Next NEC Meeting

Third Quarter, NEC BOG Meeting: August 10th @ 5 PM
(Crowne Plaza, Cromwell, CT)

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**President’s Message**

Hello Everyone,

Most clubs will be on hiatus for the next couple of months. Please do not forget to check the NEC calendar, there are several clubs holding events and the NEC summer auction is in August.

**Upcoming NEC / Sister club events for 2013:**

**August 7:** GCAS Silent Auction  
**August 11:** NEC Summer Auction

Please make the time to get out and support the NEC and these sister clubs…

**NEC meeting dates for 2013:**

**General:**
- 3Q - Sep 15 (CP)  
- 4Q - Dec 8 (CC)

**BOG:**
- 3Q - Aug 10 (CP)  
- 4Q - Nov 17 (CC)

* (CP) – Crowne Plaza Hotel *(CC) – Conference Call

**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 General Meeting** will be a held at the Crowne Plaza on Sunday September 15, 2013 at 12 noon. Please check in the entrance atrium or front desk for meeting room information. There will be an opportunity to order lunch in if you so chose.

The next **NEC Board Meeting** will be a held at the Crowne Plaza on Saturday August 10, 2013 at 5 PM. Please check in the entrance atrium or front desk for meeting room information. There will be an opportunity to order diner in if you so chose.

**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 Kurt Johnston at kaj41354@comcast.net
4. Speaker list updates to Linda Giza at lindagiza@comcast.net
5. If your club is looking to schedule a conference room at the Crowne Plaza, please contact Leslie Dick at ldick@comcast.net

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
07/13/2013

**NEC Convention Update**
By Leslie Dick

The 2014 NEC Convention will be held from **March 28-30, 2014** at the Crowne Plaza Hotel in Cromwell, CT.

Mark your calendars and plan on attending!

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Our Heartfelt Condolences go out to Rit Forcier and Family for the loss of Rit’s brother Robert.

We are sharing in your sorrow with love, friendship, and support.

Your NEC Family
NEC BOG Meeting Reminder: August 10th at 5 PM

The next NEC BOG Meeting is Saturday, August 10th at 5 PM at Crowne Plaza in Cromwell, CT. This is the evening before the NEC Sunday summer auction.

We will meet in the Sheffield’s Lounge for the meeting and dinner.

The hotel has reserved 3 rooms at $109/night for those BOG members who would like to stay after the BOG meeting on Saturday, August 10th night and the Sunday summer auction.

If they are interested in reserving a room, please contact Leslie at mailto:ConventionChair@northeastcouncil.org

AMAZON FISH WANTED

The Freshwater Gallery of New England Aquarium (NEAQ) has recently suffered a tragic accident that wiped out the Amazon Fishes exhibit. Many of those fishes were collected by Scott Dowd decades ago and cannot be replaced, but we can try!

Any aquarists which might have suitable fish or groups of fishes which they are will to donate please contact Russ McAndrews, BAS President at mcandrewsrr@hotmail.com.
NEC Slide and Video Programs

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
dbanks@together.net or 802-372-8716

To view the list of available programs online visit:

“Tiny New Catfish Species Found in Rio Paraíba Do Sul Basin, Brazil” shared on NEC facebook page!

See more at:
http://www.sciencedaily.com/releases/2013/07/130709115858.htm - .Ud82CSKfcws.facebook

Friend “Northeast Council of Aquarium Societies” on facebook for updates!

Besides new fish discoveries and other aquarium news we find on the web, we are sharing legislative calls to action, and upcoming NEC events.

On July 7, 2013 UNYKA moved to a new website!
Go check it out at http://killienutz.com

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**Legislation Corner**

*Reported By*

Dave Giza

**Proposal Seeks to Improve the Listing Process for Injurious Species, Says U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service**


See United States Herpetoculture Alliance’s thoughts on the proposal at: http://usherp.org/2013/07/02/fws-seeks-categorical-exclusion-to-expedite-injurious-listing/

Public comment period ending on July 31, 2013
From....

New See-Through Nano Tetra Discovered

This image above shows the Cyanogaster noctivaga, the Blue-bellied Night Wanderer Tetra. All images by Dr. Ralf Britz, Natural History Museum, London, UK.

