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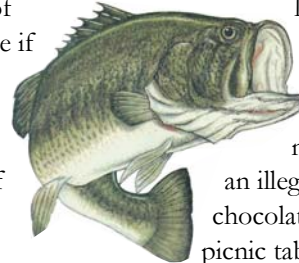
- **Next meeting will be on September 12, 6:30 p.m., at Elmer's in Medford (Next to food-4-Less). We will be pairing for Crane Prairie. Bring the whole Family.**

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Tahkenitch, Back to the coast

No doubt, Crater Bass has fished Tahkenitch more than any other lake and this weekend marked the fourth time the club has embarked on her waters. The coast is an awesome place to fish in the summer primarily because of the record heating we've been seeing in the Rogue Valley. With temperatures around 100 in the valley predicted for the weekend, the 70 degree high temps were greatly appreciated. Saturday morning, we were met with fog and I was told from many people that they enjoyed it; including myself. Moving ahead to weigh in the team of Duke Barris and Shawna "I don't care if I'm in the six-pound-club cause it's my biggest fish to date" Dunn took home first place honors with an impressive bag of 16.66 lbs. Topped off by Shawna's personal best of 6.13 which was also big fish Saturday/



weekend and coincidentally ties Bob Moore's Smallmouth of 6.13 for this years largest fish brought to the scales. Could you imagine a pair of those in your livewell? Congratulations Shawna!! Second place honors goes out to the team of Travis Glass and Bill Pierce. Their five+ fish bag weighed in at 11.04 anchored by Bill's 3.94 lb. Personal best. Congratulations Bill! Third Place honors goes to the Team of Jim and Kristen Rainey. Their five+ fish bag weighed in at 10.81 lbs. Topped off by Jim's 2.40 pounder. After the weigh in a wonderful lasagna potluck was put on by everyone. A big thanks to everyone who brought something or helped out. Special note: I truly believe that there's an illegal substance in the "death by chocolate" desert dish that was on the picnic table, it was addicting. <((((><

Tahkenitch Day 2

Wow! I never knew you could get a chocolate hangover but I had one. I was suffering from chocolate DT's and had to satisfy the urge with a Snickers bar chased down by a cup of coffee at 6 in the morning. I'm now enrolled into a chocolate's anonymous 10 step program... On a serious note, Tahkenitch has proven to bring in more "big fish" than any other lake Crater Bass fishes. More personal best's are met at Tahkenitch than any other lake we've been at. Heading into weigh in. The team of Travis Glass and Bill Pierce took home top honors Sunday with a five fish bag of 13.71 lbs. Nailed down by Travis's 4.80 lb. Big jaw. Second place goes out to the team of Rod Robertson and "Big Dog" Brady Dunn. Their five+ fish forced the scales to 13.13 pounds anchored down by Rod's 5.15 lber. Rod's fish was

also big fish for Sunday. Third place honors goes out to Lonnie and Debbie Johnson. Their quality four fish bag pushed the scales to 10.67 topped off by Lonnie's 4.83 pounder.

Tahkenitch in August turned out to be a great weekend and no mishaps except for it set the club record for the most broken fishing rods with 4. Rod Robertson, Debbie Johnson, Eric Anderson, and Travis Glass all broke one of their favorite rod's. Can I get a moment of silence? A big club thank you goes out to Richard Gallegos for helping Jim Rainey out on the way home. To the best of my knowledge, Jim now holds the record for all bass clubs in flat tires with 3. Jim not only used his spare on the way over but had to use Richard's on the way home because of another flat! Talk about bad luck. <((((><

Knowledge is power!

Well folks, Tahkenitch has threatened the six pound club like no other lake. Every Crater tournament fished at Tahkenitch has brought in a fish over 5.50 pounds, 2 of which were in the six pound range and one in the eight pound range.

Now, the moment you've all been waiting for, the info that keeps em' coming back for more, (drum roll please) here is yoourr....

Fisher-mation.

