Next NEC Event: 2\textsuperscript{nd} Q NEC General Meeting  
\textbf{June 5, 2016} \textsuperscript{ } \textbf{–} Conference Call  
\textbf{Phone: (712) 432-0385, Access Code: 863965\#}

### 2016 CALENDAR

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*Non-NEC Events are shown in Italics*

- General NEC meetings are held at NOON and BOG meetings are held at 7:30 PM (unless otherwise noted).

The NEC does not coordinate dates for club events, but does publish this monthly calendar for your convenience. Prior to selecting a date for your club's next event, please check the NEC calendar for availability, and then notify me of the new date immediately at BRomeo1234@optonline.net or by phone @ 914-433-2556.
Hello Everyone,

Now that the weather has begun to clear up and temperatures have remained above freezing it's time to crack open those ponds. Most of the ponds (including mine) look like pea soup right now. Once you get the filter running and with the help of some barley straw or a UV they'll be in ship shape in a short period of time. I envy (in a nice way) those that can maintain their pond balance using live plants. My Koi commit “herbacide” on any plants I try to introduce to my pond...

Please keep an eye on the NEC calendar…there are a few club events coming up over the next couple of months. Let's get out and support them...

**Nominations:** Linda Giza is this years Nominating Committee Chairperson. Linda will be pulling together a committee to canvas members for the various board positions (officers and members-at-large). If you are interested in serving on the NEC board, please contact Linda...

**Clubs:** Please ensure that Barb Romeo gets the updates for the contact list if your club has held elections. Please check the NEC calendar for upcoming shows/auctions and make sure to send Barb Romeo information/fliers on your club events. Don't forget to get out there and support our sister clubs, you'll have a great time doing it....

**NEC meeting dates for 2016:**

**General:** (Start Time: 12 noon unless otherwise stated)
- 2Q – June 5 CC
- 3Q – September 25 CC
- 4Q – December 4 F2F, Location TBA
BOG: (Start Time: 7:30pm unless otherwise stated)  
3Q – August 24 CC  
4Q - November 23 CC

Events:
3Q16: August 21, 2016 Summer Auction: The Earthplace, Westport, CT  
(CC) – Conference Call  
(F2F) – Face to Face (TBA)

Note: the above dates may change if conflicts are encountered; meeting confirmation and information will be published in the newsletter President’s message.

The next NEC Board Meeting will be held on August 24, 2016. This meeting will be a conference call. Details will be sent prior to the meeting.

The next NEC General Meeting will be held on June 5, 2016. This meeting will be a conference call. Details will be sent prior to the meeting.

Items to Remember:
1. Send your club contact updates to Barbara Romeo at bromeo1234@optonline.net  
2. Newsletter events to Barbara Romeo at bromeo1234@optonline.net  
3. Website news & events to Barbara Romeo at bromeo1234@optonline.net  
4. Speaker list updates to Linda Giza at lindag413@gmail.com

Please feel free to contact me with questions or suggestions; it's best to contact me by email at president@northeastcouncil.org, you can also call me at 1-845-896-4793.

Joe Masi  
NEC President  
05/15/16

**NEC Convention Update**

Post-Convention Survey is open until the May 19th, if you have not taken it and have gone to our convention and or Sunday auction, please head over to https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/2D6J5CT and taken the quick survey. So far its been taken by 56 attendees. Respondents rated our speakers and vendors with high marks. They were pleased that the convention was held at the Sheraton Hartford South, and enjoyed the fish shows again this year. The committee will take all the comments under advisement as we plan next year’s convention. Thank you all for responding to this important survey!
The committee is currently negotiating with the Sheraton for next year’s convention. Stay tuned for more information.
Until next month,
Leslie

Post 2016 NEC Convention

If You Attended the 41st Annual NEC Convention, the Sunday Auction, or Both...We Would Like to Hear From You!

Its 10 Questions & Completely Anonymous!

