

ZNA Potomac News

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Presidents Message

President's Notes

What a month! The Show was a blast and was the biggest ever. I do not know how we can top it in 2009, but we are sure going to try.

I want to talk about the club. The club is a group of people who share a common interest –KOI. We all come from different backgrounds, different levels of experience, different occupations, different income levels, and different dreams of what the future holds. Yet we are uniform in our love of these wonderful creatures called KOI. We need to continue to support each other as we have been so that we each can grow in our abilities. The wonderful thing about a club is that we can help each other by learning from other's experiences (both mistakes and successes). I called this club a "Family" and that is the way I feel. We don't always agree about everything, but we all care about the group. I feel like this club will continue to grow and prosper in the future because of the manner in which each of you helps the others. Ask others to join and attend the meetings.

We need everyone to participate throughout the year in the meetings and not just at show time. We could do so much more with increased participation. I know that many of you are busy with careers, but when you have time please share. Our membership numbers are increasing in some areas, but in others we have lost touch with some former members, we need to reach out and ask them to join again.

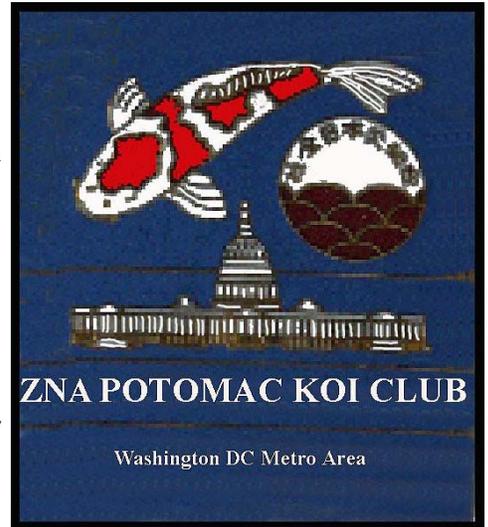
So where do we go from here? There has been talk of a Young Koi Show in the spring in conjunction with our Young Koi Auction. I want to explore this at the October Meet-

ing. Please think about the pros and cons of such an event and come prepared to discuss. The park has weekend spots available if we want to hold something there.

I received my copy of Nichirin, the ZNA magazine from Japan, and what was included in the articles? Our 2007 Show article and pictures by Jim North. How timely an article after we just finished the 08 show. Congrats Jim on a nice article and photos.

One of the judges at our Show was Dr. Galen Hansen. Dr. Hansen is the Chair of the AKCA Annual Seminar scheduled for February 12-15, 2009 in San Diego, CA. He sent a personal invitation to all ZNA Potomac members to come to San Diego. I know that many of you have never thought about attending the AKCA event, but this year is different. This year the Seminar is being combined with the San Diego Koi Show, one of the largest in the country. It should prove to be a wonderful event. There are many of us planning to attend; Carolyn and I already have our tickets as do the Poppes, and I believe Jim North and Terri Janas are possible. The Show will be judged by all 30 AKCA judges with Ray Abell and Kunzio Narita as judging consultants, so it should be a very fun time. Please consider coming to San Diego and showing the rest of the country the caliber of hobbyists who make up ZNA Potomac

So next up is the meeting at the Frady's home in Mt Vernon on 10/12/08. Everyone should plan to attend. We will be doing a recap of



the show as well as a discussion about next year. We will also talk about winter coming and what to expect. See you there.

Mike Frady



Next Meeting: The Frady's house in Alexandria October 12 at 2PM!! Pg 7

15 Annual ZNA Potomac Show Recap

The 15th Annual ZNA Potomac Koi Show September 12-14 2008 was everything we dreamed of and more! Held once again at Meadowlark Botanical Gardens in Vienna, Virginia we had an astounding turnout of koi. Hobbyist from all over brought 289 koi to be judged, making this the largest ZNA Potomac Koi Show in club history.

