

## LAST TOURNEY - POMME DE TERRE

Another club record fell at Pomme De Terre in July. The Hawg Hawlers had a tournament with 18 boats participating. That's a new club record for the most boats at a single tournament. We had previously signed up 18 boats at Table Rock earlier this year, but Ray Hawkins, on the way to Table Rock, was in the wrong place at the wrong time, when his boat was hit by a truck. Obviously, Ray didn't make the tournament at Table Rock so we fished with 17 boats. I'm happy to report that, after extensive repairs, Ray's boat is as good as new. Ray managed to avoid all of those killer truckers, and make it to Pomme De Terre, and I'll bet he, and his partner, Terry Gross, are glad they went (you will see why later in this column). As you might have guessed, with 18 boats, we also had the largest total purse of any tournament. A total of \$666.00 was given away in prize money, attendance prizes and the big bass pool.

The weekend was H-O-T and H-U-M-I-D, the lake was pletty clear and 4' over normal pool, the water temp was around 80°, and the fish were generally small. But with the 13" length limit, a total of 26 fish were weighed in. At least 3 of those were e.x.a.c.t.l.y, and I mean E..X..A..C..T..L..Y 13" long. But, then again, that's all that counts. The no-culling rule did not come into play.

#### FISH STORY OF THE WEEKEND:

- There is no "fish story of the weekend" for this month.
- I could tell you about those who almost fell in the lake......but that's no fun.
- I could tell you about the huge birds, Hawks or Eagles or something flying all over the place.....but that's not very interesting either.
- OK, guys, we are going to have to do better than this.
  Someone should fall in, or loose a rod or something to keep this part of the column interesting.
- Oh, well, I used up some room anyway.

Ray Hawkins and Terry Gross were the 5th different team to win a tournament this year. So far no one has repeated. They walked away with First Place and \$198.00. Ray and 'Moose' were really on the fish. Their 6 fish weighed 10.10 pounds, and were caught shallow, behind the flooded brush, on worms.

Second place was won by Jack and Jeff Tschannen. Finishing second is new territory for Jack. He (and usual partner, Terry Bost) normally have a lock on third place. The Tschannen's 5 fish totaled up to 6.67 lbs. They hit in 15 feet of water, on Culprit pumpkinseed worms and clear sluggos. Jack and Jeff took home \$126.00 for there deep bass.

Third place and BIG BASS was won by Terry Bost and Randy Nevills. Terry has now finished third in 4 of the 5 Hawg Hawlers Tournaments this year. But this time he also wins Big Bass and sets a NEW CLUB/LAKE RECORD. Terry's fish weighed 3.55 and was caught on a pumpkinseed powerworm in 4' of water. It was worth \$72.00 for third place and another \$90.00 for Big Bass, for a total of \$162.00.

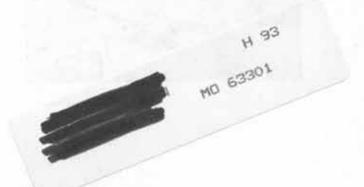
Ray Burns and Dave Rife caught 3 fish and took fourth place, with a total of 3.38 pounds. Fourth place was worth \$54.00.

Micky Sease and Fred Reece squeaked into fifth place with two fish weighing 2.67. Fifth place was worth \$36.00.

#### ATTENDANCE PRIZES - JULY

The following people won attendance prizes at the Pomme De Terre Tournament.

Ron Cullen	Rapala Pak
Bob Treadway	Worm Pak
Terry Bost	Devils Horse
Tom Haberberger	Rat'lin Spots Pak
Steve Rhea	Salt Craw Pak
Fred Reese	Devils Horse
Roger Ritter	Hawg Hawlers Hat
Ray Burns	Hawg Hawlers Hat
Jeff Tschannen	FREE Tournament
Ron Czarnecki	FREE Tournament



### **NEXT TOURNEY-Mark Twain Lake**

# Reminder.....NO Culling.

Our next tournament will be on Mark Twain Lake. This will be the first NIGHT tournament for the Hawg Hawlers. The tournament will take off from Robert Allen Ramp (in the water) at 7pm Saturday evening. Pre-tournament meeting at 6:45. Weigh in will be at 7am Sunday morning IN THE PARKING LOT. According to our rules, if a team has fish, they are required to remain in the water until weigh in. However, that will be changed for this tournament. We will conduct the weigh-in IN THE PARKING LOT at 7am Sunday morning. You are not required to pull your boat out, but if you decide to do so; it would be a good idea to come in a little early to be ready for weigh in.

A couple extra notes.....you may want to bring some bug spray, and extra flashlight batteries. Also, watch your speed in Curryville.

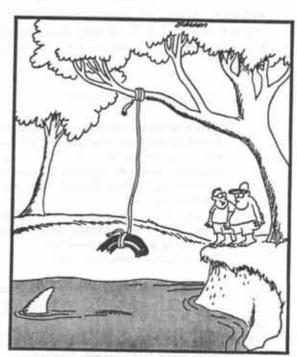
### NEWSLETTER TIMING.....

The newsletter is probably arriving, to your home, close to the deadline for registering for the next tournament. It is the intent to get the newsletter out as soon after the previous tournament as possible. Like anything else, sometimes this doesn't work as well as we would like. Please keep in mind that you do not need the newsletter to register for a tournament. Just mail your check with the names of the boater and partner to Dan.

Another possibility is to sign up at the lake. At Pomme De Terre we had three boats sign up at the take off location, prior to the tournament. There is a \$10.00 late fee, but one of those boats won their money back by placing in the tournament.

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"Listen. . . . You go tell Billy's mother, and I'll start looking for another old tire."