



NEWS

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38 PROUD YEARS OF FISHING TRADITION

PRESIDENT ~ ZOÉ GARDNER

The club is steadily plugging away. Everything is on track operationally, and the Board is doing their best to deliver a good year to the membership of our fine club.

I am happy to announce that Marshall Bubel has resumed his Treasurer's role after a medical condition kept him away for a little while. Again, I'd like to thank Donalea Brant for helping me during Marshall's absence. It's good to have you back, Marshall! I'd like to thank Jim Putney and Ron Overman for volunteering their time this month at the Kids Fishing Camp. This article was due before the second week of that Camp, so I'm sure there were other Bassmasters who may have stepped up during this gap who I won't have to opportunity to thank individually. Anytime we can serve our community in a positive manner is a proud day for our club. The simple concept of "doing the right thing" always seems to be a part of our commitment to others, and that always makes me proud to be a Bassmaster.

Next month, September, our club will be hosting the Bass Council's night tournament at El Cap (with a repeat performance in October at the same lake). Bud Brant and Ed Byrd have volunteered to lead us in our efforts to do a good job, so when they ask for help, step up. In an effort to help the Bass Council keep cost down, we're also on the hook for cooking food at those tournaments. So if you're not fond of live well checks or tournament details, we could use a couple cooks. Nothing else for me to report on this month, so I'll end with a reminder to Ed Marr and Bill Shoemaker to bring the treats for our August meeting. Thank you, gentlemen. See you at the meeting!

Take care,



VICE PRESIDENTS MESSAGE ~ BUCK BILLOCK

Dang it, half the year is done gone and slipped by us!

Some of us can't recover from our performance but we / I can't give up. So watch out! LOL

Nothing new to report but everyone needs to mark down on your calendar Bunco Night at the Brant's on 8/15/2009. That is our next big event besides our general meeting on the 4th and the Night tournament at El Cap on the 7th.

Kids Fish camp is at Lake Murray 8/19-8/22 and 8/26-8/29. Opportunities for volunteers still exist.

In September:

9/1, General board meeting and we also have another general meeting again on 9/29 for October.

9/5, San Diego Bassmasters are hosting the Bass Council night tournament at El Cap. Volunteers are needed.



TOURNAMENT NEWS ~ GREG GARDNER

6 down and 4 to go! We have passed the "halfway" on our tournament year. 4 tournaments left:

Aug 7 El Cap Night

Sept 18 & 19 Alamo

Oct 10 El Cap

Nov 6 & 7 Lower River

A lot can change in 4 tournaments. Where are you now in the year to date standings, and where do you want to be? If you'll notice, those holding down the top 4 spots have not won a tournament yet. Notice I said, "yet." So far after 6 events we have only 4 people fishing our Tournament of Champions on November 14th: Jeff Manning, Ken Louis, Ed Marr and Larry Ward. I know that I want to be included in that group, and I also know a lot can happen on the lakes we have scheduled. So, make your plans and do what you gotta do. I for one will step my game up.



Lake Otay at night. We pulled that one off pretty good. I am proud of how everybody worked together. The weigh-in team, again, did an excellent job. I thank Terry Chenoweth and Larry Ward for the top-notch job they did. All went very smooth. And we caught fish! We had 42 players, who brought in 25 limits. That was 100 fish that weighed 251 lbs. 22 anglers bested their big-fish for the year as well. Very good.

1st place was taken by Larry Ward. He brought in 3 fish for 12.67 lbs, with our big fish of 7.30 lbs. Let's add this up – in the last 4 tournaments Larry has taken a 3rd, a 2nd, and two 1st places. Wow! He is definitely on a roll!

2nd place went to Juan Collins who brought in 3 fish weighing 11.54 lbs. Good job, Juan. In 3rd place was Jason Wilson weighing in 3 fish for 10.94 lbs. Jason also had a big fish of 6.62 lbs. In 4th place, getting a spool of Berkley 100%

Fluorocarbon line was Buck Billock. Buck's 3 best fish weighed 10.62 lbs.

Next tournament will be El Cap at night on August 7th. By the time of the meeting I will have details. My guess is that we will get to start some time around 9:00 pm and go until 3:00 a.m. It will depend when the lake is cleared of the day people. El Cap is a 15" lake, but we do have a variance for this one. I will have weigh slips with the variance number at the meeting. Every contestant is required to have with them a weigh slip with the variance number. More info at the meeting.

Thank you,



TREASURER NOTES ~ MARSHALL BUBEL

It's good to be back and I want to personally thank Zoé and Donalea for keeping things going so beautifully in my absence. Our current balance is \$6941.58 and most of you are doing a great job keeping current on your dues. I did notice a little spike for members 1 month behind, but I believe many of you had paid 6 months in advance at the beginning of the year. So just as a reminder, last month started our second half of the year (so if you want to bring your dues current, you'll need to pay \$50 at our upcoming meeting).

