

NEWSLETTER

Hawg Hawlers Bass Club of St. Louis

(April, 1995)

Ozarks Results...

The Lake of the Ozarks was ready for us when we arrived in April. We put in at the Blue Dolphin Resort. As with so many places on the Ozarks, the Blue Dolphin also lost a dock. Ron was in the process of wiring up a new one when we arrived. The accommodations were adequate even with only one dock to take off from.

As a matter of fact there were quite a few firsts at this tournament. This was the first time (that we are aware of) that there was a human hooking. That is to say that a human was hooked, passed the barb. Actually, it happened twice. One angler got a hook in the head and another angler took one in the back. Both of which just hafta hurt.

There was a record 19 boats in this tournament. In the past, we have had a number of 18 boat tournaments, and we even had one where we had 19 registered (but one was removed from the tournament by an unobservant driver). Boy, I hate it when that happens.

We also had our first tie. It just happened to be for first place, as the following statistics indicate, but also look at how close third place was.

A number of people were inquiring as to how we handle a tie, regarding prize money and points. The two teams that tie for a position, split the prize money for the two places that they tied for. In this case, the tie was for first place, so the two teams split the \$204.00 for first place and the \$130.00 for second place, and each received an equal share of the combined total of \$334.00 (or \$83.50). Points are awarded as defined on the points allotment sheet as published earlier this year. Those tying for first place split the points available. Each member receives 9 "place" points.

1st/2nd PLACE: Dave Jett and Paul Berger (3 fish)
Dannie and Bob Patterson (4 fish)
7.42 pounds
pattern: Dave/Paul - Wiggle Warts/Osage.
pattern: Dannie/Bob - Plastic Worms/Osage.
prize: \$ 334.00 (1st and 2nd place)

3rd PLACE: Gene and Ted Reim
1 fish - 7.40 pounds
pattern: White, dbl willow leaf, spinnerbait.
prize: \$ 72.00 + \$ 95.00 Big Bass = \$ 167.00

4th PLACE: Dave Sona - Wes Johnston
2 fish - 5.25 pounds
pattern: Salt craw/shallow/Osage.
prize: \$ 52.00

FIFTH PLACE: Jeff and Dan Wilburn
1 fish - 2.77 pounds
prize: \$ 34.00

Of the 19 boats attending, there were 15 fish caught, and one half of those were caught by the two teams finishing in a tie for first. Fishing was good, however. Most everyone caught fish, some caught quite a few. It's just that they wouldn't stretch to that magic 15 inch mark.

NEW RECORD BASS !!!

The BIG BASS at Lake of the Ozarks was no ordinary BIG BASS. It was the largest BIG BASS in club history, at a whopping 7.40 pounds. Yes, it even surpassed the 7.00 pound monster that Ron LaGarce caught last year at Clearwater. This amazing feat was accomplished by Mr. Gene Reim.....angler extraordinaire! Gene caught the new HAWG HAWLER CLUB RECORD just after takeoff, Sunday morning. Gene says that all those fast bass boats were running up and down the lake, wasting valuable early morning fishing time. Gene and brother Ted went across the river and were fishing within sight of the take off area. Gene's double willow leaf white spinnerbait was being retrieved near a dock when the fish hit. With no net, brother Ted's thumb came into play to get the fish in the boat. Congratulations, Gene on the new Hawg Hawler Club Record Bass. (note: on the very next cast Gene caught a 2.5 pound Walleye, but Ted didn't lip that one)

Liability Insurance....

The club has taken out a \$ 1,000,000 liability insurance policy with Ellis-Rodes-Meers & Co. This **IS NOT** insurance for you or your boat. It **IS** coverage for all officers and members of the Hawg Hawler Bass Club of St. Louis against litigation as to the carelessness of another member. Example: Joe Blow is a registered member of our club, participating in one of our tournaments, and he runs over a skier. This insurance would cover the remaining members of our club, in case the injured would sue the club, officers and/or members for being part of the cause of the injury. It would not cover Joe Blow.

Another item to remember, this insurance is only in effect for the hours of our tournament, on the Lake of our tournament, and only covers registered participants in that tournament.

