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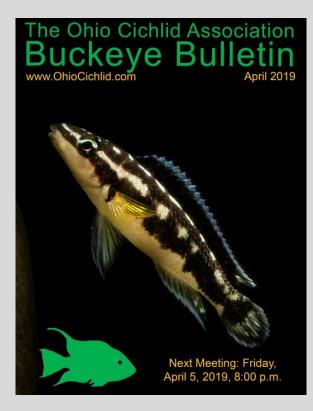
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### About the Ohio Cichlid Association

The OCA is an organization dedicated to the advancement and dissemination of information relating to all aspects of the biology of cichlids and related aquatic life. Our purpose is to promote the interest, keeping, study, breeding, and the educational exhibition of Cichlids. Additionally, the exchange of ideas, meeting new people, and distribution of information concerning Cichlids is of primary interest.

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# Get The Most Out of the OCA

The OCA's monthly meetings are free and open to the public. Feel free to invite a guest! There are many ways to get the most of your membership:

• submit an article, classified ad or photograph for the bulletin • put a fish in the bowl show • attend the OCA Extravaganza • turn fry in for the BAP program • attend the social meetings • buy and sell fish during the winter auction • join the board • start a forum discussion • visit ohiocichlid.com •

### SOCIAL MEETING INFORMATION

## The Next OCA Social Meeting is Friday, April 5, 2019 at 8:00 pm

<u>Middleburg Heights Community</u> <u>Center, Room C</u> <u>16000 Bagley Rd</u> <u>Cleveland, OH 44130</u>



Meetings usually begin with a talk about cichlids or a related subject. The OCA is proud to bring world class speakers to Ohio, not only for our yearly convention, the OCA Extravaganza, but also for our monthly meetings. With Northeast Ohio being the hotbed for cichlid breeders that it is, we have discovered that there seems to be no shortage of world-class speakers locally, a number of which have used the opportunity to talk at OCA meetings to later tour the country with their fantastic presentations. After the talk we usually take a break for refreshments and some socializing among "cichlidiots". This also gives people a chance to look at bowl show entries, and after the break the bowl show winners are announced. Next, Breeder Award Program (BAP) awards are handed out. We have a Breeder Award Program for cichlids and one for catfish, turning our program into probably the largest one of its kind in the country. The entries are subsequently auctioned off, making some of the newest and rarest cichlids in the hobby available to our members at low auction prices! The OCA has had a number of first spawns in the United States and members have donated some very nice stuff to be auctioned off for the benefit of our Jim Smith Fund. Meetings end with a raffle, where we give away prizes that are set up on a huge table, which typically bends to the point of breaking under their load!

### SOCIAL MEETING SCHEDULE

7:30	(All times approximate) Doors Open
8:00	Social Time
8:15	Call to Order Announcements New Member Welcome & Speaker Introduction
8:30	Speaker
9:30	Break
9:45	BAP Awards Bowl Show Results
9:55	Mini-Auction
10:25	Raffle



# DON DANKO: PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Marilyn and I had the opportunity to vacation in Mexico last week with Ad and Gertrud Konings. It was my first visit to Chiapas in over 20 years and what a great trip it turned out to be. The wildlife diversity was incredible – howler monkeys, crocodiles, lizards, rare birds and, of course, Cichlids. We saw a number of Cichlids in the clear waters at Agua Azul, Misol-ha and other locations that included urophthalmus, helleri and intermedia. While we wanted to hop in the water at Nututun to snorkel, the opportunity didn't present itself. That said, we were able to view the large pond from the restaurant balcony and see Cichlids from a distance. We also unfortunately saw a number of large introduced Plecos sitting on the large rocks at the edge of the pond. This is a great example of why we need to promote conservation and education through our talks, publication and grants from our Jim Smith Fund.

Thanks to Jonathan Strazinsky for his excellent talk on breeding New World Cichlids. I personally enjoyed the videos that he used throughout the talk. Nice job, Jonathan!

If you didn't get one of new, limited edition OCA shirts in stylish Charcoal at the Auction or February meeting, be sure to see Ron Maichle at the monthly meeting to get yours! They're high quality and awesome!

