

# Canadian Association of Aquarium Clubs



**Annual Reports 2013 - 2014**

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## Aquatic Horticulturalist Directory - Chair Ann Marie Towell

There has been little activity in regards to this. Ideas are welcome as to how to encourage people to participate more in this program.

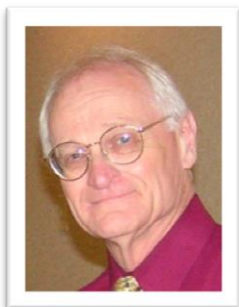


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## Awards - Chair Peter Melady

I would like to congratulate all those receiving CAOAC Awards this year. There are a total of twenty four (24) Achievement Awards being awarded this year, fifteen (15) Breeders Awards and nine (9) Horticultural Awards. There are six (6) Recognition Awards being awarded. Both the Web and Newsletter Awards are being presented. These were once again judged by Ray 'Kingfish' Lucas. This is the last year for the Web Award as it has been suspended. We are also looking at suspending the Newsletter Award due to a lack of participation. It is something that we will look at next year, so if you want it- start participating. In addition there are 25 and 40 Year Service Awards being presented.

We have made some minor changes to the Breeders Awards and Authors Award and these are available for viewing on our CAOAC website. I encourage all members to check out the Awards programs available on our CAOAC website and, if you feel that you are eligible, submit an application. Rules, requirements and forms are available on the website for download. As I have stated in the past; we can only process what we receive.



## Breeders Directory - Chair Lisa Boorman

CAOAC lists 22 member clubs of which 19 are aquarium clubs. Of these 19 clubs, 3 of those are actively involved. We encourage all members of CAOAC affiliated clubs to participate in the program. This needs the involvement of each club's BAP chairperson. Please send me your BAP information so your members can be properly acknowledged and awarded (if they meet the 'First In')

Clubs with input and/or updates for '13/'14: Chatham-Kent Aquarium Society

Durham Region Aquarium Society

Hamilton & District Aquarium Society

Any club wishing to participate in the club just needs to email me their monthly BAP records.

This year we had several 'First in CAOAC' awards. Congratulations are in order to those excellent fish breeders on their achievements!

Congratulations to:

### **2013**

Jonathan Bosko - *Pseudotropheus ater* May 2013

### **2014**

Charles Drew - *Ancistrus aguaboensis* Jan 2014

Larry Johnson - *Mylochromis plageotaenia* Feb 2014

The Directory was and is intended as a service to the member clubs of CAOAC. It provides information and encouragement in the area of fish breeding. It also celebrates the collective achievements of our hobbyists.



## Binder - Chair Ann Stevens

After several changes in positions, the binder available on the website is closely becoming a reality. Updated files have been made available. More updates will be available as time goes on. Each page will have an Updated Date, to determine if it's been updated.

This was started many years ago as a resource to CAOAC Representatives, Executive and Committee Chairs. In its original format, a binder was created and given to various people with updates being sent out. It eventually grew to be a 4" binder that was very heavy and costly. However, over the years, binders were misplaced, updates weren't received or filed and it was determined the existing format needed an overhaul. Moving into the millennium, Bob Wright, President of CAOAC at the time, asked the question "How can this be improved?" And so the revamping process started.

Thank you to all who contributed to the original documentation. Without all your hard work, this wouldn't be what it is today.

Thank you to Phil Maznyk who said it was possible to create a CD with all the files from the binder in a much smaller and lighter format. The CD had a menu and his great pictures with some updates, including the new By-Laws.

Thank you to Char Brientmayer for taking the painstaking effort to retype everything to correct spelling errors and standardized the format throughout.

Thank you to the following people who contributed to updating the files:

- Peter Melady - over 50 sections of Awards information
- Ken Boorman - How To files, History
- Barb Draper - Open Show

All listings of Award winners have been removed and are available upon request from the appropriate chair. See the Committee Chairs page for reference.

Hoping this continues to assist you as it has many others in the other formats.



## FAAS - Chair Ken Boorman

There is a new website, complete with a speaker database to view who is available to speak and willing or able to travel to Canada. Membership is free to join in order to access the database. Congratulations went out to "Author of the Year" Derek P.S. Tustin and the Kitchener-Waterloo Aquarium Society who won "Publication of the Year" for their newsletter *Fins and Tails*.



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## Judges - Chair Brian Glazier

Brian stepped in late in the year as Judging Chair to enable Ron Bishop to focus on the President's position. A meeting will take place in the summer to review and assess the direction of the current guidelines and gather information.

