



## Breeders Award Programme

# Sheaf Valley Aquarist Society Breeders Award Programme (BAP)

## Programme Guidelines.

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### INTRODUCTION

The Breeders Award Program (BAP) is established to recognize the accomplishments of SVAS members, to promote members involvement in breeding fishes, to gather and share information on breeding, and to provide a wide range of locally bred fish to the membership of SVAS.

A certificate is awarded at the following point levels:

- Breeder (100 points)
- Advanced Breeder (200 points)
- Superior Breeder (350 points)
- Expert Breeder (600 points)
- Master Breeder (900 points)
- Grand Master Breeder (1200 points)

Members can earn an additional bonus points for contributions to the club as detailed on page 8.



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### BAP PROGRAM GUIDELINES

1. Points are awarded only once for any species per member. In other words, many different members can submit the same species; however, one single member or a joint membership cannot submit one species more than once. For example, the one time presentation of guppies would be awarded 5 points.
2. It is recommended that one species of fish not be housed with similar species so that hybridization can be prevented.
3. Eggs must be spawned by fish in breeder's own tanks; eggs may not be obtained elsewhere and then hatched.
4. Any fish not included in the BAP Point Qualification list will be assigned points by the BAP Coordinator upon request. The point value for spawning any fish can be re-evaluated at any participant's request by the SVAS Committee.
5. Following a successful spawning, it is the breeder's own responsibility to see that his/her points have been properly recorded.
6. In the event of any confusion in the identification of a fish in a complex of similar fishes, reference to a published photograph must be made of the complex in order to get credit for that species. In the event no published photograph exists, a colour photograph shall be taken and filed with the BAP Record Data Form. In the event of a disagreement as to the identity of the fish spawned, the decision of the SVAS Committee shall be final regarding the awarding of points.
7. The similarity between related species when juvenile fish are involved may require further growth beyond 60 days before verification.
8. Suggestions, Questions, and Concerns can be directed to the BAP E-Mail address: [bap@svas.co.uk](mailto:bap@svas.co.uk) or the SVAS Chairperson
9. A member may petition the BAP Coordinator in order to submit proof of a lower number of fry when it is known that a particular species produces small broods.

We want this to be the best program for all involved. Please let us know your thoughts.



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### BAP POINT QUALIFICATIONS

The following information, while not comprehensive, should serve as a guideline regarding species and the points awarded for that species in the BAP Program.

#### Livebearers Class 1

10 points	Poecilia, Gambusia, all others
15 points	Goodeids, Xiphophorus
20 points	Halfbeaks
30 points	Anableps, Belanesox

#### Killifish Class 2

10 points	Aplocheilus, Aplochecheilichthys, Cubaaichthys, Cyprinodon, Fundulus, Oryzias, "Chroma-Aphosemion" (= A. bivittatum complex), Rivulus, all others
15 points	Aphanius, * Aphyosemion, * Epiplatys, "Fundulopanchax" (= Aphyosemion sjoestedti, gardneri, filamentosum, other peat-spawning Aphysemions requiring drying out), Jordanella, Pachypanchax, Cynolebias
20 points	Pterolebias, Nothobranchius, Epiplatys lamottei, E. annulatus, "Para-Aphyosemion" (= A. lucense, geryl, othre tiny cold water Aphyosemions)
25 points	Austrofundulus, Rachovia, "Roloffia" (=Aphyosemion occidentalis, schmidti juarzon, others with very long drying periods)

#### Cyprinids Class 3

10 points	Danios, White Cloud, Barb, (Cherry, Gold, Tiger, Rosy, Ruby, Half-banded, Checkerboard, Ticto), all other cyprinids
15 points	* Barbs, Goldfish, Koi, North American minnows
25 points	Scissortail, Brilliant rasbora, R. maculata
30 points	* Rasbora, Tinfoil barb

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### Catfish Class 4

- 15 points      Corydoras aenus, paleatus, hastatus, pygmaeus including Albino
- 20 points      \* Corydoras, all other catfish
- 30 points      Otocinclus, Bristlenose, Brochis, Farlowella, Banjo, Plecostomus, Whiptail, Hoplosternum, Callichthys
- 50 points      Doradids (talking Rafael), Pimelodids, Schilbeids, Irrescent shark, Bagrids, Mochokids (upside-down), Electric, madtoms

### Characidae (Tetras) Class 5

- 15 points      Black, Head & Tail light, Von rio
- 20 points      Congo, Glowlight, Emperor, Penguin, Moenkhausia, Copeina, all others
- 30 points      Arnoldichthys, Crenuchus, Silver Dollars, Rummynose, Neon, Cardinal, Hatchets, Chilodus, Pencilfish, Exodon, Copelia
- 50 points      Anostomus, Abramites, Leporinus, Pacus, Piranhas, Chalceus, Hemiodus, Prochilodus, Distichodus

