



Tank Topics

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THE GREATER AKRON AQUARIUM SOCIETY

WHO ARE WE? We are a local group of aquatic enthusiasts. Formed in 1952, the Greater Akron Aquarium Society is a non-profit, non-commercial organization. Our membership ranges from the beginning hobbyist to the advanced aquarist with many years of experience. The goals of our club are to promote the care, study, breeding and exhibition of aquarium related aquatic life and to promote interest in the aquarium hobby.

MEETINGS: Our meetings are held on the first Thursday of each month at 8:00 p.m. at the Mogadore Community/Senior Center, 3857 Mogadore Road, Mogadore, Ohio. It is located East of Route 532 across from McDonald's in the former post office building (see map on inside back cover) Visitors are always welcome, it costs absolutely nothing to attend a meeting and look us over.

MEMBERSHIP: The cost is only \$750 for adults, \$10 for a couple or a family (includes children under 10 years of age) and \$5.00 for a junior membership (10 to 17 years) Membership provides an opportunity to socialize with other that share your interests, a subscription to our bi-monthly magazine, library usage and more.

AGENDA: Our meeting agenda is simple and informal. The meeting will begin at 8:00 p.m. with a short business meeting. Immediately following is the program for the evening which usually lasts about 45 minutes. Our programs consist of a speaker, slide program, movie or perhaps a panel discussion always on a particular subject related to the hobby or various species of fish. Following the program is a short refreshment break. After which the winners of the Bowl Show are announced, the Breeder's Award Program fish are auctioned and tickets are drawn for the equipment and book raffles.

THE BOWL SHOW: Each month members can bring in fish for specific classes to compete for first, second and third place awards. The charge for each entry is only \$.25. Members also compete for annual awards by accumulating wins throughout the year.

BREEDER'S AWARD and HORTICULTURE AWARD PROGRAMS: members can receive recognition for spawning species of fish or propagating aquatic plants. All that is required is to turn in a minimum of six fry from the spawn that are between 30 and 90 days old. Members earn certificates for each species and can work towards plaques in different categories.

LIBRARY: At the library table are a number of books and other publications covering all areas of the aquarium hobby. Members may borrow the books for a month at a time. Also each month several books are raffled off.

EQUIPMENT RAFFLE: The raffle table has such items as tanks, fish food and aquarium accessories that are donated by national manufacturers, area dealers or purchased by the Society. Tickets may be purchased by anyone attending the meeting. Save your losing tickets for the Christmas Party raffle.

ANNUAL SHOW: The Ultra-Aqua show is held the first weekend of August at the Tallmadge community Center. This has become one of the largest all-species tropical fish shows in North America. It is an international gathering of hobbyists to display their fish in class competition, talk fish and to learn about the hobby from each other.

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This issue's cover: Ron Georgeone's HUGE male *Cichlasoma bifasciatum*, this year's best of show winner. Photo by Don Grey.

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President's Message

Bud White



Well, did we have a great show or what! The entries were up, the number of participants was up, the quality of the fish was great, the Saturday night dinner was fantastic and the auction was successful. What more could we ask for?

The setup Friday night was smooth a (the trailer we have makes my job a lot easier, no more getting trucks from work and all of the stuff I had to do after tear down). We had several people and everything went together like it should. Of course we have had a lot of practice and we have members that want to help.

Saturday the show registration went smooth, thanks to our VP Jeff Plazak., He typed in 99% of the registrations, I helped with the rest. We had several clubs show up, some new entrants and some very seasoned ones, it all went together nicely.

Saturday night dinner was great, Linda and Bill really know how to feed a crowd! They cooked up and served roasted chicken, pork, scalloped potatoes, green beans and lots of pie, was just too good to be true.

Sunday we had the judging start at 7:30 in the morning, the judges we had have helped us for quite a while and they know when to be there and what we need done, Rick and Mary Kay, John, Pat, Eric and Regina and this year Joanne, They did a great job as usual.

Sunday at noon the auction started, and boy did we have an auction! Great selection and good prices, then at 5 PM we stopped the auction and presented the awards. Thanks to Dave for being the commentator once again. I got the easy part, I handed the awards out, made fun of Dave and got the crowd to applaud loudest for me when I received one! (such a ham!) The Gumans, Dan and Karen won big; best Goldfish, Kobayashi Award and the President's Award. Wayne Toven won The Catfish and Loach Championship. Ron Georgeone won Best Cichlid, Best Catfish and Best of Show awards. Dave Williamson won Best Egglayer and Megan Archer won Best Display. It was great awarding these to these talented people.

We had several vendors this year, Kingfish, (Ray Lucas), BayleesFishies (Cory Fry and his wife), Amazon Tropical Fish (Scott Arney) and Steffen Tanner. They all supported our Chinese raffle and the auction, Ray auctioneered for us first, before he had to leave, (Thanks Ray for coming again), Scott had several fish in the auction as donations for us, (Thanks Scot) and then there was Cory, all through the auction he kept doing specials, towards the end he really put together some real deals, at the last he brought up a completely filled tray, with 50 plants, several different kinds and donated it to the auction, wow, (Thanks Cory).

Tear down went smooth, Bud backed the trailer to the door and the crew started packing it away for next year. All in all it was a great weekend, if you missed it then you lost, that is all I can say.

See you at the meeting, Bud.