As our club grows this type of insurance was inevitable. The annual premium for the coverage is \$170.00, and comes out of the club treasury. The policy will run from April to April, and we have every reason to believe that it will be renewed each year. (the policy will be retained by the club secretary. Mark Sylvester, if anyone would like a copy, please contact Mark at 939-4410)

Table Rock NEXT !!!

The next tournament is at Schooner Creek Resort on Table Rock Lake, same place we fished last year. For more info, see enclosed schedule.

Big Bass List....

It seems appropriate, this month, to include a list of all of the Big Bass winners to date. See enclosed.

Tournament Director Thanks!

A big thank you to Terry Stanek and Bob Treadway for a superb job at the Clearwater tournament. Great job, guys!

Another very big thanks to Tom and T.R. Clark for their outstanding job as tournament directors for the Lake of the Ozarks tournament.

Each of the above, gave up a few minutes of their fishing time to help out with running your club. Each was awarded two "Angler of the Year" points for their contribution.

One of the drawbacks of being tournament director, is that you must set all boats off at the start of the tournament. In the future, and whenever it is possible, we will have an alternate setting off boats for one of the two days of the tournament, allowing the tournament director to take off first. Keep in mind that this is not guaranteed. It can only be done when we have a volunteer who is willing to set off boats and take off last for one of the days.

There are still a few openings for tournament directors. Call Dan at 846-6578.

Tournament Registration....

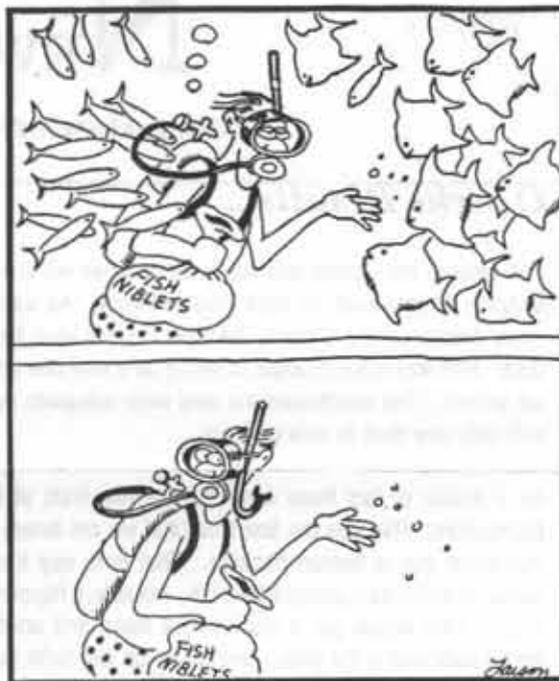
Last month there we inadvertently neglected to include a copy of the schedule and tournament registration form with the newsletter. Please keep in mind that we need to know how many participants we are going to have in a tournament **AHEAD OF TIME**. This is important because we must register a number of boats with the Water Patrol and the Army Corps of Engineers. We also must bring the correct amount of door prizes to the tournament.

It is our intent to include a copy of the schedule and tournament registration form in each newsletter. If, however, we forget to include one, or yours gets lost in the mail, or you need two of them, or whatever.....please remember to **SIGN UP EARLY**.

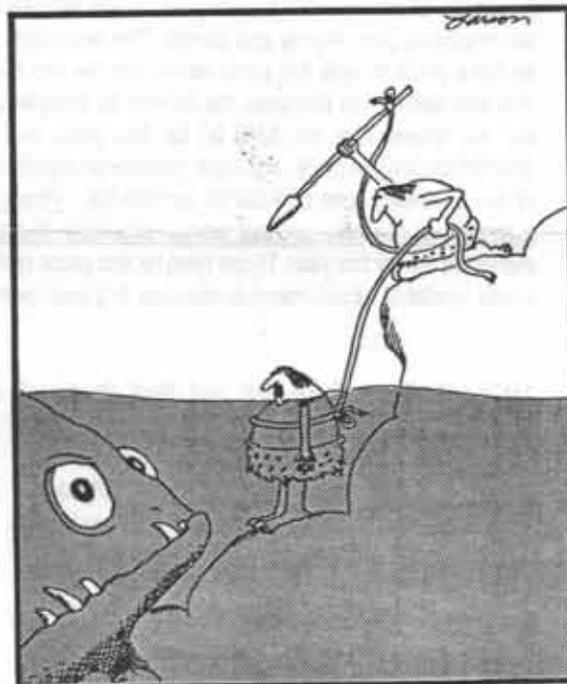
We only require two things to register for a tournament.....

