



District 230 Bass Fishing *Tournament Series*

What:

District 230 will be hosting the 1st ever Bass Fishing Tournament Series for Illinois high schools. All schools are guaranteed two tournaments with a possibility of qualifying for a third tournament (**"The Classic"**). Qualifications are based on point totals (see qualification page for details). **Awards:** 1st place, 2nd place, 3rd place, 4th place, 5th place, Angler of the Year, and Classic Champion.

Where: DesPlaines/Kankakee River System

1. **April 2, 2011 & April 9, 2011**= Big Basin, 24045 Frontage Road, Channahon, IL 60410
2. **May 21, 2011**= DesPlaines Conservation Area, I-55 and the Wilmington Exit (241).

When:

1. Tournament #1—*Spring Showdown*: **April 2, 2011**
2. Tournament #2—*Three-Rivers Qualifier*: **April 9, 2011**
3. Tournament #3—*District 230 Tournament Series Classic*: **May 21, 2011** ← **MUST QUALIFY**

Times:

For all tournaments, the check-in, rules meeting, launch, and weigh-in times will be the same.

1. Check-In/Boat Check: 5:30-6:10 am
2. Rules Meeting: 6:15-6:30 am
3. Launch: 6:45-7:00 am
4. End of Tournament/Weigh-In: 1:30 pm

Directions (from Tinley Park, IL):

- **To Big Basin:** Take I-55 South to the Bluff Road exit (247). Make a right at the top of the off-ramp, and then a quick left onto the frontage road (heading south). The frontage road will turn sharply to the right, and Big Basin Marina will be immediately on the left after the sharp right turn.
- **To DesPlaines Conservation Area:** Take I-55 South to the Wilmington exit (241). Make a right at the top of the off-ramp. Head past the railroad tracks, and make a left at a stop sign (there is a sign that states "boat launch"). Follow the signs. Once you make the left, the launch is approximately 1 mile down on the left hand side. There is a parking lot on the right that will accommodate nearly 100 boats/vehicles.

Information About the Boat Launches:

- **Big Basin: \$12.00 charge—\$6.00 in and \$6.00 out (please bring fives and singles—No Change).** A privately owned boat launch with limited but efficient parking. There are docks, so boats can tie to a dock. Aluminum boats can beach on shore.
- **DesPlaines Conservation Area: Free.** A public boat launch with 3 paved ramps is available on the Kankakee River for boating on the river or its backwaters. Excellent parking is adjacent to the ramps. There are no boat docks to tie boat.

Fee & Expected # of Participants: Please note on registration form which tournament(s) you will fish and # of boats entered.

- **Single tournament:** \$75.00 per school (2 boat maximum per school per tournament)
- **Two tournaments:** \$125.00 per school (2 boat maximum per school per tournament)
- IDNR permit allows 25 boats. Boats will be accepted into the tournament on receipt of \$75.00/\$125.00 **entry fee** and completed **registration form**.

Tournament Directors:

Andrew Head Coach, John Bartgen: 773-428-6700; JBartgen@d230.org
Sandburg Head Coach, James Corcoran: 815-545-7582; JCorcoran@d230.org
Andrew Assistant Coach, Jimmy Flynn: 815-922-3073; JFlynn@d230.org
Andrew Assistant Coach, David Arndt: 708-525-8567; DArndt@d230.org
Sandburg Assistant Coach, Scott Plaiser: 708-261-4200; SPlaiser@d230.org

Payment and Registration Forms are due by March 11, 2011

To reserve your school's spot in the 2011 District 230 Bass Fishing Tournament Series, please mail a **\$75.00/\$125.00 per school non-refundable check** made out to 'Andrew High School' and **Registration Form** to:

Victor J. Andrew High School, John Bartgen, 9001 W. 171st street, Tinley Park, IL 60487



“The Classic” and Angler of the Year Qualification Page

Based on a 25 boat field...

30 POINTS TOTAL

To qualify for **“The Classic”**

- Each boat automatically receives 5 points for fishing 1 tournament, 10 points for fishing 2 tournaments. (leaving that boat 20 points shy of **“The Classic”**).
- Each boat who qualifies for the State Tournament within their respective IHSA sectional earns 5 points towards qualifying for the District 230 **Classic** and **Angler of the Year**.
- There will be a fifteen boat minimum for **“The Classic.”** (Example: If only 13 boats qualify, the next two boats closest to the 30 point mark would automatically qualify.)
- Besides earning automatic points for fishing a District 230 tournament, boats must place well in the 2 preliminary tournaments prior to **“The Classic”** to earn more points.
- The overall **point’s** leader after the third tournament will win the **Angler of the Year** award.

