



CANYON BASS CLUB OF SAN MARCOS

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Meeting Attendance...

The meeting was attended by 21 members and 7 guests for a total of 28 people. Michelle Washburn Morgan Washburn, and Ryan Jett were guests of their respective husbands/fathers. Travis Unger and Stephen Huddleston friends of Jeremy Workman and Brian Washburn, respectively attended the meeting and are also prospective new members. Curt Schoettle former CBC member attended and Greg Cummings was voted into the CBC. Greg attended the April meeting and fished the May Tournament. Everyone please welcome Greg to the CBC. Bill Provine and Steve Magnelia of the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department Inland Fisheries Division attended the meeting.

President's Corner...

The Open Tourney is quickly approaching (Oct 30). This is the primary means by which the CBC gains funding to support our TABC and BASS teams. The Open Tournament Committee has been working hard on this year's event. Many members have taken on the assignment of soliciting contributions from local businesses. Let me encourage each one of you to think of and pursue a contribution from a local business or organization. This is the only way that we will meet our monetary goals.

Be safe - We are already experiencing extremely warm weather in Central Texas. Please remember to drink plenty of water and use sun screen when outside, particularly on the water. We want all of our members healthy and happy for many years.

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Treasurer's Report ...

Treasurer, Milton Thompson reports that the CBC finances are in good shape.

CBC Business...

Thanks Carl Adkins!!!!

I would like to thank Carl for accepting the secretarial duties of newsletter note taking at the May meeting. Without this information I would have been unable to complete the newsletter.

Lake Austin Grass Carp Stocking Presentation by TPWD

Bill Provine, TPWD Inland Fisheries Resource Programs Chief, presented an informative slide presentation to the CBC on the stocking of grass carp in Lake Austin. A short question and answer period followed the presentation. It was also reported that some members were impressed with the presentation while others were not. For those of you that would like to view the presentation I will be receiving an electronic copy of the presentation from TPWD for the CBC's records.

CBC Open Tournament

Gary Swenson co-chair of the CBC Open Tournament Committee presented a CBC Open Tournament timeline, highlighted organizational changes, and handed out a sales and information packet to all members. Thank you Gary and the Open Tournament Committee members for your hard work!

Central Texas Bass Championship

I received a phone call from T.J. Greaney, editor, Country Line Magazine and host of The Texas Outdoor Zone Radio Show asking the CBC to run the weigh-in for the CTBC tournament this year. As many of you remember, the CBC ran a very efficient weigh-in last year, thanks to the participation of many CBC members. The CBC received \$350.00 for their weigh-in services in 2003. We have not negotiated a fee for our services for 2004. I will be once again asking for the CBC member's participation in this fundraising activity. Please mark your calendars; the CTBC is scheduled for September 25, 2004. I will keep everyone informed as the tournament approaches. If anyone has questions please contact me.

2004 Proposed Constitutional Amendments

President, Lance Wenmohs urged CBC members early in the year to formulate proposed amendments to the bylaws and policies of the *CBC Constitution and Policies*. It is approaching mid-year; we are approximately two months out from formal proposal presentation and voting. So, if any members have objections to the current bylaws and policies please submit your draft proposed amendment(s). It is highly recommended that your proposed amendments be submitted prior to the July meeting, so CBC members may review and think about your proposed amendment prior to voting. We have received a few proposed amendments / discussions; please read below to review the current submitted proposals. Please direct any questions or concerns to the CBC officers or proposed amendment authors.

