EDITORIAL

The response from our first printed issue of Marine Aquarist® in 20 years has been phenomenal. The previous printed issue is now being enjoyed by marine aquarium keepers in the USA, Canada, Mexico, Puerto Rico, Guatemala, Hong Kong, Taiwan, Japan, Singapore, UK, Belgium, Lichtenstein, Italy, Spain, Brazil, Ecuador and in the Middle East. This does not include the thousands of online readers.

After one simple Facebook request, dozens of top end marine aquarium keepers from around the world have sent in great photos and pertinent information describing their home aquariums. These photographs and information will continue to be shared with all interested marine aquarium keepers.

This issue has more pages with additional information and photographs than our previous printed issues. Look for even more pages and information in the future. Marine Aquarist® is your salt water aquarium reference guide for all levels of marine fish and reef aquarium keeping.

As reported in our previous issue, Aqua Craft Products® experienced what is believed to be improprieties regarding a donation request for goods by James Lawrence of Coral® magazine. These goods were supposed to be used for the Banggai Rescue Project. However the majority of the donation was found used without authorization by Matthew Pedersen for breeding and selling of Lightning Maroon clownfish.

After numerous posts on Reef Aquarium Guide® and Facebook, no one directly associated with the incident, which can be considered an ill conceived and poorly executed Banggai project, has made one direct reply or comment.

It is painfully obvious that James Lawrence of Coral® magazine has broken the sacred oath: the misrepresentation to loyal customers and friends, who have supported and backed Coral® magazine before he arrived on the scene. As for Pedersen, he used his connections to garner over two years worth of free marine salt for his basement business. ◆

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