



August Meeting will be at Logan's Roadhouse on August 26th At 7:00 pm.

Meeting Attendance...

Twenty-one members, one junior member, 5 guests, and two fishermen who became members during the meeting, attended the July meeting. Nicole, Michelle, Morgan, and Becky probably get tired of being called visitors, but it is always a pleasure to have them at the meetings.

Harry Beaman contacted Bob Jett by E-mail after finding our web site on the internet, and was Bob's guest at the meeting. We hope we see Harry fishing with us soon. Two gentlemen, Alan Miller and Jacob Guin, who attended the last meeting and fished the Bastrop Tournament, were voted into the club. Alan owns Miller Well Service, and Jacob works with Alan.

July is usually our marathon meeting with the constitutional amendments on the agenda, and this year there were a lot of constitutional changes. The constitutional committee, appointed by Tim, had over 50 constitutional changes, and eight amendments were submitted by other members. Thanks to the professionalism and attentiveness of the members and the quality of the comments, it was a very productive meeting. Everyone had an opportunity to express themselves on issues where they felt strongly, and all votes were double counted.

Even though all the amendments did not pass, there were some excellent ideas presented which will give many of us food for thought over the next year. We are a diverse club with diverse opinions. It was nice to see diverse ideas discussed, analyzed, and voted upon in a calm democratic process. It is not whether a particular idea was accepted or rejected that is important. Having members who care enough about the club, that they are thinking of possible ways to make the club stronger; that is what is important. That is the strength of the club. A special thanks to all the members who submitted amendments.

Several members contacted me and wanted to pass on a special thanks to the constitution committee on the excellent overhaul of the constitution. They felt a lot of work, energy, and insight had gone into the constitution changes submitted. The committee met on three different occasions, as well as many phone calls to discuss the constitution. The impressive thing was the amount of work that had preceded the meetings. The committee members arrived at the meetings with notes and marked up copies of the constitution for potential changes. A special thanks to Stan Miller, Kenneth Dees, John Beene, Andy Labay, and Carl Adkins.

A new leader is born. While Tim was visiting the land of the crawfish, a new leader showed his stuff at the meeting. Vice President, Jeremy Workman, put on the president's hat for the meeting and did an excellent job. With the fall elections just around the corner, the cheers can already be

heard. Jeremy for President. Jeremy for President. Jeremy for President. Jeremy for President. Jeremy for President. Jeremy for President. Jeremy for President.....

Tournament & "BIG BASS" Awards...

1st Place	Tim Cook	5 fish	13.30 lbs.
2nd Place	Lance Wenmohs	5 fish	13.26 lbs.
3rd Place	Bobby Whiteside	4 fish	13.20 lbs.

BIG BASS OF THE TOURNEY: Bobby Whiteside 4.24 lbs.

**BIG BASS OF THE MONTH 6.02:lbs.
BY Brian Washburn AT Lake Austin**

Who Found the HOT Water on Bastrop?

First Place Tim Cook 13.30 lbs.

Tim and his partner, Mike Katzer, spent the whole tournament in the cove to the left of the inlet to the cold water intake. They had found some schooling fish in that cove during practice, and made the decision to make that their main spot. On tournament day there were no fish schooling, but Tim found the same fish using a different presentation.

Mike caught three small fish in the dark, and Tim had one blow up at a mouse. But, the real action started around daylight. Tim selected to use one of his old standbys, a silver glitter and black Slug-O fished almost weightless. Tim added a nail weight placed crossways through the body. He worked the bait with a series of short jerks keeping it near the surface, and sometimes it even jumped out of the water. Within the first few casts, Tim had a nice 17" fish explode on the bait. Between 6:30 and 7:00 Tim caught six keepers and three of them were 17" fish. "After 7:00 we had a 2 1/2 hour slump," Tim said.

"I didn't see anyone else catching fish, and so I figured that they had moved back into the grass." Tim pulled out the Waterloo Scrape rod loaded with 80# braid and a 3/4 oz Oldham jig, and started pitching into the grass. He was pitching just a few feet inside the outside edge of the grass. Between 10:30 and 11:00, he caught two 17" fish and missed three more. These two fish allowed him to cull his 14" and 15" fish, and gave him just enough weight to hang on to first place.

Second Place Lance Wenmohs 13.26 lbs.

About 5:45 in the morning, by the 'Keep Out' buoy near the cold water intake (how can it be called a cold water intake when the water temperature was 90 degrees), Lance threw out a Magnum 8" lizard in a plum color. Suddenly his Carolina Rig felt different. It was a fish. After a short fight, Lance pulled in his first fish of the tournament. It was well after first light at the north end of the dam, by the giant grass bed hump located in the bend of the dam, that he picked up his second fish. He was using a watermelon Seed Devils Tongue. "My pre-fishing had taught me that I needed to go smaller, and so I was throwing the Devil's Tongue."

