

VALLEY OF THE SUN



KOI CLUB



Desert Koi Newsletter September 2007



President's Message

By Corey Garrett

The new Koi season in Arizona is here and it promises to be just as exciting as last year. If you have not seen the recent Koi USA you are missing a real treat as many of the articles is about the AKCA Seminar and pictures of ponds on the pond tour.

In addition to KOI USA one of the best new magazines is Koi Nations. I encourage you to subscribe to Koi Nations. It has great articles, brilliant pictures and comes the opposite month as Koi USA. That means you will have twice the information to meet your Koi kichi!

Mark your calendars; the first meeting of the year is at Bryan and Robbi's home. In addition, mark your calendar for the first weekend in October for the Las Vegas Koi Club Show and Veterans Weekend in November for the Southern AZ Koi club's Annual show. And of course the Valley of the Sun will have the first Koi show in 2008 that is conjunction with the Chinese New year.





NOTE FROM ROBBI

I want to personally thank all club members and their families for their support of the AKCA seminar in Mesa Arizona. Your many volunteer hours over the past two years have resulted in one of the best national seminars in recent history.

September 16th, 2007 2:00pm

Bryan & Robbi McCleney

Travel on Dobson Rd in Mesa south of Baseline (Dobson Ranch). Turn west on Keating. Go straight to El Dorado (4 way stop) turn right or North. Continue straight to Monte turn right or east. This road turn into Gaucho. We are the middle house on the curve. The roads stop & start in Dobson Ranch. You will pass one Gaucho before Monte. DO NOT TURN at this Gaucho turn at the second Gaucho.



Minutes From Last Official Meeting

May 20th, 2007 Valley of the Sun Koi Club Minutes

Meeting was called to order at 2:22 pm on May 20, 2007 by Corey Garrett our President.

Derek Tang our Treasurer read the April's Treasurer report. David Yee moved to accept the report. Corey Garrett seconded and the Ayes passed the report. The previous months Treasurer's reports (March and February) were accepted via our President saying 'If the current report is accepted we will accept the past ones'.

Donna Kovacich, secretary read the April minutes. They were accepted.

Robbi Mccleney passed around a Seminar Volunteer sheet. Robbi reported we needed more volunteers and anyone volunteering for 8 hours or more would get into the seminar for free but would be responsible for their own food expense.

David Yee offered two tickets free for anyone who would coordinate and see to the Thursday trip to Grand Canyon. Karen Valenzuela volunteered.

Arne Grant volunteered to take the 15 seat Van for the Town Tour.

Casino Night-need 8 people for the Casino to pick up. We have only 3 at this time so we will need a driver.

Diamondback-4 people have signed up. We will find a driver.

Ian and Brittani Bearup have been working on the News Release for the Seminar. They have contacted 47 publications. Ian read the News Release to us.

Keynote Speakers: How to judge a KOI is free on Saturday. KOI talk not coming. Wet Lab might be cancelled. The Wet Lab needs an instructor.

Derek Tang suggested someone to video the Seminar. He feels this person would be willing to work for a small charge (\$300) or benefits. Derek Tang moved to accept, Corey seconded the motion and we passed the motion. Derek said he would follow through with this endeavor.

Robbi Mccleney has books/magazines, etc in a free bag for each person who signs up and volunteers.

Anyone who is wanting to order books please contact Robbi Mccleney now because we can get a commission with less shipping.

Brian Connelly and John Kovacich talked on the building and care of John's new pond. John talked about the KOI and other fish we have adopted.

We passed around an e-mail and cell phone sign up sheet. The cell phones will be necessary at the Seminar to find whom you need.

We held our drawing: The winners were Corey Garrett, John Kovacich, and Dennis Beard.

The meeting was ended and people were invited to go outside or go with Brian Connelly to see his pond. **Everyone was reminded we have a meeting in June to help put together the Seminar Booklets. See everyone there.**

Submitted by Donna Kovacich, Secretary

For Sale/Classifieds

If you have something that you would like to list, please e-mail Meya Cox

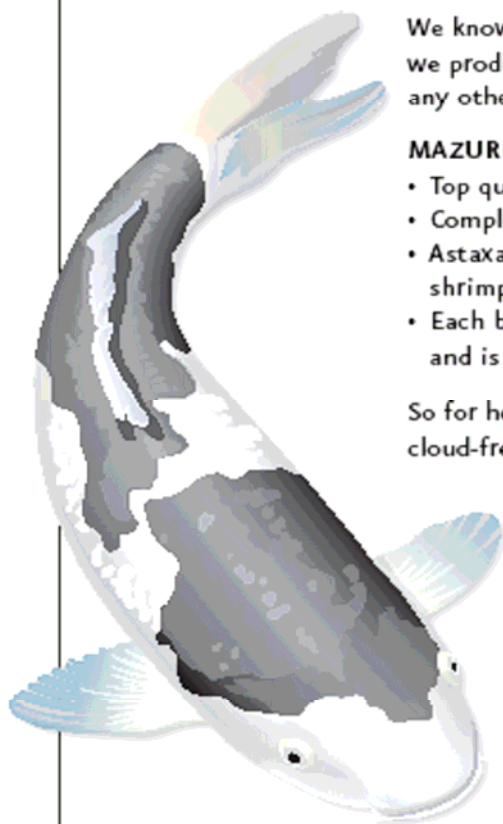
Send a picture of your Koi to _____ for the whole club to see on the front page of the newsletters!!!



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Ask Bryan

By Bryan McCleney

Question: How many Koi fish can I put in my pond?

Answer: The amount could range from 150 to 250 gallons per fish. If you are starting out with small 6" to 8" long Koi, they can reach 2 feet in three years, depending on how much food and how often you feed them. They could even grow to over 3 feet long! The overcrowding of fish produces stress and a lot of waste material. It can reduce the health of the fish and result in various diseases. Also, a less crowded pond is more pleasant to look at.





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