

# THE HARLEQUIN



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The official newsletter that highlights the Best of ORCA



Please feel free to send any questions or comments regarding the newsletter to: [rdnyva@netzero.com](mailto:rdnyva@netzero.com)



**Reminder!**  
FRAG Event:  
If you are planning on bringing items to include in the ORCA frag auction, be sure to have them in store quality bags so there will be less mess and harmed animals due to leaking bags.

## Recent Events

### October Meeting:

The October meeting was held at Al and Karen Schrieber's home in Maitland. Al's 210 gallon tank is spectacular and his plumbing, filtration and chilling systems are something to behold. Our gracious hostess Karen overwhelmed us with her treats and no one went home hungry. There were over 75 frags auctioned off and we were also treated to a very interesting presentation on lighting by Rick Loewen.



*Al showing off his gorgeous tank.*



*Rick & Al doing a light meter test*

Additional pictures of Al's tank can be viewed on the ORCA Website under meeting photos.

## Elections

Elections were held at the October meeting. Congratulations to the newly elected 2008 Board of Directors. We look forward to another wonderful year.

### Club Officers:

**President** - Matt Kantz  
**Vice President** - Ray Wortley  
**Treasurer** - Pam McDougall  
**Secretary** - Donovan Simms  
**Public Relations** - Terry Alexander

### Club Directors:

**Membership Director** - Chad Williams  
**Tech Support** - Melissa Kantz  
**Web Admin** - Jim Troeger, Paul Ogne  
**Frag Director** - Jason Le  
**Photographer** - Bonnie Alexander  
**Newsletter Editor** - Ron DeNoia  
**Mentoring Director** - Jason Haefner  
**Raffle Director** - John McDougall

## Field Trips

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To Join ORCA, fill  
out an application  
on the website and  
bring it to the next  
meeting with the  
\$20 membership  
fee.

### October

On October 20<sup>th</sup> over 50 ORCANs boarded a bus and headed over to the Tampa Aquarium where we were given a backstage tour. We had a leisurely lunch at Channelside, then boarded the bus for a drive over to the Clearwater Aquarium where we received another backstage tour. The star of this tour was Winter, the Dolphin who lost her tail when tangled in some fishing line. The aquarium is rehabilitating her and plans to fit her with a prosthetic tail in the near future. Check out Winter's story on the web at [www.cmaqarium.org](http://www.cmaqarium.org). A short walk from the aquarium is where we boarded the Calypso Queen for a really nice dinner cruise. Needless to say we all had a great time.



One of the three groups posing outside the Tampa Aquarium just after their backstage tour.



Winter posing for the camera at the Clearwater Marine Aquarium

### November

On November 10th ORCA was invited to the home of Brian Greene, a member of The Tampa Reef Club for a BBQ and a "meet and greet" with the Tampa folks. Word is that his garage based 3000 gallon coral farm is awesome.

### Reef Riders

As an offshoot of ORCA, some members have formed a motorcycle club called "Reef Riders". On November 17th Matt and Melissa Kantz, and Nick and Jean Perakes and John Wojcik, biked up to Ocala for a BBQ at the home of Angie and Ron DeNoia. Ray Wortley and his brother Jay motored up by conventional means and we all were able to spend some time with Cheri Phillips, who is the President of MASNA and a new Florida resident.



The Reef Riders enjoy lunch before riding off into the sunset.



Ron and Angie's beautiful tank

# Upcoming

## FRAG EVENTS

The monthly ORCA Frag event has been moved to quarterly on a trial basis.

Frag Events will now be held on the following months in 2008.

January  
April  
July  
October

Information on the Event and how to register your frags can be found on the ORCA Forums under ORCA Frag Event.

Any questions can be directed to the Frag Director at:  
[Fragdirector@o-r-c-a.com](mailto:Fragdirector@o-r-c-a.com)



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## Recent New Members:

### August

World Wide Corals – Corporate Membership  
Jonathan Williams  
Chad Williams  
Mike & Kelly Martin

### September

Joshua Solomon  
Mitch Carter  
Mike Brown  
Andrew Young

### November

Jessica McComb

## Welcome to ORCA!

**THE HARLEQUIN** is back, and needs YOUR help.

If you have an interesting story, something newsworthy, a suggestion for the newsletter or simply wish to share something with other club members please email to [rdnyva@netzero.com](mailto:rdnyva@netzero.com)

### Next ORCA Meeting

January 26, 2008. Jessie & Julian MacGowan's Home  
*1616 Yvonne Street  
Apopka, FL 32712*

Doors Open at 6:00 PM, Meeting starts at 7:30 PM

The **Quarterly Frag Event** will be held at this meeting.



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