



U.S.A. BASSIN

Lake St. Clair Regional

\$2,500.00 Guaranteed First Place Prize

Based on 50 paid entries

**Bass Cat Silver Cup, The LAND BIG FISH Tournament of
Champions & Bass Cat Classic Tournament
Held on Kentucky Lake, April 2025**

Visit the USA BASSIN web site for dates & more information on the Championship Week!!



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Lake St. Clair Regional Information

<u>Registration Information</u>	<u>Tournament Information</u>
Registration Date: 09/14/2024	Tournament Dates: 09/14/2024 Rain-Out Date: 09/15/2024
Registration Hours: 6:00am – 7:00am	Tournament Location: Lake St. Clair
Pre-tournament Meeting: 7:00am MANDATORY ONE MEMBER FROM EACH TEAM MUST ATTEND!	Ramp: Selfridge Ramp
Entry Fee: \$150.00 Per Team (Entry fee includes Big Fish Pot & Chance at Uncle Sam Bass)	Tournament Hours: 7:30am - 3:30pm
Registration Site: Selfridge Ramp	Tournament Directors Jason Vandenburg 4267 Park Place Crown Point, IN 46307 219-669-9818 indturkeyhunter@att.net

More Ways to Win Cash!!

Uncle Sam Bass Challenge

Here's how it works:

1. Entry into the Uncle Sam Bass Challenge is included with your Classic entry.
2. Drawing for Uncle Sam Bass Challenge, for this event will be broadcast on the [USA BASSIN Facebook Page](#) on October 1.
3. How to know if you won!!
 - a. All competitors in this month's challenge must go to the [USA BASSIN Facebook Page](#) to view the Broadcast to see if they matched the weight of Uncle Sam Bass.
 - b. You will have 72 hours from the broadcast to claim your weight.
 - c. To Win you must match the exact weight of Uncle Sam Bass.
4. Click Uncle Sam Bass logo below for complete rules and the value of this month's Challenge



LAND BIG FISH Tournament of Champions

The top 3 teams in this Regional Event will qualify for the LAND BIG FISH Tournament of Champions and will be eligible to compete for entries into the Bassmaster Team Championship. This is your chance to make it to the Bassmaster Classic!!



U.S.A. BASSIN Regional Rules

1. USA BASSIN Regional Registration:

All teams that finish the season with 250 points or more in a division or in the National Standings shall be eligible to fish a U.S.A. BASSIN Regional Tournament of their choice and may fish in more than one Regional Tournament. There is a \$150.00 entry fee for all U.S.A. BASSIN Regional Tournaments (Entry includes the Big Bass Pot and a chance at Uncle Sam Bass). All Regional qualified teams pre-registering by mail must have the entry forms post marked and mailed 10 days prior to the Regional Tournament you desire to fish. Online Entries will be accepted until 12:00pm (Noon) Wednesday prior to the Registration Day. Entry fees will be accepted at registration. Take off positions will be determined by when the director receives your entry fee. All entries paid at registration must be in cash. **The Regional Registration and Pre-Tournament meeting is mandatory.** One (1) member of each team or a must be present. A proxy may be used. There will not be a fee for the use of a proxy during registration and meeting. Failure to attend a Regional Registration/Pre-Tournament meeting will result in disqualification. The director will not accept an entry at the ramp the day of the tournament. There will be a \$10.00 fee for paying an entry at registration

2. Payout:

80% of each entry is used towards the Payout. The \$1,500 first place prize is based on 30 paid entries, prorated if less teams participate.

3. Refunds

A refund will be given only if the director is contacted by 12:00pm (Noon) Wednesday prior to the Registration Day. Failure to inform the Regional Tournament Director of a refund will result in a forfeit of entry fee. USA BASSIN will only refund \$120 of the Entry fee.

4. U.S.A. BASSIN Bass Cat Classic Tournament:

Teams that finish in the top 30% (by total weight) of each Regional Tournament will have the choice of which Classic tournament they want to fish in, either the Bass Cat Silver Cup or the Bass Cat Classic. A team will only be eligible to fish in one Classic tournament. If you're on more than one team, then you may fish in the other Classic tournament with the other partner, only if that team is qualified through a Regional event. Go to www.usabassin.com for more information on the Bass Cat Classic.

5. USA BASSIN Bass Cat Silver Cup Tournament:

All teams that fish in a Regional Event but did not finish in the top 30% (by total weight) will only be eligible to fish the Bass Cat Silver Cup Tournament. The Bass Cat Silver Cup Tournament will be limited to the first 250 entries received. Go to www.usabassin.com for more information on the Bass Cat Silver Cup Tournament.

