



Smithville Bassmasters

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Smithville Bassmasters Ready For 2020 Season

The Smithville Bassmasters have recently announced their tournament schedule for 2020 and are looking for new members who would like to join the fishing club to experience the fun and fellowship of competitive bass fishing.

“What I truly enjoy the most is going out-of-town on tournaments,” claims member, Tom Carlin. “The camaraderie of the group is great and it's my chance to just unwind from the challenges of life itself for a few days.”

The club is one of the fastest growing and one of the largest bass fishing clubs in the Kansas City metro area. The Missouri BASS Nation affiliated club, gives members the opportunity to enter the MO BASS Nation State Championship tournament with a path to qualify for the Bassmaster Classic, considered the “super bowl of bass fishing”.

“As a member since 1994 I know the club is doing the right thing as many members join and stay fishing with us for years,” says longtime member, Marshall Brown. “When the club first started every tournament was at Smithville Lake but now that we have tournaments at several lakes in Missouri, you get to spend more time together and learn more about each other.”

The club offers memberships to anyone sixteen and older regardless of experience level. Boaters and non-boaters are paired for each tournament at the club’s monthly meetings. Many members enjoy growing their skills by fishing alongside some of the best anglers in the state.

“For me, it is the enjoyment I get from fishing and picking up some tips here and there from the guys in the club that have been fishing for years.” Says member, Tuan Le.

In addition to monthly tournaments, the Smithville Bassmasters also host an open buddy style tournament each year to help raise money for US military veterans.

“I am very proud of the Palmer Memorial Tournament that the club has held every year since 2012, honoring PFC Daniel Palmer for his service. All the money raised benefits the Fishing for Freedom Tournament on Truman Lake each fall,” states Marshall Brown.

The Smithville Bassmasters’ opening tournament is to be held at Stockton Lake April 4th and 5th. Anglers wishing to join the club are welcome to attend the club’s March 3rd meeting at 6:30pm at the Smithville Missouri Pizza Hut.

The complete 2020 tournament schedule is as follows:

April 4&5 – Stockton Lake – 7am – 3pm

April 25 – Smithville Lake – 6:30am – 3pm

May 2 & 3 – Lake of the Ozarks – 6am – 3pm

May 9 – Smithville Lake – 6am – 3pm

June 20 – Mozingo Lake – 5:45am – 3pm

July 11 – Truman Lake – 6am – 3pm

July 12 – Lake of the Ozarks – 6am – 3pm

August 16 – Truman Lake – 7am – 3pm

October 31 & November 1 – Club Championship – Lake of the Ozarks 6:30am – 3pm

September 7th – Palmer Memorial Classic – Smithville Lake – 7am – 3pm

Fundraising Tournament open to the public

For more information about the club, a complete tournament schedule, photos and results of recent events, visit Smithvillebassmasters.com or facebook.com/smithvillebassmasters.

(photos attached – photo 1 – Tom Carlin - photo 2 – Jin Nguyen)

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