

## SPRING FLING 2018

The Missouri B.A.S.S. Nation's Spring Fling was held on Pomme de Terre Lake on Sunday April 29th. This year's event was the 8th year the tournament was held as a benefit for the Conservation Federation of Missouri (CFM). There were 52 boats entered in the tournament. The lake conditions were very favorable to many in the field of anglers. A recap of the tournament is listed below. Most fish were reported to be caught on jigs and plastics and some on spinner baits and crank baits.

I would like to especially thank the following people for their help in making this tournament run smooth as always.

Bill Lewis  
Jeannine Lewis  
Susan Eagan  
Wayne Utt  
John and Kathy Blankenbeker  
Mark Cowart

70% of the entry fees were paid back to the anglers and 30% was donated to the CFM. The donation totaled \$1,505.00 and Tyler Schwartze of the CFM was presented with the check. Mark Cowart assisted at weigh in by drawing boat numbers for the Bass Pro Shops gift certificates donated by Bass Pro Shops, several Live Target Baits the Official Hard Bait Sponsor of the Missouri B.A.S.S. Nation, and 2 Denali Rods. Big thanks to Bass Pro Shops for their generous donation of Bass Pro Shops gift certificates and the rest of the sponsors.

The Harbor Marina hosted the event again for us this year.

Thanks once again to all of the anglers for their participation and cooperation and we look forward to next year's event.

Below is listed a recap of the tournament. With 56 boats entered there were 6 teams that received money for their placement as well as the overall Big Bass winner.

56 Boats  
46 Boats Weighed Fish  
314 Fish Caught and Released All Alive

4.95 Big Bass Weight-Team Jeff Wilkins and Robert Troumbley  
16.90 1st Place-Michael Powell and Mike Perry  
15.65 2nd Place- Jeff Wilkins and Robert Troumbley  
15.05 3rd Place-Mark Cowart and Luke Whitacre  
14.90 4th Place- Chuck Campbell and Mike Szczechowski  
14.30 5th Place-Dan Chickering and Gray Roberts  
13.05 6th Place-Michael Maples and Robert Glosser

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