The point totals are awarded according to placing in individual tournaments:

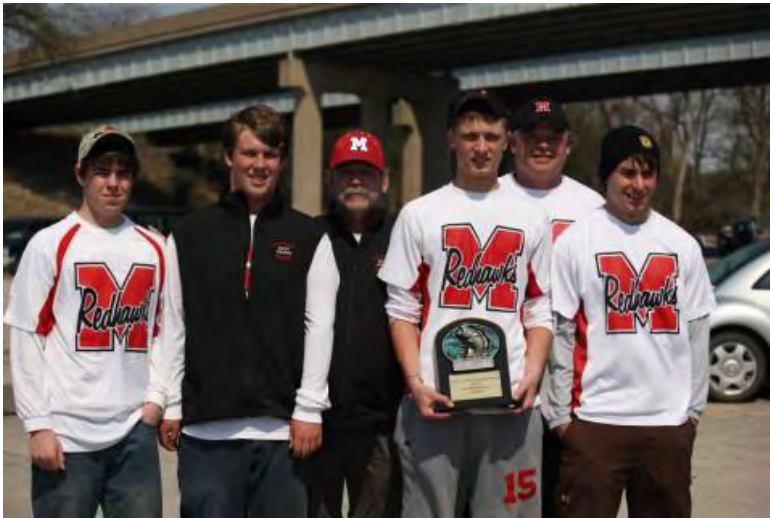
- 1st place=25 pts.
- 2nd place= 24 pts.
- 3rd place= 23 pts.
- 4th place= 22 pts.
- 5th place= 21 pts.
- 6th place= 20 pts.
- 7th place=19 pts.
- 8th place= 18 pts.
- 9th place= 17 pts.
- 10th place= 16 pts.
- 11th place= 15 pts.
- 12th place= 14 pts.
- 13th place= 13 pts.
- 14th place= 12 pts.
- 15th place= 11 pts.
- 16th place= 10 pts.
- 17th place= 9 pts.
- 18th place= 8 pts.
- 19th place= 7 pts.
- 20th place= 6 pts.
- 21st place= 5 pts.
- 22nd place= 4 pts.
- 23rd place= 3 pts.
- 24th place= 2 pts.
- 25th place= 1 pts.

Example: If a boat enters both tournaments (10 pts. for participating) and places 3rd (23 pts.) in the first tournament and 15th (11 pts.) in the second tournament, they will end up with 44 total points, qualifying them for **“The Classic.”**

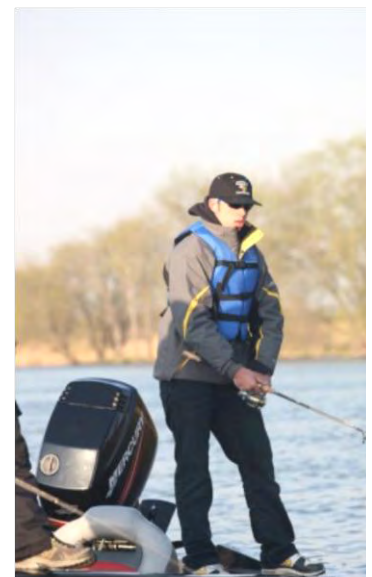
Example: If a boat only enters one tournament (5 pts.) and places 3rd place (23 pts.), they will have 28 points, leaving them 2 points shy of the classic. Fishing the second tournament (5 pts.) would have given the boat a total of 33 points, automatically qualifying them for **“The Classic.”**

Please note, if the number of boats in the field changes, the qualification requirements will change as well.

2010 Spring Showdown Pictures



TEAM NAME	Flag #	Total Fish	Fish Alive	Big Bass	Total Weight	
Andrew	11	3	3	1.46	3.24	①
Andrew	2	1	1	1.14	1.14	
Argo	1	1	1	1.27	1.27	
Bradley	7	2	2	1.88	3.08	⑤
Bradley	15	1	1	1.49	1.49	
Brother Rice	6	—	—	—	—	
Brother Rice	17	3	3	1.99	4.98	②*
Lemont	14	1	1	1.58	1.58	
Lemont	16	—	—	—	—	
Marist	8	3	3	2.6	6.00	①
Marist	5	1	1	1.88	1.88	
Naperville N.	9	—	—	—	—	
Naperville N.	18	—	—	—	—	
Oak Lawn	12	—	—	—	—	
Oak Lawn	4	—	—	—	—	
Reavis	13	3	3	1.89	4.42	③
Reavis	—	—	—	—	—	
Sandburg	10	—	—	—	—	
Sandburg	3	—	—	—	—	





