

NEWSLETTER

Hawg Hawlers Bass Club of St. Louis

(April 1996)

Last Tournament...

Lake of the Ozarks provided some mighty big biters at the last tournament. The lake gave us **the SECOND LARGEST BASS** in club history, a really nice 7.12 pounder. It also gave us a 6.18 and a 5.08 pounder, both caught by the "Better Half" of their respective teams. Congratulations to Brian Robinson, Kathy Peck and Linda Bost. We had a record 27 boats at this tournament. Our highest total to date has been, 20 boats. This was a 35% increase over our previous record. The total prize money paid out was \$ 837.00 plus \$ 130.00 in attendance prizes, including 4 free tournaments, for a grand total of nearly a *grand*. You knew I had to get my pun in here somewhere.

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	19	63.30	27	11.18	7.12

1st Place O'Connor/Robinson
3 fish - 11.18 lbs
prize: \$ 229.00
pattern: Carolina Rig Worms, Shallow

2nd Place Patterson/Patterson
3 fish - 7.75 lbs
prize: \$ 163.00
pattern: Plastic Worms, Shallow

3rd Place Bost/Bost
2 fish - 7.42 lbs
prize: \$ 119.00
pattern: Pumpkinseed Power Worms

4th Place Jett(Tim)/Price
2 fish - 6.99 lbs
prize: \$ 84.00
pattern: Hula grubs, Salt/Pepper

5th Place Peck/Peck
1 fish - 6.18 lbs
prize: \$ 54.00
pattern: Carolina Rig, Blk/blu Worms

6th Place Clark/Clark
2 fish - 5.52 lbs
prize: \$ 33.00
pattern: Rattlin Spot Minnow, Shad Rap

7th Place Heinz/Rhea
1 fish - 3.42 lbs
prize: \$ 20.00
pattern: Blk/blu Salt Craw, Docks

BIG BASS 7.12 lbs - Brian Robinson
prize: \$ 135.00
pattern: Carolina Rig Worms, Shallow

Honorable mention:

Kathy Peck 6.18 lbs;
Linda Bost 5.08 lbs;
Tim Jett 4.87 lbs

Attendance Prizes

Mark Sylvester Strike King Hat/Nonsense Soap
James Cochran Strike King Hat/Nonsense Soap
Terry Bost Bill Lewis Lure Pak
Mark Tomasiak Bill Lewis Lure Pak
Bob Ray Sizzler 3-10 Paks
Gary Peck Sizzler 3-10 Paks
Terry Stanek Lumilite Flashlight
Linda Bost 2 Professional Edge Crankbaits
Tom Clark Flashlight
Jeff Schmidt Eveready Flashlight
Free Tournament Carl Zummallen
Free Tournament Mike Creamer
Free Tournament Gene Reim
Free Tournament Dave Sona

Next Tournament (coming soon)...

Mark Twain Lake at the Northfork access is the next locale to take part in a Hawg Hawler event.

Directions to Northfork access:

Take 61 North, to 154 West, to 19 North, to 154 West, to 107 North to U West to Ramp (on right). Be aware of the Curryville speed trap! Where it says 30. . . GO 30! Not 31! Also, tags should be in order, and all lights functioning properly..

Hawg Hawlers History (Lake)

<u>YEAR</u>	<u>Mo</u>	<u># of Boats</u>	<u>TOTAL Fish</u>	<u>TOTAL Weight</u>	<u>1st Place</u>	<u>BIG Bass</u>
1988	7	4	1	2.40	2.40	2.40
1988	9	4	1	2.50	2.50	2.50
1989	4	5	2	9.2	6.60	6.60
1989	7	4	4	12.08	6.46	4.25
1989	10	7	5	11.51	5.35	2.75
1990	3	9	1	2.74	2.74	2.74
1990	6	8	2	5.75	3.23	3.23
1990	9	8	7	15.27	5.13	3.29
1991	5	14	13	48.81	27.13	5.69
1991	8	7	6	12.91	5.74	3.05
1992	5	14	17	57.84	26.14	6.58
1992	10	10	3	7.12	2.86	2.86
1993	8	7	5	13.77	8.60	3.13
1993	10	13	5	12.28	4.84	3.23
1994	6	16	30	77.13	21.13	5.56

We didn't fish Mark Twain as a regular "points" tournament in 1995. Because of the high water in June, the 1995 tournament was moved to Lake of the Ozarks. **Defending Champs (June 1994)** Terry Haynie and Garry McFetridge with 7 fish for 21.13 lbs. Their fish were caught on Lizards and Buzz baits on Main Points. **Lake Record** is 6.60 pounds by Mike Schafer in April of 1989. This one is due to be broken, and this could be the month and year to do it.

Top 1st Place Weight for Mark Twain is 7 fish for 27.13 pounds by Mark Henry and Dan Price, set in **May** of 1991. Another one due to be broken.

Tournament Directors needed!

Dave Sona still needs tournament directors Remember, it's an additional 2 points. Call Dave at 586-7951.

Correction

There was a fish submitted for weigh in at the Lake of the Ozarks tournament that did not meet the lake minimum length requirements. Per section 7E of our tournament rules, a fish that does not meet the length requirements of the tournament lake, "will not be eligible for weigh in" and penalty #4 will be assessed. Penalty #4 states that a 1/2 pound penalty will be assessed. At Lake of the Ozarks, a 1/4 pound penalty was incorrectly assessed for this infraction. This has been corrected in the official club records. The officers are sorry for any confusion, this may have caused.

This is effectively a record change only. The additional 1/4 pound does not affect the standings, points or prize money. But it was a mistake by the weigh in committee and must be acknowledged.

Reminder:

When a participant in a Hawg Hawler tournament hands his/her fish to a weigh in official, they are presenting that/those fish for weigh in. If the weigh in committee finds any fish to be short or dead, the appropriate penalties will be assessed.

Any club member has the opportunity to use the "official" Golden Rule **prior to weigh in**, to measure his/her fish. Just ask an officer (they are in the black hats).

More Reminders

Please remember to turn in your boat numbers. It is very difficult to track down boat numbers at weigh in. If each boat would take the responsibility to insure that their number gets back to the tournament officials it would be much easier. This can be done by bringing your number to weigh in or, if you are not going to be present at weigh in, give your number to another boat that will be there.

Also, there are designated people at weigh in, to measure fish, call out weights, calculate totals and write on the board. Please do not call out things like "it's long enough", "short fish", "it's OK", or the weight, or anything else. The members who are assigned that responsibility will just be confused with numerous people calling out "helpful" items.

Thanks,