





ANGLER PACKET

2024 CHAMPIONSHIP

MAY 23 & 24 | PICKWICK LAKE, AL





WELCOME!

This year marks the 19th year of the Association of Collegiate Anglers' BoatUS Collegiate Bass Fishing Championship presented by Bass Pro Shops! We are excited to be back at Pickwick Lake in Florence, Alabama! This prestigious event has proven to be one of the toughest collegiate bass fishing tournaments to win - and the competition becomes stronger every year.

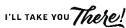
On May 23 & 24, 2024, 400 of the top collegiate anglers in the country will be competing in this no-entry fee event and will take home thousands of dollars in prizes and triple points towards the coveted Bass Pro Shops School of the Year presented by Abu Garcia race.

Please read through this angler packet and rules completely for all information regarding the event. Register **ON-LINE** before the cutoff date of Wednesday, May 8th.

- Association of Collegiate Anglers









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TOURNAMENT FORMAT Each Angler must read and abide by the official <u>Championship Rules</u>.

Registration closes Wednesday, May 8, 2024 at 6:00pm CT.

Two-day, team tournament. A team consists of two-anglers fishing from the same boat.

Off-limits begin on Sunday, May 5, 2024 at 12:00am local time. The first official practice day will be Sunday, May 19, 2024 at safe light.

All school clubs qualify to register one (1) two-angler team for the Championship. Schools may qualify to send additional teams by competing in ACA events, being in Top 25 for School of the Year, or being a past Champion. **Read complete Qualification Criteria** here.

Permission must be granted by the Tournament Director in order for any angler to fish alone.

Winners will be determined by heaviest accumulated weight per team. The three highest finishing teams for each college/university will earn Bass Pro Shops School of the Year presented by Abu Garcia points.

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

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Sunday, May 19th – Wednesday, May 22nd

Official Practice Days.

Registered anglers can practice from safe light to sundown on Sunday-Tuesday and from safe light to 3:00pm local time on Wednesday.

Anglers must abide by all tournament and safety rules throughout practice and tournament days.



Wednesday, May 22nd CHECK-IN & SPONSOR BANQUET

Official Practice Day & Check-In.

Registered anglers can practice from safe light to 3:00pm local time; No boats allowed on the water after 3:00pm local time.

Sponsor Meet & Greet, Angler Check-In & Banquet *MANDATORY Events*

- Location: Marriott Shoals
- Check-In / Meet & Greet:
 2:30pm 5:00pm
- Welcome & Dinner begins at 5:00pm
- Mandatory Meeting: 6:00pm

Thursday, May 23rd – Friday, May 24th

Tournament Days.

Location: McFarland Park Take-off: Begins 6:00am Weigh-in: Begins 2:00pm

Angler Meal provided during Weigh-in on both days.

National Champions crowned following Day 2 Weigh-in!





ANGLER CHECK-IN & SPONSOR BANQUET









MARRIOTT SHOALS CONFERENCE CENTER

One Hightower Place Florence, Alabama 35630 256-740-4141

ANGLER CHECK-IN 2:30pm to 5pm Bring your official <u>Student</u> ID.

SPONSOR MEET & GREET 2:30pm to 5pm Visit all the sponsor displays and more!

> WELCOME & DINNER 5pm to 6pm

TOURNAMENT MEETING

Begins at 6pm Mandatory for all anglers. Boat Numbers given at end of meeting.

SPONSOR MEET & GREET

Nearly all the partners of the Association of Collegiate Anglers come out this evening to support all the anglers competing in the 2024 BoatUS Collegiate Bass Fishing Championship presented by Bass Pro Shops! Here are just a few features that you don't want to miss –

SUNLINE SPOOLING STATION

Sunline will be spooling up to one reel per angler for free! Don't come empty-handed – **bring your reel!**

AFTCO BANK BAG RETURN

Bring your AFTCO Bank Bag filled with trash from around the park and return it to the AFTCO booth to receive a \$25 AFTCO Gift Card!

PRIZES & MORE

Partners will be giving out products and the ACA will be drawing for a ton of **amazing door prizes**!











Take-off and Weigh-in will be at McFarland Park each tournament day – May 23 & 24.

> Located At: 200 Jim Spain Dr. Florence, AL 35630

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MCFARLAND PARK

For a free fishing packet please call Florence Tourism – 256-740-4141

A valid Alabama fishing license is required for each angler.

Purchase online at www.outdooralabama.com

Purchase locally at Perkins Outdoors - (256) 768-1000



DISCOUNT & CONTINGENCY PROGRAMS

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



SHARE YOUR ADVENTURES!

#WeAreCollegiateBass

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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!

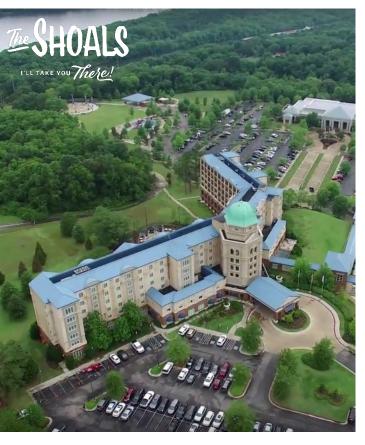
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Lodging Information



Book your lodging throughout Championship Week early! Below are a few recommended hotels – let them know that you are with the Collegiate Bass Fishing Series. Contact <u>college@carecotv.com</u> if you have any questions.

MARRIOTT SHOALS HOTEL 800 Cox Creek Pkwy, Florence, AL 35630 256-246-3600

RESIDENCE INN BY MARRIOTT 1000 Sweetwater Ave. Florence, AL 35630 256-764-9966

COMFORT SUITES 140 Matthew Paul Court (off HWY 72) Florence, AL 35630 256-246-2300

HOLIDAY INN EXPRESS 180 Etta Gray Street Florence, AL 35630 256-246-2200 HAMPTON INN MIDTOWN OF FLORENCE/LAUDERDALE TOURISM

2285 Florence Blvd. Florence, AL 35630 256-764-8888

BAYMONT INN 115 Ana Drive – Off Hwy 72 Florence, AL 35630 (256) 415-6574

QUALITY INN 150 Etta Gray Street Florence, AL 35630 256-740-0444

KNIGHTS INN OF FLORENCE

1915 Florence Blvd. Florence, AL 35630 256-766-2620 or 800-329-7466





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Please contact tournament staff for info on how to send in your footage at college@carecotv.com.

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#WEARECOLLEGIATEBASS PODCAST

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

Leading up to and following the 2024 Championship, we will be sitting down with our anglers, coaches, sponsors, & parents 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: 193 – Dylan & Carter from Top 5 Ranked UNA Win at Harris Chain

EP: 194 – Anglers from 12th Ranked Adrian College Get Major Victory at Lake Toho



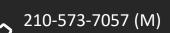


EP: 195 – Emil Wagner Selected as AFTCO Bass Boot Camp Recruit



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