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December 2008

Since 1984:

Celebrating 25 years

PREZ SAYS

Windy, Windy, Windy...great for flying a kite, but not so good for running a boat across the lake. We fished a windy Possum Kingdom and other than fighting the wind all day, we had a pretty good tournament. Some didn't find keeper fish, but several had some nice stringers. Charles Skaggs definitely found them with big win...big bass and heavy stringer of 5.26 lbs and 13.67 lbs. (By the Way - HEAVY STRINGER OF THE YEAR). Bart Gavit came in second with a sack of 11.10 and Christi Lee rounded the top three with a bag of fish weighing 7.81 lbs. Congratulations to these three and all of you for weighing in fish on a tough day.

The St. Jude's Tournament was a great success. We had about 70 boats fish the tournament in the first year. We had many members helping out and we want to thank them very much. I have heard from several fishermen/fisherwomen that this tournament was the best tournament that they have fished all year. With the success that we had this year, we should definitely look into doing it again next year. A representative from St. Jude's will be at our next club meeting in December to receive a check from the bass club and Coor's for about \$7000. Thank you to everyone that helped...we did it for a great cause.

We had our Rule Change meeting last month and everything went very well. We had some minor changes that were passed and some others that did not make it. We also had a problem with three rule changes that we made a mistake on when we were typing them from the original. With that said, we tabled them until next meeting (December) to correct our mistake and then present them back to the club for vote. (So we will be finishing our Rules Change in December)

Classic Championship - Lake Graham. For all of those that qualified for the tournament, the lake is OFF LIMITS until tournament time.

Our End of Year Banquet will be January 8, 2009 at the Dixie House Cafe on Hulen St., south of IH 20. This meeting is where we induct new officers and board member. We will also be presenting all trophies for yearly awards and have a huge raffle drawing.

Remember...life jackets and kill switches save lives.

Jeff Granger

LAST MEETING IN A NUTSHELL

- ✚ Next meeting is December 4th at 7:00 PM, at the Coors Building on 35 and Meacham. From the North: exit Meacham; turn left at the light, then right on Mercantile Plaza Dr. It ends at McMillan Parkway, a quick right, then into the turnaround, another right into the parking lot entrance. From the South: exit Meacham, stay on service road to Coors, turn right on McMillan Pkwy, parking lot entrance is on North side of the building.
- ✚ The Classic Lake is Lake Graham. Only those who qualified can fish the tournament. Lake Graham is OFF LIMITS for all qualifiers until the Classic tournament.
- ✚ New officers for 2009 are as follows:
 - ❖ President - Jeff Granger
 - ❖ Vice-President - Bill Smith
 - ❖ Recorder/Secretary - Tracy Wendler
 - ❖ Treasurer - Jim Justus
 - ❖ Membership Director - Mark Wendler
 - ❖ Tournament Director - Tim Johnson
 - ❖ Assistant Tournament Directors - Elaine Barnes, Roger Malone
 - ❖ News Letter Editor - Jim Phillips
 - ❖ Web Master - Donna Gwin
 - ❖ Sergeant at Arms - Mike Fulkerson
 - ❖ Board Members at Large: Claude Barnes, Mike Browning, Gerald Coggins, Carol Coggins, Daniel Kammerdiener, and Herschel Smith
 - ❖ Board Members Emeritus: John Ball, James Bayless, Carl Koch, Danny Leatherman, and David Mulcahy
- ✚ The Coors/BCFW Tournament for St. Jude's Children's Hospital at Lake Lewisville was a success. Over \$7000.00 was raised for the children. Thank you to all who helped with the tournament.
- ✚ Thank you Linda Koch, David Mulcahy, Donna Gwin, and Linda Nichols for the excellent job of getting the fishing rules and constitution changes in order.
- ✚ Congratulations to Roger Malone who finished in the top 6 and 4th place big Bass in the Federation tournament.
- ✚ The Arlington Fishing Show is a GO. Volunteers are welcome as usual. It will be January 8 11th. We are looking for helpers again.
- ✚ BCFW's yearly banquet will be on January 8th at the Dixie House Cafe at the intersection of Hulen St and South Dr. It's the only reasonable place found that could accommodate the size of our club.
- ✚ Please try to pay for your 2009 BCFW membership at the December meeting to help save time and confusion with all the banquet doings. Checks will not be cashed until after the 1st of January.
- ✚ We have three rule changes to talk about at the December meeting (Rule 15 may not be the final wording):

Current:

7. All contestants must notify the Tournament Director or Assistant Tournament Director of their presence by the deadline in order to avoid disqualification. (It is Not necessary to bring fish.)

