

NEWSLETTER April, 2008

The next monthly meeting will be held on Tuesday, May 13, 2008 at 7:00 p.m.
Oak Ridge Resort Restaurant.

Toyota Texas Bass Classic

Congratulations to Kelly Jordan, David Smith, David Walker and Lance Vick who won the Toyota Texas Bass Classic on Lake Fork with a total weight of 228.0 lbs (54 fish). Bobby Lane won the "big bass" of the event with an 11 lb. 12 oz. bass that he caught on the first day of the tournament. There was a total of 581 fish caught, weighed and released for a total weight of 2,141 lbs. The tournament is scheduled to be broadcast on CBS Sports TV Sunday, May 11, 2008 from 5 p.m. to 6 p.m.

Our association shared a booth with the Lake Fork Area Chamber of Commerce this year which was a very positive experience for all of us. Saturday and Sunday was by far the best days we have ever had in our booth at an event, with thousands of people passing by the booth each day we were provided an the opportunity to distribute information and talk with so many people about our organizations.

There were ten new members signed up during the three day event and we want to extend an enthusiastic welcome to Bob and Brenda Crump, Andy and Lee Spence, John Nix, Monty and Mary Estelle, Billie and Ralph Gore, Paul and Nancy Duvall, Daniel and Brenda Deluche, Heather Losey, Howard and Sheila May and Charlie and Deborah Butts.

Congratulations to Andy Spence who won the first place prize of a guide trip with Rick Loomis that includes a one night stay at Loomis Lodge; John Nix won the second place prize of a guide trip with Melvin Travnichek; and Daniel Deluche won the third place prize of a Moby fishing rod provided by Dave Settle, Custom Angle Rods.

We would like to take this opportunity to say "Thank You For A Job Well Done" and express our appreciation to all of the people who volunteered their time, effort, boats and equipment. Also, a special "thank you" to Micheal Rogge, Bruce Allen and Larry Lewis for the many hours they put in preparing for the event and working hard to ensure that all aspects and details were successfully accomplished.

- LFSA Booth, Bruce Allen Coordinator volunteers were Ernest Harrington, Mike Cardy, Lu Travnichek, Danny Silcox, John Nix, Ralph Manns, Annie White, Chris Stipes, Ralph Gore and Larry Lewis; and our thanks are extended to the Lake Fork Area Chamber of Commerce members also.
- Media and Camera Boats. Micheal Rogge, Coordinator volunteers were Stan Kuhn, Gerald Boudreaux,
 J. R. Simpson, Sam Scroggins, Richard McDougall, Rick Loomis, and Melvin Travnichek. We would also like to thank Brant King, Kenneth Fowler, Mike Turek, Gary Shoffer, Johnny Dixon, Richard Duckworth, Trey martin, James Painter, Jeff Ivie, William Hawthorne, and Scott Gordon.
- Live Release Boat, Larry Lewis, Coordinator volunteers were Bruce Allen, Cheryl Allen, and Melvin Travnichek.

Live Release Boat Schedule

- o Toyota Texas Bass Classic April 17, 18, 19 and 20, 2008
- Legend Tournament May 17 and 18, 2008.
 - Saturday (17th) Sam Scroggins will be the driver and captain of the boat, Lu Travnichek will help
 - Sunday (18th) Bruce Allen will be the driver and captain of the boat, Larry Lewis will help.
- o Media Tournament, Saturday, May 24, 2008 Driver to be determined.
- o Media Tournament, Saturday, May 31, 2008 Rick McDougal will be the driver and captain of the boat
- Skeeter Owner Tournament June 20, 21 & 22, 2008
- Catfish Splash July 12 and 13, 2008

Upcoming LFSA Events

- o June 22, 2008 Road Clean-Up (meet at Fisherman's One Stop on Highway 515 at 1:00 p.m.)
- September, 2008 (date to be determined) Garage Sale (remember, save those "unwanted items")
- o October 4, 2008 First Annual Crappie Tournament

Upcoming Community Events

- o April 26, 2008 Greater Quitman Area Chamber of Commerce Annual Golf Tournament
- o May 2, 3 & 4, 2008 Quitman Spring Swing Festival
- o May 8, 9 & 10, 2008 Mineola May Days
- o June 7, 2008 Kid Fish Day

True Funny Story

Melvin Travnichek was a camera boat operator at the 2007 Toyota Bass Classic Tournament and "lost" a life jacket to one of the camera operators on his boat. After searching for the guy for quite awhile, he just chalked it up to the life jacket being totally gone, never to be seen again. Well, low and behold, last Friday morning as the camera boats were being prepared, up walks a cameraman toting Melvin's "lost" life jacket (which just happened to be the same cameraman who wore it last year). Finally, Melvin was reunited with his "lost" life jacket after the event on Sunday.