

NEWSLETTER

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Truman Reservoir is the largest flood control reservoir in Missouri. More than 159,000 acres of public land surround the lake. The dam is on the Osage River about 1 mile upstream from Warsaw, at the head waters of Lake of the Ozarks. Construction of the dam was authorized in 1965, and pool first reached multipurpose elevation in 1979. Surface area is 55,600 acres. Normal pool level is 706 feet.

Truman is widely known for its excellent numbers of bass. Also plenty of crappie, white bass and catfish, vast areas of flooded timber are key. It is an impoundment of the Osage River, major tributaries include the Pomme de Terre River, South Grand River, Sac River, Deepwater Creek and Tebo Creek. Numerous secondary streams also exist. Water exits through the gates of Harry S. Truman Dam into the Osage River, which is also the head waters for Lake of the Ozarks.

Game fish present includes: Largemouth Bass, Channel Catfish, Bule Catfish, White Bass, White Crappie, Hybrid Striped Bass, Walleye, Black Crappie and Tiger Muskie.

Baitfish Present: Gizzard Shad, Brook Silverside

Aquatic Vegetation: Essentially no aquatic Vegetation, very limited areas of American Lotus.

Length and creel limits for some species are; black bass (largemouth and spotted) 15 inches and 6 fish, channel and blue catfish-10 fish, white bass, yellow bass, hybrid striped bass and stripped bass- 15 fish, but no more than 4 fish can be larger than 18 inches, walleye-4 fish and crappie- 9 inches and 15 fish.

Directions: I-70 west to 65 south to 7 west, then watch for Long Shoal Marina signs or I-70 west to 54 southwest to 7 west to signs or I-44 southwest to 7 west to signs.

From the President's Boat

Wappapello Lake - Hot! Hot! Hot! That describes the weather and the fishing. I have fished Wappapello for many years and our club always caught a large number of fish but this has been the best year for quality size fish that I can remember. Congratulations to James Ray, Teddy Reim and Bill Schiller for some really big bass.

I think everything went pretty smooth considering the area we used for take-off and weigh-in. Thanks to all anglers for your cooperation. That's why it works so well. We had a couple of anglers that were sick at the tournament. We hope you're feeling better. Thanks to our Wappapello tournament directors. Great job!

Welcome to our new and returning members Brian Heinz, Neil Schultz, Russel Grobe and Teddy Reim. We are glad to have you in our club. See you at Truman.

Gary



1st Place

Bill Scheller/Steve Marler
18 fish - 22.47 lb.
\$204.00 (7 points each)

pattern: Red Shad & black worms



2nd Place

Gene Reim/Teddy Reim
10 fish - 12.72 lb.
\$168.00 (6 points each)

pattern: White spinnerbaits (docks)



3rd Place

Tom O'Connor/Cathey O'Connor
14 fish - 10.88 lb.
\$120.00 (5 points each)

pattern: Chompers, Baby 1 Minus

4th Place

Bob Ray/James Ray
9 fish - 9.92 lb.
\$94.00 (4 points each)

pattern: Red Shad worms, buzzbaits, spinnerbaits

5th Place

Terry Bost/Randy Simonitch
14 fish - 9.90 lb.
\$76.00 (3 points each)

pattern: Red Shad worms

6th Place

Charlie Beach/Chuck Beach
11 fish - 9.44 lb.
\$60.00 (2 points each)

pattern: not recorded

7th Place

Kelly Nollie/Joanie Dieckhaus
11 fish - 9.32 lb.
\$50.00 (1 points each)

pattern: not recorded

Wappapello Results

| # of fish | total wt. | # of boats | 1st place | sat bbass | sun bbass |
|-----------|-----------|------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|
| 215 | 171.07 | 26 | 22.47 | 3.06 | 5.13 |

Honorable Mentions:

Big Bass: Teddy Reim - 4.68 lb.

Team Weight - Mark and Nick Tomasiak - 9.03 lb.

New All Time Club Record:

215 FISH

MOST FISH EVER AT ANY HAWG
HAWLER TOURNAMENT.

(Old record was 140.)

Hawg Hawlers Bass Club New Wappapello Lake Records:

171.07 lb. Highest TOTAL Weight
(Old record was 98.51 lb. - 1997.)

22.47 lb. Highest 1st Place weight
(Old record was 20 lb. - 1995.)

26 BOATS (Old record was 20 boats
- 1998.)

New Hawg Hawlers Lake Record
5.13 lb. - Bill Scheller (Old record
was 4.98 - 1993.)

Truman: Hawg Hawler History

Top 1st Place Weight -29.35 lb. ('93)
Top Total Weight - 97.82 lb. (1993)
Club/Lake Record - 4.79 lb. (1992)
Most Boats - 20 (1995)
Most Fish - 36 (1993)
Defending Champs (1998) - Gene Reim and Ted Reim 4 fish - 8.06 lb.
RattleTraps.

Big Bass



Sat James Ray
3.06 lb. \$130.00 (2 points)
pattern: White Crockogator buzzbait



Sun Bill Scheller
5.13 lb. \$130.00 (2 points)
pattern: Red Shad & black worms.



A Few More Nice Wappapello Bass



A Few Words About Culling

Any fish you catch is included in your daily limit unless you release it unharmed immediately. You may not replace smaller fish in your possession with larger ones caught later. You need to make a keep-or-release decision as soon as the fish is caught.

There is one exception: if, from September through June, you are a participant in a bona fide catch-and-release black bass tournament (one after which all bass are released alive), which requires entrants to have a boat livewell with adequate capacity and a pump constantly adding fresh or recirculating water, the black bass you release unharmed from the livewell need not be included in your daily limit. At no time may the daily limit be exceeded.

Humor "Give a man a fish and he will eat for a day. Teach him how to fish, and he will sit in a boat and drink beer all day."



'86 Procraft 19 1/2' Fish/Ski w/200 Yamaha Single Axle Trailer, 1986-200 Yamaha, 1995-56 lb Motorguide, Dual livewells, cover, SS prop, 3-station tilt/trim, courtesy lights, Eagle Digital Temp & Depth on dash, Hummingbird LCD on bow, AM/FM Cassette, 3-bank battery maintainer. Complete lower deck was replaced/re-glassed/ with new floatation foam installed last winter. New seats & all premium carpet new last winter. Front power pedestal. Rear deck is set up with mounts for ski pole. Color is burgundy/gray metal-flake. Well maintained, several other upgrades, ready to fish. Great shape, lots of extras \$7900 OBO Call Charlie Beach at 636-433-5969 or E-mail 4beaches@mocyt.com for more info.