District 230 *Tournament Series*
REGISTRATION FORM
DUE BY MARCH 11, 2011

Please send the \$75.00/\$125.00 per school **ENTRY FEE** and the Tournament Series **REGISTRATION FORM** to the following address: **Andrew High School, Attn: John Bartgen, 9001 W. 171st street, Tinley Park, IL 60487.**

***School:** _____

***Write # of Boats per Tournament on Line (2 maximum):** April 2 _____ April 9 _____

***Head Coach's Name for Boat #1:** _____ **Cell #:** _____

Participants for Boat #1: (If fishermen have not been chosen, please simply list the number of students who will participate. You can fill in names at the tournament.)

_____, _____
 _____, _____

***Head Coach's Name for Boat #2:** _____ **Cell #:** _____

Participants for Boat #2: (If fishermen have not been chosen, please simply list the number of students who will participate. You can fill in names at the tournament.)

_____, _____
 _____, _____

1. Having read the official rules and regulations and completed the above entry form, we agree to abide by all the conditions stated therein.

2. **LIABILITY RELEASE:** In signing this agreement, we hereby release all District 230 employees and all tournament directors, their agents, and sponsors from any and all damages, claims, demands, costs, or expenses relating to injury of any persons or damages to any property which we may sustain or which we may cause by reason of participating in or connection with this tournament.

3. **VERIFICATION OF LIABILITY INSURANCE:** We further state that we maintain current liability insurance on the boat we will use in these events, and District 230 is in no way held liable for injury to persons or damages to property.

4. We, coaches, signify by our signatures below that we have read and understood the agreements numbered 1, 2, and 3 above; and all coach's signatures confirm that the coaches are responsible for their own student/athlete participants and property.

***Boat #1 Coach:** _____ (please sign and date)

***Boat #2 Coach:** _____ (please sign and date)

*** = Mandatory field and must be completed before submitting registration.**



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RULES

Please see the following page for more detailed rules. Rules in question not listed on the rule's page will be decided by the Tournament Directors.

1. BELOW ARE RULES OF EMPHASIS FOR ALL DISTRICT 230 TOURNAMENTS:

- a. **SAFETY:** All participants must wear eye wear and a life jacket.
- b. All boats **should** have an anchor. If a boat is anchored with the trolling motor out of the water, other boats must stay 50 yards away, unless allowed by the anchored boat.
- c. **REGISTRATION:** An official District 230 entry form must be filled out and signed by the participants. Failure to register during the prescribed time shall result in loss of starting position and reassigned to the back of the field.
- d. **STARTING POSITIONS/TAKE OFF:** Starting positions will be drawn at the mandatory pre-tournament check in at that event. Boats will launch in one flight, **approximately 5 to 10 seconds apart from each boat's take off.**
- e. **LATE PENALTY:** There will be a one pound deduction for every minute a participant is late getting back for weigh-ins up to 15 minutes. After 15 minutes, no weight will be allowed for that day.
- f. **NO WAKE ZONES:** All no wake zones and areas are NO PASS zones unless the boat being passed is fishing, gives permission to pass, is inoperable, or multiple boat lanes permit a different route to be taken.

2. THE FOLLOWING SPOTS ARE OFF-LIMITS...

- a. Dresden Nuclear Power Plant; no fishing allowed inside of cut or on adjacent banks within 300 yards on either side of the mouth of Dresden.
- b. Inside Harborside Marina
- c. Route 6 Quarries and the cut leading in
- d. The Illinois River (No Locking Through)
- e. North/East of the Brandon Street Locks
- f. Inside the cut at Com-Ed. Boat has to stay outside of imaginary line from the point (on the right) to the bank (on the left).
- g. Kankakee River House Cuts
- h. South of the Railroad bridge on the Kankakee (stay down river of bridge).
- i. ALL SPOTS LISTED NO FISHING/OFF LIMITS/PRIVATE PROPERTY/ETC.
- j. Any other spots declared by Tournament Directors prior to launch of each individual tournament.

Violating these rules may result in disqualification.

