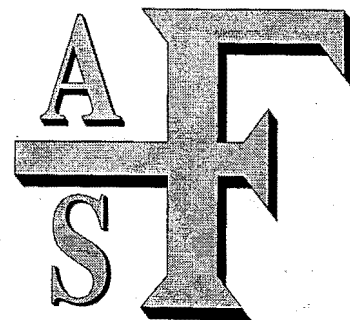


The Newsletter of
the Texas Chapter of
the American Fisheries Society



Special Edition

July 1994

DETAILS FOR ANNUAL MEETING

8-9 SEPTEMBER 1994

LAGO VISTA, TEXAS

by Pat Hutson

Remember???--In May you blocked out 8-9 September on your calendar for some meeting. Well, it was for the Annual Meeting of the Texas Chapter of the American Fisheries Society. Time is getting close!! The success of the meeting and the progress of the Chapter is determined by the membership. Plan to attend, as your participation governs our success.

The meeting will take place at Lago Vista on Lake Travis about 45 minutes from Austin. Excellent facilities have been set aside for our use, but you must make reservations early to be assured of a room. Condominiums will be held until August 10th. We must have reservations made by that date or the rooms will be released. Each condo will accommodate three people so get your roommates together and call now. Reservations can be made by calling 1-800-288-1882. Room rate will be about \$87.00 per night (\$29.00 each) for three to the condo. Be sure and indicate you are attending the American Fisheries Society Meeting and bring your tax exempt forms. If you are not interested in a condominium at Lago Vista, a block of rooms (only 10 rooms) are available at The Inn on Lake Travis (about 1/2 mile from Lago Vista). Again, you must call early. To make reservations at The Inn on Lake Travis, call 1-800-252-3040. Rates will be \$55.00 per night.

Lago Vista is several miles from town, so bring your staples for survival with you (the condos have refrigerators). The Inn on Lake Travis and the Country Club have dining rooms, if you want to go first class.

A lunch buffet will be available on the 8th and a breakfast buffet will be available on the 9th. A Bar-B-Que Supper (\$8.00) will be served at the Social on the evening of the 8th.

Registration will be from 4:00 PM to 6:00 PM on Wednesday the 7th and 8:30 AM to noon on Thursday the 8th. The registration table will be in the Travis Room adjacent to the Lago Vista Office.

The technical session, social, business meeting, and symposium will be held in the Pedernales room. The technical session will start about 10:00 AM on Thursday. We will open our 1994 Annual Meeting with encouraging words from Paul Brouha, Executive Director of the AFS. That evening, starting at 6:30 PM, will be the social, followed by dinner, prepared by Kip Portis, at 7:30 PM. After dinner we will hear from Don Jackson, President-elect of the Southern Division of the AFS and then the famous Chapter auction. The success of the evening's activities is dependent upon the generosity of the members and donations from supporters. We can be assured Bruce Hysmith will do his part in bringing excitement to the auction and Charles Leigon will have plenty of liquid refreshments on-hand. On Friday, we will convene at 8:30 AM for the business meeting followed by an exciting panel discussion of "Clean Water for Texas - Contaminants, Advisories and Discharge." Panel members will be Myron Hess from a private law firm, Steve Twidwell from The Texas Natural Resources Conservation Commission, Sam Hamilton from The U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service, Larry McKinney from The Texas Parks and Wildlife Department (Resource Protection), and Gary Garrett from The Texas Parks and Wildlife Department (Fisheries). Each panel member will be provided about 15 minutes to present their viewpoint. After each



member speaks, the debate will be open to a question-and-answer period from the group. Afterwards, each member will be given about 5 minutes to summarize. This will be a good opportunity to ask some very pointed questions concerning a very critical issue to the future of fisheries in Texas. We will adjourn by 1:00 PM.

Don't forget about the special activities planned to mix a little fun with the Chapter Business. Dave Terre has organized a bass tournament and Clell Guest a golf tournament. If you are interested in demonstrating your skill with a pole or club, let these folks know as soon as possible. Winners will be honored at the Thursday night social. You can reach Dave at 512-353-0072 and Clell at 817-732-0761.

If anyone needs more information or help in any way, please let me know. My number is 512-353-0313.

CALL FOR RESERVATIONS NOW!!!! See you at the meeting.

2ND CALL FOR PAPERS

Members planning to present a paper (20 minutes maximum) during the 1994 Annual Meeting should send abstracts to:

Bob Edwards
Department of Biology
UT- Pan American
Edinburg, TX 78539

by **12 August 1994**. The format should follow the Transactions of the AFS. Abstracts will be published in the Proceedings of the Texas Chapter of the AFS, Volume 17.

