

# HAWG HAWLERS BASS CLUB

2019 - CELEBRATING 32 YEARS

## 2019 CLUB UPDATES & LODGING GUIDE

### 2019 Tournament Schedule Summary

LAKE	DATES	START	END	RESORT
Table Rock Lake	Saturday, March 16, 2019	8:00 AM	3:00 PM	Holiday Hideaway
	Sunday, March 17, 2019	7:30 AM	1:30 PM	
Lake of the Ozarks	Saturday, April 6, 2019	11:00 AM	6:00 PM	Rock Harbor
	Sunday, April 7, 2019	6:30 AM	12:30 PM	
Stockton	Saturday, April 27, 2019	6:00 AM	2:00 PM	Orleans Trail
	Sunday, April 28, 2019	6:00 AM	12:00 PM	
Table Rock Lake	Saturday, May 18, 2019	6:00 AM	2:00 PM	King's Cove
	Sunday, May 19, 2019	6:00 AM	12:00 PM	
Bull Shoals	Saturday, June 8, 2019	6:00 AM	1:00 PM	Theodosia Resort
	Sunday, June 9, 2019	6:00 AM	12:00 PM	
Pomme de Terre	Saturday, June 29, 2019	6:00 AM	1:00 PM	Nemo Resort
	Sunday, June 30, 2019	6:00 AM	12:00 PM	
Wappapello	Saturday, July 20, 2019	6:00 AM	12:00 PM	Millers Motor Lodge
	Sunday, July 21, 2019	6:00 AM	12:00 PM	
Pomme de Terre	Saturday, August 17, 2019	6:30 AM	1:30 PM	Nemo Resort
	Sunday, August 18, 2019	6:30 AM	12:30 PM	
Mark Twain	Saturday, September 28, 2019	7:00 AM	2:00 PM	South Fork Resort
	Sunday, September 29, 2019	7:00 AM	1:00 PM	
Lake of the Ozarks	Saturday, October 19, 2019	7:30 AM	2:30 PM	Red Oak Resort
	Sunday, October 20, 2019	7:30 AM	1:30 PM	

For 2019 we will be holding 10 Tournaments. The schedule is posted on the website and the lodging guide is attached later in this newsletter. Don't procrastinate and start making your plans and reservations now! When you call these resorts please mention that you are in the Hawg Hawlers Bass Club. Some resorts will book up quickly and you may need to look for nearby lodging. If you have any questions, please email an officer, post a question on our message board or Facebook page.

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## What's New

### OFFICERS

2019 Officers are Jim Romaine (President), Steve Korn & Don Dickerson (Vice Presidents), Dan Durbin (Treasurer), Andy Shands & Eddie Hinrichs (Tournament Chairmen) and Rich Harper (Secretary)

### TOURNAMENT RULES / BYLAWS

- **Change #1** - Membership in the club will now be restricted to Amateur Level Anglers Only. Those individuals who are Guides or have fished at the Professional Level will no longer be allowed in the club.

*The officers all agreed that the Hawg Hawlers is an amateur level club and that allowing professional fishermen and guides to compete against the members hurts comradery, morale and the spirit of the club. It was noted that previous officers believed that the lack of larger payouts prevented these types of individuals from joining the club, however, that seemed to not hold true 100% of the time. The officers all agreed that a rule needed to be put in place to address this issue. It was agreed that the club did not want to prevent members from fishing and competing in other amateur level events; however, a line would have to be drawn to distinguish amateur versus professional events. Those individuals who have participated in "Pro-Level" events would not be able to fish in the club. The officers decided to change the bylaws as follows:*

Membership in the club is open to everyone **with the exception of professional anglers and guides. A Professional angler will be defined as anyone who has fished the "PRO/Boater" side in a pro-level Tour event (such as the FLW, Bassmasters, etc...) or if they have fished in a tournament where individual entry exceeds \$300. Owner, Charity, Big Bass Bash and Work-related tournaments are excluded. A guide will be defined as anyone who has ever advertised for or received monetary compensation for guided fishing or instructional fishing services on any body of water.**

*This rule does not prevent membership to those individuals who have fished in other amateur level clubs such as the Joe Bass Team Trail, Anglers in Action, USA Bassin or as a Co-angler in the FLW - Bass Fishing League.*

- **Change #2** - Late entry on the morning of the tournament will only be allowed for boats where at least one angler is a current member of the club.

