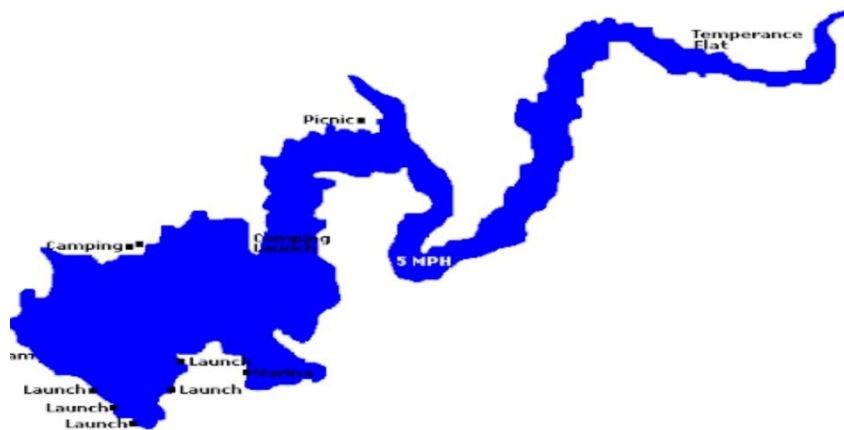


HERE IT IS-ALL THE LATEST

JANUARY 2022

BK Custom Baits – Bill Kunz
Creskide Tackle - Ken Eddie
Dead Stick Bait Company- David Coy
Dobyns Rods-Gary Dobyns
G-Money Baits-Tray Williams
Pro Worms-Sandy Uecker
Valley Rod and Gun

LAKE MILLERTON



FRESNO BASS CLUB MEMBERS,

This month we headed back to our hometown water of Lake Millerton, to kick off the 2022 tournament season. The brief stint of December rainstorms helped bring the lake levels back up, but California Water Management made sure to open the flood gates and start draining the lake just before our tournament.

Thirty-two anglers showed up to brave the elements and hopefully catch some fish to bring in the new year. The pre-fishing bite had been decent but was on the decline as heavy fishing pressure and dropping water levels began to take their toll.

I had pre-fished a couple of days leading up to the tournament and fished both the river and main lake. The river seemed to have more biting fish in general but lacked in the kind of size you would need to win a tournament. On the other hand, the main lake seemed to have better quality fish, but the question was could an angler stick it out all day on the main lake and get five bites?

The river seemed to have more shallow fish that were willing bite, while the main lake appeared to have better quality fish lurking in depths of 35-85 feet.

The morning temperature at blast off was a chilly 44 degrees and the afternoon high was 62 degrees which meant everyone was bundled up early and stripping off layers of clothing by 10:00.

No matter what the conditions, someone will always figure them out and catch them when it counts. This month, returning member John Albidrez was that guy. John brought in a mixed bag five fish limit that topped the scales at a whopping 9.88 lbs. earning him the first 2022 FBC win. Congratulations John boy!



John was tight lipped since he had another team tournament the following weekend. The only thing I could squeeze out of him was “worms and jigs in 30- 50 feet on rock piles in the main lake.”

Second place is no stranger to the top three, Tim Turner, the 2021 FBC Angler of the Year. Starting up where he left off in 2021, Tim brought in a five fish limit that weighed 9.60 with a big fish of 2.35 and enough to secure a second-place finish. Great job Tim!



Tim wasn't much better with his information for the same reason, he had an upcoming tournament. Tim said he caught his fish in the main lake on Jigs and spoons in 50-80 feet.

Third place went to yours truly who brought in five fish for 8.48 lbs. I was struggling consistently catch quality fish. My pre-fishing days were hit and miss. Some days I would catch 7-9 lbs. and other days I could catch 10-11 lbs., but nothing was consistent for me in terms of locations or baits.

On tournament day I started on the main lake, but my partner Chris Tamez and I could only muster two fish by 9:00 so we decided to go upriver. Once upriver, we found shallow fish in 0-10 feet and caught about 8 keepers on worms and ned rigs. We left the river at about 11:00, I had five fish for about 7.25 lbs. and Chris had four fish and had dumped one over two pounds.

