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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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- turn fry in for the BAP program
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The Next OCA Social Meeting is Friday,
June 2, 2017 at 8:00 pm

[Middleburg Heights Community
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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

(All times approximate)

7:30	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



LEW CARBONE: PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Greetings OCA Members!

I thought Mo Devlin did a great job last month, giving a presentation that had useful information for beginners on up through experienced aquarium photographers. Also, we saw some of the jaw-dropping images that he creates.

This month's speaker, Ken Davis, has experience in many facets of the hobby. He's a collector, and prolific breeder, and wholesaler, having sent fish to many LFSs around the country, including to ones in the Cleveland area. I expect Ken to give an energetic talk.

As always, Extravaganza planning continues, but at a slower pace at the moment. We've established that Wolfgang Staeck will be giving two talks, one about fish in their natural habitats in Brazil and Bolivia, and one about Apistogramma. It's hard to believe, but this may be the first-ever Extravaganza talk about Apistos! We hope to have some important announcements soon, so keep an eye on the forum and on our Facebook page.

In August, we'll be hosting Kevin Carr, from New Jersey. Kevin gives highly entertaining talks about large cichlids, so it should be a fun night.

Don't forget that there is no meeting in July, but I do hope to see a lot of Ohio faces at the ACA convention in Detroit!

See you at the meeting!

Lew

Letter From the Editor

Hello OCA Members,

It is hard to believe I am about halfway through my first year editing the bulletin. I hope you all have enjoyed it so far. If you have any contributions, comments or critiques, please feel free to let me know.

I missed out on Mo Devlin's talk, but it appears that our resident photographer was able to attend. Pictured below are two fish photography gurus: Mo and Carl.



Until next month,

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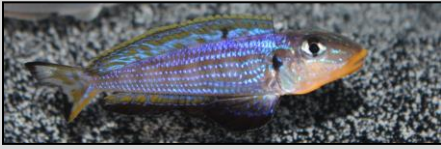
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**The Ohio Cichlid Association Presents:
Ken Davis on the "Fishes of Honduras"**

Friday, June 2, at the Middleburg Recreation Center



I started keeping fish when I was 6 years old, catching introduced exotics in the creek behind my house when we lived in Tampa--mostly livebearers, but it was a start. Little did I know where this would lead! My parents bought me a 10 gallon tank to keep my catch in, as I was proliferating little containers all over my bedroom, full of aquatic creatures. Tanks seem to multiply as easily as guppies, as I now have about 600! I don't think there has ever been a time in the last 48 years when I did not have fish.

I keep a variety of cichlids from Africa, Central and South America, and many wild type and fancy livebearers and discus. I got my first discus in 1978 and just keeping them alive back then was the challenge. My first successful spawn was in 1982, with some of those "new" Wattlely Turquoise, and I've been hooked ever since. I love to breed fish and have spawned hundreds of species, introducing several new species to the hobby.

I worked at a major University for 18 years, keeping my sanity with my fish hatchery, Fishfarm USA, and owned a retail pet store. I've been the President of the Atlanta Area Aquarium Association (AAAA) since 1998, was elected to the first of four two-year terms to the American Cichlid Association Board of Trustees in 1998, and served as Chairman of the Board in 1999 and 2004. I was Chairman of two very successful ACA Conventions in 2002 and 2008, in Atlanta. I was also elected to the Board of Directors of The North American Discus Association in 2005 and I've belonged to the American Livebearer Association for many years.

In 2001, I went with a group of breeders and importers, organized by Bing Seto, to Asia for a two week tour of Asian fish farms and the international discus show in Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia, and the Aquarama in Singapore. Wow, what a trip! We visited Hong Kong, Bangkok, Saigon, Kuala Lumpur, Penang and Singapore.

I've been on 5 collecting trips to Honduras with groups of serious hobbyists, including Rusty Wessel and Eddie Martin. Man, this hobby just gets more fun. We went to Mexico in February, 2006. I've gone on trips to Uruguay in November/December the last 5 years. I've enjoyed all aspects of the hobby, including meeting great people, going to shows and conventions, speaking for clubs, breeding new fish, and collecting in the wilds of exotic places! Keeps me busy and off the streets.

In his presentation, entitled "Fish of Honduras", Ken will share photos of, and information about, many fish from that country.

There is no meeting in July.

