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KOI SOCIETY OF WA



NOVEMBER 2009 Issue

New members, existing members and visitors are welcome at all meetings.

General Meetings are held at

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

Northern Branch Meetings are held at

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

**NEXT GENERAL MEETING IS
WEDNESDAY 25 NOVEMBER 2009**

**NEXT NORTHERN BRANCH MEETING IS
TUESDAY 8 DECEMBER 2009**

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NORTHERN BRANCH NEWS

Place	Variety	Owner
Table Show A		
1st	Showa	Ray Lines
2nd	Showa	Ray Lines
3rd	Showa	Ray Lines
Table Show B		
1st	Kikishiro (leather skin metallic doitsu—very unusual)	Allan Bennett
2nd	Goshiki	Allan Bennett
3rd	Yamabuki ogon	Allan Bennett
Table Show Ginrin A		
1st	Ginrin Shiro Utsuri	Allan Bennett
Table Show Ginrin B—No entries		

Next month's meeting: The next Northern Branch meeting will be on 8 December. We'll be covering topics recently requested by members such as blanket weed solutions, gill flukes, cross breeding and many more... (well perhaps not all in one meeting!). Don't forget that this year's KSWA Xmas party is on 13 December at the Passey's place. **See you there!**

Northern Branch bank balance as at 10-Nov-09 \$204

NORAN FISH FARMS

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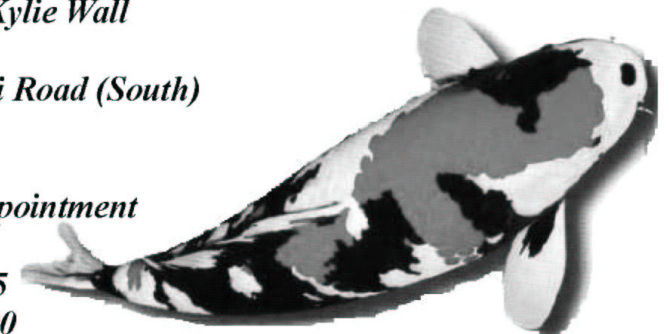
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NORTHERN BRANCH NEWS

Welcome to many new members this month. We hope you enjoy your time with us. There was also a record turnout of around 45 members this month. Thanks all for coming. Also a reminder that Richard Loh who is a vet specialising in fish now joins our monthly meetings which is great news! Our guest speaker Robert Michael from the Challenger TAFE at Freo also joined us and gave a really interesting talk on what's going on at the TAFE...more details below.

Committee Meeting

Allan provided his usual wrap-up on the preceding committee meeting. Topics covered included:

- a Japanese judge for the KSWA annual show (with a UK-based judge as backup in case we're unable to get a Japanese judge).
- club jackets and name badges
- auction of large round plastic tanks
- show photos (digital photos only accepted for this year's show)

Challenger TAFE

Robert Michael from Challenger TAFE came along and gave a fascinating presentation on what's going on in aquaculture there. "Fish



keeping with science" comes to mind! Wow, with the resources these guys have at their disposal imagine what we could do with our Koi. They breed snapper, mullet, dhufish, yellow tail kingfish, barra and more. They work with industry to develop new aquaculture techniques and also do fish restocking eg in the Blackwood River. Some of the research and fish-keeping methods were fascinating and everything is done on a large scale. If you missed out on the presentation next best thing would be to pay them a visit. Following are some links to whet your appetite:

[http://www.palmfishing.com.au/pdf/Kings and the Key.pdf](http://www.palmfishing.com.au/pdf/Kings%20and%20the%20Key.pdf)

<http://aquaculturewa.wikispaces.com/>

<http://www.fish.wa.gov.au/wf/articles/YellowTailkingFish.php?0405>

Club Tanks Auctioned

Three large round tanks were auctioned at this month's meeting (2m diameter, 0.6m deep). Sold to Kerry, Phong and Tim. Congrats gents.

Strawberries!

Phong very kindly brought in a free punnet of strawberries for everyone. Thanks Phong! They were great.



WELCOME & NEWS

Welcome to the November issue of the KSWA Newsletter.

Our apologies for omitting the November General Meeting from the calendar in the last issue—there is definitely a meeting on!

Just 3 events remaining for the year, and the Christmas Meeting promises to be a fun-filled day. For those who haven't been down to Bill & Judy's place it is well worth the drive.

Have any questions about your koi or pond? Come along to any meeting for free tea, coffee, biscuits and advice. See the front cover for meeting addresses.

Shona

Events Calendar



Wednesday 25 November—General Meeting, South Perth

Rod Strang will be bringing in some tategoi (koi which are expected to improve with age) for discussion—see page 11. Two remaining blue bins will be up for Auction. Sales Table & Library open.

Tuesday 8 December—Northern Branch Meeting, Wanneroo

Ian from Watergarden World will be talking about waterlilies. We will also be having a presentation on gill & body flukes. Sales Table will be open.

