



Clearwater Tournament Just Around the Corner

Get your entries mailed in now!

Just a little over a week until the first tournament of 2000. March 25 is the date. Make sure to get your entry in soon. Donnie needs to have them no later than Wednesday, March 22 to avoid the late registration penalty. Hope to see everyone there.

99 Clearwater Statistics

1st Place - Bob and Steve Marler, 8 fish, 11.16 lbs on Carolina Rigged Lizards.

2nd Place - Terry Bost and Dave Jett, 10 fish, 8.37 lbs on Green Worms.

3rd Place - Pam Wakim and Randall Monroe, 5 fish, 5.64 lbs on WiggleWarts and Flat O's.

Big Bass - Allen Mueller, 4.03 lbs, Spinnerbait.

Coat-tails - Fred Saenger

28 Total Boats, 105 Total Fish.



Young Hawg Hawler Wins Casting Kids Contest

Ricky Armstrong advances to Missouri State Finals

Ricky Armstrong, son of your HH Vice president Rick Armstrong, beat out 75 other boys in his age group at the St. Louis Boat Show Casting Kids Contest. The competition was held at the Boat Show on February 14 and is put on by B.A.S.S. Ricky finished up with an impressive score of 110 and did a great job of representing Hawg Hawlers with his club jacket on. After Ricky's win, his name, with the club name was prominently displayed on the TWA Dome scoreboard for all those at the boat show to see.



Ricky Armstrong (2nd from left) at his Casting Kids win at the St. Louis Boat Show

Ricky goes next to the state finals at the St. Charles K-Mart on 3/18 at 12:00PM. If he does well there, he then goes to Knoxville-TN, and then on to the national finals in Chicago.

GREAT JOB on your victory at the Boat Show Ricky! We all wish you the best of luck and will be rooting for you to make it all the way to Chicago.

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2000 Membership Due

Don't forget to include your \$15 annual dues and a new club membership form (filled out and signed) with your Clearwater entry (or whatever is going to be the first tournament you fish this year). The club membership form is at the end of the 2000 Tournament Rules sheet that was included with last month's newsletter. If anyone need more Rules Sheets, or any of the club forms, just let one of the club officers know. You can also find the club forms on the Hawg Hawler website.



Club Updates / Changes

50/50 Big Bass Side Pot

There will be an optional \$10 per boat 50/50 Big Bass Side Pot at all tournaments this year. Half of the pot will go to the club to fund our new upgraded insurance policy. The angler who is in the pot, with the heaviest single bass for the weekend will take the other half of the pot. Get with Rick Armstrong at the lake before Saturday takeoff to enter. Note; there will be no 50/50 Cash Drawing as mentioned in the last newsletter.

New Tournament Entry Form

You will notice a new Tournament Entry Form on the attached updated schedule. This is required from our new insurance carrier. Anybody that has already sent in their Clearwater (or other) entry, must fill out and sign one of these new forms before fishing. Extras are enclosed with this newsletter, so please be sure to fill one out and give it to Donnie at the lake prior to takeoff. Thanks all for your cooperation.

Annual Banquet

Due to a scheduling conflict with the church where this event has been held the past couple years, we have had to move the date for the Annual Banquet Dinner to November 4th (sorry bowhunters).

Stop Missouri Senate Bill 711

Prohibits the recreational use of two-stroke carbureted marine engines upon Missouri waters

You read it right boys and girls. Senator DePasco introduced SB711 in December 1999. It is cleverly written in that if you take a cursory glance at the description, it would leave you to assume it is directed specifically at Personal Watercraft. This is not the case, the section below is taken directly from the proposed bill and it specifically refers to "watercraft or personal watercraft".

306.095. 1. Beginning June 1, 2005, recreational uses shall not, with respect to waters of the state, include the operation of a watercraft or personal watercraft propelled by a two-stroke carbureted engine that discharges fuel or oil as a function of its design. This section shall not apply to the operation of watercraft or personal watercraft propelled by a two-stroke engine used for any search, rescue, lifesaving, or other emergency response activity conducted by a public agency or authorized private agency when no other appropriate watercraft is available.
2. Any person violating subsection 1 of this section, upon conviction, shall be found guilty of a class C misdemeanor.

For the non-technical types, this means all two-stroke powered watercraft that are not fuel injected in some manner, will be against the law starting in 2005 under the proposed bill.

