

**Camellia Koi Club
Newsletter**

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Koi Ahoy

It's all about the fish



Our August Meeting is Always the: Annual Koi Auction & Ice Cream Social

It's also always at the pond and rose garden of Duane & Melody Carson, **8725 Spooner Ct., Granite Bay, 95746.**

Here's a link to a google map:

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The lure of ice cream for lunch and a koi auction brings a lot of people out so bring a folding chair if you can. Invite your friends as anyone can bid at the auction, but only CKC members can sell. More about the rules is on another page.

The board meets at noon and anyone is welcome to listen in. If you have fish to auction, you can come early to drop them off. The meeting & ice cream social begin around 1pm. After that, the auction begins.

Duane & Melody make us a big batch of ice cream so the potluck option here is you can bring ice cream toppings if you like. Some real food is also a good idea too. Forty Koi-Kitchy adults all hopped up on an ice cream high can be scary.

This will be a busy meeting since the Koi Show will be the following weekend. Come prepared to volunteer to work some portion of the show. Nobody will be asked to do anything they are not capable of, or feel comfortable to do. We also need more entries so we have lots of tanks on display. For members this is only \$50 per tank. That's an opportunity and a bargain.

Duane, as Granite Bay Koi, can help you with the supplies you need for your pond. Things like KoiZyme or MedZyme, test kits, potassium permanganate or almost anything else you need. He sells Ultra Balance Koi food too. You can call him, place an order, then pick it up and pay for it the day of the meeting.
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This Month in the Pond

Man, it's HOT, and now it's smoky too. As I write this most of the wild fires have left our area, but by the time you read this, that could change.

If you and your pond are inundated with smoke, it could change your pH. Water change outs would be the best thing to do for that. Even worse if ash is falling into the pond.

The worst-case scenario would be if you had to evacuate. If you are under the threat of evacuation, plan ahead. Get you & your family ready early, this includes your pond. Call us. Any of those people listed on p. 4 will be able to get the ball rolling and assemble a team to evacuate the pond.

Don't get me wrong, I'm not volunteering anyone. I'm just saying that networking with your pond friends is the best thing to do in an emergency situation.



Rules for the Koi Auction

1. You must be a Camellia Koi Club member to sell. Annual membership is only \$30. Contact Carl Huppert now to join: huppertc@yahoo.com
2. You don't have to be a member to buy. (Bring your friends.)
3. If you are the top bidder for a fish, you pay Camellia Koi Club. CKC keeps ½ and the seller gets ½. We accept cash or VISA
4. You must bring your fish in a fish bag. (No zip-locks, Michelle) No buckets or mason jars either.
5. Do not feed your fish 5 days prior to bagging them. **Stop feeding: Wed., August 22.**
6. If you don't have oxygen, it will be added to your bag by Duane when you arrive.
7. One fish per bag. If you put two or more fish in the bag it will be auctioned as one bag.
8. Don't bring diseased or injured fish. No goldfish.
9. In the event that your fish isn't bid on, **you must take it home.**

Bagging Tips

Use only enough water to cover the fish. Most of the bag should be air. It's a good idea to add a double dose of ammonia binder to the bag. Transport your fish in the dark, like a cooler or a box with a closeable top. Also add a frozen water bottle to the box to keep the koi cool. (Not in the water with the koi)

When you arrive, Duane will ask you if your bag needs oxygen and refill the bag with oxygen if needed. Your bag will be marked with an ID number and then it will float in Duane's Q-tank for everyone to look at.

How the Auction Works

If you have viewed all of the bags and decided that there's a fish you want, you'll be given a bidding paddle with a number on it. The bags will be brought out randomly, one at a time, and the biddings will start. Just raise your paddle to bid and if you win the bid, your number and the bag number will be recorded. At the end of all of the mayhem, you'll pay your total fees to the Treasurer and then take your fish home. Keep your new prize in the dark and cool for the ride home. If you have sold a fish, the Treasurer will give you your half of the sale price.

In the excitement of all of this, don't forget to take home your folding chairs and tupper ware.

September 1-2

Sacramento Koi Show

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Old Sugar Mill

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A Vision of Excellence

Lots of planning and preparing has gone into this endeavor and it's coming down to the last few weeks, which will be very busy for all of the principals involved. As of this writing we have more guest entries than we had last years. The word is out and it's good.

Based on the work we did last year, we've streamlined and improved the set up and tear down. We'll begin Friday morning around 9am. Laying out and filling all of the tanks should take until around noon. Just to make things interesting, the Old Sugar Mill is hosting a Rock Concert on Friday. Parking could be tricky so OSM will have parking attendants to help guide people. We will have the small parking area adjacent to the grass for our unloading use, but overflow parking may have to be diverted to the equipment yard just south of the site.

Friday...Starting after 9am we'll need to:

- Unload the trailer
- Layout the tanks into position & begin assembly
- A crew of 2-3 men to set up and man the fire hose
- A crew to assemble the 10x20 shade structure

Later Friday...Fish will be arriving. Some locally, some from the Bay Area. Almost all of the benching will happen at this time.

Saturday morning...More benching in the early morning for late arrivals. Vendors will be setting up. The judging will begin and the show will be open at 11am.

The raffle booth will be set up. **Please bring your donations to the raffle booth Saturday morning so that Jerry doesn't have to cart them back and forth.**



Folding programs is not an issue this year. The 2018 format is 5 ½ x 8 ½ booklet

Judging, Camellia Koi Club Style

Larry Gill will again be our Head Judge. At Larry's suggestion, we will have two "Shadow Judges" from our own membership. They are Georgia Vonk and Michelle Cardenas. We have given them the title of Affiliate Judges. This is a fun and educational opportunity for these two ladies. As they make their decisions, Larry Gill will be right there, teaching them the fine points of the task of judging.