June 12, 2013 — It’s been dubbed the Blue-bellied Night Wanderer, Cyanogaster noctivaga—Cyanogaster meaning blue belly and noctivaga meaning night wanderer. It is 17mm long, and in addition to its bright blue belly, it has large eyes, and unusual-looking snout, mouth and teeth.

The blue-bellied fish was discovered in the Rio Negro, the largest tributary of the Amazon River. This area of the Amazon basin is probably one of the best explored, so finding not only a new species but a new genus too, was quite a surprise.

London Natural History Museum fish ichthyologist Dr. Ralf Britz worked with expedition
leader Monica Toledo-Piza, George Mattox and Manoela Marinho from the University of Sao Paulo (USP), Brazil, on the scientific expedition in 2011, with the fish’s scientific description recently published in 2013 in the journal *Ichthyological Exploration of Freshwaters*.

The team could only find the blue-bellied fish in one place on the Rio Negro, and it could only be found at night. “The fish appeared as a fast swimming blue streak in the net,” says Britz.

For more information and full article:
http://www.reef2rainforest.com/2013/06/12/new-see-through-nano-tetra-discovered/?utm_source=NECNewsletter&utm_medium=text+link&utm_campaign=excerpt

**New Killifish Species from Cameroon**

*New Central African killifish described as Aphyosemion pamaense. Image: © Rudolf Pohlmann, courtesy www.chromaphyosemion.be | Creative Commons*

June 21, 2013 - A new species of killifish from the Pama River, in Central Africa’s Republic of Cameroon has been described by European researchers.

For more information and full article:
2013 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.

July

July 15
Boston Aquarium Society (BAS)
“Buck-A-Bag & Summer Pizza Party”
More info: http://www.bostonaquariumsociety.org/

July 17
Tropical Fish Society of Rhode Island (TFSRI)
TFSRI Members/George Goulart
“Several Informal Fishkeeping Tip Presentations”/
“Showing Fish”
More info: http://www.tfsri.net

July 20
New Hampshire Aquarium Society
Club Picnic at Fort Forster, Kittery Point, ME
More info: http://www.nhaquariumsociety.com

August

August 11
Pioneer Valley Water Garden & Koi Club (PVWG & K)
Jacqueline Clark
“Perennials for Spring, Summer and Fall”
More info: http://www.pioneervalleypondclub.com/meetings.html

August 18
Northeast Livebearer Association (NELA)
Rit Forcier
“Goodeid Livebearers”
More info: http://northeastcouncil.org/nela/
**August 18**
Boston Aquarium Society (BAS)
“Summer Cook Out at Karen Randall’s”

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**September**

**September 9**
Jersey Shore Aquarium Society (JSAS)
Rachel O’Leary
“Microfish & Inverts”

**September 12**
Greater City Aquarium Society (GCAS)
Mark Denaro
“Bettas/Labyrinth Fishes”

**September 13**
Brooklyn Aquarium Society (BASNY)
Joe Graffagnino
“Knowledge of Useless Stuff I Acquired…”

**September 15**
Pioneer Valley Water Garden & Koi Club (PVWG & K)
Jeff Woodward
“Hand Made” / “Hypertufa Garden Art”

**September 16**
Boston Aquarium Society (BAS)
Karen Randall
“Planted Nano Tanks”
2013 Club Events
Metropolitan Area Killifish Association
MAKA

July MAKA Meeting.....the place to be

The July meeting of the Metropolitan Area Killifish Association (MAKA) will be at the Meadowlands Environment Center, Lyndhurst, NJ, on

Wednesday, July 24, 8PM.

Meetings generally begin with door prizes, a discussion of club business, followed by a presentation, and an auction of fish, eggs, plants, and dry goods.

Refreshments will be served. Visitors welcomed. For more information, contact Lennie Mackowiak at Lmackowiak@abic-consulting.com

DIRECTIONS TO THE MEADOWLANDS ENVIRONMENT CENTER:

Via Route 3 from NYC and the NJ Turnpike:
Take Route 3 West to Route 17 South Lyndhurst Exit). Follow the ramp around to the traffic light. (Quality Inn will be on your left) Make a left onto Polito Ave. Continue on Polito for about 1/2 mile. At the STOP sign, make a left onto Valley Brook Ave. Follow this road to the end (approx. 1 1/2 miles). Cross the railroad tracks and keep to the left. The Environment Center is the first building on the left after the tracks.