Lance caught his third fish a while later, on the same lure, fishing in the mouth of the creek in the cove to the left by the cold water inlet. Lance now had three good fish, but the tournament was getting close to being over. "I decided to throw a Texas rigged worm with a 1/8 weight into the holes in the grass. I wanted the lighter weight to slow the descent of the worm as it floated down into the hole." He was using a Watermelon seed 7" Berkley power worm. Using this technique, he caught his next fish near the no wake buoy at the south ramp. He now had four, but he was running out of time. With just a few minutes left to go in the tournament, he dropped his worm into a hole near the swimming area and suddenly fish number five was on the way to the boat.

Third Place and Big Bass of the Tournament Bobby Whiteside 13.20 lbs.

It was still dark, about 5:45, when Bobby caught his first fish. He was in the big cove to the left, as you go from the north ramp toward the dam. He was throwing a Dark colored Brush Hog on a Texas Rig in about 13' to 15' of water. The fish went 20", and got Bobby off to a nice start. This fish ended up being the Big Bass of the Tournament at 4.24 pounds.

A little after daylight, Bobby had worked his way around the main point from the bay going toward the dam, when his second fish, a nice 18" fish, took his lure. He was throwing a clear Zara Spook behind a Front Runner. The fish hit the Spook. Bobby couldn't get any more takers on the Spook, and so he went back to the Carolina Rig. About 10:00, back in the same cove as before in about 8 feet of water, he caught a nice 16 ½ fish to make #3. This time he was using a 4" Watermelon Seed Senk-O. The same set-up produced fish #4 about an hour later. This was a nice 19" fish.

About 11:45 back in the back of the same cove Bobby hit what he thought was fish #5. This one came on a weighted fluke. After a short fight the fish was in the boat, but unfortunately it only went 13 ¾" long. Bobby still had four good fish to net him third place.

Notes and Quotes from the Tournament

Bastrop in July ended up being the best July tournament in the history of the club since we switched from the ten fish limits. Forty Five bass for a total weight of 117.41 lbs. were caught. There were 24 members, one junior member, and four guests fishing the tournament. The average bass weighed 2.61 lbs., and we produced .1724 fish per fishing hour.

"At least I beat somebody," Comment heard at Weigh-in.

Who was that stranger who decided to launch his boat twice? Why would someone launch their boat, rush to get it back up on the trailer, and then pull it out of the water only to relaunch moments later? The answer probably has something to do with forgetting something at 3:00 in the morning, when sensible people are sleeping.

Mike Tennant, " In practice and in the tournament we caught all of our fish in an area the size of a house."

"Talking about being a pain in the" It is rumored that one of our fishermen caught his only fish by setting his hook right into the urogenital opening or anus of the fish. I do not want to name names, but he was last seen with a less than a year old white Skeeter boat being pulled by a silver/gray Dodge pickup truck with a big black bumper..

What a great fourth. Brian Washburn didn't place in the top three, but his 5 fish, 11.55 lbs. stringer, was far above the rest of the pack. Brian caught his fish by throwing a tight wobbling crank bait around daylight and then switching to a fluke up in the day. Brian and Mike Tennant spent the day fishing on the back left side of the bay to the right of the cold water intake channel. Brian, you may not have placed, but you had a great tournament.

Check the weight and points standings. This tournament made things a lot tighter as we turn the corner on the second half of the year.

TOURNAMENT Site, Date & Time...

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LAKE: Travis DATE: August 9th
WEIGH-IN SITE: Mansfield Dam Recreational Area

FISHING TIME: 5:00 am to 12:00 noon
From Dusk till Dawn = 25 mph speed limit on Dark Travis. Obey the law.

----- CLUB NOTES -----

New Fishing License As of September 1, 2003 - Remember, the law requires that a new 2003-2004 fishing license be purchased by September 1, 2003. Yes, it is higher this year, but you can't fish without one. Hopefully, all or most of the money will be spent improving bass fishing in Texas.

CALENDAR of UPCOMING CLUB EVENTS...

Dates	Events
8-9-03	August Tournament
8-26-03	August Meeting
9-1-03	New Fishing License required
9-6&7-03	TABC State Tournament at Amistad
9-13-03	September Tournament
9-30-03	September Meeting
10-11-03	October Tournament
10-25-03	Club Open Tournament on Canyon
10-28-03	October Meeting

Hoping the fishing is hotter than the weather,
Carl Adkins
Secretary - Canyon Bass Club

Tournament Committee

(Call these guys to voice your choice for tournament locations.)

Andy Labay
(Tournament Committee Chairperson)
Tim Cook
Mike Halfmann
Stan Miller
Milton Thompson

Constitutional Changes from the Constitutional Committee

In the constitution

Article I Section 3 Add 3.4.) To support charitable organizations promoting the sport of fishing or aquatic activities.

