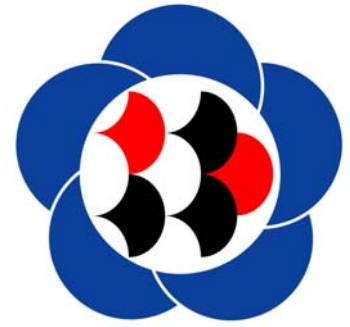


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Editorial.

This month is very much a South East month as there was little input from other clubs.

However, we have a fair bit to say so the pages aren't particularly empty.

We have now consigned our 2010 to the history books, the comments received have all been positive as was the feedback received from our vendors when Club Chairman David Brown conducted his annual audit.

We've listed some of the general comments on page 2 and followed them up with a photo collage taken at the show. Now all SE eyes are on our 2011 Show which will be our 25th Open Show, something we think needs celebrating. To take us to that milestone we have a new Show Chairman, Mr Andy Baker. Andy was part of the interim committee formed this year to take over from Alan Archer and proved to be a cool head in a crisis.

Andy is seen here collecting his awards at this year's show. Remember that face.



About HOT SPOT

Hot Spot is the on-line version of the South East Section BKKS' newsletter called "Spotlight", suitably sanitised and denuded of in-house content to make it interesting for other Koi Clubs. However, it will also contain some occasional South East publicity. *Hot Spot* will be a periodic publication i.e. it will get published when we have enough

articles to fill it's 8 pages. Copies of it will reside on the South East's website and will be distributed to other Koi Clubs who indulge us with an exchange of magazines or newsletters.

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The original text and photos can be obtained via the editors whose details can be found on the back page.



Koi Carp Mag – website editorial.

“The UK's Premier Koi Show. The SE Koi Club have good reason to be proud of themselves. As the dust settles on the International Koi Show koi dealers are back at their premises resting after a busy weekend, a very busy weekend. From the moment the doors opened a steady stream of koi keepers poured into the show ground to feast their eyes on the best collection of koi gathered in one place this year, in Europe! Congratulations to Tim and his team, a great weekend was had by all. “

Alan Coogan on Koi Chat. (abbreviated)

“This spirit of koi keeping lives on in the south-east. it was an exceptional show, all the excuses for the lack of attendance at B K K S Shows simply evaporated at the south-east.

They put their show on under the same conditions as every other Koi show in the country. One thing is for sure, if the South East continuing doing what they are doing they will have an audience and a Koi show for many years to come.”

Mark Gardner on Koi Chat

“Whilst we see sections dwindling and dying around the country, many disappearing without as much as a whimper, I think it's fair to say the SE Koi Club is nothing of the sort. Why? Because there is an enthusiasm about the place, a buzz. They've never stood still and said 'oh look we are good aren't we'. They've continued to innovate and look for new ideas.

The show is the icing on the cake of all that, something the membership can be rightly proud and what will the net result be? More people will want to be part of the club, people will join from far and wide just so that they can be part of the show.”

Peter Waddington on Koi Chat.

“There's no doubt in my mind that the South East show was the better show by far in all respects”.

Dennis Tillbrook on Koi Chat.

“I went to the South East Show this weekend, no sign of decline there. Foul weather and a busy motorway couldn't keep the punters away. A great weekend all round.”

Netsukekoi on Koi Chat.

“Great Show! (As always - but even better this year).”

Peter Waddington (again) on Koi Chat.

“it was friendly, it was enjoyable, there were very nice people there, there was laughter and fun and despite all of these terrible downsides - loads of people turned up and had a great time!”

Dennis Tillbrook (again) on Koi Chat.

“in the grand scheme of things £10 for a full weekend's entertainment for a grandfather and two grandchildren is excellent value in this day and age.”

Bradley Lord via e-mail

“Please pass on my compliments to the club. The best koi show of the year yet again, and it gets better year after year.

