



Southern Arizona Koi Association

Organized by those with the interest of raising and improving the quality of Nishiki Koi, and its culture. Promote better community and international relations for the better understanding of brotherhood among members through a common interest. To improve and promote the technology and education of Aquaculture

April 2014

POND TREATMENTS

Noel L. Shaw KHA

NOTES: 1) Use the following treatments with caution and discretion. Do not allow dust or fumes from these chemicals to get near your mouth, your eyes, or anything else, such as your pets or children. They are generally safe for koi when used at the recommended dosage schedules. Avoid direct contact of fish with treatment chemicals.

2) Know your pond volume. Calculate volume with salt method "POND

Lilly's Pad

Congrats to Debbie & Noel—their youngest daughter will be married next month.

A little fish told me that Karen just might be writing songs.

AKCA Koi Person of the Year is Duane Kenny

Koi Society Person of the Year is Matt Buck

Thanks to everyone that helped around Tom Ayers' home. Tom has had some health issues and we wish him a speedy recovery.

We also send our wishes for a speedy recovery to Vernon Philips.

Duane Kenny is headed back to Oregon to catch that BIG Trout. Trying to out do John Goudy's marlin?

Measure doses carefully. More is not better. These treatments WILL consume available oxygen. They may kill weak fish. They may disable a weak bioconverter (BC) / filter.

3) ALWAYS: • Disperse treatment chemicals as evenly as possible; pre-dissolve and add slowly to a return water stream.

• Maximize aeration and circulation to the pond (waterfall, air stones, extra pump, etc.) during treatments.

• Bypass BC / filtration where noted. Flush BC thoroughly to waste before start up if BC is off line for more than a few hours.

• Be prepared in advance (with dechlorinator, etc.) to perform massive water changes after treatment as directed.

Treatment efficiency is maximized in clean water: Clean pond well with initial 30 - 50% water change (dechlor except with PP)

SODIUM THIOSULFATE

This solution neutralizes chlorine in any new water added to your pond. Dose only for the amount of new water, not the total pond volume.

In clean gallon jug, add one pound of Sodium Thiosulfate to a half gallon of water. Shake until dissolved. Add water to make a full gallon, shake again.

Dosage: 10 ml / 100 gallons new water. 1250 gallons- ½ cup. 2500 gal = 1 cup solution. etc.

PONDERING

April 27th 2014 4:00 P.M.

Dave & Debby Young
11355 W Picture Rocks Rd Tucson

May 25th 2014 3:00 P.M.

Jim and Jann Daunheimer
1801 S Oak Park Dr Tucson

June 29th 2014 3:00 P.M.

Duane and Norma Kenny
12595 N New Reflection Dr Marana

July 27th 2014 12:P.M. noon

Mt View Koi Fish & Pond
3828 Keeling Rd Hereford

SALT / SODIUM CHLORIDE - INDICATION: soothes new fish, helps maintain osmotic balance, control string algae, reduce nitrite toxicity. MAY control SOME parasites and protozoa. SAFE FOR BC. CAUTION: Salt is a cheap old school remedy that many people indiscriminately throw at pond problems as a safe first line of defense. Salt has become increasingly less reliable. It is not effective against crustacea, and salt resistant strains of protozoans and flukes have developed. Nonetheless, it does have significant benefits in certain circumstances. BEST BET – Scrape and scope FIRST to diagnose for parasites

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NEXT MEETING



April 27th 2014 4 P.M. Debby & Dave Young 11355 W Picture Rocks Road Tucson AZ 520-682-7697

From Ina Rd & I10: head west on Ina to Wade Rd, turn left (south). Wade Rd veers right (west) and becomes Picture Rocks Rd. Continue on for 8 miles, through the monument. Lane is on the left. House is the third one back. If you come to Sandario Rd, you've gone 1/2 mile too far west.

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– if you end up with other treatments anyway, you may need to water change down to .1% salt to avoid oxygen starvation.

EFFECTIVE DOSE: a constant **1 ppt (.1%)** helps with string algae, helps healthy koi maintain osmotic balance, is safe for almost all plants.

2 ppt (.2%) generally controls string algae, but may slightly brown the tips of pond plants. Eases osmotic balance in sick fish.

3 ppt (.3%) for two weeks clears some protozoans and flukes. Don't count on it. String algae becomes

mush and falls apart, so filter will need frequent attention. Reduces nitrite toxicity.

6 ppt (.6%) for two weeks clears most protozoans and some flukes. **MOST PLANTS WILL DIE.**

10 lb. "SOLAR" salt per 1000 gallons yields a .12% (1.2 ppt) solution. 25 lbs. of salt per 1000 gal yields .3% or 3ppt. Add over two days. In sudden fish mortality, add .3% all at once (but not directly through filter or BC). Maintain .3% for two weeks, then allow salt levels to fall with regular water changes.

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Desert Rainbow Koi Farm

Laurel Nason



Membership Form

<http://www.sakoia.org>

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Dues are \$30.00– per family from March 1 to February 28 of the next year.

Membership Type _____ renewal
_____ New Member

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____

State: _____ Zip: _____

Phone#: _____

E-Mail _____

Tells us a bit about yourself

Water garden _____ or Koi Pond _____

Pond size _____

of koi _____ Avg size of Koi _____

Make check payable to SAKA Inc.

mail to

SAKA Treasurer
Debby Young
11355 W Picture Rocks Rd
Tucson, AZ 85743

Meeting Minutes of March 23rd 2014

Bob Panter called meeting to order.

Correspondence: Water Gardener Newsletter-
Plant sale in May

Committee Reports: None

AKCA Report: We need to vote on AKCA Officers.
Write in vote... Bob Panter nominated.

Koi Person of the Year: Nominees Brent Van
Koevering, Matt Buck, Duane Kenny
Matt Buck and Duane Kenny tied. Duane Kenny
for AKCA Koi Person of the Year and Matt Buck
for Koi Society Koi Person of the Year.

Officer Election: President nomination: Bob Panter
2nd, and so moved. Bob Panter remains President.

Treasurer: Martha Cover declined nomination.
Debby Young nominated: 2nd, and so moved. Deb-
by Young is now the treasurer.

Old Business: Trailer at \$2,000.00 budget is not
enough. Need tandem axel. Motion to increase
budget for trailer to \$5,000.00 , 2nd, and so moved.

Yearly Dues are Due now.

Bob Panter wished to thank everyone who helped
at Tom Ayers' home last month.

Winton Hall is doing ok. Our sympathy goes out
to him and his family for the loss of Faye.

New Business: Dan Cover needs Web Page input.

Treasurer Report: \$14,015.96 in checking
\$5,158.12 in savings.

Noel Shaw suggested using hydrogen peroxide
(3%) to slow down string algae growth. Use 4
quarts/1000 gal. He used 1 quart/10 days on his
stream.

Newsletter: Deb Young offered to do the newslet-
ter.

Deb Shaw wants rose/citrus blossoms.

Debby Young put motion to add trophy categories:
Longfin Runner up Champ and Best in Size 1-2-3
Motion 2nd, and so moved.

Motion to adjourn, 2nd, and so moved.