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August 2010

Prez Says

The last club tournament was at Lake Tawakoni. Watch out for the stumps and Mr. Chris McLain for his impressive first place stringer of 13.51 pounds and a 6.16 pound kicker! Second place stringer of 12.74 pounds went to Mr. Dalton Pratt and third place stringer of 9.45 pounds went to Mr. Les Kennedy. Pratt got the first place big bass with a goliath 8.30 pound beauty, while McLain's kicker was good enough for second place big bass, and Kennedy rounded out the top three with a 4.87 pounder. Congratulations to all that caught fish and Great Job to all!

Thanks again to Hershul Smith for Chairing the St. Jude's Committee. Also serving on the committee are Jim Phillips, Mark Wendler, and Carl Koch. These people need our help in putting on an even better tournament than last year. Currently they need to know if you want to fish or work the tournament . . . come help out with this great cause!

Happy Birthday to all club Members with August Birthdays.

Next tournament will be on Lake Bridgeport and the launch is Wise County Park. Good Luck to everyone!

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

Jeff Granger
President, Bass Club of Fort Worth

Meeting notes

- ❖ Next Meeting is August 5th, Coors Hospitality Room, Meacham exit off I-35W.
- ❖ Carole Coggins has the men's six pound pot and Elaine Barnes has the lady's six pound stringer pot.
- ❖ We changed our 'Top Six' award to 'Top Ten' when membership exceeds 100 members.
- ❖ Danny Leatherman is working to get the logo in shape for the new club banner.
- ❖ Johnny Reyes announced that he will donate a portion of proceed from flooring sales to the St Jude's fund, and has already donated \$100 in proceeds. Please contact Johnny for details on this program. It sounds like a good deal all around.
- ❖ Jim Phillips is now coordinating speakers for meetings, so if you know anyone wanting to speak at one of our meetings, point him in Jim's direction.
- ❖ Remember to ask Mark Wendler for your Bass Club of Fort Worth windshield sticker when you renew your membership, membership fees did not change; they are \$25 for single and \$30 for family memberships.

After Dark on Eagle Mountain

Congratulations to Ms. Tracy Wendler on her 2.44 pound largemouth that propelled her to victory in the BCFW Annual Night Tournament held on Eagle Mountain Lake. According to Vice President and Tournament Director Jim Phillips there were 27 people who fished the event and only a total of three people caught fish. Well done to Mr. Jim Justus and Mr. Carl Koch for the second and third place finish respectively.

McLain Tackles Tawakoni for First Win

The bite was slow for some anglers on Lake Tawakoni as the dog days of summer continue to carry on, but not for much longer. Most of the tough bite could have contributed to hot conditions, rainfall, and clouds; however Chris McLain was able to find them. Just check the evidence on the results page. The key bites came on a four and half inch Texas rigged Grande Bass Rattlesnake fished around and through terrestrial vegetation. "I knew the fish were there", says McLain. "After mid-day without a bite, I knew I just needed to sit down, rehydrate and re-focus." Most of McLain's sack was caught not too far away from the launch site and, after culling a 5 pounder, he ended up with his very first victory in his very first year with the club. Well done Chris and welcome to the club.

BASS Federation News

Kudos and good luck to the qualifying anglers competing in the 2010 Regional Championship held on Lake of the Pines on October 30-31:

Tony McBride, Mark Wendler, Joseph Hardy, James Biggs, Leslie Kennedy, James McBride, Shane Freeman, Richard "Red" Michael, David Mulcahy, Roger Malone, Clint Abernathy, Charles Harkless, Robert Brown, Gary Freeman, Michael Pannell, Bobby McCullough, Howard Barker, Stan Goff.

For more information regarding the BASS Federation, contact David Mulcahy (817) 219-3359 or James Bayless (817) 996-0680 or checkout their website at: <http://texas-bass.com/nc/index.htm>

Horses Patoot?

DATE July 10, 2010 LAKE TAWAKONI

64 FISHED TOURNAMENT
15 ANGLERS HAD 3 FISH LIMIT 35 FISHERMEN CAUGHT
76 FISH WEIGHING 184.54 LBS. AVERAGE WEIGHT PER FISH 2.43 LBS.

TOURNAMENT
1st MCLAIN,CHRIS 13.51 LBS.
2nd PRATT,DALTON 12.74 LBS.
3rd KENEDY,LES 9.45 LBS.
4th REEDER,RANDY 9.14 LBS.
5th PRAZAK,KEITH 9.08 LBS.
6th FULKERSON,MIKE 8.88 LBS.
7th ABELS,GARY 8.00 LBS.
8th PERRY,DANIEL 7.72 LBS.
9th KELLY,SCOTT 7.60 LBS.

BIG BASS
1st PRATT,DALTON 8.30 LBS.
2nd MCLAIN,CHRIS 6.16 LBS.
3rd KENEDY,LES 4.87 LBS.

