

# SliderLines

Finesse Fishing Began Here

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**NOTE**

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**Charlie**



Charlie Brewer, Jr.

**T**ime flies. Here we are in 2020 and beginning the 50th year of Charlie Brewer's Slider Fishing.

"Charlie Brewer's Slider Fishing" was created in 1984 when Dad's Crazy Head Lures Company name was changed due to a higher recognition of Charlie Brewer and Slider.

Our company has continued to grow while staying with its original approach to fishing.-small soft plastic lures, light lines, and easy "Do Nothing" methods which describe Slider Fishing and Charlie Brewer's Slider Company.

And speaking of time, our SliderLines newsletter began with Volume 1, Issue 1 in 2013.

Time does fly when you are having fun Slider fishing!

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## Sliding for fifty years

**C**harlie Brewer, Sr. grew up in the small southern middle Tennessee town of Lawrenceburg.

He spent most of his youth around Lawrence County, TN and neighboring Wayne County, TN- an area with a plentiful supply of creeks, small lakes, and ponds.

Charlie learn to fish with his father Lon Brewer in the streams of Wayne County. Later, the young Charlie walked or road a bicycle to local fishing streams.

He returned home after serving in the Navy during WWII.

He was probably the most active fisherman in town. He studied fishing, went fishing, experimented with all the lures of the day, and tried everything to increase his friends and his own fishing enjoyment. Charlie also purchased a fishing boat with a small Mercury motor.

Many fish and many fishing stories came from this time period of the late 1940s and the 1950s. Wilson Lake, Wheeler Lake, and Picwick Lake in north Alabama were fished. Many other areas along with Kentucky

lake in Tennessee were favorite places as well.

The rubber worm was first seen by Charlie in a magazine ad. He was intrigued enough to order some. A new direction of experimentation had started.

Charlie found that these rubber worms, which were 10" and 12", worked very good in local waters. He then experiment by cutting the worms and melting them back together to various sizes always looking for a better way to catch more fish and have fun.

One day Charlie saw some boys walking down the road with their fishing gear and a string of fish. He stopped them and asked how they caught the fish.

The boys had light rods, light line, and small lures. This was not the way men fished but there must be something to it. Charlie decide to take what the boys had told him and try experimenting with light tackle.

His first light tackle rod was a fly fishing rod cut down in size. Charlie watched minnows, in clear water, move through the water in a smooth way with no action. They were just sliding through the water with ease.

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A young Charlie Brewer, Sr.

## Fifty years continued

Charlie knew that live bait was usually best. He needed to imitate live bait as close as possible. Watching the minnows, the rubber worms, and the methods the boys were using led to a new method of fishing

Charlie cut the worms down to the size bait that most fish seem to eat. Then he worked with hook and head designs to fit this new way of fishing. He wanted a method that would imitate nature. Charlie wanted the lure to slide through the water with very little action like the minnows.

He needed to vary the depth and speed of retrieval so he designed, made, and modified a jig head to work with this type of fishing.

The head was flat with the hook exposed. This design kept the hook turned upward and allowed the worm to slide through the water. The size of the worm was adjusted downward to 4".

This method of fishing was called "Slider Fishing". This method was easy to fish-a "Do Nothing Method". No extra action was necessary. Just fish this lure in a way to imitate nature.

His company was literally started on the kitchen table.



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## TIPS: Chasing Crappie "IN HIS OWN WORDS"

By the late CHARLIE BREWER, SR.

Watching your line is very, very important.

Even if you don't feel the "tick" or peck of a crappie in your rod, you may see your line "flick" or move just a tiny bit. You may notice your line do something that isn't quite "normal".

All of these are signs that a crappie has picked up your bait even though you may not feel it.

A hit from a big or small crappie is about the same, very faint.

Most important of all, be "quick-on-the-draw." The instant you get a signal from a crappie, set the hook with lightning speed. A hard hook-set using any type jig is necessary.

I have greatly improved my crappie fishing by using a bright yellow (gold) fluorescent line (Golden Stren). I notice that many top-notch crappie fishermen use this

bright line as well.

Why? This highly visible line is much easier to see. As a result, many extra crappie are taken.

If you lack confidence or if you are "psyched out" by this bright yellow line you can tie on a short leader of clear monofilament line that you do have confidence in. The leader is about 2 to 5 feet long.

You will have more confidence and still have the advantages of "line watching" by adding this clear mono leader

However, from my experience and others, we don't see that it makes any difference to the fish-even when the bait is tied directly to the bright line. Being able to see the line is a sho'nuff advantage for us folks that don't see too well.

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