. Exhibitors may enter as many as three exhibits per show.
3. Participation in league shows is open to members of all NEC clubs.
4. Winners are to be determined by peoples choice. (See procedure below)
5. Each club is allowed two NEC sanctioned bowl shows per season.
6. Shows can be held at either a monthly meeting or annual event.
7. Season 1 begins Sept 1st 2017 and runs through January 31st 2018
8. Club must notify Bill Gill of show/meeting dates by August 15th.
9. Club are required to take photos of the entries as well as the show set up to be emailed to the league within one week after the show along with results.
10. Awards will be presented at the 2018 NEC Convention.

## NEC Bowl Show voting and scoring procedure.

Each attendee is given a ballot in which they vote for 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place. Each exhibit earns 3 points for each 1st place vote, 2 points for each 2nd place vote, and 1 point for each 3rd place vote.

## Exhibitor Points for NEC Bowl Shows

First entry in own club’s show - 2 points

Each additional entry - 1 point

First entry in sister club’s show - 5 points

Each additional entry - 2 points

1st place - 25 points

2nd place - 20 points

3rd place - 15 points

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# BREEDER AWARD PROGRAM

## MONTHLY REPORT

### BAP NEWS AS OF SEPTEMBER 1ST, 2017

There has been no activity in the BAP since the last report, dated 1 June. However, there have been intermittent problems with the online registration, which may have dissuaded some of you from reporting. If so, please contact me at [bap@aclcpa.org](mailto:bap@aclcpa.org) so we can get your spawns recorded. Or grab me at the meeting.

In the meantime, the Keystone Clash is coming up fast. BAP fry donations at the Clash count the same as donations at an ACLC auction, increasing the BAP points earned by 30%. So, bring your fry (and all those babies from your back-porch ponds) to the auction at the Clash. Please label such donations as BAP donations. This helps me keep track, and it also brings the BAP program to the attention of others who might like to participate, or to buy fish from a known breeder. You only need to donate 6 fry for the points bonus, you can sell the rest of them at the regular Clash auction split. You will probably get a better price at the Clash than at a regular ACLC auction.

So, get me some breeding reports, and I'll look for your BAP donations at the Clash.

~Gary Haas, BAP Chair

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#### 2017 BREEDER OF THE YEAR

Clair Klinedinst	65 points
Haas/Rollings	56 points
Gary Boyer	53 points
David Tangredi	20 points
Bressler Family	15 points

#### 2017 SPECIES BRED

Clair Klinedinst	5 species
Haas/Rollings	4 Species
Gary Boyer	4 species
David Tangredi	2 species
Bressler Family	1 Species

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# BAP LIFETIME ACHIEVEMENT AWARDS

CURRENTLY ACTIVE ACLC MEMBERS

## F. WAYNE CALENDER BREEDER

Bressler Family	1925 pts
Wayne Calender	1593 pts

## GRAND MASTER BREEDER

Paul Bricknell	2003 pts
David Stephon	1120 pts
Pedro Sanchez	1050 pts

## EXPERT BREEDER

Bob Kulesa*	812 pts
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## ADVANCED BREEDER

Joel Antkowiak*	1278 pts
Haas/Rollings*	756 pts
Gary Boyer *	715 pts

## 2 STAR BREEDER

Gary Haas*	517 pts
Danny Corman*	498 pts
Clair Klinedinst*	235 pts
J/N Dickel	178 pts

## 1 STAR BREEDER

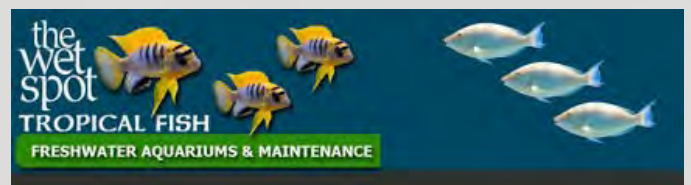
Gene Regener	245 pts
Pat Kelly*	165 pts
Glenn Davies*	140 pts
Dave Frehafer	90 pts
David Tangredi	87 pts
Scott Shenk	70 pts
Tony Kline	60 pts
Robin Antkowiak	57 pts
Kurt Johnston	56 pts

## OTHER PARTICIPANTS

Sam Jones	66 pts
Charles Vickery	39 pts
The Moyers	37 pts
Lonny Langione	35 pts
Julie Lovell	26 pts
Ashley Antkowiak	21 pts
Mackenzie Dalton	14 pts

