

May 2015

Jeff Baker and Darin Betts Win The Cartwright Reality Kissimmee Slam



Jeff Baker and Darin Betts make it two in a row. They started their day in Hatchineha. Jeff started with a frog first thing and it was a great call. The first fish that hit it was our big fish of the tournament as well as our big fish for the year. She would go 10.17 pounds and earn Jeff some extra cash from Florida's Trophy Catch program. They would continue to catch fish for the next hour or so on topwater and then started flippin. By the end of the day they had amassed 26.39 pounds worth of bass. With this win they also took over the lead in the Team Angler of the Year race. With half the season behind us this race is to close to call. Second went to Justin and Jeff Richards. Their limit would go 20.80 pounds. Casey and Eugene got third with 18.78 and Alex Udvari and Kyle Anderson take fourth. Rounding out the top five was Tom Craighead and Tim Hibbs . As usual the Kissimmee chain showed why it's known as a world class fishery. People from all over the planet want to come to Florida and enjoy what we have year round right here in our back yard. We brought in 29 limits and 404 pounds of bass. 164 fish came to the scales and they would average almost 2 1/2 pounds a piece. This fishery just keeps producing quality stringers. We catch our big fish of the year and also our dink of the year on the same lake. That just shows how healthy it is.

Team #	Team Members	Fish	Weight	Big	Final Weight
1	Jeff Baker & Darren Betts	5	26.39	10.17	26.14
2	Justin Richards & Jeff Richards	5	20.80	7.85	20.80
3	Casey Gonzalez & Eugene Terkoski	5	18.78		18.78
4	Alex Udvari & Kyle Anderson	5	17.94	6.12	17.94
5	Tom Craighead & Tim Hibbs	5	17.79	6.36	17.79
6	Shawn Cartwright & Brian Tutich	5	16.81	6.79	16.81
7	Chuck Pons & Mark Rees	5	15.18		15.18
8	Jeff Crandon & Charles Pearson	5	15.11		15.11
9	Clint Kummelman & Mark Kummelman	5	14.38	6.71	14.38
10	Gary Ford & Jeremy Hobson	5	14.28		14.03



Bass Club Team Championship Out of Roland Martins June 27th & 28th

The four man Team championship is at the end of the month out of Roland's. We have been the State Champions once and we would love to be able to duplicate that feat again this year. Get your teams together and get down to Okeechobee. We want to once again be able to say we are the number one club in the state. Four members from Bay Area is all that is required. Sign up online or be there Friday night. Lets put some teams together and represent Bay Area Bassmasters. Lets show the state that we are the number one club in the state.

A Word From Vincent Delloio

Hello Bay Area, this is Vincent. I just wanted to say thanks for the last 11 year's of great fishing and the best group of guys and gals I have probably had the pleasure of spending time with. Regretfully I have to say goodbye after our next tournament. Thank you sincerely for accepting my son as one of the guys it really has meant a lot to him and I. Some of my best memories while in Florida have been fishing and spending time with all of you. Unfortunately I am moving out if state . I will miss bay area, the best fishing club I have ever been a part of thanks again for everything.

Proposed Size Limit Change for Bass

Just thought I would pass this information along to you, so you could get it out to your club members. Tom Champeau (our fisheries director) will be bringing our proposed black bass statewide rule changes before FWC Commissioners in a few weeks.

The bass proposal is on the agenda for Wednesday, June 24, most likely after lunch. Here is the link for the meeting agenda: <http://myfwc.com/about/commission/commission-meetings/> as well as the link for more information about the proposal: <http://myfwc.com/fishing/freshwater/black-bass/bass-regulations/changes/> You and any of the club members are welcome to attend the commission meeting in order to learn more and voice your support or any concerns you may have about the proposed rule changes.

Meeting location:

Hyatt Regency

1000 Boulevard of the Arts

Sarasota, FL 34236

Phone: (941) 953-1234

Website: <http://www.sarasota.hyatt.com>

Thanks!

Eric Johnson

Fisheries Biologist

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!**

- **PLATINUM SPONSORS: 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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- **Feedback – submit pictures or video to bayareabassmasters@gmail.com**

- **Bass Boat Saver** – As usual we are getting a ton of feedback on the Bass Boat Saver products. BBS has been with Bay Area for years and their product is the best on the market by far. Everyone in the club who has ever used their product has spoken highly of its ease of use and how great their boat looks after application. Thank you BBS for such a great product!.

