



PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE – *Jerry Kyle*

Thank you all. It has been a wonderful ride and it is all to your credit. I joined this club to learn about those giant goldfish the Japanese called Koi so I could have a few in a little pond I wanted to build in the patio area in my retirement. Twelve years later I have learned so much from other members of the Camellia Koi Club, visited many different members' ponds at club meetings, seen new ponds at Club Pond Tours, and learned so much at Koi Shows and interactions with others in various clubs within the AKCA. Now as I look around I see newer members looking to see and learn just as I have. The cycle continues. This is the second time I have served a two year term as President and I am again so pleased at the support I have received from everyone. This has been a banner year for visiting a variety of ponds, eating a variety of great food at our pot lucks, and meeting and making such a wonderful supportive group of friends.

I am most pleased to hear talk of the new club officers talking of planning another Koi Show to promote our hobby and promote growth of membership in our club. It is what we do well as we support our hobby. In my travels across the country I continually hear when I mention I belong to the Camellia Koi Club, "Ohh, that's one of the good ones!" I am proud of you all. One thing we do well is eat. This December meeting where we celebrate the end of another year and install the officers to prepare for what we are looking forward to for the next year will be at a great buffet with something for everyone. \$10 is your cost as the club is picking up the balance of the tab. Too good of a deal to pass up. I hope to see you there. Again, we will have some terrific door prizes that everyone will want to win. It's part of the fun. Of note is at Dec 9th it is early so as not to conflict with Christmas family activities. See you there.

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THE CAMELLIA KOI CLUB ANNUAL HOLIDAY DINNER

Where? - - - - Umeko Buffet*

Address? - - - 8353 Folsom Blvd
Sacramento, CA

When? - - - - Sunday, Dec, 9th, 2012

Time? - - - - 1:00 PM

Who? - - - - - CKC Club Members and their guests

Why? - - - - - Celebrate with friends a successful club year in our hobby of learning, caring for, and raising our wet friends.

Enjoy our club raffle without having to buy tickets

Install new officers for next year

Enjoy the company of some of our best friends while eating well.

Cost? - - - - - Members will pay only \$10 each and club will pick up remainder of charges.

Pay? - - - - - You can pay at the door but, please let Georgia know you are Coming so we can properly plan.

*What kind of food? It's a Buffet and while oriental is featured there is a little of everything with a dessert bar to die for. Look them up on-line.



**Photos from November meeting
Submitted by our new official CKC photographer Pauline Sakai**



Do's pond
under shade
cloth sail.



Sitting on
the side of
the pond.



Gathering to
hear Do's
talk.



Admiring
the pond.



Large 3 year
old koi.



Netting his
big koi.



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Bakki filtration system.



Koi parade



Clarity and custom fish feeder.



Second pond with home-made bakki filter



Day was gloomy but there was a great turnout.



Jerry conducted business meeting.



Swimming pool grotto.



View from within the grotto.



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Pauline's latest creation, a mosaic of 8"x8" tiles that she made and then installed as a water feature just outside her cottage.

NEXT MEETING

Holiday Party

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CKC BOARD OF DIRECTORS MINUTES

October 28, 2012

Attending: Jerry, Georgia, Dwayne, Betty, and Marilee

Minutes from previous meeting in October were approved as read in Koi Ahoy.

Financial Report December 2012

Beginning Balance	\$8102.66
Expenses	- 97.02 \$40 host fee, \$20 buffet deposit \$1.17 paypal fees & \$35.85 Yahoo website fees
Income	520.00 Memberships & dinner. \$40 host fee refused by Robert Do, \$30 applied to 2012-2013 membership & \$10 donated back to club
Ending Balance	\$8,525.64



Called to order by Jerry at 12:10 pm. In Attendance, Board members Jerry Kyle, Duane Carlson, Gary Waldsmith, Sharon Oswald, Jose Delgadillo & Georgia Vonk and Members, Jean Jahr, Jim Phillips, Melody Carlson, Janet Delgadillo & Jack & Barbara Flockhart

Minutes & Treasurer's reports approved as published.

June meeting to be held at Gary & Sharon's, January meeting to be held at Gus & Leslie's with Jim Phillips to give a talk to be published in Koi Ahoy. Jim requested that it not be published in any other publication without his prior approval. We are still in need for meeting places and topics/speakers for our meetings. Please send your suggestions to Duane.

Regarding gifts for the holiday, Betty has two more to donate. Jerry to check what he has saved and see if we need to purchase more for holiday party. The thought is to have at least one nice present per person to take home. If anyone else has something to donate, please get back to Jerry.

Georgia to keep count of attendees of party which stands at 13 families with 21 total individuals as of 11/22/12

It was decided to invite the two vendors who have consistently supported the club throughout the years, Sacramento Koi and Koi Enterprise, to be our guests to the party. Steve and Anthony are welcome to each bring a guest. Jim Phillips suggested we send a thank you to Iva of Ultra Balance for her many years of support. Jerry to invite Steve & Anthony and Jim to give Iva's contact information to Jerry.

We have a \$100 Arco gas gift card left over from a couple of years ago. The people who won the card, left the club and Georgia's been holding it ever since. It was recommended we auction off the card to our members during the regular meeting. Approved

Jim Phillips addressed the Board inquiring if the club is interested in putting on a small Koi show in 2013. Questions included if open to all or just club members, where to exhibit, how large, etc. Was decided to present to the entire club for discussion.

Board meeting ended at 1pm

Regular meeting began at 1:20pm.

Signup sheets for dinner, hosting future club meetings and attendance sheets sent around. We had 34 attendees with 5 guests. Two of our guests came all the way from Minnesota.

Memberships are now at 56 families with 22 already paid up thru 2013.