6. LAND BIG FISH Tournament of Champions:

Top three teams from this tournament qualifies for the LAND BIG FISH Tournament of Champions. The LAND BIG FISH Tournament of Champions will be held on Lake Chickamauga, TN during the USA BASSIN Championship Week. The LAND BIG FISH Tournament of Champions is valued at \$15,000 with First Place being a guaranteed \$10,000 in Cash. **This is our way of saying thank you for fishing our tournaments and purchasing products from LAND BIG FISH**

7. Limits:

This is a five (5) fish limit per team or when fishing alone tournament. Anyone bring in more than five (5) fish will have their sack culled to the five (5) fish limit starting with the big fish first. Teams may carry more than five (5) fish but all culling must be done on the water—not on the bank.

8. Short Fish Penalties:

Only Largemouth, Smallmouth and spotted bass may be brought to weigh-in. All fish brought to weigh-in must be of legal size determined by state law for that body of water fished. Short fish will be culled from your sack and your largest fish will be culled from the remaining fish. A Bump Board will be available at weigh-in as a courtesy board.

9. Live-well Inspection:

Boat must have a working live- well, either built into the boat or portable. Live-wells must have some type of pump or circulator to keep fish alive. All live-wells will be checked on the ramp prior to launching your boat.

10. Substitutes:

You can only fish a USA BASSIN Regional with your declared partner. If your declared partner cannot fish a USA BASSIN Regional, you may fish it solo. No Substitutes permitted at Regional events.

11. Boat and Motor

Boats must have required Coast Guard Safety Equipment and must have a motor within the rating limits.

12. Pre-Fishing

All USA BASSIN Regional Tournaments will not be closed to pre-fishing.

13. Weigh-in Bags:

Participants may only bring fish to the weigh-in station in a weigh-in bag provided by USA BASSIN.

14. Late to Weigh-in:

There will be a deduction of 1 lb. per minute of your total weight for every minute late to weigh-in. After 15 minutes past weigh-in teams are disqualified.

15. Off-Limits:

Off-limits areas, if any, will be announced at the pre-tournament meeting. Teams may not fish closer than 50 yards to another competitor who is anchored with the trolling motor up unless given permission. If permission is given to one, then all may fish same water. Having a non-contestant sit on a hole for you shall be cause for disqualification. Any team fishing in the off-limits areas will have that day's weight disqualified from the tournament.

16. Dead fish Penalty:

For each dead fish a 1/2-pound penalty will be deducted from your total weight. A dead fish will not be weighed-in as big fish. Fish that appears altered or mangled shall be the tournament director's decision to weigh or not to weigh the fish.

17. Life Preserver:

During all Regional Tournaments, contestants not wearing their life jackets zipped and secured when the combustion engine is running and in gear will have that day's weight disqualified from the tournament.

18. Ties:

Ties for big bass will split big bass pot. Ties for all place finishes will be broken by big bass.

19. No Live Bait:

Only artificial lures can be used in a USA BASSIN Tournament. The use of pork rine is permitted.

20. No Trolling:

Trolling with the use of a combustible engine as a method of fishing is prohibited.

21. Sportsmanship:

All contestants are required to follow high standards of sportsmanship, courtesy and conservation. Drunkenness shall be cause for immediate disqualification. No alcoholic beverages or illegal drugs shall be allowed in the boats during the tournament hours extending through the close of the weigh-in.

22. Leaving Your Boat:

Competitors shall remain with their partners in the boat at all times during the tournament. Except in the event of sickness or brief excursions for "nature calling", a severe storm or other such hazards. If for any reason a team decides to leave the tournament waters early, competitors must contact the Regional Director, prior to leaving the tournament. If you have boat trouble, one member must remain with the disabled boat. The other team member may board another competitor's boat with that days catch and bring fish to the weigh-in. Please contact the Regional Director prior to doing so.

23. Cheating:

Anyone caught cheating in a USA BASSIN Tournament will be immediately barred from fishing any USA BASSIN event in the future. We reserve the right to have a random truth verification test performed at any time. You may not use a cell phone to gain an advantage over the rest of the competitors.

24. Protest:

All protest must be submitted in writing to the Regional Director before the close of weigh-in. Verbal protest will not be accepted.

25. State Rules:

All state rules and regulations must be followed. Teams breaking a State Rule or Regulations will have that day's weight disqualified.