Steve & Lou (Koi Magazine forum)

“it was a great show and yet again the best in the country it was really busy a few dealers told me there was more people in the first 3 hours than the 2 day national. i know that by 1 o'clock the koi water barn had sold all there koi and went back to the shop for more . perhaps others should come away from the bkks format and go it alone “

Mike K (Koi Magazine forum) abbreviated.

“I would like to say well done to the organisers of the south east show. I have been 4 times now and I thought this was the best one so far. I was impressed at the turnout and names of the trade that supported the show. “

Koi442 (Koi Magazine forum)

“The show was a great weekend as was enjoyed by many people. It was my first year showing and it was very welcoming and a very good experience which i have learned a lot from. I was also talking to the man who had the vat next to mine and he was also saying it was his first time at the south east show but had been showing at various other shows for years. He commented on how the water was kept very well (to the credit of the water team and syd) and said he will be back next year. A good all round show i think. “

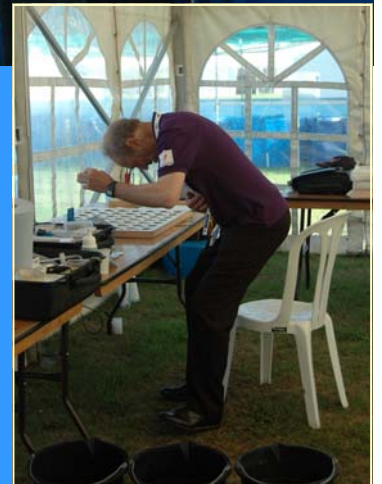
Steve Anderson aka Koiboi (YKS Forum)

“a massive well done to the S E club for all their hard work in putting on such a fantastic show”.

Richard Stephenson (reporter for Koi Carp mag)

“First impressions. On my initial walk around the show vats it became immediately obvious that the quality of the koi entered was of the very highest standard. In fact I heard many times during the next two days – from judges and dealers – that the fish in the show were the best that had been seen this year in any show across Europe.

A photo - collage reminder of the 2010 South East show courtesy of Christine Woolger.



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Most koi keepers know that water quality is critical to the health and quality of their fish. However, perhaps fewer appreciate how significantly water quality is affected by the food they are using. In this article we will attempt to highlight the link between nutrition and water quality in koi ponds.

Managing water quality

The majority of koi keepers appreciate the importance of good filtration for the removal of dissolved and solid waste from the pond. However, it's important to recognise that the main source of this waste is the food being used. The quality and quantity of food being fed will determine how much solid and dissolved waste is introduced to the pond. Logically, it will therefore also determine how much work the filter has to do in order to keep the environment healthy. A good quality food can make it much easier to manage the quality of the water, and is equally as important as good filtration and regular maintenance.

Solid waste

'Solid waste' principally includes food that is undigested by fish and excreted as faeces. The digestibility of a diet depends on the quality of ingredients and manufacturing processes used to make it. In general, proteins and oils are well digested by fish, with carbohydrates showing more variation. For example, for carp (*Cyprinus carpio*) the digestibility of cooked carbohydrate in maize meal is 97%, whereas in cotton-seed meal it is only 39.4% (Hertrampf, Piedad-Pascual, 2000). Although koi are better than most fish at using carbohydrates, high levels can reduce the overall digestibility of the diet.

If a diet is not well digested, not only will the fish receive less nutrition per gram fed, but greater amounts of solid waste will be produced. This has a number of implications for managing water quality:

- The decomposition of solid waste will use up additional oxygen.
- As solid waste is broken down it will release dissolved waste such as ammonia and phosphate.
- Solid waste will clog equipment, reducing its performance and necessitating increased maintenance.
- Certain disease-causing microbes multiply on solid waste, so the potential for a disease outbreak may be increased.

Nitrogen

The part of the diet that is digested by koi can be used for a variety of processes. These include 'useful' ones, such as building new muscle, cells for the immune system, hormones etc, or they may be broken down to provide energy. If proteins are used to supply energy then the end result is the production of ammonia.