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From the Treasurer

Normally I do not write a report for Tank Topics but I thought that I would say something this time. Some people did some exceptional work which made my life easier as the treasurer and that is something that is always appreciated. Bud (that is the Good Bud, not Prez Bud) and Matt worked all day Sunday at the registration desk with few breaks. As a result I am working with nice clean paperwork which is easier for me to "balance". Wayne, the un-sung hero of Trophy Sponsorship, guided the selling of sponsorships process and collected most of the "monies" from our sponsors. Bill and his crew prepared another excellent Saturday night feast that make us the envy of all the other club attendees and it stayed within budget. We had another great weekend event. Thanks to everyone that participated.

Rich Serva

Bowl Show & Special Activities

Ken McGill



June

Native Fish:

1st Place - Dave Williamson -

2nd Place - Wayne Toven -

3rd Place - Dave Williamson -

Fundulus lineolatus

Speckled Dace

Northern Long Ear Sunfish

Rainbowfish:

1st Place - Wayne Toven -

2nd Place - Wayne Toven -

Chalitherina fasciata

Melanotaenia sp.

Male Bettas:

1st Place - Wayne Toven -

2nd Place - Dave Williamson -

3rd Place - Wayne Toven -

Betta maculata

Red Half-Moon

Betta pugnax

July

Synodontis Catfish:

1st Place - Wayne Toven -

Synodontis petricola

Angelfish & Discus:

No Entries

Killifish:

1st Place - Dave Williamson -

2nd Place - Dave Williamson -

3rd Place - Dave Williamson -

Aplocheilichthys spilauचना

Spotless Gold Australe

Aphyosemion afinnis decorsi

How the Point System works:

1st - 4 points

2nd - 2 points

3rd - 1 point

1 point per entry,

maximum 12 points per class



Totals

<u>Name:</u>	<u>Total:</u>
Amy Mullens	2
Bill Koleszar	4
Bob Miller	7
Dave Williamson	76
Denny Bechtold	2
Dick Westmeyer	2
Jeff Plazak	35
Ken McGill	8
Phil Hypes	1
Wayne Toven	50



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2009 Bowl Show Schedule

January:

Goldfish, Male Guppies,
Minnows Danios & Rasboras

February:

Suckermouth Catfish,
Swordtails, Characins

March:

Barbs, Mollies,
Corydoras Aspidoras & Brochis

April:

Female Guppies, Platies,
Aquatic Invertebrates

May:

Goodeids, Rift Lake Cichlids,
Aquatic Plants

June:

Native Fish, Rainbowfish,
Male Bettas

July:

Synodontis Catfish, Killifish,
Angelfish & Discus

August:

AO New World Cichlids,
Amphibians, Bog Plants

September:

Gouramis & Anabantoids,
Sharks & Loaches,
Photography

October:

Arts & Crafts, Marine Fish,
All Other Old World Cichlids

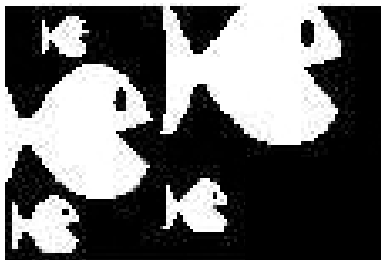
November:

All Other Livebearers,
All Other Egglayers,
All Other Catfish

BAP/HAP

Report

Wayne Toven



Wow it's July already, by the time you read this our show and auction, another opportunity to obtain some new livestock, will have come and gone. This was due to the rescheduling of our annual **Ultra – Aqua** all species show, the American Cichlid Association's national convention in Cincinnati took our normal show date in August, and we didn't think it would be a good idea to compete with them.

Both the Breeder's Awards and Horticultural Awards Programs are going strong, we are about to eclipse last years totals for both, lets see how much better than last year we can do. We had a second member attain the 10 spawn plateau; a 16 oz. can of brine shrimp eggs will be awarded to Bob Miller at the August meeting. Congratulations!!! We have another member closing in on "**the 10**", there is still plenty of time left for all to reach that goal, so let's keep working.

June 2009

<u>Species</u>	<u>Common name</u>	<u>Class</u>	<u>Points</u>
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BAP

Phil & Tiffany Hypes

<i>Poecilia wingei</i>	Endler's livebearer	Livebearer	5
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Dave Williamson

<i>Nematobrycon palmeri</i>	Emperor tetra	Tetra/Characin	10
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Bob Miller

<i>Cryptoheros nanoluteus</i>		Cichlid s.s.	5
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HAP

Phil & Tiffany Hypes

<i>Iris pseudacorus</i>	Yellow flag iris	E – flowering	10
<i>Iris versicolor</i>	Purple iris	E – flowering	10
<i>Eichhornia crassipes</i>	Water hyacinth	E – flowering	10

Dave Williamson

<i>Hymenocallis liriosme</i>	Spider lily	G – vegetative	10
<i>Crinum calamistratum</i>		E – flowering	10

Dan McMonigle*Phragmites australis* "aurea" Variegated dwarf spire reed G- veg. 10**July 2009**

Species	Common name	Class	Points
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BAP**Phil & Tiffany Hypes**

<i>Ancistrus sp.</i>	Pucallpa gold bristlenose	Catfish	20
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Bob Miller

<i>Hypsophrys nicaraguense</i>		Cichlid s.s.	5
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<i>Xiphophorus montezumae</i>		Livebearer	5
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Wayne Toven

<i>Xiphophorus alvarezii</i>	upland swordtail	Livebearer	5
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Bud & Cathy White

<i>Characodon sp. Abraham Gonzales</i>		Livebearer	10
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Dave Williamson

