

NEWSLETTER



Grand Champion - Hong Kong Koi Club 31st Koi Show
Owner: Mr. Leung Ting Chee
87cm / Sakai Koi Farm

Northern Branch Meetings

Wanneroo Recreation Centre, Scenic Road, Wanneroo
7.30pm, second Tuesday of each month

Next Meeting: 11th April

Agenda: Jun has a presentation from the All Japan Show. Annual Show Preparation. Chase the Ace \$900. Plus more..!

Southern Branch Meetings

Rotary Hall, Sandgate Street, South Perth
7.30pm, forth Wednesday of each month (except December)

Next Meeting: 26th April

Agenda: To be advised

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Welcome & News

Welcome everyone to the March edition.

It's now 2 months until the Annual Koi Show so make sure you have picked which fish you are going to enter so you can get pictures of them and make your entry on our [website](#). You can also find the [show entry pack](#) for all the details on the show. Plus now is the time to be conditioning these fish ahead of show day.

There is a page of info from the Show Chairperson on page 4.

If you haven't shown before, your first time is free and it's pretty simple. If you need any help you can contact one of the committee or show chair.

The Show Presentation dinner will again be on the Monday night following the show and will be at the restaurant at Willow Pond. More details will be available next month.

The Auction on the weekend was a great success, thanks to Allan for stepping in and Auctioneering and the rest of the admin and logistics team that help out to make the whole event run so well.

Memberships for both KSWA and ZNA are due in April. The cost for KSWA renewal will be \$50 and for the ZNA will be \$140. You should have received an email with details on these memberships. If not please see your membership officer at the branch or email membership@koiclubwa.com

In the meantime, happy koi keeping everyone!

KSWA Financial Report - February 2017

2017 Event Calendar

Tuesday 11th April - Northern Branch Meeting, Wanneroo

Wednesday 26th April - Southern Branch Meeting, South Perth

Tuesday 9th May - Northern Branch Meeting, Wanneroo

Wednesday 24th May - Southern Branch Meeting, South Perth

Sunday 28th May - Annual Koi Show, Willow Pond Canning Vale

Tuesday 13th June - Northern Branch Meeting, Wanneroo

Wednesday 28th June - Southern Branch Meeting, South Perth

27th Annual Koi Show

Sunday 28th May 2017

Willow Pond
459 Nicholson Road
Canning Vale

Family Friendly
Free Entry
10am - 2pm

**See Hundreds of WA's
Biggest & Best Koi**

**Koi & Dry Goods
For Sale**
**Plus Pond & Garden
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Champion

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**International
ZNA Judges**



Annual Koi Show News

Dear Members,

Our Annual Show is fast approaching on Sunday 28 May 2017. I'm looking forward to serving as the Show Chairperson again this year, and hope to see you all at the event.

* Online entries are now open on the website (direct link available on our homepage www.koiclubwa.com).

* If you don't have a computer, you can bring 1 photo of each fish to any meeting with class/variety/size written on the back, and I will scan and enter them.

* The logistics are unchanged from last year: our location in the beautiful gardens at Willowpond; the water which will come from the same water truck source as previous years; and our hard-working team (Des as Chief Steward, Brett H as Logistics and Kevin as Sponsorship/Advertising) as well as the entire committee who help out.

* The only rule change is that members can now enter 3 fish per variety per class instead of 2 previously.

* The latest copy of the Show Entry Pack has been added to the website (on the Forms page or there is a link straight from the homepage)

* Confirmed judges are:

Tan Lee King - assistant certified - Singapore - head judge

Wilhelm Geldenhuys - local certified - South Africa

Lee Nguyen - local certified - Sydney, AU

* First time Exhibitors pay no Show entry fees as always. We are here to help whether it's which variety to enter a fish in, or advice on transporting your fish to the Show. Call me anytime on 0428746620, email info@koiclubwa.com, or come along to any meeting.

* Show entry fees are the same as before: Junior Exhibitor free, Table Show/Young Champion free, all other classes are \$10 per fish capped at \$100 max.

* Members wanting to sell fish - details are the same as last year: 5+ fish in the Show, \$80 per bin (max 2 bins) and the cost includes water (from same trucks as Show water), air pump and main line. Members to provide their own bin/s, airstones, airline/fittings, bags and oxygen.

