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Looks like we're finally getting a taste of spring. Nurseries all over Western New York are stocking up with annuals, perennials, trees and of course Koi in some places. It feels good just walking through your favorite garden center and seeing everything in bloom. Just a reminder, if you need help getting your pond open give Chris or Dennis a call and they may be able to help. Dennis did a great job getting my pond cleaned out. Unfortunately, I was one of the unlucky ones and had to purchase new Koi, since mine didn't make it through the winter.



Please plan on attending our Koi show at Arbordale in Getzville on June 27 & 28. It's exciting to have a new venue, and Dawn has a lot of different things planned, including the Bonsai society which will showcase their trees and answer questions. We'll also be having the auction on Sunday at 1PM and may have a few surprises there. We will have sign-up sheets at Fridays meeting for set up and tear down for the show. If you have the time please volunteer and it's a good way to meet your fellow club members.



Don't forget the annual Pond Tour is Saturday August 1st. We could still use a few more ponds, so please consider showing off your creations. No pond is too big or too small, and everyone can get ideas from this event.

I want to thank all those who showed up at the Botans to get all the fish out and to good homes. It was a bittersweet time and from what I understand the entire pond has now been removed. We'll see what happens two years from now when they reopen that area.

We still need to get the ponds cleaned at the fairgrounds and Reinstein Woods. Hopefully we can get a date set and get them both done on the same day. Stay tuned for more details.

Our speaker this month will be Evan Phillips who deals with Koi from Japan. He'll be discussing his trips overseas and the various people he deals with. It should prove very interesting so please plan to attend.

June 6-7 is the annual Lilyfest at Bergen Water Gardens, which will also showcase the Genesee Valley Koi Club. For those of you "old-timers", Larry Nau used to attend our meetings and started the Rochester club. Let's support our friends down the thruway and attend. They will be having their auction on Saturday.

Next Board of Directors meeting will be at Nancy Wojnowski's house on Wednesday May 27th. As always, please call ahead if you plan on attending.

LORRI



Koi of the Month

Goshiki

Goshiki (Go-she-key)

Goshiki means "five colors". They are red, black and white (as seen on a Sanke) and the navy and blue (as seen on a Asagi). The term peacock koi has sometimes been used to express the colors on this koi. The Goshike koi have a white base overlaid with a grey Asagi-like net pattern which can then be overlaid with a Kohaku-like pattern. Goshiki Sanke are koi that have the black marking of the Sanke in addition to their Goshiki coloring. This pattern can be found in both the butterfly and classic fin koi. As water temperature change, it will affect the intensity of the ground or base color. In cold water, a pale ground will turn dark, and will lighten up as the water temp goes up. In the mid-1990s, Goshiki was taken out of the Kawarimono group, and became a variety of its own.

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Two styles that can be seen at Koi Shows would be:

Old Style Goshiki: This koi has heavy and dark reticulation on its scales, which may also be seen on the scales of the Hi pattern. This koi can turn quite dark and may eventually look like a dark gray koi with vivid red markings as they age.

New Style Goshiki: This koi has more of a white base showing with light gray reticulation on the scales, which does not lead to the Hi pattern. Instead it will have a bright almost fluorescent hi pattern.

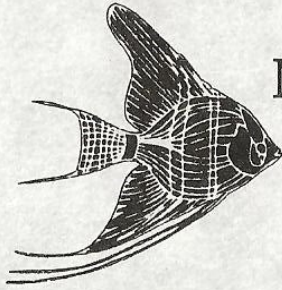


New York State Invasive Species

Effective March 10, 2015 New York State DEC (Department of Environmental Conservation) will implement the new Prohibited and Regulated Invasive Species – 6 NYCRR Part 575. For more information check out the page at Bergen Water Gardens <http://bergenwatergardens.com/new-york-state-invasive-species/>

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Sat. 10-8 pm, Sun. 12-5

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Sunshine

Refreshments for 2015

If you would like to bring refreshments to a meeting, you will be reimbursed for expenses for up to \$25.00 (receipts must be turned into Nancy)

General info: 8-9 bottles of pop, some diet

Any refreshments or snacks of your choice: Cheese & Crackers, veggies, fruit, chips, dip, pepperoni, salad, jello, cookies, cake, brownies, etc.

We do not have use of any kitchen supplies, so you may need to bring serving utensils, trays, bowls, baskets, knives, or whatever is needed to serve your type of refreshments

The club will provide: Coffee, hot cups, creamer, sugar, small plates, paper cups, plastic silverware, napkins

If you have any questions or would like to volunteer please contact Barbara Weber 688-7924

Jan.:

Feb.: Sandy Greffrath & Diane Young

Mar.: Potluck

Apr.: Nancy Wojnowski

May:

June: Nancy Jackson

July: Ann Marshall & Rob Smith

Aug.:

Sep.:

Oct.:

Nov.:

Dec.: Christmas Party

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**NIAGARA FRONTIER KOI & POND CLUB
UP-COMING EVENTS IN WESTERN NEW YORK**

June 27 &28	Koi show at Arbordale Nursery in Getzville
August 1st	Pond Tour in the North Towns