



# ANGLER INFORMATION PACKET

SEPTEMBER 23-24, 2023 – KENTUCKY LAKE, PARIS LANDING TN



# 2023 BIG BASS BASH



We are excited to have you compete in this action-packed event hosted at Paris Landing Marina, Kentucky Lake, in Paris, TN on **September 23-24, 2023**. This popular event features no entry fee and will boast multiple weigh-in sessions over the two-day tournament and over \$40,000 of prizes.

Be sure to [register ON-LINE](#) before the cutoff date of Sunday, September 17th. This event Features double points toward the coveted Bass Pro Shops School of Year title presented by Abu Garcia.

*- Association of Collegiate Anglers*

# TOURNAMENT FORMAT

*Each Angler must read and abide by the official Tournament Rules.*



Registration closes  
on Sunday,  
September 17th  
at 6:00pm CT.

[Register Here!](#)



REGISTER

Two-day, individual  
big bass tournament.

You can weigh-in fish  
every session, but you  
can't have more than  
one (1) fish in the  
livewell per angler at  
anytime, unless  
actively culling.

Up to 3 anglers can  
fish in every boat.



FORMAT

There will be seven  
(7) weigh-in  
sessions over the  
two-day  
tournament.

Day 1 sessions  
close at 9:00am,  
11:00am, 1:00pm,  
3:00pm.

Day 2 sessions  
close at 9:30am,  
11:30am, and  
1:30pm.



WEIGH-IN

Special Lure Rules:

All contestants  
must use **Berkley**  
baits EXCLUSIVELY  
during this event  
on Day 2.

Complete details  
can be found in the  
rules.



BERKLEY  
BAITS

School of the Year  
points will be  
awarded to the top  
two (2) bass  
weighed by each  
school, according  
to SOY rules.

Even if a fish  
doesn't qualify for  
SOY points it can  
still win prizes.



SCHOOL OF  
THE YEAR

# SCHEDULE OF EVENTS



## Thursday, September 21<sup>st</sup>

- Official Practice Day.
- Registered anglers are allowed to practice from safe light to sundown.
- Anglers must abide by all tournament and safety rules throughout practice and tournament days.



## Friday, September 22<sup>nd</sup>

- Official Practice Day.
- Registered anglers are allowed to practice from safe light to 3:00pm.
- 4:00pm-6:00pm: Angler Check-in at Henry County Fairgrounds
- 6:00pm: Greeting & Mandatory Pre-Tournament Meeting

## Saturday, September 23<sup>rd</sup> – Sunday, September 24<sup>th</sup>

- Tournament Days.
- A controlled release will begin at safe light.
- Day 1 sessions will close at 9am, 11am, 1pm, and 3pm.
- Day 2 sessions will close at 9:30am, 11:30am, and 1:30pm.
- To-Go Meal served to anglers & Prizes presented after the last weigh-in session on each tournament day.

# ANGLER CHECK-IN



## HENRY COUNTY FAIRGROUNDS

517 Royal Oak Drive  
Paris, TN 38242

## MANDATORY ANGLER CHECK-IN

4:00pm to 6:00pm  
Bring your official Student ID.

## ANGLER MEAL

Brought to you by the  
Henry County Tourism Authority.

## GREETING & PRE-TOURNAMENT MEETING

Welcome by Henry County representatives,  
Door prizes, Tournament Director Review of Rules



Take-off and Weigh-in will  
be at Paris Landing State Park on  
tournament days –  
**September 23<sup>rd</sup> & 24<sup>th</sup>** .

**Located At:**  
400 Lodge Rd.  
Buchanan, TN 38222

There will be no parking/launch  
charge during the days of the event.  
Get your parking pass for the week  
when you first arrive at Paris Landing.



**A valid Tennessee fishing license is  
required for each angler.**

**Anglers should launch at Paris  
Landing State Park tournament days!**

**PARIS LANDING  
STATE PARK**

# WEIGH-IN SESSIONS



The weigh-in sessions times for the 2023 Bass Pro Shops Big Bass Bash presented by Berkley will be as follows:

## Day 1 Sessions

Session	Closes at:
1	9:00am
2	11:00am
3	1:00pm
4	3:00pm

## Day 2 Sessions

Session	Closes at:
1	9:30am
2	11:30am
3	1:30pm



- Top 10 big bass prizes will be awarded for Day 1 All Sessions, Day 2 Sessions 1 & 2.
- Top 20 big bass prizes will be awarded for Day 2 Session 3.
- All Prizes will be handed out after the final session each day.



# BERKLEY ONLY LURES – DAY 2



During Day two of the Big Bass Bash only artificial Berkley Baits, including hard baits, may be used. Please refer to "Special Lure Rules" below as well as in the Official Tournament Rules.

All contestants must use Berkley baits EXCLUSIVELY during this event on Day 2. The complete line up may be viewed at [www.purefishing.com/our-brands/](http://www.purefishing.com/our-brands/)



Spinner bait frames, jig heads, buzz bait frames, etc. may be used when paired with Berkley products as trailers. To clarify, anglers may use other brands jigs and spinner-baits, but those baits must have a Berkley trailer on them.

