



NEWS

February 2022

51 Years of Fishing, Friends, and Fun!

MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

Bruce Smith



Hello to all the San Diego Bassmasters out there!

We are in the midst of winter time bass fishing in all of its frigid glory. Keep those baits small and moving slow if you want to get some bites.

This past week, January 15th, we had the annual practice tournament at Lower Otay. It was a cold, wet and windy day. Fishing was a slow grind and the end of the day weights showed this. Thank you to all that attended, in the end there were plenty of laughs at each other for staying out and fishing through the onslaught of weather mother nature threw at us.

Our next general membership meeting has been moved to **Tuesday, January 25th** due to the proximity of the February tournament on the 4th and 5th. I'm really looking forward to this February tournament out of Fisher's landing. The past two local tournaments held there over the previous weekends have produced a number of 20+lb limits and with this warming trend we are having it could prove to be a real slug fest for the Bassmasters. Make sure you sign up and attend this contest!

A couple of items for your calendar.

Chili cook off, Postponed due to Covid increase. Date to be determined later.

Family Picnic, June 18th

End of the year Banquet, December 17

We will have a few items to talk about at the meeting, hope to see everyone in attendance. Sincerely, Bruce

VICE PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Nick Meyer



Hello Bassmasters!

Well, 2022 season started off with lovely weather at the Fun Tournament. I don't think any of us were prepared for the weather that we ended up with. Congrats to Bruce for taking the win. This year is going to be a fun year. A couple updates for Club events:

- June 18th- Family picnic at Dos Picos County Park in Ramona
- December 17th 2022 Banquet

Regina has sent out save the date reminders for the Chili Cook-off, so please disregard the mailers and the date for now. Thank you, Regina, for all your help! We are going to be doing it a little differently this year so stand by for details in future newsletters. Thank you for your understanding during these trying times.

We are trying to come up with more ways to raise money for the club to keep up with the ongoing inflation of everything. Any help with raffle prizes is greatly appreciated. If you need ideas feel free to reach out to Victoria or Regina!

Good luck at the river everyone! Nick

**TOURNAMENT DIRECTOR
Cole Wright**



Hello San Diego Bassmasters. Our January 15th Fun Tournament at lake Otay just finished up. Bruce Smith took home the win with 5 fish weighing in at 9.32 pounds. Our next tournament we have

all been waiting for is coming up February 4th & 5th at the Lower River. You don't want to miss this tournament as there will be some big weights. Your last day to sign up for the Lower River will be January 25th at the General Meeting. If you can't make the general meeting, please let me know and I will put you down on the sign-up sheet. Jim Sleight will be filling in for me at the general meetings. Jim will have the sign-up sheet for you guys and girls available at the January 25th meeting.

Back to the February tournament, there will be a tournament meeting at Fisher's Landing restaurant at the back porch nearest the water at 5:00pm Thursday February 3rd. If you can, please attend the meeting. I will send an email out about the local rules, off limit areas and what time I would like you on the water on tournament day. If you have any questions, please email me or call me at 619-884-0922.

**NOTES FROM THE TREASURER:
Brian Goodell**



Tip of the hat to all of you who braved the unexpected downpour at the fun tournament! Thank you to those of you that have been proactive in sending me dues. A number of you have already paid for the year. That being said, our

account balance is now at \$2993.54. As always, you are welcome to pay via cash, check, or Venmo @Brian-Goodell-2. I want to remind you all one more time that anyone who plans to use Venmo, please do NOT push the button that says, "turn on for purchases." It will charge me a 2% fee if you do so, and it is a pain to recover. I hope to see all of you at the river tournament! Should be a good one. -Brian

**Editors Note
By-Laws Change**

A motion was made at the January General Membership meeting to reinsert Robert's Rules of Order as a format for conducting meetings. As this is only mentioned in the Presidents duties in the Club By-Laws, below is how the motion would be integrated as a change. It will be voted on at the Jan 25th General Meeting. This process follows the Constitution and must have a 2/3 majority of attending members voting for the motion to pass and amend the By-Laws.

President: Presides over all meetings and directs all official business using Robert's Rules of Order as a format for General Membership and Board meetings. Appoints and directs all committee functions. Supervises all club functions.

Tournament Schedule for 2022	
January 15	Otay (Fun meet for blood)
February 4 th & 5 th	Lower River
March 18 th & 19 th	Lake Mohave
April 16 th	El Capitan
May 6 th & 7 th	Lower River
June 4 th	El Capitan
July 15 th (Fri)	Otay (6 hours night)
August 5 th (Fri)	San Vicente (6 hours night)
Sept 2 nd (Fri)	El Capitan (6 hours)
October 1st & 2nd	Lake Havasu
November 5 th	Otay
November TBD	Tournament of Champions

**February General Meeting
January 25th @ 7pm
This is a date change**

Fishing Quotes

Have you ever had a day like this?
I knew it was going to be a tough day when I back lashed the toilet paper.
Jimmy Houston

You know it's a bad day when even the liars aren't catching fish. Anonymous

San Diego Bassmasters General Meeting Minutes

January 4, 2022

The January 2022 meeting of the San Diego Bassmasters was called to order at 7:04 PM by President Bruce Smith at the La Mesa Senior Center. Dinner was served.