HEAVY STRINGER OF THE YEAR MEN'S
MCCULLOUGH,BOBBY 20.59 LBS.
HEAVY STRINGER OF THE YEAR WOMEN'S
COGGINS,CAROLE 8.45 LBS.

BIG BASS OF THE YEAR MEN'S
MCCULLOUGH,BOBBY 10.42 LBS.
BIG BASS OF THE YEAR WOMEN'S
COGGINS,CAROLE 7.22 LBS.

TOP TWENTY
1st BARNES,CLAUDE 681.00 38.73
2nd MULCAHY,DAVID 677.00 39.63
3rd FULKERSON,MIKE 674.00 32.43
4th POUNDS,DANNY 669.00 31.15
5th MALONE,ROGER 646.00 27.55
6th MURRAY,RICHARD 644.00 32.96
WENDLER,MARK 644.00 26.60
8th MCCULLOUGH,BOBBY 635.00 38.91
9th JOHNSON,TIM 634.00 29.49
10th MCLAIN,CHRIS 620.00 24.29
11th PANNELL,MICHAEL 607.00 23.29
12th COGGINS,CAROLE 606.00 17.86
13th MCCULLOUGH,WAYNE 599.00 18.22
14th PERRY,DANIEL 596.00 19.74
REEDER,RANDY 596.00 17.70
16th BROWNING,MIKE 593.00 19.30
17th KOCH,CARL 589.00 13.92
18th SMITH,HERSHUL 587.00 14.79
19th GERATH,BJ 586.00 12.31
20th BARNES,ELAINE 582.00 13.56

NEXT TWENTY
21st WOOD,MIKE 569.00 13.21
22nd COGGINS,GERALD 564.00 8.70
23rd REYES,JOHNNY 552.00 25.66
24th WENDLER,TRACY 547.00 8.90
25th BAYLESS,JAMES 540.00 9.53
26th KERBAUGH,BRIAN 539.00 6.97
27th JOHNSON,MATT 537.00 17.28
28th ABELS,GARY 526.00 20.69
29th PARHAM,TIM 515.00 19.07
30th HANCOCK,MARK 508.00 3.40
31st GOSSETT,DONNIE 501.00 6.25
32nd KOCH,LINDA 490.00 1.55
33rd GWIN,DONNA 483.00 0.00
34th JUSTUS,JIM 481.00 8.52
35th BIRCHFIELD,DALE 474.00 13.90
36th GOFF,STAN 467.00 13.87
37th MURRAY,MIKE 446.00 4.21
38th WILLIAMS,RANDY 440.00 9.64
39th BRETT,SAM 439.00 13.09
40th ALDERT,BOB 430.00 11.85

LADY ANGLER
1st COGGINS,CAROLE 606.00 17.86
2nd BARNES,ELAINE 582.00 13.56
3rd WENDLER,TRACY 547.00 8.90
4th KOCH,LINDA 490.00 1.55
5th GWIN,DONNA 483.00 0.00
6th REYES,AIMEE 152.00 1.88
7th DAVENPORT,GINGER 151.00 6.66
8th HUCHOWSKI,TANYA 95.00 0.00
9th PULLAR,SHIRLEY 71.00 0.00
10th JUSTUS,KIM 70.00 0.00

BASS FEDERATION
1st MULCAHY,DAVID 677.00 39.63
2nd WENDLER,MARK 644.00 26.60
3rd MCCULLOUGH,BOBBY 635.00 38.91
4th PANNELL,MICHAEL 607.00 23.29
5th KOCH,CARL 589.00 13.92
6th SMITH,HERSHUL 587.00 14.79
7th BAYLESS,JAMES 540.00 9.53
8th GOFF,STAN 467.00 13.87
9th DAVENPORT,DAN 381.00 18.51
10th HURTADO,JOE 300.00 0.00