Via Route 3 from Garden State Parkway:
Take Route 3 East to the 2nd Route 17S Exit (the sign will read Route 17S Lyndhurst-Service Road.). At the end of the exit ramp, there will be a traffic light and the Quality Inn will be directly across the street on your left. Go straight through the intersection onto Polito Ave. Continue on Polito about 1/2 mile to the end. At the STOP sign, make a left onto Valley Brook Ave. Follow this road to the end (approx 1 1/2 miles) Cross the railroad tracks (keep to the left) Meadowlands Environment Center is the first building on the left after the tracks.
Picnic At Martha's

PVAS Annual Members' Picnic to be held at the home of Martha Morris
228 Munn Road
Monson, MA 01057

Date and Time: Saturday, July 27th., 2013
Start-Time: 12 Noon 'til Dark (Around the Fire Pit)

Martha Morris, our PVAS standout member, Treasurer-elect and 'Discus- Breeder-Extraordinaire' has again invited us to her home in Monson for our annual picnic. Come enjoy the day with friends & family as we share great fun, food and fellowship in wonderful surroundings. Hope to see you on the 27th!

Please bring a covered dish or dessert. PVAS will provide hot dogs, hamburgs, chicken and beverages

Remember to bring your own chairs also a few lawn games

A mini-auction will also be held, so, bring your fish, plants, extra equipment, supplies etc. for a 50/50 sales split in cash, so, you can buy more fish stuff!! We need to know how much food & drink to provide, so, please rsvp to let us know how many of you are coming so we can better plan

RSVP to either: Don Hennemann<modelrrbug@aol.com> or 413-529-9169
or Martha Morris<martha_morris@hotmail.com> or 413-267-3276

Directions to Martha's: Take the Mass.Turnpike, (I-90)to Exit 8, PalmerWare. At the end of the off-ramp, turn right onto Route 32 South (Thorndike St.) for 0.7 miles towards Palmer/Monson and turn left onto Park St.. Stay on Rte 32, for 5.9 more miles; traveling over Park St., Stone St. and S.Main St. thru Palmer and Monson until you get to Wales Rd. Turn left on Wales Rd for 0.4 miles & bear left on Munn Road for 2.2 miles until you arrive at Martha's house, No.228. If lost & no"GPS", Martha's phone is 413-267-3276
Aquarium Club of Lancaster County (ACLC)
Jersey in July IV
Shop Hop
Saturday, July 27th 2013

For the fourth consecutive year, we will be joining with our friends in New Jersey for a visit to some of the GREAT Fish Stores in the Northern New Jersey area. Currently we plan on visiting the following stores.

Click on them to visit their websites:

Fish Hut of NJ, Saddle Brook
The Aquarium at Rt. 4, Elmwood Park
Absolutely Fish, Clifton
Adam's Pet Safari, Chester
Pet Shanty, Scotch Plains
Shark Aquarium, Hillside

Remember...Register early so we know who wants to go and who can drive. First come..First served!
Friends of the ACLC are always welcome to tag along.

We will try and visit as many shops as the time allows. We will also stop for lunch and dinner if possible.

Plan on leaving early and returning about 2.5 hours after the last stop!

Use the registration form at http://www.aclcpa.org/club-info/jersey-in-july-iv-shop-hop to join us for a day of Fish, Food & Friends!

If you have any questions, please contact Kurt Johnston at kaj41354@comcast.net
Northeast Council of Aquarium Societies

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SUMMER AUCTION – 2013!

SUNDAY, August 11, 2013

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

Location:  THE CROWNE PLAZA
100 Berlin Road
Cromwell, CT
(860) 635-2000

Registration: Register at the auction, 50/50 split, 10 or more lots 60/40 split, 1 red dot per vendor, add’l red dot/10 *lots, please label your bags (see auction rules)

*Acceptable lots will be determined by the auction committee

Vendors Tables

Food & Refreshments will be available

AUCTION HOURS:

REGISTRATION.................................8:00 AM TO 11:00 AM
VIEWING OF GOODS........................9:30 AM TO 10:45 AM
AUCTION..................................................11:00 AM TO 5 PM
RAFFLE..........................................................50 / 50

NEC INVITES YOU TO ATTEND!!!
DIRECTIONS TO THE CROWNE PLAZA:

WESTBOUND & EASTBOUND

I91: Exit 21 off I-91 South of Hartford. Turn left off exit.

FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION, PLEASE CALL:

Joe Masi……………………..(845) 896-4793  president@northeastcouncil.org

Dave Giza……………………..(413) 301-3465  davegiza@comcast.net

Leslie Dick……………………..(203) 748-7800  ldick@comcast.net

Web:  www.convention.northeastcouncil.org  Email:  president@northeastcouncil.org

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If you would like to advertise your monthly meetings or special events, please forward the information to Barbara Romeo by the tenth of each month. Be sure to include all pertinent information (location, time, contact person or website for additional information) in your announcement.
Quarterly Meeting & Presentation

Rit Forcier

“Goodied Livebearers”

Sunday, August 18, 2013
@ 1:00 PM
at the Crowne Plaza Hotel
100 Berlin Rd, Cromwell, CT

Mini auction after the meeting

For more information, please see our website at
http://northeastcouncil.org/nela/
UNBEATABLE

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FRIDAY SHOP TOUR
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TRANSPORTATION
GAS - TOLLS & LUNCH PROVIDED
FRIDAY WING PARTY
SATURDAY
PIZZA & SUB PARTY
VENDOR ROOM
FREE BIDDER CARD

FACEBOOK or
www.njas.net
NORTHEAST WEEKEND
OCTOBER 18-20, 2013

Upstate New York Killifish Assc. will be hosting the Northeast Weekend (for killifish lovers and Killie-Curious) October 18th-20th at the Best Western Albany Airport in Albany NY. We expect a hundred pairs of killies in our show and at least a couple hundred pairs for auction on Sunday. We do allow other auction fish species and items in restricted numbers.

We will have several speakers including Art Leutermann from Texas as our Banquet speaker. Art is an accomplished collector and is the current Advisor to the Board of Trustees of the American Killifish Association as well as chairman of the Judging Committee for the AKA. In addition to Art, we expect to have a specialist in NY State native fish (not just killies) and also a speaker on Water Conditions and Quality.


Contact Tom Grady at tgrady@twcny.rr.com with any questions.
Malden Emergency Center  
G.P.S. use - 7 Jackson Street, Malden, MA  
One block from Malden MBTA Station  

Directions  
Off 93 take exit 33 - Rt 28 Winchester to  
Route 60E Left on Jackson Street  
Enter first floor garage  
Event parking $2  

Russ cell phone 617-347-4309  
Donna cell phone 781-901-1502  

BOSTON AQUARIUM SOCIETY  

AUCTION  
Sunday, October 27th 2013  

Fresh & Saltwater Fish & Equip  
Refreshments - Raffles - Prizes  
Vendor Tables Limited $30  

Auction: 60/40 Split. Seller Keeps 60%  
Registration begin at 9:30  Auction starts at 12:00  

Free Admission - Open to Public  
Master Card, Visa, Amex - Accepted
Giant Auction
Fish, Plants, New and Used Equipment, Fish Foods, etc

Sunday Nov 3, 2013
12 noon

VFW Hall
176 South Winooski Ave
Burlington

For more information
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NEC MEMBER CLUBS:
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Boston Aquarium Society    BAS
Boston Guppy Club         BGC
Brooklyn Aquarium Society    BASNY
Connecticut Aquatic Plant Enthusiasts  CAPE
Central New York Aquarium Society  CNYAS
Connecticut Betta Club    CBC
Danbury Area Aquarium Society  DAAS
Greater City Aquarium Society   GCAS
Greater Hartford Aquarium Society  GHAS
Jersey Shore Aquarium Society  JSAS
Long Island Aquarium Society  LIAS
Metropolitan Area Killifish Assoc.  MAKA
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 Assoc.  SNEKA
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Workshop ..................... Leslie Dick

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Exhibitor Competition ...... Bill Gill
Historian ...................... Dave Banks
Newsletter ..................... Barbara Romeo
Nominating .................... Open
Photo Contest ................ Rich Pierce
Speakers ...................... Linda Giza
Sunshine ...................... Fran Masi
Webmaster ..................... Kurt Johnston

Please bring an item or two from your clubs for our “mini” auction at our general meetings. The proceeds are used to offset the cost of the meeting, and your items can be auctioned either as a 100% donation or a 50/50 split with your club.
NEC Member Clubs
(click on individual logos to go to the respective website or contact info)