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By the Pond

David Boyd, President AKC

Since this is my first newsletter, I will keep it short and sweet.

I am excited at being elected President and will do my best to fulfill the responsibilities of the office. I look forward to working with the rest of the Executive Officers to help to make our club grow.

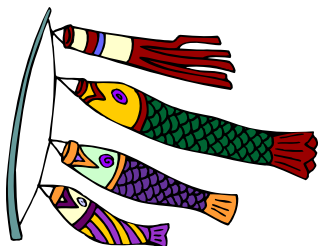
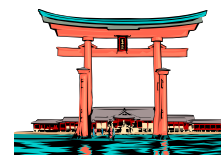
I want to welcome everyone to the New Year. I hope everyone had a good holiday and will have a safe and good time in the upcoming year.

I am thrilled to announce that Toni Anderson will remain as Newsletter Editor. Her experience in this tremendous task is invaluable.

Thanks Ed and Shi Shi Sheren for hosting the November Social. The food was excellent and everyone enjoyed themselves.

Many of the Appointed Officers will remain the same:

- ZNA Representative - Michael Anderson
- Robin Scott as Flower Show Chairperson
- David Marier as Webmaster
- Janet Lu as Librarian
- Vickie Knill as Pond Tour Chairperson
- Jerry "Shorty" Hord as Koi Show Chairperson
- Katy Hord as Advertising Chairperson
- Ray Brock as Volunteer Committee Chairperson
- Doug Tatz as Koi Auction Chairperson



After the November elections, I was asked by two members to find replacements for them in their appointments. With regret Brenda Atwell will no longer serve as Membership Chairperson, her duties will be assumed by Susan Brown. David Marier has decided not to remain as AKCA Representative. His position will be filled by Michael Anderson. Please join me in welcoming these two individuals and thanking the previous Chairpersons for their dedication.

All contact information has been updated and is available at the AKC website, WWW.Atlantakoiclub.com. I encourage you to visit the site for information about the club and its sponsors.

I am looking forward to working with everyone and seeing you at the Wakoola Gardens on January 9, 2005.

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AKCA Report Michael Anderson, Director

Subscribe to KoiUSA — \$20 a year for members.

**Big plans for the next AKCA Seminar in Tulsa, OK.
Plan to attend.**

The 2005 AKCA Seminar will be held in Tulsa, Oklahoma on June 23-26 at the Crowne Plaza Hotel-Tulsa.

Seminar special room rate is \$80/night. Registration at 1-800-227-6963.

Registration forms will appear in the Jan/Feb issue of KOI USA. Registration by mail with Visa or Master card or with check made out to "AKCA" will go to the AKCA PO box where Doug Dahl-CFO will register you and send a confirmation of registration via email preferably.

Registration with Visa or Master card on line is running at www.akca.org/seminar/seminar.htm. Note- this is not a secure website. The website will send an email to Doug Dahl-CFO and Doug will run the credit card charge and will send you an email confirmation of registration. There are discounts for registration received by April 1



In Review

In 1995 Peter Waddington gave *Koi Kichi* to the world. Since then the book has been hailed by Koi lovers worldwide as THE must have book for serious hobbyists.

After almost two years of planning and writing, Peter's New Book, *Koi 2*

Kichi is finally ready!

Koi 2 Kichi is not just a book it's a Nishikigoi experience, a completely original and totally unique package.

Unlike *Koi Kichi*, *Koi2Kichi* is a journey in **TWO** books.

The First Book - The Path to Understanding - from Mistake to Mystique Deals with every aspect of Koi. From a detailed work about how Koi and the Koi industry emerged, water, an incredibly detailed segment on state of the art pond design, to health aspects, Koi shows and **The Definitive Work on Tategoi**. This aspect especially has been laboured over by Peter for years – the understanding of a lifetime in Koi.

The Second Book - The Path to Yamakoshi - the Highways and the Byways

Takes us on four basic journeys through the mountains of Yamakoshi. Starting from Nagaoka/Ojiya it takes an the reader on an *incredible journey* through the legendary villages of Niigata and visits literally hundreds of the leading breeders. It not only shows you where they are and how to find them, it actually takes you there! It reveals incredible details about many of the world leading breeders.

