

# SAN DIEGO BASSMASTERS

# NEWSLETTER



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## 2025 Board

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## IMPORTANT DATES:

Mar 4 - CLUB MEETING

\*\*LAKE HAVASU SIGNUP\*\*

Mar 14-15 - Lake Havasu Tournament

Mar 23 - SoCal Jr. Bass - El Capitan, Boaters needed

Mar 29 - ECBT Team Series - Lower Otago

## Ernie Marugg, President:



Hello Fellow Club Members,.

First tournament of the year was a success at El Cajpitan and a big congratulations to the winners and a shout out to Regina on her Big Bass of the tournament and new personal best. Well done.

Next tournament will be our first travel tournament of the year at Lake Havasu. Hope to see you all there.

It has been noticed that several of our club members are beyond the 3 month mark of not paying dues. Please stay paid current on dues and if needed catch up! Thank you all.

Thank you to Mike Breto for getting Kevin Nakada from Bates Fishing to be a guest speaker at our last meeting. Our guest speaker at our upcoming March meeting will be Jim Hallauer. Local guide and tournament angler. Hope to see you all there.

Thank you all and Tight Lines!

## Randy Kreiser, Vice President:



Hey there Bassmasters.

In case you missed it, a Big shout out to Mike Breto for inviting Kevin from Bates Fishing who gave the club a lot of really good info on how they manufacture these precision baitcasting reels and soon made in Texas! Check them out at [batesfishingco.com](http://batesfishingco.com)

Our guest speaker at the March meeting will be Jim Halluer. Hope this spelling is correct. He will be talking about guiding, tournament fishing and Havasu. Those of you that are on the fence about going to the next Havasu tournament might want to come and pick up some great tips he has to offer.

I would like input from the club about the upcoming Bunco Night. April or May? I'm looking for 2 volunteers to host it at our usual meeting place on a Saturday evening. Last year was a really fun time and I would like to see you and your family and friends share in a lot of great fun. If you can roll dice then you already have the game mastered.

Let's also keep the raffle donations coming in... February was one of the best raffles our club has seen in a long time. Dig into that tackle you haven't used in 5 or 10 years and bring it to Jay for the monthly raffle.

Be looking forward to seeing you all on Tuesday, March 4 - 6:30 pm at the La Mesa Adult Enrichment Center.

Until then Tight Lines,  
Randy Kreiser

**Jim Trosper, Membership:**

Hello Anglers,

As you know Spring is right around the corner and what better time to invite our friends out to our next general membership meeting on March 4 at 6:30 PM.

Our current roster stands at 34 active members and a couple of those 34 may be reduced because of getting behind in dues. For those that need to come up to speed please contact our Treasurer, Jim Edwards. We would love for you guys to stay active and continue fishing in our upcoming tournaments.

As well, we have 4 guys currently going through the membership process to join the club. Please introduce yourselves at our next meeting to Byron Lindsay, Jason Fleck, Alex Galvin and Jacob Fairchild. Unfortunately, Jason Fairchild is going to have to delay the process because the Marines are shipping him out for 3 months, but Jason is anxious to get back in the process when he returns.

Tight lines to all out at Havasu.

**2025 Tournament Schedule**

- March 14th-15th: Lake Havasu
- April 12th: San Vicente
- May 16th-17th: Lake Mohave
- June 7th: Sutherland
- July 11th: Otay Night
- August 1st: El Capitan Night
- September 20th: Otay
- October 3rd-4th: Lower River
- November 1st: El Capitan
- November TOC: TBD

**Mike Breto, Tournament Director:**

Congrats to Bruce Smith on winning our El Cap tournament, and a huge applause for Regina catching her PB.



- El Cap #1 - Results:
- 1st - Bruce Smith 14.29
  - 2nd - Michael Breto 13.18
  - 3rd - Greg Vazquez 12.32
  - Big Fish - Regina Seaburg 8.68

Lets turn our sights onto Havasu. We'll be drawing for at Tuesday's March 4th meeting. Mandatory meeting Thursday March 13th 530pm @ Bass Tackle Master. We'll discuss off-limits, and weigh-in plans.

