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DOUG BOOTH
 2007 CLUB PRESIDENT

President's Line

Fresh from a great showing at the Jamboree, it was awesome to hear all the stories from the Memorial Day weekend. Time and time again I hear people telling me the different things that make our club great. Having over thirty members fishing a jamboree event is exciting to say the least. To finish in the top five clubs in the state is almost unheard of.

I hope everyone gets a chance to fish competitively at least once in their tenure of fishing. It's one of many exciting aspects of our sport.

Another enjoyable aspect of fishing is the giving of your time to an event such as the fishing kids. It was a great day to be on a dock with over 800 kids fishing for trout. While the trout carnage was huge, the smiles and excitement of the kids was contagious. It is one of those times that when you take a hook in the finger it doesn't hurt as much. It was also a proud moment to watch younger members become active in helping kids in their peer group with sharing their knowledge of how to unhook, untangle, thread a worm, or set a hook. And as I stood on the dock with part of our club, still others were representing Western on the water as boater/guides and tournament fisherman.

Western truly offers something for everyone!

Special Events



ANDREA LOGSTON
 2007 SPECIAL EVENTS

Iraq Care Package

Just want to thank all of you that supported this "special event" during the past year while Marc Fields has been in Iraq. The packages were very much appreciated by those in Marc's platoon. It will be great to see Marc home next month!

helped with the rigging of rods for the 800 kids that were expected to show the next day. On Saturday we had a great group come to help with the fishing part of the event which included Mike Beedle, Doug and Conner Booth, Jose and Miriam Gómez-Elegido, Chris Blandi and Susan (Chris' girlfriend), and Brock Logston. Thank you again for your great support!

CAST for Kids - Saturday, September 8th Mark your calendar!

Need volunteers to **bring their boats**. More details of this program to follow!

Fishing Kids - Saturday, June 2nd

Here's a big **THANK YOU** to all those that were able to help with this fun fishing event. On Friday night, Mike Beedle and I

Thank you for your support,
 Andrea Logston

Events Calendar

| June 2007 | | | | | | |
|---------------------------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|------------------------------|--|--|
| Sun | Mo | Tu | We | Thu | Fri | Sat |
| | | | | | 1 Fishing Kids Lake Washington | 2 Fishing Kids Lake Washington |
| 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 Fish-In Lake Sammamish |
| 10 | 11 | 12 | 13 | 14 | 15 | 16 Banks Lake Tourney |
| 17 Banks Lake Tourney | 18 | 19 | 20 | 21 General Meeting | 22 | 23 |
| 24 | 25 | 26 | 27 | 28 | 29 | 30 |

Upcoming Events

- ◆ **Fishing Kids**
Lake Washington – Gene Coulon
Park Friday June 1 - 4:00pm
Sat. June 2 -7:30 am
- ◆ **Fish - In**
Lake Sammamish
Saturday, June 9
Breakfast–Denny’s 5:00
Launch 6:30
- ◆ **Banks Tournament**
June 16-17
- ◆ **General Meeting**
Thursday, June 21

| July 2007 | | | | | | |
|--|-----------|-----------|-----------|---------------------------------|--|--|
| Sun | Mo | Tue | We | Thu | Fri | Sat |
| 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 |
| 8 | 9 | 10 | 11 | 12 | 13 Night Fish-In Lake Washington | 14 |
| 15 | 16 | 17 | 18 | 19 General Meeting | 20 | 21 |
| 22 | 23 | 24 | 25 | 26 | 27 | 28 Lake Roosevelt Jack & Jill Tourney |
| 29 Lake Roosevelt Jack & Jill Tourney | 30 | 31 | | | | |

Upcoming Events

- ◆ **Night Fish - In**
Lake Washington
Friday, July 13th
Mercer Launch 7:30 pm
- ◆ **General Meeting**
Thursday, July 19th 7:00 pm
- ◆ **Jack & Jill Tournament**
Lake Roosevelt
July 28-29

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GENERAL MEETING INFORMATION

| | |
|-----------|--|
| Date: | Third Thursday of each month (Except December) |
| Time: | 7:00 pm |
| Location: | Kennydale Community Center 2424 NE 27th St. Renton, WA |

Please feel free to visit the club website or contact a board member if you need directions or have any questions.