Proteins are made up of amino acids, which include a nitrogen-containing amino group. When amino acids from body tissues or dietary protein are used for energy, this amino group is removed and converted to ammonium via a process called transdeamination. The ammonia is then excreted from the body, principally across the gills. In a well filtered pond the resultant ammonia will be converted into nitrate, which can then accumulate.

The level of ammonia (and therefore nitrate) production depends on the formulation of the diet being fed. For example, koi require ten essential amino acids. If one of these is lacking, the process of building new body proteins will be hindered and ammonia production will increase. Equally, diets can be formulated to provide koi with alternative sources of energy – oil and carbohydrate. If more energy is derived from these nutrients, a greater proportion of the protein will be used for 'useful' processes. However, there is a limit to this capacity, and excess oil or carbohydrate can bring its own issues.

The use of good quality, well-balanced protein is therefore an important part of a good quality food. It will help to reduce ammonia production and therefore limit nitrate accumulation in pond water.

Phosphorus

Another dissolved waste product affected by diet quality is phosphorus. Although not directly harmful to fish, its inorganic salts (phosphates) will encourage excess algae growth. The objective of a well made food is therefore to limit the excretion of phosphate. However, this has to be balanced against the fish's requirement for phosphate, as it is an extremely important nutrient.

Unfortunately, not all of the phosphorus in dietary ingredients can be digested and absorbed by fish. In fish meal its availability is around 40-60%, and this can be even lower in plant ingredients. Most fish require around 0.5-0.9% available phosphorus (Halver & Hardy, 2002), meaning that

levels in the diet must be a little higher in order to account for its low digestibility in some ingredients.

Good quality foods must strike the correct balance between supplying sufficient phosphorus for the fish, whilst at the same time avoiding an excess. This can be achieved by ensuring the level of available phosphorus closely matches the fish's requirements. This way, no excess is taken into the body which would otherwise be excreted as dissolved inorganic phosphates (easily available to algae). It is also important to ensure that the overall diet is well digested, to avoid excess losses of phosphorus-rich solid waste.

By looking at how food affects waste production, it is clear that the use of a high quality diet is an important part of water quality management. It should be considered alongside what equipment to use, and what maintenance regime to employ, when deciding how best to care for koi.

How much to feed?

As well as food quality, food quantity is also an important consideration. The more you feed, the more waste is added to the pond. This is why growth foods are more nutrient-rich; so you can feed a similar amount and get better results without too much additional waste. In general, better quality foods can be fed in smaller amounts, as they deliver more nutrition per gram.

Observe how much filter maintenance you have to do when feeding a particular diet. This will give you a very rough idea of what kind of waste production you are getting.

Use diets that have been researched properly, and that are recommended by fellow koi keepers. Never buy on price alone, as cheaper foods may lead to greater water pollution and less nutrition.

Switch to a nutrient-rich growth food in the summer. This will help you deliver the extra nutrition needed, without excessive waste production.

Tips for controlling waste build up

Never be tempted to overfeed – the old rule of thumb of feeding only what the fish can eat in a few minutes is a good one.

SAKKS strikes gold at the garden show in Pietermaritzburg.



In order to promote our hobby and increase awareness of our Society, the KZN Chapter decided to take a stand at the Sunday Tribune 2010 Garden Show in Pietermaritzburg over the long weekend of 24-26 September. This event is the largest Garden Show in South Africa. Thanks to the combined efforts of Chris Jankovich, Vaughan Lawrence, Mike Harvey, Alan Ferreira and Blackwood Nursery owner, Jen Howells and Rayne Hampson of Rayne Hampson Landscaping, the stand looked superb — with all the plants supplied by Blackwood Nursery and Rayne doing the arranging, the spotlights by Vaughan Lawrence and Chris's own koi on display in the vat making it all really special. Special enough in fact to be awarded one of only three Gold Medals out of 130 stands. Your committee members took it in turns to man the stand for the 3 days and thanks to them all and their wives, Along with Alex and Gaby, Chris's daughters, who also spent some long and busy hours at the show.



