



MAINE TRAIL

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Present to you: The 44th Annual Androscoggin Lake "Father's Day Classic" *In support of The Travis Mills Foundation*



Sunday, June 17th 2018 – 7:30am-3:30pm
Morning check in & registration 5:30-6:30

Entry Fee: \$125 per two man team, includes split lunker (lunker pool paid back 100%)

***** \$140 Entry if not pre-registered before 06/17/18 *****

Mailed applications to be received by Monday, June 13th. After that, cash only on tournament day
Registration and take off from Riverbend Campground. All launch fees will be paid by the host club

- 1st Place - \$2500 Guaranteed**
- 2nd Place - \$1500*
- 3rd Place - \$1000*
- 4th Place - \$600*

Take off position will be based on the date and time we receive the application - First application in = First boat out.
There is no cut-off period for this tournament.

* Based on a full field of 100 boats. 1 place per 10 boats paid. Guarantee is for 1st place only.

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21 Winterberry Lane
Hollis, ME 04042

Contact Info: Corey Vose
45 Longwood Ave
Augusta, ME 04330
207-441-4442 / Blackbass.vose@gmail.com

A. Boater's Name _____ Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____ Phone _____ email _____

Boat/Model _____ Motor _____ Year _____ HP _____

B. Partner's Name _____ Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____ Phone _____ email _____

Please read carefully signing. Deadline for entry is 6:30am 06/17/18 – No Exceptions.

We are enclosing this completed application with our non-refundable entry fee payable to **Maine BASS Nation**. In signing this application, we hereby waive and release all other contestants, the host sponsors, and tournament officials from all claims for injury and/or damage incurred in conjunction with this tournament. We understand and agree that the Tournament Rules Committee reserves the right to return submitted entry fees if it shall elect for any reason to reject this application. We have read the tournament rules and agree to abide by the terms outlined in them. The above facts are true and accurate to the best of our knowledge. **We are submitting a copy of the boat insurance (valid on June 17th, 2018) as proof of insurance (minimum of \$100,000) liability**

Boater Signature _____ Non-Boater Signature _____ Date _____

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Tournament Rules

- 1. Rules Interpretations** – The tournament rules committee shall be solely responsible for the interpretations and enforcement of the tournament rules. The committee will consist of a minimum of three (3) members of the tournament host club. In the event that one or more of the judges are involved with the complaint, the committee reserves the right to name other participants as judges. Their decision is final.
- 2. Judges** – The tournament committeemen are designated judges and are eligible to participate and compete for any and all prizes. Any complaints must be brought to a member of the tournament committee **PRIOR TO THE START OF THE WEIGH-IN.**
- 3. Tournament Headquarters** – Riverbend Campground, RR 2, Box 5050, State Route 106, Leeds, Maine 04263-9601 (207-524-5711) is the official headquarters.
- 4. Registration** – All participants must sign in at tournament headquarters by 6:30 a.m. the day of the tournament. Boat owners are required to submit a copy of their boat insurance showing proof of liability coverage of not less than \$100,000.00 with their entry form. A tournament meeting will take place at 7:00 a.m. **ALL PARTICIPANTS MUST BE PRESENT. Contestants must be present at the awards ceremony to claim any prizes or money.**
- 5. Official Checkpoint** – There will be only one official checkpoint for the weigh-in at the close of the tournament. Any team reporting late will be penalized one (1) pound per minute up to 15 minutes, then disqualified.
- 6. Safety** – Safe boating must be observed at all times by all tournament competitors. Life vests must be worn and fastened anytime the combustion engine is in operation. Failure to do so will result in immediate disqualification. **NOTE:** Reduced speeds in rivers and while approaching other boats, or any situation that limits visibility must be observed or disqualification will result.
- 7. Sportsmanship** – All participants are required to comply with all Fish and Game regulations of the State of Maine and this tournament. Failure to comply will result in disqualification. Alcoholic beverages will **NOT** be permitted in any tournament boat or at the weigh-in. All contestants are expected to conduct themselves in a sportsmanlike manner at all times. There is NO shut off period for this tournament. Any evidence of cheating such as the use of tethered or caged fish or any activity that is unsportsmanlike or gives a team an unfair advantage will be investigated and legally prosecuted if deemed needed.
- 8. Tackle Permitted** – Only spinning, casting, or spin casting rods will be approved for this tournament. All bass must be caught on artificial lures in a sportsmanlike manner. **NO LIVE BAIT.** No prepared bait with the exception of pork rinds, strips, etc. A participant may use only one (1) rod at a time; however, he or she may have other rods ready.
- 9. Boat & Motor** – Electric motors or small gasoline engines may be used to maneuver a boat while fishing, however, trolling, as a means of fishing is **NOT** permitted. **No fishing while idling out or back up the river with the big engine.** All boats must be equipped with required Coast Guard safety equipment. The horsepower of the outboard engine shall not exceed 250 HP or the rating specified on the U.S. Coast Guard rating plate.
- 10. Scoring** – Only largemouth and smallmouth bass will be weighed for determining winners. The minimum length is twelve (12) inches (measured on the longest straight line from closed mouth to tip to tail). There will be a seven (7) fish limit with no weight limit per team. There will be a 4 (four) ounce penalty for each dead fish. There will be a one (1) pound penalty for each short fish brought to the scoring table and the fish will not be weighed. If more than seven (7) fish are presented for weigh in, the creel will be reduced until there are 7 fish, starting with the largest fish. Only fish caught on the day of the tournament during tournament hours are eligible for weigh in. **ONLY LIVE BASS WILL BE ELIGIBLE FOR THE LUNKER POOL.**
- 11. Fishing Locations and Limits** – Fishing is permitted anywhere on the tournament waters that are accessible by water without taking the boat out of the water or participants leaving the boat. No contestants shall fish within fifty (50) yards of another competitor if the boat is anchored and the electric motor is out of the water. *It is recommended that participants give each other room to fish. Treat your fellow competitors, as you would want to be treated yourself.*
- 12. Ties** – In case of ties for any position, the participants weighing the largest live bass shall be declared the winner. Second tiebreaker shall be the largest number of bass caught.

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- 13. General** – All fish must be kept in live wells. There will be no stringer’ed fish. WE ARE STRIVING FOR 100% LIVE RELEASE OF ALL BASS. During the tournament, there will only be two (2) persons allowed per boat. Except in the case of an emergency, no non-participants are permitted in the boat during the tournament and fishermen must remain in the boat at all times.
- 14. Take-Off/Weigh In** – Take off will be determined by the order in which completed application was received. First application in, first boat out. Your weigh-in order will be the same as the order in which you went out.