



Western Bass Club

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President's Report



Rodney Heupel, President

Hello Western Bass Club members and guests,

This month we will vote for next year's board members. There are still some positions that are open for nominations. If you want to continue to enjoy the full benefits of the club this may be your chance to enjoy it as a member of the board.

What is to be gained from being a member? For Karl, who has been actively pursuing bass and fishing trips with as many different members as possible? We went to Riffe Lake one day together. It was the first top water experience for Karl where he saw a great boil and hook up I had on a Sammy. I was grilled with many questions as the day went on. At the end of the day Karl said, "Got to get me a Sammy!"

Now let me share excerpts from an e-mail I received from Karl:

"I got two Sammys on Saturday... and took them out this morning on Lake Sammamish. I took out the ghost minnow one and on the second cast I had a big bite. I was fishing on the edge of the lily pads right next to the launch area and I got the fish back to the boat and he went down and got tangled up in the weeds below the boat and he got away. I tried pulling up the lure but my line broke. Now I have to buy another ghost minnow Sammy.

The last two times I have seen that lure in action we both had good fish on ... Sure was fun for a minute or so getting this one back to the boat."

In today's information age it is so easy to get all kind of information from the internet. From knot tying to seasonal patterns can be found. But as Karl stated to me he has learned so much being in the boat with club members that he can now take his children out fishing and actually catch fish. It's the kids that will carry on the future of fishing. Being an active member is good for the whole family.

Rodney Heupel
President, Western Bass Club

Fish-In Report

Dan Caffrey, Ambassador Director



Fish in Report for Lake Union
September 15th, 2012

Three boats and seven members showed up to fish. The weather was slightly overcast and bright all day, and the water temperature was a cool 65 degrees. John G took out Todd, and caught a bunch of fish; somewhere around 15. Karl took out Jeff I and caught a bunch of fish too. Jeff I caught the biggest one of the day at 2 lbs. I took out Jose and Alex. We also caught a bunch of fish too, no real big ones. We were happy to see a one pounder when we got them. There was actually a good mix of Largies and smallies on the lake. It seemed on the main lake that the smallies were more prevalent, and in the middle of the two main lake parts is where the largies were.

All in all it was a fun day fishing with some fun people. What a good group of guys we had there. I'm kinda surprised we didn't wrangle in some bigger ones, but oh well, maybe next time. It was the first time I had ever fished Lake Union, so I did a lot of exploring/experimenting but never got that big one in the boat. We ended the day docking up at Ivar's for lunch. It was a good day I will not forget.



Western Bass Club Membership Form

Spouse, children under 18, and grandchildren are also members with your paid annual dues.

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City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Birthday _____ NEW MEMBER / RENEWAL
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