

2010 Lake Anna Cup



Bache And Hayden Claim The LKA™ Cup

Lake Anna, Va. – After months of build-up the day finally arrived when the best anglers in the region convened at Anna Point Marina on Lake Anna for the 2010 Lake Anna Cup. At stake was over \$3,000 in prize money and merchandise as well as the challenge to Claim The Cup. Winners get their name on the cup for the year and title of annual Lake Anna Cup Champions.

This year's event drew 71 teams from all over the state and Maryland. After a nearly two-hour fog delay all teams were oozed off by 8:43 am, due back for a 3:30 pm weigh-in.

Tournament Director Dave Fauntleroy oversaw this elaborate process where the teams bring their best five, 12" or longer bass to his scales. The fish are then quickly weighed and returned alive to the lake. The young men and women of the Orange County High School Anglers took care of this critical job and reported a 100% live release. Nikki Craft tallied and noted each team's weight.

When all fish were recorded, the duo of Darrin Bache and Craig Hayden had the best five bass, weighing 14.48 pounds. They narrowly missed having the biggest bass of the tournament, too, with a lunker of 6.25 pounds.

Bache and Hayden took the top prize of \$2,000 plus they will put their names on the Lake Anna Cup trophy. Bache was part of a team (with Larry Meadows) that won the LKA Cup in 2008, so he is the first repeat winner.

Bache and Hayden told the crowd they caught their fish in the upper Pamunkey Branch of the lake using lipless crankbaits on rocky points.

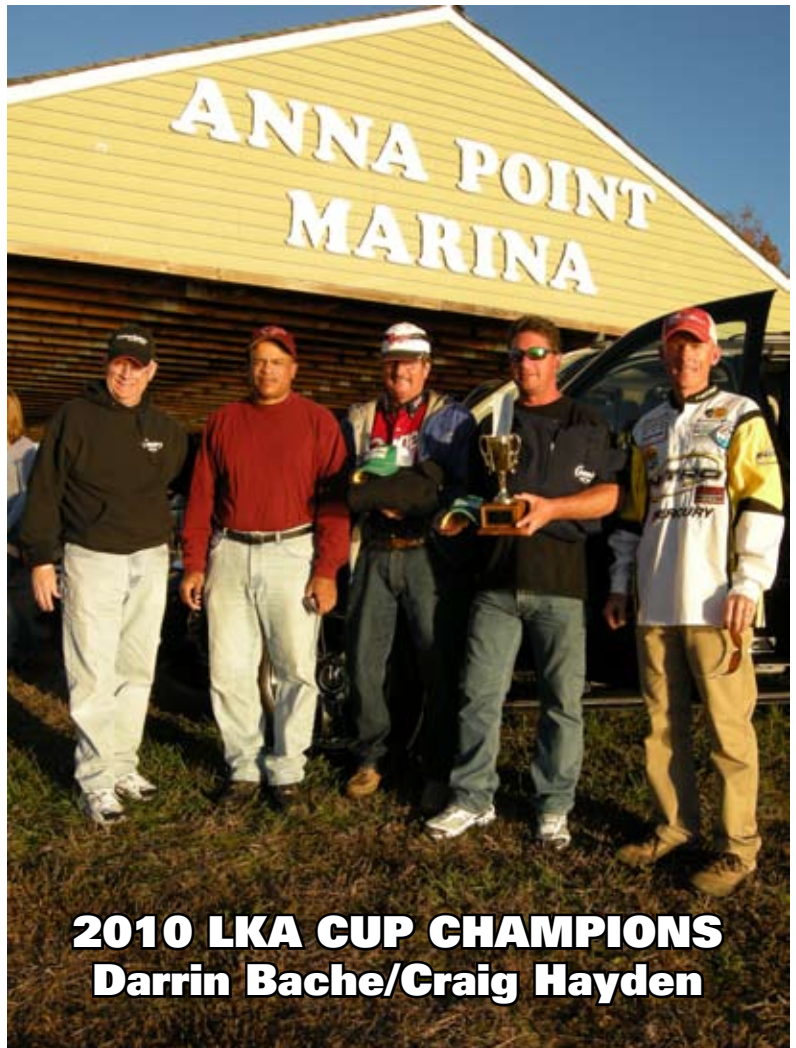
Second place finishers Timmy and Jeff Jones had five bass that weighed 13.68 pounds. They took home \$500, a pair of Habervision sunglasses and two Country Chevrolet hoodies. This team reported fishing mid lake rock piles with Bandit 300 Series crankbaits.

Congratulation goes to David Chisholm and Wilson Bradley for overcoming some early engine troubles and finishing third in the LKA Cup with five bass of 13.49 pounds. This team won \$200, a pair of Habervision sunglasses and Country Chevrolet hoodies. Chisholm and Bradley noted they fished both the upper North Anna and Pamunkey Branch with crankbaits and jigs on hard cover, too.

