RESULTS & NEWS – JUNE 2009

Mark Twain Lake – June 6-7, 2009

Written by: Lori Luzynski

Location: Highway U Ramp

Time: Sat: 6:00 AM - 12:00 PM Sun: 6:00 AM - 12:00 PM

Lake Conditions: Muddy Lake Level: 612 (Normal 606)

Water Temp: 72

Air Temp: Saturday 75 / Sunday 80

Weather: Saturday cloudy and windy / Sunday rain, lightning and thunder

Winds: Saturday 15mph / Sunday 15mph

18 boats turned out at Mark Twain. A total of 38 fish were brought to the scales.

Tournament Results





GREG AND ANDY SHANDS TAKE THE WIN AGAIN WITH 13 FISH WEIGHING 29.09 LBS.

Greg and Andy seem to be on a bass roll this year! This tournament weight moves them into 8th place in All Time Heavy Stringers. This is their 3rd 1st place win this year. Greg fished 4 of the last 5 tournaments and has placed in all 4. Andy has fished all 5 and placed in all 5!! Andy scared me on Saturday when he said he caught one that was 19 ½ lbs.!! Sorry Andy, no weighing in catfish!! They reported catching their fish on Black Back Chartreuse Crankbaits. They took home \$168.00 for first place. Great job guys again!!



Second place was Terry Stanek and Lori Luzynski. They had a total of 9 fish weighing 23.77 lbs. They reported catching their fish on shallow running Chartreuse Crankbaits. Terry also had big bass of the day on Sunday bringing a sweet 6.17 lb. to the scale. Terry's fish is now the new record to beat for big bass of the year. Nice fish Terry!! Although Lori did have one fish, she enjoyed being net girl for her partner! (Note: This is the second time I've had to put this in the newsletter. Good thing I had one fish. Back in the old days, Greg Heinz would have given me coattails!!) I also thank God that big fish was a successful net job. I think I was more relieved than Terry! They took home \$134.00.





Third place was Mike and Brian Jankowski. They had a total of 4 fish weighing 13.27 lbs. They reported catching their fish on June Bug Power Worms. Brian also had big bass of the day on Saturday bringing a nice 4.97 lb. to the scale. He was in the running for big bass of the year also. Sorry Brian, it only lasted 24 hours! There's still plenty of time left – good luck!! They took home \$102.00.

Fourth place was Pam Wakim and Bob Treadway. They had a total of 4 fish weighing 8.30 lbs. They reported catching their fish on Crankbaits and Senkos. They took home \$72.00.

Fifth place was Bill Scheller and new member Bill Rawson. They had a total of 3 fish weighing 6.19 lbs. They reported catching their fish on Jig 'N Pig. They took home \$54.00.





BIG BASS for Saturday goes to Brian Jankowski with his 4.97 lb. nice fish. He collected a check for \$64.00. Great job Brian!!





BIG BASS for Sunday goes to Terry Stanek with his 6.17 lb. nice fish. He collected a check for \$64.00 in addition to the big bass side pot of \$85.00. Great job Terry!!



Honorable mentions: Saturday – Andy Shands – 4.90 lbs. This year we decided that anyone with a 4+ lb. bass (that did not receive big bass) would receive a special bass pin for their accomplishments. Andy is the first recipient of this special pin. Good job Andy!!

CONGRATULATIONS to all the winners!!

Giveaways

Last tournament we gave away a one night free stay at The Junction. Mike Parmentier was the lucky winner. Unfortunately he was not able to make this trip and decided to turn the certificate back in for someone else to win/use. Thanks to Mike for being considerate. The lucky winner was Warren Lichius. We also gave away a free one night boat slip for Osage Bluff Marina for our next tournament at Truman. The lucky winner was Bryan Walker. Congrats Warren and Bryan!!

Free tournament coupons were won by: Dan Durbin and Jayne Wolf. Congrats to the both of you!!

Special Thanks To:

A special thanks goes out to our Tournament Directors Ken and Gwen McNeil and Ken Jones and Dennis Goetges.

Who's New?

