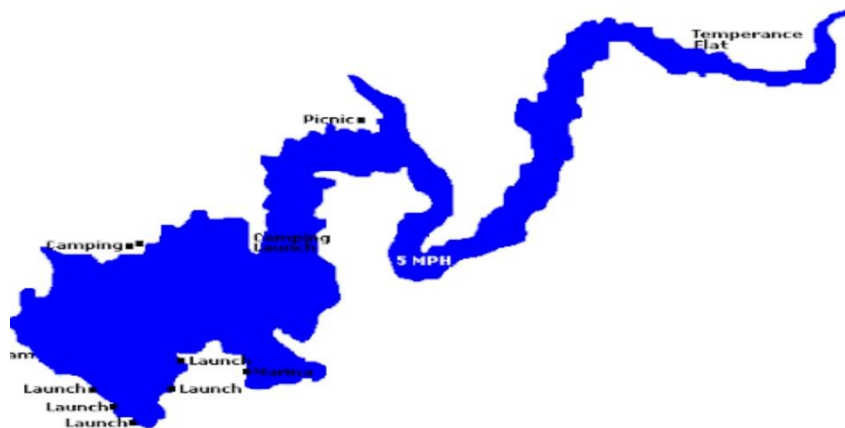


HERE IT IS-ALL THE LATEST

FEBRUARY 2023

BK Custom Baits – Bill Kunz
Creekside Tackle - Ken Eddie
Dobyns Rods-Gary Dobyns
G-Money Baits-Tray Williams
Pro Worms-Sandy Uecker
Valley Rod and Gun

LAKE MILLERTON



FRESNO BASS CLUB MEMBERS,

The first tournament of the year is normally in January, but this year's irregular weather patterns kept us on our toes. The weather forecast for the January tournament date caused the tournament director to make a tough decision and cancel January's tournament. That said, the board met and decided that we will not make-up the January tournament, but rather base our end of the year results on our angler's best 8/10 tournaments fished in 2023.

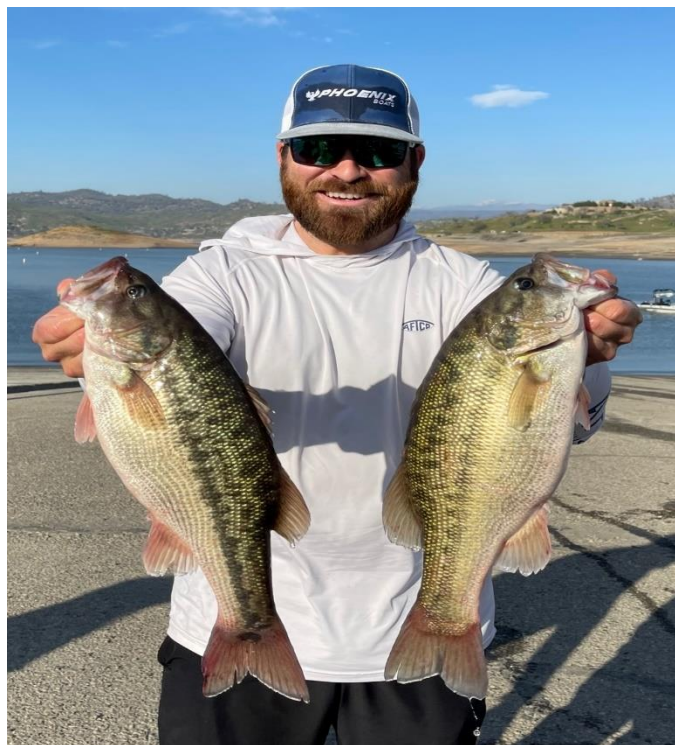
That brings us to February 2023 and our hometown lake, Millerton. Some people do not like Millerton, but it has come a long way since the days of 7-8 pound bags winning a large tournament. In the past 5-10 years the stripers have all but disappeared and the spotted bass and largemouth are growing up with winnings weights now anywhere from 12-17 pounds.

The February bite had been good with a solid pre-fish bite with Creekside and G-money jigs in 40-45 feet of water. The average limits being caught were in the 12-13-pound range and the week before our club tournament, the Bass Federation was won with 14 pounds and your truly got second place with 12.22 lbs.

Well, well, well, we all know Millerton fish and how finicky they can get especially after a front. The days leading up to our club event were very good for numbers of quality fish, but on tournament day things changed for worse.

