

#### XI. WEIGH-IN

- A. At the close of the contest, each boat must proceed immediately to the weigh-in station. Once there, a crewmember will disembark with a sealed cooler of fish and signed fish log.
- B. A crewmember must remain with the catch until it has been officially weighed. Cooler lid seal must be removed by contest official only.
- C. Once sealed, the cooler of fish must remain sealed until opened by officials at the weigh-in station.

#### XII. RADIO PROCEDURE

Every boat must be equipped with an operating FM marine radio equipped with channels 16 and 68. All boats should monitor channel 68 for contest information.

#### XIII. CANCELLATIONS

- A. The Tournament Committee will announce one hour before fishing begins their decision on whether or not the contest will be run. The Tournament Judges may cancel the Tournament at any time when, in their opinion, the fishing conditions could be dangerous to persons or property.
- B. The Tournament Committee may also decide to delay the start of fishing or to cut short the fishing due to deteriorating weather conditions.

#### XIV. PROTESTS

- A. Any and all protests must be made in writing to the Tournament judges before 6:00 P.M. on the day of the tournament.
- B. A panel of three (3) judges appointed by the Tournament Committee will resolve all disputes.
- C. The judges will have available a lie detector device with a qualified operator, and may require, at their discretion, a test for those involved in any formal protest, or any or all winning boat captains prior to the awarding of prizes.
- D. Any written protest given to the Tournament Judges must be accompanied with a \$100.00 deposit - if the protest is judged valid, deposit will be returned.
- E. The decision of the Tournament Committee and/or its duly appointed panel of judges shall be final.

#### XV. RULE CHANGES

Tournament Committee may change or modify any of these rules, but changes must be in writing and posted prior to the Captain's Meeting.

#### XVI. LIABILITY EXCLUSION

- A. Each contestant shall be responsible to protect persons and property from injury or damage during the contest, and the Salmon Unlimited of Wisconsin shall not be responsible for the safety of persons or property of participants regardless of cause.
- B. All participants further understand and agree to hold the Salmon Unlimited of Wisconsin harmless from any liability for damage incurred as a result of participation in the Tournament in whatever form or manner said liabilities or damages might be incurred.

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# BIG FISH BASH HUMMINBIRD/CANNON SUPER SWEEPSTAKES

Monday, July 13, 2009

Up to

**\$2,500.00**

**Grand Prize**

**Based on number of entrants**

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All individuals aboard boats must also be registered contestants in the general Big Fish Bash contest.

Fishing contest is managed by Salmon Unlimited of Wisconsin. The Big Fish Bash is a project of the Friday Optimist Club of Racine, in cooperation with Racine Area Manufacturers and Commerce (RAMAC) and the Racine County Convention and Visitors Bureau.



2009 BIG FISH BASH SUPER SWEEPSTAKES ENTRY FORM

Captain's Information

Name \_\_\_\_\_  
Address \_\_\_\_\_  
City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_  
Home Phone ( ) \_\_\_\_\_ Work Phone ( ) \_\_\_\_\_

Boat Information

Boat Name \_\_\_\_\_ Mfg \_\_\_\_\_  
Length \_\_\_\_\_ Home Port \_\_\_\_\_ Radio Call Letters \_\_\_\_\_

PRO  AM

Crew Information

Name of Observer \_\_\_\_\_  
Name of Crew Members \_\_\_\_\_



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RACINE, WI

2009

Make check payable to Big Fish Bash Super Sweepstakes. Registration only accepted on Big Fish Bash grounds.

“Super Sweepstakes”  
Pro/Am Fishing Tournament  
Monday, July 13, 2009

Pro Division - \$200 Entry Fee per Boat  
Amateur Division - \$100 Entry Fee per Boat  
80% of the proceeds will be returned as prizes.  
20% of proceeds will go towards improving the  
Lake Michigan fishery

OFFICIAL RULES

I. DIVISIONS

- A. Pro Division - open to all participants.
- B. Amateur Division - Charter boats and licensed Charter Captains are restricted from entering this division.

