



To the members of the Cape Coral Bass Club

After almost a two month hiatus from tournament fishing, the Cape Coral Bass Club board has elected to resume operations beginning in June. Because the pandemic is far from being over, there are several changes that are being put in place that will be strictly adhered to in order to protect our members while conducting a successful event.

There will be no meeting in June. Therefore it is most important that you review the club schedule and make your plans accordingly. Lori will begin accepting payment for all of the events for the month of June by mail. Order received is order of draw. She will place an attachment to this memo. Please understand, the club tournament on June 13th and 14th are two single day tournaments meaning points will be earned for each day and the entry fee for each of those days will be \$30.00 or \$60.00 for the weekend. We also have a team trail and an open as well.

Please review the new protocols that will be put in place. The board feels this will make our event safer without being too obtrusive. The following applies:

- While face masks are not mandatory, it is strongly suggested. It is for your safety. Many of us will continue using them including me.
- Social distance at 6 feet
- Upon arrival at the ramp, launch your boat, park your trailer, and go to the staging area of the lake. Congregating will not be allowed.
- While it is suggested you mail in your entry fee, you can sign up at the ramp. If you mail your entry, you can include the \$5 big bass fee (or \$10 for the two day). Big bass at the ramp is cash only.
- If you are a single entry, I will be the designated driver to help you launch your boat and remove it from the water. I will be masked, gloved and have wipes.
- Launch numbers will be drawn at the ramp by Dave Cramer after all the boats are launched and he will announce your position when he conducts the pre-tournament announcement.

- At the end of the tournament, only six boats will be allowed out. NO EXCEPTIONS. Those being Dave Cramer, Mike/Marty Robinson/Jon Black/Jim Lewis/John Belcastro and I. All others will remain in the water until their launch number is called beginning at 1. This will allow us to setup up the scales and begin the weigh in procedures.
- As each number is called, when you retrieve your boat, you will pull to a designated location next to the scales. One person must remain in the boat. If you don't have a driver, that is where I come in. I will pull you out. If you have a non-boater, he//she can exit the vehicle to retrieve their fish. The person in the boat will place the fish into a **club** bag, hand them off to a designated person. The fish will be weighed, someone will release your fish for you and you will then proceed away and prep your boat to exit the location.
- As the launch vehicle pulls up the ramp to the scales, the next launch vehicle in line will begin to back down the ramp and so forth.
- As there will be no congregating before or after the tournament, there will be no post tournament announcements. Lori will post the results as soon as she finds time. We ask that you leave as soon as you can. If you think you might be in contention for side pot big bass, you can remain nearby. If someone in the pot weighs a larger bass, you will be advised and you can leave. Side pot big bass will be paid at the ramp.

These procedures will continued until further notice. Some changes may be made at a later date such as boat draw in the event meetings are resumed. We hope in the near future this pandemic becomes nothing more than a bad memory but until then we want our members to have fun without comprising their safety and well-being,

Respectfully,

Mike Oler
President