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Sinking vs. Floating Koi Food

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- September 9th @7:00 p.m., Seng & Rosimeri Tran, 5832 E. Erin Ave, Fresno, 93727
- September 27/28 CCKS Koi Show Fig Garden Village
- October—NEED HOST
- October 24-26th Golden Empire Koi Show, Kern County Fairgrounds, more information at www.bkwgs.com
- November 1st @2:00 p.m., John & Sue Kendall, 847 E. Gettysburg, Fresno 93704

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Benefits of Sinking Koi Food

1. Koi that normally stay at bottom will eat more.
2. Balanced feeding when fed both floating and sinking together
3. Less damage to koi during feeding frenzy
4. Excess air is not taken air unlike surface eating, therefore less likely to have swim bladder disease

Benefits of Floating Koi Food

1. You get to see your koi and inspect for any problems when they eat at top surface.
2. Costs less than sinking
3. More varieties available
4. Food not consumed is visible and can be easily scooped up, vs sinking not consumed can clog up bottom drain or stay at bottom uneaten causing water quality problems.

Both floating and sinking koi food are produced in the same way, they blend the ingredients in a batter, which is then cut to size and cooked under pressure. Vitamins and nutrients are added and moisture or steam is added at a rate of 15-20% at a temperature range of 150-170 degrees Fahrenheit. Now the dough is ready for extrusion, hmmm what is extrusion you ask let me explain:

The food enters into a machine that looks like a rotating drum, the koi food dough here will be kneaded and as it is pushed through a propeller shaft it will be subjected to heat and pressure at the same time. As the dough keeps moving through more heat and pressure are added. Feed density is determined by the amount of pressure applied during expulsion, this density will determine if the feed will be floating or sinking. Now the feed is forced through a die which will cut the koi feed into smaller pieces as it leaves the machine the sudden drop will cause it to expand to 4 times its size.

Now the feed will go through a dryer so as to remove the moisture so as no spoilage will occur, this is also where any oils and fats will be introduced into feed. It will be dried again to allow the oils to sink into feed then once the feed dries completely it will be ready for packing into bags.

Always when purchasing koi food look for an expiration/production date on the bag, although buying in bulk sounds economical, if your koi won't eat it before that date expires you are not feeding nutritious food to the koi. Koi food should be stored in a cool dry environment and not left in the hot sun as it will destroy the nutrition of the food and can cause it to become rancid, any koi food that smells like paint thinner is no good and should be thrown out.

CALENDAR OF CCKS GENERAL MEETINGS

September 9th at 7:00p.m. Seng & Rosimeri Tran 5832 E. Erin Ave
Fresno, CA 93727

October *NEED HOST*

November 1st at 2:00 p.m. John & Sue Kendall 847 E. Gettysburg
Fresno, CA 93704

December Dale & Sandy Winn 1276 W. Alluvial Ave
Fresno, CA 93711

*We still have **OCTOBER** available for meeting hosts, so let me know if you are available to host a meeting, we would love to get together at your home.*



August 9th General Meeting Minutes—By Sandy Winn

August General meeting was held at Dale and Sandy Winn's home August 9, 2014. We were lucky enough to have a great guest speaker Dr. Jessie Sanders from Santa Cruz. Spoke about koi health and showed us how she performs surgery and treats fish. Very good information. Great turn out. Good to see some new members and guests.

There was quite a few raffle items. New members made had most winning tickets. It was great. September meeting will be at Rosimeri and Seng Tran's house. September 9th at 7:00 at 5832 e. Erin ave.

Submitted by:
Sandy Winn

August board meeting was held at Dale and Sandy Winn's home. August. 24,2014. Seng and Rosimeri Tran and Dale and Sandy Winn present. Treasurer balance is \$4,920.98.

Discussed koi show set up. Judges confirmed. Pam, Kevin and Andrew all driving up individually. Barbara and John Flowers will be doing benching this year again. Ken Watson will be watching how we run water quality as he is an educator for K.O.I and is working on show water module. Marie Callender will be banquet place again. Saturday after show. \$30.00 per person. No wine or beer included.

Received \$100.00 from AKCA for ad in koi show booklet. Dr Sanders enjoyed her visit here and is open to come back again. Based on club needs. So if there is anything we would like to discuss in the future she can do that.

Donations for raffle are starting to come in.

