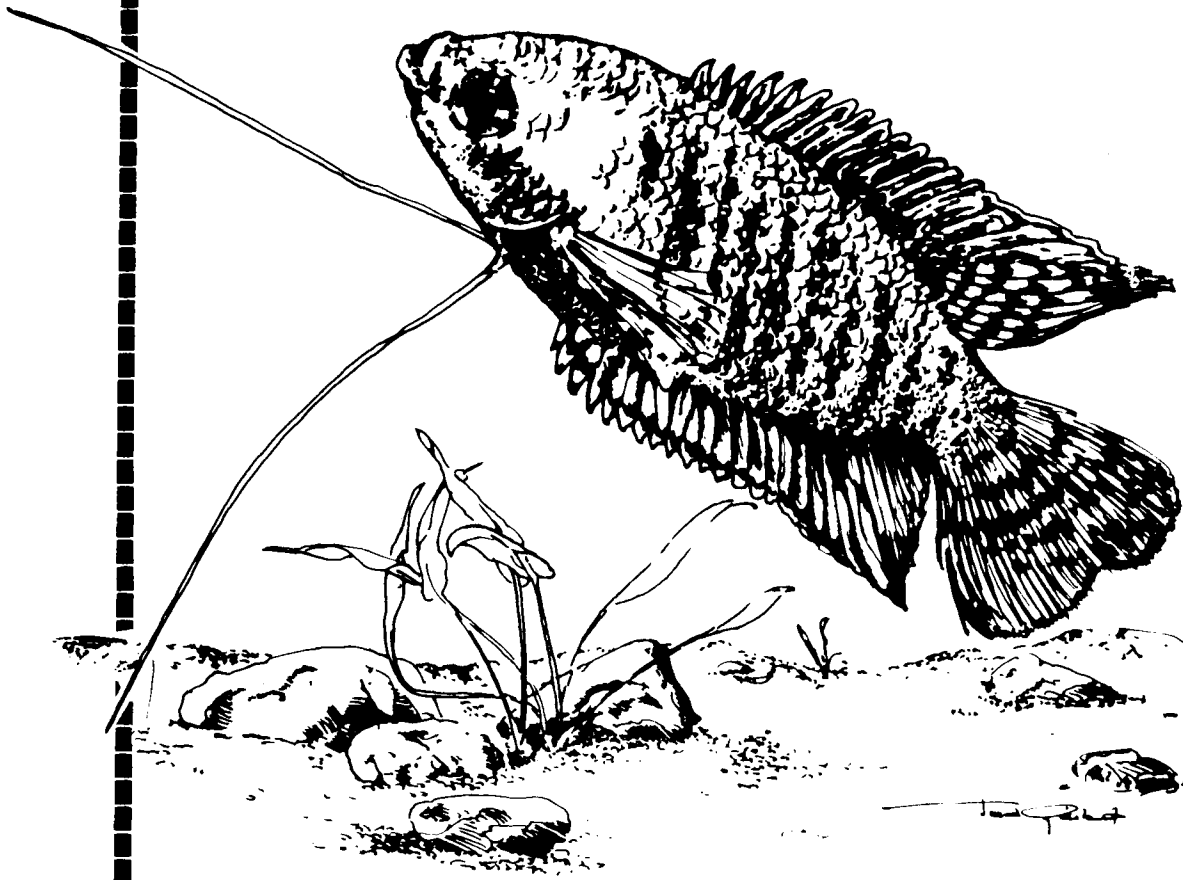


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THE PREZ SAYS.....

Those who braved the heat to attend the July meeting were treated to an excellent program by Harry Chow of PVAS (and the National Aquarium) give his personal insight into the basement of the Commerce Building along with some great "War Stories". I apologize that Harry didn't have enough time to go more into his own designs for do-it-yourself undergravel filters. Anyone who wants one of these designs should call Harry, or better yet, see him at one of the meetings for specifics.