April's meeting will feature Master Breeder, Joe Doyle! This is the first time that Joe will speak to our members. He's a very creative breeder that has successfully bred whiptail cats and lots of other cool fish. You won't want to miss this one, folks!

Our next big event is our 25<sup>th</sup> Extravaganza in November! Registration will open on April 15. Much more to follow!

Please plan on joining us for at the April 5th Social Meeting at the Middleburg Heights Recreation Center at 8 pm to hear Joe Doyle bedazzle us!

Don



The Ohio Cichlid Association Presents: Joe Doyle on "Getting Ahead in BAP" Middleburg Hts. Rec. Center



April 5, 2019

**OCA Program Preview** April 5, 2019 8:00 PM Middleburg Hts Community Center

### Joe Doyle

Submitted

I began my interest in keeping & breeding fish when, at the age of 12, my neighbor gave me a slate bottom metal frame 29-gallon fish tank and lid. Tropical Fish Hobbyist (TFH) magazine frequently featured Betta splendens in an array of spawning setups, so it wasn't long before I had 100 baby food jars each containing a baby Betta. Breeding fish came natural to me. This was when I first started feeding live foods to baby fish. I put the hobby on hold to attend college and returned 18 years later when I was given a 29gallon fish tank.

In 2005, I joined the Greater Pittsburgh Aquarium Society Inc (GPASI). I began participating in the Breeders Award Program (BAP) in 2008. BAP really sparked my interest, and in 2011 I turned in 33 spawns, topping my competition and setting an alltime high record for the club, even though I had only 12 tanks. I have served the Pittsburgh club as president, treasurer, and membership secretary. I'm currently Raffle Chairman and Web Master, managing the GPASI.ORG web site.

BAP has thus far been the most influential and driving force of my hobby. It has evolved into a consistency of looking for that next fish to spawn. I originally thought after spawning all the "bread and butter" fish there would be nothing left to spawn, but the opposite is true.

Most of the fish in my tanks were brought home from conventions and fish rooms, and I am always on the lookout for that next rare fish to spawn. Frequently, I find myself making community tanks out of multiple species because I see something I just must have but don't have tank space for. It takes a long time to back out of this scenario in order to have enough room to spawn and dump fish for BAP.

In my talk, "Getting ahead in BAP", I will review how to spawn several species of difficult fish and the species I'm currently working with. I'll also discuss challenges I've faced, and the return of species to my bucket list of fish to successfully spawn and raise.

Joe tells me he will include accounts of spawning crying whiptails and red lizard catfish, and will discuss many other aspects of his fish-keeping experience.

Next month, Josh Cunningham will visit from Michigan to give his talk "Breeding Set-ups for Rift Lake Cichlids".

# UPCOMING OCA SOCIAL MEETING PROGRAMS

### 2019

April 5 **Joe Doyle** "Getting Ahead in BAP"

May 3 Josh Cunningham "Breeding Set-Ups for Rift Lake Cichlids"

> June 7 Matt Quinn "Adventures in Uruguay"

> > July No meeting

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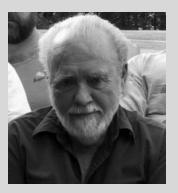
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Throughout the year, we will be running a number of fund raising activities for the OCA Jim Smith Fund for Conservation and Education. These will include the following:

- Raffling off donated livestock or goods
- 50/50 Raffles during OCA events
- Donated bags of fish will be raffled at club auctions
- Sale of shirts and goody bags donated by Omega/Ad Konings
- Donations will be accepted through a button on the club website

Please consider donating cash, livestock or hardgoods at any OCA event or meeting to help raise money for the Jim Smith Fund. Because of the generous donations of our members and supporters, we have been able provide much needed grants for cichlid or catfish research and conservation! Thanks for your anticipated support!

The Jim Smith Fund is the OCA's endowment fund that annually awards Cichlid and Catfish researchers and others funds to promote Conservation and Education efforts. To date:

- 2008: \$1,000 was given to support the construction of Anti-Netting Devices in Lake Malawi
- 2009: \$1,000 was donated to the Stewart M. Grant Conservation Fund
- 2010: \$1,000 was donated to the Max Hayes High School to support local education
- 2011: \$2,500 awarded to Jay Stauffer at Penn State to catalog 3,200 collections of Cichlids
- 2012: \$1500 awarded to Jay Stauffer of Penn State University to videograph cichlids in the wild
- 2013: the Jim Smith Fund was able to make two awards, one to Ed Burress for Pike Cichlid research and the other to Ron Coleman for Central American research
- 2014: an award of \$1000 was made to Ad Konings for Tanganyikan breeding facilities
- 2015: Melanie Stiassny received a \$1200 grant to fund attempts to collect live Teleogramma obamaorum. Sam Borstein received \$2000 to study Malawi Cichlid feeding techniques.

### The Jim Smith Fund has awarded over \$13K to support Conservation and Education!!

### **DISEASE PREVENTION 101**

By: Jeffrey Yadlovsky

The article you're about to read is based on my experience of over 20 years of fish keeping in the aquarium hobby we all enjoy. So, let's begin. There are 3 things you can do to prevent disease as well as parasites. They are salt, water changes and diet.

In my experience, disease prevention starts with salt. Salt can be very inexpensive, so why not use it? So the question is what kind of salt? Believe it or not you can use several kinds of salt. Here's what's available:

-sea salt -kosher salt -pickling salt -aquarium rock salt -table salt (not iodized) -Epsom salts -marine or reef salt

All these salts will work, and some will help with different issues. Before I get into this, why salt? Well, think about what salt does and what salt is used for. Salt is an old fashioned cure-all. Get a canker sore, rinse your mouth out with salt and before you know it the canker sore is gone. Who's ever been to the ocean? It's been a long time, but as a kid I remember getting a scrape or cut on my knee, and after swimming in the ocean, the next day it's healed, or well on its way. Now, that's for us but what does it do for fish? Basically, the same thing, but it also adds electrolytes and aids in a healthy slime coat. You see, a fish's slime coat is like human skin is for us. It keeps a lot of things from entering our body that could harm us. The scales help keep them safe but it's their own natural slim coat that keeps them healthy. This is why it's important to use salt to aid in disease prevention.

Now, back to the benefits of each, as all of them will help prevent disease and parasites. It's pretty simple really. Marine/reef salt is perfect for cichlids but can be used for all fish. The reason it's perfect is because it has a lot of minerals that are essential to the cichlids' health, and raises pH, which is also helpful. How about Epsom salts? Hey, we use it for several things, why not fish? If you read about it you can actually drink it; it's a natural laxative, so it obviously helps with constipation. How about when you get a splinter? Again, if you read the label, you'll see that soaking the infected area will help draw the splinter out.

See where I'm going with this? Not yet? Ok, let's apply this to fish. If you have a fish with bloat, add Epsom salts. If you catch it early enough, you have a better chance of saving the fish by helping the fish expel what's blocking it up. Or better yet, let's use it

all the time on species that are prone to bloat. Now you have a fish that will stay healthy because you prevented them from getting bloat.

Ok, now for the important part: How much salt does one use? I use 1 Tablespoon per five gallons. I don't try to figure out the volume that decorations displace the water. I just take the volume the aquarium holds. For example, to a ten-gallon tank, I add 2 tablespoons.

Now, you have to do this with each water change, only adding salt to the amount of water you change. So, if you replaced 5 gallons, then you would add 1 tablespoon; 2.5 gallons, half that, and so on. Salt stays in the water, so if you remove water then you need to put salt back in to maintain the right level of salt in the tank. If you use salt as a preventative you may never have to deal with any problems.

Last year I acquired 40 different fish, bought from auctions, fish stores and fish meetings and not once had to quarantine. Why? Because I religiously use salt in all my aquariums.

Another way to further prevent disease and maintain healthy fish is a good old fashioned water change! It doesn't matter how many times you do it or when, just keep doing water changes. Some people do it weekly, some biweekly and some once a month. If I do water changes weekly or biweekly, I usually do 20-25%. Now, I cram my fish in tanks (we can discuss that at a later date) so I can't get away with doing water changes on 72 aquariums only once a month. I live in an apartment that has free heat and free water; I can run the water all day and it won't cost me a dime, so I do my water changes weekly and sometimes biweekly. I can't get away with anything longer than that. If you do your water changes monthly, I'd suggest 50-60%.

