

NEWSLETTER

Hawg Hawlers Bass Club of St. Louis

(October 1996)

Last Tournament (Table Rock)...

Great weather for a pic-a-nic (as Yogi and Bob-a-loo would say). But not the best weather for fishin'. It is commonplace at Table Rock Lake that most of our participants went down early, and the pre-fishing was pretty good. A number of keepers and even more smaller fish were caught prior to the tournament. But for Saturday afternoon, our 11 boats could only come up with 3 keepers. We spanned the spectrum with 1 Smallmouth, 1 Kentucky and 1 Largemouth. Sunday was a little more productive, with 7 more being caught. Sunday could have produced much more with reports of quite a few fish hitting on topwater and managing to escape being caught.

Tournament Totals (breakdown on attached sheet)

<u>YEAR</u>	<u># of Fish</u>	<u>TOTAL Weight</u>	<u># of BOATS</u>	<u>1st Place</u>	<u>BIG Bass</u>
1996	10	22.96	11	8.32	4.08

The Jett brothers, Dave and Tim, were signed up to fish, but Tim could not attend because of an illness. This actually worked out better for Dave, because, fishing by himself, he took first place and big bass, for a HAWL of \$ 188.00. We all wish Tim a speedy recovery. (Reportedly Tim is negotiating for his "half" of the prize money)

1st Place Dave Jett (fishing alone)
3 fish - 8.32 lbs
points - 10 each
prize: \$ 123.00
pattern: Chug Bug over deep water.

Brian Robinson was leading for Angler of the Year with 68 points going into the tournament. Dave Sona (61) was right on his tail and the Reim brothers were within range also. But Brian came through with a fish on Sunday. Partner Tom's two fish, along with Brian's, was good enough for second place at Table Rock. The second place points and another creel point stretched Brian's lead even more and the Angler of the Year title is his. (continued in "Angler of the Year" later in the Newsletter)

2nd Place O'Connor/Robinson
3 fish - 6.32 lbs
points - 8 each
prize: \$ 84.00
pattern: Lazy minnow, purple worm.

George and Larry worked hard and produced two keepers for third place, which *netted* them 6 points each.

3rd Place Casky/Berry
2 fish - 3.88 lbs
points - 6 each
prize: \$ 51.00
pattern: Hula Grubs jigged thru cedars.

The brothers Reim were in the money again. This month the "coattail" is on the other brother. The Reim boys fished Table Rock in 1994 and 1995 with the Hawg Hawlers and were TOTALLY FISHLESS. Let me define that - - - NO FISH! NO dinks! NO bluegills! NO white bass! NO crappie! **NO FISH!** But, threatened with being disowned by the rest of the Reim's, Gene brought some respectability back to the family name by, FINALLY putting a keeper in the boat. So this month Ted is "coattails".

4th Place Reim/Reim
1 fish - 2.29 lbs
points - 4 each
prize: \$ 28.00
pattern: Chug Bug on Main Lake Pts.

Fifth place didn't have any money attached to it, but it was worth 2 points to Mark and Greg.

5th Place Tomasiak/Dix
1 fish - 2.20 lbs
points - 2 each
prize: \$ 0.00

Dave Jett's chug bug also provided the big bass of the tournament.

BIG BASS 4.08 lbs - Dave Jett
points - 4
prize: \$ 55.00
pattern: Chug Bug over deep water.

Attendance Prizes

Tom O'Connor	Flashlight Kit
Brian Robinson	Fisherman's Pliers
Terry Stanek	Roadrunner (3pk)
Larry Berry	Roadrunner (3pk)
Carl Zummallen	Zoom Lizards
Gene Reim	Zoom Lizards

Next Tournament (Lake of the Ozarks)....

The October tournament will be at Lake of the Ozarks, at the Coffman access ramp. This will be a **PAY tournament**. The **\$40.00 entry fee is required**. Payoff will be 37% -1st, 28% -2nd, 19% -3rd and 16% -Big Bass. First, Second and Third place plaques will be presented at the Classic Dinner. The tournament will be a modified "draw" tournament, where you fish with the boat partner that you came with, but you will weigh in with someone else. As is required in all Hawg Hawler tournaments, it is even more necessary this time, to keep your fish separate. Weigh in partners will be drawn prior to take off. The Big Bass and Angler of the Year competition is over, so, no points will be awarded.

Directions to Coffman Access:

Coffman access is located near the mouth of Gravois arm of the Lake. Take 54/52 through Eldon, then turn left at junction "Y". Take "Y" to lake road W-20 and follow signs.