Proposed Change:

7. All contestants must check in with the Tournament Director or Assistant Tournament Director by the deadline in order weigh fish caught in the tournament. It is not necessary to bring fish for check-in.

LAST MEETING IN A NUTSHELL

Current:

15. All fish weighed in will meet state measuring requirements in effect at that time. Except on special regulation lakes, All Bass must be fourteen inch (14) minimum length. On slot limit lakes, bass must be ten (10) inches minimum length. Bass shall be measured on club straight board with mouth closed and tail pinched so if it touches any point on line, it is acceptable. For each fish brought in that is one half (1/2) inch below minimum length, one pound (1 lb.) shall be deducted from the stringer weight and that fish will not be weighed.

Proposed Change:

15. All fish presented for weighing must meet state measuring requirements in effect at that time. Except on special regulation lakes, all Bass must be fourteen inch (14) minimum length. Bass shall be measured on club straight board with mouth closed and tail pinched so if it touches any point on line, it is acceptable. On slot limit lakes, bass must be ten (10) inches minimum length. The same standard is used for measuring, but fish on the low side of the slot, if it touches any point on the line, it is not acceptable. Unless it conflicts with state regulations smallmouth bass must be a minimum of 14 on all lakes. The ruling of the tournament director or assistant is final on any issues of length. For each fish brought in that is one half (1/2) inch below minimum length, one pound (1 lb.) shall be deducted from the stringer weight and that fish will not be weighed.

Current:

30. All tournament contestants must wear life jackets any time the boat in which they are riding or driving is on plane. A kill switch must be attached to the life jacket of the driver when the boat is on plane, unless the boat is not equipped with a kill switch.

Proposed Change:

30. All tournament contestants must wear life jackets and be seated any time the boat in which they are riding or driving is on plane.

✚ FOR SALE:

An old member: Sarge is selling: 817-237-5145, 817-602-8340

87/88 Allegro motor home, new 454 motor (1500 miles max), 34-36, stored 5-7 years: \$10,000.
199? Express, 21, 175 Yamaha (1-1/2 hours), new interior, dual trailer, stored 7 years under cover: \$12,500.

✚ The men's 6 lb. pot is \$2.00, ladies 6 lb. stringer is \$5.00. These two pots must be paid at the meeting.

✚ We are at 141 members at this time! Remember: Without members, good clubs as ours don't survive.

✚ The regular tournament fees are \$20.00, including Big Bass pot entry of \$5.00, and may be paid at the ramp or preferred method - at the meeting. When paying at the ramp, pay your fee first, and then get a weigh in bag before bringing up your fish, the fishing rules indicates there must be enough water in your bag to sustain your fish. (Rule # 16)

✚ The Board Meeting will be December 11th, anyone interested in seeing how we operate, and you may attend the meeting. Meeting time is 7:30 PM. at Sammie's BBQ on Belnap Street.

✚ Web site: Banner fees are \$3.00 per month with 6 month minimum, \$36.00 for the year, or with link to their web site is \$76.00 per year (no monthly fee available with link). The web site domain is: <http://www.bcfw.org>

Please let me and the Membership Director know if your personal information, especially home or email address, has changed. We need these to keep our records up to date. This year I'm stressing that you use your computer to access or print the newsletter. I will continue to send out emails as normal and we have a printable newsletter available on the web site. I'm stopping regular mailings if you have an email address to help save on stamps and printing costs. If you have a concern with this, please, let me know.

If you would like to have something announced in the newsletter or if you have a problem with receiving it, please, let me know. Catch me at a meeting, send an email to newsletter7656@aol.com, or call 817-444-7480 and leave a message.

Thank you; Jim Phillips

HORSES PATOOT

Hey Mike Pannell: Guess what? CONGRATULATIONS: You get it again! New record 4 in a row !!!!!

See what happens when you do or don't come to the meetings?

BASS FEDERATION NEWS

Bring 2009 dues to the December meeting!

Sign up for 2009 Federation at the December meeting in order to qualify for the insurance. Membership is \$34, I will have the forms at the meeting.

