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CALENDAR of EVENTS

Committee Meetings

Zoom KCSD Steering Committee Meeting

Wednesday, November 4 @ 7 PM
Al Pierce is inviting you to a scheduled Zoom meeting for KCSD Steering Committee
Wednesday Nov 4th at 7 PM PST

Join Zoom Meeting

https://us04web.zoom.us/j/73555970866?
pwd=d3AvRDdPRFltaEJyNVJ3OV E3U28zQT09

Meeting ID: 735 5597 0866
Passcode: v8uF53

Agenda includes info on a “Virtual Koi Show”

Please contact Al or Tamsie Pierce for more info
infoPresident@koicsd.org

General Meetings

Due to the Corona Virus (COVID-19)
General Meetings are canceled until further notice.

KOI CLUB OF SAN DIEGO 33rd ANNUAL KOI SHOW PICTURES
BY PHYLLIS SPOOR aka SPARKLY HAT
Click text

KOI CLUB OF SAN DIEGO 33rd ANNUAL KOI SHOW PICTURES
BY BILL NEWELL
Click text

Upcoming Events 2020

No General Meeting until FURTHER NOTICE

Due to the Corona Virus (COVID-19)
Steering committee Meetings are canceled until further notice.
If there is club business to contend with please notify the club president at
president@koicsd.org

The Club has been holding Steering Committee Meetings on Zoom for more info contact Tamsie by email at tamsie@cox.net

Rumor has it there just might be a December Meeting! Stay tuned for more information in the December Newsletter

Welcome New Members

Michele & Bob Dancey
Justin Ly

Welcome Renewing Members

Mark Johnson

NEW WEBSITE IS UP AND RUNNING

The Original KCSD Koi Club Facebook page is up and running. Just enter Koi Club of San Diego in the friend search at the top of your Facebook page to friend it.

Inquiries concerning our Treasurer's report should be directed to:
treasurer@koicsd.org
We're almost back to where we started. Spring, Summer, Early Fall gone. And back to Winter.

Even though at this time last year we were busily solidifying plans for the Show, sending out invitations, filling the Show Chairman's home with the show awards, sorting out where vendors would be placed around the show tanks, and cheering on the club members who were volunteering in one way or another to help out with the show.

This year it's a much quieter time at the end of the year. And a renewed chance for hope:
- hope to see the end of the wild fires
- hope to see a softening (dare we say easing or even eliminating?) of restrictions
  hope for a new start in a new year 2021.

This will be a new normal, be sure of that. A different normal than we had a year ago. Not a different normal in and directly around our peaceful koi ponds, but a different normal for showing off our ponds, for sharing with other koi enthusiasts, for the reason we joined the Koi Club to begin with.

There is a reason we are listed as Koi Club of San Diego. Back in the very early days when the club was a pipe dream in the minds of Takemi Adachi, Galen Hansen, John Reiger and a small handful of other founders, they were discussing what the name was going to be, they ended up consulting the Yellow Pages and the rest of the phone directory. San Diego this and that would bury our name, so they put Koi first, since that is the most important part of the club, not the San Diego. We have members from wider places than the city or even county. Thus we became Koi Club of San Diego.

And we ourselves joined with our own focus on that word "Koi" just as the founders planned for.

So our new normal is going to still focus on the Koi appreciation and enjoyment. Just as the old normal gathered us together to appreciate someone's pond and plantings and beautiful fish, the new normal will be anchored by the stability of the fish and the pond. Having a pond means having a commitment, a permanent change to the landscaping and property vision. It takes on a responsibility to maintain the health of our scaled friends.

With the strong drive to share such peace and satisfaction.

Looking forward to seeing everyone in person

Soon.

Al Pierce, President

December General Meeting on December 13 at the home of Lenore Wade

More information to follow in the December Newsletter

I really hate having blank spaces in the newsletter and always try and fill them, but this time it's my mind that went blank!
In this time of Stay At Home and Covid 19, our club President Al Pierce is being very progressive and interactive. We conducted our October Steering Committee meeting via Zoom with each of the attendees signing in with their interactive pictures on the screen. Present for the meeting was Al Pierce, Tamsie Pierce, Matt Rhoades, Phyllis Spoor, Scotty Yee, Lenore Wade and Jessica Lynch. Very lively meeting with everybody chiming in.

Due to the virus we have temporarily suspended monthly meetings in an effort to help keep everybody safe. Meeting dates will be revisited in January 2021 along with where to hold them, new format regarding potluck, distancing, speakers, etc. depending on the current situation and laws.

