



Tank Topics

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October 2025

Can you believe that we are already entering the fall season? Soon it will be time to winterize your tubs and ponds and prepare for the change in weather and daylight savings. This year will be my first with a pond and I've got fingers crossed that it will be deep enough to overwinter my new goldfish!

The club had a successful spring auction, many well attended monthly meetings with new members and great speakers, our Ultra-Aqua in June and a great gathering at the August picnic. Thank you to the many participants in the show and the volunteers who helped make it a success. This issue features the full show results for the Ultra-Aqua 2025. We look forward to rounding out the year with our fall auction in November and our December Christmas party. Don't forget to get your final submissions in for the BAP and HAP programs!

As always—we graciously encourage our members to contribute articles for the newsletter relating to their experience in the hobby!

Fall Auction

November 2nd, 2025

Christmas Party

December 12th, 2025

\$5 Per person for dinner

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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 registered 501(c)(3) non-profit 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 aquari-um hobby.

MEETINGS: Our meetings are held on the second Friday of each month at 8:00 p.m. at the Ritchie Memorial Shelter House, 109 West Ave-nue, Tallmadge, OH 44278. It is located West of Tallmadge Circle with access from Sperry Ave., behind Vet Clinic and across from the Chev-rolet dealer. Visitors are always welcome, it costs absolutely nothing to attend a meeting and look us over.

MEMBERSHIP: The cost is only \$10 for adults, a couple or a family (includes children under 10 years of age) and \$5.00 for a junior member-ship (10 to 17 years). Membership provides an opportunity to socialize with others that share your interests, a subscription to our electronic magazine 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 raffle.

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.

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.

ANNUAL SHOW: The Ultra-Aqua show is held during the summer 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.

TANK TOPICS: is published on a as available basis for the members of the Greater Akron Aquarium Society. Articles and comments for this publication are welcome and encouraged. Such articles are to be submitted no later than the board meeting prior to publication. All articles may be reprinted as long as the author(s) and GAAS are given proper credit.

Check our website for membership information:

www.akronfishclub.com

Presidents Message

Bud White

If you made it to the meeting or watched it on Zoom, you know we had a very interesting speaker for the October meeting.

Jackie Anderson Education Materials Coordinator for the Project Piaba, gave us a very interesting view of the fish collecting issues and how many of the people in the Amazon areas need it to make a living and how they conserve the areas.

Next we have our Fall auction coming up November 2, we need to set up the auction on the morning of the auction and will be there at 8 AM. please try to stop by and help with the setup, the more help the faster and easier it goes, if you can't make it for setup, then stop by when things get started and help with the auction, after all - it is your club also!

See you then,

Bud

Bowl Show

Ken McGill

September Bowl Show Results

Photography

1st– Tom Arbour

2nd– Mike and Elsie Swanson

3rd– Jeff Swanson

Gouramis and Anabantoids

1st– Wayne Toven

2nd– Dave Williamson

3rd– Dave Williamson

Sharks and Loaches

1st– Emilie Myatt and Travis Miller

2nd– Emilie Myatt and Travis Miller

3rd– Dave Williamson

Thank you to all our past and current participating members who participate in the monthly bowl shows. It is a great opportunity to see how your fish compare and get a taste for showing fish on a larger scale at our Ultra-Aqua. Our final bowl show will take place at the November 14th members meeting. The categories are:

All Other Livebearers; All Other Eggayers; All Other Catfish

Bowl Show**Ken McGill****Current Totals**

Name:	Total:
Wayne Toven	96
Dave Williamson	85
Emilie Myatt & Travis Miller	25
Mike & Elsie Swanson	11
Adam Fox	10
Brody Arbour	10
Tom Clinton	8
Tom Arbour	7
Mike Thompson	4
Jeff Swanson	4
Jared C.	4
Heidi E.V.	2
Andrew Davis	1

Rules:

- The charge for each entry is only \$ 0.25.

A First, Second, and Third place winner is chosen for each Bowl Show class, and then a point value is awarded to participating members. Points earned from placing and participating each month accumulate throughout the year. At the year's end, the title of "Bowl Show Champion of the Year" along with a plaque is awarded to the member with the most accumulated points.