If you need any information regarding the BASS Federation, contact David Mulcahy (817) 219-3359 or James Bayless (817) 996-0680.

TOURNAMENT TRAIL

The Classic Tournament of 2008

December 6th at Lake Graham

Launch is Eddleman (Main Launch)

14" Limit on both lakes

Richland Chambers is the back-up lake

Please pre-pay at meeting or pay cash at the ramp before fishing. Be on time at **3:30** weigh in and inform the director or assistant you are present. Please sign out at mail box or let someone know if you leave early, thank you. Just a couple of RE-REMINDERS: ALL state, local, lake laws, and 2007 club rules apply. The club is NOT responsible for your actions in these situations if fines are levied down due to non-compliance of the laws.

Only 5 mph (no wake) in channel between lakes and is not marked!!

C. Eddleman (Main Launch) Located north of Graham just off of US 380 on the Lake Eddleman portion of the reservoir. Two-lane concrete ramp with lighted parking area with space for about **25 vehicles**. This is Graham/Eddleman's most accessible ramp. No fee required at any ramp & open all year.

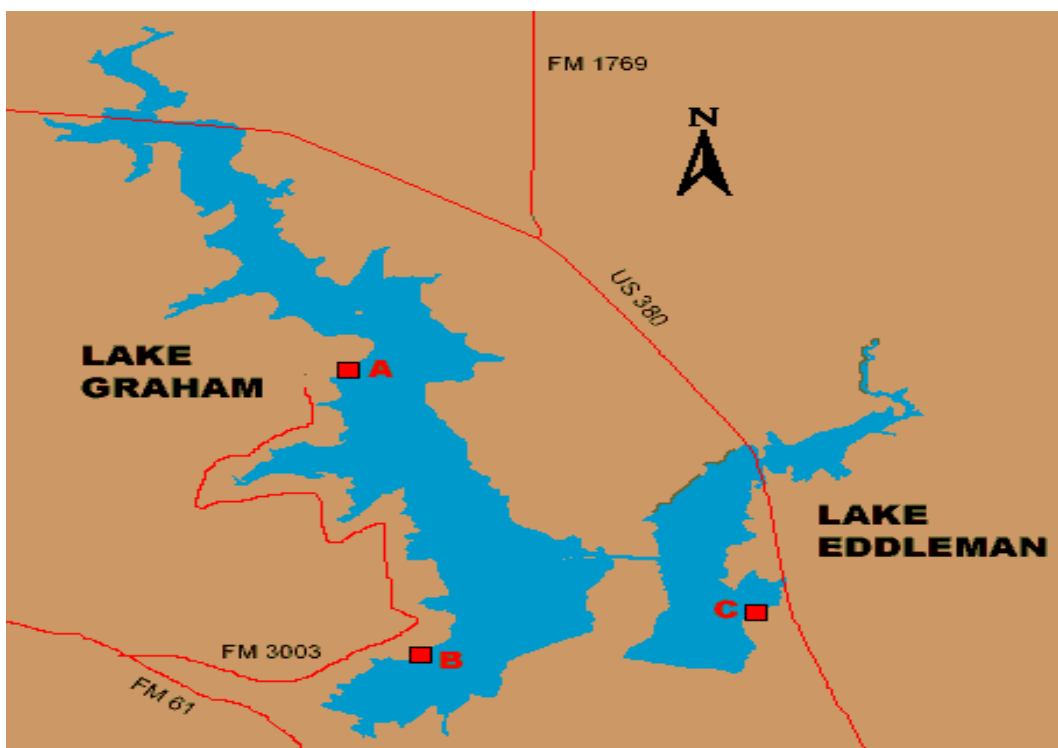
A. Graham North (2nd back up if main full)

From Graham, take FM 61 west/north to FM 3003 and follow north for about 2 miles.

