

Northwest Arkansas Aquarium Society

Fish and Friends

There's only one thing better than keeping fish and that's making friends that share your interest. The Northwest Arkansas Aquarium Society (NWAAS) was formed to bring together the aquarist community of Northwest Arkansas and the Ozark region. If you'd like to learn more about fish and meet people who share your interest in the aquarium hobby, you have found the right group!

Fun Activities

We meet in person every single month to talk about fish and aquariums. Most meetings have a qualified speaker offering a fascinating presentation. We serve refreshments—worth the cost of dues alone—and offer door prizes and giveaways. Most meetings have mini auctions of fish, plants, and supplies. Many items are unavailable in stores. You can find some real deals!

But that's not all you will get with society membership. Besides meeting a fun and lively group of fellow fish geeks, you will find a very active club. Several times a year we make group excursions. Past examples include native fish collecting trips, "shop hops" to aquarium stores in Springfield and Kansas City, and a trip to the Oklahoma Aquarium. We also hold auc-



tions, swap meets, and other special events, and attend those hosted by other aquarium societies in the region. Our semi-annual major auctions are special crowd pleasers. Everyone in the community can participate to buy or sell fish, plants, aquariums, and aquarium supplies. Snap up some super bargains! Make money selling your excess fish, plants, and equipment.

Join the Club!

Everyone is welcome to join NWAAS. We have members of all ages and all experience levels—from beginners setting up their first tanks, to expert hobbyists who have been keeping fish for decades. We have members who are, or have been, breeders, aquarium store managers or owners, and we even have a member who writes a monthly column for *Aquarium Fish International* magazine. So come have some fun! Come learn more about fish! And come let us get to know you.

Meeting Time and Location

NWAAS meets the second Saturday of every month, in the Community Room at the Rogers Police Station, at the corner of Dixieland and New Hope roads in Rogers, Arkansas. Come at 6:30 PM to meet and chat with other hobbyists. The program and meeting begin at 7:00 PM.

Check Out Our Website

Besides meeting in person each month, we have a cool website where we can talk about fish every single day! (And where we talk about club business, too.) We also host a live online chat every Monday night at 8:00 PM for real-time fish talk. The NWAAS site even has a gallery for sharing fishy photos, a map of locations of local shops, and more! Check it out at http://nwaas.com.



Annual Dues and Membership Details

There is no charge to attend NWAAS meetings and events, or to use the club website, but we hope that you will join the club to help defray our expenses. Membership is very cheap! We especially use this money to pay travel expenses to bring in our awesome, outside guest speakers with their interesting programs.

Individual Membership (\$10 per year) includes voting rights and one newsletter subscription, when it becomes available.

Family Membership (\$15 per year) includes a person, and/or spouse, and unmarried children (age 18 or under) living in the same household. It includes voting rights for each person who has attained 12 years of age, and one newsletter subscription when available.

Junior Membership (\$5 per year) is for any person under 18 years of age who is not connected with a Family Membership. It includes voting rights for members 12 years or older, and a newsletter subscription when available.

Corresponding Memberships are for individuals (\$5 per year) or families (\$7.50 per year) living more than 45 miles from the metro area extending from Fayetteville to Rogers, Arkansas. A newsletter is included when available. These are non-voting memberships.

Prorates: Annual dues are payable on or before January 1st. Applications for new membership received thereafter shall be pro-rated as follows:

- January through June: full membership fee
- July through September: half membership fee
- October through December: one-quarter membership fee plus one full membership fee for the following year.





Won't *you* join the Northwest Arkansas Aquarium Society? More information at http://nwaas.com or e-mail: info@nwaas.com

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