Our Point System:

- 1st – 4 points
- 2nd – 2 points
- 3rd – 1 point
- 1 point per entry (Maximum of 10 points per class)

Your fish, aquatic animal, or plant entry to the Bowl Show should be displayed in a clear bowl, small animal carrier, container or tank of appropriate size, ideally with a contrasting background/bottom and a flat front side for easy viewing/judging. It's also a good idea to have some form of lid for your animal's protection. Although not required the Bowl Show, a black-colored background is helpful for judging fish.

Membership Report

Mike Swanson

Hi all, this is the beginning of the fall auction season, I hope to see many familiar faces at all the local events. We had 5 membership renewals at this month's meeting. There were 33 Members in attendance, we enjoyed our guest speaker on water quality / chemistry. These are our memberships that are either expired recently or close to their expiration date:

Kaitlynn Breedlove, Christopher McCracken, Kris Secaur, Zack Brock, John Fleming, Simon Friese, Mike Thompson, Ashton Schonauer, Bill & Connie Bruce, Steve Brunn
Joe Doyle, Joe Reich, Bill Bilski, Tom Clinton

Thanks,

Mike

BAP/HAP

Wayne Toven

We started off the 2025 BAP / HAP new year at the December meeting / Christmas party. We had our usual fish, live plants, and related items swap, there were lots of fish and other items, 5 spawns and 17 plant propagations were turned in that added to the mix. So, the new BAP / HAP year started off with a bang! Let's hope that this keeps going!

Our spring auction was on March 2nd a little earlier than usual, but to set a new record, it was where I sold the last Ultra – Aqua 2025 class sponsorship!! All 55 classes and the Best of Divisions were all taken.

On to the business of BAP / HAP. This is the BAP/HAP as of October.

December 2024

BAP

Species	Common name	Class	Points
Justin Bahil			
Xiphophorus maculatus	Hawaiian platy	Livebearer	5
Herb Kinney			
Xiphophorus alvarezi		Livebearer	5
Wayne Toven			
Hemichromis lifalili	blood red jewel	Cichlid s.s.	10
Thomas Utt			
Poecilia wingei	orchid endlers	Liveberer	5

BAP/HAP Cont.

Wayne Toven

Species	Common name	Class	Points
Bud White			
Ancistrus sp.	Super red pleco	Catfish	20
HAP			
Adam Fox			
Bucephalandra sp.	Brownie sugar	C – vegetative	15
Bucephalandra sp.	Mini black Venus	C – vegetative	15
Bucephalandra sp.	Red princess	C – vegetative	15
Bucephalandra sp.	Skeleton red	C – vegetative	15
Bucephalandra sp.	Kedagang mini	C – vegetative	15
Bucephalandra sp.	Pandora queen	C – vegetative	15
Bucephalandra sp.	Lamandau purple	C – vegetative	15
Bucephalandra sp.	Black pink	C – vegetative	15
Bucephalandra sp.	Black swan	C – vegetative	15
Bucephalandra sp.	Black tears	C – vegetative	15
Schismatoglottis	roseopatha	C – vegetative	15
Cryptocoryne beckettii	Petchii pink	C – vegetative	15
Anubias barteri	var. chili mini	C – vegetative	15
Anubias barteri	var. broad white	C – vegetative	15
Anubias barteri	var. Nana Pagolino	C – vegetative	15
Wayne Toven			
Taxiphyllum barbieri	Java moss	B – vegetative	10
Taxiphyllum sp.	Flame moss	B – vegetative	10

January 2025**BAP**

Thomas Utt

Ancistrus L144a	lemon blue eye pleco	Catfish	20
Limia nigrofasciata	Humpback Limia	Livebearer	5

Paul Woodward

Coptodon kota	e	Cichlid s.s.	10
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HAP

Justin Bahil

Najas guadalupensis	guppy grass	B – vegetative	10
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Steve Brunn

Cyperus prolifer	Queen Tut	E – flowering	10
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Adam Fox

Hygrophyla polysperma	Rosanervig	A – vegetative	5
Ceratophyllum demersum	hornwort	A – vegetative	5

BAP/HAP Cont.**Wayne Toven**

Species	Common name	Class	Points
Adam Fox cont.			
Echinodorus sp.	Altlandsberg	C – vegetative	15
Ludwigia rubin	red skeleton	B – vegetative	10
Echinodorus yeni		C – vegetative	15

February 2025**BAP**

Steve Brunn

Limia perugiae

Perigia's Limia

Livebearer

5

Adam Fox

Limia perugiae

Perigia's Limia

Livebearer

5

Rich Serva

Poecilia boesemanni

Maraval platy

Livebearer

5

Poecilia catemacaonis

Catemaco molly

Livebearer

5

Xiphophorus sp. "Regio" Santa Ana platy

Livebearer

5

HAP

Adam fox

Echinodorus sp.