But no matter how tough it gets; somebody always figures them out and makes us all look bad. That person this month was Cory “without an e” Kerber. Cory is my team partner, and I knew he had been catching some good fish leading up to our tournament. I believe on the day before our club tournament, Cory had about 16 lbs. in practice including a six- and four-pound spot.

On tournament day, Cory “without an e” Kerber, managed to catch the winning bag that weighed 13.09 pounds with a tournament big fish of 3.97 pounds. Cory said he caught his limit early on reaction in 5-15 feet of water. After catching his limit early, he struggled to make any culls, but was able to cull two fish later in the day on a jig in 40-60 foot of water. Cory caught all of his fish on the main lake rotating through a few different spots throughout the day. Congratulations Cory!!



Second place also went to a guy who had a 14-pound limit the day before the club tournament. John Albidrez didn't quite make it to 14 pounds on tournament day, but he gave Cory a run for his money.

John fished Squaw Cove with Creekside jigs in green sculpin and an unknown Pro Worm that was green with black flake. John weighed a total of 12.91 pounds and almost snatched Cory's glory away from him. Great job John!!



Third place went to another well known Millerton fisherman, Tim Turner. Tim started his day out in Winchell's Cove where the Federation tournament was won without success. Tim moved to the Fresno Flats area and ended up catching a small limit weighing about 6.5 pounds. Late in the afternoon, Tim decided to go back to Winchell's to see if the fish had moved in. Tim said he found a small sandy pocket where a school of shad had moved in near the bank. Tim threw a worm into the pocket and let it sit. Tim said the fish would eat the worm while lying motionless on the bottom. Tim was able to cull his entire 6 pound limit up to his third place weight of 11.62 all in about an hour. Way to go Tim!!



Fourth place went to Matthew Mendes who stated he caught all his fish on the main lake. Matthew was throwing jigs and Pro Gold purple flake from the bank to 40 feet. He ran up the river later in the day and caught his big fish of 2.68 doing the same thing. Congratulations Matthew!!



Rounding out the top five is the ever-consistent Kyle Reynolds. Kyle was fishing the main lake with a Creekside Purple Sculpin jig and a warmouth colored Robo worm. Kyle said he was fishing slow and deep to catch his limit. Good Job Kyle!



ADDITIONAL MILLERTON PICTURES





MILLERTON RESULTS:

LAKE	Millerton												
PLACE	BOAT	NAME	3pts	3pts	50pts	NO.	FISH	DEAD	SHORT	BIG	WEIGHT	DEDUCTION	TOTAL
	NO.		Mtg	Tmt	Pts	FISH	ALIVE	FISH	FISH	FISH		0.5 (dead) 1.0 (short)	
1	14	Kerber, Cory	3	3	50	5	5	0		3.97	13.09	0.00	13.09
2	10	Albidrez, John	3	3	49	5	5	0		3.64	12.91	0.00	12.91
3	16	Turner, Tim	3	3	48	5	5	0		3.57	11.62	0.00	11.62
4	20	Mendes, Mathew		3	47	5	5	0		2.68	9.71	0.00	9.71
5	15	Reynolds, Kyle	3	3	46	5	5	0		2.42	9.16	0.00	9.16
6	1	Jue, Gary	3	3	45	5	5	0		2.22	9.01	0.00	9.01
7	25	Perez, Jesse	3	3	44	5	5	0		2.06	8.99	0.00	8.99
8	18	Austin, Walt	3	3	43	5	5	0		2.44	8.89	0.00	8.89
9	26	Baron, Rusty	3	3	42	5	5	0		2.49	8.33	0.00	8.33
10	11	Rowles, Bill Sr	3	3	41	5	5	0		2.36	8.31	0.00	8.31
11	22	Taylor, Ted	3	3	40	5	5	0			8.15	0.00	8.15
12	17	Kunz, Bill	3	3	39	4	4	0		2.85	8.11	0.00	8.11
13	27	Rowe, Seth		3	38	5	5	0		2.66	7.99	0.00	7.99
14	1	Avedikian, Amy (NM Jan'23)	3	3	37	5	5	0		1.73	7.77	0.00	7.77
15	3	Arnold, Jimmy	3	3	36	4	4	0		2.37	7.03	0.00	7.03
16	8	Barton, Justin (NM Jan'23)	3	3	35	5	5	0		2.01	6.98	0.00	6.98
17	19	Jones, Bob	3	3	34	5	5	0		1.69	6.86	0.00	6.86
18	6	Duncan, Kelly	3	3	33	5	5	0			6.51	0.00	6.51
19	3	Guzman, Jose	3	3	32	5	5	0		1.95	6.30	0.00	6.30
20	9	Lopez, Christian	3	3	31	4	4	0		2.03	6.27	0.00	6.27
21	13	Corrente Mark	3	3	30	5	5	0		2.13	6.22	0.00	6.22
22	12	Calderon, Lazaro	3	3	29	5	5	0			6.20	0.00	6.20
23	4	Red, Ron Sr	3	3	28	5	5	0			5.55	0.00	5.55
24	5	Paris, Chris	3	3	27	3	3	0		2.86	5.37	0.00	5.37
25	21	Smith, Ryan	3	3	26	4	4	0			5.28	0.00	5.28
26	2	Duncan, A.J.	3	3	25	4	4	0			4.63	0.00	4.63
27	23	Shafer, Paul	3	3	24	4	4	0		1.39	4.51	0.00	4.51
28	21	Smith, Jennifer	3	3	23	3	3	0			3.87	0.00	3.87
29	9	Heirendt, David	3	3	22	2	2	0		2.15	3.77	0.00	3.77
30	5	Ruacho, Jerry	3	3	21	2	2	0			2.66	0.00	2.66
31	24	Eddy, Ken	3	3	20	2	2	0			2.39	0.00	2.39
32	2	Hass, Harold	3	3	19	2	2	0		1.16	2.05	0.00	2.05
33	6	Placentia, Sal	3	3	18	1	1	0			1.06	0.00	1.06
	10	Curtis, Walter				wd	0	0			0.00	0.00	0.00
	7	De La Fuente, Javier	3	3		0	0	0			0.00	0.00	0.00
	7	De La Fuente, Javier Jr.		3		0	0	0			0.00	0.00	0.00
	4	Pena, Irwin	3	3		0	0	0			0.00	0.00	0.00
	11	Rowles, Anne	3			wd	0	0			0.00	0.00	0.00