More About Fat & Skinny Fish

Two issues ago I wrote about fat and skinny fish. I attributed these conditions to how we feed our fish. Pauline Sakai has reminded me with an email that there are other issues as well. Here is what she wrote:

"Sorry I didn't respond earlier, regarding your article on "Barracudas, Submarines and Footballs". My first thought of a skinny fish is not that it needs more food. If that were true all the fish would be on the skinny side (except for the piggish fish). Recently (last year), I became aware through Sandy Mascadri advising Duane and Melody Carlson, that their skinny fish were very sick and needed to be treated for internal flukes/worms. The treatment is two doses of Prazi given at one month intervals. I administered this treatment to my fish last fall and one of my fish that had been on the skinny-side seems to have fattened up a bit. Another one is still skinny so I'm treating again this summer. The skinny fish are very good eaters, they just don't seem to gain weight. Just like when our dog/cats get worms."

This is great feedback. I tend to write stuff in generalities and sometimes avoid specifics, or deal with only part of the issue. I welcome reactions like Pauline's, it expands the topic and offers other causes and solutions. I'd like to encourage others to respond to this or any other issues. If you would like to contribute, feel free to email me. TheNewMrBob@gmail.com



A Taste of Excellence 2017 Judging Team

L to R: Jason Sargant, Benching/Judging Tech Guy. Larry Gill, Head Judge.
Pam Spinolda, Assistant Judge. Brian Liljas, Candidate Judge.

(Tentative) Camellia Koi Club 2018 Calendar

This is as accurate as possible, but things sometimes change

January 28.....Sacramento Winter Care.....Lorenzo’s, Loomis
 February 25.....Wet Lab & Fish Handling.....Bob Haugland, Sacramento
 March 25.....Koi Medications.....Michelle Cardenas, **BS, CPhT, RLAT, RVT**, Carmichael
 April 29.....Dennis & Victoria Tran, Sacramento
 May 20.....(27 is Memorial Day Weekend).....Jean Jahr, Antelope
 June 24.....George & Denise Garbero, Sacramento
 July 29.....Joe Scheimer, Gold River
 August 26.....Koi Auction & Ice Cream Social.....Duane & Melody Carlson, Granite Bay
 September 1-2.....Koi Show.....Old Sugar Mill, Clarksburg
 September 30.....Chuck Cottam & Nita Blauch, Lincoln
 October 28.....Mark & Sharon Wichmann, Rancho Cordova
 November 11.....Bobby Wilson, Citrus Heights
 December 2.....Christmas Party TBD

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Treasurer's Report, July, 2018

Revenues - \$0

Expenses - \$1,265.70

\$505.00 - Reimburse Haugland for trailer tires

\$401.00 - Inside Publications Koi Show Ad

\$318.85 - Porta-Potty Rental Koi Show

\$ 35.85 - Yahoo Small Business Services - Web Page

\$ 5.00 - Point of Sale swipe charges (trying to get reimbursed as this were in error)

Ending Balance - \$5,384.32

Minutes

July 29, 2018 CKC Board Meeting- 12:05pm

Not enough board members present to have a vote on minutes or finances

Old Business – Koi Show

Advertising has paid for the show guide – \$450 income for ads to be placed in the show guide so far

Trophies – one paid for by Hikari (grand champ) need 18 more to be sponsored- Michelle C. sponsored Best in Size 1 Trophy

Vendors – need one to two more vendors but can take as many as possible we currently have 11- will reach out to more

\$2285 cost for the show including Porta potties, shirts, location

\$2795 income promised

\$620 raffle prize commitment

Income does not include show tanks sold yet

Volunteers- will be collected at August meeting- hour time blocks

CKC General Meeting- 1:28pm

Not enough board members present to have a vote on minutes or finances- will do at next meeting

There were some expenses this month including show expenses and new tires for the trailer but, we have a healthy budget

Welcome to Anna and Ron -new potential members

Old Business- Koi Show

Good income so far now we need to sell show tanks

Looking for more trophies sponsorships

Advertising for ads in the show guide has cover the cost of the guide

Vendors- we currently have 11 vendors three wet eight dry would like to try to find artists, jewelry and crafts for vendors as well

Raffle – Time to start collecting items for the raffle for the Koi show- need to get a list together so we know how much space we need to display items

Volunteer commitment from club members for the show will include 1-2 hour increments to help work in the booth etc. - Will pass around a sign-up next month to get commitment from club members who are volunteering the day of the show

Hours of the show are Saturday 9 AM to 5 PM and Sunday 9 AM to 3 PM September 1 and 2

Friday afternoon will be set up time to be determined

Tear down will be Sunday after the show around 3 PM

Discussed some water quality issues surrounding the variability of PH – be sure to check your water often in the heat/fires – check the pH in your pond and what is coming out of your faucet because city water varies- plaster of Paris can change the pH but does not really affect hardness – baking soda is a good buffer

Jerry- Attended the AKCA a meeting and wet lab in San Diego last month – promoted the KHA class- Those interested can sign up online and do the online course and pay the \$100 tuition and once the wet lab is completed the AKCA will reimburse your tuition for the course

Sandy- Spoke about teeth in Koi fish – brought some examples of teeth she found in her filters – koi fish have grinding teeth far back in the mouth towards the throat of the fish

Joe's pond- 23 years old - had no pre-filter but now there is one installed – 1400 gallons – nine large fish- water change every 2 to 3 weeks and adds a lot of water in between

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