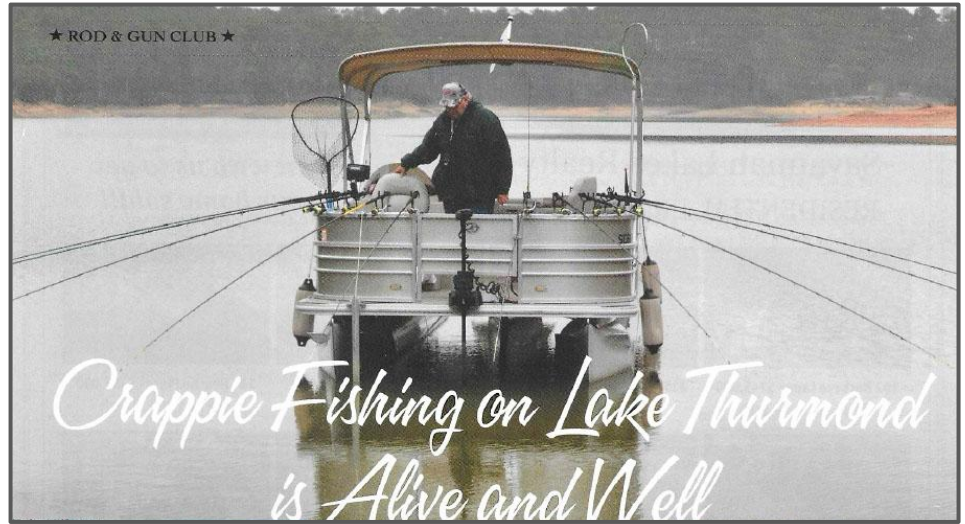


The SLV Rod & Gun Club Crappie Seminar

Presented by Bill McDonald
(aka Dr. Crappie)
12/12/24

Bill's Boat set-up



Lines and Trolling

Line

- **Line choice**

- Main line is 8lb high visibility (Mr. Crappie)
- Leader line is 6lb fluorocarbon (P-Line floroclear)
- Weight of egg sinker (1/2 oz)
- Barrel Swivel (size 10)
- Florescent bead

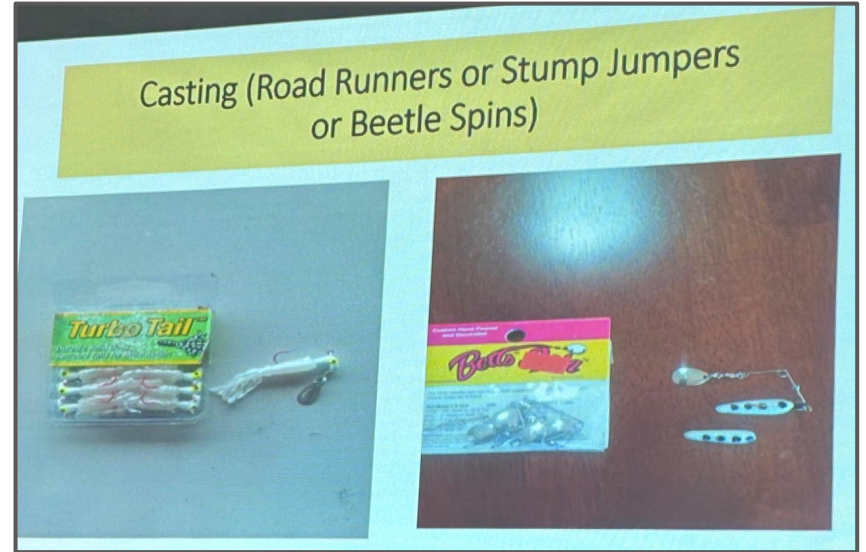
Information

- Crappie's eyes are always looking up (**VERY IMPORTANT**)
- Trolling speed
 - .5 - 1 mph
 - Pushing depth of jig is 3-10 feet down
 - Pulling depth depends on speed