So, why do we do water changes? Well, because fish have no other place to go, so their waste stays in the water. In time, allowing this soluble waste (nitrates and ammonia) to build up makes for bad water quality. In order to help this, we have to do a water change. Adding fresh water will help dilute the soluble waste. I'm pretty sure after awhile you're going to run into some problems if you don't change water.

Besides having a routine for when you're going to do water changes and how much you're going to change, what's another way you can tell that a water change needs to be done? I guess you can go out and buy a test kit. I know I've done that once and guess what? It just collected dust. I don't have the time to do all that when there's a simpler way. In addition, depending on the bio load, some tanks may only need to be done once a month where others need weekly. So, this is how I do it: I use my nose - that's right, my nose. If it does not smell good, that is, smells like fish, then it's time or over-due. Aquarium water should smell like fresh soil, plain and simple.

So, old fashioned waters changes and salt equals a healthy environment, and that equals happy fish, which then makes for a happy hobbyist!

Something that you may not have thought about as a method of disease prevention is food. Remember hearing someone tell you that you are what you eat? It's true. I've seen people live on junk food and they definitely don't look healthy, and a lot of the time they're sick. So guess what? There's junk food for fish, too. It's very important to look at the ingredients on the can of fish food. Just like human food, the ingredients are listed in order by proportion, from greater to lesser. Look for foods that have whole things like whole salmon or whole krill, for example, and stay away from foods that don't. One ingredient I ran across was bakery products. You know what that is? Well just what it says: doughnuts, bread, you name it. If it comes from a bakery, then you probably want to stay away from it for your fish. There's the junk food fish food.

You know yourself that you can't live on Big Macs and that as humans we need a variety of foods in our diets. So do our fish. The more variety, the healthier your fish will be. The healthier they are, the stronger they will be to fight disease.

There's one other thing I would like to mention which I recently discovered because I've had a lot of mostly unexplainable fish loss during the last few years. I had a couple fish, such as Ctenochromis horei and Nimbochromis linni, that would all get bloated and die. I learned that it's from over feeding. It's a very easy thing to do even with someone with experience, because, face it, our fish always look hungry even after they're been fed. So, some would think they must need more. I know fish food instructions say to feed what the fish can eat in three minutes, and that they should be fed three times a day. In my opinion, this is too much. If you think about this for a minute, in the wild fish go weeks without food, and sometimes longer. Now I'm not saying only feed your fish once a week, but I'm using this as an example because it's not necessary to feed fish three times a day, or even every day. The more you feed the more maintenance is required and the more costly it will be. And, there may even be possible fish loss. So, from experience, this is what I do: I feed my fish every two to three days. I tried this for a month. The results were no fish loss. I keep C. horei and N. *linni* with no issues of bloat, and the tanks stay cleaner longer, so less maintenance. It's a win-win for me and if anyone is having similar issues then it may be worth trying for yourself.

So to sum this up, we have to do water changes. That's a given. Plus, if we maintain a healthy level of salt in the water and keep from over feeding, we've done everything we can to prevent anything from harming the fish we love so much.

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### CICHLID BAP REPORT

Listed below are the Cichlid BAP submissions for last month. Members successfully bred these cichlids and raised fry to a minimum of 1". Varying point values determined by spawn difficulty were given to members' total Cichlid BAP points.

Congratulations on these spawns and thank you for your participation.

### March 1, 2019

Lew Carbone Parachromis dovii	20
Jonathan Dietrich Neolamprologus tetracanthus	10
Ron Maichle Pseudotropheus demasoni	10
Gary Mendez Mesoheros festae	20
Keith Robinson Cryptoheros sajica	10
Roger Stark Herichthys carpintas "Escondido"	10
Jonathan Strazinsky Amatitlania siquia "Rio Grande de Matagalaa Nigaragua"	10
Metagalpa, Nicaragua" Herichthys carpintas "Vontehillo"	10

### CICHLID BAP TOTALS

Listed below are the Cichlid BAP grand totals. The information is maintained by Mark Chaloupka. See Mark at monthly meetings for more information about the Cichlid Breeders Award Program. Thank you for your participation.