PLACE	NAME	TOTAL	BIG FISH
1	Kerber, Cory	59	3.97
2	Albidrez, John	58	3.64
3	Turner, Tim	57	3.57
4	Reynolds, Kyle	55	2.42
5	Jue, Gary	54	2.22
6	Mendes, Mathew	53	2.68
7	Perez, Jesse	53	2.06
8	Austin, Walt	52	2.44
9	Baron, Rusty	51	2.49
10	Rowles, Bill Sr	50	2.36
11	Kunz, Bill	48	2.85
12	Avedikian, Amy (NM Jan'23)	46	1.73
13	Taylor, Ted	46	0.00
14	Arnold, Jimmy	45	2.37
15	Barton, Justin (NM Jan'23)	44	2.01
16	Duncan, Kelly	42	0.00
17	Rowe, Seth	41	2.66
18	Guzman, Jose	41	1.95
19	Lopez, Christian	40	2.03
20	Jones, Bob	40	1.69
21	Corrente Mark	39	2.13
22	Calderon, Lazaro	38	0.00
23	Red, Ron Sr	37	0.00
24	Paris, Chris	36	2.86
25	Smith, Ryan	35	0.00
26	Duncan, A.J.	34	0.00
27	Shafer, Paul	33	1.39
28	Smith, Jennifer	32	0.00
29	Heirendt, David	31	2.15
30	Ruacho, Jerry	30	0.00
31	Eddy, Ken	29	0.00
32	Hass, Harold	28	1.16
33	Placentia, Sal	27	0.00
34	De La Fuente, Javier	9	0.00
35	Pena, Irwin	6	0.00
36	Rowles, Anne	6	0.00
37	Short, Jeff	6	0.00
38	Uecker, Rick	6	0.00
39	De La Fuente, Javier Jr.	3	0.00
40	Gutierrez, Alfred	3	0.00
41	McGovern, Rick	3	0.00
42	Munoz, Sal	3	0.00
43	Pitts, Jeremy	3	0.00

MARCH TOURNAMENT INFORMATION:

Date: March 18-19, 2023 (Two-day event)
Hours: Safe-light – 3 PM
Location: Flemming Meadows: Lake Don Pedro
Check-in: TBD @ the March Meeting

The next FBC meeting will take place on Wednesday March 1, 2023, at 7 PM. The meeting will be held at the Yosemite Falls Café located @ 4020 N. Cedar in Fresno.

See you there!!!

Ramp: Flemming Meadows