Well done though to Chris who planned , organised and built up this beautiful stand with expert assistance from Jen and Rayne— you did SAKKS proud. An article will also appear in KOISA in due course.

This article came courtesy of the October Newsletter of SAKKS KZN Chapter



On Friday 17th September Mike Snaden started an on-line debate on the UK's KoiQuest forum regarding an article that had been published in the October edition of a UK Koi magazine. The debate continues to this day.

Here's Mike's opening shot:-

I had a phone call yesterday morning, asking me if I had seen a short article in the back of the latest issue of a particular UK magazine, which linked RO water, to bent Koi, and heart attacks. Since the use of RO is a topic very dear to me, I figured that this subject and the misinformation within the article be debated in the public domain...

Before I go any further, I am respectfully asking, that if anyone contributes to this thread could kindly refrain from naming either the magazine, or author. If the author feels so inclined to join in on the debate, he is certainly most welcome to sign up, and join in!

Frankly, I feel the article has been made up from imagination, and there are a number of reasons for me thinking this...

1) He mentions the dealer's 'new systems' and that they were filled with RO water. Nobody in their right mind would be stupid enough to fill a pond from day one with purely RO water! Irrespective of the problems the dealer supposedly encountered, the water would have had a TDS of 0, and as such, would have had no KH or GH whatsoever, resulting in a pH crash within hours of putting the fish in! Without a shadow of a doubt, the pH would have crashed and killed all inhabitants within a few days. They wouldn't have had time to live long enough to develop the symptoms described!

2) He mentions that the dealer six months later imported new stocks, which quickly started to die, shaking their heads, and getting bent backs. Well, frankly, by this time, the guy would have realised that he was in pH crash mode, and long figured out the problem with the previous Koi, which as stated, had recovered. If this weren't the case, he would have had empty ponds, with no survivors! As for shaking their heads, and dying... this is either a parasitic, or toxin issue.

3) He then writes how the water in the ponds was so low in calcium and magne-

sium, that it would be poisonous to humans! What on Earth is he on about here? Water doesn't become toxic just because it has no magnesium or calcium? An excess of something toxic, makes it toxic. In the event of an absence of something 'toxic', the water doesn't become toxic!!! A ridiculous statement indeed!

4) He then mentions having asked the dealer what kind of 'ioniser or RO' he was using. It appears as though the author thinks that there is some kind of similarity between RO, and 'ionised' water!!!!?? Far from it! Ionisers 'supposedly' create two water supplies from the source water... one that is acidic, and one that is alkaline. Which one would the dealer put in the pond!!!!??... neither! The alkaline one will be corrosive, and toxic. The acid one?... well, acidic! RO on the other hand is used only to 'dilute' and blend in with hard water in order to make a soft blend.

5) Koi get all of the calcium and magnesium from their food. This is very much evident in our ponds here, which I have just tested. Of our two growing ponds, the 4400 gallon one has a KH of 1dH, and GH of 5dH. The bigger pond of 8000 gallons has a KH of 2dH, and GH of 7dH. In laymans terms, the GH levels (or Calcium and Magnesium ions) in these ponds, are way above the Japanese advocated (See Nichirin mag, Professor Miyazaki-san) upper limit of 50ppm (2.5dH ish). In our ponds, where does the Calcium and Magnesium levels come from?... well, it isn't from the water supply into the pond, as the GH of that is about 2dH! No, these levels come from fish waste, where the excess calcium and magnesium is excreted! Why are our GH levels so high?... because our ponds are massively stocked! Next week, we are doing massive alterations here at Yume Koi in order to reduce these levels in the future.

It is interesting to note, that the author of the above article met up with the winner of this years BKKS National Mature Champion, Adult Champion, and Non-Go-Sanke Champion awards, and stated to him in conversation, how crazy people are nowadays switching to RO, and how all their Koi would die! The gent in Question (Raad) immediately stated to him that he was an RO user, and that his statement was completely ridiculous, and that he had been using RO for around 8 years, with nothing but fantastic results to show for it! The author promptly shut up.

