

# 2006 MSBC Fall Classic

## "CATCH THE SPIRIT"



**Participation and Eligibility** - There will be no age limit - however an adult must accompany persons under the age of 18. Only two (2) persons will be allowed per boat. The tournament committee reserves the right to refuse an entrant.

**Entries** - Entry fee will be \$200 per boat. A 7-day notice must be given to MSBC in order to drop out of a tournament, at this time 50% of the entry fee will be refunded. Any and all forfeited entry fees will be donated in their entirety to the National Multiple Sclerosis Society. MSBC reserves the right to refund or deny any entry fee.

**Due Date- All entries must be received by Oct. 13, 2006**

**Boat Position** - Boat positions will be drawn October 14, 2006 at morning check-in. Reverse order will be used second day.

**Sportsmanship** - Each team is expected to follow a high standard of sportsmanship, courtesy, safety, and conservation. Any team failing to do so may be disqualified.

**Alcoholic Beverages and Drugs** - NO alcoholic beverages or other stimulants or depressants shall be allowed in the tournament boats or in the possession of contestants prior to check in or during the tournament hours. NO Exceptions!

**Tackle and Equipment** - All fish must be caught in a legal and sporting manner by casting, flipping, or pitching. Intentional snagging of fish will not be allowed. No trolling is permitted with any motor. Only artificial lures may be used. No live bait or prepared baits permitted, with the exception of pork rinds. Liquid fish attractants are allowed. Only one (1) rod may be used at a time. Other rods may be in the boat and ready for use, however every cast and retrieve must be completed before another cast is made. The use of electronic tracking equipment cannot be used during competition.

**Boats and Motors** - There is no horsepower limit. No engine may exceed the BIA Horsepower rating for the boat that is used. All boats must meet US Coast Guard State regulations. All boats must have an emergency kill switch in working order and an aerated live well large enough to sustain a tournament limit in releasable condition. Extra gas tanks must be secured and must be US Coast Guard approved.

**Life Jackets** - Life jackets must be zipped or buckled. Kill switch must be attached to the life jacket of the boat operator while the combustible engine is in operation. All life jackets must be Coast Guard approved.

**Rules** - The following rules will remain unchanged throughout the event unless State or Local Laws are in conflict. Interpretation and enhancement of the rules will be left to the tournament committee. In the event of a rule violation, the committee may impose such sanctions, as they deem appropriate, including without limitation to, disqualification, forfeiture of prizes, entry fee and prohibition from participation in subsequent tournaments. The decision of the Tournament Committee shall be final in all matters. It is the committee's discretion to make changes where safety is concerned. All participants must comply with all Coast Guard, State and Local Regulations. Any competitor receiving a citation for violations of any Coast Guard, State, or Local regulations will be disqualified immediately. It is the contestant's responsibility to know these regulations.

**Permitted Fishing Locations** - Fishing on the tournament waters - **Pools 7, 8 & 9** - is permitted anywhere except within 50 yards of any marina gas pump or within 50 yards of another competitors boat which was first anchored. No such anchored boat shall permit selected competitors to fish within the 50-yard circle claimed by him to the exclusion of any other competitor. All angling must be done from the boat. Contestants must not depart boat to land fish. Both must remain in the tournament waters during the tournament day. Contestants must leave and return to the official checkpoint by boat. Both competitors must remain in the boat at all times except in case of emergency. Trailering of boats during tournament hours is prohibited.

**Scoring** - Each team may weigh in eight (8) fish with the minimum of 14 inches in length, measured on a flat board with mouth closed and tail compressed or fanned. A COURTESY BUMP BOARD WILL **NOT** BE PROVIDED. Please check your bump board prior to the start of the tournament. Tournament standings will be determined by the total weight caught during the competition. Only Largemouth or Smallmouth Bass will be scored. Any team weighing in a fish shorter than legal tournament length will be penalized 2 pounds. Any team returning in the checkpoint late will be DISQUALIFIED. LATE IS LATE. Dead fish will result in an 8-oz. penalty.

**Pre-Tournament Check In** - All teams must check in at the official check-in location, **Clinton Street West Boat Landing**, for live well and kill switch inspection. Check-in will begin at 5:30 AM.

**Fishing Hours – Day 1, 7:00 a.m. to 3:00 pm , Day 2 7:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.**

**Weigh In** – Early weigh-in begins at 1:00pm at **Clinton Street Boat Landing**. Weigh-in bags will be furnished and must be used by all contestants. Contestants will be responsible for their own catch from the boat to the check-in tub. We recommend using your net to support the weight in the bag for your catch (Better to be safe than sorry!). All fish weighed in will be returned to the fished waters.

**Ties** - Ties between places will be determined by the team's largest bass recorded at the time of weigh in, then by a flip of a coin.

**Insurance** – Liability insurance is required on all contestants utilizing their boats in this tournament. Contestants are required to have proof of insurance.

**Protests** – Final objections must be brought to the attention of the Tournament Committee in writing not more than 30 minutes after the end of the tournament.

**Big Bass Prize** - There will be a 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> place Big Bass pot for the weekend. \$20.00 per boat. A single team cannot win both. A side pot for Big Bass will be optional each day at morning check-in.

**Awards Ceremony: Awards Ceremony to follow Day 2 weigh-in at American Marine 2100 Dawson Ave. LaCrosse, WI 54603 (Just off Bainbridge Ave. on French Island) Food & beverage courtesy of American Marine.**

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**October 14 & 15 , 2006**

\$200.00 per Team

**Pools 7, 8 & 9**

**Entry cut-off: October 13th, 2006 (entries must be recieved by this date )**

**Payback: 90%payback to 15% of field. 10% Donated to MS Society.**

**(Based on a 50 boat field)**

1st Place \$3,240.00  
2nd Place \$1,800.00  
3rd Place \$1,170.00  
4th Place \$ 900.00

5th Place \$720.00  
6th Place \$540.00  
7th Place \$360.00  
8th Place \$270.00

1st Big Bass \$750.00  
2nd Big Bass \$250.00  
(assumes all 50 boats enter  
(Big Bass pot of \$20 per team)

\_\_\_\_\_ \$200.00 Entry

\_\_\_\_\_ \$20.00 Big Bass Pot

(Please Print)

Partner #1: \_\_\_\_\_ Partner #2 : \_\_\_\_\_

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

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

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

Boat Registration: \_\_\_\_\_

After reading and understanding the rules, we have completed this application and are enclosing our entry for \$200. 00 for the above tournament, payable to MSBC. By signing this application we hereby agree to hold harmless all other contestants the host, sponsors, and tournament officials, and furthermore waive the release all rights to claims for damages or injury that may have incurred during this tournament. We further understand and agree that the Tournament Committee reserves the right to refund this entry fee, if the committee shall choose for any reason, and not to accept the application.

**Please sign and date:**

Partner #1 \_\_\_\_\_ Partner #2 \_\_\_\_\_

Website: [msbasscircuit.com](http://msbasscircuit.com)

Please make check payable to: MSBC

**Mail to:** MSBC, 1228 Caledonia St., La Crosse, WI 54603

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