Sunday 13 December—Christmas Meeting & Member Auction

One of our biggest events of the year. BBQ provided and a Member Auction as well. See page 6

Tuesday 12 January 2010—Northern Branch Meeting, Wanneroo

* Reminder that there is no General Meeting in South Perth in December



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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
Dechlorinator 5 litre
Bionatural conditioner (concentrate)
Bacteria Aqua

Water treatments- Koi anti parasite 250ml
Koi anti ulcer 250mL , 1 litre
Koi anti bacteria 250mL
Virkon S 100g
Ammonia remover 250ml

Test kits- Master test kit
PH test kit
GH & KH test kit
Ammonia test kit

Air pumps- Alita- 40 litre , 80 litre & 120litre

Air stones- Ceramic 50mm & 40mm

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

Filtration- Filter brushes- 60cm , 75cm & 90cm

Koi food per 1kg- Fry powder
Odra Baby food sizes 1, 2, 3, & 4
Sekirin Japanese food
Quick grow—small , medium
Koi King 500gm Growth Formula 5mm
Koi King 500gm Excel Formula
Koi king 500gm Wheat germ
Koi King 500gm Colour Enhancing Formula

Also supplied in 10kg bags

Miscellaneous- Koi 66 Variety poster
UV lights and pumps

CHRISTMAS MEETING & MEMBER AUCTION

WHERE: Bill & Judy's place
BARRAGUP (near Mandurah)

Freeway south, exit on Pinjarra Rd, right on Husband Rd, left into property after 100m

WHEN: 10:30am, Sunday 13 December 2009

AUCTION: Starts at 2pm

One of our biggest and best events of the year! Bill & Judy have a fantastic yard & koi pond, which is well worth the drive to see. Food and drinks will be provided, and a Member Auction will be happening after lunch—great for picking up some Christmas presents.



- Canning Ag Show is on Saturday 7 November at the Cannington Greyhounds and the club will be putting on a display of koi, and selling bagged fish. Our banner will be on display and membership pamphlets will be handed out. Volunteers needed, and koi wanted for display. A list of approximately 7 people has been drawn up, hope to see you there.
- Norm was our Auctioneer for the night to Auction off our blue bins. A reserve price of \$300 each. Norm purchased the 3 tubs at \$300 each, there were no other bidders, perhaps due to lack of response the committee will need to reassess the price.
- Allan Bennett gave a presentation on his recent trip to the UK Koi Show (South East). An excellent collection of many photos of the beautiful koi at this Show was shown. Thanks to Allan for a well put together presentation.
- The night progressed quickly and it was time to end the meeting.

Thanks to all who attended. The next General Meeting is scheduled for Wednesday 25 November 2009.

Meeting closed: 10:00pm.

Fred Sharp

NOVEMBER GENERAL MEETING (SOUTH PERTH)

TATEGOI - What to look for in a young Koi. What are the indicators to suggest that a Koi can be expected to improve - to your joy and profit rather than decline to your dismay, leaving a hole in the bottom of both your heart and pocket?

Rod Strang is going to bring in a number of varieties of baby Koi from both his last years Gin Rin Showa spawn and his Sanke spawn from 4 weeks ago, for the members to assess with the guidance and explanations from senior members, to determine which Koi should be expected to improve (Tatego) and which shouldn't be (Tateshta).

Tateshta are simply Koi that have reached the limit of their potential and who's quality is likely to decline as they age.

The discussion is encouraged to be forthright without the usual polite response to the question - "What do you think of my fish?"

Members from the Northern Branch are as always very welcome and encouraged to attend the South Perth meeting to fast track their knowledge of this not always mysterious subject.

General Meeting Minutes - Wednesday 28 October 2009

The meeting opened at 7:50pm. Number of members attending – 20

Apologies: Freya Whitton, Ray Lines.

New Members: Nil. .

Points Arising from Previous Minutes: None.

Confirmation of previous minutes: Moved: Eddy Mendes, Seconded: Phil Lehman

Treasurers Report:

Opening balance	\$
Total income	\$
Expenditure	\$
Closing balance	\$
Other outstanding cheques	\$

Correspondence In: None, **Correspondence Out:** None

Library: Nothing new, **Sales Table:** Nothing new.

Table Show—no entries

General business

- Norm brought along 3 tubs up for Auction.
- Bill displayed the new medallions to be used for gifts to visiting judges, they were well liked by all who attended the meeting.
- Eddy Mendes tabled an article by Dr. Rodney McNeary on info about ponds and plants and recommended dosage on potassium permanganate, thanks Eddy very interesting.
- Bill advised the members that the recent Auction was a great success and that the club made \$701.
- The “No General Meeting in November” was a printing error, there will be a meeting on Wednesday 25 November 2009.
- We need a volunteer to host our Christmas Party meeting.
- A discussion was had on the pros and cons of zeolite.
- A discussion on spawning techniques and tips was had as a member has problems with their male koi not spawning.
- Bill Passey mentioned to all that he is having issues with water quality at the moment. Bill has issues with iron and copper in the water, and ideas were put up by various members such as an ion exchanger, carbon filters, and reverse osmosis. An interesting discussion was had by all. I’m sure Bill and Judy will work at solving this problem in the not too distant future. Best of luck Bill, we know you will find a solution soon.

As we need numbers for catering and chairs, **please RSVP by Sunday 6 December.**

RSVP to Shona by email me@shona.org or phone 92748535

We ask that each family please bring a salad or dessert ☺

Parents: if you have young children, we ask that you please bring a small present for them (up to \$20 value), as we will have a Santa on the day to hand out a gift to each child.

AUCTION SELLERS: Book your bin with Bill Passey

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 contacting Bill Passey phone 0438 357 732 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



Some photos from the South East England Koi Show

380 fish entered, 8 judges, 5000 spectators through the gates during the event

