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2025 Tourney Recap

March 22-23

Grand Lake

29 bass for 61.25 lbs.

April 12

Melvorn Lake

11 bass for 23.00 lbs.

May 3-4

Pomme de Terre

64 bass for 116.31 lbs.

May 31

Truman Lake

61 bass for 146.47 lbs.

June 21

Lake of the Ozarks - River

23 bass for 59.54 lbs.

July 26

Mozingo Lake

35 bass for 91.35 lbs.

September 20-21

40 bass for 79.04 lbs.

October 11-12

34 bass for 66.14 lbs.

October 25

35 bass for 62.57 lbs.

Upcoming Events

Dec 6 (Sat 5:30pm) - Year End
Celebration Banquet at Prairie
Highlands Golf Course

Dec 17 (Wed) & Dec 18 (Thu) - 6-8pm -
Bell ringing for Salvation Army at the
entrance of Olathe Bass Pro Shops



L.O.Z. MidLake - recap

The Olathe Bass Club finished their regular season with a 2-day event on October 11-12 at the Lake of the Ozarks, launching from Lazy Dayz Resort. Another grinding tournament saw a storm blow through on Friday morning hampering pre-fishing efforts, followed by heavy fog on Saturday morning [which didn't lift until around 10am] and generally pleasant conditions on Sunday.

In all, 34 bass [largemouth or spotted] were brought to the scales for a total weight of 66.14 lbs.

Non-boater Wyatt Peterson, in his 2nd season with the club, won the tournament for his 1st OBC victory ever. Wyatt finished with 7 bass for 13.58 lbs. and also caught the FishWear Shop/KC Elite Marketing 2nd Big Bass [3.42 lbs.]. Congratulations Wyatt!

Larry Stratton took 2nd place, also as a non-boater, with 4 bass weighing 9.18 lbs. in total. Larry caught the Shoreline Boat & RV Repair Big Bass of 3.55 lbs.

Tom Grandon was the top boater, finishing 3rd overall, with 5 bass for 9.11 lbs. Ben Marsh added to the impressive non-boater showing, by weighing in 3 bass for 6.80 lbs., good for 4th place overall.

Pete Morrone's "PETA & His Chips" team won PGN Financial's Team of the Tournament with 42 points, for their 2nd straight win, securing the Team championship for the season.



TOC recap & Season Awards

8 of the 11 eligible anglers competed in the Olathe Bass Club's Tournament of Champions at Pomme de Terre Lake on Saturday October 25th, with each angler weighing in at least 2 bass, and most bringing in a limit of 5.

Congratulations to Dave Juda for winning the tourney with 5 bass for 12.84 lbs. including the big bass of 3.23 lbs. Pete Morrone completed his amazing season with a 2nd place TOC finish, also bringing in a limit of 5 for 10.03 lbs.

Ben Marsh won the poker tournament the night before, with Dave Juda finishing 2nd.

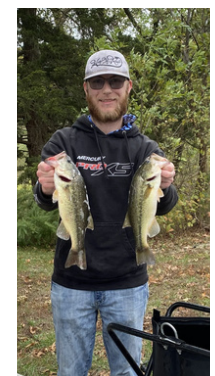
Full results:

Dave Juda - 5 bass for 12.84 lbs.
Pete Morrone - 5 bass for 10.03 lbs.
Larry Stratton - 5 bass for 9.31 lbs.
Paul Marsh - 5 bass for 7.85 lbs.
Tom Grandon - 5 bass for 7.71 lbs.
Wyatt Peterson - 5 bass for 6.75 lbs.
Ben Marsh - 3 bass for 5.29 lbs.
Cory Herrman - 2 bass for 2.79 lbs.

A great season for each of these excellent fishermen. Congrats!!!

