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# HSV Anglers News

## COMMENTS FROM THE PRESIDENT

Well, the dog days of summer are upon us and for many that means the rod and reels go up until things cool off a bit. I'm sort of in that boat but if you get a chance don't pass up the opportunity to fish those few mild hours in the morning. The top-water bite is nearly always on unless the weather is remarkably bad.

For those that missed the July meeting I'd like to repeat a couple of the issues presented. It is absolutely imperative everyone understands the importance of wearing your life preserver. I know that the vest style can be very warm. I would strongly recommend the auto-inflatable type for those that find the other uncomfortable. They really do work. Just ask Mike Crews. Actually, I've tested mine once and to say they inflate quickly is an understatement.

One of my concerns has been that we don't over extend our resources when it comes to civic programs. Your club has a wonderful reputation for answering the call when manpower is needed for youth and other fishing related programs. One of those programs, the Blind Camp fishing day, is in need of both boater and co-angler help on the 21st of July. It's probably going to be the last time we ever participate in this program and it's going to be your last opportunity to experience a truly remarkable program. It is just a few morning hours with some people who, in most cases, only get to experience the thrill of a fish tugging on their line at this camp. Please contact Ralph Scantlin if you can help in any way. Our last time should be our best.

Now, one last fishing topic. From all I've heard, Nimrod is on fire. Not literally but the fish/catching is fantastic. Apparently the lake is pretty low and the bass are concentrated in the channels. It's been described to me like catching fish in a barrel. Not real challenging but a lot of fun. If you get a chance get out for some early morning top-water action anywhere. I understand the magic bait on Nimrod is a black buzz bait. No promises. You know what they say about fishermen and moving lips. See you at our next meeting in September.

## Inside News

- The next Club meeting is 7:00 pm Tuesday, September 6th at the Coronado Center. The guest speaker will be Jeremy Whiley, AG&F Wildlife Officer & a Village Police Officer trained for Lake Patrol.
- Don't forget to bring your aluminum cans to the meeting. Steve Wastel will collect the cans.
- Help, we need boaters and non-boater to take a group of sight impaired campers fishing Thursday July 21st from 7:30 – noon. This is a fun and rewarding event that I encourage you to join contact Ralph Scantlin at 501- 922-0490 or email [cleansweep14@suddenlink.net](mailto:cleansweep14@suddenlink.net)
- Ralph Scantlin Jr.'s is hosting another night team tournament Tuesday July 19th from 6:30 pm—10 pm on Lake Balboa. Entry fee is \$25 (\$20 tournament \$5 big bass) pays 2 places or 3 if 10 or more teams. Get a partner and enter, this is a fun tournament. Contact Ralph Scantlin Jr. at email — [rjwon12@gmail.com](mailto:rjwon12@gmail.com) or phone— (501) 762-5273
- The club's mentor program matches an angler familiar with local fishing techniques with anglers new to the area or unsure about how to use new techniques. Anyone that is interested in participating contact Scott McCord (phone - 915-0975 or email - [smccord222@aol.com](mailto:smccord222@aol.com) .
- Sign-up for tournaments will be prior to the Club meeting. Tournaments are scheduled for Thursday 9/8 and Wednesday 9/28.

## June Tournaments

As Kurtis said in his comments the dog days of summer have set in and the results from the two June tournaments are proof. The first tournament was a Wild Card on Monday June 13th. Twenty-four



members fished catching only 37 bass for a total weight of 65lbs 4 ounces. The first and second place anglers were the only members to bring in 5 bass limits. Kirk Bixler won 1st place with 11 lbs 4 ounces using a jig and trailer (lower left). Dave Keith was 2nd catching his 5 bass limit on jig head with a salt & pepper dead ringer (lower center). Other baits that proved successful were deep diving crank baits (upper center) and Lucky Craft Gunfish (top

right). Fishing didn't improve in the next tournament June 27th on Lake Balboa with 25 members catching 24 bass with a total weight of 41.5 pounds. First place angler Mike Crews was the only participant to bring in a 5 bass limit that weighed 11 lbs. 8 ounces. Baits that seemed to work were Texas rigged worms (lower right) in redbug (shown) , green pumpkin and watermelon red along with Carolina rig with a variety of plastic baits (upper left) and Lucky Craft Gunfish.

## Fishing Report

Lake : Pineda

Date: 7/10/16      Time: 6:30 to 9:30 am      Air Temp: 75-85      Water Temp: 85

Weather Conditions: partly cloudy      Wind: ESE @ 5-8 mph

Water Color: Clear

Area Fished: Fished points, docks and along the dam with Texas rigged redbug U-tail worm, shaky head jig with salt & pepper dead ringer worm and Pop-R top water.

**Results:** Caught 3 small bass and one about 13 inches and 3 bream. All caught on the shaky head jig off points in 8—12 feet.



# 2016 Kids Fishing Derby a Great Success

The Kids Fishing Derby hosted by the Anglers Club as part of the Village Star Spangle Celebration was a great success. We had 54 kids register and almost all caught fish. I would estimate that half of the 300 catfish stocked were caught. Many positive comments as a matter of fact I didn't hear a single complaint except of the heat so next year we'll schedule this from 8 am to 11 am. The prizes were a hit, especially the door prizes, small led flashlights in bright colors that I picked up at Walmart for a \$1 each.

We are already planning next years derby preliminarily scheduled for Saturday July 1st from 8—11 am same location.



## 2016 Star Spangle Team Tournament

The team tournament hosted by the HSV Anglers as part of the Village Star Spangle Celebration was Saturday July 2nd from 6:30—11:30 am on Lake Balboa. Fishing was tough with only one 5 bass limit caught by the ten teams entered. Bruce and Paula Zorn won 1st with 5 bass weighing 6.8 lbs. Second was Craig and Susan Schilling with 4 bass weighing 6.17 lbs and 3rd was Wayne Beach and Troy Jennings with 4 bass weighing 6.1 lbs. Big Bass weighing 2.84 lbs was caught by Ralph Scantlin Jr