The Thursday before the show many members arrived at the show site to start setup. Club members Mike and Carolyn Frady, Chuck Poppe with his helper Carlos, Terri Janas, Lori Ierace, Show Chairman Jim North were on hand for setup. Also helping out from the great state of New York was Bonita Wolf (Thanks Bonita!). There were 49 tanks to setup for the show fish, dealers and prep tanks, we certainly had our work cut out for us. A long day of setting up tanks was made easier when they were filled by Fairfax Water Authority. Water quality was handled by Joe White and Terri Janas, who readied the tanks with water treatments. Meanwhile Sherri White and Mike Frady worked out the last minute details with the show software.

Friday morning rolled around and the club members started netting their koi and transporting them to the show site to be placed into the tanks. It was a very busy morning as everyone helped each other by making sure everyone got their koi into the right tanks safely. Benching commenced late morning and was headed up by Ed Gillenwater with Tony Huguely taking photos and our good friends from California Nancy and Frank Morales helping. While the benching was being performed we were still busy setting up the rest of the show tables and equipment. Eastern Nishikigoi, Vienna Aquarium and Quality Koi were also on hand to set up their booths and started selling koi right away to spectators that had already started to arrive. Also on hand to help setup on Friday were the same members from Thursday with the addition of Doris Poppe, Tom and Sue McKenzie, Mike Walker, Gretchen Lindsey, and Turelle and Pam Holmes. After a long day of benching and setup many of us headed to the Embassy Suites Tysons Corner for a Meet the Judges reception. The reception was great with food and drink catered by the hotel. Everyone got a chance to meet and mingle with judges Galen Hansen (CA), Jim Reilly (NJ), Bob Winkler (CO), Joe White (FL) and candidates Junichi Kayano (CA) and Erwin Santos (CA). We all headed for home or to our hotel rooms with much anticipation of what was to come the next day.

Saturday was here and it was finally show time! At 9:30 AM Club President Mike Frady and Show Chairman Jim North kicked things off by introducing the judging teams as then the judging commenced. Mike and Jim introduced the format for the Show, which was different for 2008. The koi were placed in two categories this year. All Gosanke were in Class A and all non-Gosanke were Class B. Both A and B had a full slate of awards from Grand Champion to Best in Size. This may be the first time in the US that this format had been used. By this time even more club members had arrived to help, including everyone that helped out the previous two days, we also had Charles Tolbert and Delphine, Chuck Wilson, Glen Crispel, Liz Muchnick, Margie Linn, Demi and Olivia Janas and Jimmy North. Working with the judges as bowlers and recorders were Nancy and Frank Morales, Margie Linn, Mike Frady, Charles Tolbert and Gretchen Lindsey. Blue Ribbon Koi arrived with pond hardware to sell, the local Bonsai club arrived to give bonsai demonstrations and Hog n Claw arrived to feed us with some very delicious BBQ at reasonable prices. With 289 koi and the



Grand Champion A



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Grand Champion B

new format for awards, the judging lasted well into the afternoon. With awards for the entire A and B slate this was no easy task. Finally the judging was done and it was time to setup the awards reception in the Meadowlark Botanical Gardens Visitor Center. The excellent food and drink was provided by ZNA Potomac club members.. Everyone mingled for a time and then Mike Frady, who introduced the Show Chairman Jim North for the awards presentations, kicked off the awards presentation. This was very exciting as not only did we have many members return to the winners circle we also had 5 first timers at the show that all won trophy awards. I'm sure you can imagine the look on their faces as their names were called up to get an award! The Grand Champion A and Grand Champion B went to our good friend Lee Aronfeld for his stunning Kohaku and his amazing Ginrin Showa. Closing remarks were handled by Mike Frady as the Show Chair got called away by his job (and I do apologize for that) Listed below are the major award winners:

Grand Champion A Lee Aronfeld Kohaku
 Grand Champion B Lee Aronfeld Ginrin Showa
 Reserve Grand Champion A Lee Aronfeld Kohaku
 Reserve Grand Champion B Jim North Tancho
 Mature Champion A Lee Aronfeld Sanke
 Mature Champion B Lee Aronfeld Shiro Utsuri
 Young Champion A Mike Frady Kohaku
 Young Champion B Jim North Shiro Utsuri
 Baby Champion A Mike Frady Kohaku
 Baby Champion B Mike Frady Shiro Utsuri

Sunday morning arrived and the judges commenced with the walkthrough to discuss the show winners so owners and spectators would have a better understanding of why one koi placed higher than another. This is a very educational and informative part of any show and is not to be missed. As the day progressed the owners slowly took their koi home while promising to be back next year to relive the excitement of the show. Late in the evening there were still many of us at the show site cleaning up and starting to empty the tanks for the next days tear down. With all our goodbyes said to the many people that had come from all over the country (and the Cayman Islands) to help out and/or show their koi, it was finally time to go home.

Monday was tear down day with many members returning to help out. Karen Miller who had missed the entire event due to previous obligations was on hand to help. Over all the show was a great success and I hope everyone had a good of a time as I did. Thanks to everyone that helped out and showed and a special thanks to all the judges and folks that traveled via plane to be with us for our 15th annual show! For a complete list of winning koi and for more photos please see our club website <http://www.znapotomac.org>

Jim North
 Show Chairman

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Reserve Grand Champion A



Reserve Grand Champion B



Mature Champion A



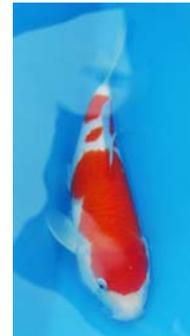
Mature Champion B



Young Champion A



Young Champion B



Baby Champions A and B



Best Males A and B



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Show Observations and Commendations by Mike Frady

Didn't we have a great show? I cannot believe the response to the Show this year. We had more koi, more volunteers, and more visitors than last year. What an experience. I do not know about everyone else, but I was tired when it was all done. However, I am ready to do it again next year, with more fish and more of everything.

I want to thank some people who worked extremely hard to make sure this went off without major problems.

First is Jim North, Show Chair. Jim did a great job of managing the overall effort by addressing those things which needed his attention and delegating the rest. Thanks Jim.

Next is Terri Janas, who helped throughout from setup to takedown, but also assisted Joe White with Water Quality and manned the KHA information table. Great job Terri.

Turelle and Pam Holmes did a wonderful job on the programs, selling advertisements, obtaining sponsors for trophies, and helping throughout the show.

My wife, Carolyn, did a wonderful job, she coordinated the Awards reception and spent the show under the white tent helping with registration and judging information.

Joe and Sherri White drove up from Florida to help with the show. Joe coordinated and taught water quality, was prepared to do a seminar on water additives, but ended up as a Judge. Sherri spent the entire show under the white tent entering information into the show software and generating reports and results. Both were wonderful during the show.

Frank and Nancy Morales fly in from California to assist with benching. They knew that we would have a great show and did not want to miss out.

Ed Gillenwater did an excellent job with the benching of over 200 koi, while our rookie photographer Tony Haugely continued to snap photos well into the evening. Thanks to both.

Lori Ierace, Nancy Kirkpatrick, Charles Tolbert, Gretchen Lindsey, Margie Linn, Liz Muchnick, Tom, Sue, and Tammy McKenzie, Mike Walker, Glen Crispel, Demi Janas, Olivia Janas, Jimmy North, and Karen Miller all worked hard to ensure that the show was a success.

John and Peggy Byers arranged for the Fairfax County Water Authority to fill the tanks. Without their assistance, we might still be trying to fill the tanks with our little garden hoses. Thanks for your help.

I want to offer a special Thank You to Chuck and Doris Poppe. These two wonderful people have more show experience than about anyone. They are the ones that I go to for information and guidance. Chuck is always there to help in whatever way he can. He was getting additional tanks as fast as I was selling spaces. I want to personally thank the Poppes for their continued efforts to make this club something special.