Here are the 2025 season award winners who will be celebrated at the Year-End banquet on Dec 6th:

- Angler of the Year - Pete Morrone
- Boater of the Year - Pete Morrone
- Non-Boater of the Year - Ben Marsh
- Rookie of the Year - Cory Herrman
- Team Champs - PETA & His Chips (Pete Morrone, Larry Stratton, Vince Campbell, Jim Humphrey, Dean Nelson, and Wyatt Peterson)



Community Service - Cub Scouts

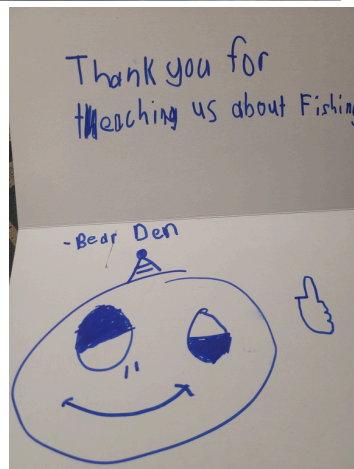
On November 8th, seven Olathe Bass Club members volunteered their time to help teach the Bear Den from Olathe Cub Scout Pack 3434 a few things about fishing, and then actually help them catch fish in the pond behind Heatherstone Elementary School.

The instruction was delivered in 5 stations, with Station 1 providing information on types of fish. Station 2 gave them a few fishing regulations to be aware of. Station 3 was the scout's chance to recite some regulations back to a volunteer. Station 4 provided them information about the safe use of fishing equipment and Station 5 wrapped up their instruction by showing them how to tie a cinch knot.

After 30 minutes of instruction, red worms were baited on hooks, and the pond fishing began. A few bluegills were caught and afterward the kids received gifts [packages of bobbers, hats, shirts, etc.].

The scouts had a great time and showed their appreciation with thank you cards and QT gift cards. Afterward the leader of the scout den had this to say: "Can't thank you enough for all you did Pete. You made a huge impression on Luke. Yesterday he asked if he could stay home because it was going to be boring. And now all he can talk about is fishing. He asked if we could go back there this afternoon and has already called my mom to see if he could fish at her neighborhood pond. You going out of your way to make sure he got a fish was a game changer for him. You're the best man".

It was a rewarding day for all of the volunteers!!! Maybe one day we'll see one of those youngsters join our club...



Community Service - Salvation Army bell ringing

On Wednesday December 17th, and again on Thursday December 18th, the Olathe Bass Club has signed up to ring the Salvation Army kettle bells outside the Olathe Bass Pro Shops from 6 to 8pm each night.

A note from them: "The Salvation Army serves those in need in Johnson County year-round. The money that is generously donated to our Red Kettles ensures that families experiencing homelessness are housed. Those who are hungry have access to nutritious food in our Food Pantry. Those on the brink of eviction or utility shut-off can have financial assistance when needed. Many more services are offered to those in need throughout the year".

If you would like to participate and join fellow OBC members during part or all of either shift, please let Ross Coker know and he will provide you with further instructions.



In case you missed it...

During the club meeting on November 4th, the new council for 2026 was elected as follows:

- President - Paul Marsh
- Co-Vice Presidents - Cory Herrman and Larry Stratton
- Secretary/Treasurer - Dave Akehurst
- Tournament Director - Ben Marsh
- Publicity Director - Ross Coker

Many thanks to Dave Juda and Wayne Byars for their service on the council in 2025 [Tournament Director and Secretary/Treasurer, respectively].

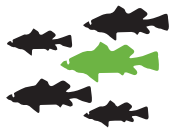
Also, let Paul Marsh know if you have not received your emailed invitation [Evite] to the Year-End banquet to be held December 6th [5:30pm start time] at the Prairie Highlands Golf Club. The theme is Golf, so wear your best or most outrageous golf attire [or come as you are]. This event is always a fun way to wrap up the year and celebrate our member's accomplishments.

This year we will be having heavy appetizers provided by the golf club, consisting of Detroit Style Pizza, Chicken Fingers, Caesar Salad, and Humus with Pita. Tea, Water, Soft Drinks, Wine and Beer will be provided, and there will be a cash bar for hard liquor. Please bring a door prize gift of \$20-\$25 value, your dues for next year [\$125 for returning members, \$75 for council members] and money for raffle prizes. Raffle tickets [for prizes having a typical value of \$100] can be purchased in the following amounts:

- 2 tickets for \$5
- 5 tickets for \$10
- 12 tickets for \$20
- 35 tickets for \$50

As in years past, we will be donating food items to the Olathe Mayor's Children's Fund. In the coming weeks, Pete Morrone or Paul Marsh will provide further details regarding the types of food items needed this year.

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