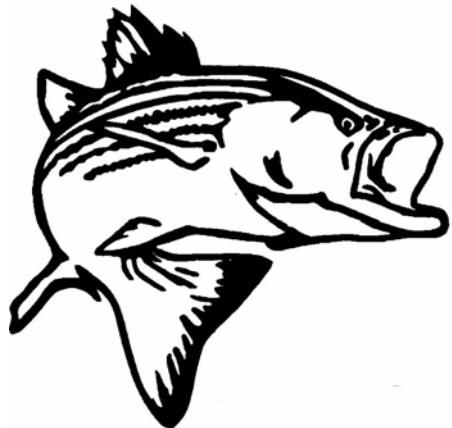


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The
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**Tennessee
Striped Bass
Association,
Inc.
Newsletter**

**November
2006**

Cherokee Tournament

***CHANGE OF DATE
TO
NOVEMBER 18, 2006***

We will head out of Quarryville Boat Ramp
at 12:00 noon and weigh in at 5:30 p.m.

Entry Fee is \$16.00
\$15.00 goes toward the pot
\$1.00 is for awards

President's Letter

As the seasons change and we see the beauty of God's creation all around us, it just seems to make getting on the water or driving to the mountains all the more enjoyable. This is definitely my favorite time of year. The fall colors, along with more enjoyable temperatures, just add to the experience, no matter what you are doing. For us fishermen, it doesn't hurt anything for the pleasure boaters and hunters being off the water at this time of year. The only thing is, you have to enjoy it while it's here. It won't be long before the nasty cold fronts with wind and snow move in, and the tranquility of fall will be gone. This holds true for a lot of things besides the changing seasons and changing weather and so on. The Bible has a passage where Jesus said that "He must work while it is day, the night comes when no man can work." What he was referring to was, a time or season that we have to get things done. I guess what I'm getting at is to enjoy life now, and make those memories with your family and friends now because just as the seasons of the year come and go, so does the opportunity for us to enjoy a quality life. I'm really glad not to be a couch potato because I don't know how long before health or other circumstances will change. Just like our favorite season, the opportunities in life will also be gone. So get out there and go fishing!!

I want to take this opportunity also to encourage everyone to attend the November meeting. We will be electing officers and directors for the 2007 calendar year. I hope that you will be able to attend. I also want to

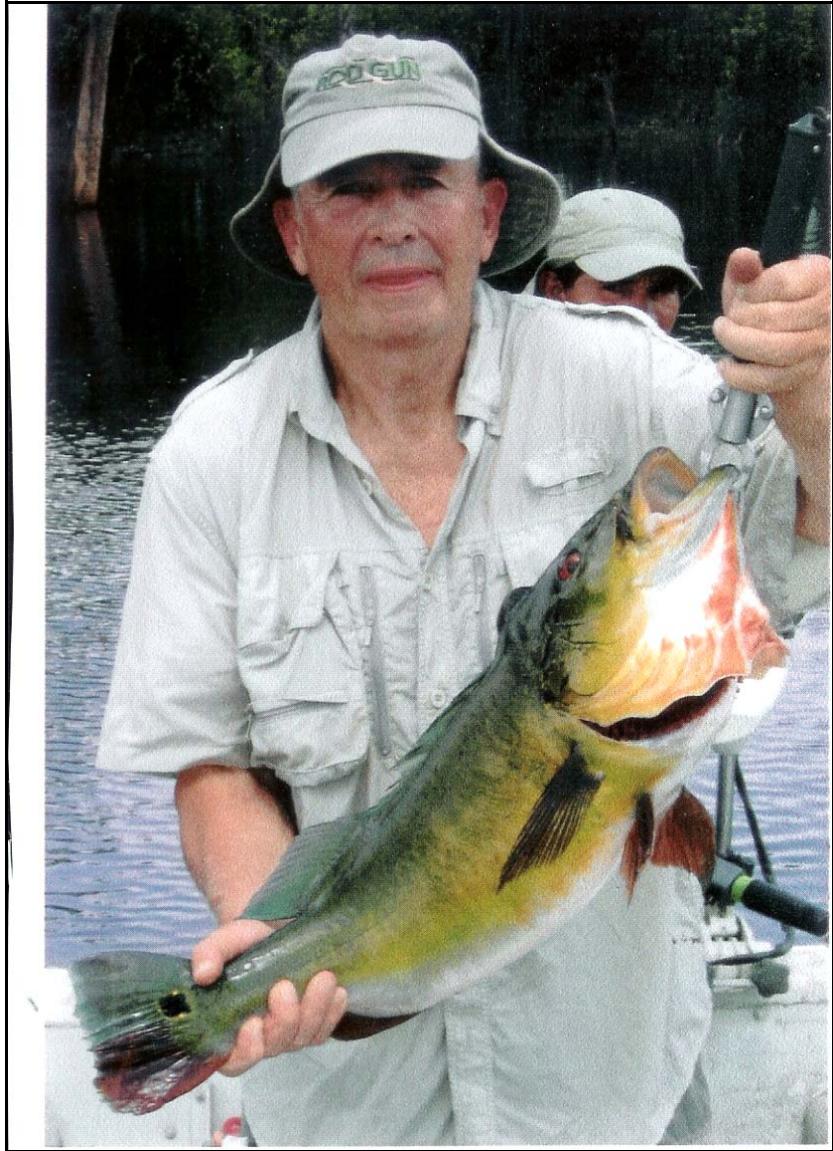
remind you that in December the Board of Directors will be meeting to plan out the 2007 calendar. If there is something that you would like to see added next year, just let me know. You can email me at jseiber@tennstripedbass.com