82 (eighty-two) fish were brought to the scales. 107 (one hundred-seven) keeper fish were reported caught. 60 (sixty) 56% of the fish were caught on Senco's, ranging from Black/Blue, Pumpkin, and watermelon/red flk. Topped off the list. 18 (eighteen) 17% of the fish were caught on Jig's mostly black and blue. 17 (seventeen) 16% of the fish were caught on spinnerbaits. White. 7 (seven) 6% of the fish were caught on Whooley hog tail's. 2 (two) 2% were caught on Brushog's. Crank-

bait, Yumdinger, Jerkbait all caught 1 (one) each. 1% each. No fish were reported on the banana lure that was fished early, shallow, and at the dock. (joke)

82 fish for 151.92 lbs. were brought to the scales for a nice 1.85 average, compared to last years Tahkenitch of 71 for 121.09 lbs. a 1.70 lb. average. Ironically though 71 fish for 131.61 lbs were brought to the scales at Tenmile for an identical 1.85 average However, Tahkenitch was a bonus fish tournament and 8 bonus fish were caught out of 22 team days and that drives down the total avg. Tahkenitch August '06 ranks second in total weight brought in; only to June's Crane Prairie of 167.79 lbs.

Staggeringly, 55 of the 107 caught (over half) were caught in the 5 mile arm!! Followed by Mallard, Trestles, adjacent to 5 mile, and the north arm in that order. Almost unanimous wood was the pattern followed by pads and weed lines in that order. <'((((><

Tip of the Month- Cleaning off those sticky labels

I had to take a sticker off the fiberglass on my boat. I didn't want to use nail polish remover on the fiberglass or scrape it with a razor. So I pulled the label off and then soak the left over glue and residue on the fiberglass with WD40. To my surprise, it wiped off easily with a rag.

*Dave Shadwick
Tennessee
Source- BBC*

“It's your gamble”

Applegate, September 16/17

Crater Bass will heading to Applegate, September 16/17, for an annual fun tournament. This year it's called "The same Bag tournament". The way it's going to work is everyone is going to receive two bags with the same numbers on them. That number will be your number (for tracking purposes to ensure that you will get your bag on Sunday). You will need to take those two bags and fill them as close as you can with tackle and staple it closed. Keep in mind that you will be fishing with one of the bags on Sunday. Your bag will be collected at the lake and one will be placed into a Saturday basket and the other into a Sunday basket at random. At the lake you will "pull" a numbers to see which bag

you get to fish with on Saturday. Sunday you will receive your own bag that you put together. For those of you who are devious, if you load one bag with good stuff and the other with junk, you'll have a 50/50 chance of having to fish with the junk on Sunday. It's your gamble. The contents that you put into the bag will be finalized at the meeting but will be will probably be something like this: 1 Jig, 1 Crankbait, Jerkbait, or Topwater, 1 Spinnerbait, 4 worms, and 4 tubes. Load these lures in each of your bags and staple closed. We will be drawing numbers for your Saturday bag on Friday at the ramp but you won't receive the bag till blast off. Bring all your tournament tackle i.e. Hooks, weights, darter head hooks, scents, etc. But other lures can be fished with. More info Tues. <'((((><

OVERALL WEEKEND TOURNAMENT TROPHY WINNERS

- ★ 1st Place Duke Barris and Shawna Dunn
- ★ 2nd Place Travis Glass and Bill Pierce
- ★ 3rd Place Rod Robertson and Richard Gallegos/Brady Dunn
- ★ Big Fish Prize Shawna Dunn
- ★ Worst Luck Jim Rainey... do you have stock in Les Schwab?

The Skinny on Applegate

Ok guys, Applegate could be kind of dicey when it comes to the boat ramp. Right now Hartish Park (that's where we camp at) is closed but we have the key. We are hoping to launch from the ramp at Hartish but it's going to be close as far as the ramp still in the water. Plan B; if we can't launch from Hartish we will have to drive past the park up to Copper boat launch but here's the kicker, Copper is about 5 feet lower than Hartish and it flattens out like a parking lot, meaning, you would have to have a long trailer tongue to launch. Plan C would be to launch at the French Gulch boat ramp however,

there's a gate in front of the road and the road to the ramp is littered with debris (wood) from the receding water from June that would take a Cat to move. If we can get launched from any ramp we will be tying the boats up at Hartish Park area and blasting off from there. The dock should still be floating. (hopefully). Plan D we will be talking about on Tuesday. We will try to get up to the lake to monitor the level to see where we are at if we have to make the call for Plan D and notify everyone.

