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Rotary Hall, Sandgate Street, South Perth 7:30pm, on the fourth Wednesday of each month (except Dec)

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Wanneroo Recreation Centre, Scenic Road, Wanneroo 7:30pm, on the second Tuesday of each month.

NEXT GENERAL MEETING IS WEDNESDAY 22 APRIL 2009

NEXT NORTHERN BRANCH MEETING IS TUESDAY 12 MAY 2009

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MEMBER AUCTION—SUNDAY 3 MAY

WHERE: Beaufort Park Hall, corner Beaufort & Drummond Street

BEDFORD (near Morley)

WHEN: 10:30am, Sunday 3 May 2009

SELLERS: Book your bin by Sunday 26 April 2009

As bins and airlines need to be organised in advance, no late entries (or entries on the day) can be accepted.

This Auction is just for club members—you need to be a financial member to buy or sell koi at this event.

SELLERS

- You need to be a current member of KSWA
- You need to BOOK your bin by Sunday 26 April 2009
- To book please contact Bill Passey—phone 0438 357 732, fax 9535 7011 or email bpassey@bigpond.com
- Seller fees: 10% of your total sales goes to the club

BUYERS

- You need to be a current member (bring your membership card)
- You don't need to register, just show up on the day and get a bidding ticket!
- Buyer fees: extra 5% on final bid is payable to the club

Members are welcome to come along to the Auction even if they are not planning on Buying or Selling fish—there is no entry fee or obligation to purchase.

Our Member Auctions are continuing to grow with increasing numbers & quality thanks to all those who support them—we hope to see you at this one!

DID YOU KNOW?

THE KOI WE KNOW TODAY ARE ALL DESCENDANTS OF THE BLACK CARP KNOWN AS MAGOI.



WELCOME & NEWS

Welcome to the April issue of the KSWA Newsletter.

It's a busy time of year in the club, with the biggest event of the year (the Annual Show) happening in just over a month.

If you have any questions about entering the Show, come along to the April General Meeting or the May Northern Branch meeting, as this will be your last opportunity before the Show on Sunday 24 May.

At the April General Meeting on Wednesday 22nd April we will also be treated to a presentation by Rodney Hansen on koi genetics—see page 7.

The May Northern Branch meeting will be held on Tuesday 12 May and along with the Show preparations, we will be finishing up the Ultimate Pond Design workshop.

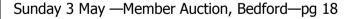
As usual both meetings will have a Question & Answer session if you want to get some advice & opinions from other members; and tea, coffee & biscuits. See the newsletter cover for venues and times.

Welcome to all our new members—we hope you and your families enjoy your time with the club.

Shona

Events Calendar

Wednesday 22 April—General Meeting, South Perth



Tuesday 12 May —Combined General & Northern Branch Meeting, Wanneroo

Sunday 24 May—Annual Koi Show, Cannington—pg 11

Monday 25 May—Annual Show Trophy Presentation Dinner, Langford—pg 13

CANCELLED! Wednesday 27 May—General Meeting, South Perth—pg 5

Tuesday 9 June —Northern Branch Meeting, Wanneroo



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KSWA SALES TABLE

All proceeds from your sales table are used as a fund raiser for your clubs needs. Please support your club by purchasing your requirements through the sales table.

Call KERRY CROSS on 9453 6509 or 0417 959 009

Items listed are a sample of what can be supplied

Keeping Koi In Australia \$20- Illustrated bible on koi keeping.

Water conditioners- Dechlorinator 2.5 litre \$37 Dechlorinator 5 litre \$64 Bionatural conditioner (concentrate) \$18

Water treatments- Koi anti parasite 250ml \$22.45

Koi anti ulcer 250mL \$24. 1 litre \$65 Koi anti bacteria 250mL \$22.45 Virkon S 100g \$15 Ammonia remover 250ml \$21.70

Test kits- Master test kit \$44 PH test kit \$10 GH & KH test kit \$12 Ammonia test kit \$22

Bacteria Agua \$10

Air pumps- Alita- 40 litre \$225, 80 litre \$350 & 120litre \$550 Air stones- Ceramic 50mm \$5 & 40mm \$4

