



NEWS

JUNE 2021

50th Year of Fishing, Friends and Fun

MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

Zoé Gardner



Well, I was close with my prediction (missed it by one month). June 1st will be our last Zoom General Membership meeting. I will send the link via email closer to the date. And then, come July we will be back at the La Mesa Adult Enrichment Center. We will still have

rules to abide by regarding COVID and being indoors. I will have more details before that meeting.

I do not have a Bass Council report as we were off to Havasu, and it was going to be a short meeting anyway. I try not to drift into any other Board member's swim lane when it comes to newsletter articles, but this is a matter of Bassmaster history. Yes, even after 50 years we're still making history. Congratulations to Mr. Nick "Four in a Row" Meyer. For those of you not following the standings, I'm talking about 4 tournament wins in a row. I looked back over our history books that were created for our milestone anniversary years. NOBODY has ever done four in a row. Nick, you are amazing. That is some great work!

I close this article knowing we have a 3-day weekend coming up. Let's enjoy our friends and family, but let's also take a moment to be grateful to the men and women who sacrificed everything for the freedom we enjoy. Have a safe Memorial Day, and we'll see everyone on Tuesday at 7pm via Zoom.

**June
General Meeting
June 1st
via Zoom at 7 p.m.
(link to follow in email)**

*Farewell to a former
member...*



Donald Webber

September 26, 1937 – May 12, 2021

The following snippets were excerpted with permission from "Jack Tar and the Baboon Watch: A Guide to Curious Nautical Knowledge for Landlubbers and Sea Lawyers Alike" by our own BoatUS Magazine contributing editor, Frank Lanier

The roots of many phrases and words we use every day can be traced to a life afloat. Here's a smattering of nautical sayings that have come ashore over the years.



Illustrations: Jeffrey Moores

Posh

The late 19th and early 20th centuries witnessed the birth of the golden age of travel. Huge, opulent luxury liners began crossing the globe, all constructed to provide the wealthy of the day a means of traveling about in style — meals equal to the world's finest hotels, orchestras for dancing, a small army of stewards to wait on passengers hand and foot. One perk available for those willing to shell out a little extra was found aboard the P&O steamship line, a major shipping company of the day serving China and India. Well-heeled travelers always requested the cooler cabins located on the shady side of the ship while crossing the Indian Ocean, cabins that P&O charged a premium for in addition to the already substantial fare.

As port was the shady side on the outbound leg (with starboard being the sought-after side on the return or inboard portion of the trip) passengers who requested such cabins had the letters POSH (port outward, starboard homeward) printed on their tickets, introducing a new word for elegant or fashionable into the English language.

Scuttlebutt

The scuttlebutt was a small cask (called a "butt") of water placed on deck each day for members of the crew to drink from, normally by dipping a chained tin mug through a small hole, or scuttle, cut into the barrel's side. The men could drink as often as they liked but were allowed only one cup per trip to conserve water. Another conservation practice was doing away with the scuttle entirely, with the crew

drinking from the cask via an old musket barrel shoved through the bung.

As noise had to be kept to a minimum on deck (so commands and orders could be heard) and belowdecks as well (where off-watches were trying to sleep), the scuttlebutt was one of the few common areas where a sailor could relax while mulling over the day's events with fellow Tars. As such, the word itself eventually came to mean "rumors" or "gossip."

Square meal

A solid, hearty meal said to be derived from the square wooden platters hot meals were served upon aboard ship in good weather.

Toe the line

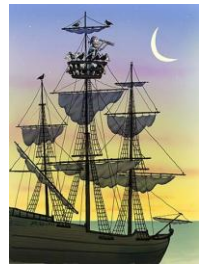
Sailors called to muster were told by the bosun to "toe the line," meaning they were to form up in a straight line, toes to one of the ship's deck seams.

Touch and go

Often used to describe a tricky or delicate situation, this phrase refers to a ship touching bottom with her keel but being able to continue without grounding solidly. It especially highlights those suspenseful few seconds all boat owners experience at some point — that period of alternating curses and prayers between touching bottom and reaching the safety of deeper water.

Windfall

Used to describe an unexpected stroke of good fortune, this is another popular term that has its roots in nautical language. During Britain's emergence as a growing naval power, the crown proclaimed all standing trees of a certain size located within His Majesty's realm belonged to the Admiralty to ensure an adequate supply of wood for shipbuilding. Landowners were forbidden to touch trees so designated. However if one was blown down via an act of God, the owner was free to claim and use this wind fall as he saw fit.



