**The Aquatic Club of Pasco County Breeder Award Program**

The Aquatic Club of Pasco County has established the Breeders Award Program (BAP) to encourage members to breed a greater variety of fish as well as to share with others the knowledge they have gained. The program is open to all Paid members in good standings and there is no time limit: you proceed at your own pace. Breeder points are awarded for successful spawning and raising of each species according to difficulty. For more information, feel free to contact BAP Coordinator Scott Hill at scott.p.hill83@gmail.com

**Purpose**

1. To promote the breeding of fish.

2. To recognize achievement in the breeding of these fish.

 3. To encourage research into the spawning of more difficult species.

4. To make accounts of successful spawning techniques available to club members through the

Group Page and/or the general meetings.

5. To increase the availability of rare or hard to obtain species and preserve genetic quality.

**Awards:**

 **Breeder** 50 points

**Intermediate Breeder** 150 points **Advanced Breeder** 300 points **Master Breeder** 500 points

**Expert Breeder** 750 points

**Superior Breeder** 1000 points **Premier Breeder** 1500 points **Grand Master Breeder** 2000 points

Additional awards will be given for each 500 point increments over and above 2000.

“Breeder of the Year” award for the most points within a year from December 1st to December 1st.

9 awards including the breeder of the year awards will be given at the Christmas party every year.

Total points accumulated are carried over year to year.

**Procedure**

1. Breeder points are awarded for proof of successful breeding of any species of fish. Successful breeding is defined as the raising of six fry to the age of 6 weeks beyond the date that they become free swimming.

2. Points may be awarded to each participant only once for each species of fish and once for its albino form. *Hybrids of two species are not eligible for points.*

3. The fish raised must be from a single cohort. For species that lay only a few eggs a day, all eggs collected from one female over a two week period are considered a cohort. Eggs must be laid in the participants own tanks and not obtained from another breeder.

 4. Following spawning, the participant must fill out a Breeders Award Program Report form with all appropriate information (if known).

5. Six fry must be verified by the BAP chairman.

6. Points will not be awarded until the receipt of the BAP report form.

7. To earn points, two benchmarks must be met in addition to the BAP report form.

**-**Donate 6 fry of at least 6 weeks of age at monthly auction

AND Write an article on the spawning for the Pasco Aquatic Facebook page

OR Submit Pictures of parents and fry on the Pasco Aquatic Facebook page.

**Each Facebook post should include the hashtag #BAP to ensure it is noted and recorded.**

**Point Categories:**

**Livebearer**

10 pts: Poecilia, Xiphophorus, Gambusia, Goodeids, ASNLE

20 pts: Half Beaks

30 pts: Anableps

**Killifish:**

10 pts: Aphyosemion, Aplochelius, Aplocheilichthys, Cubanichthys, Cyprinodon, Fundulus, Oryzias, ASNLE

15 pts: Aphanius, Aphyosemion amoldi, A. Filamentosum, Epiplatys, Jordanella, Pachypanchax, Rivulus

20 pts: Blue Gularis, Gold Pheasant, Nothobranchius 25 pts: Cynolebias, Pterolebias, Rachovia, Austrofundulus

**Cyprinids:**

10 pts: Danio, Brachydanio, White Cloud, Barbs: Cherry, Gold, Half-banded, Tiger, Ruby, Rosy, Checkerboard, Ticto, ASNLE

15 pts: Barbus, Goldfish, Koi, Norther American Cyprinids

25 pts: Rasbora maculate, R. trilineata

 30 pts: Rasbora, Tinfoil Barb

50 pts: Labeo, Epalzeorhynchus, Osteocheilus, Bala Shark

**Catfish:**

15 pts: Corydoras aeneus, C. paleatus, C. hastatus

20 pts: Corydoras, ASNLE

30 pts: Otocinclus, Bristlenose, Whiptail, Hoplosternum, Brochis, Banjo, Callichthys

50 pts: Doradid, Pimelodid, Silurid (glass), Bagrid, Mochokid (upside down), Electric, Schilbeid

**Characoids:**

15 pts: Black tetra, Head & Tail Light, Von Rio

20 pts: Congo tetra, Glowlight, Blue, Emperor, Penguin, Characidium, Copeina, Moenkhausia

30 pts: Arnoldichthys, Crenuchus, Silver dollars, Neon, Cardinal, Rummynose, Hatchets, Chilodus, Pencilfish, Exodan

50 pts: Anostomus, Abramites, Leporinus, Pacus, Piranhas, Chalceus, Hemidous, Prochilodus, Distchodus

**Chichlids:**

10 pts: Pseudotropheus, Melanochromis, Labeotropheus, Lake Malawi mouth brooders, Peacocks, Haplochromis, Sarotherodon (mouthbrooding Tilapia), Jewel, Convict, Rainbow, Chanchito, Jack Dempsey, C. bimaculatum, G. brasiliensis

15 pts: Hap. Moori, Cyph. Frontosa, Lamprologus, Neolamprologus,Tropheus, Julidochromis, CAllochromis, Hemichromis thomasi, H. fasciatus, Aequindens, Cichlasoma, Pelvicachromis, Pelmatochromis, Nannochromis, Nannacara, Apistogramma, Pterophyllum, Steatocranns, Neetroplus, Geophagus, Tilapia (substrate spawners), ASNLE

20 pts: Oscars, Orange Cromide, Cichlasoma severunV, C. managuense, C. umbiferum, C. dovii, C. festivum, Chocolate, Crenicichla, Cyprichormis, Crenicara, Ae. Maronii, Geo. Jurupari, Acarichthys, Acaronia

30 pts: Green Chromide, Discus, Uaru, Cichla

**Anabantoids:**

15 pts: Betta, Colisa, Trichogaster, Macropodus, ASNLE

20 pts: Trichopsis, Belontia, Anabas

30 pts: Sphaerichthys, Osphoronemus, Parosphronemns, Helostoma

**Miscellaneous:**

20 pts: Bumblebee Goby, Badis

30 pts: Palitodon, Leaffish, Sticklebacks, Puffers, Gobies, Seahorses, Pipefish, Darters, Sunfish 50 pts: Polypterns, Aruana, Mormyrids, Knife fish, Marine fish, Snakeheads, Glassfish, Archerfish, Scats, Monos, Spiny Eels, Loaches, Homaloptends

(NOTE) If you are breeding a fish you do not see on list please let us know and we will add it.

Thank You--The Aquatic Club of Pasco County