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Annual Awards Banquet – October 29, 2005 Written by Teddy Reim, 2005 President (Click any image on this page for a larger view)

This year Hawg Hawlers again gathered at the Knights of Columbus hall in Washington Missouri. Perfect weather and fall colors made it a tough Saturday to be inside but a table full of awards and prizes along with a good dinner and good company made it a decent alternative.

Presidents Thanks to outgoing 2005 officers:

Kenny Luzynski – Vice President Rob Cook – Secretary Lori Luzynski – Treasurer Tournament Chairman – Dave McGarity Charlie Beach – Webmaster

I want to thank the 2005 officer group for all their help this year. I'd be sunk without you all.

After opening comments and welcoming everyone out club treasured Lori Luzynski reviewed club finances, membership, and balances. Next we recognized all 2005 Tournament Directors for their service. Thank You all 2005 TD's.

Dinner this year was catered by Hagie's. This was our first year with them and members seemed to really enjoy the meal. Thank you Hagie's.

Hawg Hawlers 2005 Year in Review

So ends the 18th Hawg Hawler season. It doesn't seem like it but it was over seven months ago we kicked off this season. The year brought us many notable achievements.



• The Highest number of members yet at 159

• The most total weight in a single year. 2005 total was 1,575.81 lbs beating the 2000 season by over 310 lbs

• The Most Prize money \$13,312 awarded

• Three winning stringers made the all time top ten heaviest.

Over 3.2 Million hits to our web site

• Additional non-tackle bonus attendance prizes totaling \$1744.00

In 2005 the officer group worked to respond to some suggestions for improvement and implemented some new ideas.

• Added 2 hours to the first tournament day on 2 tournaments.

• Adjusted the payout schedule. No change to number of places paid. Only to Big Bass and payout curve.

• Improved Web site capacity and News update deadlines. Also relayed News to Mid America Outdoors for posting.

• Purchased a backup scale to secure weigh-in redundancy.

• Made formal recognition of top ten placing members in the Angler of the Year points system.

Month by Month

This year started out HOT. Maybe not the hottest fishing but with temps in the mid 80 in MARCH

Clearwater was hot indeed. 39 Boats and 58 Fish, Chuck Elders kicked it off right with a win AND Big Bass for the Tourney.

Next Month we headed to Ozarks where all the big fish are caught. We tried a new resort and had a BBQ. Low water was the only downer but word is it was low all over the lake (of course). With 43 boats, we missed the record by only one boat. All those boats and we had 57 fish weighed in, that's one less than Clearwater. John Luzynski and Dave McGarity took first Bob Ray caught a real MONSTER bass on day two that would hold Biggest Bass title for the entire year at 7.12lbs. More on that later.



Late April took the club south to Table Rock Lake and our old friend Schooner Creek Resort. Wind was the word to remember. 25 Boats turned out and made a go of it. Together, we all turned in 52 fish. Terry Stanek however turned in the biggest that weekend at 6.76lbs. First place went to Rob Cook and Teddy Reim after what turned out to be a pretty good spinner bait bite.

May found our group at Pomme De Terre lake and we again had 25 boats on hand. The fish cooperated a little more for most teams as we had a total of 180 weighed in. The biggest that weekend was Chuck Elders 5.61lb'r he caught on Sunday. Father and Son team Greg and Andy Shands brought in 13 fish to win with 21.76lbs on a brushhog bite.

In June Mark Twain Lake was back on the agenda. One of the closer lakes to St Louis brought out 27 teams to fish our 5 tourney of the year. The past few outing to this lake had not been very good to the club. That all changed this year. 110 fish came in and made it a real contest. Steve Carnal won the Big Bass contest with his 5.08lb bass. Doubling up and winning back to back, the Shands team took first again. Greg and Andy brought in another 13 fish, this time for 25.69lbs which makes the top 10 heaviest stringers list.

