

**It's all hearsay....**

Well, since I didn't attend, everything in this newsletter is hearsay, so don't blame me for any inaccuracies. I guess the most memorable (or notable) happening at the Bull Shoals Tournament, happened on the way to the lake. After 15+ years of virtually no accidents, 2004 hasn't started off too good. Last month it was Ken McNeil's boat that flipped over on the highway on the return trip. This time it was Charlie Beach's boat that went sliding down the highway without the truck or the trailer, prior to the tournament.

**Another accident:**

Charlie "met" another vehicle on a curve and they connected headlight to headlight. This activated both airbags, bent the 3/4" steel plate where the hitch ball is connected, and caused ALL THREE boat straps to break, separating the truck, trailer and boat. The truck went 440 feet, before coming to a stop, the boat slid 330 feet, and the trailer was somewhere in between. The other car that was involved went off the other side of the road. As far as injuries, thankfully, there were only minor cuts and bruises. But vehicle-wise there was extensive damage. No report from the insurance yet, but there is a good chance that all will be totaled.

**Thanks, thanks, and more thanks:**

A BIG Hawg Hawler Thanks goes out to those who went out of their way to help Charlie and Chuck in their hour of need. Teddy Reim, Ken Luzynski, Dave McGarity, Rob Cook and Scott Hasty were right there to assist a Fellow "Hawler" when help was needed. Thanks fella's, you make this a great club.

Another BIG Hawg Hawler Thanks goes out to Terry Stanek, Bob Treadway and Pam Wakim, for helping with weigh-in. It's nice to know that when there is a need, there are gracious Hawg Hawlers there to help out. Thanks, guys.

In a strange twist of fate, it turned out that Teddy Reim was the only club officer who attended the tournament. Teddy stepped up to the plate and handled the job very well. Teddy (and Uncle) even filled in for Charlie and Chuck as Tournament Directors on Saturday. The other officers, and the rest of the club owes you a Big Thanks also, Teddy (and Uncle too).

Do you think that's it????? Nope, not yet. There's one more. Terry Stanek noticed that he had a wheel bearing heating up and it turns out they were just about "ready to go". He asked around and was directed to a local shop who understands about people in need. It seems that this shop will "do what it takes" to get you back on the road, or the water, and do it quickly, at a reasonable price. The shop is

They are located at HCR 1, Box 1179 Isabella, MO 65676 (2 miles down HH off Highway 160). It seems that in addition to Boat Repair, they also have a Bait & Tackle Shop, and Boat Storage. The fine people at Shockey's sure did a grand job on his wheel bearings, and at a very reasonable price, too. A Big Hawg Hawler Thanks to Shockey's Boat & Motor Repair. We are proud to call them a Hawg Hawler Favored Facility, and add them to our "Sponsor" page on [www.HawgHawlers.com](http://www.HawgHawlers.com). Anyone needing any kind of service at Bull Shoals, should contact Rodney Shockey at <http://www.bullshoals.com/shockeys/>

**Bull Shoals Tournament:**

Boat-wise the tournament left something to be desired. There were only 18 boats who competed in the tournament. That is the smallest turnout the Hawg Hawlers has had in years. There were 21 boats pre-registered, but Charlie had his accident, one team called in sick, and another didn't show. Fishing-wise it seems that the fish were biting, at least for some. Reports from the lake said that there were quite a number of short fish being caught. This leads us to believe that in another 2-3 years Bull Shoals is going to have some respectable numbers of "legal" fish.

Tom Creamer and Ken Robbin took top weight honors with 11 fish that weighed in at 17.77lbs. Paul Boehme was MR. BIG BASS, winning Big Bass BOTH DAYS.

### Bull Shoals - April 3-4, 2004

BOAT	NAMES	BB SAT	BB SUN	# SAT	# SUN	SAT WT	SUN WT	PNLTY	TOTAL	POS	PATTERN
19A	Creamer, Tom			5	1	14.32			17.77	1	White spinnerbaits
19B	Robbin, Ken	2.35		3	2		5.45	2	17.77	1	
03A	Luzynski, Ken			1	1	10.33			16.16	2	Lizards
03B	McGarity, Dave			5	2		5.83		16.16	2	
20A	Carnal, Steve	3.13		4	2	8.85			14.72	3	Chartreuse Grubs
20B	Wentzel, Dennis			1	1		5.87		14.72	3	
13A	Boehme, Paul	4.60	3.76	3	1	8.22			11.98	4	no pattern recorded
13B	Boehme, Sam			0	0		3.76		11.98	4	
12A	Sona, Dave	4.27		2	0	6.21			8.36	5	no pattern recorded
12B	Volkman, Neil			0	1		2.15		8.36	5	
15B	Coyner, Jim			0	3	0.00			7.78		
15B	Coyner, Larry			0	2		7.78		7.78		
18A	Berry, Larry	2.24	3.38	0	2	2.24			6.77		
18B	Phelps, Scott			1	1		6.53	2	6.77		
11A	Fanter, Jim			1	1	1.17			5.31		
11B	Walker, Bryan			0	2		4.14		5.31		
01A	Hasty, Scott			1	0	2.63			4.21		
01B	Cook, Rob			1	1		1.58		4.21		
17A	Fileccia, Ed		3.59	0	1	0.00			3.59		
17B	Fileccia, Judy			0	0		3.59		3.59		
04A	Howard, Matt			0	0	0.00			2.65		
04B	Ryan, Rustin		2.65	0	1		2.65		2.65		
10A	Stanek, Terry		2.63	0	1	0.00			2.63		
10B	Treadway, Bob			0	0		2.63		2.63		
02A	Wakim, Pam			0	1	0.00			2.14		
02B	Stanek, Frank			0	0		2.14		2.14		
14A	Robinson, Brian			1	0	1.53			1.53		
14B	Robinson, Kelly			0	0		0.00		1.53		
09A	Reim, Ted			0	1	0.00			1.29		
09B	Reim, Teddy			0	0		1.29		1.29		
05A	Williams, Steve			0	0	0.00			0.00		
05B	Schumacher, Brian			0	0		0.00		0.00		
06A	Lichius, Warren			0	0	0.00			0.00		

<b>06B</b>	Lichius, Daniel			0	0		0.00		<b>0.00</b>		
<b>08A</b>	Maness, John			0	0	0.00			<b>0.00</b>		
<b>08B</b>	Tidwell, Larry			0	0		0.00		<b>0.00</b>		
<b>07A</b>	scratched			x	x	x					
<b>07B</b>	scratched			x	x		x				
<b>16A</b>	Knapp, Ed			x	x	x					
<b>16B</b>	Brennan, Mike			x	x		x				
<b>21A</b>	Beach, Charlie			x	x	x					
<b>21B</b>	Beach, Chuck			x	x		x				