Article II Change Section 1 to Section 2

Change Section 2 to Section 1

Section 2 Add 2.4.) Upon receipt of initial club dues.

Section 3 Change to read 3.1.1.) Club dues are to be paid semi-annually in ~~advance~~ *December and June, and no later than March and September.*

Section 3 Change to read 3.1.3.) ~~Mid-term membership must be paid for the~~ *A new member will be allowed to pay a pro-rated share of the remainder of the current semi-annual period.*

Section 5 Change to read 5.1.) If an ex-member ~~who previously resigned, for any reason,~~ wishes to rejoin the Club he/she must again comply **with ALL provisions** of above Sections 1,2, and 3

Add complete Section

Section 7: Financial

7.1.) A budget will be presented to the club, by the president, at the beginning of the calendar year.

7.2.) The club will carry over money each year to cover the new year's expenses.

7.3.) The president or the treasurer will have the power to issue club checks.

Article III Section 5 Add 5.4.) *The Club President will submit for approval a budget for the upcoming year by the first regular meeting of the year.*

5.4.1.) A 2/3 approval vote of the members present is necessary to approve the budget.

Section 6 Add 6.5.) *The Club Vice-President shall serve as the monthly tournament judge, be responsible for the club scales, and be in charge of the club tournament weigh-in.*

Section 7 Change 7.4.) ~~*The Club Secretary will submit tournament results to the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department.*~~

The Club Secretary will publish and distribute a monthly newsletter.

Add 7.5.) *The Club Secretary will obtain the monthly plaques.*

Renumber 7.6.) and 7.7)

Section 8 Add 8.4.) *The Club Treasurer will assist the president in preparation of an annual budget*

Article IV Change ~~**National Affiliation, State Club Affiliation, Affiliation Activities, and Membership Reporting**~~

Section 1 Delete and Renumber ~~**Section 1: National Affiliation**~~

~~*1.1.) The Canyon Bass Club of San Marcos will, at all times, maintain 100% Bass Anglers Sportsman Society (BASS.) membership.*~~

Section 2 Change **State Club Affiliations**

Section 4 Change completely ~~Section 4: Membership Reporting~~

~~4.1.) A complete active Club membership roster will be submitted to the B.A.S.S Chapter Federation and the T.A.B.C. Affiliations once per year. This roster will include the names, addresses, and B.A.S.S. membership numbers of Club members who are eligible for Top-Six/Top-Fourteen point standings.~~

Replace with: **Section 4: Affiliation Reporting**

Appropriate affiliation rosters and reports will be timely submitted to the appropriate organizations.

Article V Section 1 Add to **1.1.** The Constitution and/or Policies of the **Canyon Bass Club of San Marcos** may only be amended once per

year: submitted in the July meeting and voted on in the August meeting.

~~Delete 1.2.) The Canyon Bass Club of San Marcos Constitution and/or Policies proposed amendment procedures shall take place during the regular July meeting.~~
(Moved to 1.1.)

New 1.2.) *The constitution can not be altered except by amendment.*

Add 1.3.) *The policies of the Canyon Bass Club of San Marcos can be temporally suspended by a 2/3 vote of the members present at any monthly meeting.*

Section 2 Change to Read **2.3.)** A majority vote by the membership present at the July meeting will decide whether or not the ~~motion~~ amendment shall be "considered".

Section 2 Change to Read **2.4.)** The "considered" ~~motion(s)~~ amendment(s) which are carried during the July meeting will be published in the following month's Club newsletter so that all members become aware of the proposed changes.

In the Policies

1.) Add in **All charges for printing and mailing Club notices, announcements, program expenses, transportation cost of out-of-town guest speakers, rental of films, web site fee, calls or charges for other equipment necessary for Club programs, etc., will be paid out of the Club's Treasury.**

3.) Change to Read **3.1.2.)** Team B.A.S.S. will be comprised of the highest point finishers of the previous year's ~~Top-Six~~ top points which are members of B.A.S.S. and that **choose** to fish the State B.A.S. S. Tournament.

~~Delete 3.2.1.)~~ The Top-Fourteen" (Team T.A.B.C.) will be selected second and fish the T.A.B.C. ~~Regional and/or~~ State Tournament.

Change to Read **3.2.2.)** Team T.A.B.C. will be comprised of the highest point finishers of the previous years ~~Top-Six~~ top points which are members of T.A.B.C., that are not members of the Team B.A.S.S., and that **choose** to fish the T.A.B.C. Regional and/or State Tournament.

~~Delete 3.3)~~ Award tags ~~and patches~~ will be presented to each Club Member of the "Top-Six" and the "Top-Fourteen" teams.

