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**NEXT MEETING DATE IS  
25TH OCTOBER 2006**

General Meetings are held at the Rotary Hall Sandgate Street, South Perth on the fourth Wednesday of each month, starting at 7:30pm.  
New members, existing members and visitors are all welcome

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ers. The look was finally topped off with a muddy bottom! I am glad we didn't actually take photos but then again I could have used them to reminisce when I am older and need a chuckle.

The water was getting low and we had caught quite a lot of fish, we thought there couldn't be many more. I decided to once again stomp around the reeds to scare any fish out. Well it wasn't the fish that got scared it was me! I had stretched out and stomped into the reeds with one foot stuck in the mud. The water was only about 20cm deep and I had stepped on a fish. I didn't know it was even there. It was about 40cm long and I hadn't even seen it. It splashed and wriggled, I screamed and nearly fell over and Julie just about wet her pants laughing at me.

All in all it was a great weekend and we emptied the dam and caught all the fish. We then decided which ones to keep and sold off the rest.

After doing all that work I actually though it would be nice to have some koi at home and sweet talked the husband into letting me have a small pond for some koi. I have now progressed to having a larger growing on pond, two spawning ponds and become a member of KSWA, am even on the committee and the newsletter editor all in the short space of eighteen months.

Talk about hooked!

#### **What's on at the next general meeting-**

Rodney Hansen will be giving a talk on the Showa variety.

Talk about the Annual Show review.

General club business will be discussed.

Hello Everyone,

Well I have found a new use for my ride-on-mower it makes a great fish transport vehicle around the property!

I hope you have all had some luck with spawning your fish. I have, but I think you must be crazy to try and separate white from black fish when they are only a few days old! I was, but then apathy set in and I left the rest! So I will probably have some really big white "Showas" for sale later in the year!

Since no-one else has sent me in a story about how they got started in koi you'll have to read mine!

Welcome new members Brad Leslie and Michael Bidstrup hope you enjoy your time with the club.

*Freya*

## Events Calendar

27th September 2006 — General Meeting

10th December 2006— Auction & Christmas Party

3rd March 2007— Auction

5th May 2007— Auction

27th May 2007 KSWA Annual Show

## Koi Society of Western Australia - General Minutes, 27th September 06

**Opened:** 7.42 PM **Apologies:** Steve Anthony, Chris Powell, Judy Passey, Rod Strang, Freya Whitton,  
**Visitors:** Kheo, Hai  
**New members:** Maureen  
**Points Arising from Previous Minutes:** There were no points arising  
Minutes accepted as true record. **Moved:** Charlie Giorgio **Seconded:** Fran Russ  
**Carried:** All

**Treasurers Report:** as at 27<sup>th</sup> September

|                       |    |  |
|-----------------------|----|--|
| Opening Balance       | \$ |  |
| Income                | \$ |  |
| Expenditure           | \$ |  |
| KSWA Closing Balance: | \$ |  |

**Moved:** Kheng **Seconded:** Miki **Carried:** All

**Correspondence In:** No correspondence for the month.

**Correspondence Out:** No correspondence for the month

**Library:** Ross Franklin had nothing new to report

**Sales Table:** Alan Peck reports good sales at the last auction. Has a catalog on pumps

Good range of food and fry powder.

**Table Show:** Judged by Dave Gibson

|               |                                |         |
|---------------|--------------------------------|---------|
| Gosanke class | 1 <sup>st</sup> Kohaku         | Miki Mo |
|               | 2 <sup>nd</sup> Kohaku         | Kylie   |
|               | 3 <sup>rd</sup> Sanke          | Kylie   |
| Non Gosanke   | 1 <sup>st</sup> Kujaku         | Miki Mo |
|               | 2 <sup>nd</sup> Yamato-nishiki | Kylie   |
|               | 3 <sup>rd</sup> Ginrin Showa   | Bill    |

## How I came to own Koi By Freya Whitton

Let's see...it all began with a phone call. My friend, Julie, called me up one day and said "Freya, I have a problem and I need some help" in my typical manner I replied "Sure what can I do" it turned out Julie had a dam full of koi and needed to get them out.

Well I didn't know what I was getting myself into. I had been to Julie's place lots of times and looked in the dam and seen absolutely nothing. It was the colour of a cup of strong white tea and impossible to see anything below 5 cm. She assured me that there was lots of fish, even hundreds. I was inclined to think she was exaggerating surely there couldn't be that many in there even though she had some 'Loch Ness monster' type photos, very murky and out of focus, I was skeptical.

So we planned out attack, bought some waders, got lots of tubs, organized somewhere to put the fish when we got them out and borrowed a large drag net.