Koi Handling- 60cm dia fine super mesh net \$70-excellent for sml koi Culling net 30cm dia \$30 Koi sock 30cm dia – water proof \$65

Filtration- Filter brushes- 60cm \$5.50, 75cm \$6 & 90cm \$7 ea

Koi food per 1kg- Fry powder \$13.20

Ocra Baby food sizes 1, 2, 3, & 4 \$13.20

Sekirin Japanese food \$17

Quick grow—small \$7.80, medium \$7.45

Koi King 500gm Growth Formula 5mm \$5.50

Koi King 500gm Excel Formula \$8

Koi king 500gm Wheat germ \$7

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WE WISH YOU GOOD KOI KEEPING IN 09

See full stock range and details:- www.aussiekoi.com

PVC PIPE—for members planning a pond build

There are two types of PVC pipes commonly used in pond construction.

- DWV (Drain, Waste & Vent pipe, also called Sewer pipe)
 Grey in colour, cheap & tough, mainly used for under ground work, from bottom drains, etc.
- Reticulation pipe (also called pressure pipe)

 White in colour, relatively cheap, used for garden/lawn reticulation, used in pond design for all pipework from pumps. UV's, etc.

Reticulation pipe & fittings can take more pressure than DWV, and hence are more expensive. In WA, we are lucky to have sandy soils so we can use DWV pipe under ponds without a problem.

For underground plumbing, use DWV pipe & fittings from the start as the two types can't be mixed & matched—if you accidentally start with a length of reticulation pipe, you'll have to continue using it for that entire section of plumbing (which can end up costing you quite a bit more).

Both types of pipe & fittings are available from hardware stores & plumbing supply shops. In Bunnings, they have several pipe sections which can be confusing—here is a summary: the DWV fittings & short lengths of DWV pipe are found in the plumbing section. The reticulation fittings & short lengths of reticulation pipe are found in the gardening section.

Long lengths of both types of pipe are in the trade yard, just look for "DWV" printed down the side of the DWV pipe.

Did you know that in WA koi ponds, DWV 100mm diameter pipe is the most commonly used pipe for plumbing bottom drains to filtration systems, however this pipe can only take a **maximum** of around 10,000 litres per hour in a gravity-fed situation.

WED 27 MAY GENERAL MEETING (South Perth) CANCELLED

The committee have decided to cancel the May General meeting (was scheduled for Wednesday 27 May in South Perth) as it is 3 days after the Annual Show, and 2 days after the Trophy Presentation Dinner.

TUES 12 MAY NORTHERN BRANCH MEETING (Wanneroo) will be COMBINED Northern & General Meeting

The last meeting before the Annual Show will be the Northern Branch meeting on Tuesday 12 May in Wanneroo, so this will be a COMBINED Northern & General Meeting. All Show-related matters will take place at this meeting including discussion of any outstanding issues, entry fee payment (if you want to pay before Benching Day), buying Trophy Presentation Dinner tickets, etc.

General Minutes 25 MARCH 2009

The president Bill Passey declared the meeting opened at 19h50. Number of members attending: 25

Apologies: Allan Bennett, Dave Gibson & Barry Ambler.

New Members: Kim Boag, Allan & Pam Bennett

Matters Arising from Previous Minutes: : None

Confirmation of Previous Minutes. Moved: Alan Peck, Seconded: Fred Sharp,

Carried by ALL as a true record.

Correspondence In: None

Correspondence Out: None

Treasurers Report: as at 25th March

Cheque account balance: - \$. Term deposit \$ Moved by: Ces Graham, Seconded: Kerry, Carried by ALL as a true record

Library: New member packs now available

Sales Table: No new products available

Table Show Results:

Table Show A Table Show B

1st Showa (small) Gin rin showa (small)

2nd Showa (large) Gin Rin shiro

3rd Shiro Gin Rin showa (small)

Congratulations to Rod Strang who owns & bred ALL of the 6 placegetters. Interestingly all fish showed immense quality even at being just 4 months old. Well done Rod and we look forward to seeing them at next years annual show.

