

## Commodore Remarks September 2022

A lot of information to share this month!

**Ramp remains closed until late September, early October.** See "Ramp Repair Update" article below for more details.

## WOC Fall Striper Derby, October 22nd, 2022 Rules

Time: 5:30 am Launch (safe light) measured length deadline at 2 pm sharp;

- Entrants must register at ramp area prior to fishing; donuts and coffee available; BBQ lunch will be served beginning at 12. am until 2:30 pm; awards presentation will be held immediately after.
- At sign in: you must declare (on the sign in form) whether you are a WOC member or other.
- Stay to the left inside the gate and get your boat ready for launching quickly please. There will be lots of helpers and a shuttle from the upper parking area.
- Fish must be taken by Fish & Wildlife regulations.
- Only ONE FISH PER PERSON will be measured in.
- In the case of a tie, the winning fish will be determined by weight of the fish. if both fish measure the same and weigh the same, the winner will be determined by drawing straws.
- Fish can be presented for measurement any time *prior to 2 pm*.
- Only certified entries qualify to win and receive trophies, prizes, points, etc.
- Derby is open to WOC members and family or friends as long as the boat owner is a member.
- Awards: There will be trophies for First Place, Second Place, and Third Place. (Trophies provided courtesy of Rick Tietz, *Blade Runner Tackle*).
- Additional prizes for the top 10 winners.
- The top ten WOC member finishers will accumulate "points" towards the determination of the *Angler Of The Year* award winner; to wit, only valid, dues paying members of WOC shall accumulate derby points towards the determination of the Angler Of The Year Award.
- WOC guest anglers qualify to win individual awards/prizes but DO NOT accumulate points towards Angler Of The Year.
- *Angler Of The Year* winner will be determined by the WOC member holding the most accumulated derby "points" combining BOTH the Fall derbies. In the case of a tie on points, the Angler Of The Year winner will be determined by the greatest total (combined) weight of the person's two fish registered at the two derbies.
- Ceremonial presentation of Angler Of The Year winner's jacket will be done at Angler Of The Year Awards Dinner on a later date.

**All fish entered must be taken in the Port/Barge Canal/Lake Washington/or in the Deep-Water Channel not South of Marker # 54**

**Target length; tip of head to tip of tail.**

**2023-2024 Officers, Board Members, Port Captain Vacancies/Volunteers.** We have need of a Secretary, Purser, one Board Member (Derbies) and a Port Captain. Job

descriptions are posted on our website under "Volunteers"

<http://washingtonoutboardclub.org/Job%20Descriptions%20for%20the%20Web%2011-13-19.pdf> Please contact the current office holder or me if interested.

**Thursday, October 13th. Membership Meeting.** Hall Set-up/tear down. 4 volunteers needed, 5:30-8pm (contact; Tom Padilla 916-837-4753). Clothing Sales Setup/tear down. 2 volunteers needed, 5:30-8 (call Roger Mc Manus, 916-271-3019).

**Saturday October 15th. Port cleanup.** 6 volunteers needed 8AM to Noon. Contact Rick Tietz, 916-799-4643 or Tom Padilla, 916-837-4753. Trim Trees and bushes, Run weed whackers, clean up debris on and around the ramp, wash chairs and tables, clean up dead grass around fence and sheds

**Saturday October 22nd. Striper Derby.** 2 shifts of 15 volunteers to work sign-ups, boat prep, launching, parking and set up for awards and lunch. Contact Rick Tietz, 916-799-4643 or Tom Padilla, 916-837-4753 (shift 1 from 5AM-10AM) (shift 2 from 10AM to 3PM)

1 shift of 4 volunteers to help Aaron Davies on the cook crew from 10 am to 3 pm. Please contact Aaron Davies at 916-417-2830

2 shifts of clothing sales 2 volunteers needed, 8-noon and 2 volunteers from noon to 3 PM (call Roger Mc Manus, 916-271-3019).

