



# Charleston Showa Koi Club

## Last meeting...

### Linda Lewis

Our last meeting at the SPCA was very informative and as usual the food was great. We had folks from the Greenville Koi and Water Garden Club visiting with us. We also received information on how to construct a different kind of filter, a DIY sand/gravel filter. Check with someone who attended the meeting to get guidance on that.



The Kodama class was awesome. We all learned a lot about koi. The Kodamas are very knowledgeable and were able to cross the language barrier without many problems. It has been a busy month but hope to see you all at the next meeting at the home of Susan and Fred Whittle's. Don't forget to bring your favorite dish. See you there!

## Minutes from 6/12/11

### Rudy Lutge

Cindy opened the meeting by welcoming everyone to the meeting. She then thanked the Greenville Koi Club for coming to the meeting. Cindy then said that we accept the minutes that was in last month's newsletter. Ralph then gave a financial report. Kathy then gave a report on this year's pond tour. She said that the money made from the pond tour 50% went to the Charleston Animal Society which was \$2000.00. She said that the remaining money is about \$1200.00. She said the pond tour committee did not spend the money without the the club voting on it. She proposed that we use it for next year's pond tour. It was voted on by the club to use for next year's pond tour. Next Trish gave a website update and she said that possibly by the next meeting that she might be able to show it to the club. Next Cindy presented Kathy Over with "Koi Person of the Year" award.

Next Bernard gave an update on the seminar with Mr. Kodama that was held at the end of July. At this point Cindy adjourned and turned it over to Dan and the Greenville club.

## During this past month

A number of our club members, along with a couple from the Greenville club, attended a seminar presented by Taro and

Mr. Kodama. We had blast learning about the history of koi, where they came from, who developed each bloodline, and what region of Japan they came from. The Kodamas really put life into the subject matter and showed such passion that I for one came away from the class with a better understanding of each variety of fish that we studied. We discussed in theory what each fish variety should look like and also what to look for in a young fish so that when the fish matures we will have a great fish. The class was very informative and at a level we all could understand. Every question was important to Mr. Kodama and he answered with a passion that transcended the language barrier. I obtained a lot of knowledge and had a weekend full of playful laughter. Truly a great seminar.



## Club Trivia

### Number 1

Who lives the most number of miles away from Charleston and still remains a Club member?

Gene and Viola Ewy live in Tucson Arizona. They helped establish the club and remain lifetime members.

### Number 2

What member of our club entered fish in the first Koi Show held by the Charlotte Koi Club in N.C. and what award did they win?

Gene and Viola Ewy took the Grand Champion award at the first Koi Show in Charlotte NC with a Shiro Utshiri.

## Salt Kills Plants. They will die...

### ... at 0.1% SALT

Anacharis  
Lotus  
Water Hyacinth  
Water Lettuce

### ...at 0.2% SALT

Lavender Musk  
Star Grass  
Water Fringe  
Water Mint  
Water Snowflake

### ...at 0.3% SALT

Arum-calla  
Bacopa  
Blue Bells Chic-Chi  
Bog Bean  
Mini Cattail  
Cardinal Flower  
Cotton Grass  
Duckweed  
Floating Heart  
Forget Me Not  
Frog Bit  
Houttuynia  
Manna Grass

Pickerel Rush  
Primrose Creeper  
Rush,Zebra  
Sensitive Plant  
Taro, Black  
Baby's Breath

### ...at 0.4% SALT

Bog Lily  
Button Bush  
Cat Tail-Graceful  
Iris  
Lizards Tail  
Papyrus, Dwarf  
Papyrus, Egyptian  
Parrots Feather  
Sweet Flag  
Taro, Green  
Water Clover  
Water Clover, Variegated

### ...at 0.5% SALT

Canna  
Fairy Moss  
Hibiscus  
Thalia  
Umbrella Palm

This is from a previous year pond tour booklet. Enjoy your fish along with your plants. Be cautious when adding salt. Too much can kill plants as well as fish.

### **Calendar of events...2011**

Aug. 14 Susan and Fred Whittle  
Sept. 11 Carlos and Terry Gould with  
Guest speaker-Bill McGurt from  
Purdin Koi Farm  
Sept. 23-25 Carolina Classic Koi Show  
In New Hill, NC  
Sept 30-Nov 2 Greenville Koi Show  
Oct. 9 Robert Flemming  
Nov. 13  
Dec. 11 Bob and Gwen Lowe  
Jan.  
Feb.

Meeting times and places may be subject to change.