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March, 2021

By the Pond

Okay everyone, where's the goldfish and koi food? ...It's starting to warm-up outside! Wahoooo!

A special "thank you" to AKC Secretary Kim Munie and his wife for making the February AKC Zoom meeting possible in my absence. When Kim later responded with "that was easy", I quietly said, "Yay!"... Maybe I'll convince him to do a few more! :) Seriously though, Thank you both!

The Koi Store has truly been a strong supporter of our AKC. In my year and-a-half tenure as the AKC VP, Vicki Vaughn and Carl Forss (owners of The Koi Store) have been very generous in volunteering their time, while making my job easier. Another special "thank you" to Vicki for making the most recent presentation possible (I'm sure Carl helped too!). Please contact Vicki and Carl at The Koi Store.

March 14th's Zoom meeting is featuring Pond Building pro Richard Carter (with the Kol Koi Pondscapes). Richard will be discussing Pond Building 101. He's a wealth of knowledge with all things pond designing, building and happens to also have nearly 30 years of fish-keeping experience. Please join our Zoom meeting on 14 March (3PM) and ask questions if needed. Simply put, you don't want a dummy speaking to you about designing your pond...much less building it! Do your research and seek out a professional...or better yet, call on Richard Carter with Kol Koi Pondscapes! Richard is a veteran expert in this area and other areas for that matter, and he will be discussing planning, designing and the how-to's (and the not-to's!) of Pond Building. Richard has been designing, building (and fixing many "ponds gone wrong") for over 18 years. He's also extremely knowledgeable in diagnosing fish diseases/parasites and while being an overall "fish-keeping" expert. His fish-related experience is nearly 30 years strong!

This meeting is not just for folks looking to build a pond, it's also for many of us who need a re-visit on important topics regarding pond-building and other related areas. In addition, Richard will discuss the ponds at Kol Koi, perform a quick tour of their facility and have a Question & Answer session during the meeting.

The AKC needs your volunteer help. If you have a koi/pond topic that you believe that the AKC members could benefit from, please let me know. We need your volunteer efforts to keep the AKC fresh and fun. If you can teach a topic and have some ideas for this or that...or how the AKC can help you, please let me know - email: vp@atlantakoiclub.org

"Get ready a few hidden Roman candles and bottle rockets and point them at the herons when they land near your pond...Wait, then quietly light the fuse!"
Stay safe and healthy, Kevin "Your AKC VP"

MEMBERSHIP Melanie Onushko

We have had a lot of new members recently! This is a great time to get started with the club, and we are happy to have you all. We look forward to meeting you at the auction! Very soon, a sign-up sheet will come out for you to volunteer at the auction. All the jobs are very easy, so don't be afraid to sign up for whatever sounds interesting. It's a great way to meet a lot of people quickly!

Welcome!

Deanna Byrd

David Ford

Claire Gloeckner

Mike & Bonnie Glefke

Mark Killick

Ed & Alana Mundy

Cheryl Pett

James Reuland

Mike Roach & Adam Therrell

Tom & Tammy Roberts

Stan Roth

KOI 101

Since AKC is a member of KOI International, we received permission to send out their document **"KOI 101"**. **KOI 101** can be a very good primer for any koi newbies and a refresher for current koi keepers. The topics in the KOI 101 can also set the stage for educational moments at our club meetings. This document is attached as a pdf file to our March meeting email for exclusive use by our club members

The document mentions the Certified Koi Keeper training. Our club members should know that AKC has a fund which will reimburse members for their costs if they successfully complete the KOI Certified Koi Keeper training or the AKCA Koi Health Advisor training.

There is value in AKC being a KOI member and there is also value in the individual AKC members having their own KOI memberships.