UPCOMING OCA SOCIAL MEETING PROGRAMS

2017

June 2

Ken Davis

Honduran Cichlids

July

No Meeting

August 4

Kevin Carr

“King of Monsters”

September 1

Nick Zarzeczny

“Adventure on Lake Tanganyika”

October 6

Andreas Tanke

Germany

Cory Evolution/New Species in the Hobby

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Greg Steeves

Victorian Cichlids

December 1

Christmas Party



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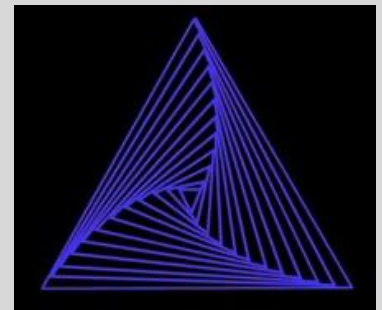


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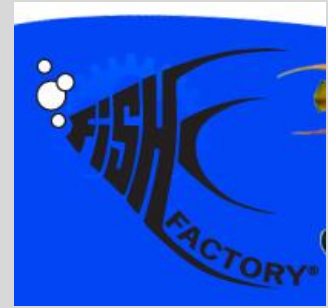


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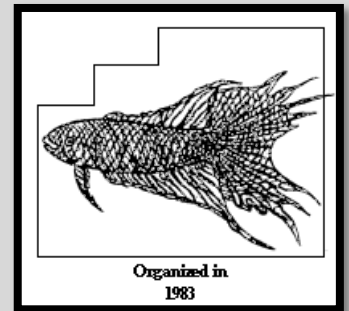
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MAY CICHLID BAP

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.

Lew Carbone

Haplochromis sp. "Chipwa"	10
1st US spawn	15

Margaret Heifner

Gephyrochromis moori	10
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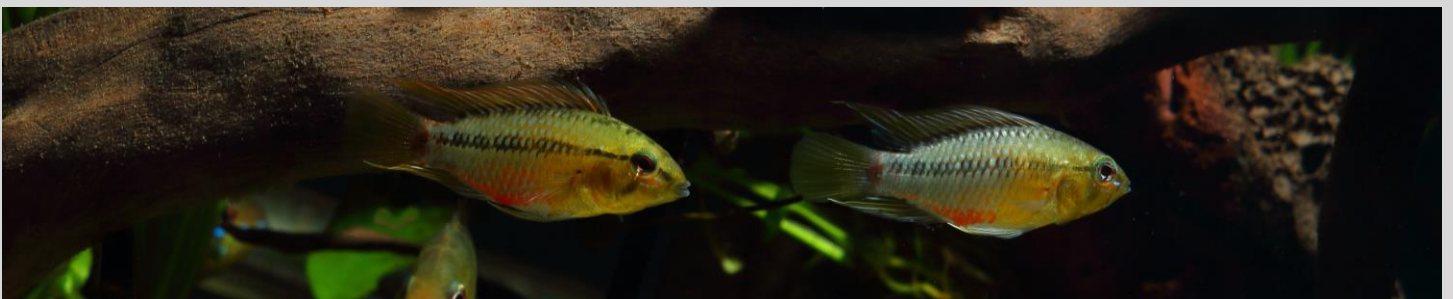
Keith Robinson

Hemichromis bimaculatus	10
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Congratulations to

Lew Carbone

For 1st US spawn of
Haplochromis sp. "Chipwa"



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 (5/5/17)

BREEDER	2017	TOTAL
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MASTER BREEDER 1000 POINT LEVEL

Lew Carbone	45	2900
Don & Marilyn Danko	-	2405
Dan Woodland	-	2070
Josh Cunningham	-	1505
Bryan Davis	-	1455
Bill Loudermilk	-	1200
Linda Wallrath	-	1130
Rich & Maggie Schoeffel	-	1065
Mark Chaloupka	-	1055
John Tesar	25	1045

900 POINT LEVEL

Dennis Tomazin	-	965
Tom Swiderski	-	905

800 POINT LEVEL

Hilary & Antonio Lacerda	40	870
Jeff Yadlovsky	50	855
Dustin Brummitt	-	840
Jonathan Strazinsky	35	815
Ken & Sue Galaska	-	800

700 POINT LEVEL

Gary Mendez	-	790
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600 POINT LEVEL

Jeff Natterer	-	690
Bill Schwartz	10	655
Charlie & Cathy Suk	-	615
Bob Blazek	10	610
Steve Zarzeczny	-	600

500 POINT LEVEL

Tim Craig	-	540
George Anagnostopoulos	-	515
Ron Georgeone	-	510

400 POINT LEVEL

Rick Hallis	-	495
Phil Hypes	-	475
Eric & Rhonda Sorensen	15	475
Kyle May	-	460
Bob Bina	-	435
Tyler Toncler	-	420

300 POINT LEVEL

David Hale	-	335
Tony Poth	-	335
Gary Zalewski	-	325
Greg Senn	-	315
Ken & Karen Grimmatt	-	310
Jonathan Dietrich	10	300
Tom & Carolyn Evers	15	300

200 POINT LEVEL

Andrew Schock	-	280
Dennis Kuehn	-	275
James Shakour	-	275
Dave Esner	-	250
Ken Walker	-	240
Jason Mylnar	55	225
Justin Way	20	220
Mark Kazanoff	55	215
Paul Collander	-	205
David Hearn	10	205