ANNUAL SHOW

Rod Strang gave a brief synopsis of the progress to date and encouraged all members to take an active part in ensuring that this year's show is as equal if not better than previous years. Rod went on to explain the rule change in respect of the small blue tubs and sought the assistance of members in the following areas:-

- 1) Setup and take down of the show
- 2) Door and tea person (raised by Josie)
- 3) Attending to the judge (raised by Bill)
- 4) Team to take off and put on tub nets (raised by Rodney Hansen)
- 5) Signs and advertising (Liaise with Stuart Rowley)
- 6) Presentation night (Ces to make a booking with Langford Tavern at \$20 p/p)

NORTHERN BRANCH NEWS

Designing the Ultimate Koi Pond. We took a breather from our hard design work this meeting and expect to continue in the next month or so.

Monthly Raffle: This months raffle of a waterproof koi sock net was won by Sang

Unique Koi - Fred continued his presentation of unique koi, showing about 30 slides of some truly unique koi and challenging the audience to name each variety. Thanks Fred for an inspiring presentation. Come on all you radical koi breeders - let's see what you can do for WA!

May Meeting:

 The May Northern Branch meeting (7:30pm, Tues 12 May, Wanneroo Recreation Centre) will be a combined Northern & General meeting so any last minute Annual Show preparations can be dealt with

See you there!

Richard

The Northern Branch held its Easter Cup at the last meeting with members entering over 50 babies. This made the winning selection for our invited judges Alex Fasikas and Tony Cornwell very difficult. After much deliberation the inaugural Easter Cup was won by Phong Ta with a team of outstanding baby Sankes. The Chairman thanked all of those who participated: there efforts made it all worth while and we all look forward to another Easter Cup next year.



CORRECTION-NO MEMBER AUCTION ON 26 April

In the February newsletter, it was noted that there was a Member Auction planned for Sunday 26 April, to be run by the Northern Branch—please note that this event has been replaced by the Member Auction in Bedford on Sunday 3 May. See page 18 for all the details.

NORTHERN BRANCH NEWS

KSWA Northern Branch News

What a great meeting we had this month. FISH FISH everywhere! See below about our "Best of 4 Koi Competition". The meeting was really well attended. There was a number of returning visitors and new visitors and also some faces that we haven't seen for a while. Thanks all for coming to a meeting that saw around 35 koi fanatics there.

Pond Tour: A very successful KSWA pond tour was held on 5 April. At the April meeting Trish (who was at the tour) gave a run down on it. She spoke in glowing terms about the quality of the fish and water clarity. Thanks also to Des and Phong who did the cooking.

KSWA Annual Show: Judges for the annual show have been organised. We have one Japanese and one South African judge attending. The trophy night will be on Mon 25 May. Benching is on the Saturday before the show. Show packs are available for those who would like to show. Note that showing is free for first time exhibitors.

Best of 4 Koi Competition: This was the highlight of the meeting. Our "Best of 4 Koi Competition" saw around 50 fish entered in a table show with a difference. Each entrant brought groups of 4 fish that had been bred this season. Each group of 4 was judged by guest judges Tony Cornwell and Alex Fazekas. All sorts of koi varieties were present. A bright engraved silver trophy filled with Easter eggs was first prize. Results were:

- 1st Phong Ta with his four magnificent sankes. These four fish pushing 20cm at 6 months of age just HAD to be seen. Congratulations Phong on such an outstanding result for your first spawn.
- 2nd Allan Bennett with his four gin rin showas. The quality of these fish was outstanding and the fish were also of excellent size. Congratulations Allan.
- 3rd Rod Strang with his showas and ginrin showas. This entry was one with some tategoi in it, begging the onlooker to wonder how the fish might look in another year or two. Congratulations Rod.
- 4th Tim Leroy with his showa spawning. Congratulations Tim on some excellent quality fish.
- 5th Allan Bennett with his four ginrin shiro utsuris. These fish were of excellent size for their age with nice patterning and wonderful white. Congratulations Allan.