If you have questions or ideas, feel free to reach out.

See you at the meeting!

**Jim Edwards, Treasurer:**

WOW, seems like this month has taken forever. I would like a do over at the Cap tourney. I appreciate all that have been getting there dues to me. It makes my job easier to keep track of it all. We had a great raffle last meeting thanks to our guest donating a Bates reel, and special thanks to Jay for the awesome raffle items he rounded up. Several members have donated tackle from their stash and that has been a big help in the raffles also. The raffle and other fund raisers are a major contributor to the success of our awesome end of the year banquet.



Now is the time to make sure you have your accommodation set for Havasu. Check out your trailer, wheel bearing, lights and tongue connections. Make sure your tow vehicle is checked out and not to be forgotten your boat is ready to go. See you at the next meeting

**Karl King, Secretary:**



## General Membership Meeting Minutes 02/04/25

### **President- Ernie Marugg**

- Meeting called to order at 6:38pm.
- Introduction and welcoming of Guests.
- Motion to approve December 2024 and January 2025 Minutes. Motion was made, seconded and approved unanimously.

### **Jim Trosper - Membership**

- Welcomed Guests Byron Lindsay, Jason Fleck, Alex Galvin, Jacob Fairchild and our Guest Speaker, Kevin Nakada from Bates Reels.

### **Vice-President - Randy Kreiser**

- Revisited our intent to have our 2025 Annual Picnic at Dos Picos Park. However, they have raised their rates to \$280. So he said No Thanks and reserved Site S at Santee Lakes. The same site we had last couple of years and it will be on the 22nd of June at Santee Lakes, Site S.
- Chilin Cook-Off is in the works at the Meyer residence again this year in October, or we may have a pool party at Ernie's place. Stay tuned for details as we move closer to the summer.
- We have a lot of stuff for the raffle here tonight as well as rods and reels.

### **Jim Edwards - Treasurer**

- There are several members not yet paid for dues. If you are not paid up by the March General Meeting, you cannot fish the Lake Havasu Tournament.
- The Raffle was what made many things, including our Annual Awards Banquet possible. Please bring items you can donate to the raffle and participate in the raffle so we can continue to have nice things moving forward.
- Please support our Social Functions like Bunco and the Chili Cook-off as these help out financially.

### **Jim Trosper - Membership**

- We currently have 35 Active Members and 3 prospective members. Four of our guests have expressed interest in joining the Club and need Pre-fish partners. Byron Lindsay with Ernie Marugg, Jason Fleck with Bruce Smith, Alex Galvin with Dakota Kindle and Jacob Fairchild by Greg Gardner.

### **Mike Breto - Tournament Director**

- Our El Capitan Tournament, first of the year was held last Saturday, February 1 st .
- Third Place, Greg Vasquez with 12.32 lbs. Second Place Mike Breto with 13.18lbs. Your El Capitan Champion is Bruce Smith with 14.29lbs. Big Fish of Tournament was Gina Seaberg with 8.68lbs. We don't have Trophies yet because of the short time between the derby and this meeting but they will be presented at the March 4th General Meeting.
- Dakota Kindle is taking his boat to the Havasu Tournament and is looking for a backseater.
- The Havasu sign up will be at the March Meeting.
- Introduced our Guest Speaker form Bates Reels, Mr. Kevin Nakada. Spoke of his history and the birth of Bates. He explained the CNC machining of their reel line and how unique that is.

### **President - Ernie Marugg**

- Hunter Meyer addressed the group about the SoCal Junior Bass Anglers Club and their Fund Raising tournament coming up this Saturday the 8th of February. He asked for donations either straight amount or by poundage.
- Raffle commenced with Rods and reels that were additional donations.
- With no further business, meeting was adjourned at 7:58pm.