Koi2Kichi also includes a series of maps of the region. These maps have been developed over more than twenty years of searching and show each and every key village and breeder. These awesome maps help readers follow the book and locate any breeder or village on the journeys. The maps are incredibly detailed, even to the point of showing individual mud ponds!

Koi2Kichi also contains a Yamakoshi overview map showing all the villages in relation to each other and the main roads linking them. It's almost enough to hop on a plane, fly to Japan and using the book as your guide visit any Koi breeder in Yamakoshi.

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AKC Activities ... For members to participate in ...



Flower Show Robin Scott (770) 446-1733 sronald@comcast.net

The Flower Show is usually in February. People are needed to do set-up, take-down and for booth duty. If you're interested in this project, please contact Robin.



Auction Doug Tatz (770) 926-6096 dtatz@aol.com

The auction is usually in April at Coastal Ponds. We sell koi and any pond related items. A percentage of the sale goes to the seller and a portion to the club.

People are needed for set-up, take-down, clean-up, registration etc. Contact Doug if you're interested in working or if you have items to sell.



Pond Tour Vicki Knill (770) 424-0622 dragonkoi2@cs.com

The pond tour is a summer activity — in late July or early August. It's a chance for members to show off all the hard work that has gone into their pond and garden. The tour runs for two days and one (or perhaps) two evening tours. This is a fun activity for members who are not showing their ponds to go visit other members' ponds.

There is a need for members who are willing to show their ponds to volunteer soon. There will also be a need for docents to help at ponds so that the owners can take a break. If you are willing to help with the distribution of posters, signs and pond tour related brochures, please contact Vicki.



Koi Show

Jerry Hord (770) 205-3981 shortyskoifarm&beveragesupply@hotmail.com

The koi show is the third week-end in September. This is our eleventh koi show. I cannot begin to name all the jobs associated with this huge project. Suffice it to say that we can use help from every member.

If you are willing to help with this project please contact Jerry.

Treasurer's Report

Ron Scott

SHOW REPORT**Treasurer's Report**

by Ron Scott

For Year: 2004
(12/01/03 thru 11/30/04)



Beginning balance: December 1, 2003 **\$5,689.27**

Income Categories:

2100	Club Store	\$900.31	
2200	Flower Show	\$0.00	
2300	Koi Show	\$18,799.00	
2400	Koi Auction	\$9,903.00	
2500	Misc.	\$1,885.02	
	Raffles - Monthly Meetings Only		\$875.70
	Interest on Checking Account		\$5.32
	Returned Check Fee	\$5.00	
	Newsletter Advertising	\$50.00	
	Koi For Learning	\$0.00	
	Vendor Sponsorship	\$350.00	
	Transferring Funds to Savings		\$500.00
	Misc.	\$99.00	
2600	Pond Tour	\$3,108.00	
2700	Membership	\$6,038.41	
	Member Badges	\$20.00	
	Membership Dues	\$3,862.00	
	Koi USA Subscription	\$220.00	
	ZNA Membership	\$1,936.41	
3000	No Category	\$0.00	
	Total Income	\$40,633.74	

Expense Categories:

100	AKCA Dues	\$100.00	
200	Club Store	\$6,876.47	
300	Flower Show	\$0.00	
400	Insurance	\$941.00	
500	Koi Show	\$12,262.62	
600	Koi Auction	\$6,727.76	
700	Misc.	\$3,070.42	
	Club Library	\$31.95	
	Food at Club Meeting	\$1,436.09	
	Website Fee	\$700.45	
	Friendship Award	\$4.14	
	Misc.	\$215.69	
	Monthly Meeting Speaker Expense		\$682.10
800	Newsletter	\$617.50	
	Postage	\$197.45	
	Printing	\$420.05	

900	Pond Tour	\$1,320.77
1000	Raffles	\$354.33
1100	Rent	\$384.00
1200	Donations	\$205.00
1250	Advertising	\$0.00
1300	Membership	\$1,682.28
	ZNA Membership Pay't	\$1,445.63
	Koi USA Subscription	\$ 220.00
	Misc.	\$ 16.65
	Transferred to Savings	\$5,500.00
1400	Bank Charges	\$ 591.99
1999	Not Categorized	
2000	(Transferred to Savings Acc't)	\$0.00

Total Expenses
\$40,634.14

NET (\$0.40)

Ending Balance as of November 30, 2004 \$5,688.87

Savings Account as of November 30, 2004 \$12,179.09

Total Club Funds
\$17,867.96

Free!

Free for coming to get — starts of Miscanthus sinensis "maiden grass" (probably *gracillimus*) Contact either David Pugh or David Boyd ...It is free — you just need to come by and pick up the plants. Please give them our phone or e-mail (770) 937-0864 dvbmarietta@aol.com to contact us .

**Dues
Are
Due!**

Contact Susan Brown
See info on page 9.

Koi Health Management

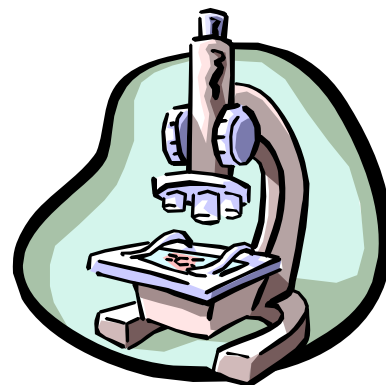
February 11-13, 2005

Presented by the University of Georgia, College of Veterinary Medicine

The *Koi Health Management* course will be directed towards veterinarians, hobbyists, retailers, and producers involved with the maintenance of ornamental fish. Seminar topics will cover all aspects of fish husbandry with laboratories designed for beginner to advanced levels. Ample staff will be available for individual instruction and each day will conclude with a participant round table question and answer session.

Topics:

- Pond Construction – The “How Not To” For Fish Health
- UV and Fish Health
- Water Quality Overview
- The Nitrogen Cycle in Some Detail
- pH and Alkalinity, Making it Work for You
- Special Problems in Pond Water Quality
- Management of Protozoan Parasites
- Management of Monogenetic Trematodes (Flukes)
- Management of Other Pathogens and Parasites
- Management of Bacterial and Fungal Infections
- Quarantine: The Basics and the Brass Tacks
- Viruses in Koi – An Overview
- KHV in Koi – Latest in Concepts, Detection and Treatment
- Cutting Retail Losses
- “At-Home” Diagnostics and When to Use a Lab
- Tricide-Neo/Neocide 3 antibiotic potentiator
- Bacteriology
- Fish Endoscopy and Surgery
- UGA Specific Pathogen Free Aquaculture Facility



Seminar Speakers:

Erik Johnson, DVM

Helen Roberts, DVM

Tom Nemetz, DVM, PhD

Steve Hernandez-Divers, DVM, PhD

Branson Ritchie, DVM, PhD

Victoria Vaughan, Seminar and Laboratory Coordinator

Registration fee of \$500 for veterinarians and \$485 for non veterinarians includes Friday evening social, Saturday & Sunday continental breakfasts, lunches, refreshment breaks, all course materials, and laboratory supplies.

***** Laboratory space is limited so early registration is essential *****

To register: www.gactr.uga.edu/conferences (then search by date 2/11/04)

For more information about the course contact: Sandi Kilgo, Continuing Education
skilgo@vet.uga.edu 706-542-1451

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We say almost because as if that were not enough there is more.... During 2003 we went to Niigata with the worlds leading Koi Videographer Nik Read from New Vision Productions and painstakingly filmed every bend, turn, nook and cranny of Yamakoshi. We have visited each and every main breeder and village and filmed them also! The resulting DVD combines with the books and maps to offer you a definitive who's who and what's what of this legendary region.

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CHERRY BLOSSOM FESTIVAL KOI PHOTO CONTEST

March 18-27 2005

Hosted by : **Middle Georgia Water Garden Club and
Cherry Blossom Festival in Macon Georgia**

Judge: **Lester Berkow, M.D. AKCA Certified Judge**



Please send a 8x10 color photo of each Koi you wish to enter. On a 3x5 index card, list size and type of koi, along with your name & address. Two (2) fish per entry fee. Fee of \$10.00 dollars, money order or check accepted. Make checks or money order out to **Middle Georgia Water Garden Club** Deadline for entry will be Jan 15th 2005. Contact for more information: Robert Reed 478-827-0570 or Linda Maddox 478-751-7411

Mail entries and fees to:
**Koi Photo Contest
c /o Linda Maddox
794 Cherry St.
Macon, Georgia 31201**

Eligibility: Any koi hobbyist not associated with koi dealers, (even part time or informal fish dealers). Entries are open to all members and non-members koi clubs. All pictures except for the winners photos will not be returned to owner.