I do need to emphasize that if you are listed as two months behind, you must bring current all three months (\$75) at our upcoming meeting (the two months behind plus the current month, August) if you are interested in participating in the tournament. If you are listed as 3 months behind, you must pay \$100 at the August 4th general membership meeting to maintain your membership with the San Diego Bassmasters.

One more topic from a financial standpoint. If you ordered a Bassmaster jacket, or any other Bassmaster Wear, please come prepared to pay for your order at the meeting. The club has a pending liability of approximately \$550 for our most recent order.

Again, it's great to be back, and let's keep up our good work.

1 month:

Josh Buller
Cesar Diosdado
Adam East
Stu Kenson
Ed Marr
Dave Seaberg
Larry Ward
Skip Whitworth

2 months:

Randy Kreiser
Curt Nelson
John Schwartz

3 months:

Chris Bosnec

MEMBERSHIP ~ LEE CHAPMAN

Our total membership stands at 48, with two prospective members. It's the first time in 25 years that we may have a waiting list to join the San Diego Bassmasters.

We have 3 members who are 90 days behind in their dues, but plan to pay at our August meeting.

The 2 prospective members are Patrick Tryon and Jim Beyroutey; both have been fishing for some time. Patrick has already been pre-fished by Adam East. Adam tells me he is a quality fisherman, and plans to be a back seater for now.

A new roster should be available at our next meeting. Sorry it has taken so long.

Chris Warner was tournament pre-fished at our Otay night tournament with Ron Overman. Ron says Chris is eager to learn more about bass fishing and will make a good San Diego Bassmaster. We will vote on Chris at our August meeting.

Chris Bocinec is in danger of losing his membership if he is not current with his dues by our general meeting on August 4. I have written him a letter, letting him know that his membership status is in danger, and also spoke to him by phone Saturday, July 25 on the subject.

MINUTES FROM JULY MEETING:

President Zoé Gardner called the July 7th meeting of the San Diego Bassmasters to order at 7:12 P.M. at Angler's Marine.

Prospective members Jim Beyroutey and Chris Warner were introduced as well as guests Ben Massey, Patrick Tyron, Maureen Marr, Jennifer Louis, Ryan and his Mother, who drove down from San Marcos. Ryan was interested in membership but was too young.

Vicki Becker moved and Jim Davis seconded minutes of the June 2nd meeting be approved as printed. Motion carried.

Zoé announced Marshall Bubel is going back to work on Friday, July 10th and is doing much better after his illness.

Zoé recognized and congratulated the Top Six team of Bud Brant, Ed Marr, Greg Gardner, Juan Collins, Ed Byrd and Dave Mack, who fished in Marshall Bubel's spot as he was unable to participate due to illness. Our team finished fourth, only 2.39 pounds out of first.

Zoé reported the Bassmaster wear order was in and members who ordered merchandise could wait until next month to pick theirs up if they didn't have funds tonight. The items were more expensive than expected, because we didn't buy in bulk. Anyone who doesn't want their order due to the cost can refuse it, except for the jackets, which were special order. Prices for merchandise will be listed in the newsletter.

The Fishing Camp being offered by Lori Felchlin, Ranger at Lake Miramar, will be held at Lake Murray on July 15-18 and July 22-25th. Approximately 20 kids are signed up. Volunteers are needed for Wednesday for orientation and Thursday and Friday to assist and supply boats. Saturday the kids will show off what they have learned to their parents.



Brenda Foreman called Zoé to ask her to thank all the members for their cards, prayers, etc. and stated she is doing well following her surgery for a brain tumor.

Membership Chairman Lee Chapman reported Chris Warner will be tournament pre-fished during the Friday night club tournament. Our membership is currently at 49 and whoever puts up their money first gets the next spot if approved. Josh Bueller is absent, so Lee asked for roster changes. Chris Bosnec has one more month to pay his dues or he will be dropped from membership.

Acting Treasurer Zoé Gardner announced the bank balance if \$4385.00 and urged members to pay their dues to Donalea Brant.

Vice-President Buck Billock thanked Bud and Donalea Brant for a great job in chairing the picnic, and for the upcoming Bunco night on August 15th.

Doris Cook reported Jim Davis was the first member to guess the identity of the mystery young fisherman, Jim Putney, in her Fish Tales article and awarded him \$5.00 in raffle tickets. Members were urged to supply pictures for future contests.

Dave Mack stated Darryl Crippen is doing much better and is looking forward to fishing the river tournament in November.