Submitted by Mike Halfmann:

- 1.) Revise the *Policies 6.5.1 and 6.5.2*, which states Largemouth and smallmouth bass must be at least 14 inches in length (6.5.1) and Spotted and Guadalupe bass must be at least 12 inches in length (6.5.2) ***to All bass species, largemouth smallmouth, spotted, and Guadalupe, and their sub-species must be at least 14 inches in length.***
- 2.) Revise *Policy 13*, which states the Canyon Bass Club of San Marcos will host a “Junior Division” for its members under 16 years of age ***to the Canyon Bass Club of San Marcos will host a “Junior Division” for its members under 17 years of age.***

Submitted by Stan Miller:

- 3.) Expand on the procedure concerning the CBC allowable fishing techniques and clarify the technique of drift fishing. Reference *Policy 6.4*. ***Add Policy 6.4.1 The drift fishing technique shall be allowed only if the fisherman is in DIRECT physical possession of the fishing rods in use at the time of the strike of the fish. The use of any type of rod holder or any rods such as those that are laying on the deck of the boat unattended and which are not in the actual physical possession of the fisherman is not allowed.***
- 4.) Revise *Policy 5.5* to eliminate any future counting errors of the hand vote in the voting process and to speed up the voting time for selecting our next tournament site and fishing time period which has been proposed by the Tournament Committee ***to The Tournament Committee shall prepare before the meeting a voting ballot indicating their two proposed lake choices and the two proposed tournament times. The Tournament Committee will present each and every Club Member in attendance of the meeting a voting ballot. The Club Member shall use this ballot to indicate his lake and time choice. Each Club Member must initial the ballot before turning it in for the counting of the ballots by at least two Club Officers. If a Club Member does not wish to vote he still is required to turn in the ballot with a NO VOTE written across the lake and time choices and initial the ballot. The lake and tournament time choice that receives the majority of the ballot votes of the Club Members present at the monthly meeting will be the Tournament Lake and the Tournament Time for the next upcoming monthly tournament.***

Submitted by Michael Tennant:

I would like to present an introduction / rationale for the proposed constitutional revision I am about to recommend. Please do not take anything I am about to discuss personal as I am not directing this at any individual in the CBC; rather, I am trying to propose or implement a CBC tournament rule I think is long overdue. We as the CBC need to address the technique of drift fishing, dragging, or fishing with more than one rod at a time, just a few of the names referring to the same technique. In my opinion, the use of this technique is getting way out of hand; CBC members are fishing with 2-5 rods and using rod holders to catch bass during CBC tournaments. I have also discussed this matter with many CBC members who feel the same way. The practice of fishing with multiple rods (this includes actively fishing with a rod in each hand) during a bass tournament is absurd and not sporting. I know there are members who feel that dragging multiple rods is a legitimate / legal fishing technique. I agree with this statement, but I do not feel it is a legitimate bass tournament technique. An argument could be made that trolling and fishing with live bait are legitimate / legal fishing techniques, but the CBC has decided not to consider them legitimate bass tournament fishing techniques because I assume they are not sporting. What is the difference? No bass tournament organizations or bass clubs (BASS, FLW, Basschamps, Angler's Choice, Pro Team, Texas BASS Federation, Texas

Association of Bass Clubs, just to name a few) allow the use of multiple rods fished at the same time. If anyone knows of any bass club or tournament organization that allow the use of multiple rods please inform me. It is also interesting to note that the CBC does not allow tournament teams to fish with multiple rods during the annual CBC Open Tournament. Here is the exact rule excerpted from the 2003 CBC Open Tournament Rules: **Tackle and Equipment:** Bass must be caught, by casting, one rod and reel at a time, using only artificial lures. Did the CBC adopt this rule for the Open Tournament because the CBC wanted to conduct a legitimate, sporting bass tournament that bass tournament fisherman would participate in??? Please think objectively about the amendment I am proposing, bass tournaments are sporting events (bass club tournaments included) that should be conducted in a sporting manner.

- 5.) Add Policy 6.4.1 Only one fishing rod may be used at any one time during a CBC Tournament. Each cast and retrieve must be completed before another cast or rod is used.**

If the CBC chooses not to adopt this proposed policy or some form of it, I feel it is prudent that the CBC address the allowable fishing technique of using multiple rods while competing in a CBC tournament by revising Policy 6.4 and stating all allowable fishing techniques. It is unfair to new CBC members who assume that you may only fish with one rod at any one time; while, other CBC members are fishing with multiple rods, rod holders, etc.

