

AKC JUNE 11, 2006 SOCIAL time 2pm Sunday



All aboard for the June Social! A special surprise is steaming into our garden. Come, bring a side dish and join the fun. We will have a garden train set up to run around part of the pond and over the waterfalls complete with a small village. This was initiated by a friend and serious train buff Bill Brown with help from Don Schoner and AKC's vice president David Marier many thanks go to them. Also, I am sure you will enjoy a few paintings that we will have on display for your viewing pleasure. These were done by a very talented local artist, Bobby Strickland.

Good food, good company, good conversation, trains and art in a garden setting — what more could you ask for? Fish, you say, well we have some of those, also. We will have some beautiful fish from **Blackwater Creek** available for sale at the Social on Sunday and between 12:00 and 5:00 pm on Saturday, June 10, 2006.. Don't miss the fun.

For those of you who haven't seen our pond, a deck and patio connect our house to a 16,000 gal. pond which includes two waterfalls into the bog pond and a small waterfall that cascades into the main pond. The bog pond has plants, bull frogs and floating stepping stones leading to a gazebo. We have a few bronze water features one in the main pond and one by the waterfall and a bronze fountain by the drive way that houses a few gold fish. As with many of our members we love our garden, but the most important thing is our fish. We have 25 fish of various varieties several approaching 2 feet long which are colorful, friendly and will eat from our hands. They all have names.

We will be serving Turkey Breast and Pork Loin. The custom of bringing a side dish has always been enjoyed for the socials, so please let me know if you can make it and what you might like to bring, so I can coordinate the dishes. Food Categories: Appetizer, Salad, Vegetable, Starch, Desert. Wouldn't it be just awful if we ended up with all desserts and no carrot sticks? (Ed. Note: worse would be all carrots and no cake.....)



Dress cool and casual. Hope you all can come.

Looking forward to hearing from you soon 770-973-2090 or e-mail at hands191@msn.com



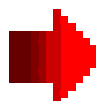
Two views of the Brown's pond.

Can you imagine this with trains?



Bog pond and waterfall

Main Pond with covered patio ...





May Meeting Minutes

Vicki Knill

The club President David Boyd called the meeting to order. Members present were; David Marier, Vicki Knill, Ron Scott, Jerry "Shorty" Hord, Ray Brock, Jay Drew, David Pugh, Kathy Scales, Robin Scott

OLD BUSINESS

Creation of the club's new information pamphlets has been completed. Kathy Scales suggested we are now ready to have 1000 printed up. Suggestion was moved by David Marier and seconded by Ron Scott.

T-shirts for the Koi & Goldfish Show are completed. Vicki Knill asked if the club could pay the cost which would then be reimbursed when enough shirts have been sold. David Marier motioned to cover the costs, seconded by Jerry Hord.

NEW BUSINESS

The date for the release of the donated koi to the Carter Center as been postponed by the Carter Center. So far the possible date is June 4th, but this has yet to be confirmed.

Ron Scott is continuing to work toward filing for nonprofit status with the IRS. He has provided the statement of finances of the club for the past 5 years. The club must now provide a list of inventory assets. In order to file for nonprofit status the appropriate application must be submitted with a check for \$500.00. Vicki Knill moved to approve sending in the application and check, seconded by Jerry Hord.

The club will be selling some of the old 6 foot show tanks at the upcoming auction, new tanks like these sell for \$300.00. After discussion it was agreed the club would sell 10 6ft tanks for a cost of \$100.00 each. Other items from the trailer that are no longer needed by the club would also be sold at that time.

Ray Brock and Jay Drew are working to fill a volunteer list for the auction. Jay said volunteers are needed to set up the tanks at Coastal Ponds in Tucker after 6pm on Wed, Thurs, and Friday. Person available to assist can just show up during those evenings. Ray Brock has a volunteer list of duties needed to be filled during the auction and as always help in needed after the auction. Members willing to help can contact Ray or Jay.

The meeting concluded and the membership enjoyed the relaxing country atmosphere of Morris & Robin Smith's pond and yard complete with friendly donkeys and wonderful pottery created by Robin.

RAFFLE



Entertaining in you backyard is the theme for the June raffle items. There are going to be some neat things and some unusual ones that you've never seen before. Great stuff to show off when entertaining pond side. Don't forget to stop off at the ATM for cash to buy lots of tickets!



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Put Your Pond on the Web!

The Wizards of the web are searching for photos of members' ponds to go on the web-site. If you have a digital camera, then, there's no problem. If you have a film camera, make a bunch of pictures and have them put on a disc when you have them developed. You can let us use the disc to download the pond pictures and put them up.

Check out the ponds already there at www.atlantakoiclub.org



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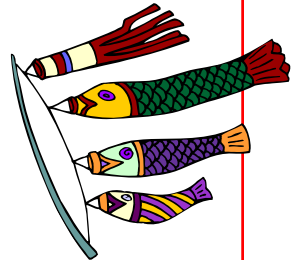
Events Calendar

June 3, 2006 — Annual Koi and Pond Equipment Auction — Coastal Pond Supply, Tucker

June 11, 2006 — Hal & Susan Brown, Marietta SUMMER SOCIAL

July 9, 2006 — Bill & Lynn Dowden, Tucker

August 13, 2006 — Drew & Marier, Lawrenceville



Seen on Our Web-Site

These are comments found in our guest book. Where possible, you'll see where they're from.

I'm a beginner pond keeper. This winter was my first winter, and it looks like all fish are going to make it. I would like to learn about how to keep a healthy pond for the fish. I have koi, goldfish and Black Moors. Thanks. Leigh

Hello ... I'm in the process of finishing my first pond. (Waterfall & stream) and am investigating owning some koi. I was introduced to koi on my vacation to Japan a few years ago, and have been very interested in how beautiful and fun they are to have living in backyard ponds and temple garden streams. I look forward to reading the Atlanta Koi Club's magazine. Mary

I attended last years' tour and was amazed at the different types of ponds, along with the unbelievable knowledge you have concerning the hobby. I am in awe ... and am disappointed that there is no tour this year. Guess I'll have to visit next year! Thanks for sharing! J.B.C. Irwin, PA

<http://www.orientkoi.com> Best website for any club or society I have ever see on the web. Regards, Collin Nel —
 Orient Koi Farm. Queenswood South Africa



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Membership

Susan Brown

Please welcome the following new members to our club: Dr. Richard Tavernaro, Petra Fuhrmans, Robert Gleadall and Ronald Wilson. We are so glad you decided to join us and look forward to seeing you soon. Also, please join me in welcoming a new sponsor American Pond Pro. We appreciate your support and will look forward to learning more about your organization.

The May meeting was held at Robin and Morris Smith's wonderful ranch. We had good attendance and everyone had a fantastic time. Vicki Vaughan gave a great program and brought fish from Hazorea Koi Farms for sale. The attendance for the May meeting was 34 Members and 4 Guests.

Hope to see you all at the June social at our home.

MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION ATLANTA KOI CLUB

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**ZNA International Koi Club: \$100 for 1 Yr. _____

Names: _____ & _____
 First Last First Last

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Best Phone: _____ Best Email: _____

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

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

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.

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

* Please consider buying **Name Badges**. For only \$5, you will get to know and be known by everyone and also receive a free raffle ticket every time you wear your badge to a Club Meeting.

** 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.

June 11, 2006 Meeting at Hal & Susan Brown's

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770-973-2092

Summer Social. Bring a dish to share.

Executive Meeting starts at 1 ... members at 2.

The driving directions and address are in the e-mail you received announcing that the Chronicles were up on the web. We are trying to protect the privacy of our members.



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