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September, 2017

By the Pond - Please Read

by Diane Giangrande

Hi All,

I can't believe it, but we are just about 4 weeks away from the show. I can honestly say that I think this is going to be our best show ever, but we still need help.

This year, for the first time ever, we are totally sold out of vendor space – wet and dry. For koi wet vendors we have our show sponsor, The Koi Store followed by Happy Koi of Greenville, Razorback Koi, Southwest Koi and Beni Hanna Nishikigoi. For goldfish we have Fish Corner and Southwest also sells goldfish. Some of these vendors have never been to our show before so come check them out.

For dry vendors we have an amazing line up. First, club member, Meredith Cope is bringing her beautiful paintings. If you went on the pond tour you got to see Meredith's wonderful work. Sylvester Norris, is back again this year. He had the beautiful wood carved paintings. He sold out last year and I hear he has some different pieces in process for this year. There will be koi food vendors – Nijikawa, Ultra Balance, Kodama (the wet vendors will be selling food as well). I am happy to say that we have an embroidery vendor as well. She will be able to put the Atlanta Koi Club logo on apparel and has many items with koi designs. There will be a couple of jewelry people as well – Ricky Frank does beautiful enameled jewelry and Bricklin Riles, a new member, does bead jewelry. For plants, Jody Karlin from Just Add Water, will be back again this year. He usually has very unusual, hard to find plants. Randy's Perennials and Water Gardens will be back too with plants and some equipment. PolyTank will also be a vendor again as we are purchasing additional show tanks. A separate email went out if anyone is interested in purchasing anything they sell. And finally, The Atlanta Bonsai Society will be at the show. They will have a booth to sell items and give demos, but they will also have a display. If you went to the meeting at their auction you know there are some extraordinary specimens.

All in all, this is a not to be missed show. It's wonderful to have the sold show out, BUT, if the vendors don't do well, they will not be back next year. So please, if you can't volunteer at the show, at least stop by. Take a look at what the vendors have and if you see something you like, buy it!

Remember, if you volunteer at the show, you can come to the Vendor Appreciation Dinner on Friday night. This is a great way to get to see all the fish and other items for sale before the public on Saturday.

We are down to 6 show tanks left. If you are thinking about showing, you need to reserve a tank ASAP. Remember, there will be a Novice award. To be eligible for this award, you need to have never had a fish in a show before. This year we are doing powder coated laser cut metal koi designs for the trophies so get those tanks reserved!

And finally, if you haven't gotten your banquet ticket reservations in you need to do that ASAP too. Once again, thanks to donations obtained by Ken Jett, we are going to have some amazing items for auction and raffle at the banquet. The food is going to be Mexican themed and we are using the same caterer as last year as his food is amazing! I'm hesitant to share the next piece of info because the more of you that attend and bid on this the more competition for me ☺, but a huge thank you goes out to Harvey Siskin. He has donated an absolutely amazing glass mosaic to the club to be auctioned off at the banquet. The picture of the gorgeous piece is below.

I hope to see you all at Melanie's on the 10th for the auction.

Our Annual KOI Show is coming Sept. 29—Oct. 1 By Diane

Hi, All,

This is a quick email about the upcoming show. As a reminder, the show this year is Sept 29 - Oct 1.

First, we are quickly selling out of show tanks so if you want to show and have not signed up for a tank or tanks yet you need to do so ASAP. As a reminder, if you have never shown at any koi show before you are eligible for 1 free show tank. You need to contact me ASAP for this as it cannot be done via the web site shop.

I want to thank all of you who attended the meeting at Kol Koi Pondscapes and sponsored a trophy. Trophies are the second highest expense we have for the show (rental of the Fairgrounds is #1) and all sponsorships help offset that expense and are greatly appreciated. Anyone who wants to sponsor a trophy and has not yet done so can go to the web site to see what is available and pay via the shop. Remember, for every \$100 in sponsorships you get a free banquet ticket! We are using the same caterer as last year and the food was amazing.

If you are not going to show, but still want to attend the banquet, you can purchase tickets on the web site. Banquet tickets must be pre-purchased if you want to make sure you get a ticket. We typically have a few available for purchase on the day of, but they go quickly and there is no guarantee. At the banquet we have auctions and raffles of the really good stuff so you'll want to attend.