We will all miss our KOI fellowship and activities of common interest. This is just a temporary hiccup in the road. Hopefully this situation will end sooner rather than later.

Current Club officers will stay in place for now and be available for information, guidance and help.

TREASURER’S REPORT: Jessica Lynch reported the treasury was in good shape at this time of year. We will need to have some fundraisers-maybe virtual auction and pond tour to cover expenses later in the year.

AKCA REP: Scotty Yee reported AKCA will continue just minus KOI USA. The AKCA insurance that covers our meetings is $100 per year. The old policy expired 7/01/2020. AKCA found a new carrier and it will be renewed.

SHOW UPDATE: 2021 Show on hold due to a lack of chairman and Covid 19. We will be looking into options in January 2021 based on the current situation at that time. Ideas considered for maybe a smaller 2021 show, maybe a different venue (Mission Bay) or no show until 2022. If you have ideas or wish to be the show Chairman please contact Al. Whatever we end up doing should be something the club decides on and not just one person working alone. Scotty Yee suggested holding a virtual KOI SHOW. Garry Chin had mentioned this to Matt before. We could have Customized Virtual KOI Packet specific for KCSD.

FUNDRAISERS: Thoughts of holding a virtual auction and possibly a Pond and Garden Tour.

MEMBER ACTIVITIES: Scotty Yee, his wife and Gerald are attending a live KOI SHOW IN Texas 10/23-25. It is a 18 to 20 hr drive. There might be live video of it.

OLD BUSINESS: Tamsie reported our IRS Non-Profit status is still on hold. The IRS says they are not processing this type of paperwork at this time due to the virus.
I got a request from a club member to consider writing an article on Carp Pox. There is more than sufficient information you can find from an internet search, but like a lot of koi related subjects you will get several ideas on what you should do and it can be confusing at times. I'll give you the standard science mixed with some of my observations and opinions around proposed options for what you may consider doing when you encounter what you think is Carp Pox.

Cyprinid Herpesvirus 1 or Carp Pox is an external viral disease which presents itself in what is often called “candle wax” appearing as small usually round protrusions milky white to gray to occasionally pinkish. The resulting lesions are benign and most often will disappear along with warmer water and may reappear when seasonal colder water returns. However, I have observed it on koi in southern California during the warmer months but most koi owners have told me it was worse when the pond water was cooler. I have often also observed a small lesser raised and discolored area around the primary Carp Pox site both on the fins and the body.

Just to put your mind at rest, the dreaded deadly Cyprinid Herpesvirus -3 or Koi Herpesvirus (KHV) does not present itself with the same visual appearance and your koi don’t start dying.

Carp Pox has been reported as an inherited gene passed down from generation to generation and been present in ornamental and wild carp for as long as anyone can remember; however I know of no current testing recommended to do on your koi to detect its presence and I’m told breeders do not and have no desire to test for its presence. The Carp Pox waxy spots are considered mostly unsightly/cosmetic and harmless by themselves.

Carp Pox is considered contagious, but requiring for the most part direct contact between koi for the virus to be transmitted. There is a lot of general discussion about this virus condition usually appearing in young koi but as the koi’s immune system matures it gets the upper hand and the outward signs of Carp Pox are reduced and then in most koi disappears altogether as the koi reaches maturity with a fully developed immune system. I have seen a very few cases where Carp Pox just takes over an individual koi and becomes so disfigured that it was euthanized. If your koi was born with the inherited gene, it will never be eradicated (omnipresent) but can be generally controlled by its immune system. As for direct transmission with no current outwardly signs – once a koi is infected it’s for life.

This is one of those articles that just needs pictures. I don’t want to just run afoul of copyright laws so I would ask you to go to look at the numerous pics available on the web or for your viewing pleasure view at https://www.bing.com/images/search?q=carp+pox+pictures&qpvt=carp+pox+pictures&form=IQFRML&first=1&scenario=ImageBasicHover Once you see the pics you most likely will say oh that’s what my koi had as it is easily recognized.
So on to Cure - For Carp Pox itself there simply is NONE.

Now it’s time for me to share my personal thoughts on all the other stuff out there on cause and treatment. For your consideration:

Most koi veterinarians I know or have read their published remarks on this subject recommend you do nothing as direct treatment to an individual koi with Carp Pox unless having trouble eating or breathing due to lesions causing the problem.

However, there are a host of things you can consider when dealing with Carp Pox and your koi pond.