August should be a special month for PVAS. We have an excellent program on tap with Gene Aldridge talking about his latest collecting trip to Central America. We also have the annual PVAS picnic on August 17th at the Pohick Bay Regional Park in Fairfax County. Everything is on us, so bring an appetite and come on out to the Park for some good food and good companionship. You don't even need to bring a covered dish, we'll do it all.

We still need programs for September and October. Unless we want a "canned" program from FAAS, we need volunteers to cover these meetings.

Anyone interested in the invitation from the Delaware club to go on their collecting trip (see the article for details) should contact Mike Trzonkowski direct. Be sure to mention that you're a member of PVAS when you do.

There is an important change to the PVAS schedule from that printed on the back of the Delta Tale. The October meeting will be held on 20 October instead of 13 October. This is because the 13th is Columbus Day and the Rec Center will be locked up with no way for us to get in.

Everyone should be thinking about attending our first Fall Fish Workshop the first weekend in November. Jerry Hoffman is working on the details of the speakers and things look very promising. We will also have the semiannual auction on Sunday and a dinner with our guest speakers Saturday night at the Best Western Motel in Falls Church (same place as the Spring Show).

See you all in August!!!

Bob

PS. Thanks to Rick Bell for the donations of the proceeds for the "Have You Hugged Your Fish Today" bumper stickers to the club and for volunteering as a back-up in case Harry's wife couldn't wait.

FRUM THE EDITORZ DESK

There's going to be a lot of stuff going on this month.

First - remember the PVAS picnic. I won't bother to say anything about it here, complete details can be found elsewhere in this issue.

If you liked Gene Aldridges article on his collecting trip then we have a double treat for you this month. The second part of Genes article appears in this issue, and this months program will feature Gene speaking on and showing slides of his trip.

Another thing happening this month is the American Livebearer Association convention. As with the picnic, I won't bother talking about it here since complete details are on another page.

If all that isn't enough to keep you busy we also have info on a collecting trip in Delaware.

IMPORTANT NOTICE- there will be a slight change in the deadline for next months Delta Tale. Everything for the Sept. issue MUST be IN MY HANDS by the afternoon of Aug. 19th. I will be leaving town shortly after this (stop cheering, I'll be back) and the issue has to go to the printer before I leave.

Until next month...

Yah

THE FAR SIDE GARY LARSON



"Dang! That gives me the creeps. I wish she'd hurry up and scoop that guy out."

ANNUAL PVAS SUMMER PICNIC

The annual PVAS summer picnic will be held at the Pohick Bay Regional Park on the 17th of August (Sunday) from 11AM to dark or whenever we feel like breaking up. We won't start eating until after noon, but those who want to help set everything up can come on earlier.

Pohick Bay is the same park we were at last year. Matter of fact we are in the same shelter, Shelter #2, as we had during last year's waterfall.

We want everyone to have a good time, but Fairfax County does have a number of rules which we must follow if we want to insure continued use of the facilities and the keeping of our good name. These are:

NO ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES

No live or amplified music without a special permit
Keep the area clean

NO ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES

Park only in designated parking areas

Visitors from outside jurisdictions (other than the counties of Fairfax, Loudon, Arlington and cities of Alexandria, Fairfax, and Falls Church) will be assessed \$4.00 per vehicle or \$8.00 per vehicle with more than 10 passengers.

NO ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES

The park has paddle boats and sail boats for rent, miniature golf and disc golf plus a full golf course and driving range. There is also a swimming pool available. There is a fee for using these facilities.

To get to the park take I-95 south to Lorton. Left on Lorton Rd, right on Armistead Rd to traffic light. Right on Rt 1, left on Gunston Rd. 4½ miles to park entrance. There are signs marking the way. Coming from the south, take I-95 to the Ft Belvoir exit (Rt 1). Turn right on Gunston Rd.

ed. note- if you have any questions or want to know more about the above come to the Aug. meeting.

j.m.