*The officers noted that there had been past issues and negative feedback from allowing non-members the last-minute ability to join the club and sign up for the tournament at the ramp on the morning of the tournament. Typically, these entries were from "local sticks" who would hear about the tournament at the ramp and knew they were on a pattern to likely win the tournament. The officers decided to change the Tournament Rules as follows:*

**Registration on the day of the tournament will only be allowed for boats where at least one of the anglers in the boat is a current member of the club.**

*You can sign up as a late entry at the boat ramp on the day of the tournament as long as ONE individual on the team is already a CURRENT member of the club.*



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## **OTHER CLUB BUSINESS**

### **Transport of Fish during tournament in event breakdown.**

The officers discussed the possibility of changing the rules to allow for additional methods of transporting fish in the event of a breakdown. Currently the only allowed method is having your boat towed to the weigh-in location. It was noted that at the banquet a member voiced the opinion that the club should consider allowing the transport of fish in another contestant's boat in the event of an emergency or breakdown. A few officers voiced concern over the health of the fish given that there could be the possibility of 20 fish (4 individual angler limits) being held in a single boat's livewell. Additionally, the concern of fish health was raised if the fish were allowed to be transported in weigh-in bags. Apprehensions were also raised about legal creel limit/possession limit issues if an individual were to stay behind with the broken-down boat and his/her fish were taken to weigh-in. The officers expressed empathy for broken down boaters but noted that typically there is adequate time to get towed in in the event of a breakdown and such a rule change would rarely come into play when the breakdown occurs within the last hour or few moments of the tournament. Given these concerns the officers decided not to make any rule changes.

### **Fishing multiple tournaments**

The officers discussed the possibility of allowing members to fish a Hawg Hawlers tournament and another club's event at the same time. Currently the rules state that all fish must be released immediately at the weigh-in location. A comment was made that this rule prevents anglers from releasing their catch in other locations attempting to "stock" their favorite spot/cove. It was noted that this had been an issue in the club in the past. The officers decided not to make any rule change and that a member would have to make a choice of which club to fish.

### **Morning Takeoff**

The current club rules state that if your team is not ready when your number is called you will move to the back of the line and take off last. Teams will be reminded of this rule at the morning meeting and it will be enforced.

### **Fundraising**

Discussion about various fundraising ideas took place. The officers decided to continue the Football Knock out pool and the March Madness Pool for 2019 and brainstormed on ideas to get more club participation. The officers discussed possibly hosting an open night tournament during the summer months on Lake of the Ozarks. Several officers supported the idea and decided it was worth looking into further - STAY TUNED!!!

### **Social Media/Photo acknowledgement**

The officers discussed various issues with using and sharing photographs and video recordings of members online per feedback from the Q&A at the banquet. Discussion ensued around whether there was need for a change to the bylaws or membership form to include an "opt-in / opt-out" designation for members to select. It was noted that there had been no complaints from the club so far and this issue was brought up completely as a proactive measure. It was concluded that the policing and managing of such a policy would be very cumbersome and any issues would be dealt with on a case by case basis. The officers agreed that no change was needed to the bylaws on this issue.

### **Tournament Entry**

It was noted that several members were starting to routinely hand deliver their tournament entry forms to the Treasurer's personal residence instead of utilizing the mail. This seems to have become standard practice for some members. As a reminder to everyone, please be more respectful of the Treasurer's time and only do this as a last resort. The late tournament entry fee is only \$10 and you are encouraged to just pay the fee instead of making a special trip to the Treasurer's personal home.

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## The 2019 Tournament Schedule Is Set!

This Guide is to assist you in scheduling, planning and your lodging needs throughout the tournament year. Many resorts have graciously offered to sponsor our club by providing special discounts and nightly rates for our members which are detailed in this guide. Some of these resorts have agreed to “block” a certain number of rooms for our members for a limited time. Please try to book your rooms as early as you can.

Please remember to take the time to thank these supporters for all they do for our club and patronize them whenever possible. You can easily return the favor by leaving positive feedback through online reviews (sites such as TripAdvisor.com), commenting on social media sites such as Facebook, recommending them to friends and family or booking your next stay with them.

We are hoping for another great year and hope you will be able to attend as many tournaments as possible. If you have any additional questions, please feel free to email a club officer or post your question on the Hawg Hawlers Message Board or Facebook

Tournament #1 - Table Rock Lake		Important Notes
Dates	March 16-17 <b>(TWO DAYS!)</b>	Call and ask for Carl or Sue and they will take care of you - they are very nice people. If you have bad knees or have difficulty walking up the steep hills they do have golf carts for rent. If for some reason they are booked up you should try King’s Cove Resort which is just next door (417) 739-4513
Lodging	Holiday Hideaway	
Phone:	(417) 739-4542	
Reservation Policy:	One night deposit	
Cancellation Policy:	Refund only if room is re-booked	
Discounts:	\$35/night per person	

Tournament #2 - Lake of the Ozarks		Important Notes
Dates	April 6-7	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>SATURDAY TAKEOFF IS AT 11:00 AM!</b></p> <p>The discount doesn’t really apply unless you reserve the larger rooms with less people to a bed. Some of the smaller cheaper units are actually more expensive with the discount (they then just charge you the lower amount). Some of the boat slips are not very wide and you may need fender buoys all around to protect your boat.</p>
Lodging	Rock Harbor Resort	
Phone:	(573) 374-5586	
Reservation Policy:	Deposit required	
Cancellation Policy:	< 30 day notice = full refund less 15% service charge	
Discounts:	All inclusive rate = \$32.50/night per person regardless of room (includes boat slips)	