*\*Breeder has enough points for next higher class award but needs to complete one or more classes to achieve the award.*

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# SPECIALIST BREEDER AWARDS

CURRENTLY ACTIVE ACLC MEMBERS

## CLASS 1—LIVEBEARERS

Paul Bricknell (A)	Wayne Calender
Bob Kulesa	Pedro Sanchez
David Stephon	Joel Antkowiak (X)
Bressler Family (X)	Gary Boyer (A)
J/N Dickel	Haas/Rollings (A)
Clair Klinedinst	

## CLASS 2—CATFISH

Wayne Calender	Bob Kulesa
Bressler Family	

## CLASS 3—BARBS & MINNOWS

David Stephon	Paul Bricknell
Bressler Family	

## CLASS 4—CHARACINS

Wayne Calender	David Stephon
Danny Corman	Bressler Family

## CLASS 5—KILLIFISH

Bob Kulesa	Wayne Calender
Pedro Sanchez	Paul Bricknell (M)
Bressler Family	Gary Haas

## CLASS 6—ANABANTOIDS

Bressler Family

## CLASS 7—NEW WORLD CICHLIDS

Bob Kulesa	Pedro Sanchez
David Stephon	Bressler Family
Paul Bricknell	Haas/Rollings
Gary Boyer	

## CLASS 8—OLD WORLD CICHLIDS

Bob Kulesa	Joel Antkowiak
Bressler Family	Paul Bricknell
Gary Boyer	Haas/Rollings

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## CLASS 9—RAINBOWS & BLUE-EYES

Bressler Family

## CLASS 11—OTHER AQUATIC ANIMALS

Bob Kulesa	Joel Antkowiak
Bressler Family	Haas/Rollings
Paul Bricknell	Bressler Family

## CLASS 12—U.S. NATIVE SPECIES

Wayne Calender	Paul Bricknell
Bressler Family	

## CLASS 14—ALL OTHER FW FISH

Bressler Family

## SPECIAL NOTES

(A) - Designates Advanced Breeder for that Class

(M) - Designates Master Breeder for that Class

(X) - Designates Expert Breeder for that Class

# BREEDER AWARD PROGRAM INFORMATION

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All ACLC Members in good standing are eligible to participate in the breeders Award Program.

The purpose of the ACLC Breeders Award Program is to promote the keeping and breeding of tropical and marine fish and invertebrates, to recognize and motivate achievement in the hobby, to encourage the development of the skills and knowledge necessary to spawn more difficult species ,to support the CARES program by encouraging the spawning of species endangered in the wild, to share knowledge about breeding techniques and to publish accounts of spawning techniques.

Please use the form on this page to submit spawning reports or for a full copy of the BAP rules and an electronic form submission, go to our website at <http://aclcpa.org>

The Aquarium Club of Lancaster County - Spawning Report					
Member Name:		Member No. #:		Date:	
Scientific Name:					
Common Name:					
If this is a CARES eligible species, have you registered it in the CARES Program Y/N?					
Tank Tales Article Written Y/N ?			Fish Donated in Auction Y/N?		
Comments:					
Class:		Group:		Points:	
Confirmed by:				Date Confirmed:	

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# The Tropical Fish Society of Rhode Island's 47th Annual Aquarium Show and Auction

## Schedule of Events

### Friday, September 8, 2016

12:00 Noon-8:00 PM - Show Setup

### Saturday, September 9

9:00 AM-12 Noon - Show Setup & Viewing

### Sunday, September 10

9:00 AM Doors Open, Show Viewing

10:00 AM-11:45 AM Vendor Registration &  
Lot Viewing

11:45 AM Show Award Presentation

12:00 Auction Starts. Ends when last lot is  
sold.

3:00 PM Show fish may be removed.

## Show classes:

Class A: *Betta splendens* - (male)

Class B: Guppies - (male)

Class C: Killifish - (male)

Class D: Anabantoids (other than *B. splendens*)

Class E: Catfish - (*Corydoras*, *Brochis*, & *Aspidoras*)

Class F: Catfish - (Open, other than class E)

Class G: Cichlids (Old world)

Class H: Cichlids (New world)

Class J: Goldfish & Koi under 3"

Class K: Goldfish & Koi over 3"

Class L: Loaches & Botias

Class M: Livebearers - (other than male guppies)

Class N: Open Single Invertebrate

Class O: Native Fish

Class P: Open Single under 2"

Class Q: Open Single over 2"

Class R: Open Pairs

(Classes subject to change without notice. Classes with fewer than 4 entries may be combined with another class.)



