

Hello fish geeks! This is your **new Club President, Jesse Schumacher** and I am super psyched to take the helm. With interest rapidly growing in Denver, it is a great time to be in the hobby. There are more fish enthusiasts in Denver than we have seen in a long, long time. As a club, we want to capitalize on this growing interest and **invite anyone and everyone to join our fun!** To get a feel for **what is new and exciting** for the Rocky Mountain Cichlid Association, please read on!

1. Our outgoing President **Terry Havelka** has served as Prez for two years. He has done a lot for the club and I want to thank him for his dedication and service to the club. **Thanks Terry.**
2. A big thanks also goes out to **Conway Stevens** of *Aquatic Support Systems* and *Aquatic Support Community* for his time and energy at our January meeting. Conway's showed us amazing pics of his New World predators, talked a bit about his companies, the monster fish he keeps and shared some of his vast knowledge of fish health and disease prevention. We will have Conway back in the future. **Thanks Conway.** (<https://www.facebook.com/AquaticSupportSystems/>)
3. In an effort to attract **new members and grow participation**, we have officially moved our meeting time to the **second Friday of every month at 7pm**. Our next great meeting is **February 12th at Colorado Academy**, where **Sumer Tiwari** will school us on the **"ins & outs" of live foods**. He will show us how to culture & maintain a multitude of live foods and provide a guideline for their different uses. He will also have many cultures available for purchase. Come join the fun and learn something that will definitely help you be more productive and prodigious in your fish rooms.
4. Our **Spring Auction date & new location** has been set: **March 5, 2016, 10am** start time at **Colorado Academy, (3800 South Pierce St., Denver, CO 80123)** All is setup at www.mygroupauction.com so get a jump on it and register the fish you plan to sell. Please email us with any questions. We will also discuss the auction details at our February meeting.
5. Our **2016 Speaker Series Calendar** is a full line-up of **9 very talented and passionate experts in our hobby**. We aim to bring in speakers from around the Country and World to teach us about a variety of current topics in the hobby. We also try to cover all of the genres of cichlids so nobody's interests are left out. To give you a quick **teaser** for the upcoming year, we will have **Ingo Sidell**, one of the World's foremost experts and authors of many types of plecos; **Greg Steeves**, an expert on Victorians, but will present a brand new topic, exploring his favorite river, the Comal River; **Anthony Tu** from **Fontosa Factory** has a new and exciting presentation on Keeping Frontosa; & **Eric Bodrock**, an expert on Cories and Plecos, but also a World traveler, will take us on a virtual tour of high-tech fish room around the World. These stellar presenters are merely 4 parts of a spectacular line-up of topics. **Be on the lookout for our Speaker Series Calendar soon.**

We have many more things in store for you this year, including 5 Growth Contests, awesome door prizes, bowl show auction dollars, mini-auction fish not yet seen in Denver, a spawning contest, our new website and much, much more! I look forward to leading this club into new dimensions of fishkeeping. We want you and anyone you know to **be a part of our club**. We hope to see you all at **7pm on February 12th at Colorado Academy!** Don't miss the excitement!

RMCA Club Meeting – February 12, 2016 – 7pm at Colorado Academy

Meeting Agenda:

- Updates from the President
 - Website Introduction
 - Spring Auction Info
 - Bowl Show & Growth Contest Judging/Results
 - Potluck Dinner
 - Door Prizes
 - **Sumer Tiwari's Presentation on Live Foods!**
 - New Growth Contest Distribution – Lake Tanganyika
 - Mini Auction
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Sumer Tiwari

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Presenting

Mini Fish Auction
New Growth Contest
Pot Luck
Fish Nerds!
Special Bowl Show!

At this meeting
1st Place winners will
get their fish's photo
taken by Sumer himself
using one of his specimen
photo tanks!

Live Foods & Photography

7pm at the RMCA meeting, Friday, February 12th!
Colorado Academy, 3800 South Pierce St. Denver, CO 80235
More info on Membership, Meetings, Bowl Shows, and Auctions please visit...
www.rmcichlid.org



BOWL SHOW CATEGORIES for FEBRUARY 2016

LAKE MALAWI – GROUP 2—MBUNA—Abactochromis, Cynotilapia, Gephyrochromis, Iodotropheus, Labeotropheus, Labidochromis, Melanochromis, Metriaclicma, Petrotilapia, Pseudotropheus, Tropheops.

LAKE TANGANYIKA – GROUP 2—JULIDOCHROMIS, LAMPROLOGINES, SHELL-DWELLERS—Altolamprologus, Chalinochromis, Julidochromis, Lamprologus, Lepidolamprologus, Neolamprologus, Telmatochromis, Variabilichromis.

OTHER AFRICAN/ASIAN CICHLIDS – GROUP 2—OTHER AFRICAN CICHLIDS—Alcolapia, Anomalochromis, Astatotilapia, (*A. desfontainii*), Benitochromis, Chetia, Chilochromis, Chromidotilapia, Congochromis, Cyclopharynx, Danakilia, Divandu, Enigmatochromis, Etia, Gaurochromis, Gobiocichla, Haplochromis (*H. burtoni*), Hemichromis, Heterochromis, Konia, Limbochromis, Macropleuroodus, Myaka, Nanochromis, Oreochromis (*O. mossambicus*), Orthochromis, Parananochromis, Pelmatochromis, Pelvicachromis, Pharygochromis, Pseudocrenilabrus (*P. nicholsi*), Pterochromis, Pungu, Saratherodon, Sargochromis, Schwetzochromis, Steatocranus, Stomatepia, Teleogramma, Thoracochromis, Tilapia, Thysochromis.

NEW WORLD CICHLIDS – GROUP 2—SOUTH AMERICAN CICHLIDS—Acarichthys, Acaronia, Aequidens, Amphilophus (*A. festae*), Andinoacara, Astronotus, Australoheros, Biotodoma, Bujurquina, Chaetobranchopsis, Chaetobranchus, Caquetaia, Cichla, Cichlasoma (*C. dimerus*), Crenicara, Crenicichla, Dicrossus, Geophagus, Guianacara, Gymnogeophagus, Heroina, Heros, Hoplarchus, Hypselecara, Krobia, Mazarunia, Mesonauta, Pterophyllum, Retroculus, Satanoperca, Symphysodon, Teleocichla, Uaru.

OPEN CATEGORY – RAINBOWFISH

We at the Rocky Mountain Cichlid Association want you to get involved. We can't wait to see you at our upcoming meeting. Come one, come all!!!