Red diamond

C – vegetative

15

Bucephalandra sp.

Biblis blue sky

C – vegetative

15

March 2025**BAP**

Justin Bahil

Limia vittata

Cuban Limia

Livebearer

5

Adam Fox

Tanichthys albonubes

Golden white cloud

B.M.&R.

5

Notropis chrosomus

Rainbow shiner

Native

10

Herb Kinney

Ametome Helena

Assassin snail

Aquatic animal

10

HAP

Adam Fox

Bucephalandra sp.

Mini blue

C – vegetative

15

April 2025**BAP**

Adam Fox

Xiphophorus maculatus Bumblebee platy

Livebearer

5

HAP

Adam Fox

Bucephalandra sp.

Violet

C – vegetative

15

BAP/HAP Cont.

Wayne Toven

Species	Common name	Class	Points
May 2025			
BAP			
Adam Fox			
<i>Ancistrus</i> sp.	Super red bristlenose	Catfish	20
<i>Corydoras pygmaeus</i>	Pygmy Cory	Catfish	15
Thomas Utt			
<i>Poeciliopsis gracilis</i>	porthole livebearer	Livebearer	5
<i>Limia islae</i>	tiger Limia	Livebearer	5
Dave Williamson			
<i>Pseudocrenilabrus</i> sp. "Ruaha"		Cichlid m.b.	10
June 2025			
BAP			
Adam Fox			
<i>Hymenochirus curtipes</i>	African dwarf frog	Aquatic animal	10
Bud White			
<i>Corynopoma riisei</i>	swordtail Characin	Tetra & Characin	10
Dave Williamson			
<i>Apistogramma cacatuoides</i>	Cockatoo dwarf cichlid	Cichlid s.s.	15
<i>Pseudosphromenus dayi</i>	Day's spiketail paradise	Anabantid	5
<i>Nomorhamphus liemi</i>	Celebese halfbeak	Livebearer	10
HAP			
Adam Fox			
<i>Echinodoras</i> sp.	Pink miracle	C – vegetative	15
August 2025			
BAP			
Justin Bahil			
<i>Limia nigrofasciata</i>	humpback Limia	Livebearer	5
Daphne Mallinak			
<i>Neocaridina davidi</i>	Cherry shrimp	Aquatic animal	10
<i>Poecilia wingei</i>	black bar Endlers	Livebearer	5
Dave Williamson			
<i>Alloophorus robustus</i>	Bulldog Goodeid	Livebearer	10
<i>Marisa cornuarietus</i>	Colombian ramshorn snail	Aquatic animal	5
HAP			
Dave Williamson			
<i>Bacopa monieri</i>	water hyssop	B – vegetative	10

BAP/HAP Cont.