First when you acquire koi – buy only mature koi with no signs of Carp Pox – while true not practical for most. On a more serious note when buying younger koi from a dealer/breeder LOOK at all the koi in the tank and if you see any koi with Carp Pox then pass on buying any koi from that tank.

Keep a close eye on the Carp Pox affected area!!! Look for signs of secondary infections both parasitic and bacterial. I’ve actually seen algae growing at/on the Carp Pox site. If concerns develop scrape for parasites by microscopic exam and treat appropriately – I don’t support just treating prophylactically. When bacterial infection appears, I will normally remove the Carp Pox site and treat the bacterial infection accordingly. Remember to consider a visit to the vet if the condition worsens and antibiotics are now required to complete treatment. A common site for Carp Pox is at the ends of all koi fins and I like to catch it early before any signs of infection by removing the affected area and treat with potassium permanganate and 10% Povidone Iodine. I do not get as aggressive when removing Carp Pox affected tissue from the leading ray of any fin especially pectoral and dorsal and if no signs of infection, I leave it alone. I treat body secondary infections about the same way – clean area GOOD and one-time potassium permanganate solution treatment followed by 10% Povidone Iodine. Again, just treating secondary infection otherwise leave it alone. As a disclaimer of sorts most veterinarians I know do not approve of direct application of potassium permanganate to a koi wound. I’m not a vet, folks - just your local KHA.

I got to put a plug in for your pond maintenance as good water quality will help reduce all forms of secondary infections!!! Please review your koi load (overcrowding) as direct contact is considered the main means of transmission in your pond. I guess you could heat your pond during cold weather months, but that is both impractical and koi are four season animals. Even review your koi nutritional requirements as a means to assist your koi’s immune system. Why you say “...to replicate, the virus will need to continually release virion particles which work to seek out new cells to hi-jack. During this period the particles are vulnerable, and the (koi) immune system can recognize and destroy them before they find a healthy cell.” (Pond Informer – Jan 26, 2018 – Edward Jansen)

So your best defense against Carp Pox and most everything else is a continuously monitored great pond environment to support nutritionally fed healthy koi and their immune system. Be safe and healthy!

r/koi jack

Editor’s note:

Yea it was me who asked Jack if he would be so kind as to do an article about POX. I as Vagabond Koi Rescue see more fish and ponds than most of you. Many pond owners don’t know what POX is or what the deal is with it. I have had questions from “What the hell is that on my koi” up to “Is it deadly or contagious?”

I hope this clears up some questions and may give you some peace of mind as well.

I want to thank Jack for the insightful article and as always appreciate his wealth of knowledge.

Jerry

In these trying times of COVID, with so much information about it out there, what can you believe? Many of you may not know this but my better half, and yes she is the better part, works as a contractor for drug companies as a clinical research associate. Basically she is hired by a drug company to travel to clinics and hospitals as well as any Universities doing drug research. The FDA has set guidelines that the drug companies MUST follow in order to have their drug approved and Diane is on the front lines making sure the people running the trials are in compliance with these guidelines by checking all the boxes, so to speak.

One of the trials she is involved with is a COVID study and I can tell you everyone is working very hard to get a vaccine out there. She has enough PPE to last awhile and is very cautious about our health.

So hang in there stay safe and enjoy life.

Jerry
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  - READ THE FINE PRINT HERE: https://koio rganisationinternational.org/2020/02/0202021-scholarships-become-certified-koi-keeper

Current Memberships!
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No renewals required until Feb 1, 2021
THANK-YOU Members!
Do YOU have something you’d like to see in the Guide?
- We’re working Supplement #8
- Will be FREE with your membership renewal in Feb!
- Send your ideas to Spike - scover1@cox.net

TIP OF THE MONTH
If you have city water, and are using a hose to do a water change, ALWAYS use an inexpensive hose timer, so you don’t forget and kill the Koi with chlorine.

WELCOME!
Clubs Took Advantage of 2-for-1
- Rocky Mountain Koi Club
- Mid Columbia Koi Club
- North Texas Water Garden Society
- British Koi Keepers Society
- Atlanta Koi Club
- Canada Koi Club of BC
- Northwest Koi and Goldfish Club
- Mountain View Koi Club of Ontario
- Saugeen Koi Club
- Inland Empire Water Garden & Koi
- Oregon Koi & Water Garden Society
Is YOUR club a member club?
Want to Join? Bill bblayman@gmail.com

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Sure, you know everything there is to know about your pond and koi.
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Ohhh I’ll just call someone! Tic toc time is wasting. Fish need help!
Sound familiar? Wellllll take the course and learn what you really know!
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Hi Jerry here's some pics of our pond construction and general info if you would like to share them in your newsletter.

