

Homer Sloan Buddy Bass Tournament Headquarters  
Shell Knob Chamber of Commerce  
25364 State Highway 39  
PO Box 193  
Shell Knob, Missouri 65747



**SAVE THE DATE!**

**Saturday, October 5<sup>th</sup>, 2024**  
**Table Rock Lake**

# The 45th Annual Homer Sloan Buddy Bass Tournament

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Visit our website [www.shellknob.com](http://www.shellknob.com)

for information and a downloadable entry form

Entry fee includes dinner. Extra dinner guests may attend for \$10/person; dinner guest tickets must be purchased before 7:30 AM take-off.

## Prizes

### Biggest Stringer

\$750 for 1st Place  
\$250 for 2nd Place  
\$200 for 3rd Place  
\$150 for 4th Place  
\$100 for 5th Place

### Biggest Bass Pot

*\$20 per boat (optional)*  
50% for 1st Place  
25% for 2nd Place  
15% for 3rd Place  
10% for 4th Place

7:30 AM staggered flight from Campbell Point  
Marina.

4:00 PM weigh-in at Campbell Point Marina  
followed by steak dinner and drawings at the Shell  
Knob Community building.  
22260 Oak Ridge Dr.

The first 100 anglers receive a free hat.

The Homer Sloan Buddy Bass Tournament is the longest running, continuously held open bass tournament on Table Rock Lake. Started in 1980, the tourney is named for Homer Sloan, one of the original organizers. For 45 years, the Homer Sloan Buddy Bass Tournament has attracted anglers of varying skills to enjoy the fun, camaraderie, and competition of this well-run event.

The tournament is a successful fundraiser for the Shell Knob community. The last several years, the event has been sponsored and organized by the Shell Knob Chamber of Commerce. Take-off order and tie-breaking are determined by the order in which entries are received, so fill out and mail your entry right away.

Enjoy a good day of fishing, dinner, and prizes at the Homer Sloan Buddy Bass Tournament. An optional pre-tournament is held on Friday, October 4th from 7:30-12:00 at The King's River Marina. See you on beautiful Table Rock Lake.



# OFFICIAL ENTRY FORM

**We, the undersigned,** have read and agree to abide by the tournament rules below and enclose our entry fee in the amount of \$100. In signing this application, we hereby waive and release all other contestants, the host, the sponsors, and the tournament officials for all claims of injury and/or damage incurred in connection with this tournament. We understand there are risks associated with this activity which could cause loss, injury, or death. We further agree that the Tournament Committee reserves the right to refund this submitted entry fee, if it shall choose, for any reason. We agree to submit to a polygraph test should we be accused of any rule infraction, and we agree to abide by its findings.

**Tournament Date: Saturday, October 5, 2024. Please print clearly. Make checks payable to Shell Knob Chamber of Commerce.**

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Name \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing address \_\_\_\_\_ Mailing address \_\_\_\_\_

City, State, Zip \_\_\_\_\_ City, State, Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

Is boat entering Big Bass Pot? \_\_\_\_\_ Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No (\$20.00 per boat) Signature \_\_\_\_\_

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**CAREFULLY READ THE RULES BELOW,  
THEN FILL OUT AND RETURN THE ENTRY FORM ABOVE TO  
Shell Knob Chamber of Commerce, PO Box 193, Shell Knob, MO 65747  
Phone: 417.858.3300 • Fax: 417.858.9428**

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## TOURNAMENT RULES

The following shall be in effect for the Tournament, and violation thereof in any respect may be cause for disqualification. Interpretation and enforcement of these rules' rests solely with the Tournament Committee whose decisions are final and binding.

**ELIGIBILITY:** The Tournament is open to all individuals with a valid Missouri Fishing Permit and who have paid the \$100 per boat entry fee. There must be **TWO** persons per boat.

**HEADQUARTERS:** Tournament headquarters will be the Shell Knob Chamber of Commerce, 25364 State Highway 39, PO Box 193, Shell Knob, MO 65747

**ENTRIES:** Entries will be accepted by mail until the day before the Tournament. Non-mail entries will be accepted until the first flight leaves. Entry fee is non-refundable except in the case of a verifiable extended illness, injury, hospitalization, or death.

**TIME:** Take-off will be staggered, with the first boat leaving at 7:30 AM, weather permitting (heavy storms or fog may delay take-off). **ALL BOATS MUST RETURN TO CAMPBELL POINT MARINA AT 4:00 PM for weigh-in.**

**PERMITTED FISHING LOCATIONS:** Fishing is permitted anywhere within Table Rock Lake EXCEPT within 50 yards of (1) a public boat dock with fuel available, (2) another contestant or (3) the weigh-in site once weigh-ins has commenced.

**SPORTSMANSHIP, COURTESY AND SAFETY** are expected from each contestant. **NO ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES** will be allowed in the boats during the Tournament. PFDs must be worn by all participants when their motor is running. Kill switches are recommended. No contestant can fish alone. All Mo. Dept. of Conservation rules apply.

**TACKLE AND EQUIPMENT:** Only artificial lures can be used. All live wells will be checked before take-off. All fish must be caught legally in the mouth on rod and reel.

**BOATS AND MOTORS:** All boats and motors must meet the legal requirements of the State of Missouri and will be subject to inspection by the Tournament Officials. Houseboats and other cumbersome craft will not be permitted. Boats may not be trailered during the Tournament.

**SCORING:** Only largemouth bass, spotted bass, smallmouth bass and their hybrids will be counted. Total stringer weight per boat will determine placing. Only 6 fish, 15 inches or longer, may be weighed in by each boat. Any bass that doesn't measure will not be weighed and if presented to the Tournament, weighers will cause **TWO POUNDS** to be deducted **from the stringer weight**. Each contestant is expected to take utmost care of his/her fish so that all living fish may be returned to the lake. A deduction of 6 oz will be made for each dead fish presented. No "cold" or iced fish will be weighed, and any such fish brought in will result in immediate disqualification. Contestants who are late checking in will be penalized 10% of their total stringer weight for each minute late up to 5 minutes. After 5 minutes, they will be disqualified – **NO EXCUSES**. Culling is permitted within state laws prior to presenting fish for weigh-in.

**BIG BASS:** The Big Bass competition is optional and can be entered by each team paying \$20 and indicating their entry on the entry form. Each angler can have one fish weighed for Big Bass. The pay-out is 100%.

**TIES:** All ties will be broken on the basis of the time the Tournament entry is accepted.

**PROTESTS:** Any contestant wishing to protest the conduct or score of a fellow contestant must do so in writing and file same with the Tournament Committee within 30 minutes of the weigh-in. The Tournament Committee will decide any questions of conduct or score.

**THE TOURNAMENT COMMITTEE DECISION SHALL BE FINAL.** Committee Chairman: John Coonrod