Wayne Toven

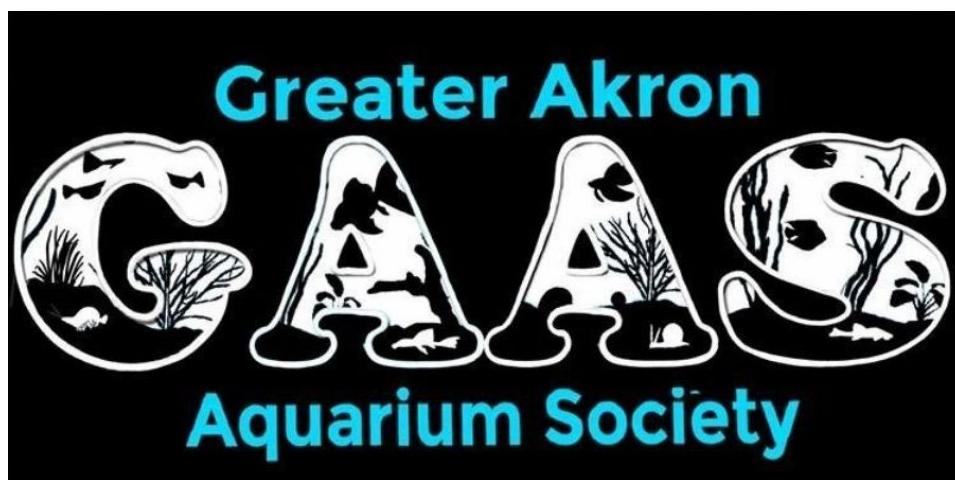
Species	Common name	Class	Points
September 2025			
BAP			
Adam Fox			
Brachydanio albolineata	Pearl Danio	B.M.&R.	5
Celestichtyschoprae	glowlight Danio	B.M.&R	10
David Girard			
Melanochromis auratus	golden Mbuna	Cichlid m.b.	15
Lamprologus kungweensis		Cichlid s.s.	15
Neolamprologus pulcher	Brichardi	Cichlid s.s.	15
Lamprologus signatus	shelldweller	Cichlid s.s.	15
Wayne Toven			
Limia vittata	Cuban Limia	Livebearer	5
Thomas Utt			
Poecilia latipinna	sailfin molly	Livebearer	5
Girardinus metallicus	black chin livebearer	Livebearer	5
Xiphophorus helleri	Koi swordtail	Livebearer	5
Dave Williamson			
Aulonocara maylandi	Sulphur head peacock	Cichlid m.b.	15
HAP			
Dave Williamson			
Cryptocoryne sp.	Sri Lanka crypt.	C – vegetative	15
October 2025			
BAP			
Brody Arbour			
Pomacea bridgesii	mystery snail	Aquatic animal	5
Thomas Arbour			
Poecilia reticulata	bluetail galaxy guppy	Livebearer	5
Adam Fox			
Poecilia wingei	blue star Endler	Livebearer	5
Hyphessobrycon columbianus	red-blue Colombian tetra	T.&C.	10
Microdevario kubotai	neon green Rasbora	B.M.&R.	5
Ken McGill			
Poecilia salvatoris	Liberty molly	Livebearer	5

BAP/HAP Cont.

Wayne Toven

Species	Common name	Class	Points
Dave Williamson			
Moenkhausia pittieri	Diamond tetra	T. &C.	10
Placidochromis phenochilus	star saphire	Cichlid m.b.	10

Member	BAP	Points	HAP	Points
Adam Fox	12	105	25	350
Dave Williamson	9	70	2	25
Thomas Utt	8	55	0	0
David Girard	4	60	0	0
Rich Serva	3	15	0	0
Justin Bahil	3	15	1	10
Herb Kinney	2	15	0	0
Daphne Mallinak	2	15	0	0
Wayne Toven	2	15	2	20
Bud White	2	30	0	0
Brody Arbour	1	5	0	0
Thomas Arbour	1	5	0	0
Steve Brunn	1	5	0	0
Kristen Kodish	1	5	0	0
Ken McGill	1	5	0	0
Paul Woodward	1	10	0	0



Program rules and forms available by clicking the logo above.

Ultra-Aqua 2025 Results

The Greater Akron Aquarium Society 2025 Ultra-Aqua Show Results

Sunday, June 22nd, 2025

Tallmadge Community Center

The 2025 Ultra-Aqua had 384 entries, 28 entrants, and 6 clubs participated.

Winners of the Special Awards

Special Awards	Sponsored by	Winner
Best of Show Livebearer	Wayne Toven	Kim M. Griffith Rodbourn - Mol-lies Black Lyretail
Best of Show Egglayer	Regina Spotti - All Oddball Aquatics	Tim DeRobertis - Texas cichlid
Best of Show Cichlid	Cain Accounting	Tim DeRobertis - <i>Amphilophus midas</i>
Best of Show Goldfish	YATFS	Dan & Karen Guman - Ryukin
Best of Show Catfish/Loach	Eric Bodrock - All Oddball Aquatics	Wayne Toven - L240 Vampire Pleco
Best of Show Display	Awesome Aquatics	Roberto Prati - <i>Enantiopus melanogenys</i> males photo
Best Of Show	Agnoquatics - Broadview Heights, Ohio	Tim DeRobertis - <i>Amphilophus midas</i>
Catfish & Loach Championship	The Greater Akron Aquarium Society	Wayne Toven
Kobayashi Goldfish Championship	The Greater Akron Aquarium Society	Dan & Karen Guman
Presidents Trophy	The Greater Akron Aquarium Society	Dan & Karen Guman
Challenge Award	The Greater Akron Aquarium Society	YATFS



The Best of Show award went to Tim DeRobertis for his *Amphilophus midas*.