All terminal tackle (Alabama Rig Style) must include a "functional" Berkley soft plastic.

Non-Berkley soft plastic trailers are NOT permitted at any time.





# DISCOUNT & CONTINGENCY PROGRAMS

Want to take home extra prizes? Be in the know and be prepared before the Big Bass Bash – check out the program details below.  
And take advantage of our partner product discounts, too!



WIN UP TO \$1,000  
IN GIFT CARDS



TOURNAMENT  
REWARDS



WIN UP TO \$2,000



WIN UP TO \$1,000



TRADE IN AND  
TRADE UP PROGRAM



WIN UP TO \$8,000



WIN UP TO \$8,000



WIN UP TO \$8,000



15% OFF  
PRODUCTS

GARMIN.

DISCOUNT  
PROGRAM

ENGEL.

35% OFF  
PRODUCTS



40% OFF  
CLOTHING



20% REBATE



WIN UP TO \$1,000  
ACA CONTINGENCY  
BONUS PROGRAM

SUNLINE

45% OFF  
PRODUCTS



25% OFF  
PRODUCTS

SECRET<sup>™</sup>  
LURES

BIG BASS  
BOUNTY



COLLEGE PROGRAM



CONTINGENCY  
PROGRAM



50% OFF  
JERSEYS



40% OFF PRODUCTS



50% OFF  
PRODUCTS



35% OFF  
PRODUCTS



UP TO 60 % OFF

Rapala<sup>®</sup>

DISCOUNT  
PROGRAM



30% OFF  
ANY PRODUCT



40% OFF  
DENALI RODS



35% OFF  
PRODUCTS

# LODGING INFORMATION



**Lodge at Paris Landing**  
400 Lodge Road  
Buchanan, TN  
1-888-TN-PARKS  
[www.tnstateparks.com/lodges/paris-landing](http://www.tnstateparks.com/lodges/paris-landing)



**Fishtale Lodge**  
14275 Hwy 79 N.  
Buchanan, TN  
731-642-7113  
[www.FishTaleLodge.com](http://www.FishTaleLodge.com)



**Buchanan Resort**  
785 Buchanan Resort Rd.  
Springville, TN 38256  
731-642-2828  
[www.BuchananResort.com](http://www.BuchananResort.com)  
\*Camping options also available.

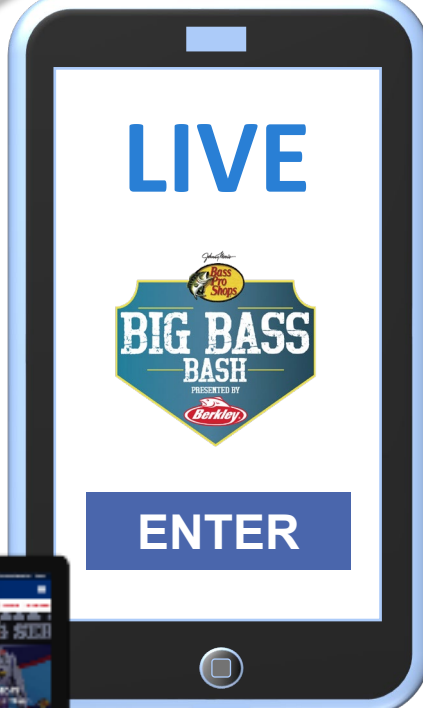


**Swan Bay Cabins & RV Park**  
226 Swan Bay Rd  
Buchanan, TN 38222  
931-444-0941  
[www.SwanBayCabinsRVPark](http://www.SwanBayCabinsRVPark)

It is always a very busy time in Paris, so please make your reservations as soon as possible to guarantee lodging. For more lodging options, check out [fishkentuckylake.com/lodging/](http://fishkentuckylake.com/lodging/).

# LIVE STREAMING ON

# DOWNLOAD & STREAM OUTDOOR ACTION TV



## DOWNLOAD THE APP!

We've partnered with Outdoor Action TV to provide even more platforms where you can watch all the action as it happens!

## FIND OUTDOOR ACTION TV HERE:

Outdoor Action TV is available via iOS / Android apps, Roku, Amazon Fire, Apple TV, Android TV and website.

## SHARE!

Tell your family and friends to download on their streaming device now and watch direct from their smart phone or television.

## SEASON EPISODES

In addition to live streaming being available on Outdoor Action TV, this is where new episodes will premiere, and you can catch up on past episodes!



# SHARE YOUR ADVENTURES



#wearecollegiatebass

Share your pics from your travels, to practice, and tournament days using our #WeAreCollegiateBass tag so we can keep up with you and re-post!

It pays to tag us – you never know when we feel spontaneous and give away a prize for a post!



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# NATIONALLY TELEVISED



**Send us your video footage!** Be sure to document your travels to Kentucky Lake, your preparations for the Bass Pro Shops Big Bass Bash presented by Berkley, and points of interest on your campus. We'll accept all digital formats—with more television coverage than any other collegiate bass fishing trail, we may very well use your video footage in one of our shows or on-line video clips!

Please contact tournament staff for info on how to send in your footage at [college@carecotv.com](mailto:college@carecotv.com).