Club Homepage:

www.westernbassclub.com

Membership dues are \$35 per year - \$40 after March 1st for renewing members.

Dues for new members only \$35 (year round).

THE MEMBERSHIP/RENEWAL FORM IS AVAILABLE ON THE WEB SITE!



BILL HILL
2007 ENTERTAINMENT
DIRECTOR

I want to thank Nick Barr for being our guest speaker last month. Nick is a kid on the move and we are glad to have him as a member of our Western Bass

Club. Thanks again Nick.

This month we have Ron Hobbs Jr. as our guest speaker. Ron has a long list of tournament wins.

He took first place in the Lake Sammamish, "Freeze your Bass off" he also won the Washington Open on Lake Whatcom early this year and he just won the "Cast for Kids" tournament June 2nd on Lake Washington.

Ron is considered by many as one of the best anglers in our state. He is always at the top of his game in the NW

Entertainment

Bass and ABA tournaments. He is one of those unique persons who can fish out of the box. In other words, come up with something different than his competition.

He has a great mind for fishing and I have asked Ron to talk about the *Mental Attitude* toward fishing and when things are not going the way you would like, what do you do to keep a positive attitude.

Also to show us some of his "out of the box" tackle.

It is going to be a great night of learning, so come with lots of questions for Ron.

See you on the 21st.

Your Entertainment Director,
Bill Hill

May Fish-In Report



STU KARPENKO
2007 AMBASSADOR
DIRECTOR

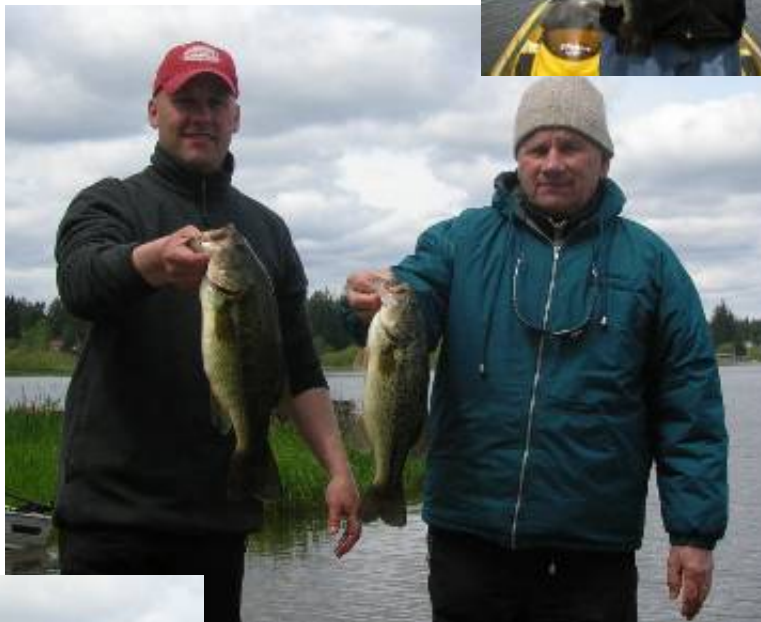
We had a great turnout and a great day of fishing at the Lake Lawrence Fish-In last month. We had 8

boats and 17 anglers.

Thanks to Brian and Bree, Chuck, Daryl, Faz, Jon W and his dad, Terry S and Russ S, José, Nightbasser and the kids, Lee, Alex, Bob B, and Jim R for coming out.

Weather was beautiful and fish were on beds, mainly at the North end of the lake in the smaller bay and along the shallow shoreline.