Ultra-Aqua 2025 Results

	Class	Sponsor	1st Place	2nd Place	3rd Place	Entries
1	Decorated Aquariums	Dave Williamson	Dave Williamson - 3 gal cube	Emilie Myatt & Travis Miller - Aquarium Decorated	Mike Thompson - Decorated Bowl	4
2	Aquarium Plants	Agnoquatics - Broadview Hts.	Dave Williamson - Cryptocoryne crispatula	Susan Zabicki - Red Tiger Lotus - Nymphaea zenkeri	Melissa Coughran - Bucephalandra ps. Brownie phantom	3
3	Photography – Digital Media	Brian Shrimpton	Roberto Prati - Enantiopus melanogenys males	Roberto Prati - Paracyprichromis nigripinnis	Roberto Prati - Panaqolius albivermis L204	26
4	Photography – Prints	GPASI	Roberto Prati - Loricaria sp. Rio Atabapo	Roberto Prati - Enantiopus melanogenys	Susan Zabicki - Royal Pleco - Panaque nigrolineata print	24
5	Arts & Crafts – Fine Art or Hand Crafts	In memory of Teri Seufert	Tim DeRobertis - CARVED FISH	Tim DeRobertis - CARVED FISH	Emilie Myatt & Travis Miller - Jellyfish Art glow in the dark	11
6	New World Cichlids 5" & Under	Bierbower Aquatics	Wild Bill Wroblewski - Apistogramma agassizii	Bill Sensor - Apistogramma hoignei	Bill Sensor - Apistogramma macmasteri	9
7	New World Cichlids over 5"	Bierbower Aquatics	Tim DeRobertis - Amphilophus midas	Tim DeRobertis - CUBAN CICHLID	Bill Sensor - Aequidens supermaculatum	12
8	Angelfish & Discus	Gary Mendez	Dan & Karen Guman - Angelfish	Kim M. Griffith Rodbourn - White Angelfish	Bill Sensor - Pterophyllum scalare black	12
9	Mbuna (Pseudo., Mel., Labeo., Labido., Cyno., etc.)	Singer Contracting	Wayne Toven - Pseudotropheus cyaneorhabdos	Dave Williamson - Labidochromis chisumulae	Wayne Toven - Labidochromis caeruleus	3
10	Hap.& Aulonocara types	RMS Aquaculture	Ed Bush - Walteri Peacock	Tom Rizzo - Copadichromis mlobo Undu	Tim DeRobertis - Aulonocara stuartgranti	6
11	Lamp, Neo, Alto, Julido, Chalino, & Telmatochromis	Aquatic Voyeurs	Dave Williamson - Neolamprologus helianthus	Dan McMonigle - Julidochromis transcriptus black	Wild Bill Wroblewski - Neolamprologus teleupi	3
12	All Other Old World Cichlids	Emilie Myatt & Travis Miller - Hog and Lotl Breeders	Wild Bill Wroblewski - Coptodon kottae	Dave Williamson - Pseudocrenilabrus sp. 'ruaha'	Bill Sensor - Hemichromis guttatus	11
13	Guppies – Males, Solid Color Tail	John & Theresa Baad	Shelbie Schatz - German White Guppy male	Ronald Kline - Green Moscow Guppy	Jeff Plazak - Male Red Guppy	7
14	Guppies – Males, Variegated Color Tail	Susan Everett	Shelbie Schatz - Platinum Yellow Leopard Guppy male	Jamie Williams - Pink Grass Guppy	Dave Williamson - Double sword	3
15	Guppies – Females	Justin Bahil	Shelbie Schatz - German White Guppy female	Shelbie Schatz - German White Ribbon Guppy female	Shelbie Schatz - Platinum Yellow Leopard Guppy female	4
16	Swordtails – Common Finnage	Kim M. Griffith Rodbourn	Kim M. Griffith Rodbourn - Swords 17Red Koi Common Finnage	Wayne Toven - Xiphophorus helleri Kohaku	Dave Williamson - Pineapple wag male	4
17	Swordtails – Fancy Finnage	David Girard	Dan & Karen Guman - HiFin Swordtail	Dan & Karen Guman - Fancy Swordtail	Dan & Karen Guman - Lyretail Swordtail	4
18	Platies & Variatus – Common Finnage	Ralph Grammer	Wayne Toven - Xiphophorus maculatus Tobasco	Dave Williamson - blue female	Dan & Karen Guman - Platy	3
19	Platies & Variatus – Fancy Finnage	Mike & Elsie Swanson	Dan & Karen Guman - HiFin Platy	Dave Williamson - HiFin Painted Blue female	Dan & Karen Guman - Fancy Platy	4
20	Mollies	Steve Brunn	Kim M. Griffith Rodbourn - Mollies Black Lyretail	Dan & Karen Guman - Molly	Kim M. Griffith Rodbourn - Mollies Gold Orange Sailfin	6

