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Celebrating 27 Years

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May 2011

Prez Says

The May BCFW event was held at Eagle Mountain Lake and based on the conditions it appears that the full moon and favorable water conditions still had fish up shallow. Since Largemouth are not monogamous, those straggler males appeared to be courting the last of the ripe females up shallow to finish the spawn. Dan Davenport crushed 17.74 pounds and walloped the field of 58 anglers to take first place and big bass of the tournament. Mark Wendler continues his consistent streak with 12.36 pounds to finish second, while Tim Johnson's 11.19 pound sack finished him in the top three. Off course Dan Davenport's heavy kicker fish took first in the big bass category, while Travis Stinnet's 6.29 pound fish took second place and Mark Wendler rounded out the top three in the big bass category with a 6.18 pound kicker. Good job dudes.

Happy Birthday to all club Members with May Birthdays.

The next tournament will be on June 11th at Grapevine Lake with weigh in being at Dove Loop. Remember there is a launch fee of \$10 dollars and they do seem to check for violators, just ask Jeff Granger!

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

Jeff Granger

President, Bass Club of Fort Worth

Meeting notes

❖ A FRIENDLY REMINDER FROM TOURNAMENT DIRECTOR HERSHUL SMITH:

You must sign in at the BCFW mailbox if you have NOT paid your entry fee at the meeting prior to the tournament you are fishing. Please note that failure to do so may result in a penalty.

- ❖ The next club meeting will be Thursday, June 2, 2011, 7:00 pm, at Coors Distribution Center Hospitality Room. The beer is free from what I heard. Thanks to Coors!!! Tip your bartenders!
- ❖ St. Jude Tournament: This year the BCFW will be hosting the 3rd Annual St. Jude Tournament on Nov. 12 on Lake Lewisville pending club vote and approval to move our normally scheduled club tournament. I know it will be another great event.
- ❖ Congrats again to our new life members!!!
- ❖ If you would like your information in the newsletter. Please email skoutdoors@hotmail.com.



BASS Federation News



2011 Qualifying Tournament Trail Results are in check the website!

Hot Dog and Kids Tournament

The May 7th event was a huge success thanks to those participating club members and the kids! In the main tournament Danny won first place, Chris McClain took second and Mark Wendler finished out the top three. On the kids side, Sugar Baby Collins won big bass with a 4.76 pound giant caught on a Claude Hog Minnow. Joey Hanson took 1st Heavy stringer with 38lbs of Drum! Great job you all and congrats to the winners!



DATE May 14, 2011 LAKE Eagle Mountain

58 Fished Tournament
 13 Anglers Had 3 Fish Limit 35 Fishermen Caught
 67 Fish Weighing 188.17 Lbs. Average Weight Per Fish 2.51 Lbs.

TOURNAMENT		
1 st	Davenport, Dan	14.74 Lbs.
2 nd	Wendler, Mark	12.36 Lbs.
3 rd	Johnson, Tim	11.19 Lbs.
4 th	Kelly, Scott	10.80 Lbs.
5 th	Malone, Roger	10.74 Lbs.
6 th	Wendler, Tracy	9.83 Lbs.
7 th	Wood, Mike	8.40 Lbs.
8 th	Mulcahy, David	8.23 Lbs.

BIG BASS		
1 st	Davenport, Dan	7.01 Lbs.
2 nd	Stinnett, Travis	6.29 Lbs.
3 rd	Wendler, Mark	6.18 Lbs.

HEAVY STRINGER OF THE YEAR MEN'S
 Pounds, Danny 17.49 LBS.
 HEAVY STRINGER OF THE YEAR WOMEN'S
 Wendler, Tracy 9.83 LBS.

BIG BASS OF THE YEAR MEN'S
 Justus, Jim 7.28 LBS.
 BIG BASS OF THE YEAR WOMEN'S
 Justus, Kim 5.45 LBS.

TOP TWENTY				NEXT TWENTY			
		POINTS	WEIGHT			POINTS	WEIGHT
1 st	Malone, Roger	518	43.43	21 st	Prazak, Keith	396	12.40
2 nd	Wendler, Mark	499	28.86	22 nd	McCullough, Bobby	395	6.85
3 rd	Murray, Richard	483	21.14	23 rd	Barnes, Elaine	383	5.15
4 th	Pounds, Danny	481	33.40	24 th	Smith, Robert	383	3.78
5 th	Wood, Mike	479	24.46	25 th	Abels, Gary	379	19.49
6 th	Mulcahy, David	475	26.38	26 th	Goff, Stan	374	5.94
7 th	Johnson, Tim	464	23.34	27 th	Chaloupka, Frank	367	5.71
8 th	Barnes, Claude	461	15.86		Gerath, Bj	367	3.92
9 th	Murray, Mike	453	23.61	29 th	Duewall, Charles	365	4.42
10 th	Williams, Randy	452	12.52	30 th	Koch, Linda	364	4.05
11 th	Justus, Jim	448	24.47	31 st	Coggins, Carole	358	4.38
12 th	Bayless, James	433	12.01	32 nd	Burton, Michael	336	7.34
13 th	Pullar, Jack	431	14.93		McLain, Chris	336	5.60
14 th	Coggins, Gerald	429	10.53	34 th	Smith, Hershul	331	0.00
15 th	Wendler, Tracy	415	15.60	35 th	Foley, Wayne	329	14.51
16 th	Koch, Carl	414	9.96	36 th	McCullough, Wayne	323	5.53
17 th	Gossett, Donnie	412	6.59		Kerbaugh, Brian	323	3.47
18 th	Perry, Daniel	409	9.74	38 th	McLain, Chris Sr	313	4.00
19 th	Browning, Mike	408	7.92	39 th	Leatherman, Danny	307	4.38
20 th	Justus, Kim	400	10.73	40 th	Dugger, Mike	297	11.45