AUGUST HAPPENINGS

Program: Gene Aldridge with lots of slides and good interesting information on his collecting trip to Central America.

Bowl Show: Cichlids: New World Dwarf; Riftlake, Non-Mbuna/except Hap. Egglayer/Livebearers: Killifish; Catfish, non-Corydora; Open.

Mini Auction: Never know what will show up, maybe even some duck weed.

Raffles: Still have lots of good stuff, better than ever.

TICOLAND FISH COLLECTING
By Eugene T. Aldridge Jr.

Part two--

On Wednesday went back up the Pan American Highway looking again at the streams we had looked at on the way down. A more careful study of each was made this time. There turned out to be no fish to be had, maybe to close to civilization. We went off the road a ways and came to the Rio de Oro. It was nice to cool off in and a native was catching his dinner but it was not good for our purposes. It was to big and fast. We were starting to think that the day was to be a real bust, but then George suggested taking a side road for a few kilometers to see if things would look better. Shortly, we came to a stream that looked good. We parked almost in the water, so I was really close to the action. It turned out to be the best place we could have ever found and made up for all the poor luck we had earlier in the day. We filled all the buckets and boxes we were carrying. A bridge was right beside us for the people and trucks to use. Every one stopped to ask what we were doing or to say "HI". I was caught trying to carry on conversations with passerbys that knew VERY little English and I knew even littler Spanish. But we did quite well. I was told on the troops return that they had watched while someone poisoned part of the stream bed to catch crayfish. The regular fish were able to move out fast enough, but the crayfish could not move that fast. The sun was going down so started back to Golfito with a quick stop at the first stream to check the fish trap. Again there was nothing worth while, so we continued on to Golfito.

Again we sorted out the fish by types and checked the ones we caught the day before. We now had all the fish that we could possibility bring back with us. We showered and returned to the El Caldero for dinner. I do not remember what I had as I was very tired. Again we visited for awhile before going back to our cabins to pack so we could start back on Thursday morning. One nice thing is that the water was very good. Water was changed by the bucket full right from the spigit. The fish were in styro boxes on the porch, it did not get cold enough at night to worry. About 10:30 I went to bed and slept very well.

The next morning we went back to the El Caldero for breakfast. The Land Cruiser was checked and fueled before starting back up the mountains. It turned out that 4 quarts of Oil were needed and it took about 45 minutes to get the oil and diesel fuel in. The fuel sold by the liter at 190 colones, or about \$4.00 a gallon. Golfito is an old "company" town from the banana days. When Costa Rica put an export tax on bananas, the Great American Fruit Company moved out leaving the typical company town with its associated problems. The REAL URGE to work is gone. We now started back toward San Jose with a planned overnight stop at San Isidro. The weather was wonderful and the trip was uneventful. On the way we passed through thousands of acres of pineapples. We stopped at a roadside stand to pick up one to eat later. We stopped at a nice motel in San Isidro in time for a late lunch and for me and Paul to rest while George and Jake got in some fish collecting in local streams. They went back down the highway, about 19 kilometers. In a few hours they came back we a few good fish, so we decided we would make a quick stop in the morning before leaving.

for San Jose. Dinner was good but not outstanding.

The next morning we started early so we go back to the place George and Jake found fish, however, to our surprise the Land Cruiser would not start. So Paul made a call to Hertz in San Jose to find out what to do. It took a while a mechanic to get there, so after a lot of talk we learned that we might need a new battery. However, the mechanic wanted the it up at his shop. So not being able to find a chain or cable to tow it up there it was pushed until it started. When Paul and George returned in about an hour Jake and I learned the cost including the service call was only about \$8.50 American. The mechanic had only cleaned off the battery terminals and put new brass ends on the battery cables. The end result the battery worked very well. He told us to tell Hertz that the battery was not any good and would not last much longer and should be replaced. We found dates on the battery indicating it was made in 1967, so it was nearly 20 years old. The Ticoland mechanics are able to do wonders with a standard transmission car making them run with chewing gum and baling wire. Many of the trucks I saw were 30 to 40 years old. Maybe this is where the old junk heaps I turn in go. After this episode was complete we just decided to go straight to San Jose without our little side trip. We again drove up over 10,000 feet, the scenes were just as beautiful a second time as they were the first time. While we were driving we discussed what we were going to do on Saturday. Go on one of the four trips to the volcano north of San Jose or stay just in the city. Paul advised me to stay as there were long walks at the volcanos, so all decided to stay in the city. We got to the University in San Jose without further incident. Bill Bussing was ready for with plenty of empty tanks ready for fish. The fish were put in the tanks and some more sorting was done in the better light and more space.

Once this was done we returned to the Grand Hotel to check in then go out to dinner. The previous week Paul had found an Italian Restaurant within walking distance. So off we went. Again we had our beer and some local cheeses to start with. The owner was Italian recommended a special combination and to top it off he said we could have it free if we did not like it, so we had the special. It was super so he was not taken up on his offer of a free dinner. It was not really very far to walk, but the sidewalks were terrible with holes, and brick and cobblestone for covering. I was lucky not to have fallen. Paul had found out that there was to be a craft fair right outside the hotel on Saturday so we would be in heaven getting things to bring home.

Saturday we were all lazy but eager to get some things to take home with us. About 8:00 people started to set out in front of the Hotel. I went once or twice and looked but it was a mad house and I was getting pushed around to much so I stayed away. Later on in the day, we went to a fancy leather goods place, Marroquinerias Del Rio. They came and got us and brought us back. We were able to get some real nice leather goods. I came away with several ladies pocket books, belts and wallets, enough to cover birthdays and Christmas for the rest of the year. I got some other things for myself at shops around the hotel and other than this took things easy. I just sat in front of the hotel for several hours just watching people. Saturday evening we took the Bussing's to dinner at the same Italian Restaurant we were at the night before. I had the same thing and it was still very good. The

dinner was slow in coming but an enjoyable time was had by all just talking. This was just a little something we could do for Bill for all he had done in getting the necessary permits for us to do what we did. After walking back to the hotel we said our goodby's to Mrs. Bussing and told Bill we would be at the University in 30 minutes. We went to our rooms to change back into our old clothes for one last time then left for the University and a fish packing exercise. We ended up packing 7 boxes of fish. The size of the boxes I had taken turned out to be very good because loaded fish bags could stand up in the allowing 10 to 12 bags to go in each box. After we were done we said our final goodby's to Bill and returned to the hotel. We got to bed about midnight with a call to get up a 6:00 so we could be at the airport for an 8:00 flight. The fish had been left in the Land Cruiser so we did not have to move them. Then to bed for a short rest before the next steps in our journey.

We arrived at the airport in time only to find out that Eastern had gotten VERY tight on the size of your baggage. So to get the fish home we had to pay an extra \$125.00 American. This, to me, was not to bad since there were 7 boxes of fish and 4 bags with our personal stuff. I put it on one of my plastic cards and we moved on. After getting our seat assignments getting our passports stamped and turning in our Tourist Cards and were waiting for the plane we were told the plane lights had been left on all night and the battery was dead. So back down stairs we went leaving our passports on the way. Eastern gave us a breakfast ticket for the restaurant. It was now about 11:00, but the waiter would only let us have breakfast not lunch which is what we all wanted now. About 12:30 a new battery was brought in on a flight from South America, so about 1:00 we left. Because of all the problems we were not going to make our flight from Miami to Newark so we were rebooked on flights that would take me to National, Jake and George to Providence and Paul to Newark. But since the were booked through to Newark we let them go. My flight was to leave Miami at 5:10 and we did not get in until 4:45. I had asked for a wheelchair as Paul told me there would be a lot of walking. I got one, but no way could anyone have gotten through Immigration, Customs, to the other end of Miami Airport and on a plane in the time available. The young lady pushing my wheelchair knew all the right steps to take. Immigration had a special line for U.S. citizens and you were run right through, the Agent looked at my passport and me smiled then asked was it good to be home-I said Yes and he passed me on. Customs was a mad house with all the luggage from many flights coming in. We saw Paul and company waiting for theirs but they mine was coming around, so I waited for it, in a minute it was there. Now for Customs. My wheelchair pusher moved me up in front of the line. The agent asked a few questions about what I had brought home, I answered and she passed me through. By now I had missed the 5:10 plane. So I had to be rebooked onto a later flight that was leaving at 5:45. I finally got a standby ticket and seat. I was the next to last on the plane and every seat filled.

The flight to Washington National was uneventful taking a little over two hours. I got home about 9:00 without my luggage. I had been told it might not make the flight so I was not surprised. The Trip was now over. It is some thing that I will never forget. It is something that I would love to do again. The people in Costa Rica were wonderful, you could not have asked for better hosts.

Checklist of Species Collected on Costa Rican Trip Feb/Mar 1986

Rio Sixaola Drainage

ASTYANAX fasciatus	ASTYANAX orthodus
ROEROIDES quatemalensis	HYPHESSOBRYCON panamensis
RIVULUS isthemensis rubropunctatus	
ALFARO culturatus	PRIAPICHTHYS annectens
PHALLICHTHYS amates	POECILIA gilli
AGONOSTOMUS monticola	HEROS alfari
HEROS sp. - Guapote amarillo	HEROS nigrofasciatus
HEROS cf. septemfasciatus - Topaz Cichlid	
GOBIOMORUS dormitor	ELEOTRIS sp.
AWAOUS taiasica	

Rio Coto Colorado - Rio Coto Brus Drainages

HOPLIAS microlepis	PIABUCINA boruca
CURIMATA magdalenae	ASTYANAX fasciatus
BRYCON striatulus	COMPSURA gorgonae
ROEROIDES quatemalensis	PIMELODELLA chagresi
RHAMDIS sp.	RIVULUS hildebrandi
BRACHYRAPHIS sp. cf. rhabdophora	
POECILIOPSIS retropinna	POECILIA butleri
AEQUIDENS coeruleopunctatus	HEROS sp. Guapote amarillo
HEROS lyonsi	HEROS altifrons
HEROS diguis	HEROS sieboldi
HEROS sajica	GOBIOMORUS dormitor
DORMITATOR latifrons	HEMIELEOTRIS latifasciata

ed. note- Gene is also a member of the White Rose Aq. Soc. and this article was printed in the June & July issues of their publication the Wet Pet Gazette.

another ed. note- be sure to come to the Aug. meeting and see Genes slides of the trip you've just been reading about.

TRICHOGASTER TRICHOPTERUS

by Bob Roser, PVAS

Trichogaster Trichopterus is more commonly known as the blue gourami, three spot gourami, or its variations the Cosby (opaline) gourami and the gold gourami. The version I bred was the gold gourami. This is a rather peaceful anabantid from Sumatra which does well in the community tank. They are easily maintained, water conditions are not critical, and they will eat most any prepared foods with no trouble.

I bought a nice pair about four inches in length from a local pet shop. The female was slightly smaller than the male and already well rounded when I purchased them. The fish were set up in an established ten gallon tank with a gravel bottom and a sponge filter on the back side of the tank. There was some java fern and spawning grass in the tank. The water level was about four ".

Upon placing the fish in the tank, I turned off the filter and gradually raised the temperature from 74 to 82 degrees. Some black water extract was added to help soften my very hard water (dhl2). The fish were fed frozen blood worms, frozen brine shrimp and a variety of flake foods.

Spawning came about a week later. The male built a rather large bubble nest anchored in the spawning grass. I removed the female although she did not seem threatened by the male. I have had bad experience with other anabantids when I left the female after spawning.

After about 36 hours the bubble nest disappeared and the golden colored eggs were left floating in the spawning grass. Less than 24 hours later the fry hatched and were free swimming about two days later. At that time I removed the male.