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21	Goodeids	George Hollister	George Hollister - Goodea atripinnis, Blackfin Goodeid	Wayne Toven - Skiffia multipunctata	Wayne Toven - Chapalichthys encaustus	13
22	All Other Livebearers	Rich Serva	Dave Williamson - Limia garnieri female	Wayne Toven - Limia perugiae	Dan & Karen Guman - Limia islai, Tiger	6
23	Loaches – Botia species	Dan & Vi McMonigle	Dave Williamson - sidthmunki	Wayne Toven - Sinibotia pulchra	Emilie Myatt & Travis Miller - Yoyo Loach	8
24	Loaches – All Other Varieties	Boggs Aquatics	Wayne Toven - Mesonoemacheilus guentheri	Wayne Toven - Traccatichthys pulcher	Wayne Toven - Nemacheilus longistriatus	14
25	Synodontis Catfish	Aquatic Voyeurs	Tony Martina - Synodontis petricola	Wayne Toven - Synodontis waterloti	Tim DeRobertis - Synodontis decorus	6
26	Corydoras Catfish	Fatfish Aquatics	Melissa Coughran - Osteogaster sp. CW010	Dave Williamson - elegans	Bill Sensor - Corydoras loretoensis	10
27	Aspidoras & Brochis Catfish Species	Red Dragon Tropicals	Wayne Toven - Aspidoras spilotus	Melissa Coughran - Scleromystax sp. CW038	Dave Williamson - Aspidoras spilotos	7
28	Suckermouth Catfish – Pleco Types	Fish City - Barberton	Wayne Toven - L240 Vampire Pleco	Tim DeRobertis - Panaque cf. nigrolineatus L330	Tony Martina - L333 King Tiger	24
29	Suckermouth Catfish – All Other Types	Ray Bierbower	Dan & Karen Guman - Rhinoloricaria sp.	Melissa Coughran - Otocinclus cocama	Dave Williamson - Otocinclus affinis	7
30	All Other Catfish 6" & under	Ron & Amy Mullens	Melissa Coughran - Duringlanis perugiae Oil Catfish	Wayne Toven - Mochokiella paynei	Don Guman - Albino Hopl Cat	9
31	All Other Catfish over 6"	Boggs Aquatics - Cuyahoga Falls	Don Guman - Wood Cat	Dan & Karen Guman - Ell-tail Banjo Cat mottled	Wild Bill Wroblewski - Horabagrus brachysoma	6
32	Betta splendens – Males	Agnoquatics Broadview Hts.	Susan Zabicki - Koi Crowntail male	Ed Bush - Multi Betta male	Dan & Karen Guman - Male Betta	7
33	Betta splendens – Females	Awesome Aquatics	Susan Zabicki - Plakat female	Dan & Karen Guman - Female Betta	Bill Sensor - Betta splendens	4
34	Gouramis (Trichogaster and Colisa sps.)	Gill-man Aquatics - Herb Kinney	Kim M. Griffith Rodbourn - Pearl Gourami	Dave Williamson - Powder Blue Dwarf Gourami	Emilie Myatt & Travis Miller - Blue Gouramis	5
35	All Other Labyrinth Fish	Jeff Plazak	Wayne Toven - Betta balunga	George Hollister - Betta antuta	Dave Williamson - Day's Spiketail Paradise	6
36	Killifish	Don & Rene Guman	Dan & Karen Guman - Dwarf Red Gularis	Tom Rizzo - Epiplatys Redfin	Dave Williamson - Aphanius sirhani	4
37	Characidae (Tetras & their relatives)	Bill Chandler	Kristen Kodish & Justin Bahil - Paracheirodon axelrodi Cardinal Tetra	Bill Sensor - Leporinus nisjenni	Bill Sensor - Nanostomus mortenthaleri	11
38	Barbs	Morgan Dent	Dan & Karen Guman - Dennison Barb	Dave Williamson - Banded Barb	Don Guman - LF Cherry Barb	7
39	Danios	Agnoquatics - Broadview Hts.	Dave Williamson - Danio choprae	Dan & Karen Guman - Celestial Pearl Danio	Wayne Toven - Pearl danio	3
40	Minnows & Rasboras	Agnoquatics - Broadview Hts.	Dave Williamson - Pork chop Rasbora	Wayne Toven - Tanichthys thacbaensis	no entry	2
41	Rainbowfish	Agnoquatics - Broadview Hts.	Wayne Toven - Melanotaenia picta	Dan & Karen Guman - Melanotaenia parva	Dave Williamson - Signifer Rainbow	4
42	Native Fish – Continental US	Dave Williamson	Tim DeRobertis - Texas cichlid	George Hollister - Gambusia holbrooki	Wayne Toven - Crenichthys baileyi	7
43	All Other Species	Jeff Plazak	Dan & Karen Guman - Flying Fox	Dave Williamson - siamensis	Kim M. Griffith Rodbourn - Rainbow Shark	3