Just Click on the link below:
https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/2D6J5CT

The survey will close at 8 PM EST on Friday, May 19, 2016

Thank you for completing the survey!
NEC Convention & Auction Committees
Northeast Council of Aquarium Societies

Serving All Bona fide Aquarium Societies

SUMMER AUCTION - 2016!

SUNDAY August 21, 2016

OF FISH (All Species), AQUARIUM EQUIPMENT AND RELATED DRY GOODS,

Location: Earthplace
10 Woodside Lane
Westport, CT
(203) 557-4400

50/50 split, 60/40 split for 10 or more *lots
1 colored dot / vendor, 1 add'l dot for each 10 lots

*Acceptable lots will be determined by the auction committee

AUCTION HOURS:

REGISTRATION.................................8:30 AM TO 12:00 PM

VIEWING OF GOODS........................9:30 AM TO 11:45 AM

AUCTION..................................................12:00 PM TO 5 PM

RAFFLE........................................................50 / 50

NEC INVITES YOU TO ATTEND!!!

FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION, PLEASE CALL:

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NEC Newsletter Editor Note

An idea was brought forth at the NEC Convention to reprint the award winning entries of the NEC Articles Competitions within the NEC newsletter. Sharing such quality body of works with all the NEC members is a fantastic idea. Therefore we will reprint these entries as space permits and as we receive approval by the author or per club newsletter policy. We will reprint 1\textsuperscript{st}, 2\textsuperscript{nd}, and 3\textsuperscript{rd} place winning entries from the Breeder Article, Junior, Humor and Open Classes. If you have won a past NEC Articles Competition no matter how “old” and would like us to reprint it, please contact me at mailto:bromeo1234@optonline.net.

Our first reprint within this edition won the 3\textsuperscript{rd} place 2015 NEC Breeder Article Competition titled “Cryptoheros nanoluteus, the Gold Convict” by David L. Banks, Jr. It was published within the March 2015 Tropical Fish Club of Burlington’s publication “In Depth” on pages 10-12.

Thanks
Barbara

“Wants to Buy, Sell &/or Trade”

Diatom Filter either a Vortex or System One.

Please Contact
Guy Van Rossum @ mailto:mgoj@hvc.rr.com

Rules & Disclaimer: If you would like to advertise a Swap Shop listing please forward information to Barbara Romeo at bromeo1234@optonline.net by the tenth of each month. Be sure to include all pertinent information in your announcement. NEC reserves the right to deny a listing for any reason. Users of the Swap Shop should understand that they do so AT THEIR OWN RISK. Both parties understand and agree to complete the transaction independently of the NEC. The NEC is in no way responsible for any portion of these transactions and cannot be held in any way liable for any loss incurred by either party in the transaction. Furthermore, participation in the Swap Shop serves as acceptance of these rules.
Cryptohoeros nanoluteus, the Golden Convict

By David L. Banks Jr., TFCB

While it is true that nanoluteus is a close relative to the common convict cichlid, Cryptohoeros nigrofasciatus, it really has all the good traits and none of the typical bad traits of the convict. In addition it has great color, stays smaller and is less aggressive and is quickly becoming a favorite among Central American cichlid lovers. It is still not a commonly available fish, but hopefully that will change over time.

I received mine while visiting Rusty Wessel in Louisville a few years ago. They were only ¼ inch but the six all made the trip well. They even made the trip home as carry-on luggage as you are allowed to bring live fish thru security and onto an airplane, even in more than 3.5 oz of water. There is an app for your phone. My TSA, which includes “Can I bring?” and live fish are listed as items you can bring thru security and onto the plane as part of your carryon luggage.

I placed them in a 20 gallon tank, they would come out to eat but were generally hard to find in the tank. I think this was partly because there were not a lot of hiding places, although the other fish in the tank would be out swimming around. The small fry grew nicely and, at about 2-3 inches,

I was thinking they should be getting ready to spawn, but they never did. There were a lot of fish in this tank as they grew, too many for sure. I eventually removed almost all other fish except for some barbs and a few anciatus. I lost a couple of the nanoluteus soon after. I would notice the barbs chasing them around the tank a little but not enough to be concerned. Someone was harassing them one at a time as I witnessed some torn fins. My guess would be the barbs, but it could have been the other nanoluteus. I then removed the Odessa barbs and left the 4 remaining nanoluteus in with just a couple of anciatus.

