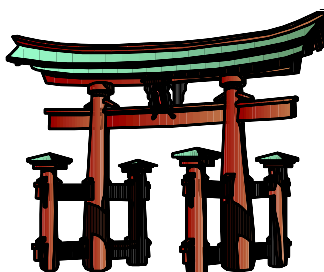




SEKC



ZNA SOUTH OF ENGLAND CHAPTER



March 2009

MONTHLY NEWSLETTER

Club Focus

**Annual General Meeting 8:00 p.m.
Friday 27th March 2009**

Committee posts — 3 Mandatory:

Chairman	-
Treasurer	Keith Shakes
Secretary	Patricia Genovese

Non-mandatory posts

President
 Social Secretary
 Membership Secretary
 Newsletter Editor

AGM Agenda

Welcome & Open Meeting
 Apologies for Absence
 Recording of Minutes (Secretary)
 Distribution of 2008 AGM Minutes to those present
 Committee Address
 Treasurers Financial Report

Election of Officers:
No Nominations received to date

Mandatory posts:

Chairperson
 Secretary
 Treasurer

Tea/Coffee & Raffle
 Koi Chat
 A.O.B
 Close Meeting

The 2009 Dutch Koi Show

If you would like to visit the 2009 Dutch Koi Show in Arcen, then please contact Barbara asap. Tel: 01722 340313.

The coach will leave on Friday 21st August and return on Sunday 23rd.

This will be a two night hotel stay, a barbecue on Friday with a dinner and dance on Saturday, all included in the price. The price is £230 per person. Please make contact soon as places on the coach are going fast.



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The SEKC were pleased to welcome Rod and Gerry Isted of Healthy Koi Limited, at our

February meeting,

Rod and Gerry have been working on koi health for around 14 years. In addition to their usual products they have a new range of equipment which includes a Micro-cell Ozone Generator and a new power supply and temperature monitoring system. Part of their equipment is a new Hanna C 203 multimeter with an improved accuracy reading.

Rod showed several slides depicting some aspects of koi health including diagnostics and recent developments in testing technology.

We looked at the primary causes of mortality and the most common problems.

We saw a list of parasites and shown the percentage parasite occurrence. It was interesting to see that *Trichodina* was the highest percentage on the list with the graph showing 35% for this parasite.

Rod and Gerry talked about the latest technologies in the field of disease detection.

Dip slides are a useful tool for the routine monitoring of disinfection systems such as UV and ozonation. Regular use of the slides insures

that cleaning or maintenance of the system can be carried out before the performance of the systems deteriorates below acceptable levels.

Intravenous blood sampling is being carried out by the couple in some instances. This enables a more exact diagnosis of problems.



Club members talking to Gerry in the interval.

We are reminded just how much scientific work is being carried out in the area of fish health as we strive to make our pets environment as safe and healthy for their best welfare and also for our enjoyment in owning healthy happy koi.

Many thanks to Rod and Gerry for a most interesting talk.

Quote:

**"And in that Heaven of all their wish,
there shall be no more land, say fish"**

**Rupert Brooke (English Poet,
1887-1915)**

Koi Available ...

Club member, Chris has informed the club that he is going to empty his pond. This means that there are around 20 large and medium size koi that need a good home.

If you are interested then contact Chris Voss on 01962 864581.

There will be pond equipment for sale later when the pond is emptied.

New Arrivals ... Worthing Aquatics.

Arron has just returned from a koi buying trip to Japan and we are told that the new koi should be in on 18th—19th March.

Some members will be visiting Arron on Friday 20th to ensure that they are one of the first to view the new arrivals as they are settled into their quarantine tanks.

Reminder — Membership Renewal

This is a gentle reminder to fill in your membership forms (included with last month's newsletter), and forward same with payment to Barbara, by 27th March please.

Please support your club and attend as many club events as you can.

COMING SOON

**FRIDAY 24TH APRIL 2009
AT THE
TITCHFIELD PARISH ROOM.
8:00 P.M.**

“Koi Health”

**A Talk by
Louise Andrews, Vet & Fish Expert**

Free admission for Members.
Non-Members £2.00.

Tea, coffee & snacks included.
Club Raffle

The 2009 BKKS National Koi Show 27th & 28th June 2009

Some of our members have already booked themselves into overnight stay at the Premier Inn Newark at a cost of £50 for a double room. Breakfast is an extra £7.50 for each person either bookable at the time of reservation or can be paid for on arrival. This hotel claims to be half a mile from the showground.

You may have difficulty to secure bookings as I am told that almost all of the rooms have been taken at the time of writing.

*Don't Miss This, Coming
Soon*

A publication of the results of our 2008 Koi Photographic Competition in the Nichirin magazine.

Date	Programme of Events 2009
Fri. 27th Mar. 2009	A.G.M. At the Titchfield Parish Room. 8:00 p.m.
Fri. 24th Apr. 2009	A talk on Koi and Pond welfare introducing fish expert: Louise Andrews. At the Titchfield Parish Room. 8:00 p.m.
Sat. 16th May. 2009	Countryside Day. Sparsholt College, Winchester, (more info to follow).
Fri. 22nd May. 2009	Club Meeting at the Titchfield Parish Room. 8:00 p.m.
Fri. 26th Jun. 2009	Club Meeting at the Titchfield Parish Room. 8:00 p.m.
Sun. 12th Jul. 2009	SEKC pond visits to Worthing & District BKKS.
Fri. 24th Jul. 2009	Club Meeting at the Titchfield Parish Room. 8:00 p.m.
Sun. 2nd Aug. 2009	Worthing & District BKKS visit SEKC for pond visits.

Our monthly meetings are held at the Titchfield Parish Room, High Street, Titchfield, Fareham, Hants. 7:30 pm for 8:00 pm start, fourth Friday of the month unless advised otherwise.

For further information on all the clubs social events, call Barbara on 01722 340313. Activities for 2009 are being arranged, so remember to keep a check on what is happening on the social scene.



Club "Life Line" for Members with Sick Koi

Ken Saunders for the Eastleigh, Southampton area: 02380 571403

Steve Layley for the Fareham, Portsmouth area: 01489 557748

Peter Webber for the Salisbury, Wiltshire area: 01722 340313

Keith Shakes for the Worthing, West Sussex area: 01903 753275

If our contact cannot help you with your particular problem themselves, they will ensure that you are put in touch with someone who can.

***Have a Good Month,
Pat***

Don't forget we're on the web.
www.sekc.org.uk



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