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## **Associated Koi Clubs of America Comes to Town to Hold its' Annual Business Meeting and Wet Lab**

What's a Wet Lab? Many Wet Labs only involve dissecting a koi and some general instruction about what to look for. The gill plate will be cut off so you can see the gills, or lamellae. Healthy gills will have the red color of a steak. Then there's a cut from the vent to the gills, but instead of removing the insides like you would before you fry a trout, another cut is made from the vent to the

dorsal fin. Then the side of the fish is folded or removed at the top of the fish and you can see all of the internal organs. Pretty cool and pretty disgusting all at the same time.

Some Wet Labs, like the AKCA one we're about to host, take the wet part a little further. Using microscopes, they'll teach us how to look for parasites from live koi. We'll be scraping a small amount of slime coat from various parts of the koi and use the microscope to look for the bad guys living in the goo.

As a KHA Student I can only think, "Gee, what fun!" If you're not a KHA Student, you can still experience this stuff up close and gooey, for a modest \$25 fee. Call Jean Jahr to reserve your spot. Not interested in getting wet or gooey? You can watch from the sidelines where you can still see and hear much of what's going on. There's no fee to just observe.

**Hilton Garden Inn,  
2540 Venture Oaks Way  
(916) 568-5400**

**KHA Wet Lab:**

**Saturday: June 20 8am – 4pm**

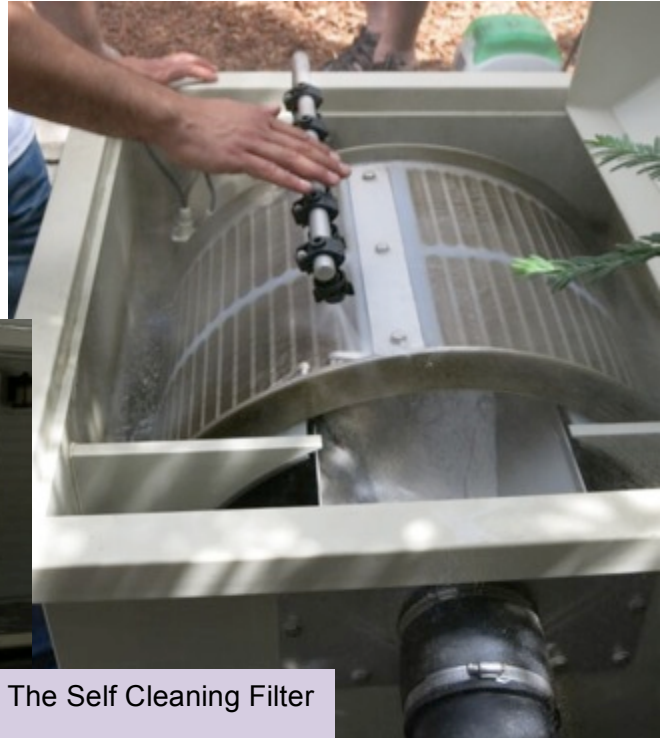
**Sunday: June 21 8am – 1pm**

**Sam Niebank receives the  
AKCA Koi Person of the Year  
Certificate from Jerry Kyle**



### The Tsuchida Pond

Anthony Quintero, of Koi Enterprise, spoke to us about the wonders of the new self cleaning filter he installed at the Tsuchida pond, and how it can help conserve our precious water reserves here in California.



Mike & Molly Tsuchida      The Self Cleaning Filter  
Patio Koi      Pond Koi



Left,  
RayRay is a  
ladies man.

Right,  
Jack Lokhoff is  
doing well after  
recovering from  
heart surgery.  
Pauline looks  
pretty good too.





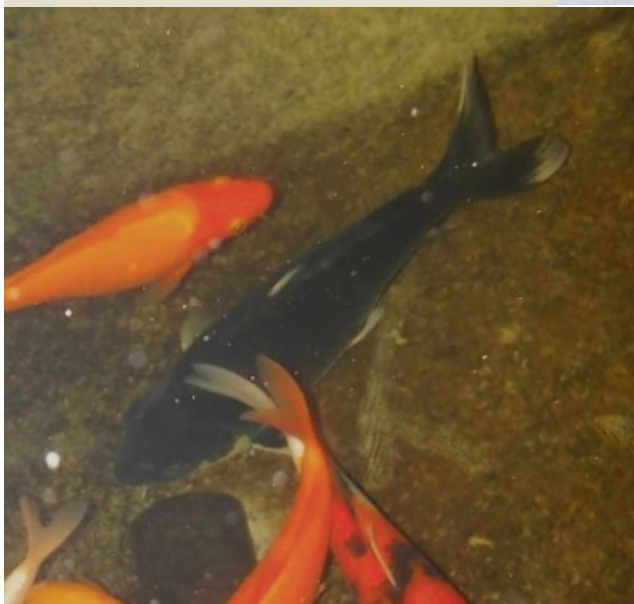
**It's All in Your Point of View...**

In September we saw John Gillespie (left) perusing the Tsuchida's new pond.

In the photo below, taken in May, we can't see John at all.

**Experimental Pond Spawn Update** by Bob H.

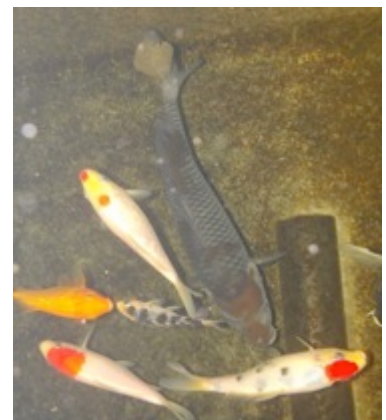
Below is a photo of Toby. A Toby is what they call the quirky fry that grow twice as fast as his siblings, so that's what I named him. At 6+ inches, he's only slightly longer than his biggest siblings, which are "almost" 6 inches. He is much wider, though. His girth is probably three times that of his siblings. The Benigo just above him is about 5".



**Grow Out Contest...** Will be judged at our Koi Show in April, 2016. How's your fish progressing? This is my entry (below/right), hanging out in the Q tank with some of the pond spawn. His name is Archie (Ochiba)

He was measured at 7 3/4" in March. I think he's somewhere between 9 & 10 inches now.

Sorry about the decomposing bouganvilla flower blocking his tail, it's been windy and they blow into the tank.



**Next Meeting, June 28  
At the pond of Joe Scheimer  
11830 Point Rock Way,  
Gold River, 95670**

Do you know your pond's volume? The Camellia KHA crew will be demonstrating how to measure the volume of an established pond using salt, a salt meter, and a calculator. There will even be a contest to see who can guess Joe's volume. (Joe's pond, not Joe.)



As usual, bring your camera, a folding chair, and a pot luck thingie to share.  
**June 28...Board meets at noon, General membership at 1pm.**

Here's the link for the google map:

<https://www.google.com/maps/place/11830+Point+Rock+Way,+Gold+River,+CA+95670/@38.6294118,-121.2392725,15z/data=!4m2!3m1!1s0x809ae70b8769294d:0x8f036a6b4c97eab4>

### **On the Agenda...**

In addition to measuring Joe's pond with salt, we'll be debriefing all of the fun we had at the AKCA Wet Lab. And the Informal Guess The Size of The Pond Contest.

We'll get an update on our Koi Show, April 14-17, 2016. Much progress has been made.

We'll have a sign up sheet available for our Sausage Roast/Picnic at the Ceronix pond in Auburn, July 26.

## 2015 CKC Calendar

- January 25 meeting .....Plans for the New Year & Chili Contest.....Sam & Kami Niebank
- February 22 .....Dr. Grossett, UCD.....Mike & Molly Tsuchida's New Hi Tech Pond
- February 28 – March 1....San Jose Koi Show, Four Points by Sheraton Hotel, 399 Silicon Valley Rd., San Jose. Contact: David Tran, [ulyссе96@hotmail.com](mailto:ulyссе96@hotmail.com) 408 234-8564*
- March 22 .....Grow Out Contest.....Select Koi, Elk Grove
- April 26.....Site & speaker have changed.....Pauline Sakai's Pond in Roseville
- May 31.....Speaker: Anthony Quintero.....Mike & Molly's New Pond
- June 20-21, 2015      AKCA Business Meeting & Wet Lab      Camellia Koi Club as Host**
- June 28.....AKCA De-briefing & Pond Measuring Demo.....Joe Scheimer, Gold River**
- July 26 .....Field Trip to the Ceronex Pond.....Auburn
- August 30, 2015.....Koi Auction & Ice Cream Social.....Melody & Duane's
- September 27 or 20?.....Need topic/speaker..... Jean Jahr, Antelope
- October 25 .....OPEN....pond/speaker TBD
- November 15.....Spaghetti Contest.....Jerry & Phyliss Kyle/Jack & Barbara Flockhart
- December 6 .....Party.....Venue Open.....Got any ideas?

***Suggestions for additional topics, speakers, and activities should be directed to our Vice President, Mike Tsuchida.***

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**Financials...**Georgia Vonk, Treasurer

Beginning Balance: \$6907.53

Income	118.53	\$90 memberships, \$18.53 Groupon memberships, \$10 Name Badge
Expenses	47.65	\$40 May host fee, \$6.48 plaque name plate, \$1.17 Paypal fee
Ending Balance	\$6978.63	

**Camellia Koi minutes**

May 31, 2015

Meeting held at the home of Mike and Molly, 1030 Appollo way, Sacramento.

Meeting came to order by president Jean, second by Bob

Speaker: Anthony Quintero from Koi Enterprises in West Sacramento

**OLD Business:**

Jean commented on creating new flyers, Finding out how many old flyers we have left?

Would be nice to have for the AKCA show.

AKCA meeting at Hilton Garden Inn, Natomas, CA Report-Banquet and or wet Lab registrations due and order your dinner or lunch. Time is running out to register.

**Dues and membership:** we are up to 49 family members in the club.

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Koi Show update: Sam has set date for Koi Show to be April 14-17, 2016. To be held at Placer county fairgrounds. Placer County will confirm date with Sam. Need to work on shirts and logo for Staff identification, Membership shirts and shirts for sale to public, also working on Club pins.

Advertise for venders to attend the show. Must be showing and selling nothing but Pond and Fish related items.

We have requested Georgia to please send information of our last Koi show expenses.

Christmas party. Plan on location as some members where not pleased with the Casino. Melody Carlson has offered to look into knew location that is smoke free and little more personally private for our club meeting and xmas party. Date tentatively is December 6, 2015.

Next meeting to be June 28,2015 at Joe Schiemer's house.

Meeting adjourned