After several month of extra water changes and extra feeding, I was thinking of giving up trying to spawn these fish. I could not tell the sexes of the fish, they all looked very similar. There were no typical sexual differences. The dorsal and anal fins all looked the same, males typically have longer more pointed ones. There was no real size or color difference either. They seemed happy, but no spawning activity.

Eventually I gave up as I wanted to use their tank for growing out other fry of fish that were spawning. I had considered giving them away, but instead put them in a 40 gallon tank with many other fish of a similar size. They continued to grow a little larger, and were always right at the top waiting to be fed. They were very comfortable in this arrangement. There were many fish from a spawning group of anciatus, 10 Mexican mollies, a trio of large rainbowfish, a school of sixthundrul loaches and a few other odds and ends. It was a bare bottom tank, but had lots of plants, there were several bolbitus and java ferns attached to rocks and driftwood and a few pots with crypts in them. (Well, until I added a pair of geophagus that dug out the crypts, then there were just empty flower pots and some floating crypts.)

I am not sure if it was the larger tank, or having other fish swimming in the tank, or some other trigger, but I noticed two of these fish guarding a
very small flower pot that was empty. I didn't think too much about it at first, then I noticed the beautiful yellow and black markings both of these fish were displaying. I decided to investigate.

Sure enough, there was a plaque of small brownish eggs in the bottom of this very small flower pot. I am not even sure how they managed to get in there and lay the eggs. I removed the flowerpot but unfortunately the eggs hatched in just a day or so. So, did I have females that were just laying eggs, or was the male unable to get in and fertilize the eggs in this very small flowerpot, or were they just an immature pair and needed more practice? Since there was still no difference in the physical appearance of the two fish they were over a year and a half old by now, I was convinced I did not have a pair. There was still a third nanofusus in the tank, and except for the intense coloration, looked just like the other two.

A few weeks later I noticed two of them guarding a spot under a piece of driftwood. The intense yellow and black coloration was back. This time I decided to leave everything as is and see what would happen. The pair did a tremendous job of protecting this site, and within a week I noticed fry bouncing around the piece of driftwood, almost free swimming but not quite. At this time I siphoned off as many as I could without completely disturbing the tank and the pair. I was able to get over 50 very small fry and set them up in a 1-gallon glass jar.

Male C. nanofusus photo by Rusty Wessel

I had seen a very cool setup recently that I was ready to try. It consists of two pieces of foam with a lift tube thru each piece inside the glass jar. One piece of foam was near the bottom of the jar, the other at the very top. The lift tube went to the bottom of the jar and had an airline inserted to provide the lift. The fry went in the jar between the two pieces of foam. This provided flow from the top thru the foam into the chamber the fry were in and out thru the bottom piece of foam and up the lift tube. Another piece of rigid airline tubing was inserted into the top piece of foam and acted as a way to feed the fry. The whole jar is then inserted into an existing tank with the lift tube coming to the surface of the water and the feeding tube just above the surface.

I cut my own foam instead of buying a precut kit. So there were a few spots that didn't fit tightly against the glass and I did lose a few fry down the side where they would perish, but overall the

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system works very well. I would turn off the air supply during feeding so that the live baby brine shrimp didn't also get sucked down the uneven sides and was very diligent about making sure to turn the air back on after feeding. Without the air flowing, and the heavy feedings, the fry would not live longer than a few hours in this chamber. Just as the fry were old enough to move into their own tank I found out the hard way how long they would last. I fed the fry in the morning before work, and forgot to turn the air back on, when I came home from work all fry were dead. They were 1/4” to 3/8” long and there were close to 50 of them, but the good news was the adults had already spawned again!