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## Lodging Guide 2019

Tournament #3 - Stockton Lake		Important Notes
Dates	April 27-28	Cabins, Kitchenettes, and Hotel Rooms. Pets allowed for \$10 fee (not in hotel). Camping is also available for \$10/night primitive; \$12 w/electric, \$14 full hookup. Boat rentals are available. There is a restaurant/bar onsite.
Lodging	Orlean's Trail	
Phone:	(417) 276-3566 Lodging (417) 276-5161 Marina	
Reservation Policy:	Unknown	
Cancellation Policy:	Unknown	
Discounts:	None	

Tournament #4 - Table Rock		Important Notes
Dates	May 18-19	Lakefront cottages with kitchens. No pets allowed. Swimming Pool & Playground. RV sites available. Trailer parking can be tricky and limited. If completely booked call Holiday Hideaway (417) 739-4542 which is just next door.
Lodging	King's Cove	
Phone:	(417) 739-4513	
Reservation Policy:	One Night Deposit Required	
Cancellation Policy:	Refund if rooms are re-booked	
Discounts:	Yes - Ask about when making reservation	

Tournament #5 - Bull Shoals		Important Notes
Dates	June 8-9	Motel Rooms, Cottages & Lodge available. They have several large units where you can lower your cost if you partner with some other boaters. Book soon as this will fill up quickly. Family-style restaurant on site. In-ground pool, tennis courts, Full service marina with bait & tackle shop and boat rentals.
Lodging	Theodosia Resort	
Phone:	417-273-4444	
Reservation Policy:	Deposit required with credit card to hold	
Cancellation Policy:	Need 7 day notice	
Discounts:	None	

Tournament #6 - Pomme		Important Notes
Dates	June 29-30	Mostly motel units with a few trailer-style cabins. Motel units: \$62/night (discounted rate - 2 people) Very pet friendly
Lodging	Nemo Bridge Resort	
Phone:	(417) 852-4201	
Reservation Policy:	No \$ down. No Credit Card to Hold	
Cancellation Policy:	N/A	
Discounts:	\$5 off each room per night + free boat slip rentals	

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Tournament #7 - Wappapello		Important Notes
Dates	July 20-21	Motel Room: \$79/night - (2 double beds or King) Mini-Suite: \$84/night (2 double beds, sofa sleeper, microwave) Kitchenette: \$84/night (Queen) *rates based on double occupancy. Extra people \$8/night Off the lake - no boat slips. Lighted boat parking with battery charging outlets.
Lodging	Miller's Motor Lodge	
Phone:	(573) 222-8579	
Reservation Policy:	No \$ down. Credit Card to Hold	
Cancellation Policy:	100% refund with 7 day notice	
Discounts:	One night free stay to the biggest bass winner of the weekend.	

Tournament #8 - Pomme		Important Notes
Dates	August 17-18	Mostly motel units with a few trailer-style cabins. Motel units: \$62/night (discounted rate - 2 people) Very pet friendly
Lodging	Nemo Bridge Resort	
Phone:	(417) 852-4201	
Reservation Policy:	No \$ down. No Credit Card to Hold	
Cancellation Policy:	N/A	
Discounts:	\$5 off each room per night + free boat slip rentals	

Tournament #9 - Mark Twain Lake		Important Notes
Dates	September 28-29	Highway U Ramp will be takeoff. Basic Cabins & Motel Rooms. Units are limited so book early. No marina or slip nearby - You will have to pull your boat out at weigh-in. Pets are allowed. A general store is onsite. Camping is available nearby at Mark Twain State Park.
Lodging	South Fork Resort	
Phone:	(573) 206-3839	
Reservation Policy:	One night deposit	
Cancellation Policy:	7 days notice required	
Discounts:	None	

Tournament #10 - Lake of the Ozarks		Important Notes
Dates	October 19-20	Multiple tournaments are often held out of Red Oak. Make sure to reserve a slip early as they fill up fast. Motel Units are \$65/night Covered Boat slips are \$10/night. Dock A has larger slips for larger bass boats.
Lodging	Red Oak Resort	
Phone:	(573) 873-9400	
Reservation Policy:	No deposit. Credit Card to hold.	
Cancellation Policy:	100% refund with 24 hour notice	
Discounts:	Certificate Giveaway	



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## **Final Notes**

The updated Rules and Bylaws are available on the website. Please take the time to read them. Understand that by signing the Membership form you are acknowledging that you have read and agree to abide by the Tournament Rules and By-Laws of the Hawg Hawlers Bass Club of St. Louis, and accept any penalties that may be assessed. It is always a good idea to print these out and have on your boat throughout the tournament year.

**Don't Forget to get your membership forms submitted as early as possible!**

You can download the membership application form on the Hawg Hawlers website ([www.hawghawlers.com](http://www.hawghawlers.com)). This is an interactive fillable form. We prefer you type in your info and print the form. If you are having trouble using the fill in features in your browser, please download and save the file to your computer so you can type in your info. If you must handwrite your info please write legibly.

**A new membership form is needed for each year.** Annual membership dues are \$25 per angler with free membership provided for anglers 15 and under, or 65 and older, or those who are otherwise exempt from having a fishing permit per the Missouri Department of Conservation.

If you know of someone who is interested in joining the club, please forward this newsletter to them. We hope our club continues to grow and welcome new members every year.

