

Rules and Regulations

1. Rules: The rules of this tournament shall remain unchanged. Any violation of these rules shall be deemed grounds for disqualification and the entrant will forfeit his/her/their entry fee. Interpretation of these rules shall be left exclusively up to the tournament rules committee. Precedence takes priority over all unwritten rules. The decision of the Tournament Director shall be final.

2. Safety: All entrants must wear a chest-type life preserver, fastened, whenever the combustion engine is in operation. Safe boating must be observed at all times. **NO ALCOHOLIC** beverages shall be allowed in tournament boats, nor will drunkenness be tolerated at either pre-tournament meeting, on tournament waters, or at tournament weigh ins. **ABSOLUTLEY no fishing while the big motor is in gear.**

3. Sportsmanship: Each entrant is expected to have high standards of fairness, courtesy, safety, and conservation. Any extreme violation of sportsmanship will be grounds for disqualification from all future Waupaca Bass Club events.

4. Fishing Boundaries: Any water accessible from the Wolf River System without going through a dam is available for fishing. The weigh in area is for competitors and weigh in officials ONLY. NO horseplay will be tolerated.

5. Scoring: (5) Five fish limit. The tournament committee will handle, bump and weigh all fish. Their decisions on bumping or live fish determination shall be final. All fish will be measured from the tip of the snout (mouth closed) to the tip of the tail. All fish to be weighed in must be fourteen (14) inches. Short fish will be eliminated as well as the largest fish of current days bag. Scoring will be conducted on electronic scales. It is prohibited to offer or accept fish from anyone. Scoring will be awarded to the weight of catch, LIVE or DEAD. Penalties for dead fish is 1/4 pound per fish. You must be checked in to designated area by announced time or be disqualified. No excuses, **LATE IS LATE**

6. Fishing Methods: Only artificial lures may be used with the exception of pork rind. Only one rod and reel may be used at one time by each contestant. Trolling is prohibited. All fish must be caught and landed live and in a sporting manner from inside the tournament boat. A maximum of five (5) fish may be brought to the scales.

7. Breakdown: Should a tournament craft become inoperable, one member of the team may bring catch to the scales as long as they are picked up by another tournament boat. Both members of the second craft must verify the catches of the disabled crafts anglers and sign their weigh in slip. Each party's fish must be kept separate.

8. Registration: All entrants (at least 1 member of each team) must register in person at the team meeting. Pre-tournament meetings are mandatory for all teams unless the tournament director has been notified and has approved of the teams absence. Failure to comply will result in disqualification and forfeiting their entry fee. Each team must consist of 2 members, no one can fish alone.

9. Boats and Equipment: All contestants will also obey all U.S Coast Guard boating regulations, and all boats must confirm to all BIA ratings. All boats are required to have proper state registration and meet all Coast Guard and state safety requirements. In addition, all boats must have a functional live well, or properly aerated container. NO TEAM will be allowed to fish without the live well container checked by the tournament official.

10. Protests: Protests may be submitted to the tournament director within thirty (30) minutes of the official (Flight) weigh in time. Protest will be heard by the tournament committee upon filing a written complaint along with \$50.00, which is refundable if protest is upheld. If not the \$50.00 will not be returned. All money is held until a decision is made. All contestants are subject to polygraph prior to receiving checks if deemed necessary.

11. Misc: Any team receiving a citation from any law enforcement agency while on tournament waters and during tournament hours will forfeit that days catch and will receive a zero (0).

46th Waupaca Bass Club Open



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Friday, May 31st 2024

6:30am – 2:30pm

Winneconne, WI

\$350 per Boat

Guaranteed

\$7,500 1st Place

at 20 boats

Tournament Details

\$350 / Boat

5 Fish Limit

Entries limited to the first **80** boats

Boat positions will be determined by priority draw with paid entry by March 29th, 2024. Those not in priority draw will be seated as they are received.

Registration closes May 22nd, 2024.

Tournament Headquarters

Lake Front Park (Pavilion south of bridge)

South 1st Street

Winneconne, WI 54986

Tournament Hours

Friday May 31st, 2024

1st Flight Takeoff 6:30am

Weigh-In starts 2:30pm

Registration is **THURSDAY May 30th** at 6pm at **WOODEYES BAR & GRILL**

DO NOT BE LATE FOR THE MEETING!

Boundaries of the tournament shall be open to the Wolf River North to Shawano Dam, South to include all of Lake



Winnebago and the Fox River Dam at Little Butte Des Mortes. No Locking Through.

Each team entered will be responsible for the following, boat, tackle (artificial only), life preservers and all U.S. Coast Guard Required Equipment.

All entrants (at least 1 member of each team) must be present at the pre-tournament meeting to be held at Woodeye's in Winneconne Thursday May 30th @ 6pm. You will be receiving boat numbers, tournament rules and final instructions.

You may launch at any landing in Winneconne. However, all boats must be inspected at the docks by tournament officials at Lake Front Park in Winneconne.

Tournament Payouts

All prize money listed is based on full field. In case of a partial field, prize money will be reduced accordingly.

(We will pay a spot for EVERY 5 boats at 40 boats)

1st Place: \$7,500

2nd Place: \$3,500

3rd Place: \$2,500

4th Place: \$2,000

5th Place: \$1,500

6th Place: \$1,200

7th Place: \$1,000

8th Place: \$900

9th Place: \$800

10th Place: \$700

11th Place: \$600

12th Place: \$550

13th Place: \$500

14th Place: \$450

15th Place: \$400

16th Place: \$300

Big Bass Pot

Smallmouth - \$800

Largemouth - \$800

Bonus Pots

Biggest Overall Bass - \$250

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Tournament Director

Tony Mollica

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Entry Forms and Payments will only be accepted via mail or drop off this year.

Entry Information:

Partner #1 (please print neatly)

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone: (____) _____

Email: _____

Partner #2 (please print neatly)

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone: (____) _____

Email: _____

Boat Brand/Length/HP:

Boat Reg #:

Having acquainted ourselves with the rules, we have completed this application and are enclosing our entry fee of \$350, payable to **WAUPACA BASS CLUB**. By signing this application, we hereby waive and release all other contestants, the hosts, sponsors, and tournament officials from all claims of injury and/or damages which may be incurred in connection with this tournament. Also, by signing you state you will maintain liability insurance of at minimum of \$100,000 on the boat I will be using in this tournament. Boats will be checked at random at registration.

Partner 1: _____

Signature

Date

Partner 2: _____

Signature

Date

ENTRIES: PLEASE MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO **WAUPACA BASS CLUB**. MAIL REGISTRATION FORMS AND CHECK TO THE FOLLOWING ADDRESS BY MARCH 1ST FOR PRIORITY DRAW AND MAY 27TH FOR CUT OFF:

Tony Mollica

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Appleton, WI 54911

"DAY OF" ENTRIES WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED!