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August, 2017

By the Pond

by Diane Giangrande

Hi All,

As you are all now aware Jerry Johnson passed away on July 22nd. Jerry's passing will leave a void in my life, but more importantly it will leave a void in the club. I want to share a note I received from someone in the hobby, but outside the club. It read:

["To fill the void left by Jerry, it may require one; it may require six. That part is not important. The important part is that the void is filled. Not for the sake of the club...that would be a side benefit. More importantly to honor Jerry and not make all his hard work go for naught.](#)

[That would be the sad part.](#)

[The right way to honor Jerry and all of his hard work, his blood, sweat, and tears, would be to keep going with what you and he started.](#)

[That is how to remember Jerry, and to honor him."](#)

I could not have said this better if I tried. This year's show is the 3rd year that Jerry and I were co-chairs. It was our goal to grow the show. Last year was the best show the club has had in years and this year is on track to be even better. The single biggest frustration for us, as show co-chairs, is the lack of participation from club members. The best way to honor Jerry, and all his hard work, is to jump in and participate in the show. This can happen in several ways – show fish, sponsor a trophy, and/or volunteer at the show. All of these things directly affect the success of the show. I am deeply saddened that he will not be at the show this year, but let's make him proud by making this the best Atlanta Koi Club show ever!!

The August meeting is at Kol Koi Pondscapes – info below. I hope to see everyone there.

Thanks,
Diane

For those of you who volunteer at the show we will have a raffle for a fish again this year. The fish we are using this year is a nice kujaku tosai that Jerry purchased at The Koi Store and hadn't picked up yet. The fish has been put in the mud so it will get some nice growth before the show. The Koi Store will bring the fish to the show and place in their dealer tank to be entered in the show. The show Sign Up Genius will show how many tickets you get for each volunteer position you fill – it will be noted as 1RT, 2 RT, etc. where 1RT = 1 raffle ticket. The more you volunteer, the more raffle tickets you get. Each year we will continue this tradition of raffling a fish for volunteers. This will be called the Jerry Johnson Memorial Volunteer award. Here is a pic of the kujaku:



Jerry's family has very generously donated all of his koi stuff – equipment, food, etc. to the club (excluding what is installed on the pond). Several items will be used at the show for the auction at the banquet and store raffles. The rest will be available to members via auction at the September meeting. There will either be a live auction or a modified silent auction – details will follow.

Annual Show Volunteer Sign-Up Coming Soon!!!

We are currently putting the final touches on the volunteer sign-up roster for the koi show. There are several changes that will hopefully allow for an enhanced public experience along with a greater sense of organization on the backstage side of things for members.

I will email the active link once we are ready. To entice you a bit, there are a couple of new roles that we looking to fill: a social media darling and a visuals enhancement officer! Simply speaking, we've found that we all get too busy to post live on our social media page and have yet to have time to put up the banners that we have.

If you want to help prior to the show, please contact me directly and we will be happy to put you to work on some behind-the-scenes pre-show tasks!

The Sign Up Genius is now live. Please sign up here: <http://www.signupgenius.com/go/4090445a5a629abf49-20171>