Rotation Order

- #1 Jordan Rosenburg
- #2 Jim Ulrey
- #3 Bill Pierce
- #4 Dave Plume
- #5 Zach Northouse
- #6 Scott Heroux

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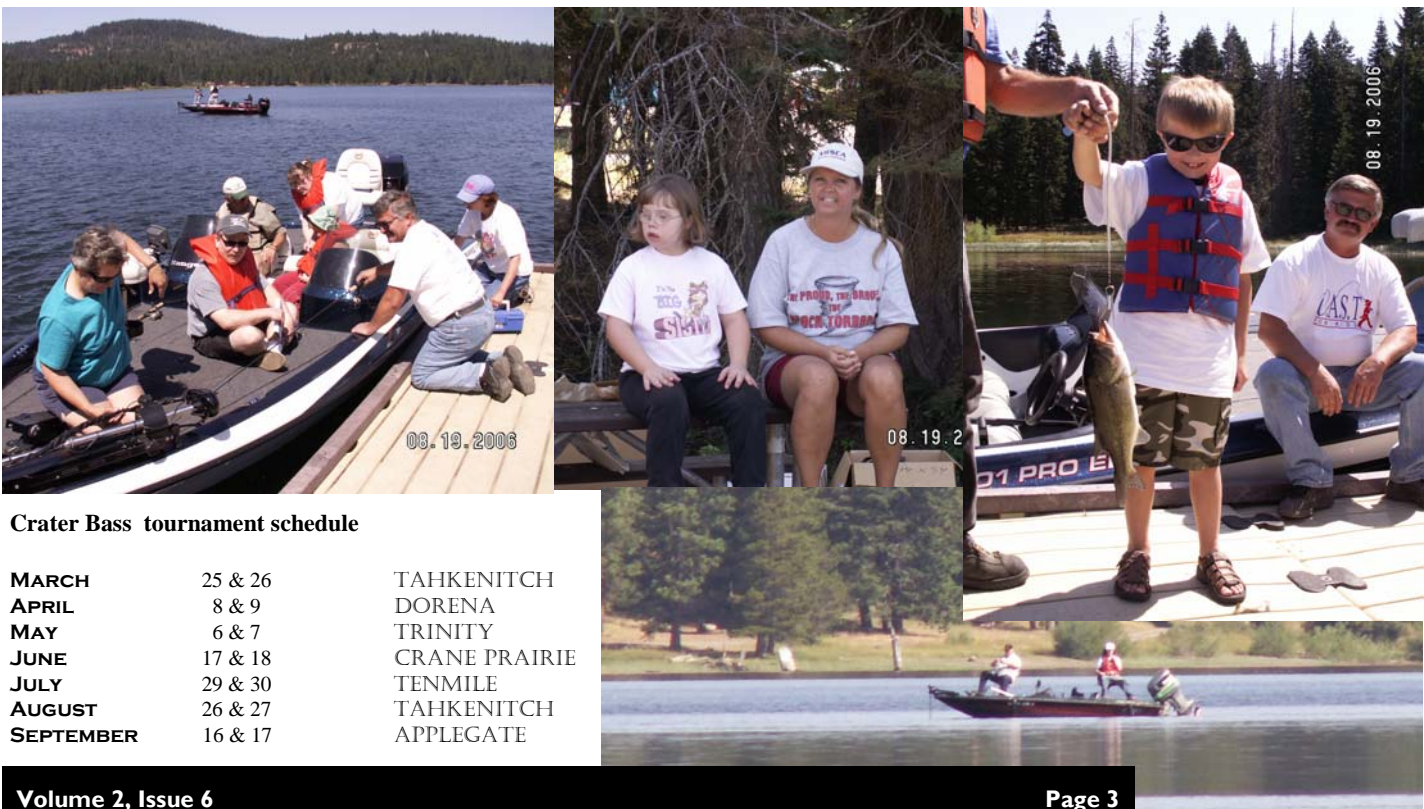
C.A.S.T. for kids

The cast for kids this year was a great success and I would like to personally thank the following volunteers,

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|-----------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|----------------------------------|
| TRAVIS GLASS | BOB MOORE | BRIGETTE MOORE | SHAWNA DUNN |
| ROD ROBERTSON | BRADY DUNN | BOB RYAN | KRISTAN RAINEY |
| JIM RAINEY | JIM ULREY SR. | LISA ULREY | JIM ULREY JR. |
| LONNIE JOHNSON | DEBBIE JOHNSON | DUKE BARRIS | TAMERA (friend of Lisa's) |

Sixteen volunteers associated with Crater Bass came out to help with the kids and the boats. 12 boats total were there to take the kids out and 9 of them were from Crater Bass. The National Director for C.A.S.T for kids was there and gave top praises for our club. I have received emails from parents of the kids and believe me, Crater Bass made the difference.

We have a wonderful club, one to be proud of, and you should be proud of yourself...our community is!