Concrete ramp with lighted parking area and space for about **10 vehicles**

B. Graham South (1st back up if main full) from Graham, take FM 61 west/north to FM 3003. A dirt road leads to the ramp on the southwest side of the lake. Concrete ramp with lighted parking area and space for about **10 vehicles**

Texas Parks & Wildlife public ramp maintained by the City of Graham (940) 549-3322



CLASSIC QUALIFIERS - 2008

Good fishing to all:

NAME	Total Points	Total Weight	Member Type	CLASSIC QUALIFIER
GRANGER,JEFF	1012	47.21	S	YES
MULCAHY,DAVID	984	40.25	L	YES
MALONE,ROGER	972	48.82	S	YES
BARNES,CLAUDE	953	37.23	F	YES
MURRAY,MIKE	912	29.83	F	YES
JOHNSON,TIM	903	28.46	S	YES
WENDLER,MARK	897	25.41	F	YES
KELLY,SCOTT	896	37.21	S	YES
SMITH,BILL	878	23.98	F	YES
WILLIAMS,RANDY	875	24.37	S	YES
PANNELL,MICHEAL	865	26.14	F	YES
COGGINS,GERALD	863	23.46	F	YES
JOHNSON,MATT	856	25.13	S	YES
McCULLOUGH,BOBBY	853	18.05	S	YES
GOSSETT,DONNY	850	23.68	F	YES
BARNES,ELAINE	847	25.26	F	YES
KOCH,CARL	839	19.92	L	YES
BURTON,MIKE	834	20.95	F	YES
ALDERT,BOB	830	23.83	S	YES
FULKERSON,MIKE	829	21.12	F	YES
COGGINS,CAROLE	827	19.23	F	YES
TAFT,BOBBY	824	21.98	F	YES
BROWNING,MIKE	822	20.00	S	YES
GAVIT,BART	818	31.09	S	YES
McCULLOUGH,WAYNE	811	17.96	F	YES
GERATH,BERNIE	800	24.11	S	YES
JUSTUS,JIM	796	16.56	F	YES
CHEATHAM,JEFF	779	18.00	F	YES
KAMMERDIENER,DANIEL	772	19.18	S	YES
CHALOUPA,FRANK	745	11.80	F	YES
TOONE,JOE	743	20.28	S	YES
GOFF,STAN	735	13.87	S	YES
WENDLER,TRACY	709	6.98	F	YES
BRATTEN,LEVIN	685	12.93	S	YES
GAVIT,GREG	683	12.84	S	YES
SMITH,HERSCHEL	668	14.74	F	YES
GWIN,DONNA	660	3.07	S	YES
MURRAY,RICHARD	655	11.85	S	YES
MABRY,MIKE	651	17.78	S	YES
ABLES,GARY	639	26.55	S	YES
GAVIT,NATHAN	634	24.51	S	YES
REYES,JOHNNY	624	18.86	F	YES
JONES,EDDIE	608	18.91	F	YES
DONATO,JOE	607	16.63	S	YES
HARVEY,BILL	594	14.48	S	YES
PHILLIPS,JIM	585	6.53	S	YES
EMBRY,JOSH	580	7.30	F	YES
PULLAR,SHIRLEY	572	8.22	F	YES
PULLAR,JACK	556	8.33	F	YES
NELSON,DANNY	554	11.03	F	YES
BAYLESS,JAMES	541	8.77	L	YES
PARHAM,TIM	521	6.76	F	YES
KOCH,LINDA	509	6.29	F	YES
SMITH,ROBERT	503	9.33	S	YES
MORELAND,JIMMIE	480	4.94	S	YES
PARHAM,WES	467	3.79	S	YES
HOTELLING,MIKE	455	6.70	S	YES
KINNEY,CHRIS	453	9.82	S	YES

LAST TOURNAMENT

DATE November 15, 2008 LAKE POSSUM KINGDOM

52 FISHED TOURNAMENT
3 ANGLERS HAD 3 FISH LIMIT 15 FISHERMEN CAUGHT
24 FISH WEIGHING 71.76 LBS. AVERAGE WEIGHT PER FISH 2.99 LBS.

TOURNAMENT

1 st	SKAGGS, CHARLES	13.67 LBS.
2 nd	GAVIT, BART	11.10 LBS.
3 rd	LEE, CHRISTI	7.81 LBS.
4 th	DAVENPORT, DAN	7.23 LBS.
5 th	GRANGER, JEFF	5.75 LBS.
6 th	MULCAHY, DAVID	4.55 LBS.
7 th	SMITH, BILL	2.72 LBS.
8 th	MURRAY, MIKE	2.65 LBS.

BIG BASS

1 st	SKAGGS, CHARLES	5.26 LBS.
2 nd	GAVIT, BART	5.02 LBS.
3 rd	DAVENPORT, DAN	4.37 LBS.