II. ENTRY FEE

- A. The fee is \$100 per boat for Amateur and \$200 for Pro Divisions. All applications and payments must be received prior to July 12, 7 P.M.
- B. Entry fees are non-refundable after July 12, 7 P.M., except in the event of the cancellation of the tournament due to weather or other reasons beyond the control of the Tournament
- C. Make payment due to Big Fish Bash.
- D. Registration must be paid on Big Fish Bash grounds.

III. PRIZES

- A. Cash prizes will be awarded to the top 7 boats entered in each division based on the following percentages of 80% total entry fees from each division.  
1st Place 35%  
2nd Place 25%  
3rd Place 15%  
4th Place 10%  
5th Place 7.5%  
6th Place 5.0%  
7th Place 2.5%
- B. In case of ties, the prize money between the two or more places the participants would have won will be divided equally between the tied contestants.
- C. 10 AM Early Limit Award – first boat in each division will be awarded money: Pro (\$200), Amateur (\$100)
- D. Super Sweepstakes is part of the Southeast WI Challenge Series; \$200 of the prize money will be contributed to the point fund.

IV. SCORING

- A. All winners will be determined by the Tournament Committee, and their decision will be final.
- B. Winners will be determined on the total accumulation of points. Points will be assigned as ten points per fish and one point per pound.
- C. The following species shall be eligible.  
COHO SALMON                      CHINOOK SALMON  
BROWN TROUT                      STEELHEAD OR RAINBOW TROUT  
LAKE TROUT                        ATLANTIC SALMON

V. BOAT IDENTIFICATION

- A. The Tournament Committee will furnish to each contestant a boat identification number and flag.
- B. The boat identification number must be permanently displayed on the Starboard side of the participant's boat at all times during the contest. The flag must be displayed on the radio antenna or similar elevated device.

VI. DATES AND HOURS

- A. The tournament will be held on July 13, 2009. Rain date will be July 14, 2009.
- B. The tournament schedule will be as follows:  
1. July 12, 2009 – Captain's Meeting at 7:00 P.M.  
Location: 5th St Boat Ramp Pavilion located at the Small Boat Basin, Racine, WI  
2. July 13 - Fishing Period: 5:00 A.M. to 1:00 P.M.  
3. The rain date will be July 14, 2009.
- C. Each boat and crew must have at least one member in attendance at the Captain's Meeting.
- D. The contest will be considered official if a total of three (3) hours are fished.

VII. START AND FINISH

- A. All boats must leave Racine harbor by water.
- B. All boats must be in the water and must visually check in with the Tournament Official prior to the official start.
- C. Check in will begin at approximately 4:10 AM.
- D. Run Time: Boats will be allowed approximately a 30 minute run time, once all boats have checked in (4:30 AM).
- E. The official start of the contest will be made from the Committee Boat or Contest Headquarters at 5:00 AM.
- F. Each boat must be within the designated holding area prior to the end of the Contest (1:00 P.M.). Each boat must visually check with the Tournament Officials as they enter the holding area.

VIII. GENERAL FISHING RULES

- A. There will be a maximum of nine (9) baits in the water at any one time, with no more than nine lures in use. Dodgers, attractors, or other similar hookless devices do not count as lures.
- B. All fish entered must be caught on hook and line in accordance with the Wisconsin laws. No meat line or other similar device may be attached to any part of the boat or downrigger.
- C. FISH may be released when caught. If it determined to release a fish, it must be returned to the lake immediately.
- D. There are no distance limits as to where a tournament boat may fish as long as all traveling is done on the water.
- E. All fish kept must be logged on the fish log sheet.

IX. PRO DIVISION FISHING RULES

- A. Each boat may keep their legal limit of trout and salmon per DNR Rules as determined by the number of anglers fishing on the boat. Once this limit is reached, each boat must proceed immediately to the weigh-in.
- B. Each boat may weigh in up to 15 fish from their catch of which only 6 can be Lake Trout.

X. AMATUER DIVISION FISHING RULES

- A. There will be a fifteen (15) FISH LIMIT, with a maximum of six (6) Lake Trout per boat.
- B. Each boat that reaches the fifteen fish limit shall immediately cease fishing, bring in all rods, and return for check in.