March 2015

Bruce & Jared Young Win the T. A. Mahoney Rousseau Rumble

Bruce, and his son Jared, drive a Tracker. They drew boat one. They knew that they had a long and winding channel to run down before the sun was up. They knew that 34 boats were behind them with the throttle down and in a hurry to get to their fish. They knew that they needed to get out of their way so they ducked into the first channel that they safely could, channel A. This goes down the south side of the lake and runs through the old Lake Rousseau and the graveyard area. It looked like as good a place to start as anywhere else. Jared put his trick worm into action and as the waves settled down, the fish began to play. They fished channel A about a couple hundred yards up river and then turned around and fished back. They bit on junbug, junebug red and black and blue. Bruce even caught some fish. He caught them on trick worms as well but also on lipless crankbaits. They didn't just catch five but did a lot of culling through out the day. It was a tough, tough day of fishing for most but not these two anglers. They figured it out and capitalized on it. They had a kicker that went 5.54 and a total weight of 12.52 pounds. Good job gentlemen! Jared came up through our youth club and started fishing the adult side this year. Not bad for their third tournament.

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Jeff Baker got his old partner to fish with him for this tournament and it was a good thing. Jeff had the same illness most of us had, cannotcatchafishifmylifedependedonit syndrome but Darren Betts didn't. He caught all their fish and Jeff got to practice his netting skills. They brought a limit that went 11.60 with a 4.99 kicker. They fished inside a little bay most of the day. A slow presentation and patience paid off.

Pulling into third place was the team of Tom Mann's younger brother by a different mother and Slinky. Mr. Mann brought two fish to the scales but one of them was our big fish of the tournament, a 6.13 pound beauty. They earned themselves a couple of nice checks and the lead in the TAOY points. ???? Slinky is leading — (Mike—please check those points, something is wrong)

Holding down forth place was the team of Lewis Robinson and Calvin Boyette. They brought the only other limit caught to the scales and had 7.22 pounds. Fifth place belonged to Mike and Pam Hardy. They had three that went 7.00 pounds with a 3.88 Pam caught kicker.

Overall only three limits made it to the scales. One team caught four, seven had three, six had two, ten only had one, and eight zeroed, including your president. Fishing was incredibly tough even for the locals that fished out of the east end. They only managed a couple of limits also. Don't let this stop you from visiting this beautiful lake again. This river system can produce some huge bags and be a lot of fun. The lake was just not on for us. And when you do, stop by and see me. Marker # 39.



Bruce and Jared Young 1st Place



Jeff Baker and Darren Betts 2nd Place



Mr. Mann and the invisible Slinky 3rd Place and big fish

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Tampa Bay Junior Bass Club Has Record Event

The Tampa Bay Junior Bass Club has a record day as they put 30 young anglers on the water. The event was held at the Winter Haven Chain out of Lake Shipp last Saturday. Joe Craighead does a great job putting this together and he will fill us in on all the details Tuesday night. I just wanted you to know that both winners came out of Bay Area boats. Mike Hardy put the 14-18 year old champion on his fish and Tom Mahoney guided the 11-14 year old champion to his stringer. Thanks to all the boat captains that gave their time to get these great kids on the water. I would list them here but I know I would miss someone. We will recognize them Tuesday night. Thanks you all.

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.

Sponsorship News & Notes:

• We'd like to THANK all of our amazing sponsors for their support of our club!

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• <u>PLATINUM SPONSORS</u>: 13 Fishing, Allstate Insurance (Paul Phaneuf), Armor Guard, Bay Area Pool Service, Cartwright Realty, Dick's Sporting Goods, Frogg Toggs, Lucky Dog Daycare & Resort of South Tampa, Richard's Quality Automotive, T.A. Mahoney Co., Inc., The Car Shop, Walpole

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• **Bluewater LED** – Not sure if anyone has noticed or not but Team Cincotta has been lighting up the launches with the Cybershot Flashlight they won at the raffle. Bluewater has all kinds of great products to help light up your boat, but they also have some other great items to use elsewhere. Make sure to check out their recently updated website for their entire product line up!

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• **Bass Boat Saver** –. As usual we continue to hear great feedback on the Bass Boat Saver products as we always see a number of our members wiping their boats down after tournament day. Their products keep your boat looking new and are easy to use! Make sure to give them a try if you haven't already. T.A. Mahoney also carries them if you're out.

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• **13 Fishing** – We are starting to get some feedback on the 13 Fishing rods that have been included in the raffles and those that have won them are raving about their products. We've also heard from a number of other members that they had already been using their line of rods and a few people have tried out their Concept reels as well. Make sure to give them a shot if you are in the market for a rod or reel.

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• **Chums** – It's great to see how many members are already representing the Chums brand with their eyewear retainers. We're even now giving away a set to each team member who takes 1st place in our tournaments the rest of the season.

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April's meeting will be Tuesday, the 7th at R J Wings N Things in Temple Terrace, located at 51st and Fowler at 7:00pm.



Month	Meetii	ng/Tou	r. Sponsor	Location	Ramp
January	6	10	Richards Quality Auto	Lake Harris	Hickory Point
February	10	14	Allstate Insurance	Lake Toho	Southport
March	10	14	T. A. Mahoney Co. Inc.	Lake Rousseau	Public Ramp West
April	7	11	Armor Guard	Lake Istokpoga	98 Ramp
May	5	9	Cartwright Realty	Lake Kissimmee	Camp Mack
June	9	13	Florida Lift Systems	Lake Tarpon	Anderson
July	7	11	Mystery Lake	TBD	TBD
August	4	8	Lucky Dog Resort	Rodman Reservoir	Kenwood
Septembe	er 8	12	Walpole Inc.	Lake Reedy	Public Ramp
October	6	10	Bay Area Pool Service	Lake Istokpoga	98 Ramp
November	10/17	14-15	(Club Classic)	TBD	TBD

2015 Florida B.A.S.S. Nation Central Division Schedule

May 30	Team Qualifier	Harris Chain of Lakes	Hickory Point
May 31	Pro/ Am Qualifier	Harris Chain of Lakes	Hickory Point
Aug 22	Pro/ Am Qualifier	Kissimmee Chain of Lakes	Camp Mack

Florida B.A.S.S. Nation Bass Club Team Championship

June 27-28	Lake Okeechobee	Roland Martins Resort in Clewiston
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Florida B.A.S.S. Nation State Championship

November 7-8	ТВА	Central Division
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