

Fishing Events Descriptions & Rules



All tournaments are two-person team events, but individuals are permitted to fish alone. A maximum of two rods are permitted per angler in all events except the Bass Series tournaments, where only one rod may be used. Live bait is permitted at all events, except the Bass Series tournaments, where only artificial lures are permitted. Stringers are prohibited in all tournaments. Teams must have their team ID bobber on the tournament board before the end of the event in order to weigh their fish. Kids' Derbys and Mystery Fish Challenges are not tournaments, and prizes will be awarded to every kid who fishes. Anglers can register for tournaments on-site the day of the event or in advance at greatparks.org.

Rod Busting Series: Teams fish for a six-fish limit of catfish and carp. Prizes will be awarded to top two teams at each tournament. Teams earn points at each tournament based on their place of finish. A grand prize will be awarded to the series champions after the sixth event.

Kids' Mystery Fish Challenge: These events are intended for children under 16 years of age, accompanied by an assisting adult. Live bait is permitted. Prizes will be awarded in three age groups to the kid who weighs a fish in closest to the mystery fish weight. Any species of fish can be weighed. Trophies will be awarded to every kid who catches a fish.

Bass Series: Teams fish for a five-bass limit. Fish must measure 12" or more and must be weighed and released alive. Short fish and dead fish will not be weighed. Awards are given to the top three place teams at each event based on greatest weight. Ties are broken by largest fish. The top 20 anglers in the point standings will qualify for the Series Championship. The overall points leader will be crowned Angler of the Year.

Turkey Day Open: Teams weigh any species of fish. There is no limit to the number of fish weighed and the greatest overall weight will win. The winners will be awarded a turkey and other prizes.

Fishing Camp 101: This camp is designed to teach kids ages 8–12 the basics of fishing, and it is perfect for young anglers who are just learning or who have never fished before. Campers will be taught casting skills, proper knot tying techniques and how to bait a hook and use lures, as well as fish identification. All tackle and gear provided.

Fishing Camp 202: This camp is designed to teach kids ages 12–15 different types of fishing, and it is perfect for young anglers who already know the basics. Campers will be taught how to make their own lures and take care of their tackle. Guest speakers will add further knowledge of the sport. Campers must bring their own gear.

Entry Form

Angler 1

Name: _____

Email: _____ Phone: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ ZIP: _____

Angler 2

Name: _____

Email: _____ Phone: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ ZIP: _____