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# K O I S O C I E T Y O F W A



**JANUARY 2008**

## **WHAT'S IN THIS ISSUE**

General Meeting Minutes

Up and coming events

General Club business

**NEXT MEETING DATE IS  
WEDNESDAY  
23RD JANUARY 2008**

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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#### **Librarian**

Tim Leroy (9306 2844, 0437 511 644)

#### **Sales Table**

Alan Peck (9527 1945)

### **Committee Members**

Stuart Rowley  
Phil Lehmann

#### **Other Positions**

##### **Show Chairman**

**Webmaster**                      Shona Whaite  
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**Trophy Steward**                Miki Mo

##### **Door/Tea Person**

**Table Show Helper**          Stuart Rowley

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### **“NEW YEAR’S SPECIAL”**

AussieKoi has just negotiated a deal with its Japanese supplier to support a New Year’s Special. This is strictly for KSWA members only until 28th Feb 08.

**FOK FEEDERS:** these are the units used by the Japanese breeders. They are superior to anything else on the market. Normally \$550 now \$475. They will last and spread food to 180 degrees!

**JAP MATT:** in bales of 10 sheets 2 x 1 x 40mm thick. \$1150. The real jap matt. Normally by the sheet \$130. I saw the cheap stuff on sale this week for \$150/sheet.

**JAPANESE FOOD SPECIAL:** We are offering 10kgs of Fujiyama L, M or Baby for \$79. Where else can you get Japanese food for these prices. Our clients swear by this stuff, try it you will see a difference. All our food has a ‘used by date’ stamped on the bag.

**PUMPS:** 18,000 liters per hour for    \$249!! ..... we are giving them away!

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To finish we have a **limited** number of 80 liter/hour Air Pumps. Check the rest, then make us an offer on these.

## **Suggestion of competition for Koi Society members.**

In order to better interest, participation, cohesion and attendance in the club I suggested the following competition to the committee.

A member with a quality spawning donates enough fry to the club to supply each participant with five baby koi.

The baby koi should be very small and of similar size and from just after the first culling.

Each participant will try to raise the five koi to the best of his/her ability.

Koi should be brought to each general meeting and should be compared with each other.

They should be judged for size, colour and for body shape but not for pattern. This will show who is best at rising fry.

I know that my good ideas are always a little late but please consider this competition for next year if you think it's too late to try this experiment now.

Regards Urs Haefeli

Hello Everyone,

Happy New Year to you all I hope you have had a good start to the year. I look forward to catching up with some of you at the coming meetings and hope you will endeavour to support your club as much as you can.

Hope all your fish are well, I had a slight hiccup over Christmas with oxygen problems but have rectified this and hope that is the last drama for awhile.

I have had a couple members offer their ponds for a tour but need a few more as I am trying to get a group in the same area so please let me know if you are ok with the club coming to your pond on an organized tour.

*Freya*

### **Events Calendar**

23rd January 2008– General Meeting  
26th February 2008– General Meeting  
26th March 2008– General Meeting  
23rd April 2008– General Meeting  
25th May 2008—Annual Show  
28th May 2008– General Meeting

## Koi Society of Western Australia - General Minutes, 28<sup>th</sup> November 2007

**Opened:** 7.40 PM President Ces

**Apologies:** Nil.

**Visitors:** Nil

**New members:** Nil

**Points Arising from Previous Minutes:** There were no points arising  
Minutes accepted as true record. **Moved:** Freya Whitton **Seconded:** Alan  
Peck **Carried:** All

**Treasurers Report:** as at 28<sup>th</sup> November

Income	\$
Expenditure	\$
KSWA Closing Balance:	\$

**Moved:** Norm Wall **Seconded:** Kylie Wall **Carried:** All

**Correspondence In:** None

**Correspondence Out:** None

**Library:** Tim LeRoy new book Successful Koi Keeping.

**Sales Table:** Alan Peck. Has now got some baby crumble in stock.

**General Business:**

**What's to do on the summer time pond**

Clean the filters out

Treat pond with Condys Crystals

Top up bacteria

Add extra air with water change and crystal treatment

**8.30 PM coffee break**

**Table Show:**

<b>Gosanke</b>	1 <sup>st</sup>	Showa small	Miki Mo
	2 <sup>nd</sup>	Showa	Miki Mo
	3 <sup>rd</sup>	Kohaku	John Moneta
Judge		Rodney Hansen	

**Problems:** Larry Doyle experienced a problem with his Koi after he shifted water lilies from pond to pond. His Koi got lethargic and it was suggested to try the following.

Check the filter, add a UV light to the circuit, increase salt level to 5 kg/1000l and treat with Condys Crystal or Formaldehyde.

**Meeting closed 9.30 PM**

Finally the shoulder felt good enough to tackle some more of the pond and people were called and a date set.