Show tanks, trophy sponsorships and banquet tickets can all be purchased here: <http://atlantakoiclub.org/shop/>

I will be posting on Facebook that tanks are going quick and people should reserve if they want to come, but I want to give club members an opportunity to get show tanks if wanted. So, again, please book ASAP if you want to show.

No show email would be complete without a push for volunteers. Some of you have signed up already - thank you, but we still need more. Here is a link to the Sign Up Genius: <http://www.signupgenius.com/go/4090445a5a629abf49-20171> Don't forget about the raffle for the really nice kujaku - the more slots you sign up for the more tickets you get.

Sometime soon there will be another Sign Up Genius added for the Friday night dinner. We are going to do the same thing we did last year. The club will supply the main dish and we will ask folks to bring an appetizer, side and/or dessert.

I know this is a lot of information and a lot of asks, but we are a hobby club that is run by volunteers. Without volunteers we can't do the show. Remember, many hands make light work! Oh...and let's not forget....if you sign up to volunteer you get a free show t-shirt.

If you have any questions about anything in this email or anything show related, please feel to contact me. You can respond to this email or call me at 678-373-3011.

Thanks,
Diane

Vendor Appreciation Pot Luck Sign Up

As is our tradition, we are having a Vendor Appreciation Dinner on the Friday night of the show (9/29/17). The club supplies the entrée, which will be fried chicken this year, and we ask that you, the members, sign up to bring the appetizers, sides, and desserts.

The potluck is a good way for the show volunteers and vendors to catch up and celebrate the start of a great show. Please sign up to bring your favorite dish for 12+ people at:

<http://www.signupgenius.com/go/4090445a5a629abf49-vendor>

Show Volunteer Sign Up!!!

The show is nearly here and there is still a HUGE need for volunteers. With all the benefits that you derive from the club, socially and educationally, please use this time to give back. The show is our major event of the year and puts us on the national stage. We need your help to look good! Show your local koi club pride by supporting us as a volunteer!

Visit the sign up page at: <http://www.signupgenius.com/go/4090445a5a629abf49-20171>

For additional information, contact Ken or Diane.



Our well-attended August meeting was held at Koi Koi in Kennesaw. The storms cleared just 30 minutes before the meeting, and a tasty hamburger/hot dog dinner was provided by Koi Koi..



**Please remember our Sponsors:
Pondscapes of Atlanta and The Koi Store**



Amazing art donated by Harvey Siskin



Membership by Melanie Onushko

Hi Club! We are up to 140 members! The newest members are Chad Bishop, Ken & Marilyn Rose and Kory Motley, and Matt and Bricklin Riles. Welcome! Other new members that I may not have mentioned before are Susan Starr, Bryce Monaco, Brant Moll and Suzanne Lyon. We look forward to meeting you all at the next meeting and working with you at the Show in September.

The newest directory has been emailed. Please keep this for club use only, it is NOT to be used for solicitation or sale. Use it to locate club members near you. Maybe you can carpool to our next meeting. We will be switching back to Sunday afternoons. The next meeting will be September 10th at my house **520 Fawn Run, Alpharetta (Deerlake Subdivision)**. **The meeting will be at 3pm.** Board will meet at 2.

Jerry Johnson's estate has donated all koi related items to the club. For those of you who don't know, Jerry was a stockpiler, bargain shopper and was collecting items to expand his pond. We could always count on him to have a variety of food and medication on hand as well as spare pumps, aerators, etc. He took great care of everything and when he saw a good deal, he took advantage of it.

So, this is a great opportunity for Club members to upgrade your pond, add aeration, try new food, find out what chemicals an experienced hobbyist uses or get started in the koi hobby. There will also be aquarium decorations and filter items, not yet listed. Prices on the sheet are informational only so you have some idea of retail value. All items will be sold to the highest bidder. 2 items have a starting bid of \$100, the new Rhino bottom drain and the ORP meter. Everything needs to be sold that day, my husband wants to park in the garage again! I look forward to seeing you all **SEPT 10, 3pm.**