General information:

4,800 gallons approximately
2 bottom drains one skimmer
4 ft deep with sloped bottoms toward each of the drains
Waterfall driven by skimmer and 1/8 hp pump 5284 GPH
Filter driven by .75 hp pump 76 GPM
3 returns pushing in counter clockwise direction
Current age 5 years
DIY costs with some casual labor about $12,500

My wife Alexa and I joined the Koi Club during excavation and are really glad we did. Koi Club Members John Svelan and Jerry Myers were very helpful and visited our pond a couple of times to offer suggestions on water quality and a few test Koi were provided by Jerry. John also loaned us a gallon meter to calculate the capacity.

We currently have 15 koi and one High Fin shark, we really want another HF Shark (over 4 inches) so if you know of one that's available let me know. I've looked but can't find one that size, anything smaller might go down the drain.

Alexa and I enjoy our pond and it's reflections that change throughout the day and night, the sound of the waterfall and especially feeding time. A bonus we did not expect.....I irrigate our backyard with the back washing and everything's so green and healthy, a 2 inch recycled fire hose is perfect for the job. City safety codes require these fire hoses to be replaced every couple of years so they're free for the asking, if you know who to ask. The plants in our picture did not work out primarily due to the infestation of snails. This led to a complete filter cleaning, and no desire for future plants yet.

Our current routine is:

20% water change every 2 weeks with
A splash of Crystal Clear Algae Dissolve as needed.
Small amounts of Muriatic acid to lower PH as required
Feeding Ultra Balance Growth formula twice a day

In closing I'd like to say thank you to our fine Club, it's a rare opportunity to experience such an elite group of people, we enjoy the friendly atmosphere, kindness and expert advice we have received. Our Koi are happy too, I'm sure they would say thanks to you also, especially Jon and Jerry if they could.

Steve and Alexa

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From an idea and a hole in the ground to....
This was going to be our April General Meeting but as we know COVID stepped in A BIG Thanks to Steve and Alexa for their offer maybe 2021?
I have decided to link both the SmugMug accounts of Bill Newell & Phyllis Spoor to the newsletter and the website. Both of our club members take fantastic pictures of everything you can think of all over the world. For Bill’s SmugMug click his picture. For Phyllis click her picture.

On behalf of the Koi Club of San Diego I want to thank both of these extraordinary photographers for their continued effort to capture the spirit of club members during our gatherings. From the Ponder Profiles, to monthly meetings, Koi Rescues and special events, Phyllis Spoor and Bill Newell are always ready at a moment’s notice and we thank you!
Newell Pond Profile

We have had our Koi pond for 25 years and continue to enjoy it more as time goes by. One of our original fish - the Shiro Utsuri seen in the photos - is an original fish and 25 years old. He continues to have plenty of energy and easily keeps up with the other fish. We enjoy every one of our fish and appreciate their different personalities and coloring.

Even though Koi health is of primary importance, we view the Koi as a part of the whole picture. This includes aesthetics of the pond design, the plants in and around the pond and the location of the pond for easy viewing and comfortable seating nearby for dining and entertaining.

I have found that the easiest way to maintain consistent water quality and clear water include:

- Two water changes each week that add up to about 20%. Breaking up the water changes seems to make a big difference as compared to the same amount once per week. I started this after it was recommended by Scotty Yee and Chien Lee.
- Keep the water plants cleaned up and trimmed.
- Vacuum the pond every 2 to 4 weeks.
- Do a good filter back-flush once a week.

The biggest part of our success is due to Koi Jack, John Svelan and Jerry Myers for having the patience to teach us water quality, filtration and Koi care.

Our filter is a simple Aqua Ultraviolet with a 40 watt UV light. It seems to do a good job and is easy to maintain.

Our fish think that joining the Koi Club is one of the best things we ever did. We enjoy the camaraderie and knowledge gained from all the members and the monthly meetings where we see new and wonderful ponds, experience great food and listen to informative presentations. Hopefully we can get back to that in the not too distant future.

Bill Newell – One of our extraordinary club photographers and Jeanette Newell, his MUSE
Bill does many of the clubs photography and Jeanette is his able bodied assistant and they both contribute to club activities.

Bill & Jeanette are involved in community and spiritual events as well.
Ten Commandments of Koi Keeping

1. Be skeptical of the Marketing Representative. Ask them the “downside” of whatever they are recommending and see what they can say.