26. Insurance:

All members will carry liability insurance on any boat they might use during any of U.S.A. BASSIN Tournaments. Failure to do so or reporting false information will result in disqualification. Participants must have the company name and either policy number or the name of the agent binding the coverage on the membership form.

27. Refusal of Membership/Entry:

We reserve the right to refuse membership or entry into any of U.S.A. BASSIN Tournaments.

28. Tournament Rules

All rules and regulations for all tournaments are subject to change at any time until the start of a tournament. Information given orally or printed on any publications, including but not limited to information on USA BASSIN'S website and flyers may not accurately represent the rules that will be used at the tournament and are merely indications of what USA BASSIN expects the rules to be. For the most current version of the rules, visit the USA BASSIN website or call the tournament director.

All Rules and regulations of U.S.A. BASSIN Tournaments are subject to review by U.S.A. BASSIN Official

Tournament Director

Jason Vandenburg * 219-669-9818 * indturkeyhunter@att.net

Lake St. Clair Regional Entry Fee \$150.00
(Entry includes the Big Bass Pot and a chance at Uncle Sam Bass)

Partner 1: _____

Address: _____

City: _____

State _____ **Zip** _____ **Cell Phone:** _____

Email: _____

Partner 2: _____

Address: _____

City: _____

State: _____ **Zip:** _____ **Cell Phone:** _____

Email: _____

Team ID No. _____

Liability Release: In consideration of membership in U.S.A. BASSIN Tournament Fishing Circuit ("USA BASSIN") as well as being granted permission to participate in the fishing tournaments and other events held or sponsored by USA BASSIN (the "Events"), THE UNDERSIGNED HEREBY RELEASES, DISCHARGES, WAIVES AND RELINQUISHES ANY AND ALL ACTIONS OR CAUSES OF ACTION INCLUDING, BUT NOT LIMITED TO, PERSONAL INJURY, PROPERTY DAMAGE, OR WRONGFUL DEATH OCCURRING TO HIM/HERSELF ARISING OUT OF, RELATED TO, OR CONNECTED WITH IN ANY MANNER ENTRY OR PARTICIPATION IN THE EVENTS, wherever or however the same may occur and for whatever period said activities may continue, and the undersigned agrees that under no circumstances will he/she or his/her heirs, executors, administrators, and assigns prosecute or present any claim for personal injury, property damage, or wrongful death against USA. BASSIN, LLC, USA BASSIN: The Next Generation, Inc. or any of their principals, officers, directors, employees or agents ("Released Persons") for any of said causes of actions, whether the same shall arise by the negligence of any of said persons, or otherwise. The undersigned further and separately agrees to indemnify, save, and hold harmless Released Persons from any loss, liability, damage, or cost, including but not limited to court costs and attorney's fees, that they may incur, in connection with participation in Events, whether caused by the negligence of Released Persons or otherwise. This release is intended to be as broad and inclusive as permitted by the applicable law. The undersigned further states that he/she has carefully read the foregoing, knows the contents thereof, and has signed this release as his/her own free act. Any member agrees, by his or her signature on this agreement, to a polygraph or voice stress analysis examination, commonly referred to as a truth verification test, and to abide by its conclusion. Truth verifications test(s) will be used at USA BASSIN'S sole discretion and administered by it or its agents. Refusal to take or failure to pass the examination as determined by USA BASSIN will result in disqualification, at the sole discretion of USA BASSIN. The undersigned **HEREBY WAIVES TRIAL BY JURY** in any action, proceeding, or counterclaim brought by or against the undersigned regarding any matter whatsoever in connection with the tournament. Verification of liability insurance: I, the undersigned, further state that I am a current member of USA BASSIN and that I maintain liability insurance on the boat I will use in any USA BASSIN Tournament Fishing event. **Attorney's Fees:** Only USA BASSIN and Released Persons are entitled to recover their attorney's fees. The undersigned is not entitled to recover attorney's fees regardless of the outcome of any litigation or settlement. The laws of the State of Indiana, excluding only its choice of law provisions, shall govern the validity, enforcement, and interpretation of this Contract. Any dispute or cause of action under this Contract shall exclusively be filed and resolved in a state court located in Lawrence County, Indiana and the undersigned irrevocably agrees to submit to personal and subject matter jurisdiction in the same. I signify by my signature that I have read and understand the above agreement and all USA BASSIN Rules

Signature: _____

Signature: _____

Make Checks payable to the Tournament Director (Jason Vandenburg)
Mail entry form to:

Jason Vandenburg * 4267 Park Place * Crown Point, IN 46307

