**Scott Tetzlaff’s Ultimate Breeder Challenge**

Scott Tetzlaff’s Ultimate Breeder Challenge is an extension of the Breeders/Award Program. It will be a breeding program with 9 (nine) Categories, each of which will include a designated number of species from multiple subcategories. Also included in each main category will be a certain number of required “Target Fish” which must to be spawned to qualify for each of the nine categories.

The purpose of the Target Fish is to ensure a broad and well-rounded breeding experience within each group. Target Fish are selected on the basis of one or more of the following : (1) limited availability, (2) specific environmental and physiological requirements, (3) pairing and spawning difficulties, and (4) hatching and rearing difficulties.

For at least 50% of the required number of target fish within each group, the breeder must submit an article, of at least 500 words, about spawning that species, or give a presentation on the subject (of at least 15 minutes duration) at a club meeting.  
Although a species might fit into multiple categories, it may appear only once in the STUBC.

The format is as follows:

**Group #1 – Old World Cichlids**  
50 different species required in the following categories  
Lake Malawi…………………………………………….10 species  
Lake Tanganyika……………………………………….10 species  
Dwarf…………………………………………………….5 species (< 5”/12cm total length)  
Lake Victorian………………………………………..5 species  
West African…………………………………………..5 species  
Riverine………………………………………………….5 species  
Asian………………………………………………………1 species  
Madagascar………………………………………………1 species

Included in the 50 required species are 5 required Target Fish from any of the following;  
Any Cyphotilapia ………………………………………..up to 1 species  
Any Teleogramma ………………………………………up to 1 species  
Any Cyprichromis………………………………………..up to 2 species  
Any Eretmodus, Spathodus, or Tanganicodus …………up to 2 species  
Any Steatocranus (except casuarius)………………..…up to 2 species  
Any Tropheus……………………………………………..up to 2 species  
Any Tanganyikan sand sifter…………………………..up to1 species

**Group #2 – New World Cichlids**  
50 different species required in the following categories:  
Central & North American……………….………….20 Species  
South American…………………………..………….10 species  
Dwarf (including at least 2 Apistogramma species)…10 species

Included in the 50 required species are 5 required Target Fish from any of the following:  
Dicrossus ………………………………………1 species  
Mikrogeophagus ……………………………..1 species  
Astronotus………………………………………1 species  
Uaru ………………………………………………up to 2 species  
Chocolate Cichlid……………………………..1 species  
Discus…………………………………………….1 species  
Any Apitograma ………………………………up to 2 species  
Any Pike Cichlid………………………………up to 2 species

**Group #3 – Killifish**  
50 different species require in the following categories  
New World plant Spawner……………….7 species  
New World Soil Spawner………………..10 species  
Old World Plant Spawner………………..15 species  
Old World Soil Spawner…………………4 species  
Native………………………………………6 U.S. species

Included in the 42 required species are 4 required Target Fish from any of the following:  
Lamprichthys tanganicanus  
Nothobranchus rachovii or Terranatos dolichopterus  
Any Procatopus………………………….1 species  
Any “Diapteron”…………………………up to 2 species  
Any Epilatys (except dageti)…………….up to 2 species  
Any Pupfish…………………………….up to 2 species

**Group #4 – Anabantoids**  
20 Different species required in the following categories:  
Asian (including at least: 2 species of Bubble-Nesting Betta,  
1 species of Mouthbrooding Betta & 4 species of Gourami)…9 species  
African…………………………………………………………………1 species

Included in the 20 required species are 2 required Target Fish from any of the following:  
Betta immaculate  
Ctenopoma…………………………………………..1 species  
Chocolate Gourami……………………………….1 species  
Licorice Gourami………………………………….1 species

**Group #5 – Catfish**  
40 different species required in the following categories  
New World …………………………………………20 species  
Old World …………………………………………..4 species  
USA indigenous…………………………………..2 species

Include in the 40 required species are 4 required Target Fish from any of the following:  
Any Synodontis …………………………………..1 species  
Any Bubble Nest Builder…………………………1 species  
Bumblebee Cat……………………………………. 1 species  
Rafael Cat……………………………………………1 species  
Any Whiptail Cat………………………………….1 species  
Any Wood Cat……………………………………..1 species  
Zebra pleco

**Group #6 – Livebearers**  
50 different species required in the following categories  
New World…………………………………………31 species  
Old World…………………………………………..2 species

Included in the 50 required species are 5 required Target Fish from any of the following:  
Any Jenynsia …………………………………..1 species  
Anableps………………………………………….1 species  
Any Goodeid…………………………………….1 species  
Any Halfbeak……………………………………Up to 2 species  
Belonesox belonesox  
Any Brachyraphis………………………………1 species  
Any Micropocilia ………………………………1 Species  
Neoheterandria elegans

**Group #7 – Characins**  
40 different species required in the following categories  
New World………………………………………20 species  
Old World………………………………………..5 species

Included in the 40 required species are 4 required Target Fish from any of the following:  
Cardinal Tetra (Paracheirodon aneroid)  
Any Congo Tetra ……………………………………..up to 2 species  
Any Emperor Tetra ………………………………….1 species  
Neon Tetra (Paracheirodon innesi)  
Any Splash Tetra………………………………………up to 2 species  
African Long Finned Tetra…………………………..1 species  
Any Hatchet Fish………………………………………1 species  
Any Headstander………………………………………1 species  
Any Piranah……………………………………………..up to 2 species

**Group #8 – Cypriniformes**  
30 different species required in the following categories  
New World……………………………………………7 species  
Old World…………………………………………….11 species

Included in the 30 required species are 4 required Target Fish from any of the following:  
Any Barb……………………………………………..up to 2 species  
Any Bitterling …………………………………….1 species  
Any Dace…………………………………………….1 species  
Any Loach…………………………………………..1 species  
Any Rasbora………………………………………..up to 2 species  
Any Shark……………………………………………1 species

**Group #9 – Odd Ball**  
20 different species required in the following categories  
New World…………………………………………..7 species  
Old World (including Australia)…………………8 species  
Gobies…………………………………………………2 species

Included in the 20 required species are 2 required Target Fish from any of the following:  
Iriatherina werneri  
Archerfish……………………………………………1 species (Toxotes spp.)  
Any Badis……………………………………………1 species  
Any Darter…………………………………………..1 species  
Any Marine Fish…………………………………..1 species  
Any Monodactylus or Scatophagus ……………1 species  
Any Mudskipper…………………………………..1 species  
Any Stickleback . …………………………………1 species