Michael Anderson

Per our last meeting med food is being made available to members for \$9 a pound. The deadline for ordering is March 24th and the food will be brought to the auction on April 24th (May 1 rain date). Please contact carl@thekoistore.com or vicki @thekoistore.com to order. Diane

2021 Fish Auction for Atlanta Koi Club members

The 2021 auction is scheduled for April 24th with a rain date of May 1. If you want to sell fish at the auction, you will need to register. The link to register is: <https://form.jotform.com/70255302898157>

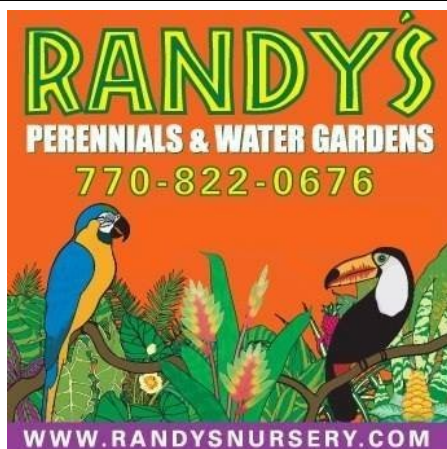
There is a 2 tank limit per member/household. Details can be found here: <https://atlantakoiclub.org/auctions>

If you have any questions, please let me know.

Thanks,
Diane

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Koi Emergencies: Are you prepared?



IT'S THE END OF the evening, the perfect time to sit down with your Koi, relax and watch the sunset except—what is that gash on your favorite Kohaku's head?! Panic sets in as you look closer. Looking at the other fish, they aren't acting right either. They seem to be gasping for air and uh oh, one just flipped over to show her belly. Are you prepared for a Koi emergency?

Now is the time to start a Koi first aid kit. In 20+ years of ponding, I've learned emergencies don't happen at convenient times and pond stores aren't open 24 hours. Putting together a basic care kit is relatively simple. You probably have some of the supplies already. For a handy list of emergency must-haves, see the First Aid Kit on the following page.

Items you will eventually need

QUARANTINE SET UP	For sick fish or new fish
A SMALL SCALE	Gram scale - 50 gr. minimum capacity, 0.1 gr. resolution
MICROSCOPE WITH SLIDES AND COVER SLIPS	
EXTRA WATER PUMP AND AIR PUMP WITH AIR STONE(S)	
SUMP PUMP TO HELP WITH EMERGENCY WATER CHANGES	Some people get excited about how fast a Nascar team can change tires. Hubby and I time 100% water changes in emergencies. Woo Hoo!
SOCK NET - DOES NOT HOLD WATER	For transferring fish into tub with premixed chemicals.
SOCK NET - HOLDS WATER	For transferring fish gently and easily.
SANITIZING/DISINFECTING TANK WITH DISINFECTING SOLUTION FOR NETS AND EQUIPMENT	
LARGE, HEAVY GAUGE PLASTIC BAGS, AND RUBBER BANDS	For fish transport and/or bag therapy.
OXYGEN TANK	

Develop a relationship with a vet if you don't have cats or dogs. Make an appointment. And go in before you have problems. Expect to pay for their time and services. Vets aren't hobbyists. Hopefully if you explain your situation in advance, when you need help, the vet will help with injectibles. The time to find out is now, not when the fish is too sick. ■



Cindy Badder has been a Koi hob-byist for over 30 years. Cindy is well known for her Koi embroidery and jewelry making and has been a Certified Koi Keeper since 2006. Reach her at ccbadder@gmail.com.