I had realized that this last part meant someone had to be inside the pond while we bolted it together. Which meant inside an upside pond, an enclosed area with a light on to be able to see. Not me! I am not very good in enclosed spaces and I mentioned to Mike if I was in there you would have to get me out NOW! Not one second later! So we decided that Graham was a good candidate as he's a good sport and the skinniest one of us. The hole we had to dig to get him out didn't have to be very big and I think he is a bit more flexible than the rest of us. Mind you, as you can see from the photos I think Jade found it more fun than Graham did! That's him rolling out of the hole in the bottom pictures. There was four us working on it this time and this worked well and it was done in no time at all. The next night I sent Graham & Jade in to finish off sealing the join while I kept watch outside in the open.

So now we've set a date for the crane to come. Wish us luck!



### **What's on at the next meeting.**

Discussion on rearing your fry after spawning including culling and diet.

Demonstration on culling fish concentrating on deformities.

### **SHOW JUDGING TUB SIZE**

A concern has been noted that some of the larger fish are not comfortable in the blue show judging tubs.

The committee is interested in hearing from members if they would be interested in using a larger judging tub if available.

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We were ready to try and put some more of the pond together we had to move it out of the shed otherwise once together we wouldn't be able to get it out!

We picked a fairly nice day and Matt & Mike turned up ready to go. We had to wait for Matt to do some fibreglassing of the pipework before putting the next piece together so Mike and I looked at the hole in the ground and set about getting the levels right. It is starting to take shape we just have to make sure it is right so the pond sits at the levels that I want. A little bit tricky but hopefully it will be fine. Well, as I suspected, it was a bit of challenge getting the next pieces together. Working on the lawn was pretty difficult so we moved it onto another area that was covered in woodchips to make it easier to get the levels right. It took quite a long time, Mike will be saying a long time all bloody day!, to get this piece together but finally it was looking good and we were reasonably happy with it. Only one more section to put together so soon it should be ready. Ha! Famous last words! We decided to call it quits for the day probably because there was no day left and booked a day the next week to continue. Unfortunately after that I injured my shoulder so had to postpone the last section for about a month as I couldn't even lift my arm to get my shirt on, yes I was wearing one but had to borrow Graham's button up shirts to get one on. So it was a pretty frustrating time to be so close but not quite there yet. I didn't even have a great story to tell about my shoulder injury I just hurt it when I was in the kitchen and that was that.



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Does it suit me?



The hole doesn't look that big when Matt stands in it.

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**THIS YEAR'S KSWA ANNUAL SHOW  
WILL BE HELD ON SUNDAY THE 25TH  
MAY 2008.  
SO START GETTING THOSE FISH  
READY AND YOURSELF ORGANISED.**

### **Volunteers needed.**

The present KSWA committee is the Show Committee for this year's Annual Show. We are looking for volunteers from our membership to ensure we have a successful show. If you can help and/or if there is something in particular that you would like to do please let the committee know.

The KSWA annual Christmas party was held on a lovely day in December at the very pretty setting of the Passey's abode. The marquees were up and tables & chairs set ready for the guests to arrive, the tubs had been organized for the auction and all that was needed was the people to arrive. They came soon after start time and it was nice to see people in good Christmas cheer. The fish were admired, discussed and people were deciding on which ones to buy. All picking out their favourites and hoping they wouldn't go for too much (except for the seller of course!).

As usual the food was great, there was fish, chicken, steaks and sausages plus plenty of salads, not to mention the yummy sweets. I have to admit I pigged out on the mains that I didn't have any room left for sweets, I will have to remember this year not to be so greedy. It is hungry work looking at fish!

The auction saw some nice fish being sold under the hammer and I for one came home with a fish I am proud of and at a good price too. All I have to do now is hope it grows up to all it promises.

I would like to thank all who helped make the party possible with their time and contributions. There was a lovely homemade Christmas cake that was donated by Julie Cross which was raffled and Tony Cornwall went home a happy man when he won it.

Santa was a big hit as usual with the children and Bill, but Santa wouldn't let him sit on his knee for some reason!!

To all members who made it to the Christmas party thank you for coming and supporting your club to all those who did not make it hopefully we will see you this year.



## Member Profile

I asked some members at the meeting recently to fill in a short questionnaire to give you some introduction to other members.

Name: Tim Leroy

How did you get into koi? A friend bought me a small fiber-glass pond as a gift (b#@\$&\*@).

Your favourite koi that you own: Sanke small but brilliant red

How long have you been keeping koi? 2 years

How many koi do you have? 70 + 1,000,000 fry (or so it seems)

What does your family/friends think of your hobby? Generally they think I have too much spare time.

The funniest thing that has happened when you have been looking after your koi? Trying to catch a night heron

What is your aim for your koi keeping? To breed beautiful fish and my hobby to become self funding.

How big is your pond? A 15000 & 11,000 ltr ponds and 6 breeding ponds about 18,000 ltrs each.



