



NEWS

December 2023

52nd Year of Fishing, Friends and Fun

MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

Bruce Smith



Hello and Happy Thanksgiving to all the Bassmasters out there!

It has been a busy month with two tournaments being held, congratulations to the winners at both. It seemed Otay was either really good or really tough, depending on if you were lucky enough to land on one of the biting schools.

This coming membership meeting we will be voting for new board members so i hope to see everyone's smiling face on December 5th.

Bruce Smith
President

VICE PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Regina Seaberg



Hello San Diego Bassmaster's. This year has flown by so fast with some eventful tournaments, picnics, Bunco party, and club meetings. Can't wait to see what 2024 holds for us. We will be celebrating our club members and family at the San Diego Bassmaster's Annual Banquet in December. This event honor's not only the Top twelve club members but also the club members that represent this club with integrity and outstanding sportsmanship. We honor not only

current members but we remember past members that have built this club into the number one club in San Diego. We thank the families that support out fishermen/women because without their support we wouldn't be as strong as we are today.

Looking forward to seeing you at the San Diego Bassmaster's Annual Banquet being held at the Admiral Baker Golf Resort in the Presidio Ballroom December 17 th at 6:00pm until 10:00pm.

Regina Seaberg

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SOME THEM FRENCH FRIED
MINNERS...UMMMHMMM**



TOURNAMENT DIRECTOR

Keith Cloward



The season is over, but awards are coming. The banquet will be the time to give recognition for our fishing accomplishments and club service awards. It will be a great time and I hope to see everyone in a setting other than on the water, launching line, or a parking lot. I want to congratulate Larry Ward, our Angler of the Year. To be in the top 12 you need to make a commitment to fish just about every tournament. Next year I hope more in our club make that commitment.

Our last tournament results:

- 1. Bruce Smith 25.06 and big fish of 11.27 (big fish in tournament)
- 2. Regina Seaburg 15.28 big fish of 5.54 first trophy
- 3. Branden Moreno 14.58 big fish of 5.74

The TOC was on Nov 11th. We had 6 contests. Most caught fish. Bruce won with 12.61, Trosper in 2nd and Larry in 3rd. I want to thank all who helped in the morning and afternoon. We came from fishing with our trucks on the ramp waiting to pull us all out of the water. The scale was set up and a team in place for weigh in. Thank you to all who made the experience memorable.

I also want to thank all members of the weigh in team that helped out all year long. Cole and Branden Moreno helped all year. I also had many others that helped when the need arose: Regina, Dave, Nick, Victoria and a special thanks to my wife. She helped with three weigh ins and tallied the totals for the Top 6. She has supported me and the club throughout my 18 years.

Good Luck Next Year
-Keith

NOTES FROM THE TREASURER:

Larry Ward



Wow! I can't believe that the year is almost over! It's been an honor serving the club this year as your treasurer. I did really enjoy it and I think the best thing for me was how much I learned about the inner workings of the club.

On Saturday November 11 th I fished the club's Tournament of Champions at Otay and I would like to thank the members that came down and helped with the tournament. At the end of the tournament, I was pulling up to the dock to go get my truck and I looked up and my truck and trailer was backing down the ramp, awesome! Thank you all for coming out to help and support us.

With our next meeting being the last meeting of the year. It's important that everyone pays their dues through the end of the year at or before the meeting. Also, thanks to everyone that paid their insurance, if you did not pay, please just remember that you won't be able to fish a club tournament until you do take care of this.

The budget is looking good, barring any last-minute expenses coming up we should have a little bit of money left to roll over for next year.

If you want to pay your dues before the meeting you can Venmo me anytime, @Larry-Ward-95

Larry



San Diego Bassmasters General Membership Meeting Minutes 10/24/23



President - Bruce Smith

- Meeting called to order at 6:31pm. Welcomed all Bassmasters and guests.
- Thanks to Zoe for the snacks.
- Congratulations to the winners at the Lower River Tournament.
- Called for a motion to accept the minutes from the October 2023 General Meeting: Motion made by Mike Breto, seconded by Randy Kreiser. Motion approved by unanimous vote.
- Ken Louis introduced visitors, Victor Nguyen and Evan Alioto, Prospective Members. Pam Kreiser Guest.
- Bunco was a lot of fun. Thank You to Keith & Stacey Cloward.

Regina Seaberg – Vice President

- The Annual Banquet is locked in for Admiral Baker Clubhouse on the 17 th of December. From 6-6:30 will be a
- Charcuterie board. There will be several E-Vites and Survey Monkey's to sign up. Guests Fee \$63.

Larry Ward – Treasurer

- Club currently has \$8,399 in the bank. Total cost of the banquet is \$6,424, a little higher than expected.
- Everyone needs to make sure they pay their insurance this month, amount is \$35. You must be paid up before you can fish the Otay Tournament.
- We raised \$205 at Bunco and our Winners were Maddy Ward and Hunter Meyer.

Ken Louis – Membership Chair

- Evan Alioto is ready for his Tournament Pre-Fish.
- Buzz Brizendine has gone Inactive.
- We have 36 Active members with 3 Prospective Members.

President – Bruce Smith

- Explained the nominating process and time line and Nominations were recorded for all Board Positions.

Keith Cloward – Tournament Director

- Next Tournament is at the Lower Otay on November 4 th , Weigh-in at 3:00pm. Tournament winners and Top 12 will need to stick around and have pictures taken after the tournament.
- Lower River Tournament results:
 - Third Place – Larry Ward with 21.92 pounds.
 - Second Place – Brandon Kuehl brought 22.14 pounds of Arizona bass to the scales over 2 days.
 - Winner of the Lower River Derby is Bruce Smith with 29.95 and Big Fish of 4.93.
- Scholarship Nominations are being accepted until November 4th.