As many of you know, we had to say goodbye to a friend this past month. Bill Kincaid passed away suddenly on October 3rd. Bill was an active TSBA member and a dear friend to many. I hope that you will join me in keeping Bill's family in your thoughts and prayers. (*See pictures next page.*)

John Seiber



John Seiber
August 25, 2006 28 lb.



**Bill Kincaid
Peacock Bass in Brazil
September, 2006**

**Isaac Phillips
11 years old
Fishing with Bill Kincaid
September, 2006
(He loved teaching a young kid to fish.)**



CHANGE OF SEASONS

A little more preparation should be used on trips to the water for the upcoming months. Some of the simple, smart things to do before leaving for the trip are in planning ahead.

1. Make sure your boat is as reliable as possible.
2. Take the correct clothing necessary to prevent hypothermia and getting wet.
3. Tell someone where you are going and when you will be back.
4. Plan trips with other boaters. Take your cell phones and marine radios.
5. Put in the boat something to start a fire with, and take a good spotlight.

If you have to spend an unplanned wintertime overnight, could you survive?

GET YOUR BOAT READY

1. Check your wheel bearings, repack the grease, and repair any lights not working.
2. Remove your props to check for fishing line and prop repair or replacement.
3. Drain and replace the foot grease. Change oil and filter on 4 strokes. Change gas filters and add fuel stabilizer if the boat is going to be stored.
4. Drain / remove any moisture from the boat that has no antifreeze.
5. Remove all liquid crystal displays that can freeze and break (fish finder, GPS).

DON'T STORE THE BOAT - USE IT

Wintertime is a favorite time to chase stripers. The stripers group together into large schools to roam and feed on the large concentrations of baitfish. The birds (gulls, herons, cormorants) that feed on baitfish will show you where the stripers are all winter. The fish and birds are there for the same reason. They make a living at it.

Bottom fishing is sure fun and productive also this time of year. All you have to do is find the fish and put bait on the bottom and wait. Build a fire and socialize.

*Your fishing friend,
Ezell Cox*

Fishing Hot Spots



Cherokee Lake: Good

Early and late day often have breaking fish, so keep something to cast handy. December is the time to look for gulls. Look for large concentrations of bait fish because the stripers will come to them. Normally, the best fishing is around mid lake (Points 10 to 20). Bait is easy to catch in all the large coves.

Norris Lake: Good

The fish are not as big as past years but are growing and seem to be healthy. The best fishing will be near Hickory Star to Straight Creek Marina (Points 22 to 29 on the Clinch side and Points 12 to 16 on the Powell side).

Remember to check the fishing regulations on Norris starting November 1 because it is your responsibility to stay legal on quantity and size harvested (1 fish, 36 inches). Look around mid lake and in the large coves.

Tailrace and Downstream: Fair

As the weather cools, the steam plants will become more productive.

December Expectations

The thermocline is gone and the temperature is near the same from top to bottom. Expect to find the temperature in the mid 40's unless influenced by springs or steam plants. The bait fish will be in the warmest water they can find; the stripers will be close by. Large baits work well the first half of December, but as the temperature drops, smaller baits are best. Top water baits are normally good the first half of the month. Stripers often push the bait fish to the surface, and gulls become more productive as the month progresses and the temperature begins to drop. Point or bottom fishing is normally effective. Before going fishing, we ask that you take every precaution to prevent hypothermia. Catch and release works great in the winter months.

The TSBA web site offers up-to-date fishin' reports to all TSBA members. Visit the web at: www.TNStripedBass.com

The current password is:

Username: "fish" Password: "hook"

Notice: The Hickory Star Christmas Classic will not be held this year due to the stripper size limits. The tournament is postponed to April.

STRIPER CASE

On October 6, 2006 at approximately 2100, four individuals from Eolia, Kentucky were found to be in possession of more than twice their possession limit of striped or hybrid bass as well as having several largemouth bass that were under the legal size limit. The group had a total of 37 striped or hybrid bass and 5 largemouth bass. Shirley S. Lewis, age 49, was charged with two counts of exceeding the limit of striped bass. Tracy D. Lewis, age 34, was charged with one count of possession of striped bass under size limit and one count of exceeding creel limit of striped bass. Myrel Lewis, age 62, was charged with two counts of exceeding creel limits of striped bass. Lowell T. Lewis, age 64, was charged with one count of exceeding creel limit of striped bass and one count of possession striped bass under legal size limit.