NOMINATIONS FOR OFFICERS

Send or phone you nomination for **PRESIDENT-ELECT** to:

Bobby G. Whiteside
Southwest Texas State University
San Marcos, TX 78666
512-245-2284

REQUEST FOR AWARDS NOMINATIONS

The Awards Committee requests written nominations for individuals to receive awards at the 1994 Chapter

Meeting. Nominate someone who deserves an award for their outstanding fisheries-related work. Selections will be based on information in the nomination letters. Nominations can be made only by members in good standing.

ARTS AND CRAFTS ITEMS

Last year's auction/raffle was one of the most successful ever and a part of that was due to items donated by the membership. Let's make the 1994 auction even better. Contribute those priceless arts and crafts items that another member cannot live without.

ATTENTION STUDENT MEMBERSHIP

This meeting provides a great opportunity to meet prospective employers and an excellent learning experience. Student assistance will be available from the Chapter to encourage student attendance. There will be two complimentary rooms reserved for students at this year's annual meeting. Accommodations for the free lodging will be assigned on a first-come-first-serve basis. Rooms are condo efficiencies and will sleep 4 to 6 of the same gender. To reserve a space please contact Beverly Villarreal at 512-353-3492. The Chapter also will provide a free meal ticket to student members entitling the holder to an evening meal the night of the social. This is an \$8.00 value.

Make plans to present a research paper and vie for the Outstanding Student Presentation Award!

GOLF TOURNAMENT

There will be an opportunity for members to demonstrate their skills on the golf course on Wednesday afternoon. Contact Clell Guest at 817-732-0761 to enter. He will need a list of people so a TEE-time can be scheduled. The fee will be \$25.00. The Lago Vista Country Club has an outstanding 18-hole, par 72 course.

BASS FISHING TOURNAMENT

(see attached information sheet)

**MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION AND RENEWAL
TEXAS CHAPTER OF THE AMERICAN FISHERIES SOCIETY**

for the 1994 calendar year

for the 1995 calendar year

Name _____

Address: _____

Primary Field of Interest _____

Affiliation _____

Check the two that apply:

Regular Membership (\$8/yr)

Student Membership (\$5/yr)

AFS Member

Non-AFS Member

Send dues to:

Kathy T. Ramos

P. O. Box 947

San Marcos, Texas 78667

If you have an interest in serving on a committee, check one (or more) of the following:

Awards

Issues

Pond Management

Exotic Species

Student Outreach

Editorial

Membership

Publicity/Exhibits

Procedures Manual

Endowments

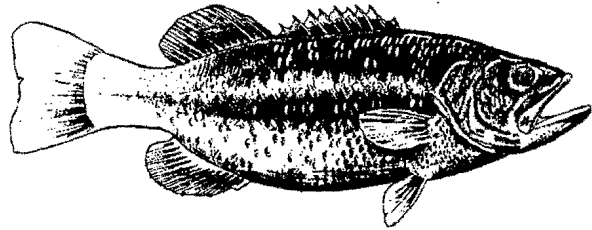
Nominating

Newsletter

Urban Fishing

Come Fish with us at Lake Travis!

The Texas Chapter of the American Fisheries Society will sponsor a bass fishing tournament on Lake Travis in conjunction with the 1994 Annual Meeting. The tournament will begin at 2:00 PM and conclude at 9:00 PM on Wednesday (September 7, 1994). Weigh-in will be at the Boat Ramp behind Lago Vista Resort.



This event will be a "Paper Tournament" (12-inch minimum length) with a 5 fish bag limit. Payback will go to the contestants (80%) and to the Texas Chapter (20%). Cash and prizes will be awarded to the top three places only. An optional big bass pot will be available and will be paid back (100%) to two places. Big bass caught must be recorded on paper (≥ 14 inches total length) and be brought to the scales for official weighing.

This will be a live release tournament. All bass brought in will be released alive at the weigh-in site. Dead fish will not be weighed or counted towards cash or prizes. All cash and prizes will be awarded during the social on Thursday night.

Fees:

Entry fee (per person)	\$15.00
Optional big bass pot	<u>\$10.00</u>
Total	\$25.00

