



The Raleigh Aquarium Society

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December 2005 Newsletter

Next Meeting: Thursday, December 1st @7:30pm

Meetings are held on the first Thursday of each month at the [North Carolina State University College of Veterinary Medicine](#) located at [4700 Hillsborough Street in Raleigh](#). Visitors are welcome! Snacks and light refreshments are provided. A raffle of fish and fish related items follow the meeting. Due to Security Issues, NCSU has required that the doors going into the downstairs lobby remain locked. Please be on time, as we will have a designated person standing by the door to let you in. If you are late, you may try knocking or call Brandon Berry's cell phone at 252-266-3559, Jeff Jenkins at 919-612-0229, or John Patterson at 919-264-4011.

Meeting Agenda

ANNUAL HOLIDAY POTLUCK DINNER

It is once again time for the annual potluck dinner. The club will provide meat, eating utensils, napkins, and drinks. We ask that you bring side dishes, desserts, and anything else you can think of that is good to eat. Please make sure that you bring serving utensils along with your dish.

Monthly Feature

Medications that (probably) won't kill your plants.

by Patricia Ceger

Let's face it, it's happened to all of us at some point. You have a fish that is injured or sick and in need of treatment. You'd do it in your quarantine tank, but you put some extra plants in there to grow out and suddenly discovered it was a planted tank. Or you discover that there is a colony of planaria in your tank. Either way, you know you need to do some medicating in a tank that is planted. Therein lies the problem. What can you use that won't immediately turn several hundred dollars worth of plants into a seeping, filter-clogging mass of decaying vegetation?

The following is a list of medications that have been used in planted tanks by assorted plant fanciers. It is not a definitive list, but a general guide to medications that probably won't kill off your tanks.

Meds:

Pimafix

Melafix (stinks, makes water look soapy)

AP Fungus Cure
Clout (stains skin blue)
Fluke Tabs
Metronidazole
Praziquantil (may cause toxicity in Corydoras cats. Monitor closely)
Quick Cure
Methylene Blue (stains skin blue. May or may not be toxic)
Algicides, Flocculants:
Aquari-Sol
Seachem Clarity (flocculant. For getting rid of green water or floating debris)
Aquarium Pharmaceuticals Algae Fix (an algicide that supposedly (according to posts on APD) kills snails without killing plants).

Trading Post

Gerald Pottern has:

Kribensis (P.pulcher), good color & spots --\$6 young pair, 5 for \$10 unsexed young,
Badis ruber (Burmese red Badis), 5 for \$10 unsexed young, Crystal red bee shrimp, 5 for \$20 unsexed young, Heterandria formosa (Pygmy livebearer), 8 for \$10,
Betta smaragdina adult females \$4 ea., 1/2 black turquoise/red guppies 20 fry for \$10.,
Lepomis megalotis (longear sunfish) 5 young for \$10.
FREE Live Foods: Moina, Rotifers, Grindalworms, Microworms; FREE Plants: Najas, Java moss, Limnobium.
WANTED: Thick-wall Styro laboratory shipping boxes (prefer with outer cardboard, but naked styro OK too)
919-556-8845 gpottern@rjgacarolina.com

Ken Fowlston has:

Nannostmus morthenthali (Coral Red Pencilfish) \$ 9.99, Rasbora maculata \$ 4.99, Aph australe 'Kape Lopez' Pair \$ 19.99
Tropheus moorii 'Firecracker;' \$ 24.99, Apisto cacautoides 'Orange Flash' \$ 9.99, Apisto hongsloui (male only) \$ 9.99
Popendata furcata \$ 7.99, Pelvicachromis taeniatus 'Red Nigerian' Males \$ 9.99, Dist sexfasciatus \$ 9.99
Apisto panduro \$ 9.99
Ken Fowlston
Infinity Pets
570-3039

Monthly Web Links

Here is an interesting internet aquarium magazine link sent in by Sal Notaromaso. [Modern Tropical Fish Bytes](#)
An interesting site dedicated entirely to the different species of freshwater angelfish [Finarama](#)

For our avid scuba divers, the NOAA Center for Coastal Fisheries and Habitat Research in Beaufort now has research grants to study the invasion of the volitans Lionfish into our coastal waters. Their lionfish site is [here](#). This site includes information about where to report lionfish sightings. It also has a [map](#) showing that as of 2003, the lionfish had been observed as far north as Long Island, NY!

[Potomac Valley Aquarium Society](#) in the Washington D.C. area
[Atlanta Area Aquarium Association](#) in Atlanta, Georgia

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Raleigh Aquarium Society Application for Membership

Membership privileges include:

- Ability to post items in trading post section of monthly newsletter
- A discount card good at participating local pet stores
- All club discounts on club functions
- Education from the most knowledgeable aquarium experts in NC

-Yearly Membership - \$15.00 (includes spouse and children)

(Membership dues run from March 1st each year. New members joining any other time will be pro-rated at \$3 + \$1 for each month remaining in the year.)

Name(s): _____

Date to begin membership: ____/____/____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Phone: (____) _____ (2) (____) _____

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New Membership

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