Hawg Hawler History (Lake of the Ozarks)

YEAR	Mo	# of Boats	TOTAL Fish	TOTAL Weight	1st Place	BIG Bass
1989	5	6	6	19.70	5.60	3.90
1989	9	5	0	0.00	0.00	0.00
1990	4	9	9	23.76	5.59	5.09
1990	8	8	2	3.83	2.10	2.10
1990	10	8	3	6.69	2.79	2.79
1991	4	9	5	14.05	3.85	3.85
1991	9	10	13	30.74	12.94	3.15
1991	10	10	7	14.08	6.92	2.57
1992	9	9	19	44.40	9.17	4.52
1993	9	12	12	33.27	9.38	4.41
1994	8	11	14	37.44	8.96	5.90
1995	4	19	15	33.00	7.42	7.40
1995	6	18	44	98.93	13.67	4.99
1996	4	27	19	63.30	11.18	7.12

Heavy Hawg: 7.40 lbs

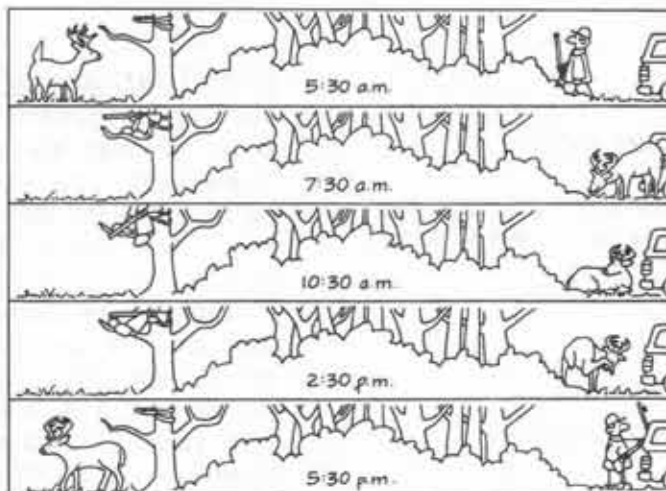
The Club/Lake Record is also the Hawg Hawler **ALL TIME RECORD BASS** at 7.40 pounds by *Gene Reim*. Gene caught this beauty on a white double willow leaf spinnerbait off a dock, in April of 1995. The fish was released, so (hopefully) she is still out there, still alive, and ready to fight again..

Top First Place weight: 13.67 lbs

The Ozarks top first place weight was 6 fish for 13.67 lbs, weighed in by Gary Eubanks and Jerry Oberbeck, in June of 1995. Their (early summer) pattern was fishing lizards in shallow water.

Chmielniak

by Betty Chmielniak Grace



Opening Day

Top Tournament weight: 98.93 lbs

The top tournament weight at Lake of the Ozarks was 44 fish, weighing in at a whopping 98.93 lbs, also in June of 1995. The interesting note about this is that June of 1995 was scheduled to be at Mark Twain Lake. It was moved to Lake of the Ozarks because of the high water at Mark Twain and more rain in the forecast. The end result was a number of club records set at Lake of the Ozarks.

Largest Attended Tournament

The 27 boats in April, this year, blew away our old club attendance record of 20 boats.

November Dinner:

Mark your calendars for the November dinner. A group photo will be taken. 5x7 prints will be available for \$ 5.00 each. There will be a "Cooler of Lures" raffle. Chances are \$2/ticket, \$5/3 tickets, \$10 maximum (members only). More details about the dinner are on enclosed sheet. **Reservations are required**, so dig out that sheet, fill it out and send it in. Bring the spouse for only a nominal fee.

Tournament Director Thanks!

A well deserved thank you to Carl Zummallen, Udo Reis, Mark Sylvester and Dan Durbin on a well run tournament. And while we are at it, lets thank all of the tournament directors for 1996. We had a total of 29 of our members volunteer a small portion of their fishing time to help the club run a little smoother. Thank you all. If you would like to know who they are, look on the attached "Angler..." sheet. They all have 2 points awarded to them in the "tour dir" column. Thanks again from all of us, to all of you.

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Hawg Hawlers Bass Club

Angler of the Year

and

Big Bass of the Year

Brian Robinson

Brian's accomplishments for the year include:

March	Clearwater	2 fish	(no place)
April	Ozarks	2 fish	First Place and Big Bass
May	Mark Twain	0 fish	(tournament director)
June (1)	Stockton	3 fish	Fifth Place
June (2)	Pomme	3 fish	Fifth Place
July	Wappapello	8 fish	Fourth Place
August	Truman	1 fish	Second Place
September	Table Rock	1 fish	Second Place

He also: attended all 8 tournaments

weighed in fish in 7 of the 8 tournaments

placed in the money in 6 of the 8 tournaments

caught the BIG BASS of the Year (Second largest bass in
Hawg Hawler History)

Congratulations Brian on achievements that would make any angler proud. You exemplify the Hawg Hawlers Bass Club. We are privileged to have you as our Angler of the Year, and recipient of the Big Bass of the Year title also. You are the first person to win both titles in the same year. Congratulations on a very fine year and many memorable accomplishments.