



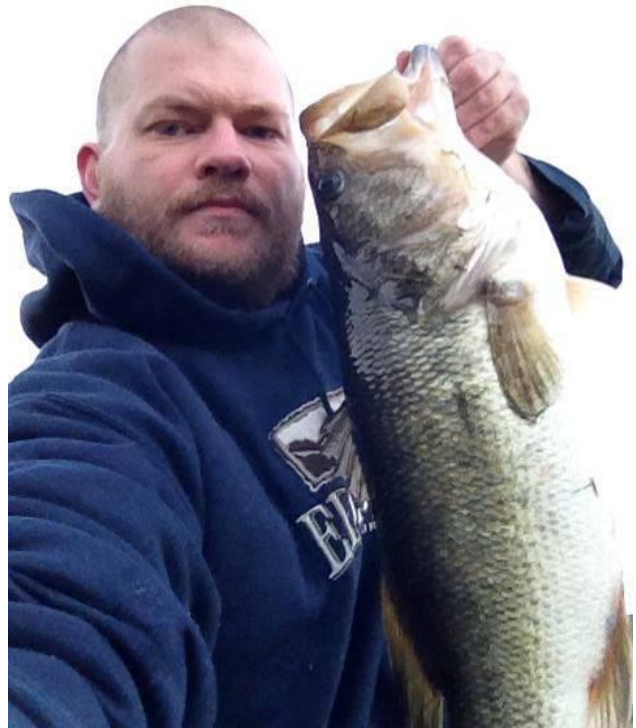
On November 20th, 2014, the Trace fishing community lost a long-time member, volunteer and generous supporter of TUFF. Director Libby Bibb says, "Ralph Newberry was a great fisherman who loved Lake Trace as much as we do. Next time you are fishing think about Ralph and pray that he helps you catch the NC State Record Largemouth Bass out of Lake Trace. Ralph would like that."

**Congratulations to our
2014 TUFF Winners (Adult Division):
First Place Largemouth Bass
GALE WATSON (NS)
10 pounds, 2 ounces**

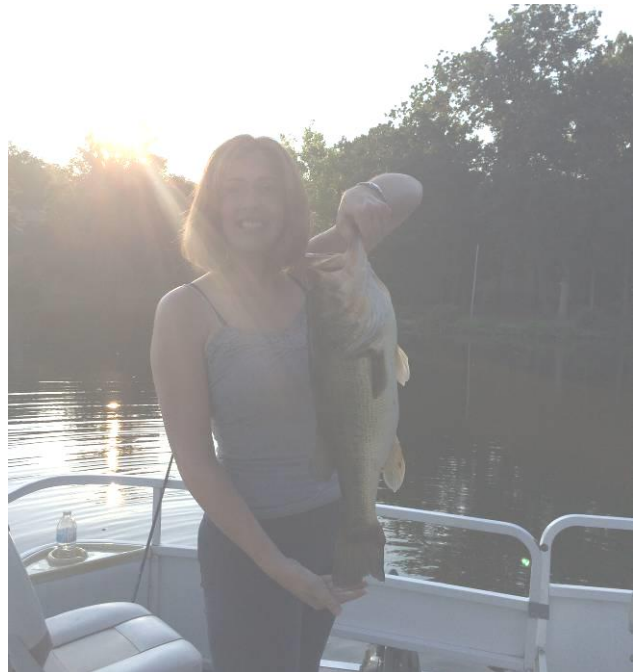


Gale has consistently landed six to nine pounders since the 2014 TUFF Derby started. October 16th early evening he tossed a blueberry monster worm near the dam and caught an eight#7oz. and this lunker that measured 26 inches with a fat 18 inch girth.

**Second Place Largemouth Bass
WILLIAM UMPHLETT (HC)
10 pounds**



Seven a.m. on October 26th, William tossed a spinnerbait to the North Traceway Bridge and hauled in this 27 inch (16.5" girth) ten pounder.



Honorable Mention BASS: NINE POUNDS, TWO OUNCES New TUFF member Alicia Albini (HL) tossed a Texas-rigged Green Pumpkin trick worm in Mallard Cove to catch this skinny 27" long by 15 " girth largemouth July 11th! Pretty awesome!