K.O.I. First Aid Kit

WATER TEST KIT	Preferred readings or ranges for the various important parameters:	Q-TIPS®	
	Ammonia: 0 ppm pH: 7-9 Nitrite: 0 ppm Nitrate: less than 50 ppm KH: 80-120 ppm	SMALL SPRAY BOTTLE	For spraying Tricide- Neo®
CLORAM-X® OR DECLOR AMMONIA BINDER®	AmQuel or ClorAm-X (one scoop = 30 cc's and treats 235 gallons/1066 liters) or other sufficient to treat the whole pond twice.	SPOON	
		MEASURING CUP – IDEALLY UP TO 2 LITERS	Volume measuring devices for tsp, mL, deciliter (1/10th liter), liter
BAKING SODA	To bring the pH and KH up quickly in case of a pH crash— Bind ammonia before bringing up pH! Very important that pH is stable and doesn't fluctuate.	PLASTIC STORAGE BAG	I keep extra ClorAm-X powder for emergency calls.
		PLASTIC BAGS LARGE ENOUGH TO MOVE FISH OR A COOLER WITH LID	Some vets insist on seeing fish to treat them.
THERMOMETER	For monitoring water temperature	EMPTY BOTTLE	Great for mixing ClorAm-X or mixing clove oil and makes a sharps container if you inject.
		PHONE # OF YOUR KHA ADVISOR FROM THE NEAREST CLUB	See page 84 or www.akca.org/kht/graduate
2 NETS	1 to catch the fish and a flat net to guide	TWEEZERS	
		SCISSORS	
2 LARGE RUBBERMAID® CONTAINERS OR KOI TUBS	10 gallons/45.5 liters or more for a treatment area and one for recovery	GLOVES	
		PROTECTIVE EYEWEAR	Wear whenever using medications. Fish shake, and your eyes are usually the target.
5 GALLON/22.7 LITER AND 2 GALLON/9 LITER BUCKETS	Volume measuring and chemical mixing	PADDED MAT FOR TREATING FISH ON	You can also use sheets of bubble wrap. A trash container lid with rolled up towels and a plastic bag to make a "cradle" for the fish.
		KOI FIRST AID BOOK	<i>Koi Health and Disease, 2006 Reload</i> by Erik Johnson, <i>Step by Step Advanced Koi Diagnosis and Treatments</i> by Duncan Griffith or <i>Advance Koi Care</i> by Nick St. Erne
CLOVE OIL AND AN EYE DROPPER	For putting the fish to sleep, should be available at the health food store or on line.	PROFORM C®	For treating Costia, Fungus etc.—have enough to treat the pond 3 times.
IODINE, BETADINE OR POVIDINE-IODINE	For disinfection	PRAZIQUANTEL®	For flukes
HYDROGEN PEROXIDE	For disinfection	DIMLIM®	For lice and anchor worm
TRICIDE NEO®	Order it in advance, stores don't carry it—it's a powdered antibiotic and can be used for dips, paste or spray. Spray can be stored in the refrigerator for up to 18 months. No prescription required.	CHLORAMINE-T®	To treat gill disease and flukes
DISTILLED WATER	To mix the Tricide- Neo®	SMALL BOTTLE OF VODKA	You read right! Great for dissolving Praziquantel®
DENTURE POWDER	Wound sealer	INEXPENSIVE TOOL BOX WITH YOUR TEST KITS	Store away from children and pets.
POTASSIUM PERMANGANATE	Use only with safety gear		
SIMPLE ROCK SALT			

Koi Net is an on-line magazine about koi and koi keeping. A subscription is free. <http://koinet.co.uk>.

Issue 31 is now available, plus previous issues.

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Issue 31

Welcome to Koi Net the On-line magazine for Koi Keepers, Koi Clubs and Koi Professionals. There are interesting articles, Koi Club News, Koi Dealers' News, listings of Koi Clubs, Koi Shows and Koi Auctions at the back of the magazine. Also there are links to the Advertisers' websites so you can easily visit for further information. Please click the link below to view your magazine:

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Atlanta Koi Club
Financial Statement
As of February 28, 2021

BEGINNING CHECKING ACCOUNT BALANCE:

\$12,220.04

INCOME STATEMENT

Income

2700 Membership

2730 Member Dues

\$388.00

2720 Name Badges

2745 Sponsorships

\$100.00

Total Income

\$488.00

Expenses

400 Insurance

410 Liability Insurance

\$440.00

2300 Koi Show

2350 Tank Rental REFUND

\$70.00

2310 Banquet Tickets REFUND

\$80.00

1400 Bank Charges

1466 PayPal Charges

\$13.14

1100 Rental Expenses

1101 Rent at Coastal Pond

\$370.00

Total Expenses

\$973.14

Month Net Income/(Loss)

(\$485.14)

ENDING CHECKING ACCOUNT BALANCE: 2/28/2021

\$11,734.90

Outstanding Checks:

\$774.87

12/10/20 1540 \$299.88

12/10/20 1541 \$49.99

12/29/20 1542 \$275.00

02/22/21 1544 \$150.00

PETTY CASH:

Beginning Balance:

\$136.00

Income:

2500 Miscellaneous Income

Raffle -
Monthly

2545 Meeting

Total Income:

\$0.00

Expenses:

Total Expenses:

\$0.00

\$0.00

Ending Balance:

\$136.00