2. It will always be your favorite fish that dies. Try never to name your fish.

3. The best Koi are always being held for someone else.

4. Avoid Corn in the top two ingredients of any Koi diet. Fishmeal or Shrimpmeal should be first.

5. Always test first, then you can treat later.

6. Only buy imported Koi after the retailer’s 3-week quarantine.

7. Assume that all new fish are infected with something.

8. You can make your own filter, but buy a no-cut bottom drain.

9. Avoid crowding fish, but if you must, you will need to be a master of water quality.

10. Always be ready to make major water-changes.

Thank You John Svelan for the report
TO VIEW THE AKCA WEBSITE CLICK THE IMAGE
I figured I would update everyone on what Vagabond has been up to.

Vagabond has been a 501-c-3 for 4 years and 8 months. In that time it has rescued and rehomed over 4,000 fish. I quit counting last year. It has gone from a fly by the seat of your pants to an organized fly by the seat of your pants operation. That does not mean it is disorganized but quick thinking and can make necessary changes quickly, yea that’s it.

Vagabond has used its funding to buy new equipment, parts or supplies as necessary. With COVID funding has gotten tighter due to its main source of funds not allowing service. But we push on.

Vagabond is considering having a Come and see if we have anything you need day. Who knows maybe we have something you can use.

Vagabond has moved fish from a sold home to a new home and helped set up a temporary home for them until their new home can be built.

Vagabond has 2 boxes of large 4mil 18x42 inch bags in case anyone needs a bag and rubber bands to move their koi. Email me at rescuekoi@vagabondkoi.org.

Vagabond does not actually do pond service as we figure there are people trying to feed their families doing just that but we will help in an emergency if we can.

Vagabond has not rehomed many koi into private small ponds just because we are trying to maintain a safer environment here.

Vagabond would like people to know we do our best and sometimes we fail to help someone or seem distracted and forget they need help. The rescue is basically a one person endeavor and as such we sometimes forget about someone and I really don’t mean to. Sometimes it takes a while to get to someone needing help, except if an actual emergency, but my philosophy is that when the time is right it happens.

After a year we are finally able to get into the Vagabond website builder and are presently working on it. Vagabondkoi.org

The rescues continue and in that respect I would like to thank Jamie Kanes and John Svelan for their continued support. Recently Jamie helped me bring 20 large koi to Rancho Mirage country club for their pond. And John helped me rescue 20 larger koi from a pond shut down and he took 8 to a club member. Thanks for your help

Jerry and Latamer P. Koi

Vagabond Rescue & Rehoming
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RE: THE PREMIUM KOI FOOD
KOI BREEDERS WORD
from Niigata, Japan

Marudo:
“Nijikawa was used for yonsei Chio koi
and Karashi koi,
“boom-boom” growth! Will use for core variety
next year.”

Koda:
“Nijikawa are used at Nisai and older
ponds. “I think,
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Koi Food”

Sekiguchi:
Nijikawa was mixed at all ponds.
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Link to “Old Pond Syndrome” by Taro Kodama

Happy Halloween
**Editor Note:** I have included the links below so that many of you can have a better understanding of Potassium Permanganate. It is NOT the club's endorsement of your use of it nor will the club be responsible for any outcome of its use or misuse. It is however part of the learning process and if used properly can be beneficial to your pond. *Potassium Permanganate is extremely dangerous to both your koi and yourself. Please read all the cautionary material on handling and use. I have posted this because a number of people have asked me about Potassium Permanganate Tx*

I had included the Roark article on PP TX but was informed it was outdated and newer information exist that is more precise. Therefore I have added the link to the Roark method in case anyone wants to see what he was doing. I would recommend that if you have never used Potassium Permanganate that you do a bit of research first as it can kill all your koi if not used properly. On the other hand it can be pretty useful if used correctly.

We are all adults and quite capable of making our own decisions, AFTER doing some research and understanding the issues.

I am leaving the links in as a source of information only.

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At the rescue sanctuary I use PP as needed and have never had an issue with it. Most of the times I use it between fish.

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**New Links 3/2020**

**IF YOU HAVE A FAVORITE LINK OR KNOW OF A LINK THAT IS INTERESTING AND RELATED TO THE HOBBY PLEASE FEEL FREE TO EMAIL IT TO ME.**

**JERRY**

**Taro Kodama Koi Farm Article on Salt Use**

**A Little About Mamoru Kodoma**

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**Roark article on PP Tx**

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