Jennifer Louis was thanked for furnishing the cake this evening in honor of Ken's birthday. Vicki Becker will have the big 50 next week. Ed Marr was thanked for the great barbecue he put on after the Sutherland tournament. Keith Cloward donated the grill to the club and it will be stored at the Gardner's.

Tournament Chairman Greg Gardner reported there were 22 boaters and 18 backseaters signed up for the Otay night tournament on July 10th. Randy Kreiser and Frank Neugebauer will fish alone.

Plaques were awarded for the Sutherland tournament as follows: Ken Louis, third with five fish at 9.49 pounds; Bud Brant, second with five fish of 9.51 and Larry Ward with the winning limit of 10.10 and big fish weighing 5.05 pounds. Jim Davis received a spool of line for fourth place. The next tournament will be Friday night at Lake Otay with a three-fish limit (12" minimum). The gate will be open at 6:00 P.M. with a start around 8:00 P.M. or earlier. No fishing within 100 feet of the boat dock, or between the boat dock and the courtesy dock. Pay \$23.00 for permits tonight if possible, or at the lake. The club will write one check so pay Greg or Zoé at the lake.

Next board meeting will be on July 21st at Doris Cook's. Ed Marr and Bill Shoemaker will furnish treats next month. Zoé gave thanks to Gerie Morrin for dinner, Larry Ward for sodas, Ronnie Overman for the raffle and the Louis family for the treats tonight.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:35 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,



**FISH TALES: ~ DORIS COOK
BACK TO WORK!**

Dave Seaberg started a new job recently, just as his unemployment was running out. He is working as a Military Enrollment Advisor for Ashford University. He is currently in Rancho Penasquitas in their online degree program. Dave says Gina is extremely happy now also. We are very happy for you Dave and we wish you the best.

LYNN BACK IN CALIFORNIA!

Lynn Brown sent me an e-mail a few days ago to let us know he is back in Ridgecrest building another hotel. He wrote he has finished two since going back to Texas. Lynn said to tell Jim to clean up the bay boat as he was coming to town to collect on the bay trip Jim owes him. It was great to hear from you and we look forward to seeing you soon.

WEDDING BELLS!

Josh Bueller took the big step and married Viviane last Saturday, July 18th. They are currently on their honeymoon and unfortunately I do not know any more details, but I'm sure he will have some stories to tell at the next meeting. Best wishes to both of you for many happy years!

TRIP TO ARIZONA'S WHITE MOUNTAINS!



Jim and I traveled over to Phoenix, Arizona and drove up to the White Mountains with our friends Mikki and Gary Wheeler over the Fourth of July weekend. We stayed in a cabin in the little town of Greer, surrounded by many lakes, beautiful mountains and huge, grassy meadows. Jim and Gary fished for trout each morning, catching four each day. They sat in their lawn chairs and sometimes used a bobber while enjoying the gorgeous surroundings. They rode the quads all over the mountain trails and saw some beautiful scenery. Mikki even got Grandma Doris to drive her quad, but I preferred to be a backseater. It was a very relaxing time and lots of fun, but we were disappointed that we never got to see an elk. The drive back through the Salt River Canyon was like being in a miniature Grand Canyon. This is a trip I would highly recommend, but not on a holiday weekend as there were people everywhere.

GUESS WHO!

Congratulations to Jim Davis for guessing our first young mystery fisherman as Jim Putney. Jim was presented \$5.00 worth of raffle tickets for his winning efforts and as memory serves me he won a nice prize. A suggestion has been made that I take all the winning guesses and draw one at the general meeting to determine the winner, who must be present to win. This would give those who don't get their newsletters early a more fair chance. Let's try it this month and see how it works. Send your guesses to miscooker@cox.net or bring it to the meeting.



HAPPY BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES!

The only members celebrating birthdays this month are: Darryl Crippen on August 2nd and Janice Eisner on August 27th. Adam and Joyce East will celebrate their first year wedding anniversary on August 5th. Where did the last year go???

Congratulations and best wishes to all of you!

Should you have information or photos for Fish Tales, please send to miscooker@cox.net.



Important Information and Dates:

- August 4th – General Membership Meeting (Dinner @6:30 Meeting @7:00)
- August 7th – Night Tournament @ El Cap
- August 15th – Bunco @ The Brant's
- August 18th – Board Meeting
- August 19th to 22nd – Kids Fishing @ Murray Volunteers Still Needed
- August 26th to 29th – Kids Fishing @ Murray Volunteers Still Needed



SAN DIEGO BASSMASTER - WEAR

SHORT SLEEVE T-SHIRTS:

Large and XL:	\$20
XXL:	\$22

LONG SLEEVE T-SHIRTS:

Large and XL:	\$25
XXL:	\$27
XXXL:	\$28

JACKETS:

XL:	\$62
XXL:	\$65