Unfortunately, the timing was bad as we were about to go away for a week and my travel schedule was going to keep me away a lot over the next couple of months, so I had to leave the fry. When we returned after a week there were still a few being defended by the adults, but figured I would wait until a better time. With the loaches in the tank, I expected the fry would have disappeared quickly once they started straying from the adults.

The pairs spawned a few more times but I never had a good opportunity to save the fry until my last trip was coming up. I had not been paying too close attention, but just a day or so before I left on my last trip, I saw they had fry again and the fry were just starting to bounce around, not quite free swimming. I was able to siphon off about 40 very small fry. This time I put them in a 5 inch fine mesh net hanging in a tank of very small rainbow fish and killifish fry. While I was gone I asked Janine to let them go into the 10 gallon tank after they were completely free swimming. When I returned home a few days later they were all doing great, swimming around in a little cloud around the tank. They have grown nicely and have now been moved to a 20 gallon tank to grow out until they are ready to move on.

In my mind, here are some of the top reasons to keep this fish. First has to be the intense breeding coloration. It is a great contrast of the bright yellow with a very dark black. Even when not in breeding coloration, the golden yellow is striking. The blue in the eye is also a great attraction to this entire group of cichlids. Nanolutes are great defenders of its fry, not overly defensive to the point of damaging others, but certainly enough to keep even much larger fish away. To watch this interaction with the fry and other tank inhabitants is fascinating. It is not a large cichlid, so a large tank is not needed, although it sure seems happy in the 40 gallon tank. I think it would do quite well in a 30. The fry, as well as all stages thru adult, seem to do quite well and are not finicky or sensitive, although others have reported that they are more sensitive than the other species in the genus, but of course the convict cichlid (C. nigrofasciatus) is almost indestructible! This fish is growing in popularity so there seems to be a good market for them for quite some time to come. Even if you are not typically into Central American cichlids, give nanolutes a try if you get a chance.
NEC Slide and Videos

All video and slide presentations are available to any NEC club to use as their monthly meeting program. Any other use should be discussed with the NEC slide and video chairman prior to the request. Please make requests as far in advance as possible to allow for scheduling and regular mail delivery. The NEC club requesting the program is responsible for actual shipping charges in both directions.

Failure to return the program will result in a $50 replacement charge. Please return programs within 14 days after the scheduled meeting.

Requests should be made to: David Banks, 315 US RT 2, Grand Isle, VT 05458
Email: dbanks@together.net or 802-372-8716

Last published library listing: January 15, 2015 NEC Newsletter
Breeding Unusual Species - Todd Gardner

Todd Gardner is a professor of marine biology and one of the most accomplished breeders of fish in the world, with many firsts. He will speak to us about breeding unusual species.

LIAS Meetings are held at SUNY Stony Brook's Maritime Science area. Room 120 in Endeavor Hall on the State University at Stony Brook Campus, Stony Brook, NY 11790. Doors open @7:30 PM, meeting starts @8:00 PM

Call for more…

Local Fish Store Information to be entered into a “Local Fish Store Directory”

Information Requested:
• Shop Name, Owner’s Name, Full Address, Phone,
• Website and/or social media (e.g., Facebook page) addresses,
• Store Hours, Approx. number of tanks or gallons, current stock,
• Other information such as specialty items/ordering, hard to find fish, other types of pets for sale, any discounts offered &/or is a club sponsor.

Who can submit: NEC delegate, alternate delegate or NEC member club president
Submit to: Barbara Romeo at bromeo1234@optonline.net
COME JOIN US AND LISTEN TO MICHAEL BARBER TALK ABOUT HIS ADVENTURES IN THE AMAZON!

MICHAEL’S PRESENTATION WILL BE: ‘THE FISH OF THE MADRE DE DIOS DRAINAGE’

Don’t forget, there’s gonna be: AUCTION! FOOD! RAFFLES!

