



## **ARLINGTON BASS CLUB NEWSLETTER MARCH 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.

Bubba Sanders  
469-235-7229

Jeff Franklin  
214-734-1727

Gary Ronning  
682-518-5324

Bill Swiger  
817-465-0120

#### **CALENDAR OF EVENTS**

Mar. 3, 2009  
ABC MEETING  
7:00 pm  
Coker's BBQ

March 14-15  
ABC Tournament  
LAKE FAIRFIELD  
Sat. 5:00 – 2:00.  
Sun. 5:00 – 2:00

#### **COOKOUT CONTACT**

Charlie Ford  
Gary Vick

Greetings ABC members and families. For those of you who missed our February guest then you missed a TREAT. Joe hit a homerun with Mike Kernan. He talked about the life cycle of a bass and how it relates to the temperature changes of the seasons.

I want to welcome two new members who joined at the meeting; Allen Ehlers and Dean Reynolds. We are glad to have you and best of luck!

If you are interested in having the Arlington Bass Club logo embroidered on something then get with me. I have found someone local and she does a great job. Average cost for a shirt back and front is \$20-\$30.

### **Featured Angler for March 2009**



Gary Vick became a member of the Arlington Bass Club in 1969. This makes 2009 Gary's 40<sup>th</sup> consecutive year in the club. He has served as the only three-time president 1979-1980 and 1988 and numerous other board seats. He has brought many members to our club thru his friendships and work relationships.

Gary loves to spend time in the outdoors fishing, hunting and relaxing at his place on Lake Fork. He and his wife Dana have participated in many of the husband and wife tournaments. He also got his daughters involved fishing the kid's tournaments and now helps with teaching his grandsons. He has five grandsons that he goes and watches their sporting events or gets them out to the lake to fish, play games and relax.

Gary enjoys fishing East Texas lakes with a Carolina rig or a Texas rig. As one that has benefited from fishing with him I will tell you he loves

to share things that make you a better angler and person. Thanks for the 40 years you have devoted to this club. We will all continue to benefit from your membership!

### **February Tournament**

Well, we were at Lake Palestine as were many other tournament anglers. Saturday proved to be very tough as the weather started out nice and by mid morning a cold front brought the wind and rain. There was one angler that decided the rain did not get him wet enough and decided to go swimming. We did not have an angler weigh a limit on Saturday but Sunday was a different story. The morning started out cold but warmed up quickly and apparently so did a few of the anglers. We had 21 teams that caught 62 fish that weighed 169 pounds.

Division I ended as follows; First was Bill Swiger and Gary Ronning with 26.30, second was Sammy L. Davis and Tray Hutchins with 20.15 and third was Terry Bollom and Shawn Temple with 17.25. Bill Swiger had big bass with 6.65. There were several fish caught over five pounds that made Bill sweat it out at weigh-in.

Dalton Lewis was at the top of division II with Melvin Bachman and Alex Key in second place.

### **Top Six after February**

Bill Wicox	29.67
Sammy Daniels	25.20
Bill Swiger	24.80
Scott Dubee	18.84
Brandon Adamcik	18.59
Barbara Potts	18.49

### **March Tournament**

We will head to Wood County to fish the roadrunner on March 14-15. This will be an optional day tournament. Anglers will have the choice to

fish Holbrook, Hawkins, Quitman or Winnsboro. All fish will need to be brought to the south ramp at Holbrook for weigh-in. These lakes are a 14-inch minimum on large mouths and state regulations say that your fish need to be taken back to the lake they are caught from to be released. Not following the state regulations can be reason for disqualification. So please keep this in mind as you choose where to fish.

There will be a cook out after weigh-in on Saturday. Please let Charlie and Gary know if you will be there so they can plan on how much food to buy. We will be having fajitas and all that goes with them for \$5 a plate. Remember if you sign up to eat and do not show up you will still owe for the food that was purchased.

### **March Meeting**

Our Next meeting will be on March 3 at 7pm @ Cokers BBQ. Joe has a friend of the club, Rob Jasper, coming to speak. He will talk about Ardent reels, their new culling system and Custom Angle Rods and the twist they have. He will be doing a demonstration with this rod. So please come early and join us for all the fun.