



2020 R & B BASS CIRCUIT

100% Payback!

East Division

Jim Graham 260-403-2672

Greg Rekeweg 260-307-1411

April 18 Hamilton Lake

Public Beach 7:30-2:30

May 30 Coldwater Lake

DNR Ramp 6:30-1:30

June 21 Lake St. Clair

Harley Ensign Ramp 6:30-2:30

July 11 Tippecanoe Lake

Tippy Dance Hall 6:30-1:30

August 15 Sylvan Lake

DNR Ramp 7:00-2:00

September 12 Lake Wawasee

Syracuse Ramp 7:30-2:30

South Division

John Gipson 269-362-4670

Tom Noe 269-214-8386

March 29 Lake Maxinkuckee

DNR 7:30-3:30

April 11 Palestine Lake

DNR Ramp 7:30-3:30

April 25 Lake Freeman

Dodge Camp 7:30-2:30

May 16 Lake Shafer

Big Monon 7:00-2:00

July 18 Bruce Lake

Fire Lane Ramp 7:00-2:00

September 5 Palestine Lake

DNR Ramp 7:30-2:30

West Division

Andy Buss 574-993-3028

John Dupont 574-870-7817

April 26 Lake Tippecanoe

Tippy Dance Hall 7:30-2:30

May 17 Barbee Chain

Kuhn Lake Ramp 7:00-2:00

June 7 Lake Maxinkuckee

DNR Ramp 6:30-1:30

July 12 Webster Lake

DNR Ramp 6:30-1:30

August 16 Lake Wawasee

Syracuse Ramp 7:00-2:00

September 13 Sylvan Lake

DNR Ramp 7:30-2:30

OCTOBER 10 & 11 CLASSIC @ DETROIT RIVER—ELIZABETH PARK

Classic Rules and Boat Order

There are three ways to qualify for the Classic. Each division will follow this criteria:

1. Any team who has participated in all 6 regular-season tournaments from any Division automatically qualifies regardless of their finish in the Year-to-Date Standings.
2. Any team that fishes a total of 8 tournaments, 4 tournament in one division (one can be a pay and skip) and 4 made up from other divisions, is eligible for the Classic.
3. The top 50% of teams from an average field of their division's final standings will qualify for the classic. For example, if the division averages 51 teams per tournament, the top 26 teams in the standings will qualify. A team who finished higher than 26th place but participated in all 6 divisional tournaments still qualifies.

• However, tournament directors do not count. If directors are fortunate to finish in the top 50% they will not take a team out of the Classic. Hence, in the example above, if directors finished 5th place overall, the top 27 teams would actually qualify.

• The starting order will be determined by the Standings. The team standing in 1st place in the division with the highest average turnout will be boat 1. The team standing in 1st place in the division with the second highest average will be boat 2 and so on.

** If one individual of a team cannot attend the classic, the remaining member can partner up with a member of another team who also has a team member that cannot attend. They may fish from the same boat, but not as a team, each individual will weigh in their catch to count as their team's weight.

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2020 Rules

1. There will be a mandatory meeting 20 minutes prior to take off. One member must be present.
2. Boat order will be determined by random draw for first 40 entrants, after which, teams will be numbered by order of registration. Any team who registers during or after the pre-tournament meeting will not draw for a number. They will be deemed the call boat.
3. Livewells must be inspected before take off. All boats must pass by the Take Off Boat with their livewells open for inspection.
4. Five fish limit: smallmouth, largemouth, and spotted.
5. Dead fish weighed will result in ¼ pound penalty from total weight. A dead fish cannot be weighed for a team's big fish. Note: state law prohibits returning dead fish to water.
6. Weighing in a short fish will result in the loss of that fish as well the loss of big bass. A courtesy bump is available.
7. Any team coming to the weigh-in with more than 5 bass will be disqualified. Culling must be done on the water, during tournament hours.
8. Check-in time will be announced at the pre-tournament meeting. THERE WILL BE NO GRACE TIME. IF YOU ARE LATE, YOU WILL BE DISQUALIFIED.
9. Safety, good sportsmanship, and courtesy will be expected and enforced. Failure to comply may result in disqualification.
10. A one time, \$30 team membership fee must be paid before participation in any tournament. (100% of membership fees will be placed into classic pot.) The membership fee allows a team to fish all THREE Divisions.
11. Each tournament costs \$70 (this includes the Big Bass) and must be paid before the tournament. Only cash will be accepted at the ramp. The big bass money will pay back two spots: 80% and 20% respectively.
12. Payback will be 1 team for every 5 teams participating with a maximum of 10 paid spots. 90% of entry fees will be paid back at each tournament. The remaining 10% will be placed in the classic pot. \$10 of each entry is placed into the big bass pot. All moneys can be tracked on the website.
13. In the event of a tie, big bass will break the tie. If big bass is also a tie, teams will split evenly.
14. A cash prize up to \$400 will be awarded to the Points Champions. If the average field is 40 or more boats, \$400 will be awarded to the Season Champions. If 30 boats is the average, \$300 will be awarded, and so forth. Points are accumulated by the following:
 - 10 points for participation at each tournament
 - 30 points for 1st place, 29 points for 2nd place, 28 points for 3rd place, etc.
 - Total weight will be added to total points at one point per pound.
15. Substitutes are allowed, but only one substitute per division. One member of the team must be present. A member may fish solo anytime. No substitutes are allowed at the Classic. **It is mandatory for teams to present their substitute to the tournament director at registration. Failure to do so will result in the team forfeiting their points and the tournament will not count toward eligibility for the classic. Teams found in violation will not be eligible for a refund.**
16. Top 50% of teams from an average field in the final standings will qualify for the classic. Also, any team participating in all 6 tournaments from any division will automatically qualify for the classic. Any team that fishes 8 total tournaments from the 3 divisions also qualify.
17. Trolling is not allowed.
18. Only artificial baits may be used with only a single rod at any one time.
19. All State and Federal rules/laws will be strictly enforced: this includes boating laws.
20. Life Jackets are required and must be worn anytime the gas engine is running.
21. All boats must have an aerated livewell in working order.
22. All boat owners must have sufficient liability insurance to cover any accident.
23. Teams with schedule conflicts may pay for a single tournament, receive participation points for an event, and not attend. However, this can only be done ONE time per season per division. If a team is fishing **all 6 tournaments** in multiple divisions, they may pay and skip one tournament in each of the divisions. **Teams having additional schedule conflicts after paying, skipping and receiving participation point as noted above may drop a second tournament but are required to fish a total of 8 tournaments - 4 tournament in one division (one can be a pay and skip) and 4 made up from other divisions, to be eligible for the Classic.**
24. Unless worked out with tournament directors in advance, teams must be present to claim their prize and/or cash.
25. All alcoholic beverages and drugs are prohibited at all times.
26. Tournament "hours" begin the moment a team arrives and does not end until the last prize has been handed out.
27. Failure to comply with any rule may result in disqualification.
28. All protests must be given to the Tournament Directors in writing within 5 minutes of weigh-in scales being closed. Rule interpretation will be determined by the Tournament Directors and their decisions are final.
29. Any rules infraction may result in consequences, which may or may not be disqualification.

2020 R & B Bass Circuit

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City & State _____

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Phone _____

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In signing, I submit as truthful verification for the tournament directors and R & B Bass Circuit. I have read and understand the rules. I have sufficient liability insurance to cover any accident. I acknowledge the tournament directors' decisions are final on all matters and will accept all protest results as explained in rule 28. Tournament Directors and R & B Bass Circuit will not be held responsible, or liable, for any damages or injuries to participants or their property.

Signature _____

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