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By the Pond



David Boyd, President AKC

It is November and our year is coming to an end. Much has happened this year to make our club proud. Our club united to make things happen in a very positive manner.

Our club held its election in October and we have two new officers as Vice-president and Treasurer. I want to apologize for a mistake in my last month newsletter. I stated Harvey Siskin was running for Vice-president, the real person running was Gary Lee.

A couple years ago, I wrote that our club needed to grow. A few members said that our club had enough members and didn't need more. I explained that I was not wanting more members, but for our club to come together as a group. I am very happy to report that we managed to do this and make the Atlanta Koi Club a name that is known in a positive way in the Koi world.

The Atlanta Koi Club wants to thank Harvey Siskin for hosting our October meeting. It was at his home that the AKC held our elections for the out-going Vice-president David Marier and Treasurer Ron Scott. I am pleased to announce that our new Vice-president is Michael Anderson and our Treasurer is Steve Castel. Many thanks to David Marier and Ron Scott for the work they have done.

I am happy to report that we have started working on our show for next year. Many of the details need to be finalized, but the basic outline has been begun.

I have been asked to remind everyone that if they are interested in joining the KHA program that we have a scholarship that will help with the costs after they have graduated from the program.

Also I want to remind everyone that they will need to check their water after each water change, as the reservoirs get lower the different counties will be adding more chemicals to purify the water for drinking. This may cause problems if you are not watching the chemical levels.

I look forward to seeing everyone at the November Social.



**Don't forget to "Fall Back"
On Sunday,
4 November 2007 !**

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MAKC Doin's

Eight AKC members made the trek to rural Pennsylvania to the bi-annual MAKC "Koi America."

Gaye Jones and Vicki Knill showed goldfish.

The Atwells ran the AKCA Booth.

Vicki Vaughan held wet-labs.

Shorty Hord did the banquet table decorations.

The Andersons loafed and tried to get some vendors for our show.



Brenda Atwell is presenting our Friendship Award to John Prystowski for a Tancho size 3.

Photo by Carolyn Weise

AKC CALENDAR 2008 ²

November 11, 2007: *Winter Social*, Hosts — Michael and Kathy Adkins in Cumming (see more info on p.3 and p.12)

To host a 2008 meeting contact
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Congratulations!



AKC's Officers for 2008 (front-back) Peggy Fricke, Secretary; Michael Anderson Vice President; Herve Rijnveld Equipment Manager; David Boyd, President; Steve Castel, Treasurer.

ON THE ROAD TO..... KOI AMERICA

Vicki Knill

The word "annual" means something that happens during a one year period. Fish spawn annually each spring, blueberries ripen annually every summer, and the AKC koi show is staged annually every fall. However, Koi America doesn't happen annually, but rather every 2 years. This is the really big koi and goldfish show that should not be missed.

Not wanting to miss this year's great show Gaye Jones and I decided, "Road Trip"! As a Candidate Goldfish Judge this would provide me with the opportunity to shadow Tony Reynolds of Texas while he judged goldfish. Early Friday morning with Gaye's husband's Hummer loaded up we took our little dogs and left Atlanta for Westminster MD. Arriving in the early evening we had lots of time for Gaye to enter the goldfish she had brought. There were so many old friends to stop and chat with we were only able to take a quick look at a few of the 45 vendor's booths lining the walls of the cavernous Carroll County Agricultural Center.

Saturday Bay Bateman and I discussed the merits of the goldfish entry with Judge Tony Reynolds while he expertly followed through the judging assignment. Later, Bill Story and I sat down and went through his amazing photos, picking out pictures of the winning fish and sorting them for the banquet presentation. Walking around the show there were so many people to talk to and so little time. We briefly chatted with Michael and Toni Anderson who worked their vacation around the show. The vendor selection was truly amazing pond supplies, fish food, koi kichi clothing, art objects, home décor items, jewelry, gardening and landscape items, both indoor and outdoor plants, magazine or DVD subscriptions, books, and then there were the fish!

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November Social Sunday, November 11, 2007 at 2 pm

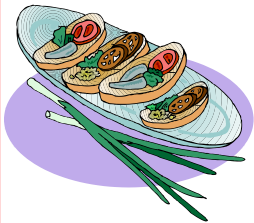
An afternoon of Tapas, Sharing and Friendship

Tapas, is an old Spanish tradition of small servings of food between major meals to refresh themselves for the remaining day. A time when people join together to not only nourish the bodies but also their souls.

After all the wonderful socials we have been to we thought it would be fun to do something we enjoy with our family, a custom of taking a "tentempié" (snack), or appetizer in the middle of the day. Sharing our favorite finger foods in a time old tradition we continue to enjoy every chance we can. To us it is a space in time where we stop our busy lives to share and enjoy each other, and feast on each others new food finds.

Tapas varies according to personal taste, and the foods you grew up around. The choices are as diverse as the favorites of each cook that brings the food to share.

If you will be joining us this month we invite you to share your personal favorite appetizer recipe(s) with other members of the club. Along with a food you chose to bring, we encourage you to bring the recipe and the history of the dish so you can pass along the enjoyment beyond the meeting.



Michael, the B.U.P.F. and I look forward to welcoming you all into our home.

Kathy

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We started the planning for the Koi Show in 2008!



Thanks, Harvey, for a beautiful venue !

