



# Canyon Bass Club of San Marcos



November 2006

## Officers

President  
Michael Riley

Vice President  
Mike Katzer

Secretary  
Lance Wenmohs

Treasurer  
Brooks Kersh

## November Meeting

We had 24 members and five guests attend the monthly club meeting. Thanks to Stan Miller for taking good notes during the meeting since the club secretary had to miss the meeting.

Nominations for 2007 CBCSM officers were accepted at the Nov. meeting. The following have been nominated for a position as Club Officer in 2007:

President -- John Beene  
Vice President -- Tracy Peters & Stan Miller  
Secretary -- Bobby Whiteside  
Treasurer -- Brooks Kersh & Keith Rollings

The CBCSM members present at the Dec. 20 (note the change in meeting date) meeting will elect the slate of officers that will serve the CBCSM in 2007 by simple majority vote. Voting will be by secret ballot. Each vote will be preceded by an opportunity for members to nominate additional candidates.

B.A.S.S. yearly dues are due now. The B.A.S.S. State and National dues for the year are \$38.00. If you have not already paid your yearly dues, please mail your money to Brooks Kersh before December 15th in order for him to submit the Club's list of Members names and payment before December 31st.

The Club's Treasurer, Brooks Kersh, requested that he be allowed to purge old bank statements and canceled checks along with other stuff that has collected over the years. The Club voted to allow him to do this on his own.

Due to the need to be sure that we will meet the "New Point System" rules established this year by the Texas B.A.S.S. Federation Nation, a committee has been formed of CBCSM members. The following men will serve on the new committee and held the CBCSM monitor compliance with the new rules: Gary Swenson, Milton Thompson, Dale Farnsworth, and Tim Cook.

The winner of this month's Pitching/Flipping Contest was Kenneth Dees. He won a lot of good fishing stuff.

Bobby Friedrich had the Big Bass of Nov. with a 4.60 lb fish he caught on Amistad.

## Calendar

December 9  
Club Tourney  
Lake Travis  
December 20  
Monthly Meeting—  
moved because of  
Christmas Holidays

**Winter, a lingering season,  
is a time to  
gather golden  
moments, embark upon a  
sentimental  
journey,  
and enjoy every idle**





# November Tournament Results — Coletto Creek



**1st Place John Powers 6.54 lbs.**

**John's Secrets:**

**Lures:** Tiki Stick, smoke shad, laminate

**Tackle:** 7' castaway medium popping, 12# Big game, 1/0 weedless hook

**Technique:** Fished most of the day along grass, rip rap and trees, picking up a few dinks here and there. Then, after 1:00 we decided to head up river and try to find someplace out of the wind. Went up past the bridge and found a cove with a number of branches and deep water. Went up one of the branches that had some shade on one side and trees. Tossed a fluke into one area and thought I had hung a stump, until a keeper came up on the other side and threw the lure back at us. Eased on down and started pitching the tiki stick, back-lashed, picked it out and picked up my first keeper, second the same thing, then, I would pitch it out and just let it ease down and set there, until the tap. Picked up all four keepers fairly shallow along trees with some shade. All within the last two hours.

**2nd Place Stan Miller 5.92 lbs.**

**Stan's Secrets:**

**Lures:** 5/8 oz Yo-Zuri Rattl'N Vibe in the Red Crawfish color  
5 inch Watermelon with Gold flake Zoom Super Fluke with tail dipped in chartreuse dye

**Tackle:** 7' 0" medium MBS All Star rod with a BPS Extreme 1000 reel (6.1 to 1) along with 20 lb. copolymer FlouroClear P-Line.  
6' 6" medium heavy WR-1 All Star IM6 worm rod with a BPS Extreme 1000 reel (5.2 to 1) along with 12 lb. Vanish fluorocarbon line.

**Technique:** Started fishing at the mouth of the boat ramp cove and drifted fished the cove several times. Due to the wind, I started out throwing the Yo-Zuri rattle bait trying to target the grass edge in about 5 to 6 feet of water. I was able to catch a few small bass on the first pass and then I caught a small keeper on the second pass along with a couple more of smaller bass. On the third drift down the cove, I caught my second keeper bass plus some additional smaller bass. After the bite died down in the boat ramp cove my partner, Eric E. and I tried many different areas' of the lake with only little bass results. Around noontime, we finally gave up on the wind and moved into the leeside of the main lake area and fished the really used grass line that just about everybody else fished. Due to the tough conditions, high pressure, blue bird skies and highly pressured fish, I decided to use a modified Mojo rig with a Fluke. Instead of using the standard Mojo weight I used a black nickel finish #3 barrel swivel and then added a leader length of about 14 inches along with a red 3/0 Gamma EWG light wire hook. I caught my third and fourth keeper bass using this rig. I threw the Fluke rig to the grass mat edge and then twitched it off the top and let it settle on a slack line and repeated this process all the back to the boat. I boated many small non-keeper bass also using this lure set-up.