<i>Hemichromis bimaculatus</i>	Jewel cichlid	Cichlid s.s.	10
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<i>Pseudotropheus flavus</i>		Cichlid m.b.	15
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HAP**Phil & Tiffany Hypes**

<i>Eichhornia crassipes</i>	Water hyacinth	G – vegetative	10
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<i>Nymphoides peltata</i>	Floating heart	G – vegetative	10
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<i>Nymphoides peltata</i>	Floating heart	E – flowering	10
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2009 Spawn & Point Totals	BAP	Points	HAP	Points
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Phil & Tiffany Hypes	14	175	14	145
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Bob Miller	11	60	-	-
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Dave Williamson	8	75	3	35
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Bruce Fraley	4	20	-	-
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David Girard	3	30	-	-
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Todd Mayo	3	30	-	-
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Wayne Toven	3	40	-	-
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Denny Bechter	2	10	-	-
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Ken McGill	2	20	3	50
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Rich Serva	2	10	-	-
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Bud & Cathy White	2	20	-	-
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Russ Kirkendall	1	5	-	-
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Dan McMonigle	1	20	2	20
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Nick Rezac	-	-	2	20
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Meeting Notice

Thursday, August 6, 2009

Program: Brian Zimmerman on Sunfish

Brian will introduce us to the wide and wild world of sunfish. In North America, this family of fishes takes over from the cichlids of South America and the Old World. Sunfish are noted for their parental care, variety in sizes of species from giant to pygmy, bright colors, and high intelligence -- all characteristics that should be familiar to cichlid keepers.

Bowl Show: AO New World Cichlids, Amphibians, Bog Plants



Thurs., Sept. 3, 2009

Program: Fish Room Tour

Bruce Fraley, an active Cleveland Aquarium Society member, has video-taped many hobbyist fish rooms in Ohio and surrounding states. He will be presenting his all time favorite, or highlights of fish rooms from Ohio, Pennsylvania, and Michigan. We will be able to take a fish room tour without the car caravan!

Bowl Show: Gouramis & Anabantoids, Sharks & Loaches, Photography



All general meetings begin at 8:00 p.m. at the
Mogadore Community/Senior Center

Coming Events

July 30 through August 2, American Cichlid Association Convention
Sheraton Cincinnati North, Cincinnati, Ohio

www.acaconvention.com

October 3rd, Columbus Area Fish Enthusiasts Fall Auction

Hamilton Township Community Building, 6400 Lockbourne Rd, Lockbourne, Ohio For more information: <http://www.columbusfishclub.org> or Pat Sabourin, 614-846-1038 (6-10 pm)

October 18, – Youngstown Area Tropical Fish Society - Fall Auction

Lordstown Admin. Bldg 1455 Salt Springs Rd. S.W. Lordstown, OH
Fish Plants, dry goods. Reg. 11 AM, Auction starts at noon.

For more information: Tom mruraru2@aol.com 330-758-3043 or Curt 330-824-2563

November 1, Greater Akron Aquarium Society – Fall Auction

Tallmadge Community Center, 80 Community Rd., Tallmadge, Ohio

For more information: Bud White (330) 848-3856 (bwhite@neo.rr.com), Wayne Toven (330) 296-6322 (wtoven@hotmail.com) or Rich Serva (330) 650-4613 (rjserva@juno.com)

November 21st-23rd 2008 Ohio Cichlid Association's Extravaganza
at the Strongsville Holiday Inn at Rt. 71 & 82 in Strongsville.

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Exchange Report



Wayne Toven



If you see an article listed below that you would like to read let me know and I will get a copy of it to you, one way or another. Who knows you might learn something.

Circle City Aquarium Club, Fancy Fins: Apr/May/Jun 09

Red Worms, by Al Anderson

Apistogramma agassizi, by Joe Fleckstein

Corydoras aeneus (albino), by Bill Flowers

Greater Chicago Cichlid Association, Cichlid Chatter: May/Jun 09

Aquarium Husbandry (and attempts at pronunciation) of Ex-Cichlasoma grammodes, by Scott Womack

Durham Region Aquarium Society, Tank Talk: May 09

Cichlasoma sajica – the T-bar Cichlid, by Jim Brown

Durham Region Aquarium Society, Tank Talk: Jun 09

Dermogenys pusillus – Malayan Halfbeaks, by Jim Brown

Greater Cincinnati Aquarium Society, Fincinnati: May/Jun 09

Cyathopharynx foai, by Todd Liesing

Cherry Red Shrimp as a Cory Egg Hatching Aid, by Steve Smith

Greater Pittsburgh Aquarium Society Inc., Finformation: May 09

The Secretive Life of Bristlenose Plecostomus (Ancistrus temmincki), by Stan Chechak

Greater Pittsburgh Aquarium Society Inc., Finformation: Jun 09

Tatia intermedia, by Regina Spotti

Spawning Pseudomugil ivantsoffi, by Eric Bodrock

Hamilton & District Aquarium Society: Jun 09

Astatotilapia sp. Calliptera Chizumulu, by Larry Johnson

Kitchener – Waterloo Aquarium Society, Fins & Tales: Jun 09

Moonlighting a Tank, by Zenin Skomorowski

The Plant – Ed Tank: is Your LFS Green, by Ed Koerner

Pacific Coast Cichlid Association, Cichlidae Communique: May/Jun

The Firemouth Cichlid – Thorichthys meeki, by Rolf Mader

Tilapia snyderae, by Vern Smith

Sarnia Aquarium Society, Aqua Antics: Jun 09

Altolamprologus compressiceps, by Bruce Hart

Breeding the Common Goldfish, by Wayne Cole

**South Western Michigan
Aquarium Society,**

Swam: Jul/Aug 09

Propagating Pearlmuts, by

Heather Burke

The “Ick” and “Velvet” Solution,

by Chase Klintsteker



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Editor's Message

Dave Williamson

Wow, what a couple of months I've had! Getting used to a new/old job and having the Ultra-Aqua Show three weeks earlier than usual makes for a busy summer.