Welcome new and past returning members Don Beckley, Cindy Beckley, Bill Rawson, Jayne Wolf and Brian Walker. Glad to have you aboard!!

Some Memorable Moments.....



Well nothing memorable ever really happened to me if you don't count the time that an old buddy (Roger) and me sunk my dad's john boat on the Bourborse river and watched tackle boxes floating down the river. Or the time right after I bought my present Stratos and had motor trouble at L.O.Z. and we (Terry B. and I) went back to the dealer in Union, O'brien boat and motor, and he worked on it and told us to take it down to the ramp on the Bourborse and see if it would start. Well, Terry didn't have a 4x4 truck and backed down the ramp too far and got stuck. The motor started and I had the brilliant idea of pushing the trailer up

with the boat motor. It worked.... until the tires of the truck got traction and pulled the boat with the motor trimmed down and running up the ramp. One new prop later and we were back on the water!! Some of the best times though were camping at Thomas Hill with the guys at Tetra Plastics and watching two maintenance men trying to get trailer lights working. Hilarious! One of the most memorable H.H. trips was with my brother Tim at L.O.Z. April '97. We had like 15lbs the first day with a 51/2 lbder and 61/2 lbder and Terry Stanek came to the scales with a 7 lbder. We won 1st place with 28 lbs but he won B.B. each day with a 7 lbder each day..... **Dave Jett**



My most memorable Hawg Hawler event is probably a tie between 2 or three but this one is special. I grew up in the back of Gene Reim's boat. That meant a lot of Hot, Cold, Rainy, Windy, or often boring days mixed with some great fishing days. I had been busy with life and all that stuff "Cats in the Cradle" No time for fishing when dad asked if I'd fish a tourney with him since Uncle Ted was out of town. I agreed to go so off we went to Clearwater in the spring of 1993. My FIRST HH tourney. I was all worked up and nervous to be on the clock fishing in a competition and trying to be a worthy partner to Dad who lived for this. Well those of you who remember know that back then Dad fished out of a 15' Lowe with a 10hp motor. It was basic but nice. When I saw all the other fine boats and high speed rigs I got more nervous around the "Big Guns". Soon enough they sent out the heard and I made a short run right across from Piedmont marina and I quickly landed a 4+ pounder! I probably didn't shut up for hours. We continued to catch fish here and there and had a decent stringer going but for some reason I knew we needed more to compete with the Big Guns. I kept telling dad all day "We just need one more Hawg...one more!!" I didn't really know how tournament fishing went or that 2 good fish in single day would be asking a lot. Well the next thing I knew, Dad had a big one on and then in the boat. Clearwater is small enough that folks probably heard me hooting. We had that "ONE MORE HAWG" and dad just laughed at me acting a fool. We ran that 10hp back to weigh in and tied that tiny boat off. I held my breath for what seemed like the longest weigh-in while dad laughed and joked with everyone. When it was all totaled up we won the first HH tournament I ever fished.....and I helped!!! I don't remember the weights or margins but it was memorable also because it was nice to make dad proud. On the way home I asked dad a lot of questions on who was who in the club and turned to him and said..."Dad, we kicked butt but forgot to take names..." He had a good laugh at that and it was a catch phrase for us for a while after that. Thanks to the club, its founders, and members for helping create that time and that memory...... Teddy Reim



I would have to say, a few years ago with my dad at Table Rock. He was eighty-five, had some problems getting into and out of the boat but well worth the effort. The wall hangers eluded us but I will never forget the laughing and joy that he got from each fish. We took many pictures that we both enjoy looking at and talking about..... **Ken Jones**



