



NEWSLETTER

May, 2008

The next monthly meeting will be held on
Friday, June 13, 2008 at 7:00 p.m.
Land's End Volunteer Fire Department

Town Hall Meeting – June 13, 2008

There will be a "Town Hall" meeting for area lake property and business owners on Friday, June 13, 2008 and will be held at the Land's End Volunteer Fire Department Station to learn what measures can be taken to help control the problem of invasive and exotic vegetation such as (Alligator Weed, Hyacinth and Pennywort) in Lake Fork. Representatives from the Texas Parks and Wildlife and the Sabine River Authority will be the speakers, there will be a question and answer period afterwards.

We all love to spend time on the water and protecting these resources is an important part of our overall enjoyment. A concern we must all address is the spreading of harmful plants because if the conditions are right, these introduced species can become established and create drastic results. Nuisance plant invasions trigger several domino effects that can degrade water quality by blocking photosynthesis, which greatly reduces oxygen levels in the water, thus creating a cascading effect by reducing other underwater life such as fish and other plants.

Aquatic plants in the right amounts can improve habitat for fish and provide food for waterfowl. However, too many plants can overwhelm a body of water. Thick mats of plants can impede water flow and boat traffic, clog water intakes for water and power plants, increase water loss from reservoirs, and lower dissolved oxygen levels by shading other plants. In extreme cases, overabundant plants can reduce the number of fish a lake can support.

Let's all show our concern by attending this meeting and learn what we can do to preserve Lake Fork. This meeting will replace the regular Tuesday evening meeting that was scheduled on June 10, 2008.

Kid Fish Tournament

This event is scheduled for June 7, 2008 at the Sabine River Authority Compound at Lake Fork and the tournament will begin at 8 a.m. The Sabine River Authority is located on Farm-to-Market 288 between Highway 154 West and Highway 182. There is no cost to enter the youth fishing tournament; contestants must be 16 years of age or younger to participate. Last year, a record number of kids turned out for a day filled with fishing and fun. The objective of the event is to promote the sport of fishing and family unity.

Toyota Bass Classic

Micheal Rogge received an e-mail from Lesley Baker which stated "On behalf of the Toyota Texas Bass Classic staff, we wanted to take a moment to extend our sincere thanks and gratitude for your support in what proved to be a monumental event in the Toyota Texas Bass Classic, which was an overwhelming success. Not only was the event well received by sponsors, anglers and fans, it carried a strong conservation message by delivering exceptional exposure and funding for the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department's youth and conservation initiatives.

Live Release Boat Schedule:

- Legend Tournament - May 17th - Sam Scroggins will be the driver and boat captain, Martha Scroggins will help.
- Legend Tournament - May 18th - Bruce Allen will be the driver and boat captain, Larry Lewis will help.
- Media Tournament - May 24th - Sam Scroggins will be the driver and boat captain.
- Media Tournament - May 31st - Rick McDougal will be the driver and boat captain, Michael Rogge will help.
- Skeeter Tournament - June 21st - Rick McDougal will be the driver and boat captain, Larry Lewis will help.
- Skeeter Tournament - June 22nd - Sam Scroggins will be the driver and boat captain, Stan Kuhn will help.

Road Clean Up

The next road clean up is tentatively scheduled for June 22, 2008, we will meet at Fisherman's One Stop.