Dave Seaberg – Secretary

- Read a proposed Tournament Rule Change for the 2024 year. It basically allows any Boater to opt in to Always having a Back seater. Several recommendations for word changes and an email will go out with the final draft product for comment, additions and other input.
- Looking into purchase of a 55-gal drum of 2-cycle oil to hold down skyrocketing cost of a gallon, \$60-75.

President- Bruce Smith

- Next General Meeting is December 5 th at 6:30pm.
- Snacks for next meeting: Jay Dube. Drinks: Mike Breto.
- With no further business, meeting was adjourned at 7:55pm.
- Club Raffle



Membership Update

DECEMBER 2023

→ Next meeting is December 5th

Hello Bassmasters and happy holidays! We currently have 36 active, 4 in-active and 8 honorary members. Evan Alioto has been tournament pre-fished and is ready for the vote. Congratulations to Angler of the Year, Larry Ward and Co-Angler of the Year, Regina Seaburg – well done you two! Should the club vote to keep me (

Where were you born and raised?

At Camp Pendleton and raised in San Diego. Spent time in both North Carolina and Hawaii.

How did you start bass fishing?

My dad was a fisherman and in my early teens I started fishing Otay walking the bank.

What is the biggest bass you ever caught and where?

11.0 beauty on a Buzz Bait at El Cap TOC night tournament fish-off.

What's your favorite bait?

Senko's, Senko's and Senko's, rigged every which way!

Besides fishing, what do you love to do?

Stockcar racing; I even spent time in North Carolina living the NASCAR dream.

Why did you join the SDBM?

I enjoy competition and learning new techniques. But most of all making lifelong friendships. (Pictured is Scott and Ronnie Overman (RIP) after winning 10k in team night tournament)

What techniques would you like to improve on?

Swim Baits and Glide Baits in all shapes and sizes including smaller plastic types.



Ken Louis, Membership Director

IMPORTANT DATES THIS MONTH

December 5th, 2023 06:30 PM
GENERAL MEETING

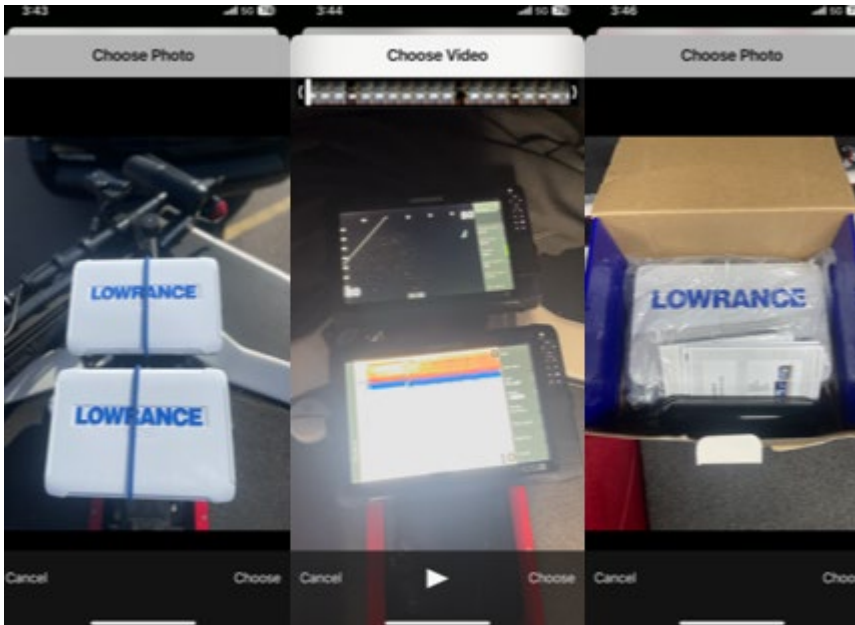
BOARD MEETING – December TBD

Hey Bassmasters,

I've got a like new Lowrance HDS 12 Carbon with transducer that I am looking to sell. It is compatible with active target. Wanted to see if anyone in the club was interested in it before I threw it up on eBay.\$1000.

Please let me know if anyone's interested. I will throw it online probably Sunday.

-Ryan Test



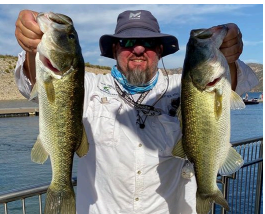


FOR SALE
2019 Triton TRX-20 Patriot Dual Console
\$58,000

Mercury 250 Pro-XS 2 Stroke 155 Hours
 Lithium Batteries: One, 12V/125 amp Cranking. Three, 12v/50amp Trolling motor
 NOCO 4 Bank Charger Li/AGM/Lead

Electronics: Lowrance
 Console HDS-12
 Bow: HDS-12 Live, HDS-9 Live W/Precision Sonar Mount
 Lowrance Active Target(forward facing)

Trolling Motor: Minn-Kota Ultrex 36v Down/side imaging
 Prop: Stainless Steel 25p Fury
 Independent Live wells w/Oxygenator
 Triton Custom Boat Cover
 Triton Dual Axle Road Armor trailer w/foldable tongue
 Padded Front Deck
 Removable Passenger Console
 Power Pole Blade 8ft.
 Hydraulic Steering: Seastar
 Fixed Jack Plate
 TuffSkinz Motor Cover



Note from the Editor: To club members - if you have something fishing related to sell, you can list it in the monthly newsletter. Contact Jeff Carpenter

Be sure to check out www.sandiegobassmasters.com