July was a hot one. We were out of a new resort and a new area of the lake this year. 23 teams came out to compete at Truman Lake. This fishing was pretty tough and weigh in went quick with only 20 fish brought in all weekend. Of those 20 fish, Pam Wakim took top honors with her 4.02lb'r. Scott Hasty and Jason Kennedy hung in there and won it all with their 3 fish at 6.73lbs.

August bounced us back to Pomme De Terre and State Park Marina. Always a great facility. This time we had 31 boats out. Our group brought 165 fish to the scales. The biggest of those was the 4.45lb's that Scott Hasty caught on Saturday. Retuning Member Jim Coyner and Troy Moore took the lead on Saturday and held it on Sunday for the win with 15 fish at 22.79lbs on Jigs and worms.

September hit hard with high fuel prices. 15 boats made it down to Wappapello for a pretty good fishing weekend. No size limit helps of course but those 15 teams brought in 182 fish. Bob Treadway had Big Bass overall with a 4.31lb Sunday morning catch. Rain moved in and stayed on Sunday while Bryan Walker and Jim Fanter brought in a perfect 20 fish at 17.77lbs to take home first place.

Our final 2005 outing was again at Runaway II on Lake of the Ozarks. A good number of members got to stay for free this weekend. Runaway donated 8 free weekends each a \$120 value that were given away ate each of our first 8 tourneys. Very special thanks to Runaway. Even with high fuel prices, we had 35 teams at Ozarks to shoot it out. They must have heard we were also having a chili supper on Saturday night. Members enjoyed a terrific chili dinner put on by Lori Luzynski, Cathy McGarity, Dennis Wentzel, and Craig Gravatte. A huge thank you to these guys and all who helped out. Now, the club did actually get some fishing in too. In fact members brought in 151 fish total. There were a lot of good fish weighed but the top spot for Big Bass went to Ron Hanephin with his 5.83 lb Bass. Two times this year a team has won back to back tourneys. This time it was Jim Fanter and Bryan Walkers turn. This time they did it with only 19 fish and a total weight of 27.14lbs which also makes the top 10 heaviest stringers list. It's especially worth noting that Bryan Walker was able to weigh in the maximum 10 fish in all of the three final tournaments this season. Congrats on first place Walker and Fanter.

Each tournament big bass winner and first place team was awarded their plaques and recognized for the achievement.

some special awards. The first to Greg Heinz as the "Come Year" and next to Karen Kennedy for here "Almost" big bass

recognizing the Big Bass of the year we made note of the top year. It took something over 5lbs to get on the list.

- 10) 5.13lb Don Beckley LOZ October
- 9) 5.35lb Lee Asher LOZ April
- 8) 5.41lb Terry Bost LOZ October
- 7) 5.45lb Chuck Elders Clearwater March
- 5t) 5.61lb Chuck Elders Table Rock April
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- 4) 5.75lb Dave McGarity LOZ April
- 3) 5.83lb Ron Hanephin LOZ October
- 2) 6.76lb Terry Stanek Table Rock April and 9th All time

Big Bass of the year

This year Bob Ray took the top spot on the Big Bass List with a Monster 7.12lb Ozark Lunker. This fish is 4th largest in club history. Our spring Ozarks tourney again proved that if you want a shot at the top you better fish this tourney. Fishing in the boat with Mr. Ray would be a good bet too. Congratulations on a trophy bass.

For his achievement, Bob was presented with the club Big Bass of the Year – Traveling Trophy, which he gets to keep until it is presented to the 2006 Big Bass of the Year winner. Bob also received a 6' 6" Med Heavy, G-Loomis Rod, and an 11"x14" plaque with a color representation of him and his fish, to commemorate his accomplishment. Congratulations Bob on a terrific catch.

Before presenting our Angler of the Year award, we recognized the 9 runners up and presented them each with a special plaque highlighting the achievement.