Georgia auctioned off our Arco gas card and after a lively round of bidding, Jose Delgadillo was our high bidder at \$91.



Thanks for all who participated.

Jerry gave an overview of the requirements of a Koi Show. Jim Phillips (Mr. Water Quality) reviewed the difference between a large and small show, open to all or just members only, equipment required and why member involvement is so important. The majority felt a small show of no more than 15 tanks, open to our members only would be fun and manageable. Jim agreed to handle the water quality but do to time restraints with his employment, would not be able to act in an administrator capacity.

Jerry then introduced us to Robert Do, our host, to tell us his secrets to grow his koi as large as they are.

Robert's smallest fish was purchased in April at 8" long and is now 20". He feels high concentrates of Oxygen with a saturation rate of 80%-120% will maximize growth. His use of a Bakki tower and foam extractor increases his pond's efficiency. He turns his water every 10-15 minutes and does 100% water changes weekly thru a constant drip system at 15% per day. The drip system is done so slowly, the concerns about chlorine doesn't come into play.

He keeps his water at 80 degrees 9 months a year and then lowers to 60 degrees for the 3 months of winter. During these 3 months, he doesn't feed which allows his females to rest and absorb any eggs they might be carrying.

Robert keeps track of TDS or Total Dissolved Solids. What comes out of your tap may already be high. He gets his water from Folsom Lake which is very soft. Hard water is good for black and white colors but can create shimmies (small black spots) on your fish. These are usually easily removed prior to showing the Kobi.

Exposure to direct sun is another issue when raising Koi that you wish to show. This can cause your reds to break up and and your black to go down or retreat from the surface of the skin. You can get the black to return but once the red is gone, there's no way to bring it back.

Robert explained that Koi are grazers and they want to eat many small meals per day, not a couple of large ones. He uses a Koi Café which the fish seem to know when to expect to be fed but don't go into feeding frenzies. He has found that high quality food mixed with ones with probiotics work best for his koi. Each food may grow length or width or tail but hard to find one that grows all evenly. He uses 4 parts Dianichi and 1 part Sakai Askari which results in less waste and illness. He also includes Hi Silk 21 which he orders in bulk to get 43.8 % protein with silk worms included.

A Grand Champion Koi in Japan is worth \$2-\$4 Million. It's offspring are worth \$10-\$15,000 each or more. This is a big business which is why water quality, amount and type of food fed and when you feed it is so important. He also stressed that all fish should be inoculated for KHV. No amount of guaranty will protect your pond from this deadly disease. Robert works hand-in-hand with UC Davis which ensures good health while his fish are growing to such remarkable sizes.

Robert showed us the types of equipment, food and other supplies that he keeps on hand. He also had a mini contest for the members and guests to choose who they felt were the top five koi in his pond in descending order. If you choose correctly in order, your guess was worth 5 points. If you choose the fish but not its placement, you earned 1 point. He felt his best fish was a large female 5 step Kohaku and included by his two Showa's, a Gin Rin Kohaku and Shiro Utsuri. Sorry, Robert, didn't write down who was in which order. Needless to say, there wasn't one fish in his pond anyone of us wouldn't have wanted to take home. Everyone had lots of fun and 12 people got to take home some nice



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bags of koi food.

We then all went back into Robert and Theresa's outstanding home that they share with their four delightful children. It was a wonderful way to start our holiday season - good food, we all learned something new, great koi to view and a new member. Welcome to our Koi family, Robert, we so enjoyed your home, your fish and your hospitality.

Please remember our Holiday Installation Dinner is Dec. 9th at 1pm. It's not too late to let Georgia know that you wish to attend. Your cost is \$10 per person with the club covering the balance.

Next year's Board of Directors are:

President 2013-2014	Jean J
Vice President termed thru 2013	Duane C
Secretary 2013-2014	Nghi H
Treasurer termed thru 2013	Georgia V
Director 2013	Jose D
Director 2013-2014	Gary W
Director 2013-2014	Bob H
Director 2013	Sharon O
Director (immediate past President)	Jerry K



Garry's Did You Know?

by Garry Chin

See you next year !!!

2012 Club Calendar

Date	Topic	Location
January 20	Winter update	Marilee & Jim's Auburn
February 26	Flora Tropicana	Elk Grove
March 25	High Hand Nursery	Rocklin
April 29	Bay Area Koi Vendor Tour	San Jose
May 20	Intraclub pond tour, progressive dinner, and	Starts at Tran home



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(3rd Sunday)	poker run	
June 24	Golden Pond	Rocklin
July 29	Annual Potluck	Vonk Home
August 26	Annual Club Koi Auction	Carlson's home
September 30		Haugland home
October 28	Spaghetti cook-off Challenge	Kyle & Flockhart homes
November 18 (3 rd Sunday)	Feeding for maximum growth	Do home
December 9	Christmas Party 1:00 p.m.	Umeko Buffet 8353 Folsom Blvd. 27 201Sacramento
January 27, 2013	Jim Phillips talk	Gus & Leslie's home

If you would like to host your pond and house next year, please let Duane Carlson know. We will be delighted to schedule your convenient month.

CLUB DUES FOR 1213 ARE DUE @ \$30/family

Personalized ID pins are available at \$10/ea.

Reservation for Christmas Party at Umeko Buffet \$10/per person



You may pay for any or all the above via PayPal if you wish. Otherwise mail your check to
Georgia Vonk, CKC Treasurer
881 Greenridge Ct.
Lincoln, CA 95648

<u>Name</u>		<u>2013 Dues are \$30/family</u>
Christmas Party	How many @ 10/ea? _____	Total
Personalized name tags	(Name)	\$10
Another name tag	(Name)	\$ 10
More?	(Names)	\$?
Total due to CKC		



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