You'll even notice that the page order of this issue is a little different than normal. It was easier to do this than to try to "crunch" things into their normal amount of space. If you find this kind of change refreshing, then you'll be really impressed with the plans for upcoming issues! Over the course of the next couple of issues we'll be changing the format and layout of the magazine. It will for sure be in place by the December/January one. The only reason I didn't try to do it for this issue was that I had a shorter than normal deadline to deal with due to the show being in July rather than August. It really wasn't that bad since I had nearly everything I needed immediately after the show weekend but I didn't want to try to cram all that as well as changing the format at the same time. The whole idea behind these changes are streamlining the production process of Tank Topics and making the e-mail version more user friendly. It's a big enough job to produce every two months that we didn't want to have to make two completely separate versions each time. Another reason was that there have recently been some changes in the postal regulations so we might as well fix everything at the same time. The net result to you, the membership, will be that there will be less steps in the production process so less chance that you'll receive it late. Also by using a full sheet format, there will be more room for more and larger photographs (which you will receive in full color if you take the email version). So all in all once the "growing pains" are over from the changes, things will be better for everyone.

Last but not least I have to mention, although its been mentioned elsewhere in this issue, that the show this year was rather painless. Maybe its because so many of us have been involved for so long that it just comes together because we all know what we're supposed to be doing? Or is it possibly because we have a large enough group of people willing to help out that it all works? I don't know. I'm just thankful that it does and want to throw out a virtual "high-five" to all those who helped out this year.

Oh, and I almost forgot to give a big thank you to Don Grey and Bud White for supplying me with all the show photos used in this issue.

I'll see you at the meeting!

Ultra-Aqua 2009 Show Results

1. *Betta splendens* - Males

Sponsored by: Ralph Grammer

5 Entries

1st John & Jim Baad

Red Half Moon

SCALES

2nd Dan & Karen Guman

Male Betta

YATFS

3rd Dan & Karen Guman

Male Betta

YATFS

2. *Betta splendens* - Females

Sponsored by: Carolyn Hanlon

8 Entries

1st Ralph Grammer

Opaque White Female

GAAS

2nd Dave Williamson

Cambodian Female

GAAS

3rd Kim & Jeff Rodourn

Red Female

YATFS

3. Killifish - New World

Sponsored by: NOKA

3 Entries

1st Dave Williamson

Fundulus lineolatus

GAAS

2nd Dave Williamson

Fundulus catenatus

GAAS

3rd Dave Williamson

Fundulus seminolis

GAAS

4. Killifish - Old World

Sponsored by: Curt Smith

6 Entries

1st Don & Rene Guman

Aphyosemion sp. poliaki

YATFS

2nd Don & Rene Guman

Aphy. splendopleure

YATFS

3rd Dave Williamson

Aplocheilichthys spilarchena

GAAS

5. Guppies - Males

Sponsored by: Rich Serva

17 Entries

1st Pat Sabourin

Red Delta

CAFE

2nd Dave Williamson

Double Sword

GAAS

3rd Scott Arney

Male Guppy

WNCAS

6. Guppies - Females

Sponsored by: Jeff Plazak

5 Entries

1st Dan & Karen Guman

Female Guppy

YATFS

2nd John & Jim Baad

Blue Tail

SCALES

3rd Dan & Karen Guman

Female Guppy

YATFS

7. Swordtails - Common Finnage

Sponsored by: Joe Reich

6 Entries

1st Kim & Jeff Rodbourn

Green Male

YATFS

2nd William & Janice Bilski

Black Berlin Female

MCAS

3rd Kim & Jeff Rodbourn

Black Female

YATFS

8. Swordtails - Fancy Finnacle Sponsored by: Jeff Plazak
6 Entries
- | | | |
|--------------------------|----------------------|------|
| 1st Rick & Debbie Graham | High-fin Red Eye Red | GAAS |
| 2nd Rick & Debbie Graham | Sailfin Red Eye Red | GAAS |
| 3rd Rick & Debbie Graham | Red Hi-fin | GAAS |
9. Platies & Variatus - Common Finnacle Sponsored by: David Girard
7 Entries
- | | | |
|--------------------------|--------------------|------|
| 1st Rick & Debbie Graham | Wag Peppered Platy | GAAS |
| 2nd Jeff Plazak | Platy | GAAS |
| 3rd Rick & Debbie Graham | Red Wag Platy | GAAS |
10. Platies & Variatus - Fancy Finnacle Sponsored by: Tom DiCola
14 Entries
- | | | |
|--------------------------|--------------------|------|
| 1st Rick & Debbie Graham | Peppered Plumetail | GAAS |
| 2nd Rick & Debbie Graham | Gold Lyretail | GAAS |
| 3rd Rick & Debbie Graham | Hi-fin/Pintail | GAAS |
11. Mollies Sponsored by: Joanne Toven & Rik McCue
5 Entries
- | | | |
|--------------------------|-----------------|-------|
| 1st Rick & Debbie Graham | Guppytail Molly | GAAS |
| 2nd Rick & Debbie Graham | Marble Lyretail | GAAS |
| 3rd Dan & Karen Guman | Female Molly | YATFS |
12. Goodeids Sponsored by: Wayne Toven
9 Entries
- | | | |
|--------------------------|-------------------------------|-------|
| 1st Bud & Cathy White | <i>Characodon sp. Abraham</i> | GAAS |
| 2nd Rick & Debbie Graham | Black Beauty Goodeid | GAAS |
| 3rd Scott Arney | Green Goodeid | WNCAS |
13. All Other Livebearers Sponsored by: Rich Serva
8 Entries
- | | | |
|---------------------|---------------------------------|------|
| 1st Dave Williamson | <i>Poecilia gracilis</i> | GAAS |
| 2nd Pat Sabourin | <i>Limia sulphurophilia</i> | CAFE |
| 3rd Wayne Toven | <i>Belonesox belizanus</i> Male | GAAS |
14. Gouramis Sponsored by: Rich Serva
3 Entries
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| 1st Dan & Karen Guman | Pearl Gourami | YATFS |
| 2nd Kim & Jeff Rodbourn | Gold Gourami Male | YATFS |
| 3rd Dan & Karen Guman | Blue Dwarf Gourami | YATFS |

