



Jared Spickelmier Memorial
2017 Folds of Honor Tournament Entry Form
June 3, 2017 – C.J. Strike Reservoir – Air Force Ramp - Mountain Home, ID

_____(Initial) **By entering the tournament, all participants release, without exception, the Idaho B.A.S.S. Nation (IBN), its owners, officers, sponsors, employees and affiliates and the Spickelmier Family from liability for any accidents, loss or theft. All contestants, by signing and submitting this entry form, agree that they have read and understand the Official Tournament Rules and agree to the terms as listed. Violation of any rule will warrant appropriate disciplinary action by the Tournament Director.**

- The pre-tournament meeting and start position drawing will be at 6:00am MST, Saturday, June 3rd prior to morning blast-off. Blast-off will be as soon as all boats and fishermen are in the water.
- Weigh-ins will be at 2:30 and 2:45pm MST. **Cookout, Raffle and Award's to follow the Weigh-in.**
- Any fish under twelve (12) inches shall result in a disqualification of that entire day's weight.
- Big fish for each group will be determined based on the largest live fish during the event.
- This is an individual tournament. **There will be no team format.** Each individual will have up to a 5-fish limit.
- There is no need for a boater and veteran to sign up together.
- Veterans may participate in either the \$25.00 or \$75.00 pots but not both based on their preference.
- Non Veterans must participate in the \$ 75.00 POT.

TOURNAMENT WATERS and Entry Fee's

For this event, the tournament waters shall include C.J. Strike Reservoir and all water accessible by boat, with the exception that no boats will be allowed past **Loveridge Bridge, inside of the Black Sands buoys or Cottonwoods Campgrounds.**

All contestants will be required to have a valid Idaho fishing license.

1. **Entry fees may be paid either by cash, check, or credit cards. Checks must be received by May 30th and will not be accepted after this date. Only cash and credit cards will be accepted for entries after the 30th. If your check is returned, there will be a \$25.00 RETURNED CHECK fee added.**

All entry forms must be completed in full. Please remit payment with your entry form. For payments, entry form must have the required information . Please submit your entry form and payment to the following address:

Idaho B.A.S.S. Nation / Folds of Honor
3766 South Rush Creek Pl.
Boise, ID 83706

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BASIC ENTRY Non-Veterans \$75.00 // BASIC ENTRY Veterans \$25.00

BOATER

NAME _____
ADDRESS _____
--- Big Fish OPTION
E-MAIL _____
PHONE # _____
INSURANCE _____
POLICY # _____

ENTRY FEE _____

BIG FISH \$15 _____

METHOD OF PAYMENT: ___ CASH ___ CHECK ___ CREDIT

TOTAL PAID _____

Credit Card Info. Type _____, **Number** _____, **Exp. Date** _____, **CCD** _____

VETERAN

NAME _____
ADDRESS _____
--- Big Fish OPTION -
E-MAIL _____
PHONE # _____

ENTRY FEE _____

BIG FISH \$15 _____

METHOD OF PAYMENT: ___ CASH ___ CHECK ___ CREDIT

TOTAL PAID _____

Credit Card Info. Type _____, **Number** _____, **Exp. Date** _____, **CCD** _____

100% of the Big Fish option will be donated to the Folds of Honor Foundation in the name of the Big Fish winner for each Division

.Guaranteed Pots: Non-Veteran 1st - \$600, 2nd - \$400, 3rd - \$200, 4th-\$150, 5th-100 - Veteran 1st - \$400, 2nd - \$200, 3rd - \$100, 4th-\$75.00, 5th-\$50.00

SIGNATURES

BOATER _____ DATE _____

VETERAN _____ DATE _____

All Veterans must supply either a valid Military ID or DD-214 or other proof to show they are a veteran to participate. We apologize for the inconvenience, however we feel it is in the best interest of everybody to protect you from the threat of stolen valor.)

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FOR ADDITIONAL QUESTIONS not answered below please call Steve at 208-761-9206 or e-mail me at beelinedriver@aol.com

Response to Frequently Asked Questions and Tournament Rules

Starting position will be determined by a Draw June 3

There will be a Raffle for 1st out, last in. 1st out will be given a 10 minute early start

- There is no need for a boater and veteran to sign up together.
- If a Boater signs up with a Veteran they will be allowed to fish with that Veteran.
- Veterans may sign up as a Boater or a Veteran but cannot compete in both divisions.
- If two Veterans sign up together in one boat they may either fish as one Boater and one Veteran or both fish as Veterans. or both as Boaters but each must pay the appropriate entry fee.
- Veterans can enter as a Boater and pay the appropriate fee and fish for the larger pot.
- Boaters may come without a partner and a non-boater will be drawn for him or her.
- No age limit is set but anyone not fishing as a Veteran must pay the \$70.00 Boater fee.
- In the event there are not equal boaters and veterans, a boater will be allowed to fish by themselves, **Every effort will be made to find a boater for the veteran.** Additionally, if there is an open non-boater space not filled by a veteran, that spot may be filled by other non-boaters so long as they compete in the boater group and pay \$75.00 entry fee. Veterans will take priority over any non-boater space.