I have had quite a few memorable fishing trips. Catching 22.49 lbs with my wife in a tournament was pretty nice. My friend Dan and I caught 18 keepers in the first tournament we ever won. Dad and I pulling 20 lbs out of Truman Lake in a day was pretty cool too. But the one I remember most, the one that got me hooked on fishing, was the first fish I ever remember catching. It came when I was around 6 years old. My family used to go on small camping trips during the summers. On this particular trip, I think we were at Wappapello Lake. Dad, my sister and I were fishing from the bank and trying to catch anything that would bite, with little to no luck. We all had our own fishing rods, but like always dads was the best. As the morning grew on, dad went back to the campsite to help mom with a few things. That was my chance to steal dad's rod and use it while he was away. He had a black plastic worm tied on. I was so worried that I would get in trouble for using his rod that I was looking over my shoulder to see if he was watching. I honestly cannot remember if I have ever used a plastic worm before then, but I threw it out into the water anyway. Again, I was looking over my shoulder to see if dad was watching, when I felt a tug on the line. I set the hook and started reeling the line in. My sister was so excited that she yelled for dad to come and help. He ran down to where we were at and lifted the fish out of the water. It was the biggest fish I had ever seen. Mom came down and took a picture of my sister and I holding the fish, still hooked to the line. It was only when dad was unhooking the fish that he realized that it was hooked to his rod. He just smiled and shook his head, which is what he still does when I catch more fish than him. The picture does not do the fish justice. It was a lot bigger than it looks. At least that is how I remember it.....Jeff Schwent



Thanks for sharing some of your special memories with us!! If anyone else would like to share some memories with us, please let me know. We'd love to hear them!!

Next Tournament

Our next tournament will be at Truman Lake, Osage Bluff Marina.

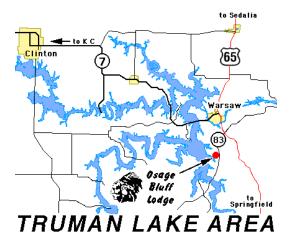
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If you're staying at the Lodge, be sure to mention that you're with Hawg Hawlers. If we rent more than 10 rooms, they will give everyone 10% off on their rooms.

Sat. June 27th: 5:30 AM – 11:30 AM and Sun. June 28thth: 5:30 AM – 11:30 AM

Directions:

Take the White Branch Exit off Hwy 65 to 83 South. Go approximately 4 miles & turn right at the Osage Bluff Use Area sign. You will now be on OSAGE BLUFF ROADgo to sign at dead end, turn left to Lodge.



Tournament Directors: We are still in need of tournament directors . Please let Dean or Ken know if you are interested in helping us out.

Truman Lake History

2007

1st Place – Brian Robinson/Tom O'Connor, 7 fish, 21.53 lbs. (no report on lure selection)

2nd Place – Mike Jankowski/Pam Wakim, 6 fish, 14.49 lbs., Topwater and Spinnerbaits

3rd Place – Tim and Nikki Gerner, 6 fish, 14.02 lbs., Senkos and Jigs

Big Bass – Dave Sona 4.69 lbs., Brush Hog

2006

1st Place – Mick Schwent/Jeff Schwent, 7 fish, 20.09 lbs., Blue Fleck Power Worms

2nd Place – John Luzynski/Dave McGarity, 4 fish, 9.95 lbs., Brush Hogs

3rd Place – Terry Stanek/Bob Treadway, 1 fish, 3.19 lbs., Shad Colored Crankbaits

Big Bass – Jeff Schwent 4.89 lbs., Blue Fleck Power Worms

2005

1st Place – Scott Hasty/Jason Kennedy, 3 fish, 6.73 lbs., Senkos and Crankbaits

2nd Place – Pam Wakim/Frank Stanek, 2 fish, 6.19 lbs., Chartreuse Crankbaits

3rd Place – Mike DeArmon/Dannie DeArmon, 3 fish, 5.90 lbs., Senkos

Big Bass – Pam Wakim, 4.02 lbs., Crankbait

From the Tournament Chairman's Boat

By Ken Jones

After hearing about boats being removed from their moorings at Alhonna, earlier this year, I tried to think of how we can hold on to the things we have all worked so hard to own. The low-lifes that target our boats are not using elaborate tools or skills. The main thing they look for is opportunity. I am sure that I will leave out many ways in which we all try to protect our equipment but short of 24/7 Smith and Wesson, here goes.

