

2022 Mississippi River Rumble

May 1st

Presented by:
Augustana College Fishing Club



Date and Location

The 2022 Mississippi River Rumble will be held on May 1st in Thomson, IL on the Mississippi River.

Fishable pools include: 12, 13, & 14.

Take off: SAFE LIGHT

Weigh-in: 3:00 pm

Registration

Anglers:

Anglers can register at CollegiateBassChampionship.com. Follow the registration tab and provide all required information to register. Boat numbers will be randomly generated the night before the event.

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 (**cash, no checks please**) for the tournament. There will be an optional \$10 big bass side pot. Entry fee is paid at the launch upon checking in the morning of the tournament.

\$80 entry fee/boat

75% Guaranteed Payout

25% to the Augustana College Fishing Club

100% side pot to Big Bass

Tournament Events

Pre-fishing

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

Tournament Day

Tournament hours: Safe Light-3pm

Anglers must launch at the Big Slough boat launch.

Big Slough Ramp Address:

5999 Riverview Rd #5955, Thomson, IL 61285



There will be a mandatory on pre-tournament meeting at the Big Slough boat launch prior to take off at 5:45 AM. At least one team member must be present. There is a \$5 launch fee at the Big Slough boat launch.

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 Safe Light-3pm on Sunday. Any boats that show up late to weigh-in will receive a 1 pound per minute deduction. Any boats that are 15 minutes late will be disqualified .
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 flipping a coin. The team with the higher boat number will call heads or tails.
5. Permitted Fishing Locations: Fishable areas include pools 12, 13, and 14. Any areas marked off limits by signs or bouys is off limits (i.e. Browns Lake and the Army Depot). 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. Boat and Motor: All boats must be at least 14 feet in length and meet Coast Guard requirements. There are no horsepower restrictions. All boats must have a kill switch in working order and a functioning, aerated livewell or cooler of adequate size. A livewell check will take place prior to take-off.
7. Boating Conduct: 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. Sportsmanship: All competitors are expected to follow high standards of sportsmanship, safety, and conservation. Any observed infraction(s) will result in disqualification.
9. Tackle and Equipment: 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. Official Checkpoint: All competitors must attend the pre-tournament meeting at 5:45 am, take-off at safe light, and weigh-in at 3:00pm at the Big Slough Boat Ramp.
11. Alcohol and Drugs: No alcoholic beverages or illegal drugs will be tolerated in the boat during tournament hours.
12. Protests: 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.

The Augustana Fishing Club hopes to make this a successful and enjoyable event for all. If you have any questions feel free to contact Club President Ben Ford at 309-781-5877 or benjaminford18@augustana.edu, or Tournament Director Joe Loomis at josephloomis@augustana.edu