**Saturday October 29th Fisherman of the Year dinner**

4 to 6 volunteers for hall set up and tear down 4 to 9 PM. Contact Tom Padilla at 916-837-4753

4 to 6 volunteers from 4PM to 9PM for the cook crew to help Aaron Davies . please contact Aaron at 916-417-2830

**Thursday November 17th. Membership Meeting.** Hall Set-up/tear down. 4 volunteers needed, 5:30-8 pm (contact; Tom Padilla 916-837-4753). Clothing Sales Setup/tear down. 2 volunteers needed, 5:30-8 (call Roger Mc Manus, 916-271-3019).

**Thursday, December 15th. Membership Meeting.** Hall Set-up/tear down. 4 volunteers needed, 5:30-8 (contact; Tom Padilla 916-837-4753). Clothing Sales Setup/tear down. 2 volunteers needed, 5:30-8 (call Roger Mc Manus, 916-271-3019).

**Ramp Repair Update by Guy Brown, former Commodore, Ramp Repair Committee Chair (916-849-3490, gbrownsac@sbcglobal.net).**

We've removed the old structure (I-beam, 6' cattle guard and 6' beaver tail).

We have poured two 3' square by 4' deep cement footings with metal fittings into the existing cement ramp to anchor two 50-foot long 8-inch I-beams. Each of these consists of four sections cut into different lengths and weld angles to conform to the slope of our cement ramp. These will reach 15' beyond the end of the existing cement ramp. This structure will be 5-foot longer than our previous usable ramp, providing 14 foot more usable trailer reach length.

We've attached a 2-inch round "rub rail" inside the I-beams to cushion trailers running into it.

We've welded a trailer "tire-trap" at the end of the ramp to "catch" the tire with a noticeable "drop", warning the driver to go no further.

Final welding was completed this week. Priming and painting will be completed by the end of this week.

Thompson Welding is scheduling the trailer to deliver the materials to the ramp and the use of a 26,500-pound load capacity Reach-Lift to maneuver the I-beams into place.

**All materials should be delivered to the ramp and installed within the next two to three weeks**

It will take about three days to secure the I-beams, attach 5 sections of 15 foot-wide heavy, galvanized grating panels between the I-beams.

We have asked The Port District/West Sac if they will contribute to the project's cost. They have agreed to contribute \$15,000.

At this point total Club project cost is expected to be around \$140,000 (less The Port District/West Sac \$15,000), well within our budget, leaving us in a positive cash balance at the end of the year.

We have already entered into discussions with The Port District/West Sac regarding a long-term license. Upon completion of the ramp repair, we will submit an invoice to them for the \$15,000 and finalize a new license.

We have accomplished all of the planning for the repair with a group of Club member volunteers serving on a Ramp Committee. They persisted through all of the design challenges, difficulty obtaining qualified welders and all of the COVID, supply-chain challenges of the past two plus years. It has taken a lot of time and effort of a small, dedicated group of members to get to where we are.

After the repair the ramp that you see above water will look the same. We were not able to correct the "rocky road to Dublin" nature of our existing cement ramp sections without having to conduct environmental studies required by The Port District/West Sac, State and Federal regulators. These would have involved up to two years to complete and up to \$70,000 in additional project cost. The "repaired" part of the ramp is below the water where the corroded grating was and where the new grating extends further into the water.

**At this time, it appears the ramp will reopen the end of this month or in early October.** We will send out an email as soon as we know of the date reopening.

**Port Exclusive Use Dates.**

**Sunday October 9<sup>th</sup>** RCRC Head of Port Regatta (until 4pm)

**Sunday October 22<sup>nd</sup>** WOC Saturday Striper Derby

## **Saturday November 5<sup>th</sup>** LWSC Turkey Shoot Regatta

Thurman (Tee) Watson

Commodore WOC

### **For sale:**

Yamaha 9.9, 2012-2013, very low hours. Long shaft, electronic start and tilt. \$2,000.  
Contact Allan Grossman, (916) 212-5006 [ottoshop@sbcglobal.net](mailto:ottoshop@sbcglobal.net)

