

# OBC BUZZ

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## **2024 Tourney Schedule**

#### March 23 & 24

Lake of the Ozarks (Lower End) (37 bass for 81.80 lbs)

#### April 20 & 21

Table Rock Lake [Upper White] [79 bass for 150.43 lbs]

#### May 4

Melvern Lake
[13 bass for 30.34 lbs]

#### **May 18**

Truman Lake

#### June 8

Truman Lake

#### July 13

Lake of the Ozarks (River)

#### September 28 & 29

Pomme de Terre

#### October 12 & 13

Stockton Lake

#### October 26

Pomme de Terre (Tournament of Champions)

#### **Upcoming Events**

June 1 - Olathe Kids Fishing Derby at Cedar Lake (8 AM)

June 4 - Club Meetings are the first Tues. of the month at the Olathe Deaf Club at 7:30 p.m.

July 20 - OBC Club pot-luck cookout (5 pm)

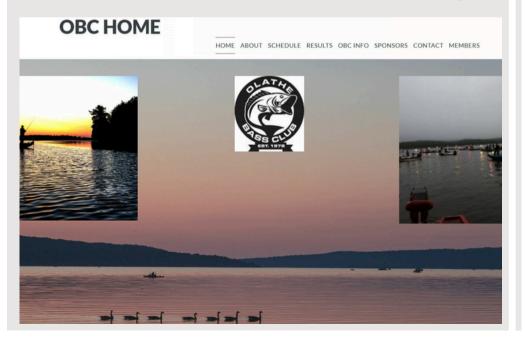
Sept 21-22 - Kansas BASS Nation BNC Qualifying Tournament (Melvern Lake)

## **New Website is Live!**

Thanks to the collaborative efforts of no less than 5 current members, the club launched their new website earlier this month.

There are several tabs/links available based on your interest:

- **Home** features past Club pictures and a brief club overview and landing page for those who go to www.olathebassclub.com.
- **About** provides additional Club information, pictures and examples of our community involvement.
- Schedule provides information about our 2024 tournament schedule as well as nifty little buttons launching Google search results for each lake on the schedule.
- Results With a link to current season Standings available near the bottom, above that are pictures from each tournament within expandable/collapse-able tournament headers.
- OBC Info 3 buttons are available which will launch the user to a FAQ Brochure, the club Bylaws, or the current newsletter.
- Sponsors Our generous sponsors are listed with an icon that when clicked launches the user to that sponsor's website or Facebook page.
- Contact A link is provided that when clicked will trigger a generic starter email to info@olathebassclub.com where a question can be posed.
- Members A membership application button is provided for prospective members, as well as pictures of our current members. If you are a member and would prefer a different picture, feel free to forward those to Ross Coker.
- As a footer to each page, there are icons/links allowing users to access the BASS website, the KS BASS Nation website, and our club's Facebook page.



## **New Member Spotlight**

## **Brent Grauberger**



### **Years of Fishing Experience**:

I've been fishing since I was young...maybe 4 or 5 with my Grandfather. He mainly fished for Crappie.

#### Favorite Lake:

I live at Lake Winnebago and have a home on the Ozarks so most of my fishing in recent years has been on those lakes.

## Number of Rods you own:

I probably own about a dozen rods.

#### Personal Best Bass:

I caught my best bass (actually 2 of them) in the cove I live in at the Ozarks. Probably 6 1/2 pound fish on a spinner bait at 10:30 am on a July day (temp about 95 degrees).

#### **Favorite Lure**:

I don't know if I have a favorite bait, but definitely fishing faster covering a lot of water because of my impatience...lol

# Crunchin' the Numbers 2024 Tournament Results YTD

#### Quantity

Dave Juda - 3.75 bass weighed per fishing day Wayne Byars - 2.80 bass weighed per day Pete Morrone - 2.33 bass weighed per day

#### Quality

Larry Stratton - 3.36 lbs. per weighed bass Blake Hughey - 3.17 lbs. per weighed bass Charles Capehart - 3.16 lbs per weighed bass

## **Tournament Recap**

## Table Rock Lake

The Olathe Bass Club held their 2nd tournament of the season on April 20-21st at Table Rock Lake, launching from Fisherman's Haven Family Resort. The weather was a bit better than last tournament with take-off temps around 41-45 degrees each day, and water temps around 63 degrees. Short bass were the norm for most anglers, but 16 different anglers brought fish to the scales. Overall, 79 largemouth, smallmouth, or spotted bass were weighed in totaling 150.43 lbs.

Congratulations to Wayne Byars on winning the tournament! Wayne was the only angler to get his 5-fish limit on both days. 2nd place boater was Vinnie Gay who caught 7 total keepers (with a 5-fish limit on Saturday).

1st place amongst the non-boaters went to Vince Rath who brought in 4 keepers. Will Fairnington took 2nd place non-boater with 3 keepers.

"Big Fish" Larry Stratton lived up to his nickname by catching a 4.10 lb largemouth on Sunday to capture the Shoreline Boat & RV Repair Big Bass prize, and Jeff Stacy took home the KC Elite / FishWear 2nd Big Bass prize with his 3.25 lb Sunday catch.





## **Tournament Recap**

## Melvern Lake

The Olathe Bass Club held their 3rd tourney of the season on May 4th at Melvern Lake. With thunderstorms in the forecast just the night before, our fishermen were pleasantly surprised when that didn't come to pass and there were only small doses of rain throughout the morning. However, the bass did not come to play, whether due to poor water clarity (after a host of storms in recent weeks), a cold front moving in, or a disturbance in the Force (May the 4th be with you?). Overall, only 12 smallmouth and 1 largemouth bass were weighed in totaling 30.34 lbs.

Congratulations to Dean Nelson on winning the tournament (and top non-boater) by the smallest of margins (0.01 lbs). Dean was the only angler to bring in 2 bass and non-boaters have now won 2 of the first 3 tournaments of the season.

2nd place went to "Big Fish" Larry Stratton (another non-boater), who took home the Shoreline Boat & RV Repair Big Bass prize for the 2nd consecutive tournament, with an impressive 4.26 lb. Smallmouth.

And Blake Hughey finished in 3rd place overall and top boater with his 3.17 lb. Smallmouth, which won him the KC Elite Marketing / FishWear Shop 2nd Big Bass prize.



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