Editor's Note: This is the end of the nautical terms still used in our everyday conversations.

TOURNAMENT TRAIL

Cole Wright



Hello San Diego Bassmasters. We just finish up Lake Havasu May 7th-8th tournament. Nick Meyer took the win with a total of 37.65. Nick also set a new San Diego Bassmasters win record with four wins in a row. Great job, Nick...keep it going. I

also want to thank my Great weigh-in team for doing an awesome job for both days. Our next tournament is June 19th at lake El Capitan and it will be a 6 hour tournament. Gates should open around 5:30am by the time everyone gets on the water it be close to 6:00am, weigh-in time will be 12:00pm. I will let everyone know where we will have are weigh-in setup at when the parings come out.

Big Winners at Havasu



2nd-Josh Buller 1st- Nick Meyer 3rd- Brent Kearney

Approved Schedule for 2021

January 30 th	El Capitan (fun)
February 27 th	Otay
March 19 th & 20 th	Mohave
April 17 th	Otay
May 7 th & 8 th	Havasu
June 19 th	El Capitan lake (6 hours)
July 23 rd	San Vicente (6 hours night)
August 21 st	El Capitan (6 hours night)
September 11 th	El Capitan (6 hours)
October 1 st & 2 nd	Lower Colorado River
November 6 th	San Vicente
TBD	Tournament of Champions



TREASURER'S MESSAGE

Brian Goodell



What a fun tournament Havasu was. Despite continuing my run of poor results, I had a blast out there and caught a lot of fish! Our account balance is currently \$13,717.17. A few of you have fallen a bit behind on dues. I know it's easy to forget without in person meetings, but please try to stay current. You can venmo me @Brian-Goodell-2 or mail a check to me at 8600 Lemon Ave apt 10, La Mesa 91941. Looking forward to our next tournament at El Cap, and I hope the bite is as good as I've heard it's been.



Editor's Note: If you have any fishing, camping or outdoor items you would like to sell, send your information to me and I will post it in the monthly newsletter.

VICE PRESIDENT’S MESSAGE

Ed Byrd



Cheryl and I are still in Havasu trying to get repairs done to our home here. Back over two months ago, a irrigation pipe in a wall developed a small leak less than the size of a pinhole. It has been quite a problem to get the insurance adjusters to agree on the amount that should be paid to get the house repaired. Hopefully the repairs will begin soon.

It looks like in person meetings have been pushed back to July. The next Zoom meeting (June 1st), I'll discuss the survey that I sent out to everyone back last month. At this time, a little less than half the membership has taken it. Be sure to click the "Submit" button at the end of the survey. If you haven't filled it out please do as it affects what events are scheduled for the rest of the year, and the banquet. To those who haven't responded yet, I've sent out a survey to you. It's your chance to have your opinion counted!

See you at El Cap!

MEMBERSHIP NEWS

Greg Gardner



Hello, San Diego Bassmasters. Currently we are at 41 members. We also have:
1 Family
3 Inactive
17 At Large
8 Lifetime
8 Honorary

2 Prospective

The two prospective are:
Lee Jerry. Lee has been pre and tournament fished, and has been approved to be voted on for membership at our next meeting.

Anthony Meyer (no relation that I know of). I spoke with this young man and he is very enthusiastic about joining our club.

So with these two we could go up to 43. Roy Andrews was voted in at our last meeting and did not hesitate to pick up tournament points at Lake Havasu. Watch out for him. With that "Go Get 'Em" attitude that I saw he could be a pretty good fisherman. Welcome to our club, Roy!

See you at the next meeting on June 1st.

IMPORTANT DATES THIS MONTH

GENERAL MEETING 7 P.M. via Zoom ... JUNE 1ST

BOARD MEETING 6 P.M. at Gardner's .. JUNE 15TH

TOURNAMENT at EL CAPITAN (6 hrs).. JUNE 19TH

**San Diego Bassmasters General Meeting
April 27, 2021 (May meeting) via Zoom**



The San Diego Bassmasters general meeting for May was called to order by President Zoé Gardner at 7:00PM on Zoom. (approx. 32 in attendance)

Greg Gardner – Membership Chair: Skip Whitworth would like to rejoin the club. He resigned and has been inactive for two years. Board approved him to rejoin. Membership voted and Skip will rejoin the club. Guest tonight Roy Andrews. Kenny Louis pre-fish Roy Andrews. He spoke about himself and his desire to join our club. Roy was placed in the waiting room and Kenny Louis spoke about fishing with him. Brent Kearny pre-fished him and Greg gave Brent's report. Dina will send out a survey monkey for the vote and we will let him know the results tomorrow.

