



2012 Tournament Recap

August 20, 2012 | The Walser Bass Tour wrapped up its 2012 regular season tourney circuit on Big Marine Lake. The day played out tough for all competitors but it was The River Rats who claimed the top spot and the 2012 Team Championship award! Here's how the day on water shaped up!

4th Place – 8.55 lbs – Gotta Have More Cowbell: *Jesse Larson and his father-in-law Walter* eked out the day to earn \$42 for their 4th place finish. *Rocky Novak* was unable to fish and Jesse is reconsidering his new partner for 2013.

3rd Place – 8.90 lbs – The Bassassins: Commonly called “The Ninjas” by fans, brothers *Dan and Jim Krocak* never give up attitude earned them 3rd place for \$63 . They got fish in various ways including swim jigs, drop shotting, and texas rigged worms.

2nd Place – 10.15 lbs – Shake ‘N Bake: *Lucas Matzke and Mike Winkler* used a frog in the slop to net them their 3.45lb big bass of the day (\$84) and 2nd place finish for \$126.

1st Place – 10.60 lbs – The River Rats: *Jared Mertes and Torrie Oswald* took 1st place by working texas rigged worms on weedlines and throwing jigs. Their prowess earned them a cool \$189 for the day plus additional \$36 for the second big bass of the tourney at 3.35lbs.

WBT 2012 Team of the Year - The River Rats - Jared Mertes and Torrie Oswald!

Four consecutive 1st place finishes to end the year easily allowed these guys the coveted WBT Team of the year! Congrats to them on their fantastic year!