Submitted by:
Sandy Winn

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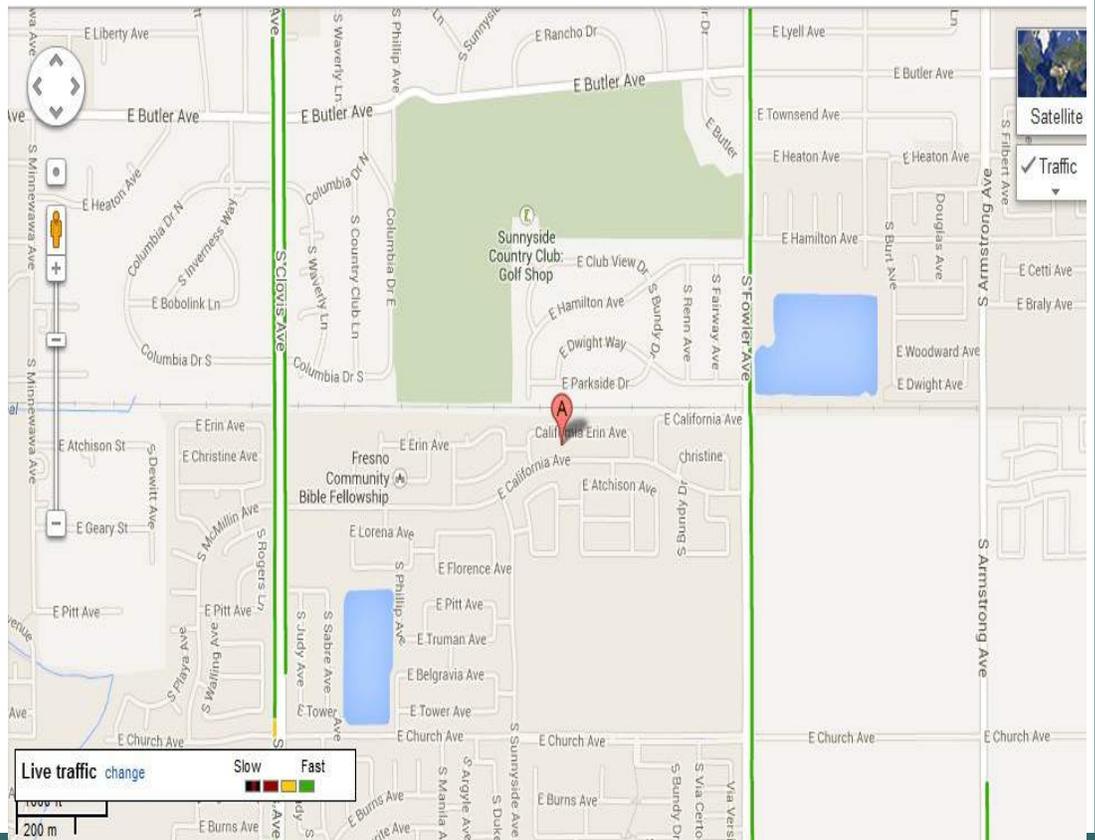


PRESIDENTS CORNER—Rosimeri Tran

Hello everyone,

Our show is only weeks away, hard to believe but soon we will be setting up tanks at Fig Garden in anticipation of our koi friends and their koi arriving. Things are moving along smoothly we had to borrow some tanks from our sister club the Bakersfield Koi & Watergarden Society as ours are all taken, that is a good sign that this will be a big show. I hope I can count on everyone in helping out at the show, we need volunteers for setup on Friday morning, manning the information booth and also tear down on Sunday. The show is not a success without the help of the club members so let's make this a show to remember. At the September 9th meeting at my house I will have a sign up sheet for volunteers and if you are not able to make it the set up at Fig Garden will begin on Friday, September 26th at 7:00 a.m.

Our August meeting was a success we had many members show up at the Winn's home to meet Dr. Jessie Sanders from Aquatic Veterinary Services. Dr. Sanders gave a presentation on her performing surgery on a koi and removing a tumor, she answered questions from the members and was full of information. On Sunday she paid some house calls on a few of the members homes, mine included to do some fish diagnosis. She enjoyed her visit with our club and would welcome the idea of returning and we just need to ask and she will come talk to us regarding any koi health information we need discussed.



ANNOUNCEMENTS

KOI for Sale:

We are thinning out our pond and have various koi for sale some show quality, please contact Seng at 559-999-1706 for pricing and if interested in viewing. We also have some nice baby koi, different color, For Sale, baby koi prices are \$10.00, \$15.00, \$20.00, and \$30.00 each.

2014 Show Pin \$6.00 each have arrived.



1996—2013 \$4.00 each
Contact Rosimeri at cencalkoi@gmail.com or call her at 559-970-8508 if interested in purchasing any.

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CCKS Club Store:

Potassium Permanganate	\$5.00	(7 oz jar)
Sodium Thiosulfate	\$10.00	(2 lb jar)
Sodium Thiosulfate	\$20.00	(4 lb jar)

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Central California Koi Society Koi Show



Central California Koi Society
36th Annual Koi Show



Saturday and Sunday September 27 & 28 2014
Fig Garden Village 5082 N. Palm Ave. Palm & Shaw,
Fresno, California



2013 Grand Champion



Saturday, Sept 27: 9am-3p.m (Judging starts at 9am)
Sunday, Sept 28: 9am-3p.m

KOI SHOW CHAIRPERSON:
To Reserve Show Tanks/Vendor Booths
Contact— Rosimeri Tran Ph# 559-970-8508
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Website: cencalkoi.com



Our September koi show is not far away, if you are interested in showing koi or as a vendor please contact Rosimeri Tran at 559-970-8508 or email at cencalkoi@gmail.com. Our show exhibitor/vendor package is now available for download from our club website at cencalkoi.com. Let's make this a great show for the Central Valley to remember.

Introducing our 2014 Judging Team

Dam Spindola—AKCA

Kevin Pham—Shinkokai Judging Association

Andrew Moo—Shinkokai Judging Association