Young Koi Show

Gainesville FL

Saturday, February 19, 2005

Kanapaha Botanical Gardens

9AM- 3PM

Judge: Joe White

\$5 admission to the Botanical Gardens

For more information contact David

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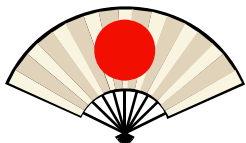
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The **Koi2Kichi** package includes two books totaling almost **SIX HUNDRED PAGES** and hundreds of photos taken by Peter Waddington and Nigel Caddock over many years. It also includes the village and breeder maps, the Yamakoshi overview map....AND the whole tour on DVD all in one package!

The **Koi2Kichi** package consists of :

- **Book 1 - The Path to Understanding**
- **Book 2 - The Path to Yamakoshi**
- **Village & Breeders Tour Maps**
- **Yamakoshi Nishikigoi Map**
- **DVD of the tours (complete with an outtake segment that is priceless!)**

As mentioned in the latest issue of Nishikigoi International there will be a two formats available: **Hardback Version** and **Deluxe Limited Edition Version**. The material is the same but the presentation different. **There will only be 500 of the limited edition versions** available they will have unique individual numbers and be signed by Peter. If you bought one of the original Koi Kichi limited editions you are invited to reserve the matching number of Peter's new book! This is the most exciting project of a generation and we hope to inspire another generation with it.



November Board Meeting Minutes Vicki Knill

The club President David Boyd called the board meeting to order.

OLD BUSINESS

Robin Scott reported on the Flower Show. The club is still looking for a professional business to partner with for a display. The interested business would build the water feature which the club would then stock with koi and provide volunteers for public education. Jerry "Shorty" Hord said he might know of a business who might be willing to participate. He would contact the business and report back at the next meeting.

NEW BUSINESS

There was a discussion concerning the amount to budget for meeting expenses. Presently food allotment is \$100.00. This amount will remain unchanged but may be re-evaluated at a future meeting. Also the amount reserved for raffle prizes was agreed to be kept below \$100.00. It was felt more than one person could be on the lookout for possible items to ensure good variety and donated items whenever possible. Robin Scott was given the duty of Chairperson in charge of raffle items with Jerry Hord, Property Manager and Vicki Knill, Secretary assisting.

A number of club members have been asking about another koi growing contest. It had been arranged for Vicki Vaughan to provide young koi again this fall for another contest but she declined after receiving complaints from a couple disgruntled members concerning the contest. It was felt Vicki only provided the koi for the contest, any complaints directed at her were not justified. The greater majority of the club members who participated in the contest enjoyed the friendly competition therefore the club would again ask for her generosity in providing young koi for another contest. The future contest would have guidelines provided for the participants.

Ron Scott, Treasurer announced our new President, David Boyd now has his signature on the club's bank account signature card. Both Ron and David will endorse club checks.

David Marier reported on the club's participation at the recent koi show held in Charlotte NC. The Piedmont Koi and Water Garden Club put on a terrific show. AKC members who attended and wins will be reported in the next newsletter along with pictures from the show.

Vicki Knill, Pond Tour Chairperson brought up the suggestion of the formation of a club information pamphlet. This pamphlet would provide the public with a description about the club, it's functions, events, benefits of joining etc. The pamphlet could be given out at seminars, pond stores, garden shows and the pond tour. After a brief discussion it was decided a chairperson would be needed to be in charge of this endeavor. This topic would be addressed again at the next meeting.

Following the meeting club members enjoyed the November club social hosted by Ed and Shi Shi Sheren.

