

Twenty-Sixth Annual

Thurman Bodey Memorial Kiser Lake Open MAY 17, 2009

You are invited to fish the 26th annual Kiser Lake Open sponsored by the Champaign Co. Bass Club.

General Information:

This tournament is a two-man "boat" team event, on a pick your partner basis. Each boat's two partners will be considered a team. Two flights of boats will be sent off at 15 min. intervals starting at 6:30 am and each flight will have a full 8 ½ hours to fish. Participants will be notified of their flight and boat position by return mail to the person listed as the boat owner and it will be his/her responsibility to inform his/her partner. Flight assignments are assigned on a first-come, first-served basis, with the postmark date as the determining factor. Entrants will register at the Tournament Headquarters (parking lot adjacent to the west-end office area) Sunday **May 17, 2009** beginning 4:30 am on tournament day. A copy of the tournament rules, which must be in your possession during tournament hours, will be available. Boat inspection will begin at 4:30 am. You are to have all live wells, dry storage areas, and coolers open prior to inspection.

TWENTY-SIXTH ANNUAL MEMORIAL BASS TOURNAMENT

(Rt. 235) Kiser Lake State Park

St. Paris, Ohio

TOURNAMENT – May 17, 2009

Sponsored by the Champaign County
Bass Club

\$800.00 First Prize *

1st \$800* Plus plaque

2nd \$350* Plus plaque

3rd \$250* Plus plaque

4th \$125*

5th \$100*

6th \$90*

7th \$80*

8th \$70*

- Prizes based on a 60 boat field. If field is not full, prizes will be prorated in accordance.

Entry Fee : \$55.00 per team – Big
Bass \$5.00 (100% payback)

no personal checks accepted after May 8, 2009

Mail entry form with entry fee (you may include entry into Big Bass pot with entry fee) payable to Champaign Co. Bass Club to:

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*By his signature on this document and by his participation in this tournament, each contestant agrees to submit to a polygraph test should he be accused of any rule violation. Also by his signature, the participant relieves the Champaign County Bass Club and its members of any liability involving personal and/or property damage during this tournament.

Boat Operator _____
Address _____
Signature * _____ Phone # _____
Partner _____
Address _____
Signature * _____ Phone # _____
Boat size _____ft.

RULES:

1. Interpretation of these rules shall be left exclusively to the Tournament Director and the Tournament committee. **The decision of the Tournament Director shall be final in all cases.**
2. Tournament is open to anyone holding a valid Ohio fishing license and to minor children fishing with their parent or legal guardian. **Teams must be comprised of at least one licensed adult.**
3. There are no motors allowed on Kiser Lake (electric or gas).
4. A properly completed entry form and full entry fee (per boat) should be postmarked by midnight May 8, 2009 No refund of entry fee. (tournament Committee reserves the right to discontinue acceptance of applications prior to the deadline, and also has the right to extend the acceptance date and to reject any entry)
5. Safe boating conduct must be observed at all times. **Each competitor is required to have a Coast Guard approved life preserver.**
6. Alcoholic beverages will not be permitted on boats during tournament, and drunkenness is prohibited at all times on State grounds.
7. Only artificial lures may be used. NO "live bait" will be permitted, with the exceptions of pork strips, rinds, ect. Only one casting, or spinning rod or reel may be used at one time per person. All bass must be caught live and in a conventional manner. Trolling is prohibited.
8. Every boat must be a minimum of 8 feet in length or more. **Each boat MUST have an operational aerated live well. NO EXCEPTION.** Fish baskets and stringers are prohibited. Each boat must be Coast Guard compliant.
9. Boats will not fish closer than 50 yards of an anchored boat and in no case shall two boats be close enough together whereas a participant an touch the other boat.
10. All bass weighed-in must be 12 inches in length, measured with mouth closed. Two ounces will be deducted for each bass brought in dead. A penalty of eight ounces will be assessed for each fish brought to the scale under 12 inches in length. A courtesy board will be furnished.
11. Competitors who are not at the official check-in point at the appointed time will lose credit for their catch. There will be NO excuse for tardiness. All fishing must cease upon check-in.
12. Any ties in exact weight shall be broken by: 1st -Number of live bass; 2nd -flip of a coin.
13. At no time shall a boat contain more than **5 Fish Per Boat**. Anyone found in violation of this rule shall release the largest bass first down to the limit described. Any bass that appears to have been mangled, mauled, or otherwise altered will be weighed and credited only at the discretion of the tournament officials. Stringing of fish is prohibited and will lead to instant disqualification.

RULES CONTINUED.

14. All fish must be released as soon as they are weighed-in, unless the competitor wants to keep their fish for mounting purposes with the permission of the Tournament Director.
15. During tournament hours, it will be illegal to leave your boat for any reason. If you must leave your boat, you MUST notify an official to remain qualified. **NO EXCEPTIONS.** At least one team member must stay with the boat until checked in.
16. Completion of application and payment of entry fee certifies that I have read the official tournament rules and agree to abide by all stated therein. I further agree to waive all responsibility on the part of any tournament participant, official, or host as to injury and for damage which might occur in connection with the aforementioned Tournament.
17. None of the above rules shall prohibit a properly designated Tournament Official from approaching or boarding and inspecting any competitor's boat at any time during the tournament.
18. DISCLAIMER. The Champaign County Bass Club, it's officers, and members are no way liable for the negligence of any participant or spectator involved in any activity related to the Tournament or its auxiliary activities which result in injury or death.
19. No Champaign County Bass Club Member may fish in this Tournament.

