2017 Midwest College Shootout



Presented by the Wisconsin Fishing Team

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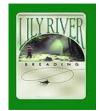




















*Please be sure to read through this tournament itinerary, especially the rules and regulations, it has necessary information for all anglers and participants. Any questions can be directed to wifishingteam@gmail.com or to the Tournament Director, Alex Lemke at 920-655-7466 or alemke3@wisc.edu.

Date and Location

The 2017 Midwest College Shootout will be held September 23rd-24th in Madison, WI on the Madison Chain of Lakes. Fishable lakes include from north to south: Lake Mendota, Lake Monona, Lake Waubesa, and Mud lake down to County road AB Bridge. Lake Kegonsa is off limits.

Registration

Anglers

Boats

Anglers must provide their own boats. No volunteer boats will be provided. Schools may bring as many boats as they choose.

Entry Fee

There will be a mandatory \$80 entry fee for the tournament. An OPTIONAL side pot will be established for big bass. Entry fee is paid IN CASH at the Tournament Headquarters upon checking in the first morning of the tournament.

\$80 entry fee/boat

\$10 (optional) Big Bass

75% Guaranteed Payout is as follows: 42% to $1^{\rm st}$ place team, 25% to $2^{\rm nd}$ place team, 16% to $3^{\rm rd}$ place team, 10% to $4^{\rm th}$ place team, 7% to $5^{\rm th}$ place team. 100% side pot to Big Bass

Recommended Lodging

Bishop O' Connor Center

- Gold Coast Suite.....\$65 per night
 - o One full-sized bed, A/C, Refrigerator, T/V
- Full Room......\$50 per night
 - o One full-sized bed, A/C

For booking information anglers/boaters can call Melanie Johnson directly at (608)821-3141 or email her at melanie.johnson@madisondiocese.org

Lake Farm Park

- Electric Campsite......\$62 for 2 nights

This is a great economical choice for lodging and is on the same site as the tournament headquarters and adjacent boat launch. This 328-acre park has three shelter facilities and is a fully-accessible campground with 54 sites including 39 electric hook ups for RVs (50 amp), bathroom and shower facilities, and a sanitary dump station. Please note that sites cannot be reserved for less than 2 days. Sites marked NE are non-electric. To reserve a site, follow the link: o https://www.reservedane.com/parks.aspx

Super 8 Madison South

1602 West Beltline Highway, I-90 Exit 142A, Madison, WI 53713-2330 US
 http://www.super8.com/hotels/wisconsin/madison/super-8-madisonsouth/hotel-overview

*NOTE: When booking hotels avoid booking in areas on or near S. Park Street between downtown and the 12/18 Beltline. This neighborhood can be unsafe, especially if you're bringing a boat.

Tournament Events

Pre-fishing

There is not a specified time limit for pre-fishing. All tournament rules do apply for pre-fishing days.

- Recommended launches for pre-fishing are:
 - o Lake Farm Park- Lake Waubesa 4330 Libby Road Madison, WI 53711 o Olin Park - Lake Monona 1156 Olin Turville Dr Madison, WI 53713

Tournament Days - September 23 & 24, 2017

Tournament Headquarters: Lake Farm Park Shelter #2 – Lake Waubesa 4330 Libby Road Madison, WI 53711

Mandatory on the water pre-tournament meeting: 6:45am Tournament hours: 7am-3pm

Glass Nickel Pizza Dinner and Raffle – Saturday September 23, 2017

Location: Weigh in sight Lake Farm Park Shelter #2 4330 Libby Road Madison, Wisconsin 53711

Time: Approximately 4pm (After the Day One weigh-in)

Price: <u>Dinner is free</u>, <u>but be sure to bring enough money on Day One for the tournament entry fee and to buy plenty of raffle tickets.</u>

We invite all anglers to attend the pizza dinner taking place after the Day One weigh-in. Food and drink for the event will include cheese, sausage, and pepperoni pizza from Glass Nickel. We will also have water and soda, however we encourage you to bring other drinks if you would like. We anticipate about 100 in attendance from weekend anglers and our team's sponsors. We will be having a raffle at the cookout, provided by our sponsors. We encourage you to try your luck, as we expect over \$2000 in prizes. Prizes include products from Rapala, Humminbird, Minn Kota, Cabela's, and many more. Years past Helix 7s, onboard chargers, rods, reels, and plenty of lures were all raffled off.

Rules and Regulations

The following rules will apply to the tournament and remain unchanged throughout the event unless State or local laws are in conflict. The interpretation and enforcement of rules will be left to the Tournament Committee. In the event of a rule violation, the Tournament Committee will take appropriate action, and all matters are final.

- 1. Each school can send as many boats as they wish.
- 2. All anglers must be a full time student of the representing university they're fishing for.
- 3. Tournament fishing hours will run from 7am-3pm on Saturday and Sunday. Any boats that show up late to weigh-in will get their daily bag disqualified but are encouraged to continue to participate.
- 4. Scoring: The total fish per boat can be no more than five largemouth and/or smallmouth bass, each with a minimum length of 14 inches. Fish will be measured on a Golden Rule bump board, with mouth closed and tail fanned and/or pinched to the longest position. All fish will be measured by our members; competitors are not allowed to try to get fish to touch the 14-inch line. Any competitor weighing in a fish shorter than 14 inches will be disqualified and their daily weight shall not be added to their team's total. Any dead bass presented for weigh-in will result in a penalty of 12 oz, or 0.75 lbs, deducted from the total catch weight. Any competitor not back at the official checkpoint by the designated end time will get their daily bag disqualified, regardless of excuse. Late is late. A tie for total

weight will be decided by biggest bass. If a tie still remains, the tie will be decided by number of fish.

- 5. <u>Permitted Fishing Locations:</u> Fishable lakes include: Lake Mendota, Lake Monona, Lake Waubesa, and Mud lake down to the County road AB Bridge for the southern cutoff. Lake Kegonsa is off limits. Fishing is not permitted within 100 feet of a competitor's boat that has killed the main engine and deployed the trolling motor and/or anchored. Competitors cannot leave the boat at any time unless it is at the official checkpoint, or in the case of an emergency. Competitors cannot leave the boat to land a fish.
- 6. <u>Boat and Motor:</u> All boats must be at least 14 feet in length and meet Coast Guard requirements. There is no horsepower restriction. All boats must have a kill switch in working order and a functioning, aerated livewell or cooler of adequate size. A kill switch and livewell check will take place prior to take-off.
- 7. <u>Boating Conduct</u>: Boating safety must be observed at all times by competitors. Each competitor is required to wear a Coast Guard approved life vest at all times the outboard is operating. The vest is to be strapped, snapped, or zippered. Violation will be immediate disqualification. A kill switch attached to the life vest while the boat is operating is required.
- 8. <u>Sportsmanship:</u> All competitors are expected to follow high standards of sportsmanship, safety, and conservation. Any observed infraction(s) will result in disqualification.
- 9. <u>Tackle and Equipment:</u> All fish must be caught in a conventional sporting manner using a rod and reel. Trolling as a method of fishing is prohibited. Only one rod may be used at a time. Only artificial lures may be used, with the exception of pork rinds.
- 10. <u>Official Checkpoint:</u> All competitors must attend the pre-tournament meeting at 6:50am, take-off at 7am, and weigh-in at 3:00pm at the Lake Farm Park Landing.
- 11. <u>Alcohol and Drugs:</u> No alcoholic beverages or illegal drugs will be tolerated in the boat during tournament hours.
- 12. <u>Protests:</u> A protest or complaint may be filed in writing before the weigh-in scales close. The situation will be given consideration and ruled on by the Tournament Committee. All decisions will be final.
- 13. <u>Launch Fees</u>: Anglers are responsible for any and all applicable launch fees on the dates of the tournament. Launch fees are estimated at \$8 per day.

The Wisconsin Fishing Team hopes to make this a successful and enjoyable event for all. We hope to have a great turnout from all colleges as well as from the Madison community. If you have any questions feel free to contact the Wisconsin Fishing Team at wifishingteam@gmail.com or the Tournament Director, Alex Lemke at 920-655-7466 or alemke3@wisc.edu.