We have been using RO here since 2001,

and have never had any issues with bent Koi whatsoever! We did however, have a customer Showa that went bent three weeks ago, which coincided with a pump failure (and tripped RCD). This is the only instance of a bent Koi we have ever had, since we started in Koi in 1993.

Sorry for the rant, but my feeling is that the author is on a mission to discredit the use of RO, as if people turn into believers of RO, then perhaps they will then turn into believers of Bakki Showers, hence affecting the authors sales of their own products?

The bottom line, is that I don't sell RO systems, so have nothing to gain. But, it so happens, that those Koi that have dominated at BKKS National level, have been raised on RO blended water, and Bakki Showers.

Mike concluded his article with the following plea. "If anybody has any comments or questions, feel free to ask".

At the time of going to press there were three pages of additional posts on the original thread, none of which questioned Mike's response. In fact most supported it, those that didn't just sought advice.

Several other UK forums took up the gauntlet too, but were quickly made aware of the Mike's post on KoiQuest and they joined the debate there.

The majority of opinion appears to be that the article was poorly researched and agree with Mike that it was nothing short of a ploy by the author to discredit the use of RO as it's not included in the catalogue of products produced by the company he represents.

This post and it's follow ups can be found via

www.koiquest.co.uk

in the section called

"General Koi Health Topics."

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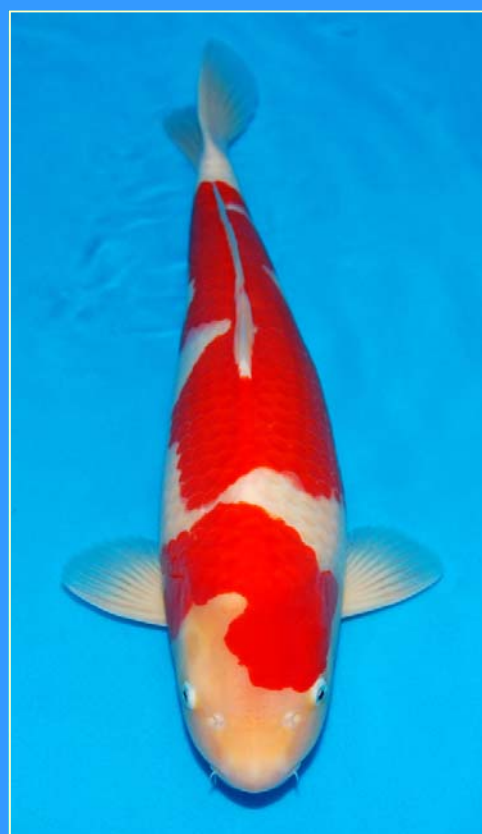
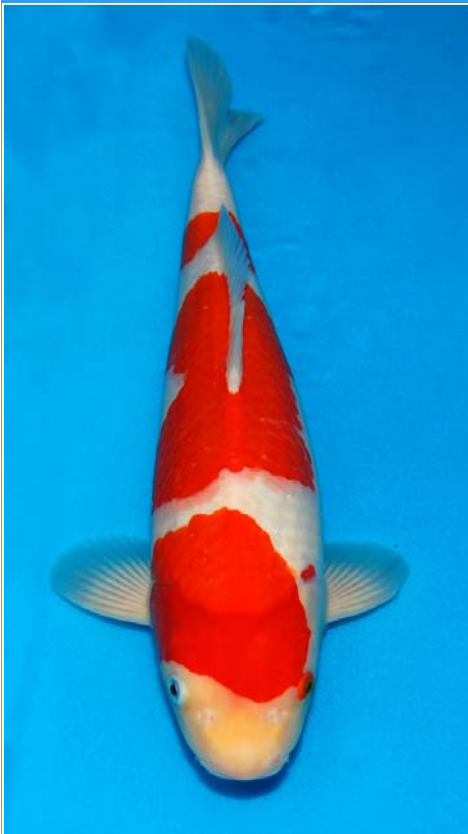
The MSB Koi Club

The South East Koi Club

and the Nishikigoi Vereniging Nederland (they supply the koi judges)

Further info can be found via www.fbas.co.uk

Oishi Kohaku Auction - 24th October.