* Presentation dinner will be at Willowpond on the Monday night, further details will be in the next newsletter.

Thank you and looking forward to seeing all your fish!

Shona Macskasy
Show Chairperson

Koi Term Glossary

Here are some terms used in the Koi world. Did you know some or all of these?

Teri – (*TEH ree*) Gloss or luster. Skin shine. Koi produce a secretion called the slime coat on the surface of the body to protect the skin. Healthy Koi produce a lot of this secretion and it creates a shine over the body. Unhealthy Koi produce less secretion and thus the skin does not seem to have sheen. This sheen is called Teri.

Chobo Sumi – Dark spot found on the heads of young fish that is caused by the thin transparent skin at the location. The area appears dark because you are looking through the skin at the skull. Pure white skin on the nose that has a transparent effect shows potential for the clean, white skin desired in the mature koi's head.

Kamisori – (*kah MEE soh ree*) Razor border pattern that cuts across the scale. Straight line kiwa across a scale Kamisori means razor, and it describes the razor-like edge to the kiwa which runs through individual scales.

Enyu – (*EHN yoo*) A doitsu koi with a white body and red markings whose mirror scales are platinum; pale blue speckles may be interspersed within the red and white color of the dorsal surface.

Kuchibeni – (*KOO chee BEN eee*) A red-lipped koi. Looks like lipstick.

Fukurin – (*FOO koo reen*) Mesh pattern or reticulated effect (vignette) involving scales and skin. The area of skin around the smaller scales of good metallic Koi. The smaller the scales, the greater the lustre.

Hashiri Sumi – Running Sumi. Hashiri means 'run'. Sumi that is scattered in stripes (rather than Motoguro) on the pectoral fins of Showa Sanshoku. The term is also used to describe the striped Sumi on the pectoral fins of Taisho Sanshoku. The term is used only for the pectoral and tail fins but not for Sumi on the body.

Hoshi – (*HOH shee*) Opening or window within the pattern.

Kuragake – (*KOO rah GAH keh*) Wearing a saddle. A pattern that crosses the back of the koi like a saddle on a horse. Term used to describe a pattern that crosses over the backbone and covers both sides of the body in the shape of a horse's saddle. It is one of the most stable patterns. It is usually used to describe a Hi pattern but it could also describe a Sumi pattern.

Nesai – (*NEH say*) Over one year, and up to two years old - referring to koi age.

Thanks to koimudpond.com for the these terms.

KSWA Store Sponsors

The KSWA has contacted the local fish stores to arrange a special discount for our members to receive when they purchase from their store.

All you need to do is show your membership card at point of sale. We have sent all membership cards out via email so check your inbox or request it from us at membership@koiclubwa.com. You can either show it from your device or print it out and keep it with you.

We thank the following stores that are currently offering this discount.



26 Woodvale Drive, Woodvale
Phone: 9409 9248
Open 9am-5pm Monday to Saturday
Open 11am to 3pm Sunday



4 / 176-178 Bannister Road, Canning Vale
Phone: 9455 1411
Tuesday – Friday: 9:30am to 5:30pm
Saturday – Sunday: 9:30am to 5pm



Cnr Carrington & Forsyth Streets, O'Connor
Phone: 9314 7630
Monday to Friday: 9.00am - 5.30pm
Saturday: 9.30am - 5.00pm
Sunday & Public Holidays:
11.00am - 4.00pm (Most Public Holidays)



8/1500 Albany Hwy
Cannington WA 6107
Phone: 9458 1970
Monday - Wednesday, Friday
8:30am till 6pm
Thursday 8:30am till 9pm
Saturday 8:30am till 5pm
Sunday & P/Hol 9am till 5pm
CLOSED Jan 1, Australia Day,
Good Friday & Christmas Day



2316 Albany Hwy, Gosnells
Phone: 9490 2510
Monday, Wednesday - Friday: 9.00am - 5.30pm
Saturday: 9.00am - 5.00pm
Sunday: 10.00am - 5.00pm
Closed Tuesday & Public Holidays

Advertising

The club is offering some advertising space on the trailer which we take to each fish related event several times a year. It would be seen on the freeway and roads by many others on the way to and from these events as well. This is great way to help the club fund raise and to advertise your business.