Once on the main lake, we hit about six different spot and on the last spot we found a school of pound and $\frac{3}{4}$ fish. I culled four fish to get to my final weight of 8.48 and Chris dumped another one about two pounds and was unable to finish pout his limit.

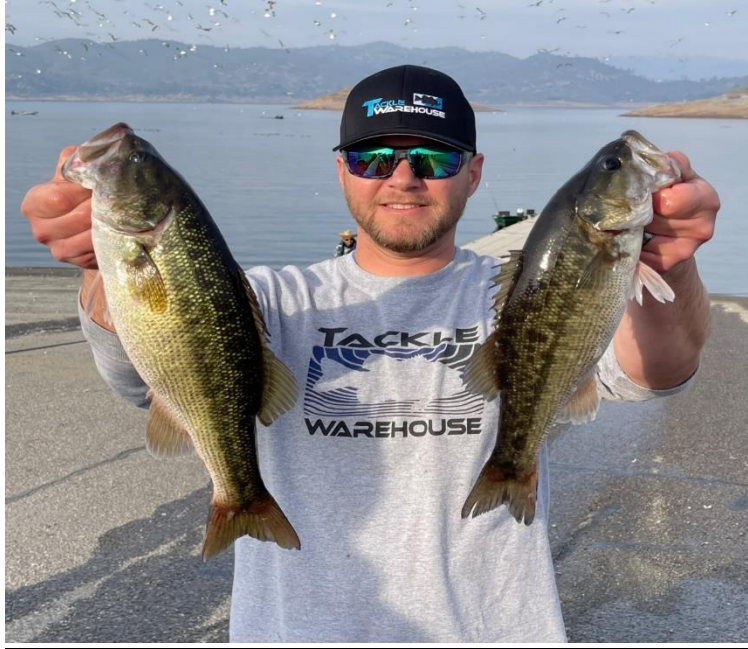
All my main lake fish were in 50-70 feet and I caught them on six inch Texas rigged worms and jigs. The river fish were very shallow along steep rocky bluffs and those were caught on a Texas rig as well.



Fourth Place went to Seth Rowe. Seth said fished Texas rigged 6" Pro Worms and a TRD hula stick from 5'-50' in the Winchell's Cove and Fine Gold Creek areas. Seth said he struggled all day with only one keeper at noon, but between 2-3 PM he was able to finish out his limit and even cull a fish. Seth's limit weighed 8.14 lbs.



Rounding out the top five for the Millerton event was new member Jeff Short. Jeff brought in a fish limit weighing 8.14 lbs. Jeff said he drop shotted morning dawn in 40'-50' on the main lake and threw darter heads upriver in 5'-20'. Way to go Jeff!



TOURNAMENT BIG FISH

Returning member Dan Marshall caught the tournament big fish which was a 2.73 lb. spot that he caught in Winchell's Cove at 2:00 PM. Congratulations Dan!



ADDITIONAL PICTURES



Chris Tamez



Rusty Barron



Jose "I can't see" Guzman



Bill "I'm the TD" Rowles



Ron Red Sr.

