

**The August 2011 Edition**

**BAY AREA**

## Jeff Baker Calls For A Relief Pitcher And Flipper Earns His First Save



Jeff Baker and his son Jason won our June tournament in Tarpon. For July he enlisted the help of Clay to capture the win on Harris. Jeff and Clay went flippin. I think everyone of us knew that. They went to some of their best areas first but the wind was blowing into their area to hard to fish it properly. They went to the lee side of the lake and started catching fish. The bite was slow and very few fish were caught but they managed to boat five that went 16.40. They used a combination of Jethro Bugzilla baits in sprayed grass and St. Johns river red and the Hag's Undertaker in black neon. Both baits were flipped in the grass from about a foot in to the outside edges. The bite came on the fall but were hard to feel because of the wind. They just started setting everything that didn't feel right and it worked most of the time.

Second place went to the team of Casey Gonzalez and Eugene Terkoski. Surprise, surprise, surprise, they went flippin also. They brought in 12.22 with the bulk of their catch coming from the Mr. Ugly in green goddess. This creature bait brought vicious strikes from the Harris Chains hungry bass.

Rodney and David finished a close third with 12.18. Their fish fell to the 7" Crump Swamp Eel in Kiwi color. Fourth went to Brian Renshaw and Bobby Squires. They brought in a 11.68 pound bag. Fifth went to the team of Joe Felice and David Panno with 11.38. All these teams had limits. In fact, nineteen teams had limits. 124 fish were brought to the scales. We must have caught every fish in the chain flippin. One team didn't go flippin. They had found a good group of fish holding in the pepper grass. These fish were blowing up on Cain Toads. The day before they had six or eight huge blowups in practice. They knew that they were on to something and were prepared to catch 30 plus pounds. Then the sun came up and they woke up from their dream. Thirty pounds in Harris. That was a dream. They finished twenty fifth. Only one team didn't manage to catch a keeper in this mud hole. I think they are the only ones to hate Harris more than this author. There is a bunch of new growth hydrilla all over big Harris but it seems that the bass haven't figured out what it is yet. Not one team reported catching a single fish in it. This lake has some stupid fish.

Garret (the rock) Racamora caught a 6.74 pound largemouth in the Dead River to claim big fish honors. How many of us have tried those same pads and come up empty. For some reason it worked for this future B.A.S.S. superstar. He caught this Lake Harris miracle with a Culprit Fat Max in grape dazzle.



1st Place  
Jeff Baker & Clay  
Garrett  
16.40



2nd Place  
Casey Gonzales &  
Eugene Terkoski  
12.22



3rd Place  
Rodney Yavorsky  
& David Porter  
12.18



4th Place  
Brian Renshaw &  
Bobby Squires  
11.68



Garret Racamora  
Big Fish  
6.74

## Sponsor News & Notes

Each month we will be bringing you information on a few of our sponsors as well as keeping you updated on member feedback of sponsor items whether won through the monthly raffles or purchased directly through our sponsors. To help with this section we'd like to ask that you provide feedback regarding our sponsor's products. Please let us know your stories and thoughts so that we may include it in the newsletter and also let our sponsors know as they really appreciate the feedback and are always pleased to hear from us.

### Bay Area Bassmasters Sponsor Updates!!!

#### **New Sponsor News -**

**Koppers LIVETARGET** - New LIVETARGET Hollowbody Frog wins Best New Soft Bait category at 2011 ICAST show once again proving their top of the line and innovative baits are best in class! Congratulations on this years win.

**Crumps** - Make sure to check out the new Online Store to purchase all your Crumps baits!

**Dobyn's Rods** - For those of you who have recently purchased a Dobyn's Rod make sure to submit your entry form with receipt copy for a chance to win a Ranger Z521 with an Evinrude E-Tec 250 H.O. See website for details

**Bass Boat Saver** - With all this sun this summer don't forget to wipe down your boat with some Bass Boat Saver as it provides UV Protection for your boat while also cleaning it after a day on the water.

**Hag's Tornado** - Hag's Undertaker takes a 13.30lb Lunker in Texas as part of the ShareLunker program in the state. If you haven't tried these baits make sure you do so as they obviously take some big fish!

**Bass King** - Make sure to check out the full line of Bass King clothing available at [www.basskingclothing.com](http://www.basskingclothing.com). They have added a bunch of new products including their Alumni Series.

