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# By the Pond

Hello Fellow Koi Pond Keepers,

For all who helped contribute to the Green family during their family disaster, all of us are truly grateful. We were deeply saddened to know some of the details of the aftermath and the loss they suffered and continue to experience. But through it all, they will re-build. I am reminded every day by the quickness and fragility of life and I am often reminded that some things are just out of our control. It's during these times that family and friends and maybe an extra special someone(s) can make grieving and re-bounding a bit easier. Thank you to those who have helped and will help the Green family through their grieving, regrouping and re-building. Your efforts, even a small gesture can go such a long way.

I'm back to pleading again! The AKC is going to need some speakers - We really need your help in promoting our social-distancing meetings. Our first Zoom meeting will, I believe, be one of many to come. Take your phone or mobile device and walk around your pond and tell us about it...show us what you've done....or even talk about your Koi background specialty.

I'll launch the first one and I am challenging many of you to follow suit!

# *When: Saturday, June 27<sup>th</sup> at 2:00 pm* **The AKC's FIRST "Zoom" Meeting**

### **Discussion:** (a) Pond Netting Ideas (b) Bakki Shower – Filtration

PS: "Zoom" is a visual and audio means to connect groups of people for meetings. You will need a Smartphone or computer equipped with a microphone, speaker, and camera. Most laptops and Smart phones have this.

You will be sent an email containing a link to the meeting. The link should open when you click on it. In the lower left of the screen there are two icons....one for audio, and one for video. By highlighting both of them, others will be able to see you and hear you. However, it is better to mute your mic unless you have something to say. (It picks up a lot of unwanted background noises.) In the upper right, you can see everybody by clicking on "groups".

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Some of you may need ideas for netting your pond – the brief video will discuss what my wife Rhonda and I have tried; what hasn't worked and what we have in place now.

In addition, some of you may need ideas to help control ammonia and nitrite levels in your pond. A Koi Bakki shower may help you in this regard. The brief video will show you what we achieved as a DIY on a reasonable budget.

During the meeting, I'll try my best to answer your questions. I'm learning this whole Zoom process so hopefully it will go relatively issue free. In the event that it doesn't, don't throw the tomatoes just yet!! Keep an open mind, bring some smiles...this is a first for the AKC! If you want to help by hosting an event, showcase your pond, your ideas or offer help with a Zoom meeting, please send me an email to <u>vp@atlantakoiclub.com</u>.

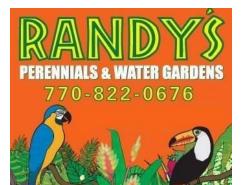
# \*You'll receive a separate email which will have the link to attend the meeting.

Stay safe, smile...And set a great example! See you on-line! Sincerely, Kevin McDonough *"Your* AKC VP"

Club members, I have 12 Gin Rin and regular Chagoi. They are 2 years old and atleast 9". If you don't have a Chagoi, you need one. They are considered pond puppies, very friendly. Please contact me if you're interested in coming to Alpharetta to pick one up. <u>Melanie\_o@comcast.net</u>.

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## Koi Organisation International

This is an organization that shares a lot of good information about Koi-keeping. Since there no longer is the Koi Magazine, this might be of interest to some. See the following comment:

Hi Folks,

Here's your K.O.I. News for June! Hope lots of your members take this opportunity to join K.O.I. - it's been years since we had a membership sale like this on-line, and next year, discounts will only be available at shows again!

Karen



# For Sale by Club Members



#### For Sale

GC Tek Zapp Pure ZP-20 UV - \$300

Needs new bulb (\$199.99), ballast (\$169.95) and maybe quartz sleeve (\$144.95)- retails for \$1,559.95. Replace part costs are from GC Tek - you can get less expensive parts online....(see Bob Chaffer) Specs as follows:

High Intensity-70,000 microwatt output.

316 Stainless Steel- not 304 like most stainless units.

Longlife Electronic Ballasts.

Optional GFIC protector.

Long 12' cord or longer by special order.

2" inlet/outlet.

4" Diameter keeps the water close to the lamp for maximum kill in a single pass.

4" Diameter vessel is the perfect size for no restriction flow.

Quartz Sleeve LeakTite fitting is all stainless, including the lock down nut - not troublesome plastic like some units.

Lamp changing is easy - takes only minutes.

Adjustable pressure switch equipped for automatic easy on/off as flow demands. If your pump fails this unit shuts off so you don't cook it.

Pressure switch bypass button equipped for easy testing of lamp and ballast.

Can be mounted horizontal or vertical.

Polished inside and out for maximum effect- some stainless steel UV's are polished only on the outside.

ZAPP 20.....43 in. tall....for ponds up to 20,000 gal. with optimum flow rate of 6000 gph.

