

Columbia River BASSMASTERS

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*** MEETING ***

Tuesday April 6, 7:00 PM
Who Song and Larry's
111 SE Columbia Way
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- Meeting topics:
- CFC Results
- Draw for The Dalles Tournament

April Meeting Agenda

- Call meeting to order Tim
- Welcome Tim
- CFC Results Tim
- Treasurer's Report Chuck
- Old Business Tim
- Tourney Draw Tim
- New Business Zip

HAVE YOU PAID YOUR DUES?

2010 Club dues of \$50 are PAST DUE. Help Chuck out and get your payment in quickly! Thanks to all!

If you haven't paid, you're **NOT** a club member!

Childers and Correa Win 6th Cabin Fever Classic!

Tournament morning brought cold temperatures, bone chilling wind, and stinging rain. A bass fisherman's delight! But CRB's own Shon Childers with backseater Rick Correa won the 6th annual tournament. More details on page two!



Shon and Rick with four of the five mamas that made up their 22.42 pound winning bag at the 6th CFC.



Nick Fitzsimmons with the big fish: 5.42 pound Fattie!

Cabin Fever Classic Escapes Nasty Weather for One of the Best Finishes To Date

The tournament launch was moved to Cascade Locks due to horrible conditions on the Willie and the long runs other anglers would make to the lock. It was decided to simply drive there instead. 17 teams strapped it on.

In the end, 9 teams weighed fish. Those that left early may just have missed out though as several teams reported catching very little before noon. Conditions were off-and-on rain, temperatures began in the low 30s and made it into the mid 40s by weigh in. The rain and wind both began the day with fervor, but by weigh in the rain stopped and the river turned to glass.

Winners of the Sixth annual Columbia River Bassmasters Cabin Fever Classic were Shon Childers and Rick Correa. Their 22.46 pound bag was one of the best ever in the CFC and netted them the winning check of \$1,500 provided by **VANCOUVER TOYOTA**.



Second place was the team of David Heldstab and his back-seater Jim Gaither. They took a cool \$500 home. The third pair was Nick Fitzsimmons and Tom Hartshorn.

In addition, Nick Fitzsimmons also edged out David Simons for big fish. Simons fish tipped the scales at 5.40 pounds, and Nick's was 5.42! Nick won the **PACIFIC BOATLAND \$500 BIG FISH** prize and a custom rod from **NORTH FORK RODS**.



The Young Gunner's Alex Grisham had a contender for big fish with his excellent 5.03 pounder.

Here are the final results. * denotes Columbia River Bassmasters member

| Place | Boater | Non-Boater | Fish | Weight |
|-------|-----------------------|--------------------|----------|--------------|
| 1 | Shon Childers* | Rick Correa | 5 | 22.46 |
| 2 | David Heldstab | Jim Gaither | 5 | 19.08 |
| 3 | Nick Fitzsimmons | Tom Hartshorn | 5 | 18.68 |
| 4 | David Simons | Marietta Wiser | 5 | 16.26 |
| 5 | Renaud Pelletier | Jim Brinkerhoff | 5 | 13.64 |
| 6 | Chip Grisham | Alex Grisham | 4 | 13.04 |
| 7 | Joe Martinez | Todd Martinez | 3 | 10.62 |
| 8 | Jim Miller* | Rob Allen* | 3 | 6.87 |
| 9 | Zip Decker* | Tristan Decker | 3 | 6.43 |

Draw for The Dalles Tournament

Finally! We've been waiting all winter, and here is the first club tournament of the year. We will launch from The Dalles launch on Sunday, April 18. Sunrise will be 6:04 am, so the driver's meeting will be at 5:45 am. Weigh in time will be announced at the tournament.

Please note: if you haven't paid your dues by the time of the draw Tuesday at the meeting, you are not eligible to fish.

At Tuesday's meeting, the draw for partners will be held. **You do NOT need to be present to get into the draw** as either a boater or non-boater. However, **you MUST notify the club before the meeting if you cannot attend.**

So, let's restate this important point: If you cannot make the meeting Tuesday, you **MUST** call before the meeting. Generally, you would call the tournament director or president...both of who are out of town this week. So, for the April tournament, if you cannot make the meeting on Tuesday but want to be included in the draw, call **TIM IHLE** at 360-772-1975 or **CHUCK SMITH** at 503-504-6672 or **SHON CHILDERS** at 360-513-8564.

If you are not familiar with the launch, it's near the bridge and is out of the current in a nice harbor. Parking is ample as well. Be careful leaving the harbor as there are **LOTS** of rocks both above and below the entrance to the river.

The results of the draw will be emailed along with phone numbers. The boater and non-boater should hook up prior to the tournament to determine a meeting place, likely baits and methods, and an idea of the expenses that will be split.