Chad Gann (Wildlife Office - Hawkins Co.) made the case regarding this over-the-limit of striped and hybrid striped bass at Cherokee Reservoir. This information was provided to Doug Peterson, Tennessee Wildlife Resources Agency, who forwarded it to the T.S.B.A.





This picture is in remembrance of Dave Johnson, my husband and fishing partner, who passed away suddenly this past July 7. As you know, he was Secretary of the TSBA. I want to thank you for all your notes, flowers, and everything you did for us.

Janine Johnson



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Please participate:

**November 20th
Monthly Meeting**

**Election of Officers
and Directors**

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Campground**

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Minutes of the September Meeting

John Seiber called the meeting to order and recognized two members who have passed away recently, Bill Kincaid and Dave Johnson.

Jim Negus did a presentation on fish identification. There are many variations of all species. The photographs are posted on the TWRA Region IV website which is linked to the TSBA website. Please don't transport alewives between lakes because they can be confused with blueback herring which are illegal to transport and damaging to the lakes. An excellent book for fish identification is *The Fishes of Tennessee* by David A. Etnier and Wayne C. Starnes available at University of Tennessee bookstores.

The following people have been nominated for officer or director positions for 2007:

John Seiber for President, Eric Rauch for Vice President

Janine Johnson for Treasurer, Pat Seiber for Secretary

Chet Moore for Director, Ed Baker for Director

Janine Johnson for Director

Chet Moore volunteered to purchase door prizes for 2007. The upcoming Cherokee Tournament was discussed.

Janine Johnson, TSBA Treasurer



Jim
Orrick
20 lb.

2006 TSBA Calendar

Please attend TSBA events and join us at the meetings.
Monthly meetings will be held at Shoney's Restaurant,
5420 Clinton Highway. Get off I-75 at Exit 108, head west
for about one mile. Turn right onto Clinton Hwy. Shoney's
will be on the right.

November 18: Tournament - Cherokee

November 20: Monthly Meeting - Dinner: 6 PM Meeting 7 PM
Election of Officers and Directors

November 25: Open Fishing

December 18: Board of Directors Meeting, Dinner: 6 PM
Meeting 7 PM

There will not be a monthly membership meeting
or newsletter in December.

You are welcome to attend the Board of Directors
Meeting.

Once again, it's time to renew your TSBA
membership.

Help Stop Poaching - Report Game Violations!



The following are phone numbers for reporting game violations only.
Do not call for general information.
Call between 7 AM and Midnight Seven days a week.

East Tennessee (Region 4) 1-800-831-1174
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Cumberland Plateau (Region 3) 1-800-241-0767

Please do your part to protect our fish and fisheries.

Program these numbers into your cell phone, and don't hesitate to call and report game violations. Remember these people are criminals and should be reported and caught. They are not supporting the efforts to create and maintain a quality fishery. Instead, they are illegally taking what is not theirs.

T.S.B.A. 2007 MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

As a member: *You'll receive a monthly newsletter.

- * You'll help support Striped Bass Fisheries & Wildlife Agencies.
- * You'll be informed of new regulations & information that affect Stripper fishing.
- * You'll develop a network of "Striper friends."
- * You'll learn new methods to improve your Striped Bass fishing effectiveness.
- * You'll be able to call officers for fishing reports.
- * You'll be able to attend monthly meetings with informative programs.
- * You'll have access to all areas of the TSBA web page.

Is this a renewal or a New Membership

Your Name _____

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Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Phone(____) _____ # of minor children in family _____

E-Mail address _____

Referred By: _____

I have read and agree to abide by and be bound by the Tennessee Striped Bass Association, Inc. (TSBA) Bylaws*.

* A copy of the Bylaws can be found on the TSBA website at www.TNStripedBass.com or at the offices of the corporation.

(Signature)

(Date)

Enclose a check for \$20.00

Mail to: Tennessee Striped Bass Association, Inc

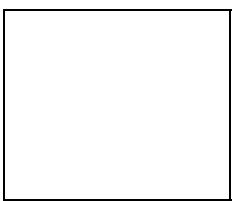
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Note: All members must sign and submit this membership application with the 2007 dues. Yearly dues are due in January each year. New members that sign up in Oct., Nov., or Dec. will get credit for the remainder of that year and the following year.



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We come together to provide a unified voice for the Striped Bass & the Cherokee Bass programs in the State of Tennessee.

We educate the public & share our knowledge with fellow Striped Bass anglers.

November 20th Monthly Meeting
Speaker: Chet Moore
Election of Officers and Directors
REMINDER: It's time to renew your TSBA membership.