

Building a Better Bass Club

Season 2006

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Special Olympics Ohio

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Photo: The fun begins when the athletes wet a line.



WORLD'S LEADING SUPPLIER OF PREMIUM OUTDOOR GEAR



Photo: Nick Galbraith, the next Kevin Van Dam

Dear Federation Nation Member,

Just like most BASS clubs, Warren County Bassmasters was hit with a big decision in 2006, stay with BASS or move to the newly formed Ohio Bass Federation Nation. This decision was enough of a distraction to leave us ill prepared to do our typical Casting Kids Event so we decided to take a different route. We got in touch with a local chapter of Special Olympics and offered up our services. This event was a wonderful experience that we hope you decide to get involved.

President,
Warren County BassMasters
Bill Donaldson

Photos



Top and Bottom left; Athletes working the pier and dock over. I feel sorry for the fish.

What is it?; It's either a tangled line or Todd Thompson's kidney stone

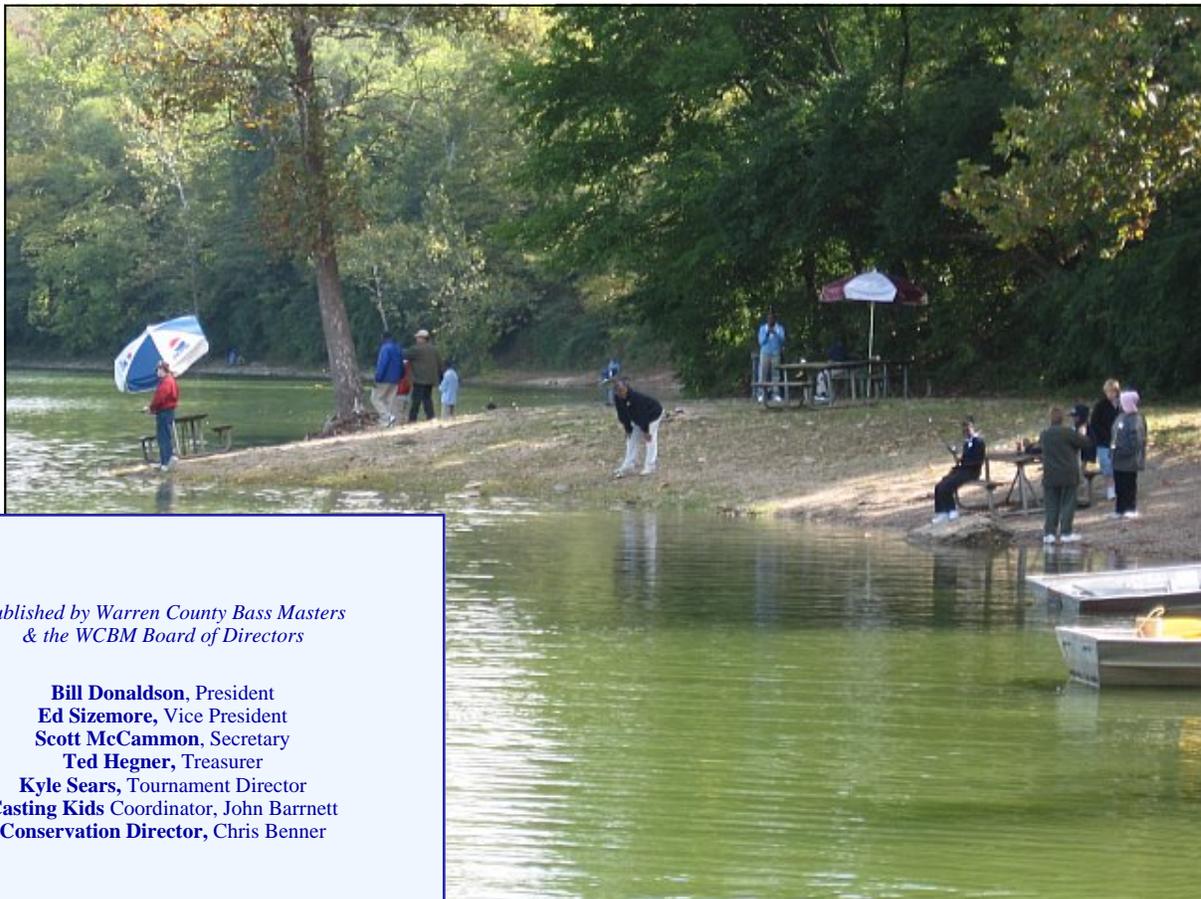
Project Review

Since the Special Olympics staff had enough personnel to help with the event for this year we were asked to tune up their equipment. We received 50 rods and reels in a state of repair that can't be described.

- Our Treasurer, Ted Hegner did all the shopping and worked with Bass Pro Shops, who gave us a 40% discount off on materials used.
- 10 volunteers worked on tuning up all usable equipment. This included new line, rod eyes and organization of the tackle
- The difference between a Zebco 202 and a 33 is a BIG difference. When replacing reels we opted for the 33. Warren County Bassmasters donated a total of \$300.00 toward the repairs
- What does the future hold? Special Olympics was so happy with the results of our efforts that we are beginning conversation on continuing this effort and possibly developing a Cast Kids like format for the athletes. Competitions will be held in doors with the winners qualifying for a real on the water tournament.



A picture; really is worth a thousand words



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