DISTRICT 230 TOURNAMENT SERIES RULES (ADAPTED FROM: IHSA RULES)

A. All District 230 tournaments will be set for 6 to 7 hours of fishing. This might have to be varied because of weather. A tournament is considered to be complete if 3 hours of the scheduled tournament time has been fished. If one of the first 2 tournaments are cancelled prior to the half-way mark, the tournament will be cancelled, and all catches will be void.

B. If weather shuts down "The Classic" once fishing has started, that day's weight will be determined by the fish caught during the time allotted for that day, and the tournament will be final.

C. All participants must be back in for the weigh-in by 1:30 p.m. This would vary only if a weather alert has been issued which might shorten or lengthen (because of a delay) that day's tournament. It is the participant's responsibility to make sure the boat is back to the dock by 1:30 p.m.

D. There will be a one pound deduction for every minute a participant is late getting back for weigh-ins up to 15 minutes. After 15 minutes, no weight will be allowed for that day. It is the participant's responsibility to notify the tournament manager in advance of the 1:30 p.m. closing time of any problems that may have occurred.

E. There will be a five fish limit (smallmouth, largemouth) per boat. Keeper length is 12" (inches). Fish may be culled if a participant(s) has five fish (5) in the live well. No more than five (5) fish in the live well at any time.

F. All fish that are put in the live well must be kept alive. **Dead fish will have a 1/2 pound deduction and cannot count as the large fish for that boat. Dead fish may not be culled.** All fish will be released immediately After the weigh-in.

G. Ties will be broken if the poundage is equal in the following manner: first criteria will be the largest fish; second criteria will be the number of fish; third criteria will be a coin flip.

H. All participants must wear a Coast Guard approved life jacket the entire time they are on the water. If they do not, disqualification will occur. ALSO, all participants must wear eye wear for protection.

I. Participants must only use the gear that is in the boat when the boat leaves the dock at the start of the day. They may use their own gear or the gear of the captain in the boat. If an alternate is used in the tournament, the gear of the alternate must be secured in an area and can be added once the alternate is picked up.

J. Every boat must have an adult captain for driving purposes, and only that captain can drive when the outboard motor is in use.

K. The captain of the boat may make suggestions but can not fish in any respect or tie any lures on for the participants. Captain or participants can operate the electric trolling motor.

L. Team participants of the boat may net the fish for that boat. If a school boat only has one participant on the boat, then the captain of the boat may net fish if asked by the participant.

M. The speed limit will be no faster than 35 mph.

N. Teams of up to four participants per boat may be entered by each school. A school may enter up to two boats where only two of the four students entered for that boat may fish at any one time on that boat. This means only 2 students in the boat. The total weight for each of the five (5) fish limited to that boat will count for the team total of that tournament.

O. Individual weight will also be recorded for the top fish designated by each boat. The largest fish award will be given at each tournament to all participants of the boat that weighs in the largest fish of that tournament.

P. No live bait or trolling is allowed. Only one pole per person can be used at any given time.

Q. Participants must stay completely in the boat unless they are using an authorized rest room facility, are back at the dock switching participants, or due to some other emergency or malfunction. If an emergency or malfunction occurs, the boat must contact a tournament director before leaving the boat.

R. Coaching: The captain of the boat is allowed to talk to the participants but can not fish or cast in any respect.

S. Any transfer of fish from one live well to a different live well in another boat due to malfunction must be made in the presence of a tournament director or his designee.

T. Once competition is under way, contestants may not obtain fishing patterns or locations from non-competitors, follow a noncompetitor's boat or participate in the practice of "hole sitting", a practice wherein a non-competitor sits on a fishing spot, holding it for a contestant. In addition, non-competitors may not place markers for contestants. All of these acts are prohibited and will result in the immediate disqualification of the boat.

U. School uniforms can be worn during competition. Sponsorship logos may be displayed on the boats that are in the tournament.

V. Unsportsmanlike Conduct:

Tournament directors can disqualify any participant, coach, and/or other person guilty of profane or indecent language or of gross unsportsmanlike conduct. Tournament Directors have complete authority to penalize a school for any unsportsmanlike conduct on the part of the principal, the coach, athletes, or any member of the faculty or Board of Education or any other official representative of any participating school.

IX. TOURNAMENT POLICIES

A. Damage to Property or Equipment:

If contestants or people from any school are found guilty of carelessness or maliciously breaking, damaging or destroying property or equipment belonging to the host site, such school shall be held responsible for costs incurred in replacing or repairing such property or equipment.

B. All participants must have a valid Illinois Fishing License registered through the Illinois Department of Natural Resources.

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