The Koi Donated by Oishi Koi Farm to The South East Koi Club are now available to view at the **Koi Waterlife Center**. It has been decided in conjunction with The Club that we will accept bids for these koi from October the 2nd until **24th October**.

By auctioning the koi this way enables those customers unable to attend on a specific date the chance to visit and see the koi in their own time. Details of current bids will be made available at the shop and also e-mailed to customers with existing bids. All the proceeds will be presented to David Brown Chairman of The South East Koi Club at their next meeting.

The skin quality of these koi has improved greatly over the last 4 weeks and will soon be at their Show quality best. During this year's show Koi Waterlife was accompanied by Nobutoki San the Manager of Oishi Koi

Farm and whilst he was impressed by the standard of Koi exhibited he felt these donated koi could compete at the highest level in future shows.

Until the 24th October Koi Waterlife will have many special offers on koi and dry goods, with up to 30% discount on many products. We will also have many high quality koi available from the same parents as the donated koi and also some superb Shiro from Omosako and Oishi for sale.

Koi 1 Kohaku Produced May 2009
43cm This koi was sexed as female by the farm before shipping. Reserve Price £750.

Koi 2 Kohaku Produced May 2009
42cm As Above. Reserve Price £750

Koi 3 Kohaku Produced May 2008
53cm 100% Female. Reserve Price £1250

These Koi have been produced by Oishi Koi Farms Number one 87cm Female Parent who has produced many All Japan and ZNA Winners over the past two years. All the koi come with Oishi Certification and for those of you that were unable to attend the South East Show this year these three Koi caused quite a stir with many people wanting to buy during the show unfortunately due to their late arrival a full quarantine period was necessary.

If you would like any further information regarding these koi please contact

kwc-jpn@hotmail.co.uk or call
01474 834411.

Ask for Drew Simons

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Harvest Time in Niigata



A Nishikigoi.TV Production



At the South East's September meeting we were pleased to be able to welcome Mark Gardner as our speaker.

Mark has been living in Ojiya for the last two years working amongst the koi breeders there. He regaled us with an overview of the work carried out by the breeders during the four seasons of the year followed by a selection of videos showing the selection of various koi varieties at the NND cooperative. These videos carried a narrative by Fujio Oomo which Mark added to on occasions as well as taking questions from the floor.

It was an informative talk covering a variety of aspects of koi breeding in Niigata. One thing that came to the fore was that virtually every breeder has their own way of doing things and that sentences that begin "In Japan" or "In Niigata" are pretty much meaningless as the subject matter depends very much on who you are talking to and what you are talking about at the time.

Mark made the point on more than one occasion (yawn) that he had less than 48 hours to go before flying back to Ojiya which means that this info will arrive too late for other clubs to book him. But, his blog www.niigata-nishikigoi.com will be springing back into action and any pending return to the UK will likely be mentioned. Our advice to any koi club is to monitor such movements and get him booked up.

I'm often asked whether the video's I publish online can be obtained on DVD and why don't I produce DVD's. There are a number of reasons I've not done so in the past but this autumn that's going to change with the publishing of my first DVD title - 'Harvest Time in Niigata'.

Of course the full content list is a work in progress but contents will include:

- Footage of some of the most stunning harvests that take place in Niigata
- Visits to many Koi breeders featuring newly harvested stocks
- Reports from many of the shows which will take place across Niigata
- A full feature on the 50th Niigata Nogyosai Show
- And anything else we stumble upon, perhaps unexpectedly, over the coming 6 weeks or so.

The DVD will be completed and published by mid December (exact date to be confirmed) and available for delivery around the world in time for Christmas.

With an anticipated running time of around 2 hours, and a selling price of around £20, be sure to put it on your Christmas list. Ordering details will be available mid to end of November.