HEAVY STRINGER OF THE YEAR MEN'S

SKAGGS, CHARLES 13.67 LBS.

HEAVY STRINGER OF THE YEAR WOMEN'S

BARNES, ELAINE 9.23 LBS.

BIG BASS OF THE YEAR MEN'S

KELLY, SCOTT 7.51 LBS.

BIG BASS OF THE YEAR WOMEN'S

BARNES, ELAINE 4.70 LBS.

TOP TWENTY

		POINTS	WEIGHT
1 st	GRANGER, JEFF	1012	47.21
2 nd	MULCAHY, DAVID	984	40.25
3 rd	MALONE, ROGER	972	48.82
4 th	BARNES, CLAUDE	953	37.23
5 th	MURRAY, MIKE	912	29.83
6 th	JOHNSON, TIM	903	28.46
7 th	WENDLER, MARK	897	25.41
8 th	KELLY, SCOTT	896	37.21
9 th	SMITH, BILL	878	23.98
10 th	WILLIAMS, RANDY	875	24.37
11 th	PANNELL, MICHEAL	865	26.14
12 th	COGGINS, GERALD	863	23.46
13 th	JOHNSON, MATT	856	25.13
14 th	McCULLOUGH, BOBBY	853	18.05
15 th	GOSSETT, DONNY	850	23.68
16 th	BARNES, ELAINE	847	25.26
17 th	KOCH, CARL	839	19.92
18 th	BURTON, MIKE	834	20.95
19 th	ALDERT, BOB	830	23.83
20 th	FULKERSON, MIKE	829	21.12

NEXT TWENTY

		POINTS	WEIGHT
21 st	COGGINS, CAROLE	827	19.23
22 nd	TAFT, BOBBY	824	21.98
23 rd	BROWNING, MIKE	822	20.00
24 th	GAVIT, BART	818	31.09
25 th	McCULLOUGH, WAYNE	811	17.96
26 th	GERATH, BERNIE	800	24.11
27 th	JUSTUS, JIM	796	16.56
28 th	CHEATHAM, JEFF	779	18.00
29 th	KAMMERDIENER, DANIEL	772	19.18
30 th	CHALOUPA, FRANK	745	11.80
31 st	TOONE, JOE	743	20.28
32 nd	GOFF, STAN	735	13.87
33 rd	WENDLER, TRACY	709	6.98
34 th	BRATTEN, LEVIN	685	12.93
35 th	GAVIT, GREG	683	12.84
36 th	SMITH, HERSHEL	668	14.74
37 th	GWIN, DONNA	660	3.07
38 th	MURRAY, RICHARD	655	11.85
39 th	MABRY, MIKE	651	17.78
40 th	ABLES, GARY	639	26.55

LADY ANGLER

		POINTS	WEIGHT
1 st	BARNES, ELAINE	847	25.26
2 nd	COGGINS, CAROLE	827	19.23
3 rd	WENDLER, TRACY	709	6.98
4 th	GWIN, DONNA	660	3.07
5 th	PULLAR, SHIRLEY	572	8.22
6 th	KOCH, LINDA	509	6.29
7 th	LEE, CHRISTI	401	16.59
8 th	NICHOLS, LINDA	115	0.00
9 th	JOHNSON, JENNIFER	111	1.33
10 th	ENGLEKE, ASHLEE	90	0.00

BASS FEDERATION

		POINTS	WEIGHT
1 st	MULCAHY, DAVID	984	40.25
2 nd	MALONE, ROGER	972	48.82
3 rd	PANNELL, MICHEAL	865	26.14
4 th	McCULLOUGH, BOBBY	853	18.05
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8 th	TOONE, JOE	743	20.28
9 th	GOFF, STAN	735	13.87
10 th	REYES, JOHNNY	624	18.86

NEXT TOURNAMENT

GRAHAM

HOURS

6:00 AM TO 3:30 PM

DATE

December 6, 2008

December 2008

SUN MON TUE WED THU FRI SAT

	1	2	3	4 Regular Club Meeting 7:00 PM Coor's Bldg.	5	6 Classic Tournament Lake Graham 6—3:30 PM
7	8	9	10	11	12	13
14	15	16	17	18 Board Meeting 7:30 PM Sammie's	19	20
21	22	23	24 	25 	26	27
28	29	30	31 	January 1 	2	3