Lee Jerry was pre and tournament pre-fished. We will vote on him next time as he is not here. Frank reached out to Mike Lupo by phone to try to reach Lee and let him know to join the meeting so we can vote on him, or he won't be able to fish Havasu. With Skip added, we are at 40 active members.

Zoé Gardner - Bass council report: At this time the Bass Council has combined \$13,976 with \$554 in expenses this month.

Bassmasters are hoping for a June meeting in La Mesa at the senior center. We will need to mask up and no snacks except our own water.

Ed Byrd – Vice President: Ed will send out a survey to see if we want other social events this year, and if we want a serve or buffet dinner at the banquet. Jeff Carpenter says we could check for vaccines, then we could have more events. Some are not getting a vaccine, so that is a consideration.

Cole Wright – Tournament Director: Our Otay tournament results:

3rd – John Williamson with 14.95lbs and big fish of 6.56lbs.

2nd – Inder Lopez with 15.58lbs.

1st – Nick Meyer with 16.21lbs.

The winners spoke about their day.

Cole has a sign-up sheet for Havasu on the 7th-8th. He read the pairings. The tournament meeting will be in the tackle store parking lot Thursday evening at 5:00PM. Pay there for the \$5 per boat per day for the release boat, plus \$5 per day per person for the big fish pot. When you come in, bring your boat in, and then get a bag and bring your fish in, then to the release boat as to not crowd the docks. We will be at the cabana at the south side of Windsor for weigh-in.

Joe DeSalvo posted the new Federal Rules for cut-off switches in the chat. Switch must be on at all times when the big motor is running/on plane. Our rule was just during the tournament. Now you must have it on all the time. They will be enforcing this! You can google cut-off switch rules to find the information. Cole will send that out in his emails.

You must be out of the buoy line at the marina and the gas docks. We will take over at about 5:50-6:00AM. Make sure your life jackets and running lights are on.

Keith asked about why the club can't pay for the release boat. Zoé told about the reason we started using it. A few years ago, we had many dead fish swept back into the marina by the wind, and our club's name was associated with it. Discussion was had. Frank moved we vote on whether we pay for the release boat. Yes for club pays, no for individuals pay. Keith seconded. Vote was taken and motion was defeated.

Brian Goodell – Treasurer: We currently have \$12,797. All our big-ticket items are yet to come. Keep paying your dues.

Venmo to pay dues: Brian-Goodell-2. Address for mailing dues: 8600 Lemon Ave. Apt 10, La Mesa Ca 91941.

Cheryl Byrd – Newsletter: Cheryl thanked the board for getting articles in a week early this month, and Ed for his technical assist. If you have something to advertise in the newsletter, contact Cheryl.

Cheryl Byrd moved and Greg Gardner seconded that the minutes from April be approved. Motion passed.

Dina sent out the survey monkey to vote on our newest perspective member, Roy Andrews.

Frank reported on the committee to raise awareness with the city about our lakes. The person that runs El Capitan took it upon herself to get the dock fixed/repared. Frank's committee is trying to get the road to El Capitan repaired. We can get it done if we get their permission to do it. Frank feels we are building a presence with them. The Department of Public Utilities has always handled the lakes, but we are trying to get it moved to Parks and Rec. They are trying to specifically make it better for the fishing community. Jim Sleigh shared that he met with Brian Norris and Kim Bernstein, the lake managers. A new company, the Garcia Brothers, will now be handling boats at the lakes. They discussed the special use area at San Vicente. They hope this season they will have a trial to open the shoreline to fishing even when they are using the area. This will be on a trial basis. Stay off plane and follow the rules so we can open this for us. Trout planting at San V and Murray is going to happen. The committee will help in some way with the cost. This hopefully will increase fishing in months that are slow.

Having no further old or new business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:06PM.

Respectfully Submitted,
Janice Marr Eisner
Secretary