10) Teddy Reim (81)Fished all 9 tournamentsCaught 23 fishPlaced 3 times in the money. And won one tournament.One big bass

9) Rob Cook (85)Fished 8 tournamentsCaught 20 fishPlaced 4 times in the money. And won one tournament.

8) Andy Shands (92)Fished all 9 tournamentsCaught 23 fishPlaced 6 times in the money. And won two tournaments.

7) Terry Stanek (100) Fished all 9 tournaments Caught 30 fish Placed 2 times in the money. One big bass



Next we gave away Back Angler of the at Mark Twain. Leading up to 10 heaviest fish this





The only three time AoY. 6) Bryan Walker (118) Fished 8 tournaments Caught 34 fish Placed 5 times in the money. And won two tournaments. One big bass Set Record with being the first Angler to have three double limits and he had them in a row. 5) Russ Grobe (124) Fished all 9 tournaments Caught 35 fish Placed 7 times in the money. More than anyone else. 4) Jim Fanter (130) Fished all 9 tournaments Caught 38 fish Placed 6 times in the money. And won two tournaments. One big bass 3) Greg Shands (132) Fished 8 tournaments Caught 44 fish. Tied Dave Sona (2003) for most ever. To give you an ideal in 1996 11 fish won AoY Placed 6 times in the money. And won two tournaments. Greg also had two double limits, which until this year hadn't been done before. 2) Bob Ray (141) Fished all 9 tournaments Caught 41 fish Placed 6 times in the money. One big bass He has been in the top ten in points since 1996. Former two time AoY. Angler of the Year After a little time away from the club, Chuck Elders made a substantial return winning Angler of the year in a close one point race. Chuck fished every tournament with us this year and brought in 43 fish. He placed in the money 5 times and won the season opener at Clearwater by himself. He took home big bass honors at 2 tournaments and over \$1400 in winnings this year alone. With 142 Chuck Elders has taken his first Angler of the Year welcome back. title. Congratulations Chuck and For his achievement, Chuck was presented with the club Angler of the Year -Traveling Trophy, which he gets to keep until it is presented to the 2006 Angler of the Year winner. Chuck also received a 6' 6" Med Heavy, G-Loomis Rod, an Angler of the Year Hawg Hawlers Jacket, and an 11"x14" plaque with a color representation of him to commemorate his accomplishment. Congratulations Chuck on a great season. 2006 Officer Elections This year Greg Heinz agreed to take the helm and will draw support from a great group of solid Hawg

Hawlers members. 2006 officers are:

Greg Heinz – President Pam Wakim – Vice President Dan Durbin – Secretary Lori Luzynski – Treasurer Bob Treadway – Tournament Chairmen

And Charlie Beach will continue as Webmaster.

Attendance Prizes

This year we were able to come up with 60 prizes valued at \$5,352.00 for an average of \$89.20 per gift. All members that fished two tourneys were drawn for a prize. We also had a number of members that were unable to make the dinner so we threw all the names in the hat again until all the prizes were gone so congrats to all who doubled up.

Raffle Drawing

Again this year the club gave away a full year of free boat entry. At current schedules and fees, that is a \$450 value. Daniel Lichius had the winning ticket so we should be seeing a lot of Daniel and probably Warren too. Congrats Daniel.



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Thank You List

Bob Treadway for getting our permits each year and keeping up legal.

All officers past a present for your support this year.

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Lastly, THANK YOU to all Hawg Hawler members and their families, because without you, there is no club. You are the reason the Hawg Hawlers Bass Club exists, and grows every year. The founders, officers, volunteers, and club members would like to extend a Big THANK YOU to each and every member of "OUR" club.

It's been an honor to serve the club this year and I thank you all for the opportunity to be a part of a great organization. I look forward to 2006 and many more years seeing all of you and hopefully catching plenty of fish.

On a personal note, I would like to thank Gene Reim, my Dad, for taking me fishing as a kid and introducing me to Hawg Hawlers Bass Club in 1993. Thanks everyone and see you next year.

Teddy Reim

