



MARION COUNTY BASSMASTERS 2016-17 SCHEDULE



80% Payback, \$25 per Angler. Optional Big Bass \$5 Per Angler

For more info check out Marioncountybassmasters.com. Meetings Held at Gander Mt Ocala 7pm.

Meetings	Tournament Date	Lake	Boat Ramps-Addresses
Nov 11 th	Nov 12 th	Panasofkee	Werda-Hecamiat - 965 CR 439, Lake Panasofkee
Dec 2 nd	Dec 10 th	Salt Springs	Salt Springs Marina –25711 NE 134 th PI, Salt Springs
Jan 6 th	Jan 14 th	Toho	Lakefront Park – 250 Lakeshore BLVD, Kissimmee
Feb 3 rd	Feb 11 th	Harris Chain	Buzzard Beach – 2050 W Burleigh Blvd, Tavares
March 3 rd	March 11 th	Astor	FWC Ramp – 55400 Butler St, Astor
March 31 st	April 1 st	Rodman	Kenwood –191 Kenwood Boat Ramp Rd, Interlachen
May 5 th	May 13 th	Rousseau	Dam- 10905 W Riverwood Drive, Crystal River
June 2 nd	June 10 th	Hernando	East Lake Place-E lake Place, Hernando
July 7 th	July 8 th	Henderson	HWY 44 Ramp-1025 HWY 44 E, Inverness
Aug 4 th	Aug 12 th	Lochloosa	Post Office- 16204 SE 207 th Ln, Hawthorne
Sept 1 st	Sept 9 th	Sampson	Train Tressle- 14300 SW 75 th AVE, Starke
Oct 6 th	Oct 14 th & 15 th	TBA	TBA

Membership Info: In Order to participate in Marion County Bassmasters tournaments you must be a registered member of B.A.S.S. and a member of the FL BASS Nation. You must pay dues of \$60 for the year. Dues make you a member of FL BASS Nation and Marion County Bassmasters. Dues also make you eligible to compete in FL BASS Nation qualifier tournaments (Could Lead you to the Bassmaster's Classic) and participate in the Bassmaster Elite's Marshall Program. Dues also give you a one year membership to BASS Times magazine. Any questions contact one of the following club officers.

President: Daniel Tillis bassfshnfreak@yahoo.com 352-572-3148

Vice President: David Westerlund dwesty@yahoo.com 352-445-9699

Tournament Rules

- 1) Minimum fish size and length to be twelve inches on a golden ruler. It is the participant's responsibility to attain and sign a Black Bass Tournament Exemption Permit in his/her possession from take-off to release (after weigh-in) of the fish into the same body of water from which it was caught.**
- 2) All Boats must have a working livewell capable of sustaining their catch.**
- 3) Safe boating conduct must be observed at all times. Life vests must be worn when the gas powered motor is in use (running) and boat lights are required til after sunrise. No Alcoholic beverages permitted during tournament hours. The kill switch is recommended to be hooked up to the driver when the gas powered motor is on and running.**
- 4) No more than five fish per boat. Culling of dead fish is prohibited. Note on slot lakes you can only keep three fish per boat. Short fish will result in loss of the team/anglers big bass and the short fish will not count. There will be a 1/4lb penalty per dead fish. If that dead fish is big bass a 1/4lb will be deducted from big bass.**
- 5) In the event of a tie. The angler/team that has a legal live limit will win the tie. In the result the anglers/teams that are both tied have legal live limits then the angler/team with the biggest bass will win the tie.**
- 6) Only artificial baits may be used. Also, only one pole per angler in the water at one time. Trolling as a method of fishing is prohibited. Culling of fish at the ramp is prohibited.**
- 7) At least one angler in the boat must be 18yrs of age. All boats must return their boat chip number prior to weigh-in to a tournament official. All boats must be at the ramp by 3:00p.m. Late penalty is 1/4lb penalty per minute, after 15 minutes you will be disqualified. Unless approved by the Tournament Director in the state of an emergency with the President being the final authority.**
- 8) No fishing within 50 yards of another contestant who has their trolling motor is the stowed position and is anchored. No fishing within 50 feet from a contestant with the trolling in the down position.**
- 9) Protests must be received prior to payouts to the Tournament Director. Tournament Committee will vote and announce the final decision.**
- 10) Any contestant receiving a fine or citation while fishing a tournament will be disqualified. All state and local laws as well as club rules must be complied with at all times. Any violation of club and or tournament rules may be grounds for disqualification.**
- 11) Anyone arriving late to tournament take-off must call and inform a club officer. Additionally the boater must find a club officer to have their livewell checked.**
- 12) Tournament Committee has the right to refuse any entry.**
- 13) To fish the classic the boater and co-angler must fish at least 5 of the Marion County Bassmaster tournaments. Up to one tournament can be paid for in the event the club member can't fish 5 tournaments. There must be a tournament on the schedule to be paid in on.**
- 14) All boaters must show and maintain \$300,000 liability insurance coverage on their boats in order to participate in tournaments.**
- 15) Club members must attend the meeting to fish the tournament. In the event a club member will not be able to attend the meeting then the club member must be represented by their partner at the meeting or must notify a club officer by 9pm the Friday night before the tournament that they will be fishing. Either one of these methods will permit those club members to fish the tournament.**
- 16) Guests may come and fish one tournament by invite of a club member only and must fish with a member of the club. Guests will not be required to pay dues, however they must be members of B.A.S.S. and have proper required insurance on their boats. They must pay tournament entry.**