



Quick Facts



- **How much does it cost?**
 - \$180-\$210 club fee for the season plus \$25 TBF membership.
 - Team Tournament Jerseys and Hoodies purchased separately \$65-\$75 (Optional)
 - Cash for boat captain \$20-40 per trip to help with the cost of gas and maintenance of their boat.
 - Overnight camping or Hotels at far lakes, such as Lake Havasu, Alamo Lake, Roosevelt Lake
 - Basic tackle, tackle backpack, rod & reel *** No Live Bait***
- **Do I need a boat?**
 - Maybe we always **need** boat/boat captains. If you have a boat, please let us know.
 - If you don't have a boat, you will register with the DRAW form and placed on a WAITLIST.
 - Anglers under 10 may have a parent go out on the boat with them if they are in the DRAW circuit.
 - We encourage all 8-year-olds to be with a parent on the boat for their first tournament.
 - TEAMS Only 3 allowed on a boat: two anglers and their boat Captain.
 - If you have special circumstances, please let us know.
 - IF an angler does not have a boat/boat captain, they will be entered in a draw and placed with a volunteer boat captain.
 - This does not apply to High School anglers.
- **Who is the boat captain?**
 - A parent may be an angler's boat captain
 - Volunteer boat captains include parents, guardians, grandparents, and local anglers.
 - Volunteer boat captains have been vetted and have boat insurance per TBF standards. **We follow a rule of 3: Two anglers to One Boat captain;** if we don't have two anglers, we will assign an **observer** for the trip.
- **When do tournaments take place?**
 - Typically, 1 Sunday a Month (SEE SCHEDULE ONLINE)
 - All DRAW ANGLERS wishing to compete must RSVP through the WEB-LINK by the Friday immediately following the pre-tournament meeting. (The Friday One Week Prior to the Tournament.) **DRAW Anglers who do not RSVP by the deadline may be ineligible to fish that event.**
 - Junior/High School TEAMS: ONLY let us know if you are not coming.
 - **Weather concerns:** Tournaments may be canceled or cut short at any time, under the discretion of the Tournament Director. The children's safety is our top

priority. If a regularly scheduled tournament is canceled, we will try to schedule a makeup tournament.

- **How often do we meet as a club?**

- One Wednesday a Month, the Wednesday meeting is a week prior to the tournament.

*Virtual meetings will be offered, special prizes and giveaways available only at the meetings-must be present to win!!

- Community Service events may be held throughout the tournament season.

- **What species of fish do you catch?**

- Largemouth bass and Smallmouth Bass

- **Does my child need to know how to fish?**

- No, but some helpful things to know and be able to do:
 - Learn how to tie on a hook, bait a hook (no live bait), and practice casting; visit our website for helpful videos.

- **What can and can't I do for my kid on the boat?**

- **Can:** Net the Fish, Run the trolling motor, Provide Pointers, Re-tie lures or rigging, clean out snarls in reels, and be a POSITIVE influence.
- **Can't:** Cast for the child, troll, or allow the boat to impart action on the lures.

- **What does my child need on the day of the tournament?**

- **Life jacket**
- Tackle and tackle bag/backpack
- Rods and Reels 3-4 max
- Water bottle, non-crumb snacks
- **Boat captain gas money**, and most importantly, boat etiquette.

- **What is it like on the day of a tournament?**

- Sign in typically around 5 a.m.
- Light snacks and Coffee/Juice are provided in the morning.
- Team up with your boat captain and angling partner
- Go fish from safe light until 1 pm or later.
- Weigh in their catch; anglers and captains are provided water after they weigh in.
- As soon as possible, clean out the boat of all tackle, rods, trash, etc., to allow the volunteer boat captains to leave. Anglers will offer to wipe down their captain's boat.
- Prizes and awards will be given after the weigh-in
- Parents/Volunteers and anglers help with tournament clean up.
- We are always looking out for anglers who are going above and beyond to qualify for the coveted Sportsman of the Year Award