



# TEXAS STATE BASS TOURNAMENT

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## 57th Annual State Bass Tournament

April 28-29, 2012

Sam Rayburn Reservoir  
Cassels-Boykin Park

**"Fish the legend!"**

### 2011 State Champions

TEAM: John Barns (Dallas) & William Barns (Dallas)  
COUPLES: Mike Murski (Dallas) & Jackie Serbus (Bedford)  
INDIVIDUAL: Jim Moroski (Hemphill)  
SR. TEAM: William Polster (Riesel) & Anna Polster (Riesel)  
ADULT/BOY: William Muncrief & Hunter Muncrief (Pineland)  
ADULT/GIRL: Ed Klobas (Arlington) & Sarah Klobas (Arlington)  
BASS CLUB TOP-6: Ft. Worth Westside Bass Club

### Established in 1956

In 1955, **Earl Golding**, a young and spirited Outdoors Editor for the *Waco Tribune-Herald*, organized a bass fishing competition on Lake Whitney to help decide who deserved the bragging rights as "the best bass fisherman in Texas". The initial contest was a great success and the **Texas State Bass Tournament** became an annual event starting in 1956. Over the years, the State Tournament added various competitive Divisions to encourage family and youth participation. As a result, the field today includes everyone from young anglers participating in their first tournament to seasoned veterans that are among the best in the state. Bucking the trend to lure anglers with high dollar prizes, the State Tournament draws contestants year-in and year-out with only one goal in mind: to join the ranks of other legendary anglers who have claimed the title as "Texas State Bass Fishing Champion".

The tradition continues with the 57th Annual Texas State Bass Tournament making its return trip to **Sam Rayburn Reservoir on April 28-29, 2012**. Subject to a few restrictions (please read the Rules), the event is open to all current or past Texas residents. Once you have experienced the family-reunion atmosphere, the spirited competition, and the unrivaled sportsmanship of the State Tournament, you will want to return again and again to "The Mother of all Open Bass Tournaments".

Be sure to mail your entry before the **Early Entry Deadline of April 13**. In addition to saving money on your Entry Fee, you are assured of receiving a Saturday Meal-Ticket, Tournament Hat and Fishing Towel. **There will also be a special drawing for cash prizes of \$300, \$200, and \$100 for the Early Entries.**

**Sam Rayburn** is recognized as one of the top bass fishing lakes in the world and presents an exciting opportunity for all who participate. Please plan to join us.

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### Trophy Awards

Team Division	1st-20th Place
Individual Division	1st-10th Place
Husband-Wife/Couples Division	1st-15th Place
Adult/Boy Division	1st-5th Place
Adult/Girl Division	1st-5th Place
Senior Team Division	1st-3rd Place
Big Bass (Overall)	1st-3rd Place
Big Bass (Boy)	1st Place
Big Bass (Girl)	1st Place
Bass Club Top Six	1st Place

### Activities

**Tournament Check-in and Late Registration** will take place at the Dr. Bill and Emily Shelton Pavilion in Cassels-Boykin Park between 4:00 and 10:00 p.m. on Friday, April 27th. Check-in is mandatory for all contestants or their delegate.

The Tournament Weigh-ins on Saturday and Sunday will be held near the boat ramp at Cassels-Boykin Park. Tournament volunteers will be present to direct contestants to the parking and weigh-in areas.

The traditional State Tournament dinner will be held at the Dr. Bill and Emily Shelton Pavilion immediately after Saturday's weigh-in. Contestants entered by April 13 will receive their meal tickets at no cost. Non-contestant meal tickets are available for \$10.00 each and should be purchased in advance with the Entry Form. The availability of meal tickets for purchase at Late Registration may be limited.

The trophy presentations and door prize drawings will also be held at Dr. Bill and Emily Shelton Pavilion after Sunday's weigh-in.

### Rayburn Area Accommodations



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