You can see the proposed bill for yourself at the following website:

<http://www.senate.state.mo.us/billtext/intro/SB711.htm>

Granted, they will have a hard time passing this bill, but its in all of our best interests to do everything we can to stop it as early as possible. Write or email to your state representative and senator. Let them know that you oppose this bill and do not feel it is a reasonable approach to reducing water pollution in Missouri. Be sure to include your name and address in your correspondence and request a written response. You can find your state representative / senator at the below website:

<http://www.senate.state.mo.us/zipsrch.htm>



TOURNAMENT DIRECTOR SPOTS FILLING FAST

Tournament Director slots have filled up fast, but there are still a few remaining (check the current schedule - attached). If you are interested, get your request in to Donnie Eubanks ASAP.

CLUB ITEMS FOR SALE

Hat pins are in and will be available for \$5 each. We also have Hats, Towels, Sweatshirts and T-Shirts for sale. Check with Donnie Eubanks at any of the tournaments. Keep in mind all funds received go right back to help the club, your support is appreciated.

LAST NEWSLETTER TO NON-CURRENT MEMBERS

This will be the last issue of the Newsletter that will be mailed to non-current members for 2000. So.....don't miss a single, spine tingling issue! Get your 2000 club entry mailed in soon!

NEWSLETTER BY EMAIL

Just another reminder.....any members that would like to, can receive their newsletter via email. This will save the club a little money on postage, and allow you to view it in full color. The Newsletter will be sent in MS Word 97 format, along with the current schedule in Excel. Anyone that is interested should send an email to 4beaches@mocyt.com. Type "HH News" in the subject line and you will be added to the email mailing list. Thanks to those that have already responded.

YOU KNOW YOU ARE A BASS FISHERMAN WHEN.....

1. You think it is sexy when your wife wears a Bass Pro Shops T-shirt to bed.
2. The IRS questions you concerning filing meals/entertainment deductions with bait shop receipts.
3. You tell your eight year old son for the umpteenth time, just one more cast and we will go home.
4. Paying 6 bucks for a crank bait is a good deal.
5. The motor's horsepower on your boat is higher than your IQ.
6. You help your Mother-in-law out of the swimming pool by thumbing her lip.
7. You own a \$30,000 bass boat and drive a \$300 truck.
8. Your favorite color is watermelonseed.
9. You floss with 10lb test.
10. You totally believe in the phrase "Work is for people who don't fish!"
11. After sticking a spinner bait hook completely through your thumb, you mash down the barb and back it out opposed to just cutting the hook off.

More to come.....



Club Classifieds

We will publish classified type items for club members on the Hawg Hawler Website classified page, and in the newsletter (as space allows). Email Charlie at 4beaches@mcocty.com with your classified items, or mail them to Charlie Beach, 36 Devils Boot Lane, Marthasville, MO 63357.

Tournament Partner Needed

Looking for a partner for the following tournaments. Bull Shoals, Mark Twain, Pomme DeTerre, Truman, Ozarks (October 7 & 8). Call Steve Armstrong at 636-274-5746.

1994 Chevy Silverado Ext Cab 1/2 ton Pickup



Extended Cab, 2WD, 5.7L, Auto, AC, PS, PB, PW, PL, Tow Pkg, 106k miles, Sony AM-FM-CASS with 10 disk CD changer, Fiberglass bed cover, excel cond, well maintained, lots of extras. \$12,900 Call Greg Heinz at 636-398-4081 (eves).

1987 Blazer 4x4 Silverado



119k Miles, 350(5.7L) EFI, Auto Trans, AC, Cruise Control, PS, PB, PDL, AM/FM Cassette, Tow Pkg, 2" Lift, 33x12.50 BFG Tires, Rebuilt Trans, Numerous other upgrades and extras, well maintained. \$5500 Call Charlie Beach 636-433-5969 (eves).

MISSOURI INTERNET BASS TOURNAMENT

One of the Hawg Hawler's founding fathers (Greg Heinz), with assistance from a couple of others (yours truly included) are organizing what should be a great, fun tournament.

The MIBT 2000 tournament is set for the weekend of April 8th and 9th at Lake of the Ozarks. It will be headquartered out of the same location as the Hawg Hawlers spring Ozarks tournament, Irish Hills Resort. This is a totally not for profit event. We are working on some great sponsor prize donations, all of which will be given as attendance prizes. Bring the family and join in the fun.

\$40 entry fee per boat includes:

- 2 days of fishing
- An MIBT 2000 hat for each participant
- Free BBQ after weigh-in on Saturday
- Some great attendance prizes
- A great time.

Get your entry in early! All the details, with rules and entry form can be found at the below address (or check with Greg or Charlie at Clearwater).

<http://www.usmo.com/~4beaches/mibt2000.htm>

Hope to see you there!