Crater Bass tournament schedule

MARCH	25 & 26	TAHKENITCH
APRIL	8 & 9	DORENA
MAY	6 & 7	TRINITY
JUNE	17 & 18	CRANE PRAIRIE
JULY	29 & 30	TENMILE
AUGUST	26 & 27	TAHKENITCH
SEPTEMBER	16 & 17	APPLEGATE

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The Wrap Sheet

NAME	TARG1		TARG2		LAKE TAHKENITCH				MONTH				AUGUST				BONUS_Y		PREV.PTS	TOTAL PTS	#M	#P
	#fsh1	BIGFSH 1	day1 lbs	pnty	#fsh2	BIGFSH 2	day2 lbs	pnty	Total lbs	plc1	plc2	pts1	pts2	T1	T2	M	PJCT	SUBT				
BILL PIERCE	6	3.94	11.04		5	0.00	13.71		24.75	2nd	1st	49	50			5		104	226	330	5	2
BOB MOORE	0	0.00	0.00		3	1.93	3.67		3.67	10th	8th	41	43			5	5	94	520	614	8	3
BOB RYAN	6	0.00	7.82		4	2.18	5.45		13.27	6th	6th	45	45			5	**	95	519	614	8	4
BRADY DUNN					6	0.00	13.13		13.13		2nd		49			5	**	54	474	528	8	4
BRIGITTE MOORE	0	0.00	0.00		3	0.00	3.67		3.67	10th	8th	41	43			5	5	94	323	417	8	2
CHRIS CONNER	6	0.00	6.00		0	0.00	0.00		6.00	7th	10th	44	41			5		90	324	414	7	2
DAVE PLUME																		0	296	296	1	
DEBBIE JOHNSON	2	0.00	5.11		4	0.00	10.67		15.78	8th	3rd	43	48			5	5	101	316	417	7	2
DON PFAFF									0.00									0	103	103	1	
DUKE BARRIS	6	0.00	16.66		5	2.67	10.03		26.69	1st	4th	50	47			5	**	102	509	611	8	4
ERIC ANDERSEN	3	2.53	4.97		4	3.29	7.57		12.54	9th	5th	42	46			5		93	419	512	6	1
GREG GLASS																		0	412	412	5	
JACOB WALL																5		5	94	99	3	
JIM RAINEY	6	2.40	10.81		3	2.82	5.24		16.05	3rd	7th	48	44			5	**	97	513	610	8	4
JIMMY ULREY JR.	6	2.26	8.62		0	0.00	0.00		8.62	5th	10th	46	41			5	10	102	413	515	7	1
JIM ULREY SR.	6	0.00	8.62		0	0.00	0.00		8.62	5th	10th	46	41			5	10	102	203	305	3	1
JORDAN ROSENBERG																		0	214	214	5	
KRISTEN RAINEY	6	0.00	10.81		3	0.00	5.24		16.05	3rd	7th	48	44			5	10	107	117	224	6	1
LONNIE JOHNSON	2	3.38	5.11		4	4.83	10.67		15.78	8th	3rd	43	48			5	**	96	331	427	8	5
MARY STOKES																		0	101	101	3	
NIEL SHAW	3	0.00	4.97		4	0.00	7.57		12.54	9th	5th	42	46			5		93	532	625	8	3
PERRY NORTHOUSE																		0	20	20	4	
RICHARD GALLEGOS	6	2.58	9.40	1	1	1.02	1.02		10.42	4th	9th	47	42			5		94	203	297	6	
ROD ROBERTSON	6	2.58	9.40	1	6	5.15	13.13		22.53	4th	2nd	47	49			5	5	106	312	418	7	2
SCOTT HEROUX	6	1.68	7.82		4	0.00	5.45		13.27	6th	6th	45	45			5		95	305	400	7	1
SHAWNA DUNN	6	6.13	16.66		5	0.00	10.03		26.69	1st	4th	50	47			5	5	107	213	320	7	2
STEVE WALL																5		5	94	99	3	
TRAVIS GLASS	6	0.00	11.04		5	4.80	13.71		24.75	2nd	1st	49	50			5	10	114	515	629	7	1
TRISTAN MOORE									0.00							5		5	231	236	7	2
TYLER COOK	6	2.12	6.00		0	0.00	0.00		6.00	7th	10th	44	41			5		90	306	396	8	
ZACH NORTHOUSE									0.00									0	302	302	6	

M=monthly meeting points *credited back meeting pts. PJCT= project points **Maximum amount met

#M= total meetings attended to date T1,T2= target 1st/2nd day #P= total projects pnty=dead fish penalty