

MOUNTAIN VIEW KOI CLUB

Minutes October 22, 2017

As prepared by Rosalind

1. Verne welcomed everyone to Nicole and Jean's pond in Alexandria. 13 members in attendance.
2. Jean spoke regarding the building of their pond, their love of nature, gathering nature's treasures from their son's property, pond is Aquascape + Jean and Nicole's work + Janet's filters

Paula Gilkes suggested we elect new president (haha) because he couldn't control the chatter section.

3. No comments offered regarding the minutes of previous meeting (24 September)

4. Treasurer's Report

- Monies still owing to Palliative Care \$1,510
 - o Lucy will go to visit Sharma
- Dan Liquor License \$90 paid, Cheque #151
- Verne still owed for Frady's meal \$27.50
- Paula banners and quilts \$110 paid Cheque #152 (not deposited as yet)
- Verne Staples \$94 paid Cheque #153

No questions brought forward regarding Treasurer's Report

5. Correspondence
6. Verne spoke about www.kodamakoigarden.com FAQs
7. Verne spoke about importance of adding clay to pond and to koi food for koi strength and color
8. Koi of the year
9. Koi Person of the year
 - a. Lucie taking nominations by email
 - b. All nominations to Lucie by December 5
 - c. Not eligible for nomination, Dan & Rina, Elaine & Sam, Verne & Paula
10. Year End Dinner, Vieux Chateau, Hawkesbury, December 10, 5:30
 - a. RSVP Verne by November 30.
11. Verne spoke of Bev and her passion for butterflies who was to speak at meeting but could not attend due to sickness. Talk will be added to the agenda of a later meeting.
12. Build a koi, Verne using Chamoo a pure white koi he constructed several koi in the Gosanke Series by simply adding Red Patches and to the red patches he added black splotches or black patches. By doing this Three Different Koi were formed. By removing the red Patches a Bekko Koi was made.

13. Flukes and treatment. Article in Koi USA magazine by Paula Reynolds to be copied and passed on to members by Verne.
14. Adding salt to ponds, for a good therapeutic treatment the rule is 1 pound per 100 gallons of water. You can use more but for treatment only and for shorter period of times, if it is left too long at a higher level the parasites become immune to it and stronger and stronger levels are required to destroy them and in so doing you will obviously harm your koi and or gold fish.
15. Flushing ponds, by flushing your pond means getting rid of a small amount of water on a weekly or biweekly schedule getting rid of some of the DEAD WATER a term to explain water that has been exposed to sunlight, U/V sterilizers, filtration and the koi will have extracted all the minerals from the water, pond water needs remineralization with conditioned tap water and 10% per week is a good rule of Thumb, comments by Dr. Paula Reynolds BSc PdD BA Consultant in Fish medicine and Aquatic Pathobiologist in the UK.
16. Chart regarding breeds of koi and how to recognize them was on display for help with the construction of the koi.
17. Jean-Marc spoke about club koi show and competitions. Lack of recognition to volunteers at Botanical Gardens.
18. Jeannie suggested that Koi Pond Tour and Botanical Garden Show be scheduled farther apart.
19. Raffle, wine, wine decanter
20. Snacks and chatter