### **Monthly Sponsor Feedback**

**-Deep South Rods** -We have begun to get some feedback on the Deep South Rods won through the raffles and are hearing very good reviews that the rods are lightweight and very comfortable and durable, especially for rods in this price range.

**-Simmons Sporting Goods** -We have also had great feedback on the Quantum rods sent to us by Simmons and highly recommend that you check out their website for all your tackle needs.

**-Culprit** - We continue to hear lots of feedback on the Fat Max series worms producing in area lakes. These worms have a unique action not seen before in area waters and are producing numbers and quality. Go to the Culprit online store and use the club code 'BCC0015' for a 30% discount on your online purchases. This is a great way to load up on all your Culprit baits and support our sponsor at the same time.

Make sure to stop at your local Racetrac station when you are on the road. There are a number of them on the way to John's Lake heading down State Road 50!

Keep that feedback coming guys as it is great news to hear about how our sponsors baits are performing.

Thanks again to all of our sponsors as we couldn't be the best and biggest club in Florida without your help and support!

## **Joe Craighead and Brian Stillwell Tie For Harris Chain Dink Honors**



I know it's hard to believe but there was a tie for dink of the tournament. Both Joe and Brian brought an .80 pound keeper to the scales in July. Joe caught his on a Lucky Craft RC 1.5. If you figure that by the pound that would work out to \$27.32. And you thought gas was expensive? Brian caught his on a Live Target lure so his went for \$22.37 a pound. That Bridgemasters gift certificate should help defer some of those costs. Good job gentlemen.

**August's meeting will be Tuesday, the 9th, at R J Wings N Things in Temple Terrace, located at 51st and Fowler at 7:30pm.**



## 2011 Schedule

Month	Meeting Date	Tournament Date	Location	Ramp
August	9	13	John's Lake	Public Ramp
September	6	10	Lake Toho	Southport
October	4	8	South Winter Haven Chain	Lake Shipp Ramp
Nov (Classic)	8	12-13	Okeechobee	Clewiston

**Don't forget we have a new meeting location.  
R J Wings N Things At 51st and Fowler  
( the old Beef O' Brady's location )**

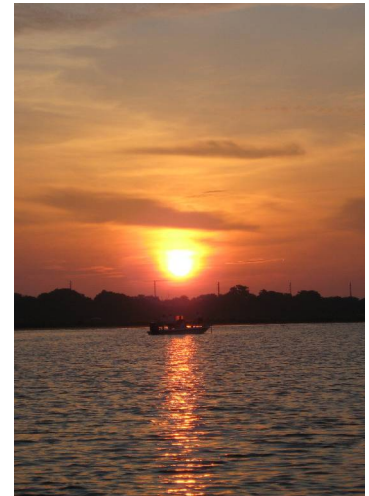


## Colby Flinn Takes Fourth Cody Helmuth Finishes Thirteenth.

Colby had them figured out. He had spent weeks in preparation for the Florida B.A.S.S. Federation Nation Junior Bassmasters State Championship. He had located a couple of good schools of fish and was ready to bring the championship home. Florida fish change all the time and tropical storm in the Atlantic caused it to get hotter and drier. His fish got tough and he struggled on day one with just 3 fish. His fishing partner, Cody had even a worse first day. He didn't manage a single keeper. Although Colby was in 10th place on day one he was 11 pounds out. Day two brought new hopes, a beautiful sunrise and a better fishing day. The wind started to blow and his fish turned on. Colby and Cody both caught them. Cody brought 8.12 to the scales and moved from 41st to 13th. Colby had one of the largest sacks of the day and moved all the way to fourth. He missed winning it all by a little over 3.5 pounds. Good job gentlemen. You made us all proud.



Luke Farmer from Big "O" won the young age group and Dustin Bozeman from Lakeland won the older age group. Our new FBFN Youth Director, Jeff Brooks, did a great job putting on this event. The people who put their time and effort in this event are some of the best in the state. We should be proud to be a part of the FBFN.



## Bass Club Championship Tournament Set for Kissimmee

The Bass Club Championship has been scheduled for October 1&2 out of Lakefront Park in Kissimmee. This event will be a team event with four anglers from the same club. Each club will be allowed as many teams as they can put together. Entry fees will be about \$60 an angler so we should put together as many teams as we can. We will also be practicing for the State Championship that will be in November. All participants that haven't qualified will have the opportunity to do so in this tournament. Lets put together a few teams and go kick some Federation Nation butt. Lets show them that we are the best club in Florida.

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