There were several bass in the 3-4lb range and one at 5 lbs, but Daryl took big fish again with a 8lb 4oz largemouth that you can see in the picture below.



Remember, no one stays on the dock at a Fish-In.

Everyone floats! You don't have to pre-arrange a back seat for Fish-Ins. If you pre-arrange something with your AmBASSador, that's OK, but just because your AmBASSador can't make it doesn't mean you can't go.

THE MORE THE MERRIER!

July Night Fish-In - Lake Washington

We are going to have a night Fish-In on Friday, July 13th at Lake Washington.

Meet at the Mercer Launch at 7:30 pm. We will fish until midnight and then have a little BBQ, then people can go back out until whenever. Remember to have all of your lights and emergency equipment working and batteries charged, flashlights, etc. Plan to keep your life jackets on all night – and everyone should have a backseater – pair up.

Here is some advice from Larry Sullivan from a 2004 night fish-in. (I think that was the last one we had):

“Just an idea for those who have not fished at night very much... Black buzz baits, spinnerbaits and cranks are always a must as the fish key on mass rather than color... just an idea for your shopping convenience. p.s Dull black not the glossy stuff. If you have glossy just take sandpaper to it.”

July Fish-In

When: Friday, July 13th, 2007

Where: Lake Washington

Directions to the launch:

From Hwy 405 take the I-90 towards Seattle . Take exit 8 (East Mercer Way) . At the intersection, turn left (south) onto E Mercer Way. Go back across I-90 and take the first left after the freeway on ramp. This will go down the hill to the launch . Launch fee is \$7.00

Tournament Report



JIM RUMANN
2007 TOURNAMENT
DIRECTOR

Can you believe 55 people for Potholes? The last time there were 50 people at a Western Bass Club

tournament was back in 1998 on Lake Washington. Wow, nice turnout! Mr. Larry “*Would you like to see my trophy?*” Sullivan was the winner with Lyle Longston and Bob Payseno rounding out the top three (see next page). Ladies you should be proud as well. Keri May landed the tournament’s big fish, a 5.28lb largemouth.

On to Banks Lake. Western Bass Club, what a great turnout for the Jamboree! We had over 30 people participating and seven in the top 20! Top honors go to Paige Jarrell with third place in her age division, and Brian Walker with seventh place in the adults. The club was fifth overall, with many more anglers than any other club. Western had a very good showing and our conduct was exemplary. It makes me proud to be a member.



Now onto our tournament number three at Banks Lake. Where does the time go? What will all the weights be? How many people will be there? I don’t know, but it should be fun. If you are not having fun, something needs to be changed. Fishing should always be fun; competition should never interfere with enjoying your day. Can you beat the fish with artificial lures or is the fish underneath your boat slapping his dorsal fin to his side telling lure jokes?

Big lakes like Banks can be intimidating for finding fish, but they shouldn’t be. With so many fish in Banks, there should be plenty to be had by all. Nothing can beat a good time on the water. Tournaments are supposed to be fun,

and can be used as a learning experience. If you don’t do well the first day, there are plenty of people to ask and find out what you did wrong, and what to do to have a better second day. Specifics may be a little difficult, but general information will always help.

I do have a favor to ask. For the Saturday evening potluck, there needs to be someone other than the tournament director who organizes time and place. I have too much going on to take time to run the potluck as well as the tournament. In the past it has been the top three people on the first day who organize the potluck and the BBQ. If someone has purchased all the doings for burgers, tri-tips, or brats, make sure that you pitch in for the meal. At the Jamboree, for example, one hundred dollars was spent on meat, and the person who purchased it was never reimbursed, and that gets expensive. We just need a little help and ask someone else run the BBQ. I will continue to bring my grill, but would like to have a little time to enjoy the weekend along with everyone else.