15. All Other Labyrinth Fish

Sponsored by: Wayne Toven

9 Entries

1st Wayne Toven

Macropodus erythropterus

GAAS

2nd Dave Williamson

Red Shoulder Paradise

GAAS

3rd Wayne Toven

Ctenopoma weeksi

GAAS

16. Angelfish

Sponsored by: Carter & Carolyn LaMaster

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7 Entries

1st Kim & Jeff Rodbourn

Koi Female

YATFS

2nd Steve Heimann

Angel

GPASI

3rd Kim & Jeff Rodbourn

Silver Female

YATFS

17. Discus

Sponsored by: Dan & Vi McMonigle

NO Entries

18. New World Cichlids 5" & Under

Sponsored by: Two Turtles Pet Center

10 Entries

1st Ron Georgeone

Cryptoheros nanoluteus

GLCS

2nd Bill Sensor

Apistograma agassizi

GPASI

3rd Jamie Curtis

Clythrocara maroni

GPASI

19. New World Cichlids over 5" to 9"

Sponsored by: Bill Sensor

6 Entries

1st Ron Georgeone

Cichlasoma ellioti

GLCS

2nd Ron Georgeone

Cichlasoma cutteri

GLCS

3rd Don & Kristy Gould

Male *Vieja tyrense*

NAAS

20. New World Cichlids over 9"

Sponsored by: Northeast Ohio Discus

3 Entries

1st Ron Georgeone

Cichlasoma bifasciatum

GLCS

2nd Ron Georgeone

Amphilophus citrinellum

GLCS

3rd Don & Kristy Gould

Vieja bifasciatum

NAAS

21. Mbuna

Sponsored by: Pet Junction

2 Entries

1st Ron Georgeone

Labeotropheus trewavasae

GLCS

2nd Wayne Toven

Pseudotropheus crabro

GAAS

22. *Haplochromis*

Sponsored by: Phoebe & Michael Gould

2 Entries

1st Ron Georgeone	Hap. Electric Blue	
GLCS		
2nd Kristy & Don Gould	<i>Sciaenochromis freri</i>	NAAS

23. *Aulonocara* species

Sponsored by: Two Turtles Pet Center

3 Entries

1st Ron Georgeone	Lawanda	
GLCS		
2nd Ron Georgeone	Mamelela	GLCS
3rd Ron Georgeone	Malari Yellow	GLCS

24. *Julidochromis*, *Chalinochromis* & *Telmatochromis* species

Sponsored by: Jeff Plazak

1 Entry

1st Ron Georgeone	<i>Telmatochromis dhonti</i>	GLCS
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25. *Lamprologus*, *Neolamprologus* & *Altolamprologus* species

Sponsored by: Pet Junction

3 Entries

1st Ron Georgeone	<i>Lamp. calvus</i>	GLCS
2nd Dave Williamson	<i>Variabilichromis moori</i>	GAAS
3rd Wayne Toven	<i>Neolamprologus furcifer</i>	
GAAS		

26. All Other Old World Cichlids

Sponsored by: Rob & Amy Zerkle

8 Entries

1st Ron Georgeone	<i>Steatocranus tainti</i>	GLCS
2nd Don & Kristy Gould	<i>nicholsi</i>	NAAS
3rd Don & Kristy Gould	<i>Oreochromis niloticus</i>	NAAS

27. Native Fish

Sponsored by: Dave Williamson

4 Entries

1st Dave Williamson	Dollar Sunfish	GAAS
2nd Dave Williamson	Green Sunfish	GAAS
3rd Wayne Toven	Spotted Dace	GAAS

28. Rainbowfish

Sponsored by: Joe Reich

5 Entries

1st Dan & Karen Guman	<i>Melanochromis sp.</i>	YATFS
2nd Dan & Karen Guman	Threadfin	YATFS
3rd Pat Sabourin	Millennium	CAFE

29. Characidae 2" and under

Sponsored by: Nicole Schmid

4 Entries

1st Bud & Cathy White	<i>Hemigrammus ulreyi</i>	GAAS
2nd Dave Williamson	Emperor Tetra	GAAS
3rd Dan & Karen Guman	Pencil Fish	YATFS

30. Characidae over 2"

Sponsored by: RMS Aquaculture

2 Entries

1st Bud & Cathy White	Columbian Tetra	GAAS
2nd Wayne Toven	African Red Eye Tetra	GAAS

