



Toledo Bend Lake Association

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UPCOMING EVENTS:

Trash PickUp

02/26/21

FEBRUARY 2021 ISSUE

Membership Update - Current concerns about Covid-19 continue to impact our efforts to gather socially and to complete the planning and execution of our 2021 Bass Unlimited Banquet. No one knows when we will be able to conduct the next membership social, but it will not be in the near future with the current upswing in Covid cases in our area. Although Covid vaccines are now being distributed, most experts are not expecting moderation in the spread of the virus for quite some time. We will resume our socials as soon as it is safe to do so. In the interim, we will do our best to keep our members informed about what is going on around the Lake through this monthly newsletter, and on the Toledo Bend Lake Association Facebook page and web-site. Our members are urged to keep safe and keep faith that we will weather these times and emerge as an active and effective organization.

This is the time for all of us to renew our TBLA memberships. There is a membership/renewal form at the end of this Newsletter for that purpose or you can do this on-line. Maintaining our membership is a challenge in this environment but it is extremely important for the ongoing health of TBLA. We thank those of you that have already renewed or joined TBLA for 2021, and hope that all of our members will choose to renew as soon as possible. TBLA is a volunteer non-profit organization and without members who generously donate their time and financial support, we could not fund or support the Lunker Program, grants, scholarships, fingerling stockings, and local school fishing programs on your behalf. TBLA needs your membership support as we work through another difficult Covid year. Please support us by renewing your membership for 2021 as soon as possible.

TBLA Board of Directors – Because of the continuing and projected future Covid restrictions, **the Board voted this week to cancel the Bass Unlimited Banquet for 2021.** The Board made this difficult decision after considering all viable options for a 2021 Banquet. We did however vote to conduct some of the fund-raising activities associated with the BU Banquet. I am happy to report that **the Board voted to move forward with the sale of the 2020 BU Posters and to conduct an on-line auction of the original BU Poster painting by Don Edwards. We also agreed to sell the 2020 BU caps, shirts, visors, and towels, and to conduct on-line auctions for several of our items that we planned to include in the live BU auction.** We will pass along the details and dates for the sales and or auctions of the posters and other items as soon as we complete the details for these activities. The board also agreed to fund a Fingerling Release for the spring/early summer of 2021. Details and dates will be communicated as soon as the Release details are finalized. Again, I want to thank all of the board members for agreeing to continue to serve TBLA. If any of our members are interested in serving on the Board in the future, please contact Gary Moore at 281-798-7131.

Volunteers Needed- TBLA volunteers are needed for our Quarterly Trash Pick Up. The next Pick-up will be on Friday, February 26th at 8:00 am, weather permitting. In the event of rain, the Trash Pick-up will be rescheduled with information posted on Facebook and the TBLA website. We will meet at the Toledo Town SCOA parking lot for sign- in and a safety briefing. Please contact Deb Pennington at 318-315-2448 or Gary Moore at 281-798-7131 to sign up ahead of time or just show up if you can make it at the last minute to help the group with this pick up. If we have at least a dozen volunteers, we should be able to cover our area in less than two hours. It will take less time with more volunteers. Please help with this volunteer opportunity.

The Glynn Carver Memorial Scholarship - Application packets for the 2021 Glynn Carver Memorial Scholarship have been posted to our website and distributed to the local School Boards and ISD's around the Lake Area. If you have a child or grandchild that is a graduating senior or who is attending college, please let them know about this \$3000 scholarship opportunity. They can access information and an application for the scholarship on our TBLA website. Applications must be submitted to Toledo Bend Lake Association, Attn.; Scholarship Committee, PO Box 1031, Many, La 71449, **by February 1, 2021**. The winner will be announced by the end of April. You can also support this annual scholarship by donating to the Glynn Carver Scholarship Fund. Contact Gary Moore at 281-798-7131 if you have any questions regarding the Scholarship.

2020 – 2021 52-Gun Raffle News – Bruce Rogers has mailed out 2021/2022 Raffle tickets for purchase during the first week of January. If you did not purchase a raffle ticket last year but would like to do so for the new year, please contact Bruce Rogers. Also, If you have any questions regarding the 52-gun raffle drawings, please contact Bruce Rogers by phone: 281-543-0184 or email: bruce.rogers@hughes.net.

2020 – 2021 TBLA 52-Gun Raffle Winners			
Date of Award	Guns	Number	Winner
12/25/20	No La State Pick 3 number on Christmas Day	no pick 3 number	This Gun moved to Friday 4/9/21
01/01/21	Ruger American .308 Rifle	971	Jesse Johnson
01/08/21	Mossberg Patriot 6.5 Creedmoor w scope	040	Bryant Flick
01/15/21	Remington 870 Express 12 ga Shotgun	855	Doug McClung

Lake Level - The Lake level is important to those with an interest in Toledo Bend. SRA continues to hold the lake at or near their planned winter pool level near 168msl. After previous weeks' rains, the lake has risen to 169.5 and SRA is generating to get the level back to near 168. Please be careful when boating on the lake at this time. Many stumps are visible but many more are just below the surface at these levels. Real-time lake level information can be found online at <https://waterdata.usgs.gov/monitoring-location/08025350/>. This information is updated every fifteen minutes. The surface temperature on the main lake is running 48-51 degrees at the time of this writing.

The Sabine River Authority's guidelines for opening and closing the spillway gates appear in their *Operating Guide Rule Curve* document. This document can be found at <http://www.srala-toledo.com/page.aspx?menuId=28>.

Please help us by paying your dues for **2021** or by asking a neighbor or friend to join us at TBLA. Please use this form to sign them up or to renew your membership for **2021**.

TOLEDO BEND LAKE ASSOCIATION 2021 MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL OR APPLICATION.

Name (including spouse): _____

Business Name: _____

Street Address: _____

City, State, Zip Code: _____

Telephone (home): _____ Cell: _____

Email Address: _____

2021 Dues Please check one: _____ Individual (\$10.00) _____ Couple (\$15.00)

_____ Business 1 yr. (\$25.00) _____ Business 10 yrs. (\$200.00)

Please indicate method of payment: Cash: _____ Check number: _____ PayPal: _____ Date: _____

*Make check payable to TBLA or Toledo Bend Lake Association and be sure to mark it as **2021** dues. Bring to our Social or mail to: Toledo Bend Lake Association, P.O. Box 1031, Many, LA 71449. You can also pay your membership dues through PayPal on the JOIN US page of the TBLA website at www.toledobendlakeassociation.com.