To ensure you are amongst the first to receive any updates on the project click here to be added to our mailing address - dvd@nishikigoi.tv - your e-mail address will be used strictly for this purpose only.

Enquiries welcome from dealers interested in stocking this, and future titles to be published, are welcome. Please mail the above address.

Mark Gardner.
www.niigata-nishikigoi.com

Farewell James.

I would like to inform you all that following a long period of thought and consideration for the future that i am leaving Nippon Nishikigoi. I have decided that 10 years in the koi game is long enough for me personally and i am leaving to go back into Landscape Horticulture / Gardening full time. My decision has come following the realisation that Koi and ponds are not going to offer me the lifestyle i wish for in the future and as i am approaching 30 this year i feel now is the time to leave koi and do something about it. It is not without regret that i am leaving behind a company which i have helped grow from nothing to one that has become a name in the industry. It has of course been a vehicle for meeting many great people and many of those i now consider friends.

I wish to quash any theories right from the start by stating there is no rift between Simon and myself, nor any issues with Nippon Nishikigoi as a company - it is simply time for me to move on and away from koi as a job. I will of course be in the hobby still and look forward to going back into keeping koi as a hobbyist once more. To those that we are friends with this is no means a good bye, you cant get rid of me that easily 😊, i will still be around and come out to meals and meets and as stated Simon and myself remain on good terms.

Nippon Nishikigoi is moving to Jarmons Farm in the coming months, however until the facilities are fully up and running many of the koi will remain here at my house in Sissinghurst where they can swim in the ponds quite happily. No customers koi are at risk, care levels remain the same - if not better, and all grow out fee's will be honoured where applicable.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank all those who have been clients of Nippon Nishikigoi throughout the period of my employment with the company and hope your custom will continue and grow with Simon / Nippon Nishikigoi in the future.

For those who are having ponds built in the future, you shall see me around still as i will be taking on the ground-works - ie the actual digging - of most of the ponds that Nippon builds and will continue after Simon and Justin with landscaping and finishing to a high standard as required.

Thank you once again
James

Welcome back Anton.

Anton Evatt, an occasional contributor to Hotspot has been out of the koi industry since the closure of Kingdom Koi in 2008. With his background and pedigree we hoped it wouldn't be long before he found his way back to koi. That is now about to happen. Read on -

The Japanese Koi Company Ltd is proud to announce a new addition to its team. Arriving in mid October, Anton Evatt comes with 15 years' experience in the Koi trade and, along with proprietor Clive Wiles, the ambition to develop the company into one of the UK's premier Koi outlets.

Clive is looking forward to the changes ahead: "To spear-head our new era we have brought in Anton Evatt to be our No.1 Koi man. It has taken us 16 years to get to this stage, so watch this space... we have major plans ahead on the Koi front, and I mean major."

Anton is also looking forward to the challenge ahead: "Of course anybody can say they want to be the biggest and the best, which of course we will strive to be, but what we want to be known for is healthy, quality Koi to suit all budgets. Koi don't have to be expensive to become show winners as some of my previous clients have proven. That said we also have access to the highest echelon of Koi in Japan and unfortunately - they don't come cheap!" Call 01462 850822 or visit.

ANNOUNCEMENT.

The South East Koi Club is now on FACEBOOK.

We are already using it in conjunction with our website to keep people apprised of events concerning the club.

However, it is still very light on content at the moment but we hope to put that right soon.

Currently there are three photograph albums on there each with a few pics that we will add to as time goes by.

Current albums are:-
2010 SHOW
2009 SHOW
And
CLUB MEETINGS.

In Facebook parlance - we are looking for "friends" to "like" us.



2010 Show Dates

OCTOBER

1st Ever Cambridge Koi Club Closed Show, 2nd October.

At Mudds Drive, Threeholes, Cambridgeshire PE14 9JU UK.