#### CURRENT B.A.P. STANDINGS (03/01/2019)

BREEDER 2019 TOTAL

#### MASTER BREEDER 1000 POINT LEVEL

Lew Carbone	30	3065
Don & Marilyn Danko	-	2435
Dan Woodland	-	2070
Josh Cunningham	-	1835
Bryan Davis	-	1455
Bill Loudermilk	-	1200
Linda Wallrath	-	1130
John Tesar	-	1120
Mark Chaloupka	-	1095
Rich & Maggie	-	1065
Schoeffel		
Jeff Yadlovsky	30	1050

#### 900 POINT LEVEL

Dennis Tomazin	-	965
Jonathan Strazinsky	20	925
Hilary & Antonio	-	910
Lacerda		
Tom Swiderski	-	905

#### 800 POINT LEVEL

Gary Mendez	20	885
Dustin Brummitt	-	840
Ken & Sue Galaska	-	800

#### 700 POINT LEVEL

Bill Schwartz	-	740
Jeff Natterer	-	725

#### 600 POINT LEVEL

Bob Blazek	-	680
Charlie & Cathy Suk	-	615
Steve Zarzeczny	-	600

#### 500 POINT LEVEL

Tim Craig	-	540
George	-	515
Anagnostopoulos		
Eric & Rhonda	-	515
Sorensen		
Ron Georgeone	-	510

#### 400 POINT LEVEL

Rick Hallis	-	495
Phil Hypes	-	475
Jonathan Dietrich	40	460
Kyle May	-	460
Bob Bina	-	435
Tyler Toncler	-	420

#### 300 POINT LEVEL

Andrew Schock	15	390
Greg Senn	-	350
David Hale	-	335
Tony Poth	-	335
Dennis Kuehn	-	325
Gary Zalewski	-	325
Ken & Karen	-	310
Grimmett		
Dennis Kuehn	-	315
Tom & Carolyn Evers	-	300

#### 200 POINT LEVEL

James Shakour	-	275
David Hearn	-	270
Jason Mynar	-	270
Dave Esner	-	250
Mark Kazanoff	10	245
Ken Walker	-	240
Justin Way	-	230
Bill & Janice Bilski	-	205
Paul Collander	-	205

#### **100 POINT LEVEL**

Marc & Dawn	-	195
DeWerth		
Ozeal Hunter	-	190
Chuck Carroll	-	185
Denis Rozmus	-	185
Andrew Subotnik	-	180
Bob Evers	-	175
Charles Nowakowski	-	165
Frank Mueller	-	160
Roger Stark	40	160
Steve Heinbaugh	-	150
David Ayers	-	145
Greg Seith	-	145
Dan Ogrizek	-	140
John Griffith	-	135
Carl Oszewski	-	135
Joe Ring	-	120
Steve Olander	-	115
Peter Nario-	-	115
Redmond		
Aaron Stevens	-	115
David Toth	-	115
Raymond Langer	-	110

#### BREEDER LEVEL

Mark Huntington	-	95
Dolores Bacisin	-	85
Keith Robinson	10	85
Nicholas Zarzeczny	-	85
Pete Gembka	-	80
Rick Wood	-	75
Bob Tillman	-	70
Matt Urbin	-	70
Dave Dimond	-	65
Russell & Tom Pierce	-	65
Anthony Scarton	-	65
Jim Jensen	-	60
Paul Palisin	-	60
Chris Jaskolka	-	55
John Kaminski	-	55
Dave Dimond	-	50
Margaret Heifner	-	50
John Kahl	-	50
Alex Gorges	-	45
Jason Gorges	-	40
Ethan Wiley	-	40
Matt Lacy	-	35
Ron Maichle	25	35
Christopher Sooy	-	35

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Andy Lacerda - 2	20
Scott Meyers - 2	20
Bill Sensor - 2	20
Jason Webb - 2	20
Ken Carey - 1	0
Jim & Amy Damm - 1	0
Ron Drungil - 1	0
Ben Jensen - 1	0
Cory Knarr - 1	0
Scott Mabee 10 1	0
Michael Meyer - 1	0
Mike Trader - 1	0

The points list for the Breeders Award Program has been updated to include only current members. If you are a current member and your name has been omitted, please see the B.A.P. Chairman at the social meeting so we can correct any errors.

Please remember: You may only turn in a species or strain of fish for B.A.P. points one time. If you need a list of what you have been credited with, see the BAP chairman at the social meeting.