WHEN:
MAY 28TH 2016 @2PM

WHERE:
50 N. East St.
Spring Grove, PA 17362
IN THE GYM (Oh yeah!)
105 Years of Educating Aquarists

FRIDAY, JUNE 10 @ 7:30 PM
THE BROOKLYN AQUARIUM SOCIETY
PRESENTS

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Subway Directions: Either the Q or F trains to West 8th St., NY Aquarium Station.
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Make check payable to Aquarium Club of Lancaster County 150 Centerville Road #318 Lancaster, PA 17602

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**Event Speakers**

**Rusty Wessel**

**Charley Grimes**

**Mark O’Grady**

**Ted Avery**

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**HUGE VENDOR AREA**

**GIANT ALL DAY SUNDAY AUCTION**

**STARTS AT 11:00 AM**

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**Hotel Information:**

Lancaster Host Resort & Conference Center 2300 Lincoln Highway East (US Route 30) Lancaster PA 17602

Special Rate $92/night – specify “Keystone Clash” For Reservations call 1-800-233-0121


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**Keystone Clash Show 2016 Classes**

The Keystone Clash will feature a 48 class All Species Show, including 16 classes for the CCY’s famous show “Clash of the Cockles.” See the event website [www.KeystoneKlash.com](http://www.KeystoneKlash.com) for details on the classes.

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**The Keystone Challenge**

The Aquarium Club of Lancaster County and the Cochise Club of York put this challenge – YOU CAN’T BEAT US! We feel so strongly about this that we are putting our money where our mouths are! The ACLC and CCY will give away all funds received as entry fees for this show – 25% will go to the Individual Show Champion, and 75% will go to the Club Challenge Champion. This could be a great way for your club to earn some recognition and some operating funds.

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Non-placing Show entries – 1 point each

Best of Division – Additional 10 points each

Best Cichlid – Additional 5 points

People’s Choice – Additional 5 points

Best C.A.R.E.S. Species – Additional 5 points

Reserve of Show – Additional 10 points

Best of Show – Additional 20 points

For the Club Challenge Championship, the totals of all club members who have declared their club as their home club will be totaled.

**Special Awards**

- Best of Division Awards
- Best Cichlid
- People’s Choice
- Reserve of Show
- Best of Show
- Show Champion – Individual (most points)
- Show Champion – Club (most points by its members)
LARGEST ALL-SPECIES TROPICAL FISH AUCTION IN NEW JERSEY

NORTH JERSEY AQUARIUM SOCIETY

GIANT FALL

TROPICAL FISH AUCTION

DAYS HOTEL & CONFERENCE CENTER
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SUNDAY ... OCT. 9, 2016

KEEP UP WITH REGISTERED AUCTION ITEMS ON OUR WEBSITE RARE AND TANK BRED FISH & PLANTS!

AUCTION STARTS AT 12 NOON
VIEWING 11:00 AM ... REGISTRATION 9:00 AM

GO TO: www.njas.net for pre-registration & auction rules

NJAS is a New Jersey registered non-profit all-volunteer aquarium hobby society. Established 1953.
Koi Organisation International

We can help!

Learn Online

www.KoiOrganisationInternational.org
Join the Project Piaba team for an experience of a lifetime!

Join the expedition to the Rio Negro River in Brazil and observe all aspects of the home aquarium fishery.

The trip includes:
- 2 weeks on a well appointed live-aboard boat
- Visit biological hotspots
- Visit Fishing communities
- Participate in the Ornamental Fish Festival of Barcelos
- Visit home aquarium fish export facilities
- Visit the world-famous Manaus Opera House

Rio Negro Expedition
January 21 - February 3, 2017

Contact Scott Dowd for more information and to reserve your spot for the next Expedition!
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Project Piaba’s mission is to increase the environmental, animal welfare and social sustainability of the Amazonian aquarium fish trade as well as the Amazon itself and its indigenous people.

- 40,000 people are impacted in the riverine communities in Barcelos (Amazonas state, Brazil) where the home aquarium fishery is the principal subsistence activity.
- The wild-caught fish of the Rio Negro are the first live animals to gain Geographic Indication Certification, like Champagne is to France.
- 46,000 square miles of preserved forest is in the Project Piaba study area.
- Approximately 80% of trade from the artisanal fishery is from a single species, the Cardinal Tetra (Paracheirodon axelrodi)
2016 Club Meetings

Please note that all NEC clubs are listed on the NEC website’s homepage, and have a link to each of the local club’s websites if you need additional information for any of the club meetings.