18th annual Texas Koi & Fancy Goldfish Society Koi Show, 8 - 10th October in San Antonio, Texas. see www.texaskoi.com

NOVEMBER

4th ZNA NorCal Koi Show, 13th & 14th November, at Holiday Inn San Jose, 1740 North First Street, San Jose, California, USA.

Thailand Koi Show, 27 & 28th November, venue TBD.

DECEMBER

46th ZNA All Japan Nishikigoi Show, 3-5th December, at Kochi Castle Park Area, Kochi City, Shikoku District.

Guangdong Koi Show, 4 & 5th December, venue TBD..

Taiwan Koi Show, 11 & 12th December, venue TBD..

2011 dates are arriving.

FEBRUARY

2nd East Midlands Koi Club Winter Koi Show, 19-20th February, at The Bretby Conference Centre, Burton on Trent, Staffordshire. UK

JUNE

East Pennine BKKS Open Show, 4-5th June, at Elsecar Heritage Centre, Wath Road, Elsecar, Barnsley S74 8HJ

JULY

Belgian Koi Society Show, 3 & 4th July, venue TBC.

AUGUST

19th Holland Koi Show (NVN), 18-21st August, at Kasteltuyn, Arcen nr Venlo, The Netherlands.

25th South East Koi Club Show, 28 & 29th August, at Parkwood Hall School, Beechenlea Lane, Swanley, Kent, BR8 8DR

SEPTEMBER

North East Koi Club Open Show, 4-5th September, awaiting confirmation of the venue.

If your Koi Show is not found on these pages...
... Don't blame us.

We are only an e-mail away.

Adverts welcomed too.

KOI APPRECIATION.

You were warned.

Grandbrat pics will be the order of the day now that Christine Woolger has become a grand-mother.

But at least baby Rupert is being brought up right. Cuddly Kohakus are the order of the day. Koi appreciation and handling skills can't be developed too early.

Everybody say "Aah!"



Koi Clubs participating in this exchange scheme are:-

- Nishikigoi Vereniging Nederland.
- Oregon Koi & Watergarden Soc.
- South African Koi Keepers Soc.
- NorCal Chapter ZNA (USA)
- Australian Koi Association AKA
- Mid Atlantic Koi Club
- Cambridge Koi Club
- ZNA Potomac Chapter
- Essex Section UK
- Texas Koi & Fancy Goldfish Soc.
- Cayman Island Koi Keepers
- Belgian Koi Society
- Banana Bar Koi Society.
- East Midlands Koi Club.
- North East Koi Club UK
- ZNA Guangdong Chapter.
- Southern Colorado Koi Club.
- KLAN (Germany)
- Koi Galen Sweden
- ZNA Viet Nam
- Midwest Pond & Koi Society (USA)

About the South East Koi Club.

The South East Section was founded in 1981 by a break away group from the London Section. It obtained Section status from the BKKS in 1982 and was expelled in 2009. It serves the counties of Kent, East Sussex, Surrey and Berkshire and the southern boroughs of London. It's neighbouring Koi Clubs are the South Kent to the south, Essex to the North, Worthing to the west and the MSB (Middlesex & Surrey Borders) to the northwest. The South East has a pretty stable membership generally numbering about 85 families. Almost since it's founding the SouthEast has participated in information exchange with overseas Koi clubs and continues to do so today.

Our 'Open' show is both an attraction to the UK Koi scene as well as Koi keepers from abroad. Every year the show attracts an increasing number of overseas visitors and through them a number of useful connections have been made which enhances our appreciation and understanding of the hobby. The show is always held on the August Public Holiday which generally falls on the last weekend of that month. Details can always be found on our web-site -

www.koi-clubs.com/SouthEast

The South East meets on every 4th Sunday of the month with the exception of December. Our meetings start at 2pm and we endeavour to have a speaker for 2 out of every 3 meetings. Those speakers generally cover Koi related subjects but occasionally we have one that diversifies a little e.g. Bonsai. Our current membership fees are £15 per family and details as well as a schedule of speakers can be found on our web-site.

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