There was no way to estimate the number of fry once they were free swimming. Like another fish of the same species I've spawned, Trichogaster Leeri (pearl gourami) there was a virtual cloud of fry filling the tank, I would guess at least 500. After three weeks I moved about one third of the fry to a second tank to give them room to grow.

The fry were fed on infusoria, strained egg yolk and liquify to begin. After three weeks baby brine shrimp, micro worms, and micro eels were added as well as tetramin egg layer flake food. Water changes were frequent, 5-10% every other day. After about 45 days I suffered a large scale loss of fry. I read that feeding these fish could be difficult at the early stages which will cause some loss.

Growth has not been as rapid as with other anabantids and after 60 days most of the approximately 100 surviving fry are about 5mm in length. The gold gourami was very easy to breed. With more care, perhaps more frequent feedings than the twice a day I was able to provide, more of the fry would have survived.

AMERICAN LIVEBEARER ASSOCIATION CONVENTION

The ALA convention will once again be held at the Westmain Mall in Kalamazoo Michigan in conjunction with the Southwest Michigan Aquarium Society's Show and Auction. The Federation of American Aquarium Societies Convention will also be held.

Events to be held August 22-24 include (in addition to the two conventions):

Fish Show- registration Aug. 22-23

Auction - Sunday, Aug. 24

Workshops- Aug. 22-23

Topics- FAAS; Rainbows; Biological Filtration;
FAAS Judging Standards; Killifish; Domestic Livebearers;
"Day in the Life of a British Hobbyist" by Derek Lambert.

ALA Open Meeting- Aug. 23

FAAS Open Meeting- Aug. 23

Dinner/Party- Aug. 23. This event will also include a showing of the slides entered in the show, and a talk by Joanne Norton.

There is no charge for any of the above events (except show registration).

For more information contact Terry Riegler, 5601 E. Main, Kalamazoo, MI 49004, ph (616) 382-1452 or Jim Petersen, 1601 Schuring Rd., Kalamazoo, MI 49002, ph (616) 327- 0534.

The closest Motel to the show site is the Super 8 Motel, 618 Maple Hill Dr. Oshtemo MI 49009. ph (616) 345-0146.

Trading Post

Ads for the trading post should be sent to Delta Tale c/o John Mangan, 9770 Oleander Ave. Vienna, VA 22180 by the 20th of the month prior to publication.

For Sale:

Item 1- 35 gal. tank, includes light & glass top.

Item 2- same

Item 3- 40 gal. tank (leaker) can be repaired, best offer,

Item 4- Home made stand, made with cinder blocks, plywood, & 2x4's, painted white with exterior paint. Will hold up to one 60 and one 55 gal.

Sell all or in part by item only. Ask for Gerry Goetz at 727-5770 ext. 13 between 7 a.m. and 3:30 p.m. weekdays. serious inquires only.

Want: Allotoca spp.; Zoogoneticus spp.; Allodontichthys spp.; Female Iriatherina weneri (red tail strain); female knight goby (Stigmatogobius sadanundio) aka hi-fin goby.

For Sale: back issue aquarium magazines. Send SASE for catalog. John Mangan, 9770 Oleander Ave, Vienna VA 22180.

Q & A

Anyone with questions on any aspect of fishkeeping can send them to Delta Tale c/o John Mangan, 9770 OLeander ave, Vienna, VA 22180.

Q. Is our editor alert enough to catch the mistake in the Monthly Bowl Show Report?

A. No. The editor was dumb enough to trust the bowl show chairman to get his report right. Julie Lamberth, however, did catch it and bring it to my attention. (see last months issue).

Q. Is there anyone out there stupid enough to volunteer to be next years Bowl Show Chairman?

A. Yes. David Sun.

Q. Why do these questions seem more appropriate for David Lettermans viewer mail section?

A. It probably has something to do with the person who keeps sending them to me.

Q. Are you really going to print these questions?

A. Yes. Don't worry though David I don't print the names of the people that send them in.

ed. note- my turn to ask a question.

