

# NEWSLETTER

## Hawg Hawlers Bass Club of St. Louis

(June, 1995)

### ~~Mark Twain Ozarks Results...~~

Last year our 1994 Officers developed a high water/severe conditions proposal. Basically, we decided that under high water or severe conditions a tournament could be moved. If a tournament was to be moved, it should be moved to Lake of the Ozarks (if possible), because of it's near normal pool for most of the year. If a tournament was to be moved, a decision should be made at least two weeks in advance of the tournament, to allow us to contact all members of the club by phone to notify them of the change, and also allow cancellation of any accomodations. It also allows us time to amend our permits with the Water Patrol and Corps.

Two weeks prior to the June (Mark Twain) tournament, a few things were considered, like.....

the lake was 29 feet over normal pool;  
the "U" ramp, as well as some others, was closed;  
the snake river (feeding Mark Twain) was rising;  
the forecast was for the lake to go even higher;  
the weather forecast was for heavy rain.

We also considered.....rooms that were booked; camping plans; Mark Twain pre-fishing; the higher costs at Lake of the Ozarks (after Memorial Day), and the difficulty or inability to arrange accomodations on such short notice. In the best interest of the club, we decided to move the tournament to Lake of the Ozarks, retaining the same dates and times.

We divided up the members list and started calling. Unfortunately, we could not call everyone first, so some members found out before others. Word spread fast, many members already knew when we called.

The tournament came off without any trouble. A total of 44 keepers were caught during the tournament that weighed in at nearly 100 pounds. The fish were generally shallow and biting on plastics (good for us). Here are the results....

1st PLACE: Gary Eubanks/Jerry Oberbeck  
6 fish - 13.67 pounds  
pattern: Pumpkinseed/Chartreuse Lizards-shallow.  
prize: \$ 194.00

2nd PLACE: Ron Martin/Brian Robinson  
5 fish - 13.31 pounds  
pattern: Purple/White Worms - shallow.  
prize: \$ 122.00

3rd PLACE: Dave Jett/Tim Jett  
6 fish - 12.97 pounds  
pattern: Black Power Worms - shallow.  
prize: \$ 68.00

4th PLACE: Dan Durbin/Skip Smith  
5 fish - 11.35 pounds  
pattern: Blue Fleck worms - shallow.  
prize: \$ 50.00

5th PLACE: Larry Berry/Bob Ray  
3 fish - 10.63 pounds  
pattern: White Spinnerbait - shallow.  
prize: \$ 32.00

Honorable Mention - 6th place (no money)....  
(NEW MEMBERS) Don Ernst/Tom Williams - 4 fish-9.52 lbs.

BIG BASS: Bob Ray - 4.99 pounds  
pattern: White Spinnerbait.  
prize: \$ 90.00

(correction of last months stats) Second place should have shown 6.70 lbs.

### *Tournament Director Stuff!*

We will be using 4 tournament directors (2 boats) from now on. We tried this and it seems to work quite well. It allows the tournament directors first take off on one of the two days of the tournament. Pomme de Terre tournament directors will be Greg Heinz and Ron LaGarce.....Tom O'Conner and (his partner). Other openings still exist, call Dan at 846-6578.

### *Tournament Director THANKS*

Ron Martin, Brian Robinson and Dan Durbin, Skip Smith were the tournament directors for the Ozarks tournament. As anyone who was there can tell you, everything went smooth and was very organized. Thanks guys for doing a very fine job. You may also notice that all of the tournament directors finished in the money. Now if that is not reason to sign up for tournament director, I don't know what is.

### *Club Apparel.....*

Many have been asking about additional items of club apparel (ie; tee shirts, golf shirts, jackets, etc). These items will be available in the near future.

### *Southern 7 Bass Club.....*

The Southern 7 Bass Club (Illinois) is having an Open Bass Tournament on June 18th, Dad's day, on Kinkaid Lake, from 5am to 12noon (pre-mtg at 4:30). \$50.00 per boat, includes big bass. There is a 16" minimum, 4 fish limit. Anyone interested call Curt 1-618-532-6754.

## ***NO JULY NEWSLETTER.....***

Due to the short time span between the two July tournaments, there will not be a newsletter published between them.

### **The next newsletter will be mailed in early August.**

Remember we only require two things to register for a tournament.....

The registration fee.

The two participants names

## ***W-H-A-T-S NEXT ? ? ? ?***

At this writing Pomme is about 15 feet high, and the Mississippi River is well out of it's banks. It remains to be seen if we will move these. Pomme has produced many club records for us in July. And, the Mississippi River is a new challenge. We will only move these if we absolutely have to. So, for now, THE SCHEDULE REMAINS THE SAME. If anything changes....WE WILL LET YOU KNOW.

### **THINGS TO REMEMBER IN JULY.....**

#### **POMME DE TERRE**

Fishing times SAT 3pm-9pm. SUNDAY 6am-12n.  
Length limit = 13".

#### **MISSISSIPPI RIVER**

Fishing times SATURDAY ONLY 6am to 1pm.  
Length limit = 12".  
Fishing is allowed anywhere on the main river (either bank). An Illinois fishing license is required if anyone is fishing in an Illinois tributary.

There are two sign up forms enclosed for your convenience.

(note: If there is ever a situation where a team has signed up for a tournament and then that tournament is relocated to another lake/location (that the team does not want to fish).....all you have to do to get your registration fee back, is call Steve (970-1542). We do ask that you let us know as soon as you have decided not to participate, but you must let us know prior to the tournament.)