### Cichlids Class 6

- 15 points      Malawi mouthbrooders, (Melanochromis, Labeotropheus, Psuedotropheus, Peacocks), \* Haplochromis, mouthbrooding Tilapias, Jewel, Convict, Kribensis, Jack Dempsey, Rainbow, Chanchito, Black Acara, Geophagus brasiliensis
- 20 points      Hap. moori, \* Lampolongus, Julidochromis, Nannacara, Neetroplus, Callochromis, substrate brooding Tilapas, Hemichromis thomasi, fasciatus, \* Aequidens, Hero (\* Cichlasoma), Pelvicachromis
- 25 points      Oscar, Heros severum, managuense, umbriferum, dovii, festivum, Chocolate, Orange chromide, Geophagus jurapari, daemon, surinamensis, Acarichthys, Acaronia, Apistogramma, Lamprologus, sexfasciatus, tretocephalus, compressiceps, cylindricus
- 30 points      Green chromide, Discus, Uaru, Cichla, Petenia

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### Gobies Class 7

- 20 points      Bumblebee, Tateurndina  
30 points      All others

### Anabantioids Class 8

- 15 points      Betta, Colisa, Trichogaster, Macropodus, all others  
20 points      Trichopsis, Belontia, Anabas, Malpulutta  
30 points      Sphaerichthys, Osphronemus, Parosphronemus, Helostoma

### Other Family Groups Class 9

- 15 points      Rainbowfish  
30 points      Pantodon, Darters, Sunfishes, Leaffishes, Puffers, Sticklebacks,  
Seahorses, Pipefishes  
45 points      Loaches  
50 points      Polypterus, Arunanas, Mormyrids, Knifefish, Glassfish, Archerfish, Monos,  
homaloptera

## POINT RECORDING

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Each time an individual breeds a different species, points as detailed above will be awarded to the breeder upon the completion of the points 1 & 2.

To earn 10 bonus points the breeder can complete any from section 3.

1. **PROOF:** The breeder may submit a photograph or request that a fellow SVAS member verify the breeders' spawn via an on-site visit. In all instances, the SVAS Committee reserves the right to require on-site verification.
2. **REPORT:** A completed breeding report must be submitted at the time of contribution. It is the breeder's responsibility to complete the form and to correctly identify the species.
3. **CONTRIBUTION:** The breeder must choose and complete one of the following options (These options are in addition to completing a Breeding Report):
  - a. Donate six young to the SVAS auction with monies raised donated to club funds. The young must be of sufficient size, health, and development to provide them a reasonable chance of survival during handling and transfer as well as a courtesy to the future buyer.
  - b. Write an article about the event which will be submitted for publication. The article should cover and expand on items covered briefly in the Breeding Report, as well as interesting and useful information gained by the breeder's experience.
  - c. Give a short verbal presentation on the spawning at an SVAS Meeting that contains the elements listed above for a written article.



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### CLASS BONUS AWARDS

50 Bonus Points will be awarded upon the completion of the appropriate Class with the required number and type of events necessary to complete the Class as shown.

- Class 1: Livebearers – 6 species
- Class 2: Killifish – 3 Mop Spawners & 3 Soil Spawners
- Class 3: Cyprinids – 2 Danio Species, 3 Barb Species & 1 Goldfish
- Class 4: Catfish – 4 Corydoras species & 2 Other Catfish
- Class 5: Tetras – 6 species
- Class 6: Cichlids - 6 species (3 mouthbrooding and 3 substrate)
- Class 7: Gobies- 3 species
- Class 8: Anabantiods – 6 species with at least 1 being a Betta species
- Class 9: Other Family Groups – 4 species

Details of completed classes are recorded on the Members Points / Class Record Sheet



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### **BAP RECORDS.**

In order to correctly review and record points the BAP uses the following forms:-

- 1 Breeding Report Sheet
- 2 Members Points / Class Record Sheet
- 3 BAP Results Table

#### **Breeding Report Sheet.**

This forms the basis of the BAP, members submitting the form can do so either electronically or a hand written copy may be sent to the BAP Coordinator. Members are responsible for entering the correct class and point's value on the BAP Data record sheet.

Completed forms will be posted in the BAP section of the website and may also be reproduced in the SVAS newsletter.

#### **Members Points / Class Record Sheet**

This enables the member and the coordinator to ensure all points are recorded. This form is updated by the BAP coordinator and will be displayed as a PDF file for download in the BAP section on the SVAS website. A second function of this form is to record the various classes completed.

#### **BAP Results Table**

Each month an updated results table shall be posted in the BAP section on the SVAS website in addition details will be posted in each issue of the SVAS newsletter.

Member suggestions and participation are always welcome.