## Membership - Chair Albert Van Montfort

April 15 2014		<b>Membership Report 2014</b>		
<b>2014</b>	Members	Vote's	<b>Insured Member Clubs</b>	<b>2014</b>
1	60	2	Aquarium Club of Edmonton	ACE
2	52	1	Aquarium Society of Winnipeg	ASW
3	15	1	Brant Aquarium Society	BAS
4	65	2	Calgary Aquarium Society	CAS
			Canadian Association of Aquarium Clubs	CAOAC
5	76	2	Durham Region Aquarium Society	DRAS
6	45	1	Forest City Pond Club	CPCP
7	100	2	Hamilton & District Aquarium Society	HDAS
8	130	2	Kitchener Waterloo Aquarium Society	KWAS
9	50	1	London Aquaria Society	LAS
10	30	1	Ottawa Amphibian and Reptile Association	OARA
11	124	2	Ottawa Valley Aquarium Society	OVAS
12	49	1	Regina Aquarium Society	RAS
13	22	1	Sarnia Aquarium Society	SarAS
14	100	2	Saskatoon Aquarium Society	SAS
15	45	1	The Greater Victoria Aquaria Society	GVAS
16	35	1	The St. Catharines & Area Aquarium Society	SCAAS
17	15	1	Toronto Aquarium Society	TAS
18	20	1	Turtle S.H.E.L.L./ Tortue S.H.E.L.L.	TSHELL
19	42	1	Windsor Aquarium Society	WAS
20	30	1	Maritime Aquarium Club	MAC
			<b>Membership only</b>	

<b>21</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>Chatham-Kent Aquarium Society</b>	<b>CKAS</b>
<b>22</b>	<b>39</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>Betta Breeders Canada</b>	<b>BBC</b>
<b>23</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>Peel Regional Aquarium Club</b>	<b>PRSC</b>
<b>24</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>Barrie Region Aquarium Society of Simcoe</b>	<b>BRASS</b>
	<b>1197</b>	<b>31</b>		
			<b>No renewal</b>	
			<b>Tropical Fish club of Erie County</b>	



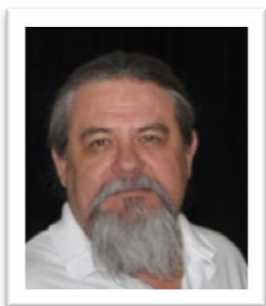

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**Open Show - Chair Barb Draper**



## Programs - Chair Ken Boorman

Ken is now in the possession of the programs and is reviewing each program and writing a brief description to be put into a chart that will enable everyone an idea of what each program is about. Once completed, it will be available on the website in the CAOAC Information Binder.



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## Ways & Means - Chair Annette Bishop

I took over the ways and means late in 2013. My husband Ron helped me out for a bit, by baking some goodies for us. Once I had a float established, I was able to buy store bought goodies, and give my husband a break from baking. I have been fortunate to have had some very nice donations of hot food from Ed Bosker. I know they were enjoyed and helped increase the float.

I have started doing a 50/50 draw at each meeting. Most of the time, I have had the winners donate all or at least part of their winnings back to CAOAC.

As suggested to us by Brian Glazier, we also now have a small raffle each meeting as well. It has been working well due to people bringing in donated items to raffle off. Due to the donations, raffles, and draws, we are doing well.

Thanks to everyone who has donated items, food or purchased tickets. Your help is greatly appreciated.



Respectfully submitted

## Webmaster - Chair Ann Stevens

John Van Rompu started as webmaster this year, but due to other commitments, he was not able to continue. I stepped up and have been updating the site as best as I can. I try to keep it updated with events, as I am informed. The binder was a big endeavour but I'm glad it's finally come to fruition.



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## Motions - Recording Secretary Ann Stevens

**1309-#1** Ron made a motion to change the By - Laws to state:

That the President, Treasurer, Recording Secretary, 1<sup>st</sup> VP, 2<sup>nd</sup> VP and Corresponding Secretary have the option to have signing authority. There should be a minimum of four active signing offers at the bank. Seconded Albert. Carried

**1312-#2** Albert made a motion to cover the membership and insurance for one year for the Toronto Aquarium Society. Seconded by Ken. Carried

**1312-#3** A motion to accept Claudia's resignation was made by Ann, seconded by Albert. Carried

**1402-#4** Motion made by Catherine to read:

In order to hold a position on the executive or committee chair or committee member of CAOAC you must be a member through either a CAOAC club or a CAOAC private membership. Seconded by Brian. Carried

**1403-#5** Albert made a motion to replace the seal. CAOAC seal. Second Peter. Carried

**1403-#6** A motion to suspend the Web Award based on the recommendation of the Awards Committee, starting with the 2014 - 2015 year by Peter, seconded by Albert. Carried

**1404-#7** Ken made the motion to have Under the Sea as the official online internet radio station for CAOAC. Seconded by Albert. Carried

## Treasurer's Report

1	<b>Treasurer's Report</b>	<b>May 5 2014</b>	<b>TD Bank Mar 28</b>	<b>\$ 11,516.63</b>
2	Cash on hand	\$ 0.00		\$ -
3	Paypal	Feb-16-2014 \$ 1122.36		\$ -
4	Cheque's on hand	<u>\$ 0.00</u>		\$ -
5	<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 1122.36</b>	<b>Sub-total</b>	<b>\$ 11,516.63</b>
6	Cheque's Cashed	<b>#167</b>		-\$ 145.80
7	Cash deposit's			\$ 20.00
8	Cheque's deposit's			\$ 216.00
9	Transfers deposit's			\$ -
10			<b>TD Bank April 30</b>	<b>\$ 11,606.83</b>
11	Outstanding Cheque's	<b>#168</b>		-\$ 400.00
12	Terry Little Memorial Fund			-\$ 625.00
13	<b>Working Balance</b>			<b>\$ 10,581.83</b>