~~Delete all and Renumber 3.5)~~ ~~The Club, by majority vote of the Club Members present, can reserve any amount of money to be carried over to the next year.~~

4.) Add to 4.5.3.1.) In case of a tie duplicate award tags will be presented *and points equally divided.*

Change to Read 4.6.4.) To be eligible for "BASS of the MONTH", a bass must weigh in excess of ~~3.00~~ 4.00 lbs.

Change to Read 4.6.4.3) If a digital fish scale is used, it must be brought to the next regular meeting for calibration against the Club's certified weight. The weight of the fish shall be adjusted *proportionally* according to the certified weight. *Failure to bring in the weight scale at the next meeting will result in loss of any points awarded for that fish award and the award shall revert to the next largest fish.*

Add 4.6.4.3.1.) Formula for proportionally adjusting weight. First change scale fish weight into decimals rather than ounces if necessary. Then, actual weight of fish = 5 multiplied by scales weight of fish divided by scales weight of 5 lb. Club calibration weight.

Add to 4.6.5.1.) In case of a tie duplicate award tags will be presented *and points equally divided.*

5.) Add 5.6.) No one lake may be fished as a club monthly tournament more than two times during the calendar year.

6.) Add to 6.5.4.1.) All fish, no matter of the lake length regulations, that are caught during a Club Paper Tournament will be measured and that corresponding length weight will be recorded as the actual weight of the fish. *The paper weight is the weight of the fish for Big Bass of the Tournament, Month, and Year awards.*

Add to 6.10.) Monthly Award Tags will be given for 1st Place, 2nd Place, and 3rd Place to the Top Three Club Members with the most total weight for that tournament. *Duplicate awards will be given in case of ties, and the points will be divided accordingly.*

8.) Delete all of Policy 8 and Renumber 8.) ~~In conjunction with each tournament, there will be an OPTIONAL "Big Bass Pot".~~

~~8.1.) The entry fee of \$5.00 can be paid to any officer at anytime prior to the starting time of the tournament.~~

~~8.1.1.) No late entries will be allowed.~~

~~8.1.2.) If an entrant cannot fish the tournament, his/her money will be refunded.~~

~~8.2.) To qualify for the Big Bass Pot a fish must weigh 3 lbs. or more.~~

~~8.2.1.) If no qualified fish are weighed, all money will be carried over to the following tournament~~

~~8.2.2.) In this case, all previously registered members must again pay \$5.00 to be eligible for the next month's big bass pot.~~

~~8.3.) Funds received will be dispersed in the following manner:~~

Pay Out as a Percentage of Money Received

First Place Contestant ——— 85%

Club Treasury ————— 15%

9.) Delete All of Policy 9 and Renumber 9.) ~~A motion may be made at any regular meeting by any Club member to hold a special tournament outside the normal monthly "points" tournaments.~~

~~9.1.) A majority vote is necessary for passage.~~

10.) Delete 10.2.2.) ~~A "TOURNAMENT BIG BASS OF THE YEAR" patch for his/her Club shirt.~~

11.) Change to Read 11.1.) To be eligible for "BASS OF THE YEAR", a bass must ~~weight 3.00 lbs. or more and must~~ meet the rules listed in ~~Section 12 Policy~~ 4.6.

~~Delete 11.2.2.) A "BIG BASS OF THE YEAR" patch for his/her Club shirt.~~

12.) Delete and Renumber 12.2.2.) A "SPORTSMAN OF THE YEAR" patch for his/her club shirt.

13.) Add 13.1.) During the January meeting a Club Member will be selected by *secret ballot* as the Canyon Bass Club's Club Sportsman for the previous year.

Change to Read 13.1.1) The "SPORTSMAN OF THE YEAR" candidates will be nominated by those Club Members present at the *January December* meeting.

~~Delete and Renumber 13.1.2.) This award will be secretly voted on from the Club Members present.~~

Add 13.1.2.) The Sportsman of the Year will be announced at the January Meeting or the Annual Banquet.

~~13.2.2.) A "SPORTSMAN OF THE YEAR" patch for his/her club shirt.~~

14.) Delete 14.) ~~Small patches will be awarded to all Club Members for each properly documented catch of a Bass of 4 lbs., 5 lbs., 6 lbs., and so forth.~~

Constitutional Changes Submitted from the Floor

Policy 17.) Change to 17.) All new members of the Canyon Bass Club of San Marcos shall receive a Canyon Bass Club Hat when they become a club member.

Add 18.) All new members of the Canyon Bass Club of San Marcos shall receive a Canyon Bass Club Trophy when they earn their first Canyon Bass Club award.

Change to 4.5.2) To be eligible for "BIG BASS of the MONTHLY TOURNAMENT", a bass must ~~weigh in excess of 4.00 lbs. and~~ be caught during the regularly schedule fishing hours of the tournament.