Q. Will someone besides David please send me some legit. questions?

A. I hope so. We have a lot of newer members. Some of them must have questions about something.

DELAWARE COLLECTING TRIP

We received the following invitation to participate in a collecting field trip in Lewes Delaware on Aug 23: The information is from a letter sent to Bob Pallansch from Mike Trzonkowski who attended our Spring Show.

Dear Rob:

Hi! I hope you remember me. I'm the fish and plant nut that called you at 10 PM to tell you about my club's collecting trip. The trip is on Aug 23. We should meet around 10AM/10:30AM at the fishing pier at the Cape Henlopen State Park at Lewes, De. Ice and sodas will be provided by our club. Some nets will be provided but its best to bring your own. Small drag nets 4-6 ft are better than large ones. Collecting will go on till 12:30/1PM. We will then go to a fresh water pond for our second half of our trip. Last year we caught pipe fish, sea horses, batfish, lookdowns, butterfly fish etc. Let us know if anyone is interested in meeting us down there.

Anybody wanting to go please contact Mike directly. Mention PVAS when you do and everyting should be copecetic (or however you spell it).

Mike Trzonkowski
18 Anderson Rd Todd Est
Newark, DE 19713
(302) 738-4042

THE MIRROR

REVIEWS

Cloudy Water, by John Mangan, was reviewed in the April 1986 issue of Tropical Topics, publication of the Indianapolis Aq. Soc.

A Native Fish for Your Aquarium, by Gerry Hoffman, was reviewed in the March/April 1986 issue of Tank Talk, publication of the Sault and Area Aq. Club.

In the may/june issue of the Carolina Aquarist, publication of the Raleigh Aquarium Soc., editor Lynn Pitegoff gives a favorable review of our spring show and auction. In this same issue the RAS thanks PVAS members John Jessup and Gerry Hoffman for being guest auctioneers at the Carolina Aquarium Workshop. Someone down there even risked breaking their camera and took pictures of John and Gerry which they printed in this issue.

Packing Fish for an Auction, by John Mangan, was reviewed in the July 1986 issue of the FWCA Bulletin, publication of the Fort Wayne Cichlid Assoc.

Malawi Wowiee, by Laurie Coltri, was reviewed in the July issue of the FWCA Bulletin also.

Ctenopoma ansorgei, by Nathan Manwaring, was reviewed in the April/May 1986 issue of The Nekton, publication of the Saskatoon Aq. Soc.

Ports Perdu, by Laurie Coltri, was reviewed in the June 1986 issue of the FWCA Bulletin.

Reprints

Fixing and Improving Weak Air Pumps, by Mark Westling, was reprinted in the May 1986 issue of Fish Views and News, publication of the Desert Aquarist Society.

Packing Fish for an Auction, by John Mangan, was reprinted in the March 1986 issue of The NJAS Reporter, publication of the North Jersey Aq. Soc.

Ctenopoma ansorgei, by Nathan Manwaring, was reprinted in the May 1986 issue of the Daphian, publication of the Boston Aquarium soc.

The Black Ghost, by John Mangan, was reprinted in the June 1986 issue of Fish Views and News.

Preparing for a Fish Show, By John Mangan, was reprinted in the July 1986 issue of The Kitsap Aquarian, publication of the Kitsap Aq. Soc.

POTOMAC VALLY AQUARIUM SOCIETY
BOARD OF DIRECTORS
July 7, 1986

The Board of Directors of the Potomac Vally Aquarium Society met on July 7, 1986, at the home of Kenny Warren. President Bob Roser called the meeting to order at 7:45 PM. Those in attendance were Bob Roser, Ray Hughes, John Jessup, Bob Pallansch, Kenny Warren, Gerry Hoffman, and Pete Thrift.