LADY ANGLER				BASS FEDERATION			
		POINTS	WEIGHT			POINTS	WEIGHT
1 st	Wendler, Tracy	415	15.60	1 st	Malone, Roger	518	43.43
2 nd	Justus, Kim	400	10.73	2 nd	Wendler, Mark	499	28.86
3 rd	Barnes, Elaine	383	5.15	3 rd	Mulcahy, David	475	26.38
4 th	Koch, Linda	364	4.05	4 th	Bayless, James	433	12.01
5 th	Coggins, Carole	358	4.38	5 th	Koch, Carl	414	9.96
6 th	Johnson, Carey	181	2.53	6 th	McCullough, Bobby	395	6.85
7 th	Stinnett, Cyndi	106	1.33	7 th	Goff, Stan	374	5.94
8 th	Smith, Stephanie	40	0.00	8 th	Chaloupka, Frank	367	5.71
9 th	Pullar, Shirley	30	0.00	9 th	Smith, Hershul	331	0.00
	Smith, Julie	30	0.00	10 th	Hurtado, Joe	263	9.68

NEXT TOURNAMENT Grapevine HOURS 6:00 TO 3:30 PM DATE 6/11/2011

June Events:
 Grapevine on June 6,
 2011

May your optimism
 come true. Fish hard,
 fish smart!

Scott Kelly

NAME	Eagle Mountain			
	# FISH	BIG BASS	WEIGHT	
	67	7.01	168.17	
Davenport, Dan	3	7.01	14.74	100
Wendler, Mark	3	6.18	12.36	99
Johnson, Tim	3	5.28	11.19	98
Kelly, Scott	3	5.66	10.80	97
Malone, Roger	3	6.02	10.74	96
Wendler, Tracy	3	4.24	9.83	95
Wood, Mike	3	4.05	8.40	94
Mulcahy, David	3		8.23	93
Pullar, Jack	2	4.58	6.58	92
Reeder, Randy	3		6.57	91
Stinnett, Travis	1	6.29	6.29	90
Bayless, James	3		6.15	89
Pounds, Danny	2		4.70	88
Burton, Michael	3		4.62	87
Koch, Carl	1	4.59	4.59	86
Coggins, Gerald	3		4.47	85
McLain, Chris	3		4.21	84
Murray, Richard	2		3.56	83
Abels, Gary	2		3.44	82
Dugger, Mike	2		3.07	81
Perry, Daniel	2		3.01	80
Kerbaugh, Brian	1	2.05	2.05	79
Smith, Robert	1	1.76	1.76	78
Gossett, Donnie	1	1.66	1.66	77
Browning, Mike	1	1.55	1.55	76
Goff, Travis	1	1.54	1.54	75
Prazak, Keith	1	1.47	1.47	74
Murray, Mike	1	1.46	1.46	73
Donoghue, Tj	1	1.41	1.41	72
Goff, Stan	1	1.37	1.37	71
Williams, Randy	1	1.32	1.32	70
McLain, Chris Sr	1	1.29	1.29	69
McCullough, Wayne	1	1.28	1.28	68
Johnson, Carey	1	1.26	1.26	67
McCullough, Bobby	1	1.20	1.20	66
Baldree, Rick				51
Barnes, Claude				51
Barnes, Elaine				51
Braun, Ed				51
Brett, Sam				51
Chaloupka, Frank				51
Coggins, Carole				51
Duewall, Charles				51
Everhart, Dan				51
Gerath, Bj				51
Howchoski, Joe				51
Joliet, Kevin				51
Justus, Jim				51
Justus, Kim				51
Koch, Linda				51
Leatherman, Danny				51
Nunn, Monty				51
Pannell, Michael				51
Parham, Tim				51
Phillips, Jim				51
Roberts, Monty				51
Smith, Hershul				51
Stinnett, Cyndi				51

BCFW Tournament Trail

June 11, 2011, on Grapevine Lake

Weigh in: Dove Loop

You can weigh: **Slot Lake**

Club minimum on Smallmouth, Spotted or Guadalupe bass

Please note this is just a guideline. Please check with [statewide regulations](#). The [exception](#) is a 14- to 18-inch slot limit on largemouth bass. Bass 14 inches and less in length, or 18 inches or more, may be retained. Daily bag limit for all species of black bass is 5 in any combination.

Hershul Smith is our new Tournament Director:

- **There will be no more bags for weigh in. It will now be conducted with the cork system. There will only be 15 available and you must have one to weigh in.**
- Stay out of: NO BOAT AREAS; 1st time Warning; 2nd time disqualification.
- 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.

Safety Tips

Since the warm temps are here to stay, here are a couple of friendly reminders to make your summer fishing more enjoyable while staying healthy:

-Drink lots of water. Caffeinated can cause an effect on kidneys and may be linked to increased dehydration. STAY hydrated. The old school days of, "I'm too manly to stop fishing and sit down and eat a sandwich or drink water" is bunk. We have seen several anglers in the club suffer from serious dehydration. Rule of thumb is a gallon of water per day. Try and you will feel mentally tougher than the next competitor, I promise.

-Protect your skin. There are many Texas anglers that are now battling skin cancer. Elite Series Kelly Jordon is one of them. Wear 100+ SPF sunscreen and cover up with long sleeve shirts that are designed to wick sweat and have UV protecting properties. Don't forget the back of your hands and neck. You can also choose to wear a wide brim hat or buff (a UPF cold cloth that can be worn around the neck).

These two items alone will help you become a better angler or at least feeling better after a hot day on the lake.

Grapevine Lake