# PODCAST **#WEARECOLLEGIATEBASS**

The ACA's Rapala #WeAreCollegiateBass Podcast is going strong!

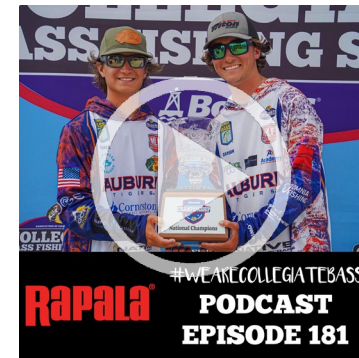
Leading up to and following the Big Bass Bash, we will be sitting down with anglers, coaches, sponsors, parents, and Pros to talk about every-thing related to this epic event – which teams are favored, predictions on how many pounds it will take to win, what it will take to catch those big bass, school rivalries, and more!

Subscribe NOW and stay tuned!

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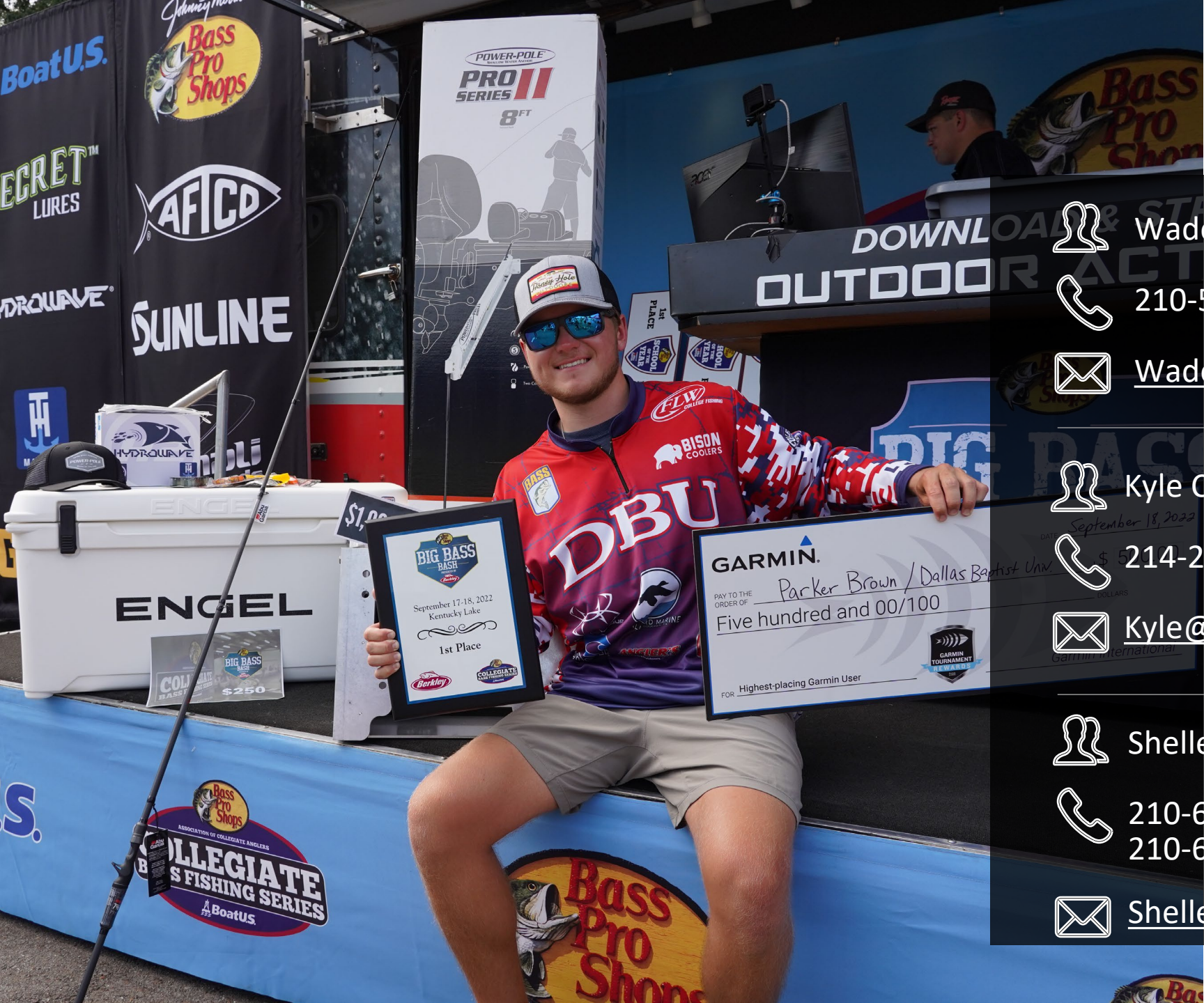
EP: 181 – Smith & Marbut from Auburn capture National Championship.

EP: 182 – Montevallo achieves history with 3<sup>rd</sup> straight Bass Pro Shops School of the Year Win.



EP: 183 – Drake Hemby from 3<sup>rd</sup> Ranked Carson-Newman University.





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