



ARLINGTON BASS CLUB NEWSLETTER June 2009

President's Message

TOURNAMENT DIRECTORS

If you need a partner for the upcoming tournament please call one of the tournament directors listed below, they will try to help you.

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CALENDAR OF EVENTS

July 7, 2009
ABC MEETING
7:00 pm
Coker's BBQ

July 11, 12
ABC Tournament
Lake Lewisville
Sat. 5:00 – 2:00.
Sun. 5:00 – 2:00

COOKOUT CONTACT

Charlie Ford
Gary Vick

Greetings ABC members and families. Be sure to watch the website. Russell is doing a great job updating it as fast as we give him information. He has done a fantastic job this year so I wanted to say Thanks for the hard work and a job well done.

At the June meeting we had three new members join Jim Pak, Tim Wegienka and Larry Bryan. Thanks for choosing the Arlington Bass Club. We are glad to have you!

Well summer has arrived. Take plenty of water and sports drinks with you out on the water. It does not take much to have a heat stroke so watch for the signs-blurred vision, goose bumps; head ache- poor cool water on your head and find help or some shade.

Our picnic will be here before you know it. The date is July 25. It will be held at Charlie Ford's house. There will be swimming, bingo, badminton and horseshoes. There will be a silent auction with items for men, women, children and even Gary Vick. We are asked to bring chairs, towels and beverage of choice. It would be nice if each family brought a side dish or desert as well. For those that want to help cook Friday night please let me know and if we have enough that are interested we can have a poker game. Please bring your families and join all of us. See ya there!

Featured Anglers for June 2009

This month it is James Chesser. James sent this to me via email so I left it in his own words.

I have been in the club two years, I think, my memory is not as good as my fishing, so it is not real good. My favorite bait would be soft plastic, there is something about the feel of a fish picking up a bait and tugging on the line.

My favorite place to fish now would have to be Ivy or Amistad, fishing the Pecan Bayou is good too. Biggest fish would have to be the 38 lbs catfish at Tawakoni. 2nd was a 29 lb carp on a spoon with 15lb line. My favorite technique is Texas rig worm.

My dad started me fishing when I was about one year old, my mom has some pictures of me riding a catfish, it was about 40-50 lbs laying in the yard and I am straddle of it holding on. The fish was caught below Lake Lewisville about 1958.

I got Gene hooked on fishing and he joined the club, and then convinced me that I needed to come join up. I am glad I did, I have met some really great people.

I think the greatest accomplishment would have to be patience. My dad and his best friend Walt Oliver took me and my brothers fishing at a stock tank, about 10 acres, and he always took along some taters, beans, corn meal, onions and lard. Along about sunset he would build a fire and start cooking. This particular day he had laid his rod down to do the cooking and when we got through eating and started to fish again he picked his rod up and found what looked like the worst backlash in the history of rod and reels. Well old Walt would never say anything that would get us boys in trouble, so he sat down and started working on his rod. After a long while my dad ask him what he was doing and all he would say is " Well I got a little backlash" After about an hour old Walt busted out laughing so hard he could not hardly breath. When he got his composure we found out that the line that he had completely untangled was the line my dad had stripped from his reel while putting on new line. If that is not patience then I don't know what is. I really learned from that.

We have a large family, two brothers, but hundreds of cousins that are as close as or closer than most brothers and sisters. We have a big family reunion every year since 1954; I have attended everyone since 1957. Average 100-150 people for three days of fun, fishing, golfing, bingo, horseshoes, table tennis, swimming, eating, drinking, dancing, and last but not least a big auction. The auction pays the way for the whole thing. Everyone brings something nice, you know like what you would buy if you went to the store and said "I need that" and we auction them off. We had one last weekend and raised 950 + dollars.

Fishing to me is a great stress reliever seeing the sun come up and hearing the birds singing just relaxes you. A cold beer helps too.

June Tournament

Well the hot weather finally got here. We were at Richland Chambers and there were some good sacks caught. Thanks to all that stayed for the cook out. The burgers and fellowship were great! The results are as follows:

Division I

First Place	Scott Dubee & Gene Canney	20.55
Second Place	Brad Garrett & James Painter	19.30
Third Place	Kevin Atkinson & Gerard Rynolds	19.00
Big Bass	James Painter	6.85

Top Six after June

Scott Dubee	69.84
Jeff Franklin	67.71
Brandon Adamcik	64.93
Kevin Atkinson	52.42
Bubba Sanders	52.22
Chris Nunnelee	48.50

July Tournament

We are headed to Lake Lewisville July 11 & 12. Fishing times are 5am to 2 pm and weigh in will be at the public ramp on the North side of the lake just east of I35. This is an optional day event.

July Meeting

Our meeting is Tuesday, July 7 at 7pm @ Cokers BBQ. Our guest will be Mike Kernan. He spoke to us in February about the life cycle of bass but will speak this month on crank baits. This is one you do not want to miss so hope to see you there.