Bruce Smith – President: Two board member are out sick, so Greg Gardner and Victorria Meyer are sitting in.

Greg Gardner for Dina Ammsso – Membership Chair: Greg introduced guests: returning member Randy Kreiser, Hunter Meyer. and Terry Chenowth, who wants to return to active membership. A simple vote will return him to active status. A vote was taken and he is again a member. Juan Colins and Ed Byrd are going inactive, and Cheryl Byrd is dropping out. We are at 41 active members, 5 inactive, 8 lifetime, 9 honorary, 16 at large, 1 family, for 80 total.

Bruce asked for approval of last month's minutes. Dave Seaberg moved and Greg Gardner seconded that the minutes from December be approved. Motion passed.

The Bass Council meets tomorrow so there is no report.

Everyone fishing needs to get an application for the invasive species sticker for Mojave. Cole has the forms tonight. Keep the form in the boat case the sticker doesn't come in time.

Bruce asked for a motion to move the February meeting to January 25th since we are going to the river and people will be out of town by the regular meeting date.

Bruce moved and Regina seconded that we move it. Motion passed.

Mike Lupo brought up the Crisis House kids' tournament. A date was discussed but not decided upon.

Bruce brought up the fact that Robert's Rules of Order is not called out in our by-laws any longer. It used to be but probably was inadvertently left out during some revision of the by-laws. John Williamson moved and Regina Seaberg seconded that we add into the By-Laws that we follow Robert's Rules of Order. The motion will be posted in the newsletter and voted on at the next meeting.

Cole is passing around the sign-up sheet for the fun tournament.

Zoe brought up the tournament rule stating it is mandatory that you bring up your own fish to the scales. She would like to see that rule changed because of the need for some to have help to bring fish to the scale. Discussion was had. Fisherman may designate another participant to present their fish to the scales for weigh-in. Zoe moved and Greg seconded that we add this to the rule. Motion passed.

Nick Meyer is trying to get the banquet location locked in for December. Discussion was had. Prices on food at Sycuan is going up. Saturday has a \$12,000 food minimum. Sunday is a \$3000 minimum. This year was just over \$6000.

Victorria says Carlton Oaks Country Club is similar in price and they will check it out. Admiral Baker's Field is another option they will check out.

Nick is looking at Dos Picos Park for the picnic, with a \$300 to 400 savings.

Chili Cook-off is set for February 12th at 4:30 at the Boys and Girls Club in El Cajon. (Secretary's Note: This date was later revised. Do not go by this date for the cook-off.)

Nick and Greg will look into a date for a day at the gun range. It is in Dulzura.

Victorria asked for volunteers for the picnic and chili cook-off.

Victorria Meyer for Brian Goodell – Treasurer: We currently have \$642.67 in the bank. You can Venmo Brian your dues, but **turn off** the button that says "turn on for purchases" or he will be charged a percentage.

Greg will take Randy Kreiser pre-fishing. Zoe asked that we send any changes of our info to Dina for the roster.

Cole Wright – Tournament Director: We were not approved for Katherine's Landing for Mojave, but we will be at Princess Cove. Drive-thru weigh-in. More info to come.

Cole won't be able to attend General Meetings after this because of work, but Jim Sleight will cover for him.

Fun tournament is coming up. It's \$5 for big fish and a \$10 per person for the money pot, both optional.

Regina talked about some of the prizes in the raffle tonight.

Break at 7:40

Names were drawn for the fun tournament.

Resumed at 7:53

Regina and Greg will bring snacks for next month. Nick and Victorria will bring water.

Jim Sleight says they aren't stocking the trout at San Vicente yet.

Cole read the pairings for the fun tournament. Gates open 5:45-6:00. Weigh-in at 3:00. Launch and go.

With no further old or new business, meeting adjourned at 8:01PM.

Raffle was held.

Respectfully submitted, Janice Marr Eisner Secretary

Membership Update

February 2022



Looking forward to seeing you all at the river in a few weeks! We are currently at 40 active members with one familiar, prospective member on the list! Welcome back to the process, Randy K! If you are active on social media, make sure you help us curate content and share our posts for exposure. You can email or text me directly with things you want to share. Videos or photos are accepted...of your fish of course 😊

Member Spotlight: *Brian Goodell*

Where were you born and raised?

San Diego, CA

How did you start bass fishing?

I didn't start bass fishing until I was about 24. One of my best friends from childhood got me into it. Started with float tubing and fishing the bank.

What's the biggest bass you ever caught and where?

The fish weighed 9.94 lbs. and I ain't tellin' you where!

What's your favorite bait?

Frog, but I don't fish it as much as I should.

Besides fishing, what do you love to do?

Surf, snowboard, and golf. I also love spending time with family and friends, (especially when eating good food).

Why did you join the SD Bassmasters?

I wanted to learn to become a better angler, to be able to fish tournaments, and to fish more often.

What techniques do you want to learn or improve?

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Dina Ammsso, Membership Director