NEXT TOURNAMENT BRIDGEPORT HOURS 5:00 AM TO 2:30 PM DATE August 14, 2010

NAME	TAWAKONI			
	# FISH	BIG BASS	WEIGHT	
	76	8.30	184.54	
MCLAIN,CHRIS	3	6.16	13.51	100
PRATT,DALTON	3	8.30	12.74	99
KENEDY,LES	3	4.87	9.45	98
REEDER,RANDY	3	4.67	9.14	97
PRAZAK,KEITH	3	3.91	9.08	96
FULKERSON,MIKE	3	3.84	8.88	95
ABELS,GARY	3	4.24	8.00	94
PERRY,DANIEL	3		7.72	93
KELLY,SCOTT	3		7.60	92
SMITH,ROBERT	3		6.56	91
PANNELL,MICHAEL	3		6.40	90
MCCULLOUGH,WAYNE	3		6.27	89
MCGILVRAY,ZACHARY	3		6.23	88
POUNDS,DANNY	3		6.16	87
PULLAR,JACK	3		5.46	86
SMITH,HERSHUL	2	3.57	5.36	85
WOOD,MIKE	2		5.20	84
BARNES,CLAUDE	2		4.60	83
KOCH,CARL	2		4.32	82
COGGINS,GERALD	2		4.28	81
BAYLESS,JAMES	2		4.09	80
BELL,TIM	2		3.98	79
PARHAM,TIM	2		3.51	78
MALONE,ROGER	2		3.45	77
WENDLER,MARK	2		3.24	76
MCBRIDE,DAKOTA	2		3.20	75
JORDAN,BRIAN	1		2.90	74
MCCULLOUGH,BOBBY	1		2.04	73
BARNES,ELAINE	1		1.99	72
MULCAHY,DAVID	1		1.97	71
BIRCHFIELD,DALE	1		1.59	70
GERATH,BJ	1		1.59	70
MIMS,ROY	1		1.43	68
KERBAUGH,BRIAN	1		1.34	67
JOHNSON,TIM	1		1.26	66
BRETT,SAM				51
BROWNING,MIKE				51
BURTON,MICHAEL				51
CHALOUPKA,FRANK				51
COGGINS,CAROLE				51
DAVENPORT,DAN				51
DONATO,JOE				51
FOLEY,TED				51
FOLEY,WAYNE				51
GAMBLIN,CHRIS				51
GOFF,STAN				51
GOSSETT,DONNIE				51
GWIN,DONNA				51
HANCOCK,MARK				51
HOTELLING,MICHAEL				51
HURTADO,JOE				51
KOCH,LINDA				51
LEE,ROBERT				51
MCGILVRAY,JEFF				51
MILSAP,JIMMY				51
MIMS,CHRISTIAN				51
MORELAND,JIMMIE				51
MURRAY,MIKE				51
MURRAY,RICHARD				51
PHILLIPS,JIM				51
SMITH,BILL				51
WALKER,AARON				51
WENDLER,TRACY				51
WILLIAMS,RANDY				51

August Events:

- August 14th – Club Tournament –Lake Bridgeport – 5:00am to 2:30pm – Wise County Park.

➤ Lake Bridgeport TIPS!!!!!!!

Bridgeport's water level is known to fluctuate quite a bit, however, as of July 27, 2010, it appears that the lake is just about even and releasing 0 cfs at this time. Aquatic vegetation includes: floating pondweed, chara, hydrilla and water willow. Flipping and pitching can be productive, but be patient as these few areas of vegetation get pressured. Try flipping a Roger Malone jig, while holding your mouth right to get that big bass in the boat. Additionally, "try to fish the main lake, on deep rock piles and ledges, with downsized baits," says Mark Wendler. "I.e.; gravel to chunk rock, boulders to gravel, etc.... Sometimes the Smallmouth will cruise these transition areas, first thing in the morning, looking for active Crawfish. But, whether you choose offshore, or onshore, Tubes & Finesse Jigs will rule the day."

Based on the July 25 Media Results at Lake Bridgeport some of our club members were one big fish away from a top ten finish and cashing checks. Based on those weather conditions, the second week of August shouldn't be much different. Club fisherman should expect air temperatures to be 78-100, water temperatures around 90 degrees and clear and fishing to be slow. The average fish weighed in was 0.74lbs with a 5-fish limit of a whopping 5.50lbs!!!! Good luck anglers! Stay committed to your plan, but flexible in your approach. Fish hard, Fish smart.

Scott Kelly

August 2010
Tournament Trail
August 14th on Lake Bridgeport

Launch is Wise County Park

You can weigh:

Largemouth bass, which has a 14-18-inch slot length limit.

(Only largemouth bass 10-14 inches long and 18 inches long and longer may be retained.)

Smallmouth 14” and over

Spots 10” and over

Wise County Park

- Located at the north end of the lake, just west of FM2952
- Three 2-lane ramps with plenty of parking
- No fee for boat launch or day use
- Fees are charged for camping and other park services
- Open all year
- Operated by Wise County (940) 644-1910

Tim Johnson, our Tournament Director, would like to remind everyone:

- Running lights must be on until dawn. This violation is grounds for disqualification and a State law.
- Stay out of: NO BOAT AREAS; 1st time Warning; 2nd time disqualification.
- You must be at least 50 from swim areas and cannot tie up to buoys.
- Please observe NO WAKE AREAS.
- Also, it helps to pay for the tournament well before weigh-in. At the meeting is ideal, but before the weigh-in starts cuts down on the mayhem during.
- If you pre-pay for a tournament at the meeting and find you cannot make the tournament, contact any club officer before 8:00 PM the Friday before fishing to carry over fees to the next tournament.
- If you leave the tournament early, either sign out at the mailbox or let someone know you are leaving.
- Weigh-in is at 3:30 PM unless changed. Make sure the tournament director or assistant knows you are on time, especially if there is a line to weigh fish.
- Rule #16: There is a 3 fish limit, unless lake rules demand less. Each contestant must bring no more than 3 fish to weigh-in. Fish shall be in weigh-in bags or containers with sufficient water to keep the fish in good condition until they are released. Failure to do so shall result in a 1 pound penalty.

Lake Bridgeport

(For any new boaters that may not be aware, be careful and watch out for shallow rock piles, see below.)

