



2024 ANGLER PACKET

OCTOBER 12-13, 2024

LAKE DARDANELLE | RUSSELLVILLE, AR





WELCOME!

We're excited to bring you the **2024 AFTCO Collegiate Bass Open**! We're thrilled to have you compete in this action-packed event, hosted by the Russellville, Arkansas Tourism & Visitor's Center for the 9th year in a row! **NO ENTRY OR MEMBERSHIP REQUIRED.**

This is the second Bass Pro Shops Collegiate Bass Fishing Series event for the 2024-2025 season. The AFTCO Collegiate Bass Open is a two-day tournament, that offers a two-person team format. Thousands of dollars in prizes will be awarded!

Be sure to [register on-line](#) before the cutoff date of Sunday, October 6th. This event features double points toward the coveted Bass Pro Shops School of the Year title presented by Abu Garcia.

See you at Lake Dardanelle!

- Association of Collegiate Anglers





TOURNAMENT FORMAT

Each Angler must read and abide by the official [AFTCO Open Rules](#).

Registration closes Sunday, October 6, 2024, at 6:00pm CST. [Register Here](#).

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

The first official practice day will be Thursday October 10, 2024.

Winners will be determined by the heaviest accumulated two-day weight per team. School of the Year points will be awarded to the top two (2) teams from each school.

All school clubs are allowed to register as many teams as they want.

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

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS



THURSDAY, OCTOBER 10TH

- 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, OCTOBER 11TH

- Official Practice Day.
- Registered anglers are allowed to practice from safe light to 3:00pm.
- 4:00pm-6:00pm: Angler Check-in at Hughes Community Center
- 5:00pm: Angler Meal serving begins
- 6:00pm: Greeting & Mandatory Pre-Tournament Meeting

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 12TH – SUNDAY, OCTOBER 13TH

- Tournament Days.
- A controlled release will begin at safe light.
- Day 1 Weigh-in Begins at 3:00pm
- Day 2 Weigh-in Begins at 1:00pm
- Angler Meal provided during each weigh-in
- Prizes awarded following Day 2 weigh-in

ANGLER CHECK-IN & MEETING



HUGHES COMMUNITY CENTER

1000 E. Parkway Ave.

Russellville, AR 72801

479-968-1272

ANGLER CHECK-IN

4pm to 6pm

Bring your official Student ID.

Snack Bags handed out for Tournament Days.

WELCOME & DINNER

5pm to 6pm

TOURNAMENT MEETING

Begins at 6pm

Mandatory for all anglers.



LAKE DARDANELLE STATE PARK

**Take-off and Weigh-in will
be at Lake Dardanelle State Park
each tournament day – October
12-13.**

Located At:
100 State Park Drive.
Russellville, AR 72802

A valid Arkansas fishing license is
required for each angler.

For more information on
Lake Dardanelle, please visit:
[www.arkansasstateparks.com/parks/
lake-dardanelle-state-park](http://www.arkansasstateparks.com/parks/lake-dardanelle-state-park)



LODGING INFORMATION



Book your lodging early! There are other events happening in Russellville and hotels are booking fast! Below are a few recommended hotels, let them know that you are with the Collegiate Bass Fishing Series. Contact college@carecotv.com if you have any questions.

LA QUINTA INN & SUITES RUSSELLVILLE

111 E. Harrell Dr.
Russellville, AR 72802
479-967-2299



HAMPTON INN RUSSELLVILLE

2304 N. Arkansas Ave.
Russellville, AR 72802
479-858-7199

FAIRFIELD INN & SUITES BY MARRIOTT

120 E Harrell Dr.
Russellville, AR 72802
479-967-9030



DAYS INN & SUITES BY WYNDHAM

109 E Harrell Dr.
Russellville, AR 72802
479-280-1940

DISCOUNT & CONTINGENCY PROGRAMS

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



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TOURNAMENT
REWARDS



WIN UP TO \$2,000



WIN UP TO \$1,000



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WIN UP TO \$8,000



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PRODUCTS

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WIN UP TO \$1,000
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BONUS PROGRAM



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PRODUCTS



WIN UP TO \$500



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PROGRAM



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PROGRAM



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PRODUCTS

#WEARECOLLEGIATEBASS PODCAST

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

Leading up to and following the AFTCO Open, we will be sitting down with our anglers, coaches, sponsors, & parents to talk about everything 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!

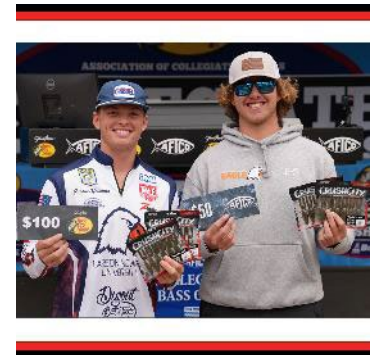
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EP: 208 – Montevallo Wins 4th Straight Bass Pro Shops School of the Year presented by Abu Garcia



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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!



NATIONALLY TELEVISED



Send us your video footage! Be sure to document your travels to Lake Dardanelle, your preparations for the 2024 AFTCO Collegiate Bass Open, 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.





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