Items to be auctioned from estate of Jerry Johnson at September's meeting

ITEM #	DESCRIPTION	PRICE	QTY
8	AIR PUMP SETS, AIRMAX	\$54.00	1
1	NET SOCK Matsuda	\$122.00	
2	NET SOCK MESH	\$120.00	
3	AUTO FISH FEEDER	\$87.00	
4	HEATER AQUATOP	\$20.00	
5	SCALE	\$15.00	
6	PUMP DANNER 9.5 SUBMERSIBLE		
7	PUMP BECKETT SUBMERSIBLE		
9	AIR PUMP SETS, AQUASCAPE	\$58.00	1
10,11,12	AIR PUMP SETS, TETRA WHISPER W/ HOSE AND AIRSTONE	\$20.00	3
13	BOOK THE ULTIMATE KOI, NICK FLETCHER	\$50.00	
14	OXYGEN TANK W/ REGULATOR, HOSE AND WAND	\$310.00	
15	FILTER TETRA PRESSURE PFL1500	\$173.00	
16	PUMP WAYNE UTILITY PUMP	\$171.00	
17	TUBING, WEIGHTED HOSE	\$40.00	
18	NET TALL Python	\$45.00	
19	AQUADYNE BOTTOM DRAIN	\$390.00	
20	NET 30" WITH POLE	\$100.00	
21	PUMP PONDMASTER 750	\$96.00	
22	NET SEINE W/ 2-2LB WEIGHTS	\$20.00	
24	FOOD BAG SAKI GROWTH		
25,26	TREATMENT BROAD SPECTRUM	\$46.00	2
28,29	POTASSIUM PERMAGANATE 1 LB	\$15.00	2
27	TREATMENT MINN FINN PLUS	\$95.00	
30	TREATMENT CLORAMAX	\$70.00	
31	CLOCK	\$15.00	
31	FOOD SAKI GROWTH 4.4 AND CONTAINER	\$60.00	
32	FOOD SAKI COLOR 4.4 AND WHITE CONTAINER	\$69.00	
32,33	BLUE BOWLS	\$40.00	2
34	BLACK TUBS W/ ROPE HANDLES	\$20.00	2
35	BLACK KEG TUB	\$18.00	
36	DIY AEREATOR	\$20.00	
37	DIY FILTER SYS W/ PUMP	\$50.00	
38	DYI UPFLOW FILTER W/ SPONGE BAGS	\$50.00	
39-44	FLOATING PLANTERS	\$30.00	6
45	BLUE MESH BOWL/Barley Extract/book/gloves	\$60.00	
46	ORP METER	\$215.00	
47	SET: BOOK PLANT BASKET, TEST KIT AND MESH BAG	\$30.00	
48	POOL NETS	\$8.00	2
49	POSTER	\$10.00	
50	RUBBERMAID HOLDING TUB 150 GALLON	\$120.00	
51	RUBBERMAID HOLDING TUB 100 GALLON, LEAKS	\$85.00	
52	TREATMENT SODIUM THIOSULFATE Clear Container		
53	TREATMENT SODIUM THIOSULFATE Orange Bucket	\$100.00	
54	FOOD PREMIUM COLOR Orange Container	\$70.00	
55,56	TREATMENT TRICIDE NEW 110G	\$72.00	
57	TREATMENT KAIZEN PROTREAT 1/2 container	\$40.00	
	BOOK PROFESSIONALS BOOK OF KOI, BARRIE		
	FILTER CLEARSTREAM		5
	TEST KIT	\$24.00	
	TREATMENT BIOLOGICAL CLARIFIER	\$35.00	

ATLANTA KOI CLUB

August 12, 2017 – held at Kol Koi

Topic: Unknown

Attendance: Unreported

Monthly Officer Meeting Minutes

Executive Officers:

Office	Name	Term	Present
President	Diane Giangrande	2017-2019	X
Vice-president		2016-2017	
Secretary	Ken Jett	2017-2019	
Treasurer	Ron Scott	2016-2017	X
Equipment Manager	Jim Dricker	2017-2019	X

Appointed Chairpersons:

Committee	Name	Present
2017 Auction	Gary Elmore	X
2017 Pond Tour	Melanie Onushko	X
2017 Show	Diane Giangrande	X
Membership	Melanie Onushko	X
Web Master	Michael Anderson	X
Newsletter	Robert Chaffer	X
AKCA Rep	Gary Elmore	
Publicity	Karoy and Chery Jacobs	
Volunteers	Ken Jett	

Executive Team Meeting

Secretary was absent. Per president, general updates about show progress and a review of information to welcome and bring newly elected equipment manager, Jim Dricker, up to speed.

Meeting was the held at Kol Koi.

Please send corrections or updates to Ken Jett at kenjettmiami@gmail.com with “AKC Meeting Minutes” in the subject line. No corrections were identified in last month’s minutes.