For everyone who came with koi, who donated items for the raffle, who bought raffle tickets, bid in the auction, who helped with transportation of the judges, who manned the show ring and asked people to stay on the outside, again a big thank you. Rest up because we are already planning something bigger and better for the future.

Again I want to thank everyone for their hard work, but remind everyone that it is not over. The spirit of cooperation exhibited during the show, should be the norm for this club. Helping one another for the benefit of the koi is what we should strive for. See you in October. Together we make a difference.





Zen Nippon Airinkai Nor-Cal Nishikigo Show

November 15th & 16th 2008

Saturday 9:00-5:00

Sunday 9:00-3:00

Koi Competition

Koi Dealers, Product demonstration by Manufacturers,
Pond Contractors, Koi Artists, Koi Auction, Raffle,
Koi education and commentary from certified Koi Judges,
and a whole lot more going on all weekend

Open to the public admission free

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OCTOBER Meeting 10/12/08 @ 2PM

The October meeting will be at the Frady's in Alexandria Virginia. Come join us for an afternoon of fun and discussion on koi and other club related topics. The address is below. Please use Mapquest.com to find directions directly from your house or call Mike Frady at 703-360-9142

Mike and Carolyn Frady
8109 Cooper St
Alexandria VA 22309

Do you know anybody with a pond?

How about asking them to come join in the fun of being a ZNA Potomac member? Simply give them the membership application to fill out and send in and we'll see you and them at the next event!

Sick Koi or Pond? Call our KHA

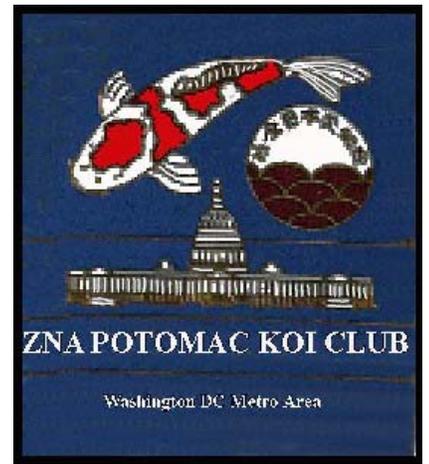
Spring is here and with it sometimes cause problems for our friends. Don't despair you can call Terri Janas for help. This is a free service and the KHA course is an AKCA class if you are interested in becoming a KHA.

Terri Janas
Certified AKCA Koi Health Advisor
Member of ZNA Potomac & MAKC
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If your koi look like this then get some help quick!

ZNA Potomac Koi Club Membership Application



Name: _____

Address: _____

City, State Zip: _____

Phone Number _____

Email Address: _____

Included is my check for \$25 for a one year membership _____

Included is my check for \$85 for a one year membership
WITH a subscription to Nichrin Magazine _____

Save a stamp and email my newsletter _____ Please send my newsletter via USPS _____

I have koi I'd like to sell in the May koi auction Yes _____ No _____

I want to show my koi at the ZNA Potomac Koi Show in September Yes _____ No _____

Information for website photo album (optional)

Keeping koi since: _____ Favorite Variety: _____

First Introduction to koi: _____

Why do you keep koi: _____

Pond Size: _____ gallons

Number of koi: _____ Plants: Yes / No Liner type: _____

Filtration, pump etc: _____

Future Plans: _____

Personal Koi web page: _____

Make Checks payable to: ZNA Potomac



Send Application and check to: ZNA Potomac
c/o Terri Janas
43553 Coal Bed Ct
Ashburn VA 20147



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Classified Section

Do you have something pond or koi related you would like to sell? List it here for the low price of \$5. Ads for free items are free. Ad will run until it sells! For ZNA Potomac Members only. *Thanks!*

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October Meeting is on the 12th in Alexandria. See inside for details!!