## Triple Crown Fish Auction

TFSRI's split is \$3 per bag sold,  
all the rest goes to the seller.

St. Joseph's Parish Center  
1303 Mendon Road (Rte. 122)  
Cumberland, RI



## Cash Prizes!

Cash Prizes: 1st Place - \$20, 2nd Place - \$10, 3rd  
Place - \$5

## Special awards for:

Best of Show

Reserve of Show

Walter Indell Memorial Award for Best Killifish

Best Cichlid of Show Award

New England Goldfish Championship

## For questions please contact the show chairman:

George Goulart

Aqua-life Aquarium

389 Wickenden Street

Providence, RI 02903

Phone: (401) 331-5376

email: fishdoctor@aqualifecentral.com

Between 11 AM and 5 PM Tuesday through Saturday

Visit: [www.tfsri.net](http://www.tfsri.net) for complete show & auction rules.

The Tropical Fish Society of Rhode Island meets on the third Wednesday of  
each month. Meetings are free and all are welcome.

Go to [www.tfsri.net](http://www.tfsri.net) for meeting location.

# The Jersey Shore Aquarium Society presents its FALL 2017 tropical fish and dry goods auction!

Featuring **rare and exotic tropical fish**, a wide selection of **aquatic plants**, with **free goodies** and **door prizes** all day long! Snacks and refreshments will be available.

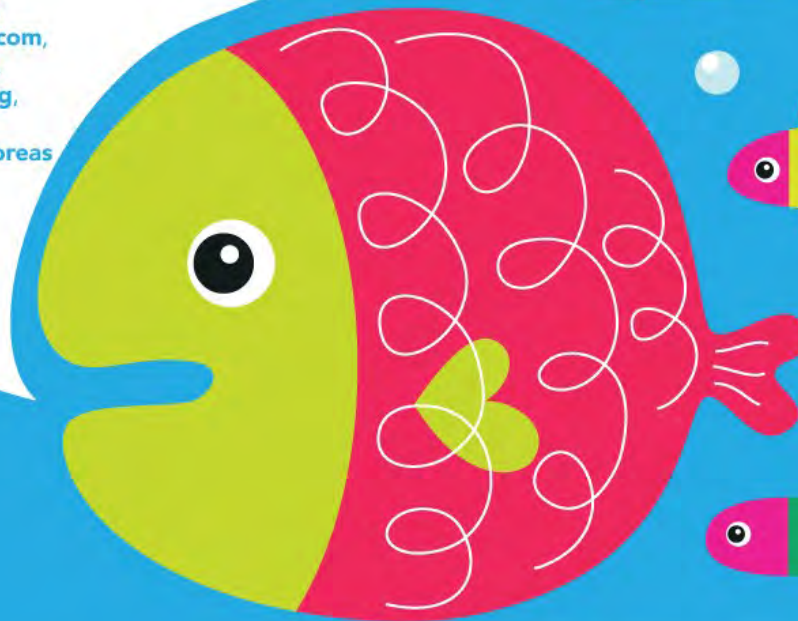
**Open to public – free admission.**

To be held

**Sunday, October 1st, 2017** at the  
**South Wall Fire Rescue Company**  
2605 Atlantic Ave., Manasquan, NJ 08736

**For more info:**

e-mail Bill Loesch at  
[allaboutpetsllc@yahoo.com](mailto:allaboutpetsllc@yahoo.com),  
call (732) 223-4530,  
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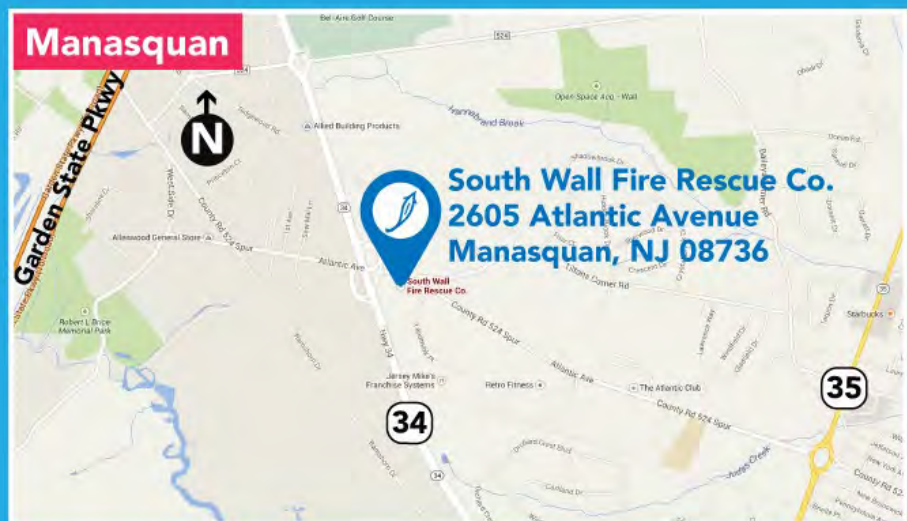
**Live goods registration:** 9 to 11 a.m.  
No guarantee that items registered after 11 a.m.  
will be auctioned. No used dry goods.

