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We welcomed a charter busload of Warner Robbins Club members to our show..

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By the Pond



David Boyd, President AKC

Thanks to Cla and Janet Allgood for allowing the Atlanta Koi Club to meet at Wakoola Water Gardens. I was not able to be there, but I heard the meeting was a success with a report on the final preparations for the show.

Now the show is over, and we have a chance to relax for another year. Even though we got a late start at getting things going, the Atlanta Koi Club rose to the occasion and put on a great show. I want to thank everyone who worked hard at doing the things that needed to be done. Shorty Hord did his best to keep things going, and with a few hiccups (like every show), got everything completed in time. This year, in addition to the Koi, we had Goldfish which added a special attraction to our show.

When we found out in June that Koiphen had canceled its show, the Executive Board met and discussed whether we should attempt to put on a regular show or continue with our plans to have a smaller local show. After repeated inquiries by a number of people from out of state, it was decided that we would attempt to do our best to make the show happen.

Bill and Lynn Dowden graciously provided the use of the Coastal Pond warehouse as our show venue. Our new PR Chairperson Kathy Scales leapt to the challenge of promoting the show, with her background in advertising things moved along smoothly. She and David Pugh divided up the tasks of vendor and show registration between themselves. It was a daunting task, and they completed it in record time. Ray Brock, our Volunteer Chairperson, grabbed as many people as he could to fill out the tasks that needed to be done. I want to say I had a hilarious time working in the Club store on Saturday with Polly Brock, Peggy Fricke and Peggy's mother Marilyn. We did our best to keep up with the number of people who showed up and were buying souvenirs of the show. I want to thank all the people from our club that I did not have a chance to see, talk to who worked at the show. I was very happy to meet and talk to a few on Sunday morning while I was at the Club store.

I want to thank all the people who showed up from other clubs to help and learn from us. Ed and Susan Reed from the Triad Club in Winston Salem NC came to learn about registration for their upcoming show in May. I am looking forward to attending the Southern Koi Expo. This will be their first show, and I am hoping that some of our members will be able to attend and show support for this new club.

With the inclusion of Goldfish in the show this year, there were a few members who were skeptical whether their addition would attract people. According to Scott Taylor (the goldfish judge) he was impressed with the number and quality of goldfish in a first attempt show. Vicki Knill and Gaye Langley worked hard to bring this off, and they both deserve praise. I had a chance to observe the people as I was running around the area and I was pleased to see the number of adults and who were fascinated with the

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AND THE WINNERS ARE _____

The show is over for another year. By now, the dust has settled and the trophies have found a spot on a shelf. For some, however, the excitement is still rolling on.

One hundred seventeen koi were entered by eighteen exhibitors. Novices reigned in many of the big awards.

Let's congratulate the winners:



AKC members Bart and Kathy Atkinson went home with the big winnings. Bart accepted BOTH **Grand Champion "A" & "B"** from Vicki Vaughan representing Keirin Koi... His Platinum Ogon won **Jumbo** — presented by Purdin Koi Farms. The **Adult Champion** trophy was presented to them by Carol Weise of Ecological Labs.



Steve & Cheryl Childers are really excited about their **Reserve Champion**. This is their first RC. Steve is the new Editor of KoiUSA. He & Cheryl came and worked the benching / registration team. Steve will be head judge in Charlotte in November.

Vicki Vaughan for Keirin Koi presents the trophy.

Charlie and Brenda Atwell present the trophy for **Young Champion** to Michael Anderson. This is the third time the Andersons have shown and it is their highest award.



Southern Koi Expo sponsored the trophy for **Baby Champion**. Susan Reed presents the trophy to Chris Mungo. Chris was a novice exhibitor in this show. This is the highest trophy he has won.

Goldfish Get the Gold!



Vicki Knill (center) poses with the Goldfish Judge, Scott Taylor and his wife , Jane. Now, those are really bright goldfish shirts!

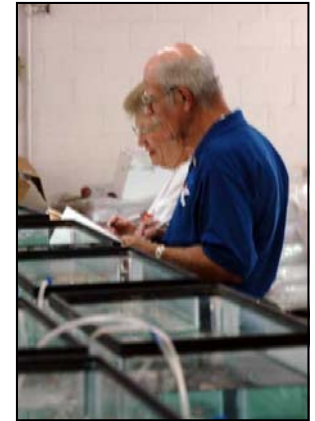
Vicki Knill receives the Grand Champion Goldfish trophy from Vicki Vaughan of Keirin Koi. Her Red-cap Oranda is pictured right.