- **Bay Area Pool Service** – As we approach summer it's the time of year where we start using our pools. Make sure that you are using Bay Area Pool Service for all your pool servicing needs as they have a great set of services available.

- **Culprit** – A month doesn't go by where we don't hear back on how well the full line of Culprit baits performs. From their Original Worm to their Incredi-Craw and everything in between, if you want a soft plastic that works make sure you're using Culprit!

- **Keelguard** – Each year we hear stories about how Keelguard has saved a boat from harm with their line of products. Keep your boat from getting gouges and nicks with products such as the KeelGuard, SkegGuard, SkegPro, and ScuffBuster.

- **RodSox** – We're beginning to see a good number of our members using the RodSox to protect their rods. If you're making an investment in a good rod you need to protect it and RodSox offer the best protection on the market.

- **Social Media Pages and Information – please like & follow us and our sponsors!**

- Facebook - <https://www.facebook.com/BayAreaBassmasters>

- Twitter - <https://twitter.com/Bay Area Bass>

- Instagram - <http://instagram.com/bayareabassmasters/>

Additional Items:

- Please make sure to support all of our sponsors and let them know that you are with the club! If you are interested in getting product, many of our sponsors are available at T.A. Mahoney's. You can also go direct to many of our sponsors websites, make sure to mention that you are with the club as well.

B.A.S.S. Is Asking For Our Help

B.A.S.S. Conservation needs your help in spreading the word about the 2015 Nationwide Insurance "Preserve Your Passion" promotion which lets people choose the organization that they feel is most important to them. If we are successful in winning, the money will go into the FishAmerica Foundation/B.A.S.S. Nation grant account to be used for projects in 2016. This promo started June 1 and runs through the end of the month so act quickly.

Visit <http://preserveyourpassion.com>, find the B.A.S.S. logo and cast your vote. You are allowed to vote once a day through June 30.

Nationwide changed the format this year and the winning organization receives \$25,000, second place gets \$10,000 and third gets \$5,000.

We need your help!

- Ask your club members, friends and family to vote for B.A.S.S. Conservation...every day!
- Get the link posted on your state website
- Use Facebook or other social media avenues to spread the link
- Make posts on Internet fishing message boards/chat rooms that you know about...local, regional, national. This is how last year's winners, the National Wild Turkey Federation, spread the word beyond their in-house media outlets. It was posted in repeated messages by their members all over the Internet hunting world. Make the pitch to non-B.A.S.S. members too so they understand that these funds will go towards making fishing better for all anglers.

Your participation will help B.A.S.S. Conservation in their continued efforts to be an effective advocate for good fisheries management, aquatic habitat improvements, water quality protection and responsible fish care in tournament competitions.

Lake Tarpon Picnic Brought To You By Ballyhoo " The Original Grill "

This month is picnic day. We will be holding our annual picnic right after weigh-in on Saturday. Remember to ask your family to join us after the tournament for some fun and fellowship. This year the tournament will end at 2:00 so that gives us an extra hour to party! We have the main course covered but if you would like to bring a desert, none of us will complain. See you there.

A couple of weeks ago, Carol and I dropped in to Ballyhoo's in Tarpon Springs. I had the Mediterranean Mahi and Carol had the Cedar Plank Salmon. We were delighted at the service and the quality of our meals. This same restaurant will be serving our picnic lunch at Anderson park Saturday afternoon. You know how easy it is to get to Lake Tarpon, well Ballyhoo's is just as close. Located right next to the world famous sponge docks, it's a great place to end your day of shopping and exploring the banks of the Anclote River. They have a full bar, lots of ice cold adult beverages, a kid friendly environment, live music sometimes, crab legs, great appetizers, good food, and a clean place to enjoy it all. Go check them out, you'll be glad you did.

June's meeting will be Tuesday, the 9th at R J Wings N Things in Temple Terrace, located at 51st and Fowler at 7:00pm.



Month	Meeting/Tour.	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
September	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

Aug 23 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

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

September 19-20 Lake Okeechobee Scott Driver Park / Okeechobee

Florida B.A.S.S. Nation State Championship

November 7-8 TBA Central Division

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**June, July, August, and September's
Tournaments Will End At 2:00 PM**

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