## November Tournament Results Coletto Creek cont.

### **3rd Place John Beene 5.74 lbs.**

#### **John's Secrets:**

**Lures:** Rattletrap lipless crank bait and Berkley motor oil power worm.  
Worm fished Texas rigged (3/8 oz weight & 4/0 Gamakatsu worm hook).

**Tackle:** 15 pound test P-Line Copolymer line  
7' medium action Falcon rod with Abu Garcia 5600 hi-speed reel – rattletrap;  
7' heavy action Falcon rod with Shimano Curado reel – worm.

**Technique:** Covered lots of water and waded though a lot of small bass. All four fish came from different areas. Two fish were on worms and two on the rattletrap. Water depth ranged from 4 to 8 foot around grass.

## **LCRA, Austin agree to six-week lowering of Lake Austin beginning Jan. 2**

### ***Adapted from LCRA press release:***

LCRA has agreed to lower Lake Austin for six weeks this winter to help control fast-growing hydrilla and other nuisance aquatic plants in the lake.

LCRA plans to begin lowering Lake Austin on Jan. 2 and refill it by Feb. 14 at the request of the City of Austin, which has jurisdiction over the lake. Because of regional drought conditions and LCRA's commitment to water conservation, the drawdown will be gradual as LCRA releases only the water necessary to meet downstream environmental needs. The lowering will drop the lake as much as 12 feet to make it look more like the old Colorado River channel before construction of six dams on the river created the Highland Lakes.

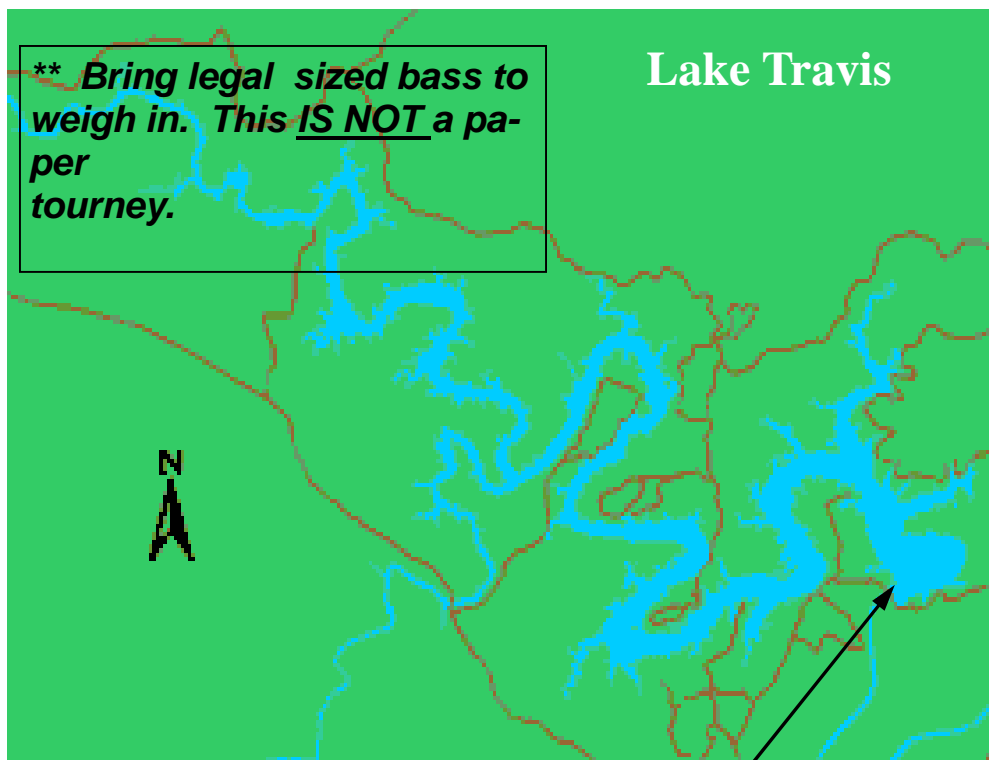
LCRA has lowered Lake Austin at the City of Austin's request, usually every other year, since the 1950s to help curb the growth of milfoil and allow lakeside residents to perform construction and maintenance. Then in 1999 the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department discovered hydrilla in the lake. The hydrilla spread rapidly to become a serious nuisance in the lake. The drawdowns have been effective in reducing the plant's coverage on the lake temporarily, particularly in the shallower areas where the plants are exposed.

In September, Texas Parks and Wildlife Department staff found 66 acres of hydrilla during a vegetation survey. The amount, though down substantially from a few years ago, is more than triple the 20 acres found in May. As a result, the City of Austin released into Lake Austin in mid-October an additional 1,600 sterile grass carp, known for their healthy appetite for hydrilla. These fish will augment the 8,100 grass carp released in the lake between February 2003 and November 2004.

# December Tournament

Lake Travis  
Saturday, Dec. 9  
7:00 AM to 4:00 PM

Weigh in\*\* is at Mansfield Dam boat ramp  
(just off of RM 620)



*Weigh In Site*