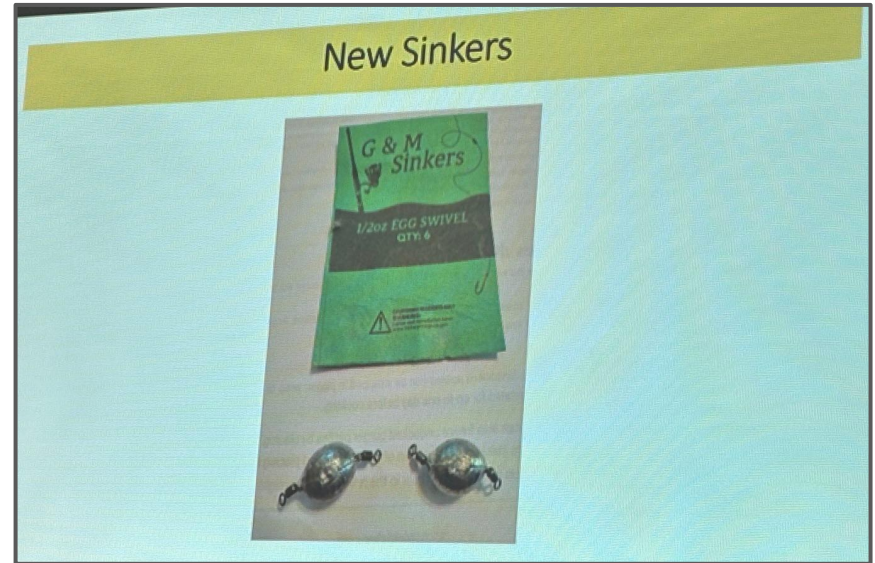
Long or Pulling Jigs with 6 lb line.

1/16 OZ.		1/24 Oz.	
MPH	DEPTH in feet	MPH	DEPTH in feet
1.0	5.0	1.0	4.5
0.9	6.5	0.9	6.0
0.8	8.0	0.8	7.5
0.7	10.0	0.7	9.0
0.6	12.0	0.6	11.0
0.5	14.0	0.5	13.0

Casting



Jigs and Sinkers



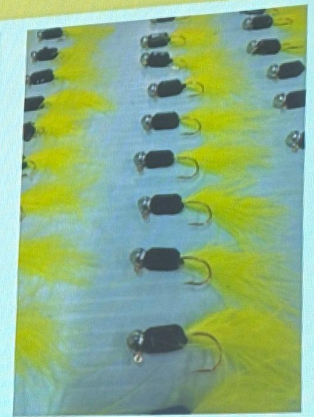
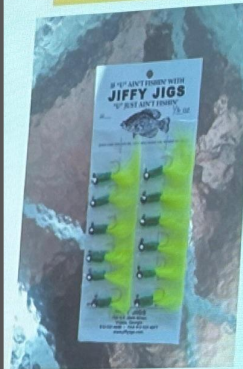
Crappie Jigs