GENERAL BUSINESS

- 1) Seasonal changes and the need to treat the pond for aeromous bacteria and parasites was discussed. Varying views and opinions were debated including their pros and cons. These include but not limited to:-
- Formalin
- Potassium Permanganate
- Neguvon
- Salt baths
- 2) Colour enhancing food and its effect on "whites (shiro)" was also discussed. This was particularly pertinent in preparing fish for the upcoming show. Bill concluded by stating that increasingly this is no longer an issue as many koi food manufacturers are now producing food that can be fed all year round and include natural colour enhancers that do not discolour the fish. He did however qualify this by saying that ultimately it is a case of how much one is prepared to spend.
- 3) Freya raised a concern with excessive flies, midgies etc around her filters. Bill recommended (from personal experience) that these be best covered with black plastic rather than shade cloth that is currently being used.
- 4) Allan & Pam Bennett (new members) raised concerns with excessive power bills due to the water pump they were using. It was actively discussed and unanimously surmised that they explore alternative pumps with lower wattages. Kerry to assist.
- 5) 3 to 5 year membership option. To be discussed at the next committee meeting. This needs to be fully explored in conjunction with:-
- The current KSWA constitution
- Administrative protocol this would create
- Intentions of future committee/s considering we are only months away from an AGM.
- 6) Bill Passey put 2 fish in the auction and both were readily snapped up by eager bidders.
- 7) Bill demonstrated the art of net making (pictured right).
 Surprising this attracted many interested on-lookers who marvelled at his skill and precision. So much for those doubters who thought Bill was only all looks and plenty of body shape..

With nothing further to discuss Bill declared the meeting closed at 22h00.



JEWELS OF THE NORTH—our last pond tour

It was a windy Sunday morning—5 April 09. I'm sure we all woke up excited & looking forward to our first Pond Tour of the year.

Nestled in Perth's North - Regent Waters, Wanneroo our first visit was Phong Ta's pond (pictured). Well! if we missed breakfast no need to despair! A welcome banquet was put on by Phong – tea & biscuits, fruit juice, meat & cheese platter & more was on offer. But a glance over your shoulder quickly captured our attention when we saw Phong's pond. Through clever design and presentation, contrasting themes of a Oriental showpiece, he captured the very essence of a true Oriental Pond.

43 people turned up travelling from as far as Manjimup – Mandurah - Armadale and Fremantle. Well done to Ricky & Debbie for their epic journey from Manjimup. I'm told they were not disappointed in what they saw and what they were about to see for the rest of the tour.



Well what a impressive display of Koi Phong had on show, his Grand Champion of 3 years and other breathtaking Living Jewels graced his 50,000 litre pond in which he would have no more than 24 Koi. Phong has also 2 grow on ponds 7,000 litres each with his choice babies from this year's spawning, I guess we all looked at them with anticipation and predicting which one of these would be his next Grand Champion! A remarkable 2 hours quickly passed us by and we had to leave and venture on. Phong had obviously put a lot of thought and planning to meet the needs placed on the modern garden, we need to solve the shortage of space and yet retain a clean and uncluttered garden pond. Phong has achieved this, well done Phong, the Club would like to thank you for opening up your Pond and home for us all to see.

Thinking of a Tree Change? The convenience of a Rural Property within 10 minutes of suburbia? Welcome to Tim Leroy's property of 5 acres.

Another facet of Koi keeping as hobbyists is breeding. Tim's focus over the last two years has predominantly on breeding and raising Koi. This is very obvious when you venture down to view his tunnel house inside as we enter to the left are 5 round vinyl swimming pools approximately 5,000 litres each in which Tim spawns this adults in. On the right is a impressive 9mtr x 2mtr x 1.5mtr deep grow on pond. What a great expanse of water to grow your young Koi fingerlings of 3 months and onwards in.

Our Tim is a very innovative person who continually comes up with very simple and effective ideas that work well without the expense! I'm sure you all saw his big trickle filter on his grow on pond made up of plastic crates 2 wide and 3 high along with his construction of ponds made up from corrugated roofing lying length ways supported by 2 mtr deep pine logs and the insides lined with carpet and pond liner. This method of pond construction has been predominantly used though his nursery.

Annual Show Trophy Presentation Dinner

7pm, Monday 25 May 2009

Langford Tavern, Langford Ave, LANGFORD



Tickets are \$20 each, which includes a full buffet dinner. The venue is fully licensed and drinks can be bought at the bar on the night.

Bookings are essential, buy your tickets from Josie:

- at the April General meeting in South Perth
- at the May Northern Branch meeting in Wanneroo
- or contact Josie (*email* isole@bigpond.com or *phone* 9457 1517 after hours)

It promises to be a great event even if you haven't entered the Show yourself, so come along for a night of good food & fun.



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ENTERING THE ANNUAL SHOW

If you are interested in entering the Annual Show, our "Show Entry Pack" contains everything you need to know about entering including a copy of the Rules, an entry form and tips for preparation.

This pack is available

- on our web site www.koiclubwa.com
- from any meeting (General or Northern Branch)
- By phoning Shona on 9274 8535 to find out the nearest committee member you can collect a copy from



KSWA RENEWAL FEES NOW DUE—\$40

It's that time of the year again—please find a copy of the membership form enclosed. Renewal fees are \$40 per year. You can send forms & payment by post (cheque/money order only), or bring them along to any meeting (cheque/money order/cash)

You might notice a few changes to the membership form including a "Branch" tickbox. While the Branch that a member belongs to makes no difference in practical terms, the idea is that a portion of the fee goes to each member's Branch for local publicity & events to further grow the club. If you don't mind which Branch your membership is attached to, choose whichever Branch you live near so that there is a good spread of members in each Branch, and hence a fair share of funds for each to organise local publicity.

Members are not included or excluded from any event based on which Branch they belong to, everyone is welcome at everything!

The other portion of all membership fees (regardless of the member's Branch) stays with the KSWA Committee to pay for expenses such as the newsletter, Annual Show, Sales Table supplies, etc.

We hope you will join us for another year.

As you leave the tunnel house to your right is Tim's Nursery a covered enclosure of approximately 8mtrs wide x 30 mtrs long consisting of 4 ponds of 18,000 each and 2 ponds of 14,000 each a total of 100,000 litres of water to raise your fry in. Tim will hatch his fry in the tunnel house and transfer them into his nursery after hatching between 14 to 21 days. He keeps the fry in the water system by controlled aeration recirculatory water that can be easily drained and refilled with fresh water.

Once the culling and careful selection of prized babies is made Tim will then transfer them back into the tunnel house into his grow on pond before Winter arrives. He hopes to benefit from the warmer water temperatures thus this will in turn deliver a good rate of growth during the cooler night and day temperatures of Winter. Wouldn't we all love to have all this room at our disposal to raise our young Koi, like me I'm sure most of us envy the room Tim has at his disposal. Last but not least! we had to see Tim's prized Koi OH YES! Another 3 ponds on the northern side of his house 11,000 litres each. In these ponds he keeps his males and females separated, absence makes the heart grow fonder he reckons – where have I heard that before???

We all could have spent a lot of time here but time soon marched on. We now must leave this picturesque property-can you imagine... what ever time of the year it is you will see nature at it's best where the natural landscape dominates! My Dream Block. Thanks Tim for opening your home giving us another insight into keeping Koi.

Wouldn't we all like to escape the hustle and bustle of city life? We are now on our way to Allan & Julie Bennett's pond. Tucked away on the edge of Eastern Wanneroo to the leafy suburb of Gnangara. On arrival we travelled along the well manicured hedge that lined the driveway to the rear of the 3 acres of Allan & Julie's property. We were well greeted by their dogs that made us feel so welcome. There are always new surprises and I loved the reaction of surprise expressed by many people who saw Allan's beautiful Pond. This Pond was built for relaxing by on warm Summer evenings outdoors. Complimentary and contrasting textures of colour, the different levels of paving and decking and the pond created a play of shades and ease of depth, the smooth and spiky foliage, the sound of splashing water created interest.

Guess who were at the window to greet you? Koi in all their glory! All sizes and different colours a sight to behold! This pond had a great front viewing window you can see in and they (Koi) can see out! Koi viewing at this pond is easily done from a number of angles, side on looking in, front window viewing for a underwater perspective & top viewing via the upper decking. Allan's pond so far was the biggest we have seen today 80,000 litres the pond measuring a massive 10mtrs x 3mtrs x 2.5 mtrs depth. Allan's collection of Koi mainly consisted of his own breeding and were of the highest quality and standard a true reflection of his commitment of selective breeding, passion and the love of these magnificent Koi.

Lunch was imminent as the aroma from the barbecue started to fill the air and our tummies started to rumble, hamburgers, sausages, and fish were on offer. Our chefs for the afternoon were Phong and Des— a great job gentlemen, eat your heart outGordon Ramsay!

The rest of the afternoon was taken up with little tours by Allan showing members his breeding program, baby Koi lots of potential of future champions here! and his grow on ponds. Allan has many large grow on ponds and his philosophy of plenty of water per fish ringing true to our ears as have seen here today many baby Koi having achieved great growth rate from this year's spawn. One thing I did notice is that the size of all the Koi is consistent with the age of the spawning, that's important and tells you that you have to be doing something right!

Well all good things must come to an end, people were to go home really inspired by what they have seen today, a truly enjoyable day was had by all. Thank you to Allan & Julie for opening their home and pond and allowing us to enjoy lunch in their company, it looks like we have to let them both enjoy another relaxing evening along side their beautiful pond.

Thanks to all members North & Central Branches for making this a successful day. Fred Sharp.

At the April General Meeting, Rodney Hansen will be giving an informative presentation on Koi Genetics in Breeding– a visual and scientific presentation of:

- History of koi breeding
- · Out crossing and cross breeding
- Probabilities and possibilities
- Difficulties & likely outcomes

Date & venue of this meeting is on the front cover.

ZNA Membership & Magazines

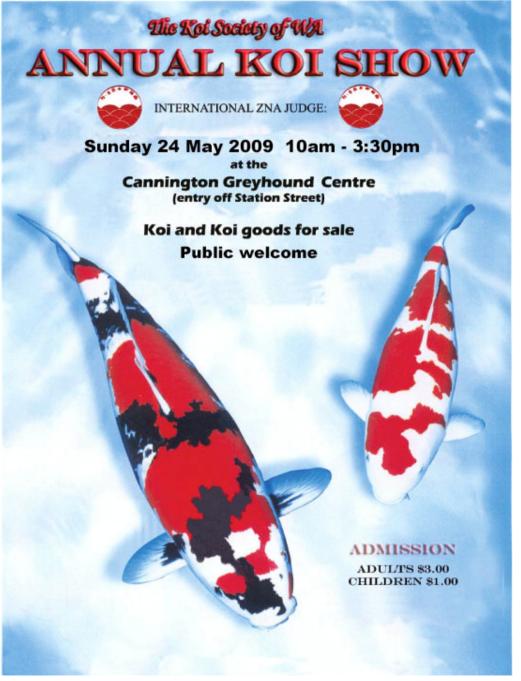
The Zen Nippon Airinkai is an amateur koi keepers association based in Japan, who offer various activities and events to promote koi keeping. We are proud to be the West Australian Chapter of the ZNA. The ZNA also supply a qualified judge for our Annual Show.



ZNA memberships run from May to April of each year. We encourage all members to join the ZNA as you'll receive their **quality koi magazine each month**, as well as show your support for the KSWA as a ZNA Chapter.

ZNA membership is 9000 yen per year, which is approx AUD\$125 (16-04-09 exchange rate). **You pay only 75%** of this fee, with the club covering the other 25%.

As the exchange rate changes constantly, the easiest way to pay is to bring your completed form to any meeting along with cash or cheque. If you would prefer to post your form & payment, please contact Josie to find out the fee & where to send it (*email* isole@bigpond.com or *phone* 9457 1517 after hours)



Entry for members is free—please bring along your membership card. Non-member entry is \$3 for adults and \$1 for children.

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