

Uvalde Bass Club News

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AMISTAD LAKE TOURNAMENT



December 13, 2012

The weather was unreal for our December tournaments on Amistad. We had almost no wind at all on Friday, Saturday and Sunday. The temperatures were mild; but we did have a very heavy fog all three days. Many of the anglers were not able to fish where they wanted to due to the fog and I believe the fishing suffered as a result. We had 15 anglers compete in Division I on Sat. and 17 compete on Sunday. We had three anglers compete in Division II each day.

Jimbo Beard took top honors on Sat. 12/8/12 with a five fish limit of 11.49 lbs. Ricky Villarreal was second with five for 9.33 lbs. and Ricky McNeil claimed third place with a five

fish limit of 9.18 lbs. Stephanie Surber won Division II with 2 fish weighing 4.14 lbs. Bruce Benedict of Del Rio took the Big Bass of the Day honors with a nice 4.27 lb fish. Mark Leinweber was the only other angler to weigh a five fish limit on Saturday.

Karl Gager won first place on Sunday with a five fish limit of 10.42 lbs. Second place went to Jon Jones with five for 10.38 lbs. Third place was won by Howard Ponish with a limit tipping the scales at 9.19 lbs. Stephanie Surber again won Division II with three fish totaling 8.24 lbs. The Big Bass of the Day honors went to Jeff Noah who caught a 5.04 lb. bass.

The club as a whole caught 46

bass on Saturday for 90.76 lbs. and they weighed in 47 on Sunday for 99.18 lbs. In a very close contest Jimbo Beard took the Top Weight honors for the year over Ricky Villarreal with a total weight caught of 318.92 lbs. versus 312.02 lbs.

The next meeting of the club will be on Saturday, January 12, 2013 at Oasis Outback beginning at 6:30 pm. It will be our annual meeting and awards banquet. Next tournament will be on Falcon 1/19/13. You must RSVP to McNeil @ 591-3757 if you are attending the banquet. We will collect dues for 2013 that night. RSVP by 1/7/12 in order for us to get an accurate count for the meal.

Upcoming Club Tournaments

DATES	LAKE	WEIGH-IN SITE
Jan. 19 & 20	FALCON	TBD
Feb. 16 & 17	FALCON	TBD
Mar. 16 & 17	AMISTAD	DIABLO EAST PRKG.
Apr. 13 & 14	AMISTAD	DIABLO EAST PRKG.
May 11 & 12	AMISTAD	DIABLO EAST PRKG.



Jeff Noah won the Big Bass of the Day Honors on Sunday with this 5.04 lb. beauty. His was the heaviest fish brought to the scales all weekend.



Falcon Tournaments will be Draw Team Formats.

December Meeting

Mark Leinweber, club president, called the meeting to order at 7:25 pm. A quorum was established and the club conducted the following business. There was a motion by Ponish with a second from King to approve the November meeting minutes as printed in the newsletter. Motion passed. Jim Surber made a motion to approve the November financial statement and Tucker provided the second. Motion passed. The club discussed the upcoming Amistad tournament to be held on Dec. 8 & 9, 2012. It was decided that we would eat out on Friday night and we would cook on Saturday night. The nomination committee made up of McNiell, Jim Surber and Jack Easley presented their nominated slate of officers for the club for 2013. The following members were nominated for officers for 2013: Mark Leinweber, President; Bill Surber, Vice-President; Jerry King, Sec/Treas.; Ricky McNiell, Reporter; Ricky Villarreal, Tournament Chairman, and tournament committee members would include Jim Surber, Laura Langner, James Lockaby and Stephanie Surber. McNiell moved to close nominations and to elect the slate. Motion seconded by Haughey. Motion passed. The club proposed changes to the club by-laws. Change number 1 was to reduce the number of members required for a quorum from 20% to 10% of the Uvalde County members. Change number two was to up the limit of out of county memberships allowed from 30% to 45%. These two changes will be voted on during the Annual Meeting in January. The club voted to approve a family membership for Alex Nichell pending McNiell contacting him to see if he would rather wait to apply in January for membership. There was also a discussion concerning the newsletter. McNiell informed the club that he would like to stop mailing out the newsletter to all the club members each month. Jimbo Beard contacted McNiell and offered to purchase stamps if the newsletter would be mailed to members who requested it. The club agreed and McNiell agreed. Members who want a newsletter mailed to them should contact McNiell. The following members were in attendance: Leinweber, Tucker, Carter, Robertson, Thomas Hamaker, Haughey, Bill Surber, Tina Surber, Jim Surber, King, McNiell, Kyle Rentch, Henkel and Howard Ponish. **Remember to RSVP to McNiell if you plan on attending the annual awards banquet. 830-591-3757.**

AMISTAD LAKE TOURNAMENT - 12/8/2012				AMISTAD LAKE TOURNAMENT - 12/9/2012			
1st	Jimbo Beard	5 Fish	11.49 lbs.	1st	Karl Gager	5 Fish	10.42 lbs.
2nd	Ricky Villarreal	5 Fish	9.33 lbs.	2nd	Jon Jones	5 Fish	10.38 lbs.
3rd	Ricky McNiell	5 Fish	9.18 lbs.	3rd	Howard Ponish	5 Fish	9.19 lbs.
4th				4th			
BB	Bruce Benedict		4.27 lbs.	BB	Jeff Noah		5.04 lbs.