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2 folding lawn chairs

A shoe

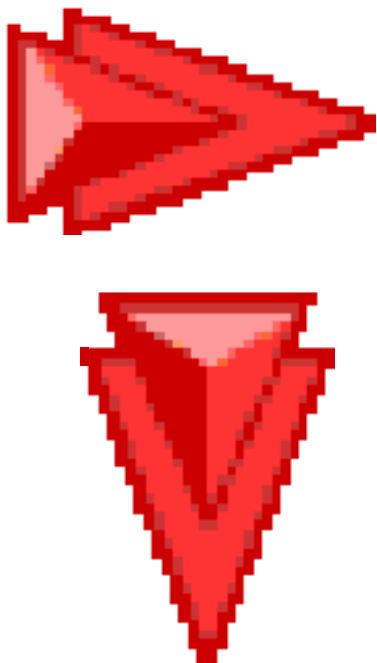
A plate

A camera (digital)

A hair piece

**Items will be at
the January
meeting...**





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NEWS FLASH

There's a change in the date for the summer tour from July to August 6 & 7. This change will allow tropicals a little more time to come into bloom.

The tour book will cover both the Spring and the Summer Tours therefore it needs to be printed early. Please contact me to have your pond on one or both tours.

Vicki Knill 770-424-0622 or Dragonkoi2@cs.com

Top 10 Reasons to be on the Pond Tour

- 10- You get to help the club educate people about the enjoyment of ponds and koi.
- 9- All those long hours of hard work will not go unnoticed.
- 8- People on the tour will actually listen to the valuable things you've learned in pond building and maintenance.
- 7- You get to show off all those expensive koi you've bought.
- 6- People at work will know you must have a beautiful place.
- 5- Continuous stream of compliments about what a wonderful job you did.
- 4- A description of your pond in print on a map for people to come and see.
- 3- You get a very cool gift from the club, proof your pond was on the big tour of 2005.
- 2- You get to meet and help others looking to build a pond.
- 1- Your neighbors will be so envious of all the people wanting to look at YOUR backyard.

Membership

Susan Brown

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After several years of hard work and effort, Brenda Atwell has decided to relinquish her duties as the AKC Membership Chairperson. I know all of you will want to join me in thanking her for a job well done. She has been extremely instrumental in helping our club grow and prosper to our current level. **THANKS BRENDA!**

Although I know no one will be able to fill her shoes, I have been asked to take over. I hope everyone will help in promoting our club and attracting new members. If you know or meet someone interested in joining our club, please steer them in my direction or maybe even hand them a printed application from our newsletter. If we all promote our club, hopefully we will be able to continue our current growth pattern. Thanks.

Dues are due in Jan. Please let me know if you have any changes to your basic information. Make your **checks payable to Atlanta Koi Club** and submit to:

Susan G. Brown
191 Kings Row
Marietta GA, 30067
e-mail hands191@msn.com



MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION ATLANTA KOI CLUB

"Dedicated to Sharing the Joy of Keeping Koi"



Date: _____

Type of Membership: **Household:** \$50 for 1 Yr. _____; \$90 for 2 Yrs. _____
(Check One) **Individual:** \$30 for 1Yr. _____; \$54 for 2 Yrs. _____
Sponsor: \$150 for 1Yr. _____

Other: KOI USA Magazine Subscription: \$20 for 1 Yr. _____
Name Badges: \$10 for each. _____
*ZNA International Koi Club: \$100 for 1 Yr. _____

Names: _____ & _____
 First First Last Last

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Best Phone: _____ Best Email: _____

AKC is a volunteer organization. We need as much help and support as you can provide, no matter how insignificant. Which of the following areas interest you?

Host Meeting ____, Pond Tour ____, Auction ____, Koi Show ____, Hold Office ____

To save money, we provide our newsletter in color via email several days earlier than mailed copies. Would you like to receive your newsletter via email? Yes or No.

We try to publish a membership roster annually. It is given only to club members and AKCA, the Associated Koi Clubs of America. May we publish your address, phone number and email? Yes or No.

Please make checks payable to **Atlanta Koi Club** and submit with application to: Susan G. Brown, 191 Kings Row, Marietta, GA 30067.

* Zen Nippon Airinkai (ZNA) is an international organization dedicated to the koi keeping hobby. Members receive the Nichirin magazine. Membership runs May through April of each year. There is no prorating of dues. Full dues are always paid.