Ken Jett, volunteer coordinator

**Please remember our Sponsors:
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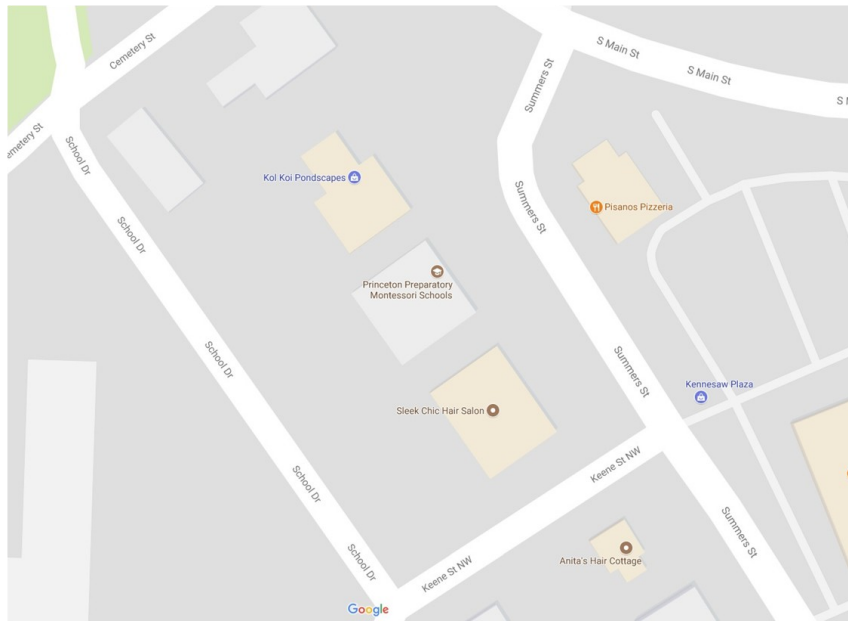
August Meeting Info:

Saturday, August 12th
Kol Koi Pondscapes
2731 Summers Street
Kennesaw, GA 30144

Executive board at 5:00 PM, Meeting 6:00 PM

From Rich Carter:

Parking at our place, and behind Chic hair.....and along school street. Or across the street at Pizanos.



Quarantine Procedure for Fish

Erik L Johnson DVM (from September, 1995)

Quarantine is the best method to reduce disease introductions. Let me outline a quarantine facility and protocol as if the fish we were discussing were quite valuable. First, a large facility is required, 100-150 gallons is good.

It should have a fully cycled filter sponge or other type of effective nitrification system, fully operational.

A quarantine with bad water is infinitely worse than no quarantine at all.

Temperature should be 78 degrees in quarantine.

pH should be supported with neutral buffer dosed according to label instructions.

You should dose the quarantine with 0.3% salt (Non-iodized salt at 3 teaspoons per gallon).

The quarantine should be completely covered because they like to jump out, and that can be costly.

You should check Ammonia and pH in quarantine each day. Ammonia should be ZERO.

You should feed an antibiotic food during the stay in quarantine.

The facility can be safely treated with Dimilin while in quarantine, even with the salt, etc. This will stop the introduction of Lerneiid and Branchiurian parasites.

Finally, the quarantine should be of a 14-21 day duration, so long as water quality can be supported with changes, etc. as needed.

Good luck.

The Koi Store is having a pond pull/fish sale with 10% of all fish sales going to the club for the Jerry Johnson Memorial Fund.

Info is as follows:

When: Saturday, August 26th

Where: The Koi Store
3231 Flat Rock Rd
Watkinsville, GA 30677

Schedule:

9-11 AM - gather, eat donuts, drink coffee & get ready

11 AM - 12:30 PM - pull pond #1

Pond contains 80+/- Yamasaki nisai (a mix of regular and long fins) all picked by Carl in Japan

12:30-1:30 - lunch

1:30 - 3:00 PM - pull pond #2

Same mix, but about half are customer koi

3:00 PM - ? - hang out

Details:

If you purchase a fish from a pond you can elect to it put back in the mud until the weekend of November 18th. This will give 12 more weeks of growth at a lower stocking density. There will be a charge of \$50 if your koi goes back in the mud.

If you purchase a fish from a pond and don't want it to go back in the mud, there are 2 options.

First, all fish pulled from the mud will go through The Koi Store's clean up protocol. After that you can either pick up your fish at The Koi Store or they will bring it to the show and you can take it home from there. If the koi is brought to the show it can be entered in to The Koi Store's dealer tank for judging.

It is always a fun day at The Koi Store. If you want to bring something, dessert would be good. Also, although not required, as RSVP would be nice so they can plan for lunch accordingly. Please RSVP by replying to this email.

Remember: Good tip from AZ Ponds

Every process that happens in the pond is dependent on oxygen. This is especially important at night when plants are not converting CO2 into oxygen. Dissolved oxygen levels are also generally lower in warmer water temperatures. Pond aerators oxygenate your pond, helping all biological processes and creating a more stable environment, resulting in healthier fish and plants.

The AKC website has been prepared to make it easy to purchase exhibitor tanks and aquariums,, vendor booths,, trophy sponsorships,, and banquet tickets.. On the AKC home page there are links to the General Show info page,, plus links to the detailed info pages for Exhibitors and Vendors.. We have tried to make registering as an exhibitor or a vendor as painless and paperless as possible.. Remember that we sell out of show tanks every year. So register now to secure your show tanks,, aquariums, banquet tickets, and your choice of trophies to sponsor!!



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Summer Social

A fine time was had by all at the Koi Club's Summer Social held at Diane's house. With the main culinary feature of do-it-yourself tacos, supplemented by pot luck donations by all, no one was left hungry. Diane's pond is unique in that half of it is inside, and half is outside, with a channel connecting the two. Also featured was her Bakki Shower. It was featured in our June, 2017 Newsletter with the details of construction.



Koi Varieties - Simplified

by John Nichols, AKC Show Chairman 1995

The following article is intended to help you classify your fish for the show

1. Kohaku - Red markings on a white background.
2. Taisho Sanke - Red and black markings on a white background. There should be no black on the head. Normally no black is below the lateral line except black may appear on the fins.
3. Showa Sanshoku - Red and black markings on a black background. Black should appear on head and below lateral line and on fins.
4. Utsurimono - White, red, or yellow markings on a black background. Black should appear on head and below lateral line and on fins. (A Showa with black and only one other color).
5. Bekko - Black markings on a white, red, or yellow background. There should be no black on the head. Normally no black is below the lateral line except black may appear on the fins.
6. Asagi! Shusui: Asagi - the back is blue with each scale outlined in white giving a net like pattern. The light blue head should have no markings. The stomach, base of pectoral fins and around the gills should be deep orange or red. Shusui - a doitsu Asagi. Scales appear on the dorsal and may appear on the lateral line but koi is otherwise scaleless.
7. Koromo - The red pattern is overlapped with a black or blue pattern. Reticulated scales appear on the red markings
8. Tancho - A red pattern appears on the head but nowhere else on the body.
9. Hikari-Muji - A single-colored metallic koi with no markings. Includes Matsuba or pine cone patterned koi.
10. Hikari-Utsurimono - A metallic koi with a black (Utsurimono or Showa) background.
11. Hikari-Moyo - A metallic koi other than a Hikari-Muji or a Hikari-Utsurimono.
12. Ginrin - The individual scales, or some of them, have a gold or silvery sparkle.
13. Kawarimono - All normal-finned koi that do not fit into any of the above categories.
14. Butterfly - Any koi with unusually large fins. Note: These are guidelines, highly simplified, and there are exceptions.

Make the Show!

July 15, 2017 – Home of Diane Giangrande

Topic: Summer Social

Attendance: 32

Monthly Officer Meeting Minutes

Executive Officers:

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

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

Executive Team Meeting

Previous Minutes: Motion made by Michael to accept minutes, seconded by Diane, and accepted unanimously by board.

Treasurer's Report: Provided by Ron with motion made to accept treasurer's report by Diane, seconded by Michael, and accepted unanimously by board.

Show:

Michael reported that website is ready.

Diane is still seeking more vendors.

Show pins were ordered without year and Diane will reorder.

General:

Discussion regarding need for by-law changes will be carried over to next meeting.

Ken delivered survey data to board for reading prior to discussion.

Discussion regarding relevance and need for newsletter with decision to keep for now.

Discussion about receipt of vendor letter along with consultations to date.

Discussion about needs relating to goldfish show tables and trailer clean out.

Motion was made to retrieve the club library from Coastal Pond Supply by Michael, seconded by Jerry, and accepted unanimously.

Motion made by Michael to withdraw from Koi Society of America, seconded by Diane, and passed unanimously.

Diane made motion to join K.O.I. as a group member, seconded by Jerry, and passed unanimously.

Diane made motion to adjourn, Michael seconded, passed unanimously.

Meeting was the summer social held at the home of Diane Giangrande.

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.