We had to wait till the rains came as Julie relied on the dam water for her stock. So it was a cool weekend with slight rain when we decided to give it a go. Shouldn't be any drama I thought and a fun to do something with a good friend. Well, a few hours down the track I was thinking "there is no b\*\*\*\* fish in this dam!" I am not known for my patience. We had dragged it a few times and lowered the water level but where were the fish? "They're in there" Julie kept saying and my reply was "Yeah, the legend continues"

It took all morning but eventually we started to catch some fish, we had fun wading in the water, getting stuck in the reeds and mud and generally mucking around trying to catch some fish. We had christened ourselves "Tweedledee and Tweedledum" as we certainly looked a picture in our lovely green wad-

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## General discussion:-

Bill mentioned more deformities from year to year in his breeding program.  
Reason for this is most likely the build up of bacteria in the plastic breeding pond liner.

Bacteria can easily attack newly born babies. Solution is to wash the liner with anti bacterial wash or bleach.

Josie had some DVD' from last annual show for sale. Cost \$ 10.00  
The CSIRO is suggesting to release KHV Herpies Virus to control Koi and Carp in waterways. Find more under [www.koi2day.com/forum/index.php?topic=807.0](http://www.koi2day.com/forum/index.php?topic=807.0)

Allan Bennett asked if anybody had a spawning yet. It is of advantage if the water temperature has reached 20 degree and before the end of November or early October the female might not be ready. The females belly needs to be soft.

Rodney Hanson had put together a presentation on Sanki with sound and projector. Judy's notes with important points was presented by Bill.

## Coffee break 9.10 PM

### Auction:

|                            |           |           |
|----------------------------|-----------|-----------|
| 1 <sup>st</sup> Showa line | \$ 100.00 | Miki Mo   |
| 2 <sup>nd</sup> Showa line | \$ 50.00  | Alan Peck |
| 3 <sup>rd</sup> Showa line | \$ 50.00  | Alan Peck |

### General Business :

Ces runs the filter on his tank for two days after the spawning to get rid of the ammonia. This does not harm the eggs in any way.

### Quiz:

Rodney Hanson put together a tricky quiz to test our general knowledge.  
Bills group won on the night.

**Meeting closed 20.10 pm**

## Letter from the President

Dear Members,

Those of you who have e mail addresses will have received a copy of the Annual Show Review paper. At my request the Show Committee of Miki Mo, Judy Passey and Allan Bennett were asked to review the Annual Show format and present recommendations to Committee at our October meeting. This has been done and after healthy debate, all four recommendations tabled in the paper were unanimously accepted by your Committee.

The Review was necessary due to concerns expressed by members and the ongoing complexity of running a novice and open show together. Starting 07 the Annual Show will have two size classes per variety, along with mature and jumbo. It is with some sadness that we dispense with the Novice Section. However as President and speaking on behalf of your hard working Committee we are convinced that the time is right and the changes can only enhance our Show for members and public alike. Also organizing the Show will be much easier.

For those without e mail addresses, copies of the Review will be available at the next meeting. On your behalf I congratulate the Show Committee on a job very well done. Let us build on the hard work of those before us and make this the best Annual Show ever.

Regards to all, Bill



## KSWA CHRISTMAS PARTY

**Come and enjoy the Christmas spirit with your club members for a great day of food, drink and fish!**

**There will an auction of some fine fish for your last minute Christmas shopping**

When: 10th December 2006

Time: 10:00am onwards

Place: Bill & Judy Passey's



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## KSWA CHRISTMAS PARTY

The club Christmas party and auction will be held at the Passey's place on December 10th 2006 this is open to all members and their families.

The club will provide the meat and cool drinks for the lunch-time barbecue. Bring your own Alcohol.

To help with catering and the hiring of tables and chairs please let us know if you will be attending and how many are in your group. There will be a Santa for the children so please bring a gift for your child if they are attending

It would be appreciated if you could bring a salad or dessert for all to share

You can contact either:

Josie Giorgio (94971517 or [isole@bigpond.com](mailto:isole@bigpond.com)) or Freya (93992279 or [Freya@argo.net.au](mailto:Freya@argo.net.au))

And let them know you are coming and what you are going to bring so we don't have an overload of one thing and we have enough seating.

**RSVP by 30th November.**



**To people wanting to have fish for sale at the auction you will need to contact Bill to book a bin for your fish. No booking—No sale!**



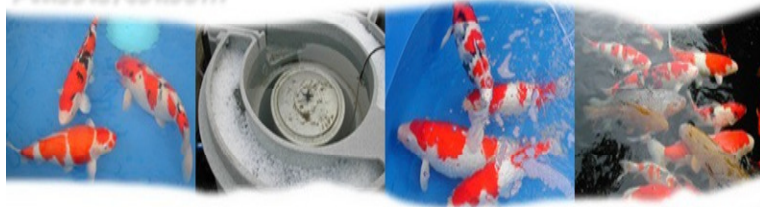
### POND TOUR

The great pond tour has returned!

On **Sunday 5th November 2006** the club will be holding another of one of it's great pond tour days. This is your chance to see some great ponds and get some ideas for your own or just the opportunity to socialize with other members and look at some fish.

It will be starting at **10:00am** at **Tim Pham's** place at

with morning tea provided then on to at **Allan Bennett's** place at **20** for a barbecue lunch. Please bring your own food and drink for the Barbie.



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