Drivers’ meeting will be 6:00 am Saturday with the blast off as soon as possible afterwards. If at all possible, have your boat in the water beforehand. Weigh in will be at 3:00 pm. Closed waters will be inside the log boom at Playland. Sunday’s blast off at 6:00 am, and weigh in at 1:00 pm. Launch site will be Coulee Playland, as most of us will be staying there. If you are not camping there, make sure you pay your launch fee.

Boat safety is a must. There were three boats that had trouble at the Jamboree. Be safe! Making it back in one piece is essential, and I am talking about your boat. If you have trouble, turn your banner inside out (green to orange), get to safe water or a beach, contact somebody, and have patience. You will be taken care of. Hopefully nobody will have any trouble.

Good times, trouble free, is what is desired for everyone.

Your tournament director,
Jim Rumann

Potholes Tournament

| Place | Standings | Total Weight |
|-------|------------------|--------------|
| 1 | Larry Sullivan | 27.81 |
| 2 | Lyle Logston | 22.52 |
| 3 | Bob Payseno | 22.28 |
| 4 | Rob Maglio | 22.02 |
| 5 | Brian Walker | 21.50 |
| 6 | Ron Hankinson | 21.41 |
| 7 | Jack Oday | 21.18 |
| 8 | Terry Steffenson | 19.90 |
| 9 | Rocky Beeman sr | 18.46 |
| 10 | Kirk Holmes | 18.33 |
| 11 | Dave Jarrell | 18.24 |
| 12 | Chuck Baily | 18.10 |
| 13 | Ray Henning | 17.06 |
| 14 | Nick Culver | 16.36 |
| 15 | Henry Dover | 14.84 |
| 16 | Troy Kelly | 13.66 |
| 17 | Larry Albert | 13.47 |
| 18 | Marry Snodgrass | 12.98 |
| 19 | Mark Maderos | 12.42 |
| 20 | Daryl Snodgrass | 12.34 |
| 21 | Brian Olsen | 12.30 |
| 22 | Jim Smith | 12.16 |
| 23 | Brandon Aberly | 12.12 |
| 24 | Matt Herera | 11.86 |
| 25 | Phil Hudgens | 11.38 |
| 26 | Jesse Poplawski | 11.26 |
| 27 | Russ Baker | 10.84 |
| 28 | Kerry May | 10.57 |



| Place | Standings | Total Weight |
|-------|--------------------|--------------|
| 29 | Brian Hudgens | 10.52 |
| 30 | Bob Brownlee | 10.20 |
| 31 | Glenn May | 9.96 |
| 32 | Carlos Trujillo | 9.12 |
| 33 | Tanner Hankinson | 9.10 |
| 34 | Alex Shoneman | 8.08 |
| 35 | Jim Rumann | 7.74 |
| 36 | Travis Pulst | 7.24 |
| 37 | Rocky Beeman jr | 7.06 |
| 38 | Megan Holmes | 5.68 |
| 39 | John Greer | 5.22 |
| 40 | Linda Weldon | 5.14 |
| 41 | Kendra Logston | 4.52 |
| 42 | Conner Hankinson | 4.14 |
| 43 | Susan Daniels | 4.02 |
| 44 | Mike Rochester | 3.92 |
| 45 | Richard Fazackerly | 3.34 |
| 46 | Chris Blandi | 3.24 |
| 47 | Chuck Pigue | 1.92 |
| 48 | Tristan Snodgrass | 1.38 |
| 49 | Dale Culver | 1.32 |
| 50 | Angie Dover | 0.00 |
| 50 | Daniel Iwameda | 0.00 |
| 50 | Dave Hendrickson | 0.00 |
| 50 | Ernest Griffin | 0.00 |
| 50 | Jeff Schroeder | 0.00 |
| 50 | José Gómez-Elegido | 0.00 |

| 2007 Western Bass Club Tournament Schedule | | |
|--|----------------|-------------|
| APRIL 28-29 | Silver Lake | Draw |
| MAY 19-20 | Potholes | Points 1 |
| JUNE 16-17 | Banks | Points 2 |
| JULY 28-29 | Roosevelt | Jack & Jill |
| AUGUST 25-26 | Lower Columbia | Points 3 |
| SEPTEMBER 22-23 | Chelan | Points 4 |
| OCTOBER 13-14 | Washington | Team |