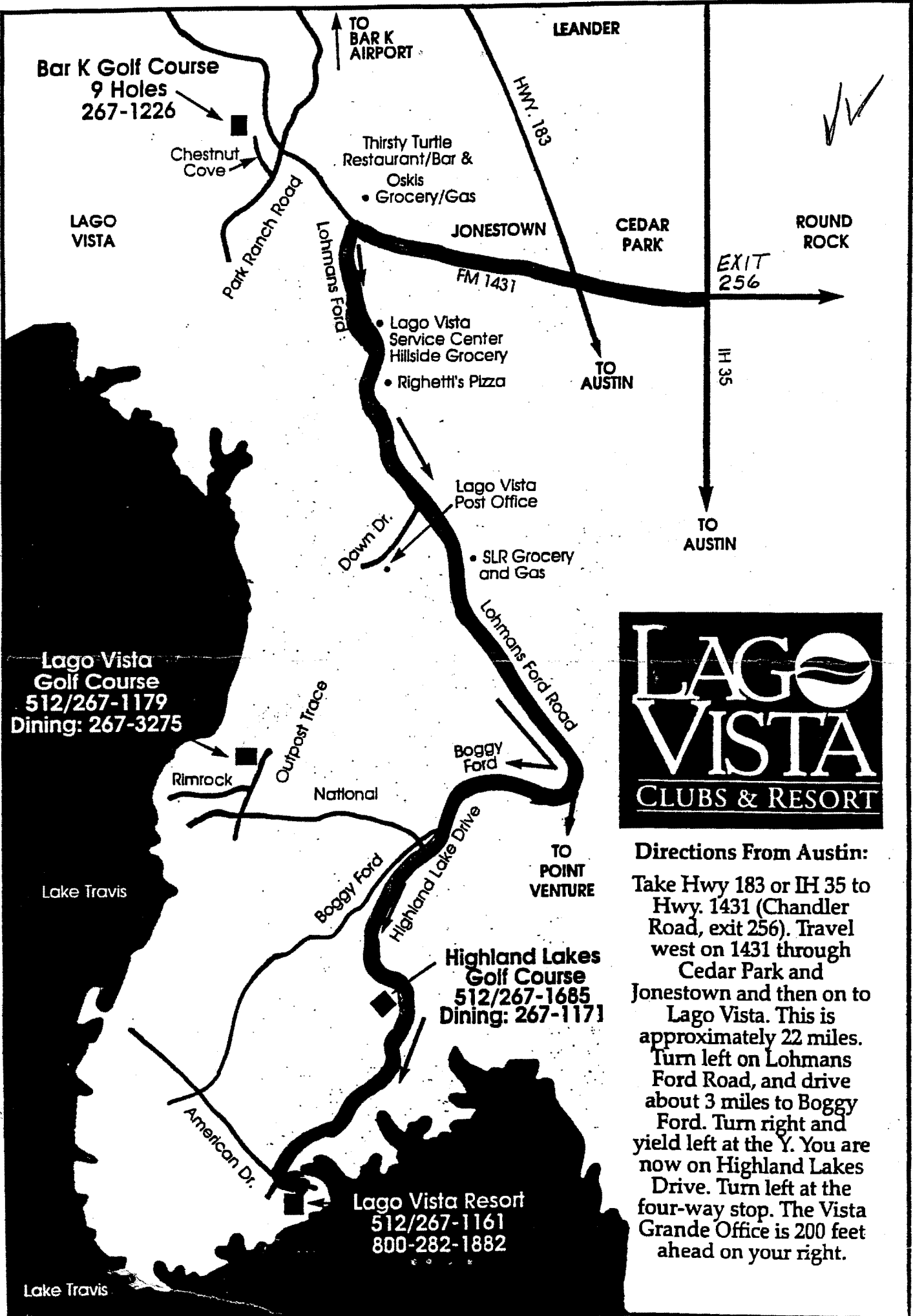
Eligibility and Requirements:

- 1) To compete you must be a member of the Texas Chapter of the American Fisheries Society.
- 2) You must fish with another member(s) so bass lengths can be verified. Fishing will be permitted by boat, bank (includes wading), or tube.
- 3) Only artificial baits will be allowed (except for pork rinds).

For Further Information and Sign-up:

Contact David R. Terre, Tournament Director, at 512-353-0072 or 512-396-1948.

Official entry forms and rules will be sent to interested persons only.



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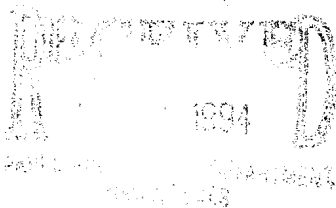
Directions From Austin:

Take Hwy 183 or IH 35 to Hwy. 1431 (Chandler Road, exit 256). Travel west on 1431 through Cedar Park and Jonestown and then on to Lago Vista. This is approximately 22 miles. Turn left on Lohmans Ford Road, and drive about 3 miles to Boggy Ford. Turn right and yield left at the Y. You are now on Highland Lakes Drive. Turn left at the four-way stop. The Vista Grande Office is 200 feet ahead on your right.

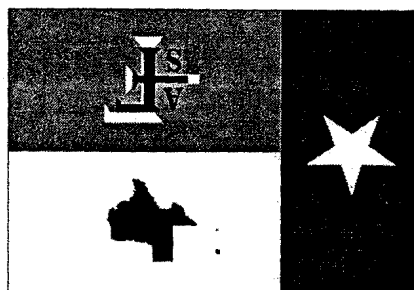
Lago Vista Golf Course
512/267-1179
Dining: 267-3275

Highland Lakes Golf Course
512/267-1685
Dining: 267-1171

Lago Vista Resort
512/267-1161
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