

FROM THE FRONT DECK

Greetings Utah BASS Nation Anglers—Just wanted to get a newsletter out to everyone since it has been a busy summer and we have not put out a newsletter in several months.

- UTBN shout out and thanks to the unsung hero's (KC Simbro, Kent Thomson, Courtney Adams, Don Edwards, Wally Haltom and Trent Perry) that help out behind the scenes with hauling of equipment to Lake Powell, check in, setting up sponsor giveaway tables and operating the raffle.

Seems like there are always question or two about the format of the qualifiers and reasoning for having a 3-day event or scheduling of the events in spring and fall. So here you go.

Dates? – strive to be consistent and keep the dates relatively the same each year so folks can count on them year after year being in the same time frame, push in the spring to be the first tournament of the year and cure cabin fever.

Dates? – try to stay away from the divisional event, frees up the rest of the tournament season so folks can fish other events from late spring, summer and early fall. Also try to stay away from hunting season so we go later in the fall.

Why 3 days? – mirrors how divisional and nationals operate along with all the other major trails in the west, provides experience on how to manage time, equipment and fish.

Why 3 days? - Eliminates the luck factor, plenty of shuffling happens on the leaderboard

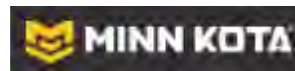
Why 8 hour days? - Same exact amount of time the BASS uses for all there events (Divisional, Nationals, Opens, etc.).

Boaters keep in mind that to guarantee the use of your boat in UTBN events you must have a guaranteed non-boater and is best to submit entry form with both your names and info on them. Over the past couple of years the impression seems to be that it is the Tournament Directors job to coordinate or find non-boaters which is inaccurate. It is not the UTBN responsibility to perform this task, we will work with you and assist as much as possible but for the experienced boaters that have been doing this for awhile please put forth the effort to get paired up early so you are guaranteed.

DOBYNS RODS – to take advantage of the Dobyns rod discount program all you need to do is call them directly at 903-919-8028 , ask for Chelsie Brooks and tell her you are part of the Utah BASS Nation (she has a copy of our membership roster). She will process the order and get you taken care of.

STATE TEAM QUALIFIER DATES ARE 28-30 OCTOBER 2022. EVENT WILL BE HELD OUT OF WAWHEAP MARINA, PAGE AZ DUE TO EXPECTED LOW WATER CONDITIONS MAKING BULLFROG POTENTIALLY UNSABLE FOR THE TOURNAMENT DATES

Ramsey Romanin and Terry Peterson will soon be headed back to the BASS Nation Championship to represent the Utah BASS Nation and ideally earn there way to compete in the BASSMASTER Classic, please wish them good luck and safe travels.





UTAH B.A.S.S. NATION STATE TEAM QUALIFIER TOURNAMENT #2
Wawheap Marina, Lake Powell October 28-30, 2022

- ☐ Boater Entry Fee \$250.00
☐ Big Fish Option \$30.00
☐ All American Option \$20.00
☐ Big Creel Option \$30.00

TOTAL PAID _____

**ENTRY FEE'S AND ENTRY FORMS
MUST BE SENT IN TOGETHER.**

Option pots may be paid at the pre-tournament meeting. (it is each individuals responsibility to confirm what option pots they are signed up for)

- ☐ Non-Boater Entry Fee \$150.00
☐ Big Fish Option \$30.00
☐ All American Option \$20.00
☐ Big Creel Option \$30.00

TOTAL PAID _____

Boater Name _____
Address _____
City _____ State _____ Zip _____
Phone # _____
EMAIL Address _____
B.A.S.S. # _____ Club _____
Signature _____
Boat Insurance Carrier and Policy # _____
Emergency Contact Name and # _____
Utah DNR Quagga Mussel Certificate # _____
Boat Hull ID/ Registration number _____

Non-Boater Name _____
Address _____
City _____ State _____ Zip _____
Phone # _____
EMAIL Address _____
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Signature _____
Emergency Contact Name and # _____