Jigs

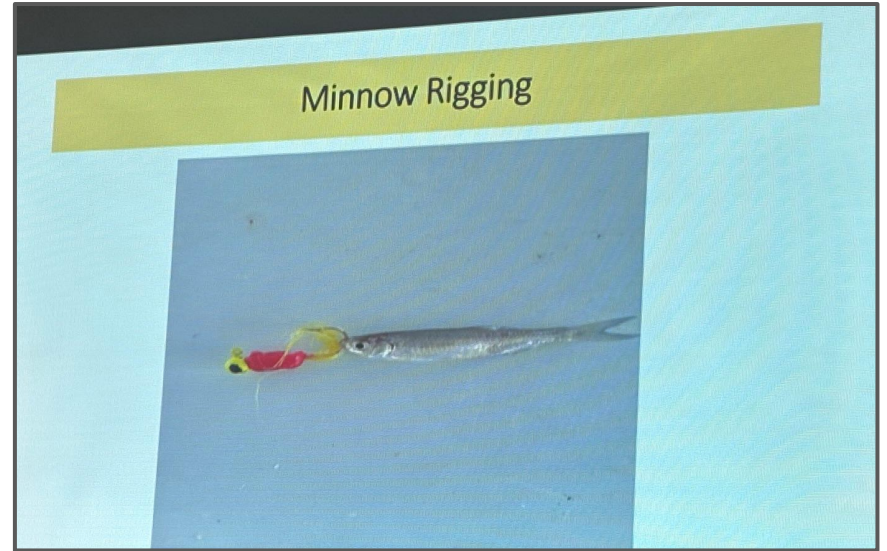
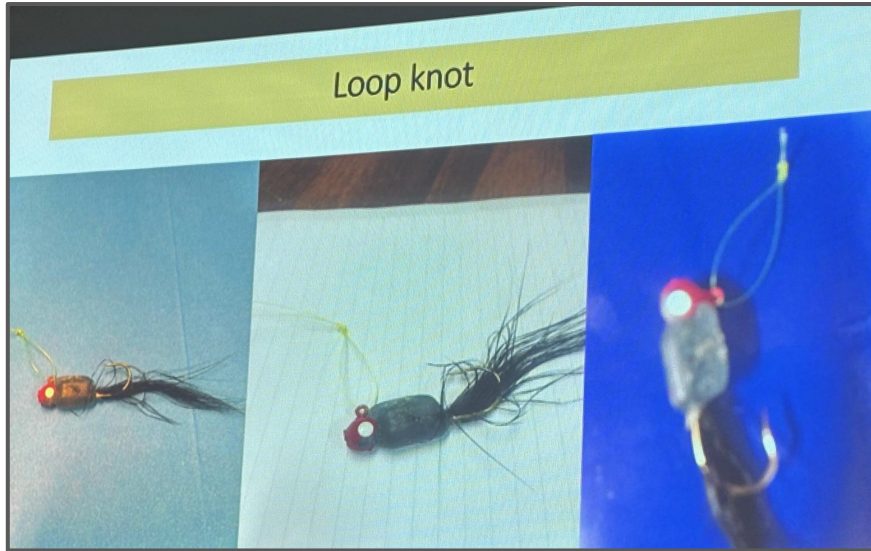
• Jig color

- Normal is dark blue, dark green, dark purple, chartreuse/white, all white, baby blue and pink.
- Don't limit yourself. A great color on Lake Thurmond is florescent orange.
- Last year an Orange jig head was needed.
- Couple of years ago only a Lime Green jig head.

Jiffy Jigs



Loop Knot and Rigging



Water Temperature

Water
Temperature

CRAPPIE
WATER TEMPERATURE GUIDE
Courtesy of Lane Palmer
Lake Pro Guide on Cedar Creek

52°F & Below
FISH STAGING ON MAIN LAKE FOLLOWING BAIT

54-56°F
BLACK CRAPPIE START TO MOVE UP

60-62°F
WHITE CRAPPIE START TO MOVE UP

65-72°F
FISH MOVE TO SHALLOW BRUSH PILES, BRIDGES, & DOCKS

75°F & Above
MAIN LAKE BRUSH AND TIMBER

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George Aelvoort
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Good to know!

Lake Thurmond Locations

- River channels in the early season 16-30 feet deep
- Mid to late season try shallow coves 4-12 feet deep
- Places to try
 - Baker Creek
 - Little River along De La Howe.
 - Long Cane Creek from boat launch on up
 - Mill Creek (Railroad Trestle)
 - Buffalo Creek
 - Hickory Knob

Best Fishing Months

- **Best for Trolling – Late November through Early April**
- **Best Bobber and Bank – Late January through Late April**
 - **Why – water temperature, spawning**



Show and Tell



Bill McDonald