CARLOS TRUJILLO
2007 GREETER /GREEN SLIPS

**Don't forget to get your scales verified!!
I will have the equipment at each meeting,
so bring in your scale and get it calibrated.
This must be done prior to turning in a
green slip!**

Wow! What a great month to be out on the water. We have three 8 pounders and a total of four new personal bests this month. The weather started out great and it helped kick off the spawn. I can't remember the last time we have had so many green slips in one month. As you can see the Largemouths dominated big fish for the month as well.

Chuck Bailey took home the Big fish honors with his HUGE 8lb 5oz Pig out of North Lake. For those of you that are not familiar with North Lake, it is a small no engine lake over in Federal Way. Hearing the story from Chuck I believe he caught her on a bed in a pontoon boat. Sounds like a lot of fun!

And without further ado, here are the green slips for May:

Chuck won the 5 bucks for the biggest green slip with his "MONSTER" 8.5 out of North Lake. Larry Sullivan got 5 for Big fish kitty.

I'm still collecting for our Kitty!

The "BIG Fish Kitty" is seven dollars and runs from April to October.

Also any paid member can turn in a green slip for the month as long as it was weighed on a "**certified**" scale. So **bring your scales to the meeting** and we'll get it done.

Tight lines, Carlos

| Name | Weight | SM/LM | Bait | Lake |
|--------------------|----------|-------|--------------|---------------|
| Chuck Bailey | 8lb 5oz | LM | Brush Hog | North Lake |
| Daryl Snodgrass | 8lb 4oz | LM | Unknown | Lawrence |
| Mark Brown | 8lb 2oz | LM | Senko | Sammamish |
| Brian Walker | 6lb 12oz | LM | Jig & Pig | Silver |
| Phil Hudgens | 6lb 0oz | LM | Brush Hog | Potholes |
| Dennis Larsen | 5lb 14oz | LM | Senko | Sammamish |
| Jose Gómez-Elegido | 5lb 4oz | LM | Senko | Silver |
| Stu Karpenko | 5lb 3oz | LM | Spinner Bait | Silver |
| Larry Sullivan | 5lb 2oz | LM | Senko | Lake Morton |
| Jim Rumann | 5lb 2oz | LM | Pig & Jig | Lawrence |
| Chuck Pigue | 4lb 4oz | LM | Beaver | Silver |
| Carlos Trujillo | 4lb 4oz | LM | Brush Hog | Potholes |
| Smitty | 4lb 4oz | SM | Shadrap | Washington |
| Chris Blandi | 4lb 2oz | SM | Spinner Bait | Lake Meridian |



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WESTERN BASS CLUB NEWS

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www.westernbassclub.com

June Birthdays

| | | | |
|-------------------|----|----------------------|----|
| Charlotte Bailey | 1 | Angela Choate | 18 |
| Landy Green | 3 | Ron Hankinson | 20 |
| Cliff Kuppinger | 7 | Chrystal Steffensen | 20 |
| Carmen Wischman | 8 | Kathryn Karpenko | 22 |
| David Hendrickson | 11 | Matt Herrera | 25 |
| Noah Henning | 11 | Reece Lynn Poplawski | 26 |
| Tammie Hatch | 13 | Spencer Choate | 28 |
| Traci LaRoche | 13 | Merry Larsen | 28 |
| Mary Sotherlund | 13 | Chuck Bailey | 29 |
| Terry Steffensen | 14 | Jessica Maderos | 29 |
| Mike Stahlman | 15 | Jesse Poplawski | 29 |
| Maryann Streater | 16 | Les Pickle | 30 |



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