The first item discussed was the upcoming PVAS picnic on 17 August at Pohick Bay Park. Bob Roser volunteered to obtain all food and supplies for this event. A motion was made and passed to advance \$200 to Bob to purchase these supplies. A flyer and map will be included in the August Delta Tale. Bob emphasized the Fairfax County prohibition of any alcoholic beverages in the park. Those who wish to help set up the picnic should meet at the park at 11 AM.

BAP Chairman John Jessup reported that all BAP records have been computerized, and that a BAP meeting will be held during the August picnic.

The issue of obtaining new liability insurance for the club was discussed. Gerry Hoffman has worked with a local independent insurance agent and has gotten a tentative rate quote of approximately \$250 for \$500,000 bodily injury/\$250,000 property damage policy. As this rate quote was well below an earlier insurance quote, the Board was quite interested in the details of this policy. Gerry will meet again with the agent to learn specifics of the coverages in the policy and will report back to the Board.

The use of the John C. Wood facility for the monthly PVAS meetings has been secured for another year. However, two "second-Mondays" occur on holidays, and the club may not be able to use the facility on those dates. If so, the affected meeting dates will have to be rescheduled.

Treasurer Gerry Hoffman gave the following report (approximate figures):

Bank balance	\$2725
Cash and checks	135
Due PVAS (auction)	444
	<u>\$3304</u>

Pete Thrift reported that he has received the club's library of exchange newsletters from Mark Westling, and that he will begin to develop an index of articles by publication for members' use. He also suggested that the club begin to build a set of reference books that can be borrowed by club members. It was decided to postpone this suggestion until the Board has a clearer picture of the club's financial position later this year.

It was discussed and decided to augment the month raffle prizes with items such as drum bowls, heaters, and small tanks, beginning this fall.

Plans for the PVAS fall workshop and auction were discussed. Bob Pallansch and Kenny Warren will negotiate rates and reserve the room. It is hoped that a series of experts on various hobby topics will agree to speak at the Saturday workshop, followed that night by the fall banquet, followed on Sunday by the fall auction. Further details will be available at the July meeting and in the Delta Tale.

The meeting adjourned at 9:40 PM.

BOWL SHOW REPORT FOR

July

CICHLIDS

New World Medium

1st Black-Viel Angel-J. Bennet
2nd
3rd

Haplochromis

1st??????-J. Bennet
2nd
3rd

Open

1st Pelmatochromis Thomasi-D. Mann
2nd Scolofi-J. Bennet
3rd Kribensis-D. Sun

EGGLAYERS/LIVEBEARERS

Guppies

1st Delta Tale Guppy-J. Lamberth
2nd
3rd

Barbs

1st T-Barb-J. Bennet
2nd Checker Barb-B. Pallansch
3rd

Open

1st Epiplatys Dageti-D. Mann
2nd Sailfin Molly-J. Bennet
3rd Chinese Darter-Doug Mann

Judges Choice-Sailfin Molly				Judge-Jim Long			
<u>MONTH QUARTER ANNUAL</u>				<u>MONTH QUARTER ANNUAL</u>			
D. Sun	3	3	90	J. Bennet	12	12	91
J. Bennet	16	16	42	B. Pallansch	5	5	47
J. Long	0	0	22	J. Lamberth	8	8	32
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D. Mann	6	6	13	D. Mann	10	10	10
J. Lamberth	0	0	5	J. Stieringer	0	0	7
J. Kooken	0	0	4	J. Long	0	0	6
S. Ptaszek				S. Ptaszek	0	0	5
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				J. Mangan	1	1	3
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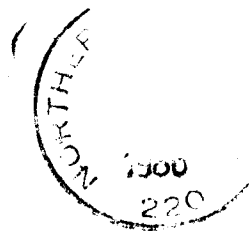
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Sept. 8	Dec. 8
Oct. 20	please notice this is a change from the normal date

Meetings are held at the John C. Wood Facility, Rt. 237 (Old Lee Hgwy)
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Everyone is welcome.