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2017 Folds of Honor Tournament Rules

The following rules shall apply to the Idaho B.A.S.S. Nation Patriot Tournament. Interpretation and enforcement of these rules shall be left exclusively to the Tournament Director. All tournament decisions are final. Any protests shall be made in written form within 30 minutes after the scales are closed.

1. PARTICIPANTS AND ELIGIBILITY:

Participation in this tournament is open to any boater meeting the requirements of rules 7, 8, & 9, as well as meeting the insurance requirements. This tournament is also open to any veteran that has either a valid Military ID or DD-214.

DURING COMPETITION DAYS, NO COMPETITOR MAY OPERATE A BOAT UNLESS THAT COMPETITOR HAS DOCUMENTED PROOF OF A MINIMUM OF \$300,000 PER OCCURRENCE BOAT OWNERS LIABILITY INSURANCE COVERING THE BOAT BEING USED IN THE TOURNAMENT. PROOF OF INSURANCE MUST BE WITH THE BOAT BEING USED AND MUST COVER ALL PASSENGERS IN THAT BOAT. RANDOM CHECKS MAY BE CONDUCTED AND ANY COMPETITOR WHO DOES NOT HAVE PROOF OF IN-FORCE INSURANCE WITH \$300,000 COVERAGE WILL BE DISQUALIFIED. EACH POLICY MUST SHOW AN EFFECTIVE START AND EXPIRATION DATE. Tournament Director has sole authority to determine if insurance policies meet B.A.S.S., LLC requirements.

2. ANGLER CODE OF CONDUCT:

Anglers participating in any B.A.S.S. sanctioned event shall observe this code of conduct and the applicable rules for the specific event in which they are participating. Anglers shall, at all times, conduct themselves in a manner becoming of professional anglers that will not reflect unfavorably on B.A.S.S., its members, officers or representatives, tournaments or sponsors.

3. PRACTICE AND COMPETITION:

During competition, a competitor can only have the assistance or advice of another competitor for the purposes of locating or catching bass on tournament waters.

No competitor may buy or barter a fishing location from any other competitor for use during any competition day. During the official competition day of the tournament a competitor may not make cell calls for the purpose of locating or catching fish on tournament waters. Cell phones may be used for emergency situations.

A designated tournament official must be granted access to the competitor's boat at any time during competition days. Failure to grant such access may result in immediate disqualification.

Each competitor agrees to report to the Tournament Director immediately any violation or infraction of any Tournament Rules. Failure to report violations, or suggestions to another competitor that violate these rules, or false verification of weigh-in forms will be cause for disqualification.

4. SAFETY:

Safe boat conduct must be observed at all times by competitors. During the competition, each competitor must wear a Coast Guard-approved **chest-type** life preserver **anytime** the combustion engine is in gear. This preserver must be strapped, snapped or zippered securely, and maintained in that condition until the combustion engine is out of gear or shut off. Inflatable life vest indicators should be checked daily. Violation of this rule may be reason for disqualification.

When boating in low visibility situations i.e. fog, heavy rain, during both practice and competition, competitors must operate their boats at a safe speed and in a safe manner as determined by tournament officials.

IN THE EVENT OF AN EMERGENCY SITUATION, COMPETITORS SHOULD CALL 911 FIRST AND, ONCE SAFE, THEN NOTIFY TOURNAMENT OFFICIALS AS SOON AS POSSIBLE. COMPETITORS ARE ALLOWED TO LEAVE THE BOAT AND SEEK SAFE SHELTER IN BAD WEATHER WHERE DANGER MAY BE IMMINENT.

5. SPORTSMANSHIP:

Competitors in B.A.S.S. tournaments are expected to follow high standards of sportsmanship, courtesy, safety and conservation. Any infraction of these fundamental sporting principles may be deemed cause for disqualification. Use of alcohol or drugs (other than those purchased over the counter or prescribed by a licensed physician) by any competitor during the practice or during the tournament will not be tolerated and shall be cause for automatic disqualification.

Maximum courtesy must be practiced at all times, especially with regard to boating and angling in the vicinity of non-competitors who may be on tournament waters. Any act of a competitor which reflects unfavorably upon efforts to promote fisheries conservation, clean waters, and courtesy shall be reason for disqualification efforts to promote fisheries conservation, clean waters, and courtesy shall be reason for disqualification.

