

Happy New Year!

Now that the holidays are over, it's time to get down to business and get back to fishing.

In order to beat the snow I headed out a few days early arriving in Okeechobee Florida yesterday evening. It's been several years since I've been on the lake, and I'm glad to be back. Today was spent riding around, getting re equated, and trying to find productive areas. I definitely like what I see. Okeechobee is making a comeback and full of all types of vegetation. To a flipping and pitching guy like me, that's music to my ears.

No since jumping the gun and trying to establish too much of a pattern this early. With the cold front due to roll in this evening, the bass will lock down and things will change quite a bit by next week. The Bass Southern Open is the first event of the season. I believe the tournament will fish a full field with a lot of guys hanging over for the FLW Series event later in the month.

After Okeechobee I'll be home a little over a week then Deb and I will pack the camper and head to the Red River, Shreveport Louisiana, for the first FLW Tour event. It's been even longer since I've competed on the Red River....little over 7 years, but I'm excited to see what it has to offer.

I hope everyone had an opportunity to check out the artwork for my new rig posted on my home page. Everything including the camper will be sporting a new vinyl skin with the Fishouflage camo in background. I'm really excited to align with this company, and looking forward to seeing the Fishouflage patterns really hit the market.

Congratulations to Mike from Ohio – January's Fan Club Winner!

Tip of the Month – Checkout "The Alabama Reel Medic"

Fellow fan club member David Giudice is the owner and operator of The Reel Medic. He graciously offered to take a shot at one of my Revo's. Granted, I'm pretty rough on my reels, but David did an awesome job of doctoring it up. If your reels need a little attention, checkout his website alabamareelmedic.com

Bass wishes,

Chad