**Viewing of items:** 11 a.m. – 12 noon.  
There will be no viewing allowed after noon.

**Auction starts at noon sharp!**

Any person may bring quality live fish and aquatic plants to enter into auction.

- Pre-registration on our club's website (date TBA—about 1 week prior) ([jerseyshoreas.org](http://jerseyshoreas.org)).
  - Pre-registration will get a 60/40 split.
  - 50/50 split for walk-ins at the auction.
- Auction rules available upon request.





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**GIANT FALL**

# **TROPICAL FISH AUCTION**

**DAYS HOTEL & CONFERENCE CENTER**

195 ROUTE 18, TURNPIKE EXIT 9...EAST BRUNSWICK, NJ 732-828-6900

**SUNDAY ... OCT. 8, 2017**

**KEEP UP WITH REGISTERED FISH IN AUCTION ON FACEBOOK  
RARE AND TANK BRED FISH**

**AUCTION STARTS AT 12 NOON**

**VIEWING 11:00 AM ... REGISTRATION 9:30 AM**

**njas.net for pre-registration**



**LARGEST TROPICAL FISH AUCTION IN NEW JERSEY**



# GIANT OCTOBER AUCTION 2017

AUCTION  
STARTS  
8:30PM

FRIDAY  
OCT. 13

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*View lots  
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**Car Directions:** Belt Parkway to Ocean Parkway South (Exit 7S). Take Ocean Parkway approx. 1/2 mile. The NY Aquarium will be on your left.

**Subway Directions:** Either the Q or F trains to West 8th St., NY Aquarium Station.



# International Fancy Guppy Association (IFGA)

## 51st Annual Meeting & Guppy Show

Hosted by the **South Jersey Guppy Group**

October 13-15, 2017



Days Hotel Conference Center East Brunswick  
195 Route 18 South East Brunswick, NJ 08816  
( just off exit 9 of NJ Turnpike)

To make your reservations: 1-732-828-6900

The airport serving the area is **Newark Liberty International Airport - EWR.**

If you would like to show your IFGA guppies, please visit

[www.IFGA.org](http://www.IFGA.org) , <http://www.south-jersey-guppy-group.com/> ,

or our Facebook page <https://www.facebook.com/SouthJerseyGuppyGroup/>

Rules, entry forms, and schedule are posted at all these places!

**Friday, October 13th**

**Judging Seminar & Panel Discussion**

**Saturday, October 14th**

**Judging of Guppies & Show**

**Sunday, October 15<sup>th</sup>**

**Auction**

Guppies on display at 9:00 am

Auctions begins 10:00 am

For more information contact one of the co-chairman

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Hosted by the  
**New England Cichlid Association**



# Cich-Toberfest

**October 21-22  
2017**

**Wyndham Southbury  
1284 Strongtown Rd.  
Southbury, Connecticut**



## Speaker Line-up:



**Dr. Melanie Stiassny**



**Dr. Adrian Indermaur**

• **Swap Meet**

• **Rare Fish Auction**

• **Sunday All Species Auction**

• **Vendors**

• **World Renowned videographer  
Hans van Heusden's  
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# 2017 Keystone Clash

## September 22-24



Andreas Tanke

**4 Great Speakers**

**9 Programs**

Chris Biggs

Lawrence Kent

Mark Denaro

**34 Class All Species Show**

*INCLUDING*

**14 Class "Clash of the Cichlids"**

*ACA Sanctioned Show*

**115 Possible Awards!**

**Earn points toward NEC Exhibitor Competition**

**Your Club can win the 2017 ACLC Keystone Challenge!**

**Huge Sunday  
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**Ballroom Full of  
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**Awards Banquet  
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For More Information and registration go to [www.KeystoneClash.com](http://www.KeystoneClash.com)