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The Fish That Changed America: True Stories About The People Who Made Largemouth Bass Fishing An All-American Sport



Synopsis

From boats and baits to rods and reels to tips and tactics, bass fishing has been a magnet of innovation for almost a century. Bass fishing changed from pastime to business in part because of competitive tournaments and the publicity they generated. That publicity, in turn, sparked a demand for more and more information from the tournament fishermen themselves—how they caught bass—so in essence, the sport fed upon itself. Author Steve Price has interviewed dozens of anglers over the past few years, and he fits each of their stories into a complicated puzzle that forms a comprehensive tale of competitive record holders and fishing industry insiders alike. *The Fish That Changed America* is not simply about tournament bass fishing, although some of the stories included here do involve competitive anglers. Rather, Price has tried to embrace a wider view of the entire sport and to show how different facets of bass fishing meshed so perfectly at the same time, leading to the state of the industry today. The participants—those who laid the foundation for what all bass anglers today enjoy—tell their own stories of what happened during those not-so-long-ago years. Many of the stories, such as the standing room-only funeral for a famous largemouth bass, touch on far-ranging topics that all anglers will enjoy. Skyhorse Publishing is proud to publish a broad range of books for fishermen. Our books for anglers include titles that focus on fly fishing, bait fishing, fly-casting, spin casting, deep sea fishing, and surf fishing. Our books offer both practical advice on tackle, techniques, knots, and more, as well as lyrical prose on fishing for bass, trout, salmon, crappie, baitfish, catfish, and more. While not every title we publish becomes a New York Times bestseller or a national bestseller, we are committed to publishing books on subjects that are sometimes overlooked by other publishers and to authors whose work might not otherwise find a home.

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Customer Reviews

Steve Price did a great job of covering the history of bass fishing. The book was too short to cover the entire history but Price hit the highlights and made me yearn for more. I was truly sad when I read the last page.

I was excited to read this book as it involves my favorite subject. During the actual process of reading it, however, I became more and more disappointed the further I got into it. I kept expecting it to become interesting. Instead, I found it boring and lifeless. I had to work at completing it. I would not recommend it.

I just couldn't get into it. Probably a good read for someone new to bass fishing though, but 90% of the content was things I already knew/read about before.

Whether you fish or not, this book will tell the story of how Bass fishing changed the game.

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