**First Place Crappie
FRANK GAGLIANO (WM)
Two pounds, ten ounces**

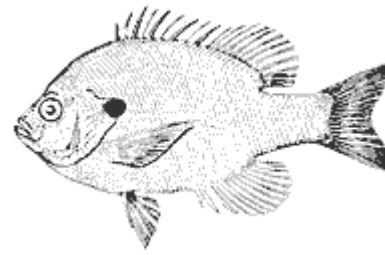
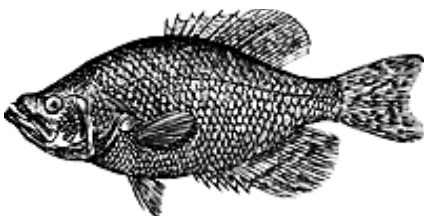


On May 4th while fishing in the late afternoon, TUFF member Frank caught a spawning female 14.5 inch by fat 12 inch girth crappie.

**Second Place Crappie
LIBBY BIBB (HL)
Two pounds, eight ounces**



Minutes later TUFF Director Libby also used a live minnow to catch a 15 inch by 11.5 inch girth male crappie. (Perhaps the mate to Frank's fish?)



**First Place Bream
PEPE CORELLO (WM)
11 inches x 9 inches
One pound, two ounces**

A good-sized Redear Sunfish was caught by TUFF member Pepe on May 6 by casting a Rapala minnow crankbait around the docks near Mallard Cove

**Second Place Bream
GARY HENDRICKS
10.5 inches by 9 inch girth
One pound, one ounce**



In the early evening May 23rd, TUFF member Gary tossed a worm in the cove next to Southwind's pumping station and landed this hefty sunfish.

First Place Catfish
KARL HEIDINGER (GE)
Seven pounds, eight ounces



This fat (24" by 18") white catfish was caught and released by TUFF member Karl tossing a worm near the dam during the afternoon of October 2nd

Second Place Catfish
TERESA FORGIONE (LW)
Four pounds, eight ounces

Caught June 23rd near sunset from the Lakewood basin on a nightcrawler, a 19 inch catfish was landed by Lakewood resident Teresa.

THE TUFF FISHING DERBY RUNS FROM MARCH 1st TO NOVEMBER 15th AND IS OPEN TO ALL TRACE RESIDENTS (PROPERTY OWNERS & RENTERS), THEIR FAMILIES AND GUESTS.

Please note: You do not need to be a member of TUFF or the Trace "Kid Casters" Club (KCC) to register your catch, but length and girth measurements are required. Registration forms can be filled out at carolinatracetuffclub.yolasite.com

Congratulations to our 2014 Winners (Youth Division):

First Place Bass
GRACIE CRAWFORD (SW)
Seven pounds, two ounces



Nine-year-old Gracie was night fishing with her dad Kendall when she caught this 23 inch long (16 inch girth) largemouth bass in late May.

Way to go, Gracie!

**Second Place Bass
KATELYN PORTER (WM)
One pound, 13 ounces**



During a TUFF Club "Fish For Fun" lesson at the CTCC dock August 11th, Katelyn used a red wiggler worm to catch a 15 and one-half inch bass that had a 12 inch girth!

Honorable Mention BASS: ONE POUND (13 inches)
She almost lost her flip flop in her zeal to reel, but Harika Mergan (MC) landed this bass out of the Hidden Lake pond during our September 28th "FFF" lesson with TUFF instructor Alicia Albini.



First Place Crappie

No entries

Second Place Crappie

No entries

**First Place Bream
YUSUF MERGAN (MC)
Length: Nine inches**



Caught by first-time-fisherman Yusuf during our April 13th Spring Break "FFF" lesson along the entranceway, this big bream weighed three quarters of a pound after chomping on a red wiggler worm. The Fishing Spirits were shining on Yusuf that day, because he won the random drawing for a new Zebco rod/reel/tackle combo!

Second Place Bream
JORDAN BROWN (HL)
Length: Eight and 1/2 inches



Jordan's prayers were answered when he reeled in this big bream during the September 28th TUFF "Fish For Fun" lesson at HL pond.

Honorable Mention BREAM: Length – 8 inches
Kid Caster Harika Mergan has shown the most improvement this year in catching and landing fish by herself and garners a 2014 TUFF Derby 3rd Place medal for her Honorable Mentions in the Bream & Bass categories! Harika caught this nice sunfish at HL pond during the 9/28 "FFF" lesson.



Note: both catfish were caught during the TUFF August 11th "Fish For Fun" lesson.

First Place Catfish
KATELYN PORTER (WM)
Length: 12 inches



Second Place Catfish
AUDREY RIDDLE (WM)
Length: 11.5 inches



JOIN THE FUN!

Call Director Libby Bibb at the
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