

Minutes: April 27, 2009 Ozark Mountain Anglers Bass Club

Opening:

The meeting was held at the Elks Club. Meeting was called to order at 6:30 P by President Gilpin

Present: about 25 to 30 club members.

Approval of Minutes:

The previous meeting minutes were read. Minutes were unanimously approved as read.

Treasurer Report:

Don Adkins, Treasurer was not able to attend the meeting – no Treasurer's Report:

Old Business:

Discussion was held concerning the culling rule issue that came up at the Table Rock Tournament. A team released a short fish inside of the buoys after the end of the tournament and then weighed in one legal fish at the weigh in. Club Tournament Rules state "No tournament boat is allowed to cull, or to have more than a 5 fish legal limit of tournament bass in their boat or possession while inside the buoys of the take off ramp area after tournament hours are over and prior, during, or immediately after the weigh-in. Any member or team found to have violated this rule shall be disqualified." Tournament Director and Board met at the weigh in and it was decided at that time that the rule was not clear as whether the release of the short fish violated the language of rule. It was felt that the intent of the rule was that there was not to be any fish released, short or otherwise, inside the buoys – that all measuring and release of fish was to occur during tournament hours outside of the takeoff ramp area. At next revision of tournament rules clarifying language will be added. In the meantime, members are requested to conduct all measuring and release of fish prior to reaching the takeoff area.

A question also came up concerning live well checks prior to start of tournament – it is the responsibility of each fisherman to ensure that his or her live well is checked. Dietiker/Forbis are the checkers – if they miss you in the launch line, find them on the water to have your live well checked.

Tournament results for Table Rock were read.

New Business:

Drawing for Truman Tournament was held.

Meeting was adjourned at about 7:00 PM – Minutes taken by Gene Hinshaw and written by Ernie Barbee – Ernie was not at the meeting.

Announcements:

Next Club meeting is rescheduled for *TUESDAY – MAY 26, 2009, AT 6:30 PM (DUE TO MONDAY HOLIDAY)* at the Elks Club.

We will be drawing for the May 30, 2009 Mark Twain Tournament going out of 107 ramp. Tournament hours are 6:00 A to 3:00 P and the entry fee is \$60.00