



Koi News

NEXT CLUB MEETING
WILL BE OUR HOLIDAY
PARTY SATURDAY, DE-
CEMBER 9, AT THE HOME
OF TERI AND BOB WILSON
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and directions.

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President's Message

Kudos to **John Sprinkle** and the show volunteers in Naples. The first koi show for the ZNA Southern Association was very successful. The intent was to have a small show and test the waters because there had never been a koi show in that part of Florida before. As it turned out all the show tanks were taken and people were turned away because there was no more space. There were over 135 fish entered. Each of our club members who entered a fish won a prize. **Martin Wilcox** won Grand Champion for his Utsuri. Other winners from our club included **John**

Sprinkle, Ron & Sue Bilkis, Mike Smith, Michelle and Tom Phillips, Lee Aronfeld and yours truly, **Gordon and Adrienne Nash.** Lester presented the program at



Lester conducting the working portion of our meeting.

this month's meeting which was held at the show site. **Lester** went by each of the show tanks explaining the strengths and weaknesses of each fish. It was very interesting seeing how a koi judge

views the fish. Our next event will be the holiday party December 9th at the home of **Terri and Bob Wilson.** Come join us for an evening of socializing and a good time. You are asked to bring a dish to share. Please call Terri (954-752-1270) and let her know what you are bringing. Our Club shirts are now available. They are blue with the club logo embroidered on the front (see photo at left). The cost of this high quality shirt is \$26.00 Please see **Sue Bilkis** if you would like to purchase one. It's getting close to our annual koi show at the Morikami Gardens in Delray Beach. We need you to consider entering your fish to help make this show a success. *Gordon*



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CALENDAR OF EVENTS

December 9: Holiday Party (see page 4)
January Club Meeting: January 14, 2007
Feb. 22, 23: Show Set-Up at Morikami Gardens
Feb 24, 25: Our Koi Show at Morikami Gardens
Central Florida Koi Show in Orlando March 10-11
March Club Meeting: March 18, 2007:

2007 Koi Show

Preparations for our koi show at the Morikami Gardens Feb 24-25 2007 are under way. There will be thousands of people visiting us this year as our show is once again being held in conjunction with the Hatsume festival. **Ron Bilkis** and **Bob Wilson** transported the show tanks to our storage facility where we will have them available for the show (see photo below). Some of the people volunteering thus far are: **Bob and Teri Wilson, Tom and Michelle Phillips, Franz, Terry & Ruthie, Lester & Rhoda, Ron and Sue, Gordon and Adrienne, Jack and Elise.** I know there are others but I don't have the list handy. Please consider showing fish. Its not a koi show without koi. As last year, there will be fabulous trophies and ribbons awarded to the best fish entered in all the categories. See you at the show!

Club Shirts

Sue Bilkis received delivery of our newly designed Tropical Koi Club shirts. They are blue in color with an embroidered club logo. You can see some of our club members wearing their shirts in a photo on page 3. Anyone interested in purchasing a shirt please call Sue Bilkis. The cost is \$26.00 each.



Bob Wilson (left) and Ron Bilkis after delivering the show tanks to our storage facility



THINGS YOU MAY HAVE SEEN IF YOU WERE AT THE NAPLES KOI SHOW



Martin Wilcox (left) receiving his awards for Grand Champion



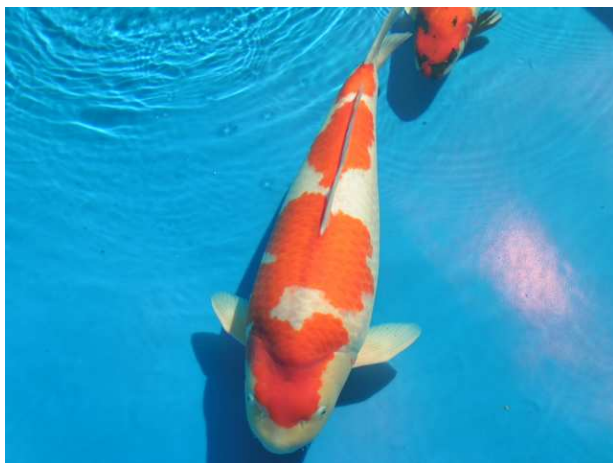
John Sprinkle (left) presenting our Friendship Award to Luen Nguyen



Josh Roger's son showing us how big his favorite koi was.



Adrienne, Ron and Michelle contemplating a purchase.



This kohaku is owned by club member Robert Nabridge



Some of the fish of club member Lee Aronfeld



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December 9th 5:00PM
See Details Below



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The Tropical Koi Club will be holding its annual holiday party this year at the home of Terri and Bob Wilson Saturday, Dec 9th at 5:00PM. All members are welcome. This will be a bring a dish to share party for all of us to enjoy. Please Call Terri (number below) and let her know what you plan on bringing.

Directions to the Holiday Party

Terri and Bob Wilson (954) 252-1270
16701 SW 48TH STREET
SOUTHWEST RANCHES, FLORIDA 33331
I-75 to Griffin Road. West on Griffin Road to SW 168 Avenue. Left onto 168 Avenue and than make the next Left which is SW 48 Streeet. House is the third house on the left. Mailbox is red water pump. Feel free to park in the yard - **not the neighbors yard.**