- 6.) Add Policy 6.5.4.3 A bass caught by sight fishing during a CBC Paper Tournament will count as one (1) bass of a five (5) bass limit regardless the number of times the individual catches and releases the same bass. Add Policy 6.5.4.3.1 Another CBC member will not be allowed to knowingly catch and count a bass toward their five (5) bass limit that has previously been caught by another CBC member.**

May Tournament Results... Choke Canyon

Tournament and "Big Bass" Awards

1st Place	Mike Katzer	5 bass	16.15 lbs.
2nd Place	Tim Cook	5 bass	11.79 lbs.
3rd Place	Stan Miller	5 bass	10.98 lbs.

Big Bass of the Tourney

Milton Thompson 5.52 lbs Choke Canyon

Big Bass of the Month

Milton Thompson 5.52 lbs Choke Canyon

WINNING DETAILS...

Mike Katzer with 5 bass for 16.15 lbs.

Lures: unknown top water; Yamamoto Senko (color unknown); Zoom Super Fluke (color unknown); Yozuri Rattlin' Vibe (color unknown)

Tackle: tackle unknown

Technique: Mike reported catching most of his fish near the Choke Canyon dam using a combination of the above mentioned lures.

RUNNERS-UP...

2nd Place: Tim Cook with 5 bass for 11.79 lbs.

Lures: Yellow Magic popper; signature series Zara Spook; Deep Little N (lavender shad)

Tackle: Line type unknown; Waterloo rods and Shimano reels

Technique: Tim fished the Calliham boat ramp area and caught a quick limit on top water by 7:30am. Tim finished and culled his 5 bass limit by cranking the outside edge of the hydrilla. Tim stated that he caught approximately 12 bass $\geq 14"$. He also stated that that he observed bass feeding heavily on shad.

3rd Place: Stan Miller with 5 bass for 10.98 lbs.

Lures: Baby Torpedo (chrome & black with rear white and chart. teaser feather treble hook; Zoom Super Fluke (watermelon red flake); Snagless Sally (white)

Tackle: 15 lb. P-Line Floroclear; 6'6" TWS medium action All Star rod and BPS Extreme reel 6.3:1 gear ratio (top water); 15 lb. P-Line Floroclear; 6'6" WR1 medium heavy action All Star rod and BPS Extreme reel 5.2:1 gear ratio; 18", 12 lb. Berkley Vanish leader (Super Fluke); 12/24 lb. Fusion line; 6'10" SRB2 medium heavy All Star rod and BPS Pro Qualifier reel 6.3:1 gear ratio.

Technique: Stan reported starting the morning throwing top water early to the hydrilla edges near the Calliham boat ramp. He caught four bass $\geq 14"$ on the top water. Stan stated that he attributed his top water success to a prefishing trip that he had with Milton Thompson. He also noted that during his prefishing trip he observed bass chasing shad approximately 2 inches in length. This observation aided in his decision to throw a small top water lure. When the top water bite subsided, he switched to his mojo rigged Super Fluke (1/8 ounce weight) and targeted hydrilla in 10 to 12 feet along with a spinnerbait thrown to pockets and holes in the matted hydrilla to finish and cull his 5 bass limit. Stan also reported fishing in Calliham and Opossum Creek areas.

Notes and Quotes from the tournament...

Twenty three (23) members and two guests fished the tournament. The CBC caught 74 bass weighing 163.40 pounds, which translates into 0.35 bass caught per hour or approximately two bass for every eight hours of fishing. Seven (7) five bass limits were weighed. The average bass weighed

2.21 pounds. Several of the top finishers reported catching 10 -20 keepers on a variety of baits including top water, crank baits, and soft plastics. During the tournament Brian Washburn reported that Mike Katzer kicked a rod over the side of the boat. While diving to retrieve it, he hit his broken knee on the side of the boat. Several pain killers later he was back fishing again. Reported by Tim Cook from the web site...Mike Tennant was heard complaining that Nicole was catching all the fish early in the day. Mike did manage to bring a limit to the scales but one might wonder who really caught all those fish? Ha!! Yes, I did really catch all of my bass and I even accomplished that by fishing one rod at a time. Kenneth Dees weighed in his second limit of the year and second since joining the club. Go Kenneth!!! The dead fish penalty finally claimed a victim costing Brian Washburn 3rd place. Gotta keep those fish alive! It was good to see Bobby Friedrich has not forgotten how to catch fish while he was gone. He had a limit his first tournament back.

