

Cowboy Church Bass Club Tournament Results

Ray Roberts - July 24, 2010 6:00 am to 1:30 pm

You know what they say...."Families that fish together, stay together". Maybe we should rewrite the slogan to say "Families that fish together win together".

Congratulations to Grandfather/Grandson team Joe Crouch and Michael

Walden. They take 1st place with 3 fish weighing 13.43 pounds and catch big bass of tournament. The "Old Sow" weighed 6.21 pounds. Casting a red eye Strike King shad on the dam and throwing a 12 inch Gene Larew worm with a 3/4 ounce sinker over brush piles in 20-30 feet of water was what put them in front of the pack. 1st place + big bass of the tournament paid a cool \$560.00 on a very hot afternoon. Picture:

http://i259.photobucket.com/albums/hh311/Cowboy_Church_Bass_Club/Ray%20Roberts%202010%2007%2024/DSCN1097.jpg

Father/Son team Doyle Ray and Noah Ray take 2nd with a 9.08 pound sack. Throwing crank baits was trick to winning the \$252 bucks. This team is just 4.45 pounds away from the AOY title.

Father/Son Team James Cook and Dillon Cook place 3rd and take home \$84.00. Crank baits filled their sack between 6:00 am and 6:25 am. Two of the hawgs were caught on deep divers and the other one was caught on a shallow diving crank bait. The Cooks are less than a pound away from an AOY title. Picture:

LAKE CONDITIONS

Due to the summer heat, this was a short tournament. The lake was full. Depending on where you were, the lake was clear to murky. The skies were mostly sunny with a little cloud cover toward the end of the tournament. The Sanger weather station recorded winds out of the SW 8 mph to 13 mph, but it seemed a like 15-20 mph during the first ½ of the tournament. At 6:00 am the air temp was 76 and at 1:30 pm it climbed to 91. The water temp was around 85. The barometric pressure was 30.01 at 6:00 am and rose to 30.05 by 11:00 am. At 11:00 am it started falling back down to 30.02 (1:30 pm). The moon was almost full the night before. We launched out of the Sanger public ramp. It was very nice with 4 lanes, but there was not a suitable area for us to beach all our boats. The weigh-in area was not shaded. Just about everyone saw sandbass schooling. The pleasure boats and jet skis were out in full force.

Other tournaments on the lake....Twenty-four teams fished in the Bud Light Denton Division and launched at the marina ramp next to us. You can see that the conditions were tough on them as well. Their website is http://www.budlighttrail.com/Results_YTD/Denton/denton6results.pdf

THE RESULTS

28 teams fished.

4 limits were caught (a limit is 3 fish 14 inches or greater)

11 teams zeroed.

29 fish were weighed in with a weight of 79.80 pounds.

2.75 pounds was the average fish weight

20% given to the church.....\$280.00
 10% given to the club.....\$140.00
 10% big bass.....\$140.00
 \$840.00 balance divided.....first 50%, second 30%, third 10%, forth 5%, & fifth 5%

Big Bass: **Joe Crouch**.....6.21-lb \$140.00

1st place team: **Joe Crouch / Michael Walden**.....13.43-lb \$420.00
 2nd place team: **Doyle Ray / Noah Ray**9.08-lb \$252.00
 3rd place team: **James Cook / Dillon Cook**.....9.05-lb \$84.00
 4th place team: **George Walker / Brandon Wooddell**.....6.13-lb \$42.00
 5th place team: **Herman Martin / Charles Martin**.....5.30-lb \$42.00

Full results:

<http://www.lakevilbig.org/ccpoints10.htm> (see the Ray Roberts tab at the bottom of the spreadsheet)

Slide Show:

http://s259.photobucket.com/albums/hh311/Cowboy_Church_Bass_Club/Ray%20Roberts%202010%2007%2024/?albumview=slideshow

SCATTER SHOOTING

Most everyone was as the ramp early and launched their boats before the opening prayer and tournament briefing. **Reggie** was the exception, somehow he got lost. In his absence, **Al Kohutek** and **Mike Thurman** collected the entry fees. Reggie finally rolled in about 5:25 am, led the prayer at 5:30 am, and had us in our boats by 5:32 am. It all worked out!.....4th place team, **Wooddell & Walker** had a nice 4 & ½ pounder in their sack. They caught their 2 bass around 10:00 am in 5-8 ft of water on jigs. Their sack puts them closer to the AOY title, just ounces behind the leaders..... 5th place team, **Herman & Charles Martin** caught their 2 bass on buzz baits and a rattle trap in the 11 o'clock hour.....Point leaders **Mike Thurman** and **Joe Lee** were the only team to have a 3 fish limit and not get a check. Their AOY lead dwindled from 2 pounds to mere ounces.....**Charlie David** caught lots of little spots..... **Ron Bailey & Bill Brandon** thought Ray Roberts was a slot lake and threw back an 18 inch bass.....**Jon Griffin** and **Al Kohutek** caught 9 bass and 1 goo, but they were all under 14 inches. They zeroed!.....**James Croney** was on the fish during practice. He caught a 9 pounder and several others in the 5 and 6 pound range. I guess they had sore lips because they wouldn't bite his lures on tournament day. James moved from 2nd in the AOY points standings to 6th place.