31. Minnows & *Rasboras*

Sponsored by: Rich Serva

6 Entries

1st Bud & Cathy White	Rainbow Shiner	GAAS
2nd Dan & Karen Guman	Rainbow Shiner	YATFS
3rd Dan & Karen Guman	Rasbora	YATFS

32. Danios

Sponsored by: Jeff Plazak

6 Entries

1st William & Janice Bilski	Giant Danio	MCAS
2nd Dave Williamson	<i>Danio sp. TW-01</i>	GAAS
3rd Dave Williamson	<i>Danio kyathit</i>	GAAS

33. Barbs

Sponsored by: Christina & Bud Biederman

8 Entries

1st Dave Williamson	Female Gold Barb	GAAS
2nd Dave Williamson	Male Cherry Barb	GAAS
3rd Wayne Toven	Tiger Barb	GAAS

34. Sharks	Sponsored by: Christina & Bud Biederman	
2 Entries		
1st Ron Georgeone	Red Tail Shark	GLCS
2nd John & Jim Baad	Rainbow Shark	SCALES
35. All Other Species	Sponsored by: Rob & Amy Zerkle	
4 Entries		
1st Dan & Karen Guman	Flying Fox	YATFS
2nd Wayne Toven	Hump-head Glassfish	GAAS
3rd Wayne Toven	<i>Morgunda morgunda</i>	GAAS
36. Loaches - <i>Botia</i> species	Sponsored by: John & Theresa Baad	
7 Entries		
1st John & Jim Baad	Dwarf Indian Loach	SCALES
2nd John & Jim Baad	<i>Botia striata</i>	SCALES
3rd Wayne Toven	<i>Sinibotia robusta</i>	GAAS
37. Loaches - All Other Varieties	Sponsored by: Wayne Toven	
6 Entries		
1st John & Jim Baad	Tiger Hill Stream Loach	SCALES
2nd Wayne Toven	<i>Pangio sumatranus</i>	GAAS
3rd Dave Williamson	Myersi Kuhli Loach	GAAS
38. <i>Synodontis</i> Catfish	Sponsored by: Wayne Toven	
7 Entries		
1st Wayne Toven	<i>Synodontis greshoffi</i>	GAAS
2nd Wayne Toven	<i>Synodontis petricola</i>	GAAS
3rd John & Jim Baad	<i>Syndontis multipunctatus</i>	SCALES
39. Suckermouth Catfish - Pleco Types	Sponsored by: Ken Walker	
9 Entries		
1st Ron Georgeone	<i>Pseudo. leopardus</i>	GLCS
2nd Dan & Karen Guman	Pleco sp.	YATFS
3rd Wayne Toven	Pleco	GAAS
40. Suckermouth Catfish - All Others	Sponsored by: Shear Purrfection	
7 Entries		
1st Wayne Toven	<i>Loricara similima</i>	GAAS
2nd Wayne Toven	<i>Farlowella acus</i>	GAAS
3rd Bill Sensor	<i>Rineloricaria lanceolata</i>	GPASI

41. <i>Corydoras</i> Species	Sponsored by: Dan & Karen Guman	
9 Entries		
1st Wayne Toven	Bronze Cory	GAAS
2nd Wayne Toven	<i>Scleromastix barbatus</i>	GAAS
3rd John & Jim Baad	<i>Corydoras rabauti</i>	SCALES
42. <i>Aspidoras</i> & <i>Brochis</i> Species	Sponsored by: Kenneth Cain Acct.	
2 Entries		
1st Wayne Toven	<i>Aspidoras menezesi</i>	GAAS
2nd Wayne Toven	<i>Aspidoras albater</i>	GAAS
43. All Other Catfish 6" & under	Sponsored by: The Fish Factory	
7 Entries		
1st Wayne Toven	Hoplo Cat	GAAS
2nd Wayne Toven	<i>Anadoras grypus</i>	GAAS
3rd Dan & Karen Guman	Tatia Cat	YATFS
44. All Other Catfish over 6"	Sponsored by: Northeast Ohio Discus	
7 Entries		
1st Scott Arney	Eel Catfish	WNCAS
2nd Wayne Toven	<i>Heteropneustus fossils</i>	GAAS
3rd Jeff Plazak	Catfish	GAAS
45. Marine Fish	Sponsored by: Two Turtles Pet Center	
2 Entries		
1st John & Jim Baad	Tomato Clownfish	SCALES
2nd Dave Williamson	Neon Goby	GAAS
46. Invertebrates	Sponsored by: Nicole Schmid	
7 Entries		
1st Ken McGill	Red Crayfish	GAAS
2nd Jeff Plazak	Red Clawed Shrimp	GAAS
3rd Rob & Amy Zerkle	Self-Cloning Crayfish	CAFE
47. Amphibians	Sponsored by: Fish City Pet Shop	
2 Entries		
1st Rob & Amy Zerkle	Budget Frog	CAFE
2nd Wayne Toven	Lesser Siren	GAAS