MILLERTON OVERALL RESULTS AND YTD

LAKE		Millerton				
PLACE	BOAT	NAME	NO.	DEAD	BIG	TOTAL
	NO.		FISH	FISH	FISH	
1	20	Albidrez, John	5	0	2.53	9.88
2	5	Turner, Tim	5	0	2.34	9.60
3	4	Kunz, Bill	5	0	1.83	8.48
4	22	Rowe, Seth	5	0	2.04	8.18
5	11	Short, Jeff (NM Jan'22)	5	0	2.51	8.14
6	21	Barron, Rusty (RM Jan'22)	5	0	2.17	8.07
7	12	Marshall, Dan (RM Jan'22)	4	0	2.73	7.76
8	16	Red, Ron Sr	5	0	1.52	7.51
9	10	Duncan, A.J. (NM Jan'22)	5	0	2.08	7.35
10	23	Kerber, Corey (NM Jan'22)	5	0		7.31
11	2	Guzman, Jose	5	0	2.12	7.14
12	15	Heirendt, David (NM Jan'22)	4	0	2.11	6.97
13	19	Perez, Jesse	5	0	1.51	6.79
14	4	Tamez, Chris	4	1		6.21
15	6	Jones, Bob	4	0	1.84	5.96
16	9	Jue, Gary	4	0		5.68
17	9	Mendes, Mathew	4	0		5.13
18	3	Shafer, Paul	3	0	1.99	4.99
19	10	Calderon, Lazaro	3	0	2.03	4.54
20	14	Levitt, Bill	3	0	1.59	4.48
21	13	Reynolds, Kyle	3	1		4.15
22	8	Taylor, Ted	3	0		4.06
23	3	Corrente Mark	2	0	2.21	3.78
24	1	Durand, J.P. (NM Jan'22)	3	0	1.14	3.19
25	19	Perez, Jesse Jr. (NM'22)	2	0		2.76
26	7	Rowles, Bill Jr	2	0		2.62
27	1	Eddy, Ken	2	0		2.42
28	17	Rowles, Bill Sr	1	0	2.14	2.14
29	12	Packard, Andrew (NM Nov'21)	2	0	0.94	2.09
30	11	Ruacho, Jerry (NM'22)	1	0	1.75	1.75
31	8	Curtis, Walter (NM Jan'22)	1	0	1.36	1.36
32	2	Guzman, Joey	1	0	0.96	0.96

PLACE	NAME	TOTAL
1	Albidrez, John	56
2	Turner, Tim	55
3	Kunz, Bill	54
4	Short, Jeff (NM Jan'22)	52
5	Barron, Rusty (RM Jan'22)	51
6	Marshall, Dan (RM Jan'22)	50
7	Rowe, Seth	50
8	Red, Ron Sr	49
9	Kerber, Corey (NM Jan'22)	47
10	Heirendt, David (NM Jan'22)	45
11	Duncan, A.J. (NM Jan'22)	45
12	Perez, Jesse	44
13	Guzman, Jose	43
14	Tamez, Chris	43
15	Jones, Bob	42
16	Jue, Gary	41
17	Shafer, Paul	39
18	Levitt, Bill	37
19	Mendes, Mathew	37
20	Calderon, Lazaro	35
21	Taylor, Ted	35
22	Corrente Mark	34
23	Durand, J.P. (NM Jan'22)	33
24	Reynolds, Kyle	33
25	Perez, Jesse Jr. (NM'22)	32
26	Rowles, Bill Jr	31
27	Eddy, Ken	30
28	Rowles, Bill Sr	29
29	Packard, Andrew (NM Nov21	28
30	Ruacho, Jerry (NM'22)	27
31	Curtis, Walter (NM Jan'22)	26
32	Guzman, Joey	22
33	Cantu, Michael	6
34	Hass, Harold	6
35	Mirelez, Ricardo	6
36	Rowles, Ann (NM Jan'22)	6
37	Arnold, Jimmy	3
38	Austin, Walt	3
39	Botu, Brian	3
40	Duncan, Kelly (NM Jan'22)	3
41	Paris, Chris	3
42	Theissen, Grant	3
43	Uecker, Rick	3

TOURNAMENT TOTALS:

Anglers:	32
Total Fish:	111
Dead:	2
Total Weight:	172.45 lbs.
Average Weight:	1.55 lbs.

FEBRUARY TOURNAMENT INFORMATION:

When:	February 13, 2022
Where:	Lake McClure
Sunrise:	SUN: 0648 AM
Moon:	Waxing Gibbous (91% Full)
Check-in:	TBD @ February's Meeting
Blast off:	Approximately 0630 AM at Barrett South
Weigh-in:	TBD @ February's Meeting

NEXT MEETING:

The next meeting for the Fresno Bass Club will be WEDNESDAY 02/02/2022 @ 7 PM at the Yosemite Falls Café located at 4020 N. Cedar Avenue, Fresno CA 93726 (559) 222-7800.

Until next time...Tight Lines!