All competitors are bound by the prevailing statutes and regulations of the various states within which they fish. Competitors are responsible for research of fishing and boating regulations.

6. TACKLE AND EQUIPMENT:

The use of grippers for landing bass is prohibited during tournament competition. Only artificial lures and biodegradable artificial lures may be used. No "live bait" or "prepared bait" will be permitted during practice and competition, with the exception of pork strips or rinds. Only ONE casting, spin-casting or spinning rod (8-foot maximum length from butt of handle to rod tip) and reel may be used at any one time. A hung lure that is not in or on the water is not considered in use and may be set aside while another is in use. Other rigs as specified above may be in boat ready for use; however, only ONE is permitted in use at any given time. All bass must be caught live and in a conventional sporting manner. If a competitor breaks his line while setting the hook or retrieving a fish, he is allowed to make an attempt with the rod being used or by hand to secure the line and land the fish to be counted as legal. He may NOT hook the line with another lure, rod and reel, or other device. If a competitor loses his rod and reel while landing a bass he MAY use another rod and reel to retrieve the lost outfit. If that rod and reel is verified to be the lost outfit that bass may be landed and counted as a legal fish.

Anyone guilty of snatching or snagging visible fish will have their catch disqualified. When visually fishing a bed or for bedding bass, to be counted as a legal fish, all bass must be hooked inside the mouth and must be verified by your partner before being unhooked. With the mouth closed naturally, you must not be able to see where the hook point enters the fish to be considered hooked inside the mouth.

Competitors are allowed to share baits and tackle at all times including competitors.

7. HORSEPOWER REGULATIONS:

MAXIMUM HORSEPOWER FOR ALL OUTBOARD MOTORBOATS USED IN TOURNAMENT COMPETITION WILL BE 250 HP. Horsepower cannot exceed the limitations set by the U.S. Coast Guard. When required, each boat MUST have a U.S. Coast Guard horsepower rating plate attached to the boat by the manufacturer. The horsepower of the outboard engine must NOT exceed the rating specified on this plate or the horsepower maximum set by B.A.S.S. Each competitor agrees to submit, by his/her signature on the entry form, the boat and outboard motor used in the tournament to an inspection by factory-trained personnel, if there is any reason to suspect the horsepower is in excess of the rating. Normal maintenance of engines is allowed. Changing or altering standard factory parts of a competitor's engine to increase the horsepower over the factory horsepower rating is forbidden, and will result in disqualification. Falsifying information on entry forms or altering the horsepower-rating numbers on the engine is will be cause for immediate disqualification. Posted speed limits must be observed and all boats must be operated in a safe manner. Violations of posted speed limits shall result in disqualification.

8. BOAT AND MOTOR:

For the safety of all competitors, all boats must be equipped with an approved type operable ignition kill switch and lanyard. Only one manufactured lanyard may be used and it must be attached to the driver's body any time the combustion engine is operating and in gear. Anytime the combustion engine is operating and in gear, there must be a driver in the driver's seat in full control of the boat. Fishing boats that are 16 feet or more in length may be used.

Any raised platform or decks cannot be higher than the gunnels of the boat.

An electric trolling motor may be used for slow maneuvering. However, trolling as a method of fishing is prohibited. All bladder tanks and any other type of auxiliary gas tanks that are not installed by the boat manufacturer are prohibited. Additional gas tanks that are factory options and installed by a manufacturer's authorized dealer are permitted. Boats that do not have factory-installed gas tanks are restricted to a maximum of 18 gallons of gasoline in tanks that meet U.S. Coast Guard regulations. Gas tanks must be properly secured or strapped in a boat. No portable gas tanks or containers capable of holding gasoline can be placed anywhere on the tournament waters or shoreline for use by any tournament competitor.

9. BASIC BOAT EQUIPMENT:

During competition, every boat must have all required Coast Guard safety equipment and a functional bilge pump. During competition, every boat must have live-well space, properly aerated, to adequately maintain alive, a limit catch of BASS by both competitors using the boat.

Boaters must make a back seat available for non boaters each competition day.

10. PERMITTED FISHING LOCATIONS:

Tournament waters shall be established by the Tournament Director for each tournament. Any water within these boundaries posted "Off-Limits" or "No Fishing" by state or federal agencies. Only that water open to **ALL** public fishing will be considered tournament waters. Waters deemed off limits by authorities should be treated like a wall. No boats or casting behind that boundary while fishing. All angling must be done from the boat. Prior to the or as part of the pre-tournament meeting, any questionable areas must be brought to the attention of Tournament Director to be considered tournament waters and may be announced in the briefing for all to hear unless determined otherwise by Tournament Director.