48. Pairs	Sponsored by: Wayne Toven	
8 Entries		
1st Bud & Cathy White	Pencil Fish	GAAS
2nd Jamie Curtis	<i>Gambusia holbrooki</i>	GAPASI
3rd Dave Williamson	<i>Limia vitatta</i>	GAAS
49. Family Class	Sponsored by: Sidney & Nicole Bechter	
3 Entries		
1st Dave Williamson	Long Fin White Clouds	GAAS
2nd Kim & Jeff Rodbourn	Pepper Catfish	YATFS
3rd Bob Miller	<i>Nandopsis hatiensis</i>	GAAS
50. Group of Six	Sponsored by: Rich Serva	
5 Entries		
1st Bud & Cathy White	Rainbow Shiners	GAAS
2nd Dave Williamson	Male Gold Barbs	GAAS
3rd Wayne Toven	<i>Barras brigdetii</i>	GAAS
51. Junior Class	Sponsored by: Bruce Fraley	
8 Entries		
1st Blaise Frascella	Buffalo Head Cichlid	GAAS
2nd Mariya Arney	Platy	WNCAS
3rd Matt Girard	<i>Synodontis multipunctatus</i>	GAAS
52. Aquarium Plants	Sponsored by: Aaron's Aquatics/Aaron Burnett	
5 Entries		
1st Rob & Amy Zerkle	<i>Bacopa caroliniana</i>	CAFE
2nd Dave Williamson	<i>Cryptocoryne wenditii</i>	GAAS
3rd Dan & Karen Guman	<i>Anubias barteri</i>	YATFS
53. Decorated Aquariums	Sponsored by: Amazon Aquarium Maint.	
2 Entries		
1st Dave Williamson	One Gallon Bowl	GAAS
2nd Bud & Cathy White	Decorated Tank	GAAS
54. Lionhead Goldfish	Sponsored by: Bruce Fraley	
2 Entries		
1st Dan & Karen Guman	Lionhead	YATFS
2nd Dan & Karen Guman	Lionhead	YATFS

55. Ranchu Goldfish	Sponsored by: Bruce Fraley	
2 Entries		
1st Dan & Karen Guman	Ranchu	YATFS
2nd Dan & Karen Guman	Ranchu	YATFS
56. Oranda Goldfish	Sponsored by: Don & Rene Guman	
2 Entries		
1st Dan & Karen Guman	Oranda	YATFS
2nd Dan & Karen Guman	Oranda	YATFS
57. Pearlscale Goldfish	Sponsored by: Wally Cox & Family	
2 Entries		
1st Dan & Karen Guman	Pearlscale	YATFS
2nd Dan & Karen Guman	Pearlscale	YATFS
58. Ryukin Goldfish	Sponsored by: Dan & Karen Guman	
3 Entries		
1st Dan & Karen Guman	Broadtail Ryukin	YATFS
2nd Dan & Karen Guman	Calico Ryukin	YATFS
3rd Dave Williamson	Calico Ryukin	GAAS
59. Bubble Eyes & Celestials	Sponsored by: Kenneth Cain Accounting	
2 Entries		
1st Dan & Karen Guman	Celestial	YATFS
2nd Dan & Karen Guman	Celestial	YATFS
60. All Other Eyetype Goldfish	Sponsored by: Jeff Plazak	
3 Entries		
1st Dan & Karen Guman	Broadtail Moor	YATFS
2nd Dan & Karen Guman	Black Moor	YATFS
3rd Dave Williamson	Black Moor	GAAS
61. Single Caudal Goldfish	Sponsored by: Wayne Toven	
1 Entry		
1st Dan & Karen Guman	Shubunkin	YATFS
62. All Other Goldfish Varieties	Sponsored by: Jeff Plazak	
1 Entry		
1st Dan & Karen Guman	Pom Pom	YATFS

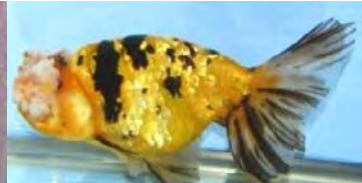
63. Koi	Sponsored by: Wayne Toven	
5 Entries		
1st Dan & Karen Guman	Koi	YATFS
2nd Dan & Karen Guman	Koi	YATFS
3rd Jamie Curtis	Koi	GPASI
64. Arts & Crafts	Sponsored by: Bud & Cathy White	
2 Entries		
1st Megan Archer	Crayfish Wire Sculpture	GAAS
2nd Megan Archer	Catfish Wire Sculpture	GAAS
65. Freshwater or Marine Slides	Sponsored by: Jeff Plazak	
19 Entries		
1st Ron Georgeone	<i>Cichlasoma pearsei</i>	GLCS
2nd Ron Georgeone	Pearlscale Goldfish	GLCS
3rd Ron Georgeone	Swallowtail Peacock	GLCS
66. Photographic Prints	Sponsored by: Lindsey Bechter	
18 Entries		
1st Ron Georgeone	Ranchu Goldfish	GLCS
2nd Debbie Graham	Lyretail Swordtail	GAAS
3rd Dave Williamson	Harlequin Shrimp	GAAS

This year we received:
365 Total Entries from
26 Entrants representing
10 Aquarium Societies
Thank You all for your support of
Ultra-Aqua 2009!