Bart Atkins collects the Reserve Champion Goldfish trophy for his Calico Ryukin from Vicki Vaughan presenting for Fish Corner.



Carl Knill presents the trophy for Special Varieties Goldfish to Herve Rijnveld.



Judge Scott Taylor tries to decide the 4-way contention for Grand Champion.



Gaye Langley (left) receives her trophy for Best Mature Goldfish (Black Ranchu) from Kathy Atkins. Dandy Oranda sponsored the trophy.



Carolyn Weise of Ecological Labs presents Andrew De Santos with a trophy for his Ranchu/ Lionhead goldfish.



Robin Scott collects the Junior Exhibitor trophy for her granddaughter Shyanne Scott. Vicki Knill is presenting.

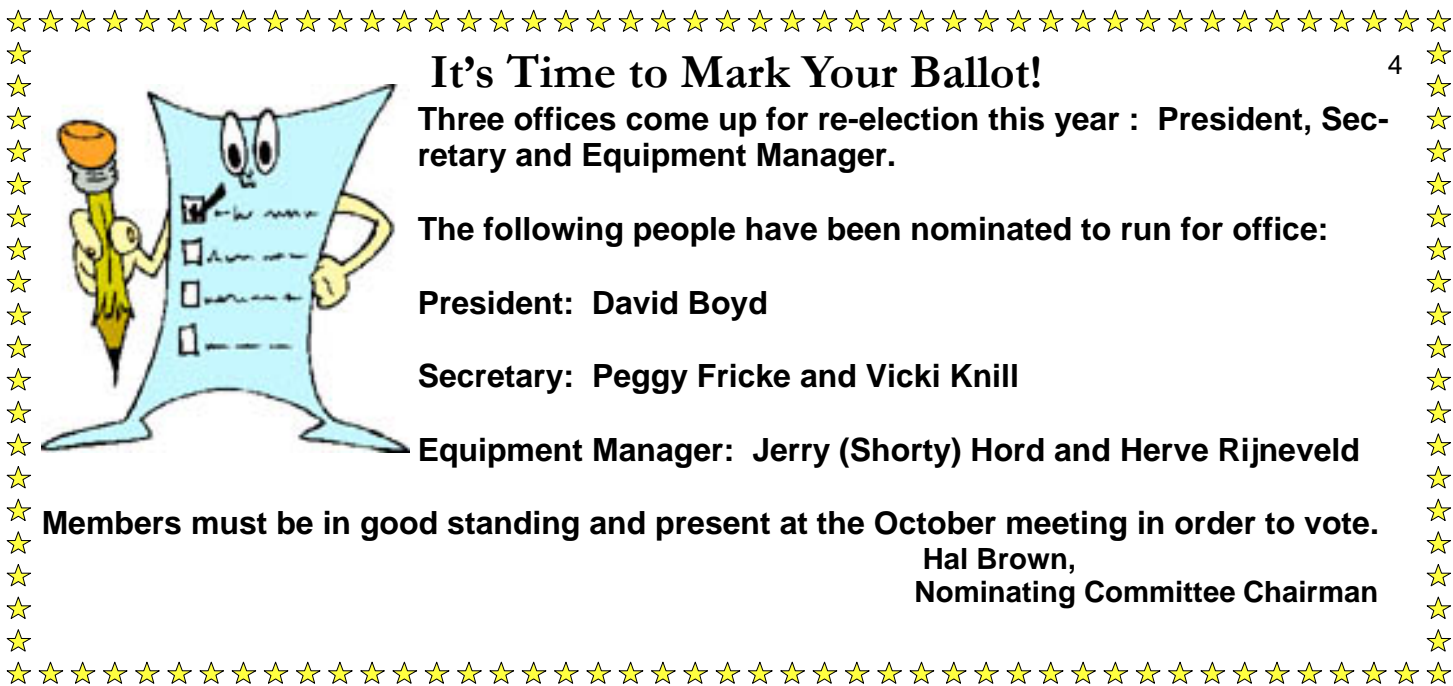
GOLDFISH, IT'S ABOUT TIME



That was the theme for our Inaugural Goldfish Show and what a great time we had. The winners received clocks and beautiful plaques with the artwork of Patti McGee. To cover all the show categories Patti created a Pearl-Scale goldfish painting to be used on a plaque for our show. We had entries totaling over 70 goldfish with the majority owned by club members, what great support for our first time endeavor. Judge Scott Taylor was pleasantly surprised not only by the quantity of entries but by the quality stating there were 4 contenders for Grand Champion.