11. COMPETITORS MUST REMAIN IN BOAT:

During the competition days, competitors must not depart the boat to land fish or to make the boat more accessible to fishing waters. Boats must remain in tournament waters during tournament days. Competitors must leave from and return to official checkpoints by boat. Both competitors must remain in boat at all times except in case of dire emergency or with permission from the Tournament Director.

Exceptions spelled out in this section and section 5. In an emergency, competitors may be removed from their boat to either a boat operated by other competitors or a rescue boat.

Partners must remain together at all times, in sight of each other and each other's catch under the conditions cited above, in order for their catch of that day to be scored. In the event of a needed restroom break a refueling situation at a marina gas pump, contestants are allowed to leave the boat, at which time all fishing must cease until partners are back together in the boat.

Towing boats on trailers during tournament hours is prohibited, except by the direction of tournament officials.

Competitors are allowed to leave the boat to retrieve a lure. All fishing by that competitor must cease until back in the boat before making another cast.

12. CHECKPOINTS:

There shall be only one official check point for check-out in the morning, and one official check-in point in the afternoon, which points shall be designated at the tournament briefing. Failure to go through boat check and check-out in the morning or failure to check-in at the check-in point in the afternoon may result in disqualification. At check-in, all boats shall identify themselves by means of the assigned Launch numbers and proceed immediately to the designated weigh-in area. Once bass are bagged for weigh-in, anglers that are not weighing bass do not need to accompany their partner through the weigh-in process.

13. SCORING:

Tournament standings and final winners shall be determined by the pound and hundredth of a pound weight of each competitor's catch during the competition days of the tournament. Only Largemouth, Smallmouth, and Spotted bass will be weighed. Boater and non-boater limit shall be 5 of the above species each, unless otherwise specified by the Tournament Director.

Two separate divisions will be competing, Boaters and Veterans. Each competitor in a division will only be competing against anglers within that division. One winner and subsequent standings will be determined in each division per the rules.

At no time shall a competitor have in his or her possession more than the tournament limit. Once a competitor checks in they must present all legal bass to tournament officials at the verification table. If competitors at the verification table have more than the tournament limit, the competitor shall be disqualified for that day's catch. The minimum length for bass shall be 12 inches in length. The Official measurement will be made by closed mouth and squishing the tail. Only bass as described above which measure the minimum length or more on the longest straight line, shall be weighed. Bass presented for weigh-in, which fail to measure the official length, shall result in a disqualification for the day.

Any bass that appears to have been mangled, mashed, mauled or otherwise altered will not be weighed. After competitors check in at the official checkpoint they MUST present all LEGAL fish in their possession to a tournament official to be counted, measured and weighed. Once a competitor's catch is measured, counted and verified by a tournament official, that competitor may not return to the boat until their catch has been weighed and recorded. Bass must not be stringered at any time during the tournament. Culling tags or clips are allowed.

14. CATCH AND RELEASE: CULLING OF DEAD B.A.S.S. IS PROHIBITED.

For each legal dead bass presented to weigh-in officials, the competitor shall be penalized ½ pound to be deducted from their daily score. The Tournament Director shall have sole authority for assessing penalty weight. In addition, the Tournament Director, or his/her designees, may reduce tournament hours or tournament limits for fish care purposes. It is suggested in warm weather tournaments anglers keep extra ice for fish care.

SMALL DIP NETS FOR CULLING PURPOSES ARE ENCOURAGED. It is recommended competitors keep all bass in live wells during the culling process. Placing bass on the boat carpet during culling is not an advised practice.

15. LATE PENALTY:

Competitors who are not at the official check-in point, as described in Rule 12, at the appointed time, shall be penalized at the rate of 1 pound per minute late to be deducted from the total weight of his/her catch that day, including any weight to be counted toward a "big bass award". Any competitor more than 10 minutes late shall lose all credit for that day's catch. There shall be no excuse for tardiness and in no case shall a competitor be allowed to make up "lost time." After proper recognition at the check-in point, competitors will be allowed ample time to proceed to the weigh-in site; however, all fishing must cease upon check-in. After the tournament begins, fishing the tournament waters is prohibited except during tournament hours. Exact starting and check-in times will be announced at the tournament briefing. It is each anglers responsibility to confirm check-in times.

16. TIES:

In the event of a tie at the end of the tournament, the following tie breakers will be used in the following order:

(a) the largest number of legal **live** fish weighed during competition

(b) if the tie is not broken, the next tiebreaker will be the single heaviest fish weighed during competition;

If the tie is not broken by applying the foregoing procedures, the tie will remain a tie, and monetary prizes will be awarded in an equal amount between the individuals.