

# Tennessee Striped Bass Association

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January 2016



**NEW FOR 2016 Monthly Meeting: First Monday**  
at Puleo's Grill, 110 Cedar Lane off Merchants Rd. at I - 75

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## TSBA PRESIDENT'S LETTER

As we start 2016, I want to say thank you to those members who have worked hard to make the TSBA successful this past year. In particular, I want to thank Eddie Dills for supporting me in his role as Vice President, Larry Nowell for serving as Treasurer and Keith Shannon for being our Secretary; plus those who coordinated our tours, published and produced the newsletter, served on the Board and made presentations at our meetings.

In December our Board met and discussed several items, as well as elected officers for 2016. David Powell will be Vice President, Art Muchow is our new Treasurer, Ron Gabler will serve again as Chairman of the Board of Directors and I'll remain the President. Justin Rose will be our Sponsor Coordinator. We still need a Secretary to replace Keith. Also, Doug Steffe would like to pass on the Membership Coordinator function. Please seriously consider helping out the club by serving in one of these roles. Our outgoing Treasurer, Larry, reported that we have \$10,016 in our checking account. That is slightly more than the end of 2014, so we're in very good shape financially.

If you have ideas for speakers, please contact David Powell, as he has agreed to coordinate this important function for TSBA this year. The Board decided to consider paying for travel expenses when we have out-of-town speakers. That will be decided on a case by case basis. This may allow us to bring in outside speakers who otherwise wouldn't have been able to come to our meetings.

We also decided that, rather than having tours, we will have 3 or 4 fishing get-togethers throughout the year. These will not have an entry fee and will include a group picnic-style lunch or dinner, depending on the time we fish. They will be located on various area lakes and at locations where there is a high likelihood of us all catching fish. We'll coordinate non boaters with boaters in an effort to get members to fish with new people where possible. More will follow on this at future meetings.

Since we are in good financial shape, the Board decided to make contributions of \$500 to each of the following: 4-H (to support kid's ability to attend competitions), the Boy Scouts of Jefferson County (for uniforms for needy scouts) and Children's Hospital. We agreed our future is dependent on supporting today's youth and felt this was a small way for us to do that.

Finally, we are changing the monthly meeting date to the 1<sup>st</sup> Monday of the month starting in January. That means that our next meeting will be on January 4<sup>th</sup>, still at Puleo's Grill (110 Cedar Ln, just east of the I-75/Merchants Rd. exit. Dinner will continue to be at 6 pm, with the meeting at 7 pm. We really want to increase our meeting attendance. One of the best things about being a member of TSBA is the fellowship we get from getting to know others in the club. While seeing the presentation video on the internet is good for getting information, you'll really miss out if you do this all the time. So try to join us.

# T.S.B.A. Fishing Tournaments 2015

Coordinators: Eddie Dills 865 296 3743

Larry Nowell 865 898 9273

April 25 Hickory Star, on Norris Lake

May 23 Grainger County Park, Cherokee Lake

July 25 Watts Bar, Below Melton Hill Dam

Sept. 19 Cherokee Lake

Nov. 21 Norris Lake

We had a 3 way tie for First Place, the winner was determined by the biggest fish. From Eddie: Everyone's best fish came from the Watts Bar tournament. Official results are: 1st Eddie Dills 36 5/8" 2nd Bob Biscay 35 1/2" 3rd Larry Scott 34 7/8".

