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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 (42 bass for 100.09 lbs)

June 8 Truman Lake (37 bass for 77.79 lbs)

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

July 2 - 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

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



R.I.P. - Rick "Mac" McLeod

June 14, 2024 (Olathe, KS) -

Richard Dale McLeod passed away unexpectedly on Saturday morning June 8th, and today family, friends, and many fellow Olathe Bass Club members paid their respects at his memorial service and raised a toast in his honor afterward at Austin's Bar and Grill. Rick will be missed greatly. Here are a few of the many tributes offered by fellow OBC members:

- "Rick was a unique guy. He scared me when I met him 17 years ago. He looks intimidating and speaks abruptly at times. I learned quickly that if you did something for him, he would bend over backwards for you. He loved my whole family and spoiled my kids growing up. We bartered constantly with his intelligence and my muscles (as he always said) we would tackle any job together. Until we meet again Mac, tight lines in heaven.".
- "Rick was always there to help anyone in this club. You could always count on him to help or give advice on anything related to boat maintenance and we will miss his promptness on keeping the tournament results up to date".
- "This truly is a great loss not only for me but for everyone who knew Rick...we worked together on the council for many years to make the OBC what it is now. Rick never hesitated to be on the board no matter what position it was, he knew it was the right thing to do I admired his dedication to the club, community activities, and his willingness to help everyone who needed help. He was a great angler but a better man. His dedication to the club and all its members will not be forgotten".
- "He certainly had a wry sense of humor...you had to pay attention to catch that little grin. He was smart as a whip and tough as nails".



New Member Spotlight Vince Campbell



Years of Fishing Experience:

I can't really remember not going fishing with family members. I began fishing on my own in 6th grade, dragging a Red Flyer wagon with a tacklebox, poles & bait approx 3/4 of a mile from my home. For the last 3years, I have been fishing on local "no wake" lakes utilizing a Bass Raider 10-foot boat with a trolling motor & fish finder. Getting off the bank has been an eye opening & extremely gratifying experience!

Favorite Lake:

I haven't really identified a favorite. So far, as a nonboater in the club, I have fished Table Rock, LOZ and Truman. Since this is my first year in the club, fishing larger bodies of water, I have been learning a lot. The differences between "no wake" lakes and the larger waters are remarkable. The fact that I was able to catch fish to weigh in at all is fantastic.

Number of Rods you own:

I probably have a dozen more rods than I need & there are several more I want. Isn't that the case for every angler?

Personal Best Bass:

My largest Bass was 4.6 lbs. on a wacky rigged black and blue senko at Gardner Lake.

Favorite Lure:

Since the wacky rig has been the most productive, I guess it is my favorite. I do enjoy a Whopper Plopper and a Texas rigged D Bomb as well.

Crunchin' the Numbers 2024 Tournament Results YTD

Quantity

Dave Juda - 3.50 bass weighed per fishing day Charles Capehart - 3.16 lbs. per weighed bass Wayne Byars - 3.43 bass weighed per day Pete Morrone - 3.00 bass weighed per day

Quality (min 3 bass)

Larry Stratton - 2.77 lbs. per weighed bass Vince Campbell - 2.51 lbs. per weighed bass

Tournament Recap Truman Lake #1

Olathe Bass Club members found themselves at Truman Lake on May 18th for the 4th tournament of the season. With calm conditions, temps into the mid-80s, and newly sunken structure available to target, our fishermen brought in some quality bags (2.38 lb. average weight per bass - largest of the season thus far). Overall, 42 largemouth and spotted bass were weighed in totaling 100.09 lbs.

Dave Juda won the tournament with a limit of 5 weighing 15.50 lbs., including the KC Elite Marketing / FishWear Shop 2nd big bass of 4.67 lbs. Wayne Byars also continued his impressive season, taking 2nd place with 14.26 lbs., including the Shoreline Boat & RV Repair Big Bass of 4.83 lbs. This marked the 2nd time Wayne had taken the big bass honors this year.

Dean Nelson was the top non-boater with 4 fish for 8.74 lbs, with Ryan Busha finishing 2nd among the non-boaters with 4 fish for 6.59 lbs.



Tournament Recap Truman Lake #2

Olathe Bass Club anglers were back at Truman Lake's Long Shoal ramp on **June 8th** to kick off the 2nd half of the tournament season. A calm, warm, and pleasant day weather-wise on the water, but with lower water levels, led to a bit tougher bite than the last tournament. This time, 77.79 lbs. of largemouth and spotted bass were weighed in (37 bass).

Paul Marsh nabbed his first tournament win of the season with a limit totaling 12.24 lbs. Ryan Busha continued his strong Truman Lake showing with 4 more fish for 9.28 lbs. Ryan tallied 15.87 lbs. in the Truman tournaments combined, good for 3rd best in the club, and represented the non-boaters very well.

Wayne Byars finished 3rd with a limit of bass weighing 9.22 lbs., topping the Truman Lake swing with 23.48 lbs total, helping him extend his lead in the Angler and Boater of the Year races. Tom Grandon also had a limit for 7.79 lbs. to finish 4th overall.

And for the 3rd time already this season, non-boater Larry Stratton caught the Shoreline Boat & RV Repair Big Bass (3.73 lbs.). Damon Petrey caught a 3.41 lb. largemouth to take the KC Elite Marketing / FishWear Shop 2nd Big Bass award.



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