A few weeks ago I had the chance to walk through the parking lot at Spaulding ramp, Mark Twain Lake. I noticed a number of trailers that was only using a hitch pin on the receiver and many did not have the coupler locked. I was surprised by this. In either case the trailer could be rolled back and attached to another vehicle and driven away. Keeping your trailer locked when not connected to your vehicle is also important. With the price of scrap metal going up, it is becoming more profitable to cut up a trailer. Some other ways to protect your trailer would be to chain it to a post or tree, park a vehicle in front of it or at least run a chain through the wheels and padlock the end so the wheels will not roll. Also park in a well-lit area and/or in a high traffic area.

Some thieves are so brazen they are now targeting anglers at a fuel stop, restaurant, bait shop or at your local Wal-Mart. An item in site is a target, such as electronics, rods and reels, sunglasses, wallets, cell phones, cameras and hand held GPS. Lock everything down that is in plain site and place items that are not lockable inside locked compartments. Remember, the typical thief does not care if wires or cables are cut or if he pries things apart, he only wants the item to sell. I doubt that he is taking an item to put on his own boat, even if he owns one. At night I chain my boat to the dock with a combination bicycle lock. The thought is that a thief will move on to an easier target. Even with taking these precautions, it is a good idea to photograph, mark and document every valuable on your boat/trailer. Keep this information stored in a safe place at home, office or a safety deposit box. If a theft should occur you may be able to use this to prove to authorities what is yours.

Not wanting to list products, I did want to list some companies that manufacture strong and durable security products that many of us may not have heard of.

DuraSafe – www.durasafelocks.com
McGard - www.mcgard.com
Guard Dawg – www.digitalguarddog.com
U.S. Boat Alarm – www.usboatalarm.com
S.T.E.A.L. Armor – www.bassboatalarm.com

Until Truman, safe boating, good fishing and guarded travel. Ken

HAWG HAWLERS WEIGH IN DATA SHEET

LAKE: MARK TWAIN LAKE DATE: 6-Jun-09

		SATURDAY			SUNDAY			TOURNAMENT TOTALS			
BOAT #	TEAM MEMBERS	# OF FISH	WEIGHT	BIG BASS	# OF FISH	WEIGHT	BIG BASS	# OF FISH	TOTAL FISH	TOTAL WEIGHT	PLACE
8	Greg Shands Andy Shands	4	16.44		1 4	12.65	4.90	5 8	13	29.09	1
9	Terry Stanek Lori Luzynski	3 0	6.24		5	17.53	6.17	8	9	23.77	2
13	Mike Jankowski Brian Jankowski	1	13.27	4.97	0	0.00		3	4	13.27	3
16	Pam Wakim Bob Treadway	0	2.02		2	6.28		2	4	8.30	4
3	Bill Scheller Bill Rawson	0	3.90		1	2.29		3	3	6.19	5
11	Steve Carnal Paul Boehm	0	0.00		1	3.92		1	2	3.92	6
5	Dan Durbin Dean Sullivan	0	2.18		0	0.00		0	1	2.18	7
14	John Ketcherside Darla Ketcherside	0	2.14		0	0.00		0	1	2.14	8
6	Scott Grobelny Jeff Tschannen	0	2.06		0	0.00		0	1	2.06	9
1	Ken Jones Dennis Goetges	0	0.00		0	0.00		0	0	0.00	10
2	Warren Licius Daniel Lichius	0	0.00		0	0.00		0	0	0.00	11
4	Jim Gross Joni Gross	0	0.00		0	0.00		0	0	0.00	12
7	Don Beckley Cindy Beckley	0	0.00		0	0.00		0	0	0.00	13
10	Rich Weber Josh Weber	0	0.00		0	0.00		0	0	0.00	14
12	Joe Wolf Jayne Wolf	0	0.00		0	0.00		0	0	0.00	15
15	Brian Walker Russ Grobe	0	0.00		0	0.00		0	0	0.00	16
17	Ken McNeil Gwen McNeil	0	0.00		0	0.00		0	0	0.00	17
18	Richard Beckham Jason Sportsman	0	0.00		0	0.00		0	0	0.00	18

SAT BIG BASS 4.97 SUN BIG BASS 6.17 TOURNAMENT BIG BASS 6.17