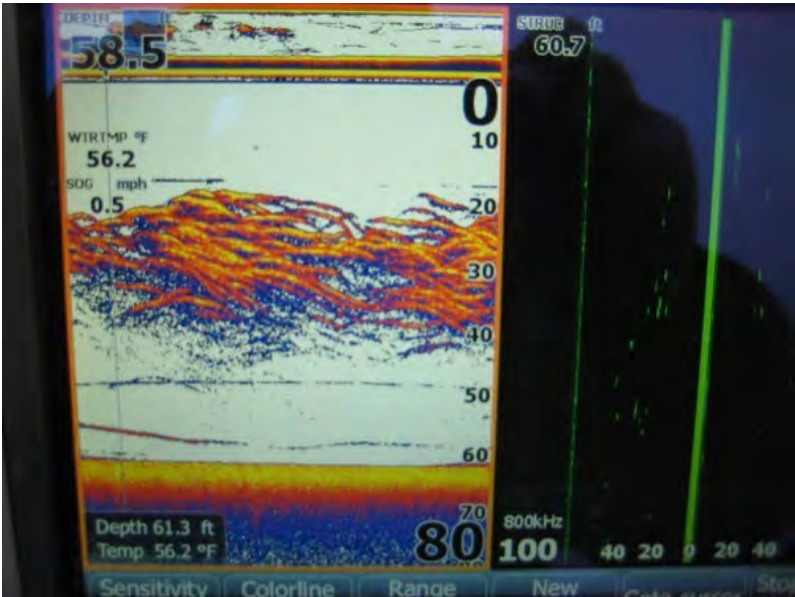


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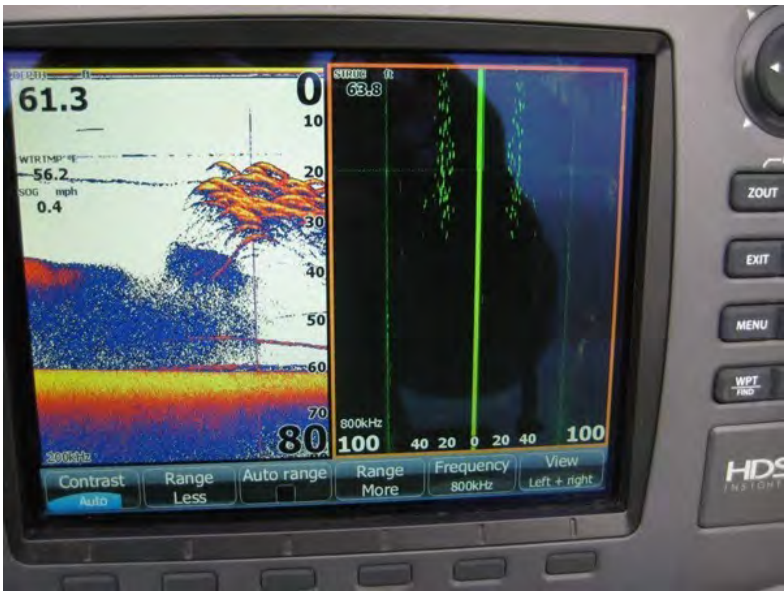
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Cover photo: Allen Franklin

# Members Photos



Nice screenshots Steve Nichols



## Norris Tournament 11/21/2015



Charlie Brooks



Bob Biscay

# 2015 Meeting links

January Ezell Cox and Mel Cook    Topic; Bait Tanks

<http://youtu.be/HG9x7CWEQ-Y>

March Jay Girardot & Doug Steffe    Topic; Umbrella Rigs

<http://youtu.be/hJpt-ZCNBNY>

April Keith Shannon    Topic; Keeping bait alive/ bait tanks

<http://youtu.be/l-gjExqDQQE>

May Allen Franklin    Topic; Catching bait / Cast net throwing

<https://youtu.be/m6EJrzE9nqM>    (outdoor) <https://youtu.be/BP72nx6jDSU>

June NA.

July Jim Negus    Topic; Lake temperatures and dissolved Oxygen,  
Zebra Mussels    <https://youtu.be/L-AqzDop8VQ>

August Mike Smith    Topic; TWRA Stocking program on area lakes

<http://youtu.be/FFMp299Y9g0> .

October Ezell Cox    Topic; Tips on locating fish / seasonal migration patterns.    <https://youtu.be/LB2o7ieDI-8>

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# Tournament Standings 2015

#	Name	April. 25	May. 23	July. 25	Sept. 19	Nov. 21	Totals
1	Eddie Dills	100 + 5	95+5	95+5	95+5	90+5	500
2	Larry Scott	95 +5	100+5	90+5	95+5	95+5	500
3	Bob Biscay	100 + 5	90+5	85+5	100+5	100+5	500
4	Larry Nowell	0 + 5	100+5	95+5	100+5	95+5	415
5	Randy Jackson	100+5	85+5	85+5	5		290
6	John May	0 + 5	0	100+5	100+5		215
7	Ron Gabler	95 +5	100+5	0	0		205
8	Eric Rauch	0 + 5	85+5	95+5	0		195
9	Steve Nichols	95 + 5	90+5	0	0		195
10	Hal Basdekis	0	0	90+5	0	90+5	190
11	Chet Moore	0	0	100+5	0		105
12	Mike Johnson				100+5		105
13	Charlie Brooks	0	0	0	0	100+5	105
14	Joe Asher	0	95+5	0	0		100
15	Art Munchow	0	0	90+5	0		95
16	Les Bingaman				5		5



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# TSBA Tournament Nov.21 Norris Lake

The outdoor thermometer read 34 degrees at 4:00 am. I was up early to check my bait, the tank is making bubbles, bait is alive and happy. Wanting to fish the last tournament, I bowered a small bait tank (Thanks Eric) got it set up in the boat, filled it with water then ran the pump for a while, everything worked great.

We launched out of Beach Island, ready to blast off at 7:00 am. it was foggy and not quite daylight, everyone had their running lights on. Heading toward Bear Creek where I had fished the day before, visibility was not good, we passed by 3 or 4 bass boats going the opposite direction.

Despite the cold start it turned out to be a great day, we had fun and all the boats caught fish. Thanks guys for bringing your boats and to everyone who participated.



1st. place Captain: Bob Biscay, Charlie Brooks



2nd. place Captain: Larry Scott, Larry Nowell



3rd. place Captain: Eddie Dills, Hal Basdekis

## Members Photos



3 Friends: Allen, Ezell, and Steve (next page) go fishing together, only 2 are holding fish. Come on guys, Please let Ezell catch one once in a while.



## Members Photos



Terry Davis


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***Sharps Chapel, TN 37866***

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