AMISTAD LAKE DIVISION II TOURNAMENT 12/8/2012				AMISTAD LAKE DIVISION II TOURNAMENT 12/9/2012			
1st	Stephanie Surber	2 Fish	4.14 lbs.	1st	Stephanie Surber	3 Fish	8.24 lbs.



Bruce Benedict won the Big Bass of the Day Honors on Saturday on Amistad with this nice 4.27 lb. fish.



Stephanie Surber won the Yamalube prize donated by Amistad Marine on Saturday 12/8/12.



Uvalde Bass Club November Operating Statement

Beginning Bank Bal. Oct. 25, 2012		\$4,294.89
Deposits		
Amistad 11/15/12		\$ 940.00
11/15/12 Caps		6.00
Bank Balance		\$ 5,240.89
Payables		
CK#	Payee	Amount
3408	USPS	\$ 45.00
3409	Vic Tucker	107.10
3410	Ricky Villarreal	80.32 (o)
3411	Al Haughey	53.55
3412	Ricky McNiel	26.78
3413	Al Haughey	105.00
3414	Jimbo Beard	112.20
3415	Ricky Villarreal	84.15 (o)
3416	Mark Leinweber	56.10 (o)
3417	Al Haughey	28.05
3418	Jarrett Robertson	51.00 (o)
3419	Jimbo Beard	130.00
3420	Ricky McNiel	29.73
3421	Sysco	154.38
T. PAYABLES		\$ 1,063.36
BAL. 11/25/12		\$ 4,177.53

Jimbo Beard won 1st place on Saturday with a limit of fish weighing 11.49 lbs. Here he shows off a nice small mouth bass.



Ricky Villarreal ended up in 2nd place on Saturday with a five fish limit of 9.33 lbs.

Ricky McNiel claimed 3rd place on Saturday with a five fish limit of 9.18 lbs.



Stephanie Surber took top honors for the weekend in Division II. Sat. she won with 4.14 lbs. and on Sunday she had 8.24 lbs.



Jeff Noah was surprised with a cake in celebration of his recent birthday on Saturday night in Del Rio. All the club members enjoyed helping him eat his cake.



Karl Gager came out on top on Sunday on Amistad with 5 fish for 10.42 lbs.



Jon Jones was second on Sunday with a limit weighing in at 10.38 lbs.



Howard Ponish had a five fish limit on Sunday which was good enough for 3rd. His fish weighed 9.19 lbs.

Uvalde Bass Club Top Ten		
Name	# Fish	Lbs.
Jimbo Beard	97	318.92
Ricky Villarreal	101	312.02
Jon Jones	77	202.52
Howard Ponish	76	193.88
Mark Leinweber	76	184.02
Ricky McNeil	81	166.55
Jim Surber	68	159.97
Richard Villarreal	65	158.20
Al Haughey	58	146.59
Vick Tucker	55	136.86

 **Big Bass Leader** 
RICHARD VILLARREAL 11.53 LBS.



Al Haughey won the Yamalube prize on Sunday after the weigh-in.

“HOOK, LINE and SINKER”

By Ricky McNeil, Reporter

Well another year has come and gone for the Uvalde Bass Club. We had a record number of members join the club this past year and I hope the trend continues. The total weights caught by the club were down considerably this past year, but the lakes have been fishing real tough for the past several months. The contest for the Top Weight Award was very close between Ricky and Jimbo this year with Jimbo edging ahead by about 6 lbs. Congratulations!! We have our Annual Awards Banquet coming up on January 12, 2013 and we will be collecting dues that night for the year. We will have a new club treasurer so I need for everyone to plan on issuing separate checks for their dues and their entry fees for Falcon. Additionally, if you can please try to bring the correct change to pay if you are planning on paying in cash. It will take Jerry a little bit to get the hang of collecting and accounting for the club's money so let's all try to help him out as much as possible. We have set the schedule for our tournaments for 2013 and we will be handing them out at the banquet. **We are proposing to use a three fish format for all of our tournaments for 2013.** We believe that this will help improve the participation in our tournaments. This year's banquet promises to be bigger and better than ever so be sure to let me know if you will be attending. I for one can't wait for the fishing to improve as it has really been slow since about September. Hopefully, the fishing on Falcon in January will be great and everyone can get off to a fast start for 2013. I would like to thank everyone that helped in one way or another with the cook outs and the weigh ins this past year. It takes a lot of work to keep everything going in a positive fashion and thanks to everyone who helped. Also, thanks to everyone who has volunteered to be an officer for 2013. I look forward to seeing everyone at the banquet and I would like to wish everyone a very Merry Holiday Season and a Joyous New Year!!!!