I would like to thank all who participated, both exhibitors and volunteers. Without your help the Goldfish Show wouldn't have been such a great success.

~Vicki Knill, Goldfish Show Chairperson



It's Time to Mark Your Ballot!

Three offices come up for re-election this year : President, Secretary and Equipment Manager.



The following people have been nominated to run for office:

President: David Boyd

Secretary: Peggy Fricke and Vicki Knill

Equipment Manager: Jerry (Shorty) Hord and Herve Rijnveld

Members must be in good standing and present at the October meeting in order to vote.

**Hal Brown,
Nominating Committee Chairman**



Novices Sweep the Show!

At the end of the day ... when prizes were awarded, three novice exhibitors (people who had never shown fish before) had walked off with most of the big prizes! Congratulations!!

The winner of our Novice Award was Marshall Gwyn (left). Marshall traveled from North Carolina to show his fish. He also awarded a friendship award.



Chris Mungo (glasses) is also a novice exhibitor. He came from South Carolina. Chris's fish won three trophies and 4 ribbons. He brought the Baby Champion.



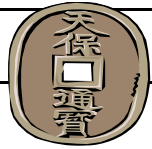
Our own Bart Atkinson (right) grabbed BOTH Grand Champion trophies as well as Best Jumbo and Adult Champion. Wow! Way to go!



So often we try to talk ourselves into not bringing our fish because we have never shown before and feel that our fish may not quite measure up. This should be proof positive that we need to stop making excuses and bring our fish to show.

Congratulations to all the winners!

Words are basically inadequate to express how grateful all of the Atlanta Koi Club is for the generosity shown by Lynn and Bill Dowden. In every aspect of this show – you have gone beyond any expectations. Thank you both.



**Treasurer's Report -
Checking**

August 2006 by
Ron Scott

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goldfish.

Beginning Check Book Balance:			\$8,635.71
Income Categories:			
2300	Koi Show		\$4,142.00
2500	Misc.		\$121.91
	Raffles - Monthly Meetings Only	\$121.00	
	Interest on Club Checking Account (Only)	\$0.91	
2700	Membership		\$352.00
	Member Badges	\$35.00	
	Membership Dues	\$110.00	
	Koi USA Subscription	\$57.00	
	Vendor Sponsorship	\$150.00	
		Total Income	\$4,615.91
Expense Categories:			
500	Koi Show		\$1,167.78
600	Koi Auction		
700	Misc.		\$150.00
	Food at Club Meeting	\$150.00	
800	Newsletter		\$68.96
1300	Membership		\$60.00
	Koi USA Subscription	\$60.00	
		Total Expenses	\$1,446.74
NET			\$3,169.17
	Checkbook Ending Balance		\$11,804.88
	Uncleared Transactions		\$0.00
	Bank Statement		\$11,804.88

I want to make a final report from the vendors. They were very pleased with the turnout and the sales they made this year. The plans for next year are already being begun and we hope to see a number of the vendors there next year. David and I will be hosting the October meeting and we are hoping that you can fit it into your schedule to attend.

Thank You !



If you have enjoyed the pictures from the show — either in this newsletter — or on the web... You should thank these photographers who unselfishly shared their pictures with us.

Herve Rijnveld
Show & Banquet photographer

Jason Montgomery
Goldfish Photography.

Bill Dowden — Site Photography

Carolyn Weise — Site Photography

David Boyd — Site Photography



The people who make the Microbe-Lift products are giving us some great items for the October raffle. Along with these, there are some great surprises and of course the mystery box.

"Be there or be square". Vicki Knill



Some of the Ribbon Winners.
(l-r) Glenda & Chris Mungo, Cheryl Childers, Robin Scott, Susan Reed, Nancy Rijnveld, Bart Atkins, and Marshall Gwynn.

Be sure to check out our Web-site for many more pictures and other information!

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