TOP TEN - POINTS LEADERS

Right now Mike Thurman and Joe Lee are hanging on to the yellow jerseys by a thread. The next tournament is the last points tournament of the year and it's way too close to predict the "Angler of the Year" team. Can Mike and Joe hang on to the lead?....find out at the Richland Chambers tournament on August 28th.

After August 28, the top ten teams will be eligible to fish the Top Ten tournament on a private lake near Athens on October 9th. No entry fee is required and prizes will be awarded.

Points as of July 24, 2010

1 Mike Thurman / Joe Lee.....41.80
 2 George Walker / Brandon Wooddell.....41.46 (2007 & 2009 AOY)
 3 James Cook / Dillon Cook.....40.97
 4 Doyle Ray / Noah Ray.....37.35

5 Herman Martin / Charles Martin.....	36.53
6 James Croney.....	35.61
7 Charlie David / Donna David.....	35.10
8 Ben Griffin / Steve Reynolds.....	34.36
9 Brian Barfield / Kyle Barfield.....	33.43 (2008 AOY)
10 Kevin Davis / Byron McFarland.....	31.99

below the line

Jim Love / Tracy Derrick.....	30.80
Chad Alton / Chris Boulet.....	30.49
Jimmy Redmon / Jim Redmon.....	30.48
Ron Edwards / Brent Edwards.....	30.19
Al Kohutck / Jon Griffin.....	27.05
Joe Crouch / Michael Walden.....	26.90
Reggie Stewart / Casey Smith.....	21.35
Albert Love / Matthew Love.....	18.15
Nick Flecher / Cody Pratka.....	15.87
Mike Grove / Tim Casbeer.....	15.21

LAKESIDE DEVOTIONAL

Ron Bailey and **Bill Brandon** shared their Personal Testimony. Ron and Bill are tournament partners and fish out of the only pontoon boat in the club. Most of the time they camp overnight on their boat the night before the tournament. They received the 2007 sportsman team of the year award and have fished in just about every tournament since the club was founded. They may have never won a tournament but they really enjoy the fellowship and friendship opportunities that the club offers.

Bill Brandon started off by telling us that his walk with God could be compared to his tournament fishing, describing it as persistent and persevering. He came to know Jesus when he was a child and has had his share of ups and downs. As humans do, even veered off the path a couple of times, but through the grace of God Bill has always found his way back and been blessed.

Bill gave us a few more details about his life and said.....”If there is just one thing that you get from my testimony, it’s that God wants to hear from us. Simply talk to him. Do it when you are driving into work....Let him know how much you appreciate the little things, like fishing on the lake, the sunrise and sun set. Pray to him daily”.

Ron Bailey was up next. He started off by saying his great grandfather was a circuit preacher and that was probably his families foundation for their Christian upbringing. His current profession is a school teacher and after 34 years of teaching in the public schools, Ron said he is planning on retiring after this year. Ron’s main point was we should be a witness to the kids around us. He encouraged us to not be afraid to let others know how we feel about Jesus.

ANSWERED PRAYERS

Raymond Zamarippa personally thanked the club for all the prayers. He said they worked and as proof we can see that he is back fishing with the club after the doctors removed 65% of his kidney due to cancer.

Raymond, Ron Bailey, and several other club members reminded us that we should take

advantage of any cancer screening opportunities and to wear sunscreen while we are out on the lake.

CLOSING PRAYER

Lead by Al Kohutek.

The Next Tournament

Lake: Richland Chambers

Date: August 28, 2010

Launch: Oak Cove <http://www.oakcovemarina.com/main.htm>

This will be a shortened tournament. 6:00 am to 1:30 pm

Tournament information online

Go to www.lakevilbig.org/cc.htm

If you have any questions about the bass tournament, if you have a prayer request, or if praise announcement, please contact Reggie (REGGIE STEWART / 214-325-1606 - cell phone / reggie5515@yahoo.com e-mail).

Your brother in Christ,

Al Kohutek