Key to Aquarium Club Initials

- ALA - American Livebearer Association
CAFÉ - Columbus Area Fish Enthusiasts
GAAS – Greater Akron Aquarium Society
GLCS – Great Lakes Cichlid Society
GPASI - Greater Pittsburgh Aquarium Society Inc.
MCAS - Medina County Aquarium Society
NAAS - North American Aquarium Society
SCALES—Stark County Aqua Life Enthusiasts
WNCAS - Western North Carolina Aquarium Society
YATFS – Youngstown Area Tropical Fish Society



Best of Division Awards

Best of Division Cichlid

Sponsored by the Ohio Cichlid Association
Ron Georgeone GLCS – *Cichlasoma bifasciatum*



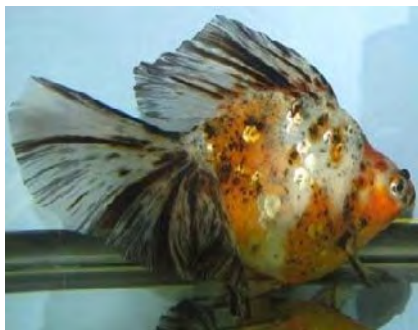
Best of Division Livebearer

Sponsored by Welch's Dairy Cream
Rick & Debbie Graham GAAS –
Peppered Plumetail Platy

Best of Division Egglayer

Sponsored by Youngstown
Area Tropical Fish Society

Dave Williamson GAAS – *Fundulus lineolatus*



Best of Division Goldfish

Sponsored by Youngstown Area
Tropical Fish Society
Dan & Karen Guman YATFS –
Broadtail Ryukin

Best of Division Catfish or Loach

Sponsored by Eric
Bodrock - All Odd-
ball Aquatics
Ron Georgeone
GLCS – *Pseudacanthicus leopardus*



Best of Division Display

Sponsored by Welch's Dairy Cream
Megan Archer GAAS – Crayfish Wire Sculpture

Best of Show Fish

Sponsored by The Great Lakes Cichlid Society
Ron Georgeone GLCS – *Cichlasoma bifasciatum*

High Point Awards

North American Goldfish Championship Kobayashi Award

Sponsored by Youngstown Area
Tropical Fish Society
Dan & Karen Guman YATFS – 46 Points



Great Lakes Catfish & Loach Championship

Sponsored by Welch's Dairy Cream
Wayne Toven GAAS – 31 Points

Challenge Trophy

Sponsored by The Greater Akron
Aquarium Society
Youngstown Area Tropical Fish Society –
94 Points

President's Award

Sponsored by The Greater Akron Aquarium Society
Dan & Karen Guman YATFS – 76 Points





Rich & Swiss Tropicals Stefan
The Girard brothers on water detail
Ron, Dave & Wayne building racks
Bud B. at the auction desk
Amazon Aquatics display
Bill directing traffic in the kitchen
Bud working?!!?





Judges Mary Kay, Pat, Rick,
John, Joanne, Regina & Eric

Bud & Baylee's Fishees
Cory discussing something
important?



Swap Meet

Welcome to our Aquatic Classifieds - a place where you can list fish and aquatic items that you would like to sell or trade or are interested in buy or trading for. There are a few simple rules to prevent problems and abuses of the system:

1. You must be a members of GAAS to list either Haves or Wants.
2. No retail or commercial sales establishments will be permitted to list.
3. Only hobby related items will be listed.
4. Ads are limited to six items only and may only be run for three issues of Tank Topics. (You must give the Editor notice before the publication deadline to have an ad re-run!)

Needs a new home:

Approximately 11" long common *plecostomus*. Healthy but doesn't get along with goldfish and needs a bigger tank.

Megan Archer

2manyfish@gmail.com

Have: 5 zinc coated farm stock tanks - 250 to 300 gallons - in good shape \$40 each, must take all

Francis

330 798-9939

gardendesigns@nevereverbeordinary.com

W. E. T. FISH BAGS

	50	100
3 1/2 x 12	\$3.00	\$5.00
6x18	\$4.50	\$7.00
8x20	\$4.50	\$8.00
10x24	\$5.00	\$9.00
3 1/2- 1.5 mil	All others - 2 mil	

Wayne Toven (330) 296-6322
or wtoven@hotmail.com

HAVE: Plumetail Platies, Crown-tail and Lyretail Platies, Hifin Variatus, Hifin/Plumetail Platies, *Zoogoneticus tequila*, *Xiphoporus montezumae*, *Xiphoporus nezahualcoyotl*, Hifin Black Swordtails

Want: *Girardinichthys multiradiatus*, Half Beak livebearers

See pictures of my fish at www.platy-plus.com

Rick Graham:
platyplus@neo.rr.com

The Greater Akron Aquarium Society

Membership Form

☐ New ☐ Renewal

Adult (18 years and older)	1 year \$7.50
	2 years \$12.00
Family (includes children under 10)	1 year \$10.00
	2 years 15.00
Junior (10-17 years)	1 year \$5.00
	2 years \$7.00



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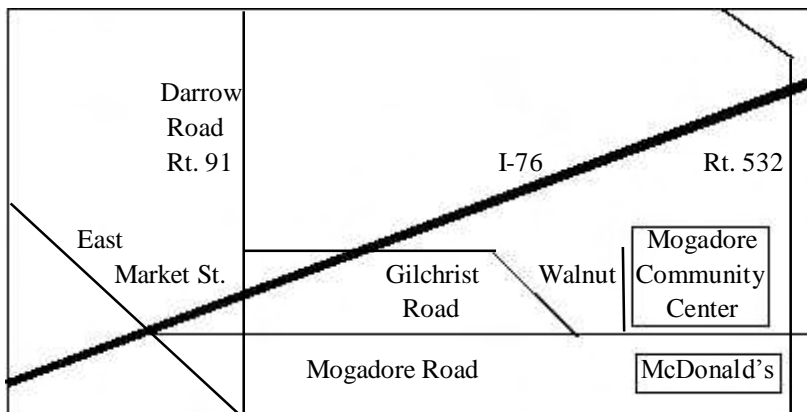
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How did you find out about GAAS? _____

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GAAS Membership Chairman, P.O. Box 494, Akron, OH 44309-0494



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