We have 1 spot left on a 3 year term for just \$300. You will be able to put your advertising on both sides of the trailer to ensure it is always seen. You will need to provide the advert in adhesive sticker form at a size equivalent to A2 Poster paper, which is roughly 60x40cm in landscape format. We can help put you in touch with someone able to produce this for you.

Any club member is free to advertise any business they like, it doesn't have to be koi or pond related, subject to committee approval.

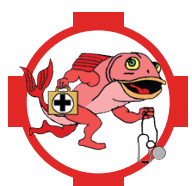
If you are interested please contact the committee info@koiclubwa.com to secure your spot.

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- Public Aquaria
- Aquaculture
- Medicines
- Diagnostics
- Research
- On-site Veterinary Services
- Lab Services



The Fish Vet

The Fish Vet – Dr Richmond Loh *BSc, BVMS, MPhil, MANZCVS, CertAqV*
thefishvet.com.au | thefishvet@gmail.com | 0421 822 383



KSWA Northern Branch – March Meeting

Date: March 14, 2016

Attendance: 25

Apologies: Brett T, Alan, Tony H

Meeting opened at 7.38pm. Welcome to two new members Nigel and Kris.

Des had 3 questions on Ki Shusui then showed some young fish which was his first attempt to create ki shusui. A number of these fish looked very promising and Des was congratulated with 'giving it a go'. This variety had not been attempted in Oz before. As you would expect, none of the babies turned out exactly how Des would have liked them. However it is early days yet with a lot of development still come in the next 12 months. Typically such a project will take 3 generations of fish to start reaching a stage where the breeding line is consolidated. It is more difficult in Oz as we do not have the base stock to start with. Great presentation and discussion and Des was encouraged to continue with his project.

Allan took on the task of first explaining the methodology of Reverse Osmosis. Also discussed were the benefits and the disadvantages of using R.O. on a koi pond. Making 'soft' water for koi ponds has its supporters and detractors. It is popular in the UK but continues to be a topic of fierce debate.

A video sequence from Kevin Ellis on R.O. was shown which was very well received as it challenged a lot of the 'norms'. This presentation was what the Club is all about, knowledge exchange, constructive debate and challenge. Very good topic and presentation.

" A RECORD"... well this surprised everyone, 67 fish on the Table Show. Thank goodness I was not judging! Well done to Sang, David Brown, AB, Big Tony and Kevin, 'The Beard' Crook! who brought along some of Yvonne's Ochiba for us to see. He recons he looks after them but we know better, well done Yvonne!

Our sympathy to Jun and Nigel who had to judge these fish but really the real winners were; us the Members well done to all.

The final presentation was from Shona. I am always amazed at her lack of preparation and laid back style. A few photos, bit of chit chat and hey presto! She had us totally engaged. Why can't I do that I always seem to be running around at the last minute and stressed cause I've missed things out I know should be in there! Shona showed us photos from her trip to Japan and the All Japan Koi Show, great fish even Aussies in the snow!, what a great way to finish a good Club night.

Raffle was won by Fred, Joel and Denzel

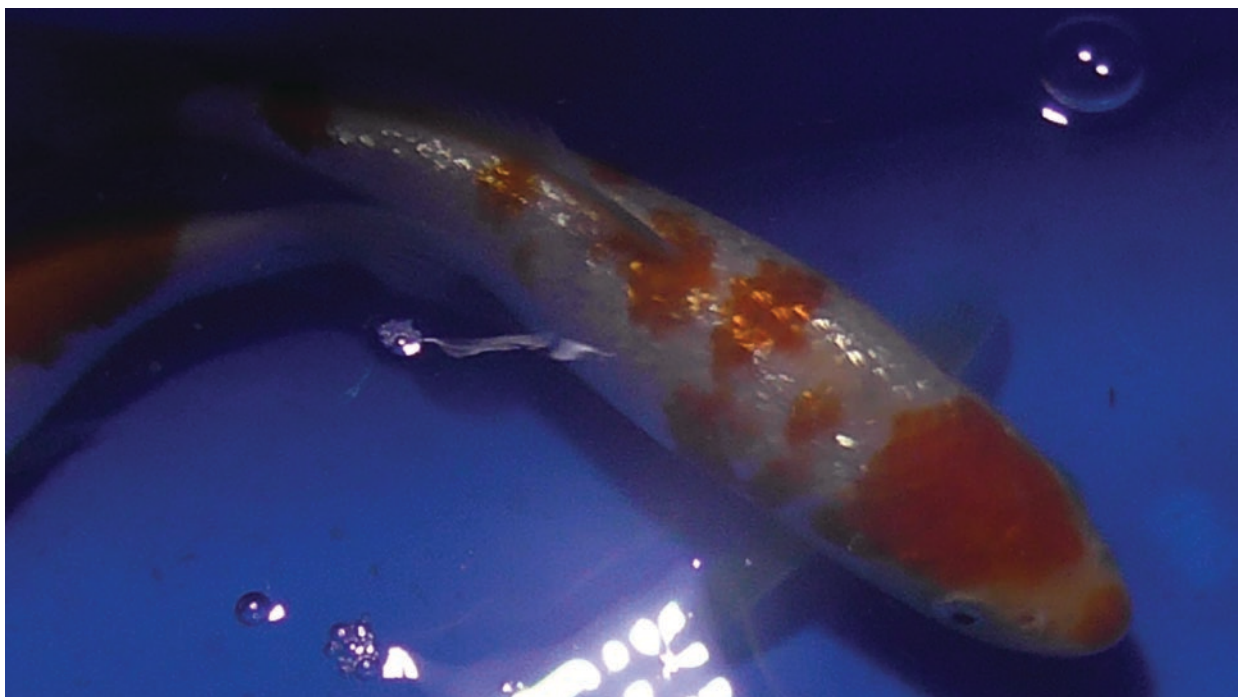
CHASE THE ACE – Denzel & Des attempted to find the ace on the dwindling board. Tensions were high as everyone hoped one of them would win the \$850...yeh right! but to everyone's relief no luck tonight, jackpotting to \$900 next month. (my ticket to the All Japan Show next Year!)

Closed 9.34pm

KSWA Northern Branch – March Meeting



Some of Des' fish from his trial of Ki Shusui



A little Kohaku with some nice GinRin

KSWA Southern Branch – March Meeting

Date: March 22, 2017

Attendance: 10

Apologies: Alan Peck, Miki Mo, Shona Macskay, Tony Herbert.

Meeting Opened 7.40 pm.

General Business

Rodney Hansen Voted In to represent S.B. onto the Executive Committee, unopposed. Moved Charlie Georgio, Seconded Josie Georgio.

S.B. Secretary Voted in unopposed Jun Hua Guo. Moved, Fred Sharp. Seconded, Rodney Hansen

Reminder Koi Auction Sunday 26 March 2017. Book your bins by Friday contact Brett Thomas.

Reminder Annual Koi Show 28 May 2017.

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Lee Nguyen Local Certified - Sydney Australia.

First time exhibitors, Junior exhibitor, Table Show/Young Champion are all FREE

All other Classes \$10 per fish capped at Max \$100.

Members Selling Fish- same as last year,

5+ fish must be entered in the show.

Cost of bins \$80 each max of 2 bins

Cost includes water from the same water source used for show, airpump and main air line also included.

Sellers to provide their own bin or bins, air stones,airline fittings, Koi nets, bags and oxygen.

Presentation Dinner will be at Willowpond on the Monday night, Further details will be in the next newsletter. (see page)

KHV was discussed again and Rodney Hansen suggested the Committee write to the new WA -Labour Government minister Dave Kelly - Water, Fisheries, Forestry,Innovation & ICT Science.

We need to bring him up to speed with the KHV issues and to CC the Premier Mark McGowan as it is rumoured WA is to be the ginnea pig in the testing and release of this virus in a closed body of water in the Rockingham area, the Premier's electorate.

Treasures Report

Income. \$ 57.00

Expenses. \$ 8.00

Current Balance. \$2543.20

KSWA Southern Branch – February Meeting

Presentation 1 - Preparing Your Koi For Show. By Jun Hua Guo.

A combined PowerPoint presentation incorporating his recent various Koi Farms and how they prepare for show and some very nice Koi seen, an enjoyable and different way of putting things to bring us up to speed. Thank you Jun on an excellent presentation.

Intermission and tea and coffee and a informal chit chat whilst judging of the Table Show and Under 35 Comp.

Presentation 2 - The Pros and Cons on plant filtration. By Fred Sharp.

A simulated floor plan of a plant filter was shown 2 examples discussed.

#1 straight through 3 channel flow from entry left to right spanning the length of the chamber.

#2 A Labyrinth patterned style of channels the the walls of the chamber going width ways thought the length with water exits at the ends of each wall l opposite ends giving a zig zag pattern.

This style of water course is preferred by Fred because the water course used takes longer for the water to exit the chamber thus exposing your water and nutrients to the plants for a longer period of time giving better filtration compared to #1 floor plant that passes the water through quicker.

In brief cons high maintenance, hiding places for bad bacteria, high incidence of decaying matter, overgrown plants. All this can be avoided if the plant filter is properly maintained.

In brief pros plants will absorb nitrates from your water thus no algae is present in your ponds. The roots do help in cleaning and polishing your water. Harvest your plants every 6 months preferably July getting ready for the growing season and February still enough to time for the filter to re establish itself for winter. Regular draining and flushing of your chamber every month will aid in the removal and build up of sludge.

These 2 basic chores if adhered to regularly should provide you with trouble free plant filters.

Fred also bought along a sample of various marginal plants that can be used in plant filters pointing his favourites as well showing plants to stay away from because of how fast they can grow and impede water flow and also if left unchecked can crack and break any decent concrete chambers.

Remember ! Regular maintenance , and correct plant selection Is the key to a trouble free plant filter.

Table Show

Go Sanke 1st 2nd 3rd Showa - Tony Cornwall

Non Gosanke 1st 2nd 3rd Ochiba - Kevin Crook

Gin Rin A. 1st Kohaku - Tony Cornwall

Gin Rin B. 1st 2nd Ochiba - Kevin Crook

3rd Chagoi - Kevin Crook

Under 35 Comp

Go Sanke 1st 2nd 3rd Showa. - Tony Cornwall

Non Go Sanke 1st 2nd Karashigoi - Tim Leroy

3rd Ochiba - Kevin Crook

Gin Rin A 1st Kohaku. - Tony Cornwall

Gin Rin B. 1st 2nd. Orshiba. - Kevin Crook

3rd. Chagoi. - Kevin Crook

Congratulations to the winners.

Next Meeting 26 April 2017.

Meeting Closed 9.27 pm.

KSWA Sales Table

The sales table is an initiative of the KSWA to help members source quality pond and koi products at better than retail prices, a benefit of being a member of the club.

All proceeds from the sales table are used as a fund raiser for the clubs needs.

The Sales table is available at each branch meeting and some other club events.

Please support your club by purchasing items through the sales table.

New stock of Koi & Fry food has been ordered. Available at KSWA meetings. Contact Jun on 0423 410 681 if you would like bulk food.

Portable DC Air Pump - 40L/min, 80L/min & 120L/min

Water Conditioners/Dechlorinator - 0.5L, 2.5L & 5L
Bacteria Clarifier - 85g

Koi Food (Ocra Quick Grow, Ocra What Germ & SEKERIN)
available in small and medium sizes + fry food - 1kg & 10kg bags

Koi Treatments

Koi Anti Parasite, Anti Ulcer, Anti Bacteria, Fungus Control etc

Miscellaneous

Koi 66 Variety poster & Illustrated Bible on Koi Keeping.

API Freshwater Test Kits - As Below



KOI SOCIETY OF WESTERN AUSTRALIA

Patron: Mr Michael Cave

Executive Committee of 2016 - 2018

President	Jun Hua Guo	president@koiclubwa.com
Vice President	Des Howlett	
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Committee Member 2	Brett Thomas	
Committee Member 3	Joel Bacich	
Committee Member 4	Fred Sharp	
Committee Member 5	Rodney Hansen	

Non-committee positions

Newsletter Editor	Ryan Witney	editor@koiclubwa.com
Auction Master	Brett Thomas	
Logistics Officer	Brett Howlett	
Show Chairperson	Shona Macskasy	
Webmaster	Ryan Witney	

Northern Branch Committee

Chairman	Allan Bennett
Secretary	Brett Thomas
Treasurer	Ryan Witney
Membership	Ryan Witney
Tea & Coffee	Shona Macskasy

Southern Branch Committee

Chairman	Fred Sharp
Secretary	Jun Hua Guo
Treasurer	Alan Peck
Membership	Miki Mo
Tea & Coffee	Miki Mo



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