**2004 CBC May Tourney
Choke Canyon**

Member	Place	# of Fish	Total Weight	Tournament Points	Big Bass-Tournament	Big Bass-Month	Meeting Points	Total Points February
Mike Katzer	1	5	16.15	75				75
Tim Cook	2	5	11.79	64				64
Stan Miller	3	5	10.98	55				55
Brian Washburn	4	5	10.87	49				49
Bobby Friedrich	5	5	10.15	44				44
Lance Wenmohs	6	4	10.03	40				40
Mike Tennant	7	5	9.91	37				37
Kenneth Dees	8	5	9.74	35				35
Milton Thompson	9	3	9.11	34	5			34
Brooks Kersh	10	4	8.69	33				33
Andrew Labay	11	4	7.22	32				32
Michael Riley	12	4	6.85	31				31
Gary Swenson	13	3	5.96	30				30
Leonard Moeller	14	2	5.40	29				29
Carl Adkins	15	2	4.67	28				28
Bobby Whiteside	16	2	4.62	27				27
Bob Jett	17	2	3.39	26				26
Dean Smith	18	1	2.32	25				25
David Hoedebeck	19	1	2.14	24				24
Harry Beaman	20	1	1.69	23				23
Bob Dupras	21	1	1.65	22				22
Eric Evans	22	0	0.00	20				20
John Marshall	22	0	0.00	20				20
David Jordan Sr.	dnf	dnf	dnf	0				0
Dick Boling	dnf	dnf	dnf	0				0
Felix Halfman	dnf	dnf	dnf	0				0
Jason Mosqneda	dnf	dnf	dnf	0				0
Jeremy Workman	dnf	dnf	dnf	0				0
John Beene	dnf	dnf	dnf	0				0
John Powers	dnf	dnf	dnf	0				0
Mark Jarman	dnf	dnf	dnf	0				0
Mike Halfmann	dnf	dnf	dnf	0				0
Roy Acrey	dnf	dnf	dnf	0				0
Victor Crab	dnf	dnf	dnf	0				0
Jr. Members								
Joseph Halfmann	dnf	dnf	dnf	0				0
Riley Jordan	dnf	dnf	dnf	0				0
Guests								
Jerry Vann		5	10.08					
Greg Cummings		2	5.65					
Totals		74	163.4					

June TOURNAMENT Site, Date & Time...**LAKE:** Canyon**DATE:** June 12th**WEIGH-IN SITE:** Jacob's Creek boat ramp #1 (free ramp)**Tournament Hours:****6:00 AM to 3:30 PM******BRING BASS ≥14 INCHES TO WEIGH-IN******----- CLUB NOTES -----****CBC Caps and Jackets**

If you are interested in purchasing a CBC cap(s) please see President, Lance Wenmohs. CBC jackets may be purchased from Brian Washburn.

CALENDAR of UPCOMING EVENTS...

Dates	Events
6/5/04	Bass Champs Central Region (Belton)
6/12/04	CBC June Tournament
6/19/04	Bass Champs South Region (Amistad)
6/29/04	CBC June Meeting (Logan's Roadhouse, San Marcos)
7/10/04	CBC July Tournament
7/27/04	CBC July Meeting (Logan's Roadhouse, San Marcos)
8/14/04	CBC August Tournament
8/31/04	CBC August Meeting (Logan's Roadhouse, San Marcos)
9/11-9/12/04	TABC State Tournament
9/18/04	CBC September Tournament
9/25/04	Central Texas Bass Championship (Travis..CBC run weigh-in)
9/28/04	CBC September Meeting (Logan's Roadhouse, San Marcos)

Michael Tennant
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2004 Tournament Committee

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

Carl Adkins

(Tournament Committee Chairperson)

Mike Katzer

John Marshall

Jeremy Workman

David Hoedebeck