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Hakari Hi Grow		\$55/2kgs	Old favorite which is hard to beat great growth, color and health
FRY POWDER	\$18 to \$20	?	Imported Japanese fry powder will be available in limited amounts. Cost for this quality powder will be around \$18 - \$20. Put your order in now or be disappointed

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More stock and I am adding to it as I go:-

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I can get any quality net you need, this is just a selection.

Dechlorinator – 500mls \$12, 2.5liters \$37 - a must for new water

Sanisol – 500mls \$12 - disinfectant liquid

Air Stones 50mm @ \$5 and 40mm @ \$4

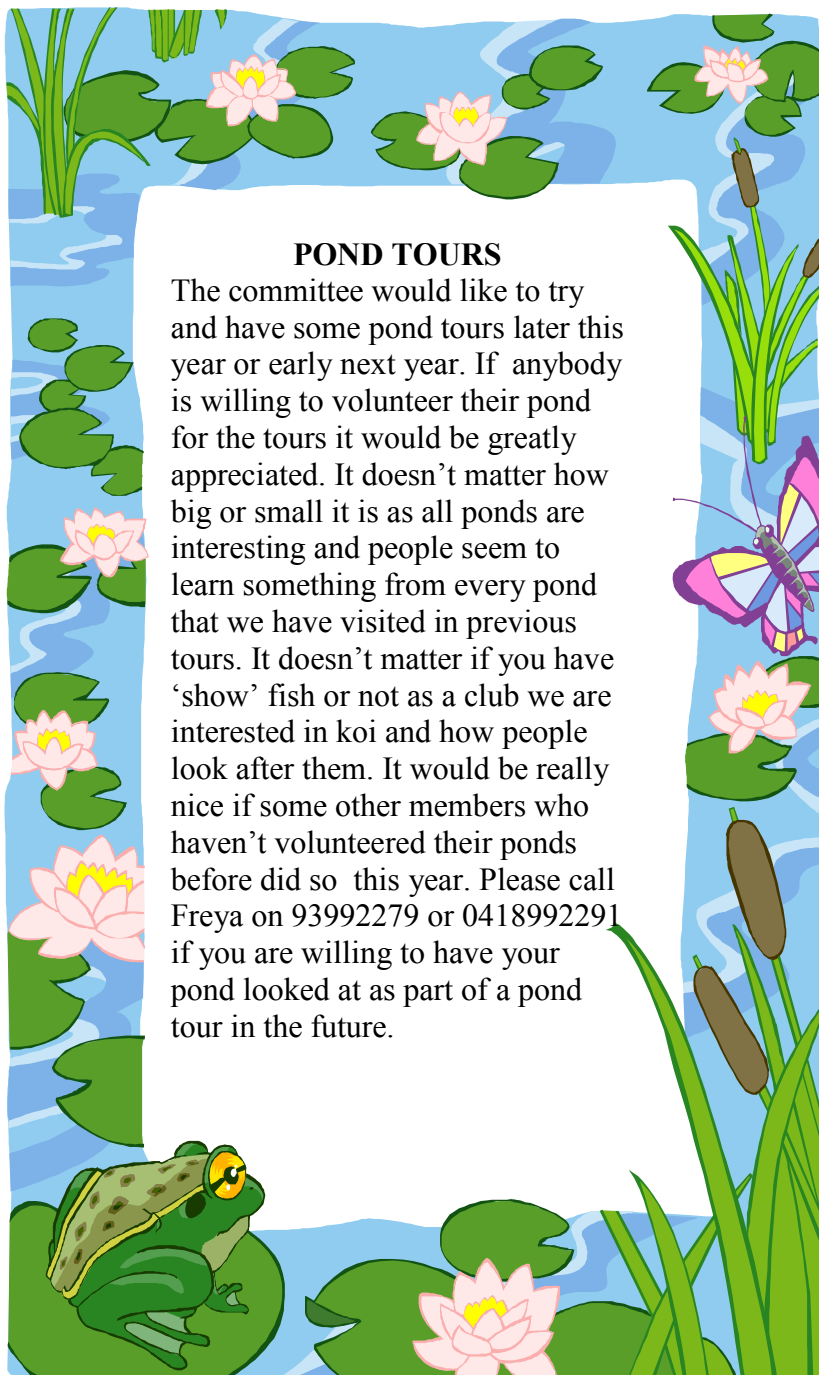
Plastic Bags \$1.00

Test kits

Keeping Koi in Australia \$20 – it is the Oz Bible on koi keeping

Please support your Sales Table





### POND TOURS

The committee would like to try and have some pond tours later this year or early next year. If anybody is willing to volunteer their pond for the tours it would be greatly appreciated. It doesn't matter how big or small it is as all ponds are interesting and people seem to learn something from every pond that we have visited in previous tours. It doesn't matter if you have 'show' fish or not as a club we are interested in koi and how people look after them. It would be really nice if some other members who haven't volunteered their ponds before did so this year. Please call Freya on 93992279 or 0418992291 if you are willing to have your pond looked at as part of a pond tour in the future.



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