100 POINT LEVEL

Marc & Dawn DeWerth	-	195
Ozeal Hunter	-	190
Chuck Carroll	-	185
Denis Rozmus	-	185
Andrew Subotnik	-	180
Charles Nowakowski	-	165
Frank Mueller	-	160
Bob Evers	-	155
Steve Heinbaugh	-	150
David Ayers	-	145
Bill & Janice Bilski	-	145
Greg Seith	-	145
Dan Ogrizek	-	140
John Griffith	-	135
Carl Oszewski	20	125
Joe Ring	-	120
Peter Nario-Redmond	-	115
Aaron Stevens	-	115
David Toth	-	115
Raymond Langer	-	110

BREEDER LEVEL

Mark Huntington	-	95
Steve Olander	-	90
Dolores Bacisin	-	85
Pete Gembka	-	80
Rick Wood	-	75
Bob Tillman	-	70
Matt Urbin	-	70
Dave Dimond	-	65
Anthony Scarton	-	65
Nicholas Zarzeczny	-	65
Jim Jensen	10	60
Paul Palisin	-	60
Chris Jaskolka	-	55
Dave Dimond	-	50
John Kahl	-	50
Alex Gorges	-	45
Margaret Heifner	40	40
John Kaminski	-	40
Ethan Wiley	-	40
Matt Lacy	-	35
Christopher Sooy	-	35
Tom Tansey	-	35
Jason Gorges	-	30
Paul Hutnyak	-	30
Keith Robinson	30	30

Adam Stallman	30	30
Wayne Corman	-	25
Fred Roberts	-	25
Andy Lacerda	-	20
Scott Meyers	-	20
Bill Sensor	-	20
Jason Webb	-	20
Roger Stark	15	15
Ken Carey	-	10
Jim & Amy Damm	-	10
Ron Drungil	-	10
Ben Jensen	-	10
Cory Knarr	-	10
Michael Meyer	-	10
Mike Trader	-	10

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.



Willem Heijns

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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.

April 7, 2017

Breeder	Species	Points
Tom Evers	Corydoras panda	10
Dan Ogrizek	Ancistrus sp. minutus	10

May 5, 2017

Dave Ayres	Corydoras CW021	10
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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.

NAME	2017	TOTAL
Dan Ogrizek	10	420
Steve Heinbaugh		365
Dave Ayres	10	300
Don & Marilyn Danko		285
Phil Ayres		230
Ken Walker		120

Eric & Rhonda Sorensen		110
Dan Woodland		100
Matt Urbin		90
Tom & Carolyn Evers	10	80
Bob Blazek	10	80
Hilary Lacerda		80
John Kaminski		70
Justin Way		60
Bryan Davis		60
Phil Hypes		60
Jeff Natterer		50
Ken Galaska		45
Tyler Toncler		45
Matt Lacy		40
Bill Schwartz		40
Josh Cunningham		40
Kyle May		40
George Aganostopoulos		40
Karen & Ken Grimmett		30
Lew Carbone		30
Andrew Schock		30
Bob Evers		30
Jason Mlynar	10	25
Tony Poth		20
Gary Mendez		20
John Tesar		20
David Toth		20
Paul Palisin		20
Jeff Yadlovsky		10
Dave Hearn		10

John Griffith	10
Carl Olszewski	10
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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 Olszewski, at a meeting for more information.



This Month's Bowl Show Categories:

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**AND DON'T FORGET, EVERY MEMBER WHO ENTERS
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OCA BOWL SHOW

The grand prize for this year's Bowl Show may be out of reach for some of you, but we still have prize money to give! All you have to do to win this prize money is bring in your best fish for the classes posted this month. It's that easy. Just bring in your fish before 8:30 pm, set it up and sit back and collect that cash! Who said money doesn't grow in fish tanks?



BRING THOSE FISH IN AND GET SOME FAST CASH!!

2017 BOWL SHOW SCHEDULE

January 6:

Tanganyikan Shell- dwellers
Central Americans under 6"
Loracariids (Pleco types) over 6"

February 3:

Victorian Basin
Angelfish
Synodontis and other Mochokids

March 3:

Pseudotropheus, Cynotilapia, Melanochromis
South Americans under 6"-- exclude Angels, Discus, Apistos
Catfish—exclude Callichthids, Loracariids, Mochokids (see other classes for explanations)

April 7:

Peacocks
Central Americans over 6"
Freshwater Crustaceans

May 5:

Tanganyikan Mouth- brooders--exclude Frontosa
South Americans over 6"
Loracariids under 6"

June 2:

Mbuna--exclude Pseudo, Cyno, Melano
Discus, Uaru
Open Catfish, limit 3 per participant (all Cats eligible)

August 4:

Old World—exclude Rift Lakes and Victorian Basin
Open New World, limit 3
Open Tanganyika, limit 3

September 1:

Frontosa
Open Old World, exclude Malawi, Tang.
Corys and other Callichthyids

October 6:

Malawi "Haps"
Apistos
Fish Photography

November 3:

Female cichlids, limit 3
Loaches and Botias
Telmatochromis, Chalinochromis

December 1:

Tanganyikan "Lamps"—exclude Shell-dwellers
Julidochromis
Open Malawi, limit 3