Anglers were also asked to bring in the biggest striper they caught during the day. The team of Mike Patterson and Mark Finley did just this. They won a tee shirt and hat combo from LKA Outfitters for a striper weighing 6.09 pounds they caught on a crankbait while bass fishing in the upper North Anna. Patterson and Finley swept the big fish honors because they also had the event's big bass at 6.59 pounds.

Overall fishing was tricky for many of the teams. Five-bass limit catches were challenging under clear skies and an extended high-pressure system that had fish tight-lipped. The day dawned cold at 32 degrees and ended with a beautiful 65-degree award ceremony at the Anna Point Marina lakeside pavilion.

The Lake Anna Cup trophy will be displayed at Anna Point Marina
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**2010 LKA CUP CHAMPIONS
Darrin Bache/Craig Hayden**



Top, left to right - Steve Meyers from Country Chevrolet, Tournament Director, Dave Fauntleroy, Darrin Bache, Craig Hayden, C.C. McCotter. Above left - Hayden and Bache with their winning limit of bass. Above right - Bache with five pounder.



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for the year until the event cycles back to Sturgeon Creek Marina in 2011. Each marina (High Point Marina as well) hosts the event on a rotating basis.

Over 100 invitations were sent to anglers that visited Lake Anna from tournament circuits like LAPR Bass Series, Championship Teams, Fishers of Men, Augusta County Bass Jons, High Point Marina's Friday Night Tournaments and Sturgeon Creek Marina's Tuesday Night and Sunday Morning Tournaments. At-large invitations were also available to other anglers that felt they had what it would take to Claim The Cup with the goal of bringing anglers together for one more big event on Lake Anna.

"The end result is that motel rooms were booked, restaurants patronized, fuel tanks filled and food purchased, not to mention the tackle and other incidentals the anglers needed for this event. Lake Anna Cup is a way to fuel our local economy during the off-season period as well as introduce more anglers to the great cool weather fishery we have here at Lake Anna," noted organizer C.C. McCotter.

Sponsors play a major role in LKA Cup, contributing cash for the first three places, so the day money can go toward the BBQ, tee shirts and other goodies the participants receive in a tournament goodie bag.

"Behind the event this year was the Lake Anna Business Partnership, Dominion Resources, Country Chevrolet, Bass Pro Shops, Anna Point Marina, Anna's Marine Center, Woods & Waters Magazine, Lake Anna Outfitters and Gander Mountain. These fine sponsors deserve a look if you are in the market for any of their products and I thank them on behalf of our anglers and local businesses," McCotter added.

If you'd like to participate in the 2011 event, contact McCotter at 540.894.3540 or visit www.lakeannalife.com. For complete results visit www.woodsandwatersmagazine.com. Video of the event can be viewed at www.centralvabasscast.com.

2010 Lake Anna Cup Final Results

- 1 Darrin Bache / Craig Hayden 14.48 lbs. (Anchored by a 6.25 lb. Bass)
- 2 Jeff Jones / Timmy Jones 13.68 lbs
- 3 David Chisholm / Wilson Bradley 13.49 lbs.
- 4 Ron Ellis / Scott Gibson 12.11 lbs.
- 5 Mike Roy / Allan Harvey 11.83 lbs.
- 6 Andrew Farmer / Brian Hensley 11.51 lbs.
- 7 Scott Conners / Brian Conners 11.16 lbs.
- 8 Anthony Clark / Magregor McCelleand 10.92 lbs.
- 9 Gene Hall / Dave Menard 10.86 lbs.
- 10 Dubby Carr / Mike Belcher 10.29 lbs.
- 11 Bill Deeds / Lewis Williams 10.08 lbs.
- 12 Mike Elswick / Casey Woodfin 10.06 lbs.
- 13 Mark Finley / Mike Patterson 9.51 lbs. (Lunker 6.59 lbs.)
- 14 Mike Wood / John Wood 8.43 lbs.
- 15 Bill Smitherman / Cody Showers 7.94 lbs. (Tie)
- 15 John Hutchins / Rahim Rahimi 7.94 lbs. (Tie)



Top left - Becky Gore of the Orange County High School Anglers Club. Top right - Another Pop's Marine Triton. Middle left - Leon Lowe in his jet boat. Middle right - Tony Sullivan and grandson. 3rd row left - Steve Myers is boat #1. Middle - Brian Conners. 4th row left - Mike and Jessica Hoskings. Right - Mark Wright and Jeff Palmer. Bottom left - A Pop's Marine Bass Cat. Right - Director Dave Fauntleroy.



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