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44	Oranda Goldfish	Jeff Plazak	Dan & Karen Guman - Oranda	Dan & Karen Guman - Oranda	Dave Williamson - Red & White Oranda	3
45	Lionhead and Ranchu Goldfish	Dan & Karen Guman	Dan & Karen Guman - Lionhead	Dan & Karen Guman - Lionhead	Dan & Karen Guman - Lionhead	4
46	Ryukin, Ribbontail & Veiltail Goldfish	Dan & Karen Guman	Dan & Karen Guman - Ryukin	Dan & Karen Guman - Ryukin	Dan & Karen Guman - Ryukin	5
47	Pearlscale Goldfish	Bud White	Dan & Karen Guman - Pearlscale	Dan & Karen Guman - Pearlscale	Dan & Karen Guman - Pearlscale	5
48	Eyetype Goldfish	Jeff Plazak	Dan & Karen Guman - Telescope	Dan & Karen Guman - Telescope	Dave Williamson - Ribbontail Black Moor	5
49	Single Caudal Goldfish	Jeff Plazak	Dan & Karen Guman - Shubunkin	Dan & Karen Guman - Shubunkin	Dave Williamson - Red & White Comet	3
50	All Other Goldfish Varieties	Jeremy Harsh	Dan & Karen Guman - Jikin	Dave Williamson - Red & White Wakin	Tony Martina - Fantail comet	3
51	Invertebrates – Freshwater or Marine	Jeff Plazak	Ronald Kline - BOA Cardina Shrimp	Emilie Myatt & Travis Miller - Giant Apple Snail	Tom Clinton - Mystery Snail	4
52	Amphibians	Jeff Plazak	Emilie Myatt & Travis Miller - Copper Axanthic Axolotl	Dave Williamson - Spanish Ribbed Newt	Emilie Myatt & Travis Miller - Axanthic Axolotl	4
53	Pairs – Male and Female	Kristen Kodish	George Hollister - Xenotaenia resolanae, Leopard Goodeid	Bud White - pair Megalechis thoracata	George Hollister - Gambusia holbrooki pair	13
54	Group of Six – Adult fish	Jeff Plazak	Susan Zabicki - Hoplisoma sterbai	Dan McMonigle - Odessa Barbs	Dan McMonigle - Longfin Tiger Barbs	3
55	Family Class – Parents and min 6 fry < 3 mo	Jeff Plazak	Dave Williamson - Family Celebese Halfbeaks	Tom Rizzo - Celestial Pearl Danio family	Bud White - Swordtail Tetra family Corynopoma riisei	8

The Kobayashi Goldfish Championship was won by Dan and Karen Guman.



Ultra-Aqua 2025 Results

Kim M. Griffith Rodbourn receives the Best of Show Livebearer award for her Black Lyretail Mollies.



Wayne Toven, for his L240 Vampire Pleco, receives the Best of Show Catfish/Loach award.



Receiving the Best of Show Display award is Roberto Prati for his photo of *Enantiopus melanogenys* males.



Tim DeRobertis receives the Best of Show Cichlid award for his *Amphilophus midas*.

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The Catfish & Loach Championship is accepted by Wayne Toven.



The Best of Show Egglayer award went to Tim DeRobertis for his Texas Cichlid.



For their Ryukin goldfish, Dan and Karen Guman receive the Best of Show Goldfish award.



Dan and Karen Guman accept the Presidents Trophy.

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The Challenge Award was won by The Youngstown Area Tropical Fish Society.



Thank you to all our
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