The registration fee.

The two participants names.



Nature's subtle signs of danger



"Now, Grog! Throw! ... Throooooowl! ...
Throw throw throw throw throw throw! ..."

BIG BASS WINNERS

<u>WEIGHT</u>	<u>RANK</u>	<u>YRMO</u>	<u>LAKE</u>	<u>ANGLER</u>
2.40	45	8807	MARK TWAIN	TERRY STANEK
2.50	43	8809	MARK TWAIN	GREG HEINZ
6.60	3	8904	MARK TWAIN	MIKE SCHAFER
3.90	20	8905	OZARKS	MIKE SCHAFER
3.83	25	8906	TRUMAN	TERRY BROCCARD
4.25	16	8907	MARK TWAIN	MARK HENRY
3.91	18	8908	TRUMAN	DAN PRICE
2.75	38	8910	MARK TWAIN	RAY HAWKINS
2.74	39	9003	MARK TWAIN	TERRY BROCCARD
5.09	9	9004	OZARKS	MIKE SCHAFER
2.42	44	9005	TRUMAN	GREG HEINZ
3.23	28	9006	MARK TWAIN	BOB TREADWAY
3.88	21	9007	TRUMAN	TERRY STANEK
2.10	48	9008	OZARKS	MIKE SCHAFER
3.29	27	9009	MARK TWAIN	MARK HENRY
2.79	37	9010	OZARKS	DAN PRICE
1.64	50	9103	CLEARWATER	BOB RAY
3.85	24	9104	TRUMAN	KEN RUESCHHOFF
5.69	7	9105	MARK TWAIN	DAN PRICE
3.10	32	9106	TRUMAN	GARRY HAMM
2.23	46	9107	TRUMAN	BOB TREADWAY
3.05	34	9108	MARK TWAIN	JOE LAVELL
3.15	30	9109	OZARKS	KEN RUESCHHOFF
2.57	42	9110	OZARKS	KEN PRICE
6.56	5	9203	CLEARWATER	MARK HENRY
3.06	33	9204	TABLE ROCK	TOM CLARK
6.58	4	9205	MARK TWAIN	MARK HENRY
4.64	12	9206	TRUMAN	DAN WILBURN
1.54	51	9207	POMME DE TERRE	GREG HEINZ
4.79	11	9208	TRUMAN	RAY BURNS
4.52	14	9209	OZARKS	GREG HEINZ
2.86	36	9210	MARK TWAIN	TERRY BOST
2.11	47	9303	CLEARWATER	DAVE JETT
2.88	35	9304	TABLE ROCK	DAN DURBIN
3.85	23	9305	OZARKS	MARK HENRY
3.87	22	9306	SHELBYVILLE	JACK TSCHANNEN
3.55	26	9307	POMME DE TERRE	TERRY BOST
4.98	10	9308	WAPPAPELLO	PERRY RICE
3.13	31	9308	MARK TWAIN	GARY McFETRIDGE
4.41	15	9309	OZARKS	TED REIM
3.23	29	9310	MARK TWAIN	DAN PRICE
7.00	2	9403	CLEARWATER	RON LaGARCE
4.58	13	9404	TABLE ROCK	TERRY STANEK
2.61	41	9405	TRUMAN	DAN PRICE
5.56	8	9406	MARK TWAIN	TERRY HAYNIE
2.68	40	9407	POMME DE TERRE	BOB RAY
5.90	6	9408	OZARKS	TOM O'CONNOR
3.90	19	9409	WAPPAPELLO	FRANK MUSIAL
3.98	17	9410	TRUMAN	TERRY STANEK
1.81	49	9503	CLEARWATER	BRIAN ROBINSON
7.40	1	9504	OZARKS	GENE REIM