

# KANSAS VETERAN'S MEMORIAL BASS TOURNAMENT



The **Ninth Annual Kansas Veteran's Memorial Bass Tournament** in memory of all fallen Kansas servicemen and women will be held on April 27, 2013, at the Coffey County Lake near Wolf Creek Generating Station, Burlington, Kan. This tournament is to celebrate the freedom and pursuit of happiness that we enjoy as Americans. So join us in recognizing the fallen heroes of Kansas that gave the ultimate sacrifice for our American Freedom.

This is a boat tournament, bring your own boat and fill it with as many participants as the boat can legally hold. Top 5 places will receive prizes. 2nd Battalion, 130th Field Artillery is hosting this tournament. This is a fun tournament you can start from 30 minutes after sunrise until 8:30 a.m. and ends at 12 p.m. or earlier if you need. Prizes will be awarded after the final boat returns or 12:30 p.m. whichever is the earliest. **There is "NO" entry fee for this tournament.**

Prizes and Trophy's will be awarded.

Bratwurst, Hamburgers and side dishes will be served at the end of the event.

Date: April 27, 2013 at Coffey County Lake (near Wolf Creek)

## Schedule of Events

Time	Event
6 a.m. until 8:30 a.m.	Check in and Pre-Tournament Announcements
30 minutes after sunrise until 8:30 a.m.	Tournament begins
12 p.m.	Tournament Ends/Weigh In/Lunch and Awards Start

## Official Entry Form

Boater Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_

State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code: \_\_\_\_\_

**Send form to: david.w.wellman@us.army.mil**

**or Attn: David Wellman**

**108 North 1<sup>st</sup> Street**

**Hiawatha, Kansas 66434**

Home Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Work Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Boat Registration Number: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_

Year and Model of Boat: \_\_\_\_\_ Boat Motor HP: \_\_\_\_\_

I have read and will comply with the above stated tournament rules and regulations;

Boater's Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Point of contact for this tournament is David Wellman, 785-742-5645 or 785-548-5668.

# TOURNAMENT RULES & REGULATIONS

- 1. Participants and Eligibility:** Participation in this event is open. The first 70 teams (maximum allowed on Coffey County Lake) to register for this event will be allowed in the tournament. Contestants must possess a valid Kansas State Fishing License if required by law. Contestants under the age of 18 may enter and fish with a parent or legal guardian providing both the minor and parent/legal guardian read, understand and sign an entry/waiver form (provided upon request). This is a Boat tournament— we will not be matching boaters with non-boaters, your fishing partner is up to you, but you will have to have a partner. **Tournament starting order will be determined by the arrival time of the boat.**
- 2. Lake Closure:** The Lake is subject to being closed to boat access under certain wind or other conditions. Boats will be prohibited from being placed on the Lake when it is closed, boats are prohibited from staying in the water after notification of Lake closure. If the tournament starts on Coffey County Lake and wind conditions cause anglers to leave the lake, the weigh in will be conducted at that time.
- 3. Boats, Motor and Safety:** All boats must be motorized and for fishing purposes only. All boats must stay in designated fishing areas. The Lake must be accessed and entered at the Public Access Area only. Any other access is prohibited. **All persons in a boat on the lake are required to wear a US Coast Guard approved (Type I, II, III or V) personal flotation device at all times.** Each contestant is solely responsible for his/her actions, including situations due to inclement weather. It is your personal decision to travel to and/or fish in this tournament regardless of weather conditions. **There is absolutely no use of alcohol during the tournament.**
- 4. Scoring:** The daily limit is based upon creel limits of Coffey County Lake. **Only species in the Bass family (White Bass and Black Bass) NO WIPERS will be counted** during weigh in. The creel limit for a TEAM is five fish; **they must meet all State and Coffey County Lake Limits (Creel and size restriction pamphlets will be available during registration). Total weight of five fish will determine a teams standing.** In the event of a tie for 1st place, the winning team will be decided by the largest single fish weight. Any team presenting fish that fall into the protected length limit will be disqualified and may be subject to fines imposed by Coffey County or Kansas Dept of Wildlife & Parks. All fish weighed will be returned to the water upon completion of weighing. Disposition of dead fish will be up to tournament officials.
- 5. Sportsmanship, Tackle and Equipment:** You may not fish within 50 yards of another competitor if anchored or secured in a fixed position with the trolling motor out of water. All angling must be done from the boat. Anyone displaying poor sportsmanship, breaking local, state or federal laws or violating any of the rules of this tournament will be subject to disqualification. Tournament officials on-site will make any decisions concerning disqualification. Protests must be received at time of weigh in, no exceptions.
- 6. Pre-tournament meeting and weigh-in:** Any last minute tournament information will be given to the boat captain upon sign-in. All contestants are required to sign in. The tournament will begin at 6 a.m. or first safe light (dependent on inclement weather or fog). The tournament will end at 12 p.m. Competitors that do not meet the 12 p.m. time for turn in are disqualified from weigh in.

## Zebra Mussel Alert

Zebra mussels have been found in some of the lakes and waterways in the state of Kansas. Zebra mussel infestations pose a threat to industry, agriculture, and municipal water supplies. Due to the threat of zebra mussels, a zebra mussel watch is in effect at Coffey County Lake.

Things you can do to prevent or at least slow down the spread of zebra mussels is:

1. drain the bilge water, live wells and bait buckets;
2. remove any attached vegetation or mud;
3. inspect the boat and trailer for attached zebra mussels;
4. scrape off any zebra mussels;
5. dry boat and trailer for five days before entering another waterway, OR
6. wash boat parts and trailer with 140-degree water, a 10 percent chlorine and water solution, or hot saltwater solution. Finish with a clean-water rinse.

**Do not wash at boat ramps.**

If you discover zebra mussels, note the date and precise location where they were found. Take one or more mussels with you and store them in rubbing alcohol. **Do not throw them back in the water.**