May, 2016

May 16
Boston Aquarium Society (BAS)
Michael Liu
“Odd Rare West African Cichlids”
More info: http://www.bostonaquariumsociety.org

May 18
Tropical Fish Society of Rhode Island (TFSRI)
Michael Liu
“Rare West African Cichlids”
More info: http://tfsri.net/tfsri-wp/

May 19
North Jersey Aquarium Society (NJAS)
Anthony Mazzeroll
“Cambodian Aquarium Fish”
More info: http://www.njas.net

May 19
Norwalk Aquarium Society (NAS)
Tom Allison
“Zoo Med Lab New Products”
More info: http://www.norwalkas.org/

May 20
Long Island Aquarium Society (LIAS)
Todd Gardner
“Breeding Unusual Species”
More info: http://www.liasonline.org
June

June 1
Greater City Aquarium Society (GCAS)
Rusty Wessel
“Fishes of the Maya!—fishes from Southern Mexico, Guatemala, and Honduras”
More info: http://www.greatercity.org

June 9
Tropical Fish Club of Burlington (TFCB)
Caroline Estes
“What fish go in what size tank”
More info: http://www.tfcb.org

June 10
Brooklyn Aquarium Society (BASNY)
Rit Forcier
“Goodeid Livebearers”
More info: http://www.basny.org

June 12
Pioneer Valley Water Garden & Koi Club (PVWGKC)
John Devecchi
“Building Garden Trains”
More info: http://www.pioneervalleypondclub.com/meetings.html

June 13
Jersey Shore Aquarium Society (JSAS)
Kerry Dilks
“Planted Aquariums”
More info: http://www.jerseyshoreas.org
June 15
Tropical Fish Society of Rhode Island (TFSRI)
Joe Ferdenzi
“History of the Aquarium Hobby”
More info: http://tfsri.net/tfsri-wp/

June 16
Norwalk Aquarium Society (NAS)
Charley Grimes
“Dead Fish Program”
More info: http://www.norwalkas.org/

June 16
North Jersey Aquarium Society (NJAS)
Rachel O’Leary
“Dwarf Hillstream Fish”
More info: http://www.njas.net

June 20
Boston Aquarium Society (BAS)
Joseph Ferdenzi
“History Program”
More info: http://www.bostonaquariumsociety.org

July

July 11
Jersey Shore Aquarium Society (JSAS)
Samantha Tucker
“Breeding Bettas”
More info: http://www.jerseyshoreas.org
NEC MEMBER CLUBS:
Aquarium Club of Lancaster County ACLC
Boston Aquarium Society BAS
Boston Guppy Club BGC
Brooklyn Aquarium Society BASNY
Central New York Aquarium Society CNYAS
Cichlid Club of York CCY
Connecticut Aquatic Plant Enthusiasts CAPE
Connecticut Betta Club CBC
Danbury Area Aquarium Society DAAS
Greater City Aquarium Society GCAS
Greater Hartford Aquarium Society GHAS
Jersey Shore Aquarium Society JSAS
Koi Organisation International K.O.I.
Long Island Aquarium Society LIAS
Long Island Killifish Association LIKA
Nassau County Aquarium Society NCAS
New England Cichlid Association NECA
New Hampshire Aquarium Society NHAS
Northeast Livebearers Association NELA
North Jersey Aquarium Society NJAS
Norwalk Aquarium Society NAS
Otter Valley Aquarium Society OVAS
Pioneer Valley Aquarium Society PVAS
Pioneer Valley Water Garden & Koi PVWG&K
Southern New England Killifish Association SNEKA
Tropical Fish Club of Burlington TFCB
Tropical Fish Society of Rhode Island TFSRI
Upstate NY Killifish Association UNYKA
Worcester Aquarium Society WAS

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NEC Member Clubs
(click on individual logos to go to the respective website or contact info)