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## CATFISH BAP

Listed below are the Catfish BAP submissions for last month. Members successfully bred these catfish and raised fry to a minimum of 1". Varying point values determined by spawn difficulty were given to members' total Catfish BAP points. Congratulations on these spawns and thank you for your participation.

	March 1, 2019
Breeder	Species

**Points** 

NO SUBMISSIONS - BREED YOUR CATFISH!

### CATFISH BAP TOTALS

Listed below are the Catfish BAP grand totals. The information is maintained by Steve Heinbaugh. See Steve at monthly meetings for more information about the Catfish Breeders Award Program. Thank you for your participation.

Ν	IAME	2019	TOTAL
Dan Ogrizek			430
Steve Heinbaugh			365
Dave Ayres			345
Don & Marilyn Danko			285
Phil Ayres			230
Eric & Rhonda Sorense	n		120
Ken Walker			120
Bob Blazek			110
Dan Woodland			100
Matt Urbin			90
Tom & Carolyn Evers			80
Hilary Lacerda			80
Bill Schwartz			70
Bob Bina			70
John Kaminski			70
Justin Way			60

Bryan Davis	60
Phil Hypes	60
Josh Cunningham	50
Jeff Natterer	50
Ken Galaska	45
Tyler Toncler	45
Matt Lacy	40
Kyle May	40
George Aganostopoulos	40
Jason Mlynar	35
John Tesar	30
Karen & Ken Grimmett	30
Lew Carbone	30
Andrew Schock	30
Bob Evers	30
Russell & Tom Pierce	20
Tony Poth	20
Gary Mendez	20
David Toth	20
Paul Palisin	20
Keith Robinson	10
Jeff Yadlovsky	10
Dave Hearn	10
John Griffith	10
Carl Olszewski	10
Anthony Scranton	10
Jon Dietrich	10
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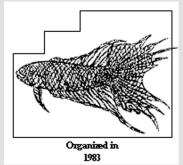








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## OCA BOWL SHOW

Listed below is information about the monthly meeting Bowl Show. The Bowl Show is your opportunity to show off your fish. Each month different categories of Cichlids and Catfish will be judged. Points will be given and prizes will be awarded. All members are welcome to participate. This is great practice for our yearly Extravaganza show! See Carl at a meeting for more information.



Here are the details for this year's Bowl Show:

>Cash prizes: Each month: \$20 for Best of Show, \$10 first place in each class, \$7 second place for each class and \$5 for third place each class

>Points: In each class, 10 for 1<sup>st</sup>, 7 for 2<sup>nd</sup>, 5 for 3<sup>rd</sup>, 1 for any nonplacing entry, and an additional 5 for Best of Show.

>Grand Prize for 2019: \$200 cash!

>Size restrictions refer to full-grown adult sizes as reported by Cichlid Room Companion or Planet Catfish.

\*SEE THE FOLLOWING PAGE FOR COMPLETE SCHEDULE\*

### 2019 BOWL SHOW CLASSES

January 4 Parachromis, Amphilophus, Nandopsis Victorian Basin Loricariids (Pleco types) over 6"

February 1 South Americans 6" and under, exclude Angels, Apistos Old World, exclude Rift Lakes, Vic Basin Fish Photography

March 1 South Americans over 6", exclude Discus, Angels Mbuna Callichthyids (Cory types)

### April 5 Central Americans 6" and under

Tanganyikan Shell Dwellers Mochokids (Synodontis types)

#### May 3

Angels Peacocks Catfish, exclude Mochokids, Loricariids, Callichthyids

June 7 Tanganyikan Lamps, exclude Shell Dwellers Frontosa Loaches and Botias

#### August 2

Discus, Uaru Tanganyikan Mouthbrooders, exclude Frontosa Freshwater Crustaceans

#### September 6

Centrals over 6" exc Parachromis, Amphilophus, Nandopsis Malawi Haps Loricariids (Pleco types) 6" or under

#### October 4

Apistos Open Tanganyika Open Old World Catfish

November 1

Julidochromis, Chalinochromis, Telmatochromis Open Old World, exclude Malawi, Tanganyika Female cichlids

#### **December 6**

Open New World Open Malawi Open New World Catfish

All classes are for cichlids, unless otherwise specified.