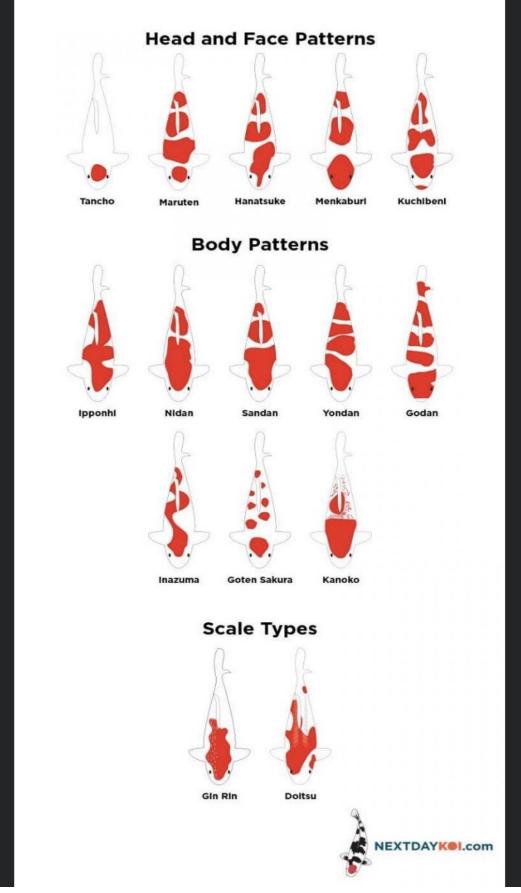
Draws only 86 watts

5 Contact Diane Giangrande @ <u>dianewg@aol.com</u>



# Symptoms of Koi Diseases & Parasites

C	ause	Treatment
Sill Flukes	(Dactylogyrus)	Treat with Praziquantel
Anchor W	orm (Lernaea) 🛛 🗩	Treat with Trichloracide or Liquid CyroPro
	>	Treat with Trichloracide or Liquid CyroPro
>> le	eches >	Treat with Trichloracide or Liquid CyroPro
		Treat with Praziquantel
		Treat with Terminate
a). Mitospora bloating, pin b). Capillaria	a (acites, severe econed scales)	<ul><li>a). No suitable treatment.</li><li>b). Treat with Praziquante.</li><li>c). Treat with Praziquantel</li></ul>
	<ul> <li>Gill Flukes</li> <li>Anchor W</li> <li>Fish Lic</li> <li>Mites (Hy</li> <li>The fish ar</li> <li>(Placobde</li> <li>Skir (Gyrod)</li> <li>Your fish Trice</li> <li>Three items</li> <li>Anchor W</li> </ul>	Fish Lice (Argulus) Mites (Hydrachnellae) The fish are infested with leeches (Placobdella montifera)



# Foam Fractionators Available

Back at the dawn of time....around 4 years ago....I built some concurrent foam fractionators for the club. They are called concurrent foam fractionators because the falling water pulls in air. Both water and air move down the vertical portion crashing and splashing into the media in the pipe. The result is proteins in the water create foam in the same manner as a kid does with a straw and a tall glass of whole milk.

So if you want to capture and move the proteins in your pond water, you might want to consider a foam fractionation. You pump 1500-1800gph of filtered water to the water inlet. You can use part of the flow from an existing pump or use a new small pump such as a Periha 10000. You plumb the water outlet port to return the cleaner water back to your pond system. The wye fitting will shave off the foam as the foam comes to the surface in the horizontal pipe.

I made 3 new Foam Fractionators. One sold before I could get the photo made. So there are now only two units left. The price does not include any installation. The price is includes the PVC device in the photo and the  $\sim$ 1 cubic foot of media that goes into the horizontal portion of the device. Each Concurrent Foam Fractionator is \$400. Payment is cash on delivery. My contact info is in the member directory.

Wishing all a safe and happy summer!!!

Michael Anderson





# Why do koi have barbels?

A: Koi have been growing trendy whiskers way before the hipsters made it cool! Those whiskers—or barbels—are a defining characteristic of the fish. Here's what they are, what they do, and why the popular pond fish has them.

#### Super-Sensing Organ

Barbels are sensory organs not unlike whiskers in mammals. Rather than being used for tactile sensing, however, a fish's barbels are used for taste. Koi, along with catfish, goatfish, hagfish, sturgeon, zebrafish, some species of shark and other carp, have barbels. They use these taste bud-covered organs to search for food in murky water.

#### Tasting Without Ingesting

Koi and other carp have four barbels, with two on each side of the koi's mouth (termed "maxillary barbels"). The top two appear shorter than the lower two, but they all serve the same purpose: taste debris without actually ingesting it. Being omnivorous scavengers that forage along murky pond and river bottoms, it's a good survival skill to have.

#### Weird Appendages

As spring approaches and you start feeding your finned pals some **Spring and Fall Fish Food**, take a closer look at these weird appendages. Most koi (except those with mutations) have barbels—even koi fry have them! So go grab a **pond net**, catch a koi or fingerling, and look closely to see them.

#### Atlanta Koi Club Financial Statement

As of May 29, 2020

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<u>BEGINNING CHECKING ACCOUNT</u>	\$13,132.6
<u>BALANCE:</u>	5
INCOME STATEMENT	
Income	
Total Income	\$0.00
Expenses	
1100 Rent	
Monthly	
1101 Rent Feb.	\$185.00
2700 Membership	\$ <b>2</b> (00
2735 KOI USA	\$26.00 <b>\$211.00</b>
Total Expenses	\$211.00
Month Net Income/	
(Loss)	(\$211.00)
ENDING CHECKING ACCOUNT BAL-	\$12,921.6
<u>ANCE:</u>	5
PETTY CASH:	
Beginning Balance:	\$136.00
Income:	
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Monthly	
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Total Income:	\$0.00
Expenses:	\$0.00
Total Expenses:	\$0.00
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Ending Balance:	\$136.00