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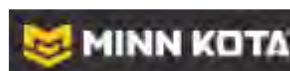
1. That you have read, understand and agree to abide by the 2022 UTBN Tournament Rules as posted at www.UTBFN.net
2. As a participant in this tournament that you expressly assume all the risks associated with this tournament and hereby release BASS, the Utah BASS Nation, it's officers, the host, all participants and all tournament officials from all claims of injury or damage incurred with this event.
3. All boaters in the event must complete the Utah DNR on-line quagga mussel awareness training and have a copy of the certificate displayed on the dash of there tow vehicle and present a copy to the Utah DNR when requested. Training can be completed at the following web address <https://dweapps.Utah.gov/wex/dbconnection.jsp?examnbr=510608>

Sign up with a non-boater to guarantee the use of your boat. Entry Forms must be received no later than 6:00 p.m. on 26 October 2022, Make checks payable to the Utah BASS Nation. Returned checks are subject to a \$25 return fee. **ENTRY FORMS can be mailed to Billy Ricker, 1449 North 1825 West, Clinton UT 84015 (801-499-0080) or email at utahbassnation@gmail.com. PAYPAL or VENMO is accepted for payment of dues, entry fees and option pots. PAYPAL address is UTBN@outlook.com please send as a gift. Venmo address is @UT-BassNation. No late entry forms or late sign ups will be accepted at the pretournament registration.**

- All anglers must be off the lake no later than 2:00 on 27 October 2022. Registration and Pre-Tournament meeting will be at the DAM BAR and GRILL, 644 Navajo Drive on 27 October 2022, check-in, late sign-ups and payment into option pots starts at 3:00, raffle starts at 3:30 and the pre-tournament meeting and first days partner pairing starts at 4:00 p.m.

- To be eligible for the 2023 Utah B.A.S.S. Nation State Team you must be a current member of the following : The B.A.S.S. Nation and the Utah B.A.S.S. Nation prior to the 1 March 2022 cut-off (Cut-off date is waived for brand new members ONLY), you also need to have an active subscription to BASSMASTER magazine prior to the start of the tournament.

This event is a random draw tournament. Guests may fish this event if there are open spots at an additional cost of \$15.





TOURNAMENT NEWS

Page AZ, Lake Powell - March 2022

Due to low water conditions caused by the unprecedented drought conditions gripping the entire western United States the UTBN state team qualification tournament was conducted for the first time ever out of Page, AZ. This change in venue allowed for some new members from Arizona and New Mexico to join in the action. Great thing about this location was the multiple options for lodging, dining and for some folks the chance to fish a completely different end of Lake Powell that they may have never experienced.

The boater division is consistently strong and that was evident again, when the dust settled Justin Hicks was in first place, followed by new comer Matt Adamson, the return of Ty Faber, with Trevor Tippetts, Bill Brown and Ty Sanderfer rounding out the top 6.

In the nonboater division Hunter Loveless threw down the gauntlet on Day 1 with 11.36 lbs. with Zac Ortiz putting the pressure on and sitting in second place with 10.30 lbs. and followed by Melissa Nokes with 10.04 lbs. By the time the weigh in scales closed up on Day 3 the final standings had Hunter Loveless leading the nonboater side of things wire to wire and weighing in a total of 33.33 lbs. Zac Ortiz was solid and garnered second place with 27.74 lbs. Greg Pink brought his decades of Lake Powell experience and pushed his way onto the state team with 24.22 lbs. and Terry Peterson showing his resilience and pulling out the 4th place finish,

Thanks to everyone that attended the event, and for supporting the Utah BASS Nation. This event had lots of new faces and that means things are still moving in a positive direction and highlights the fact that this is by far one of the strongest organizations in the west made up of great people and great anglers. Over \$9,000 in prize money was paid out and special thanks to Bud Signs for their donation of an additional \$500 that was paid out to

FINAL TOURNAMENT RESULTS CAN BE FOUND ON THE NEXT PAGE

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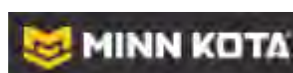
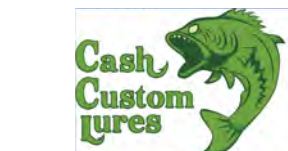
MERCURY MARINE — The discount program for the purchase of all Mercury and motorguide related products is alive and well so if you need any props, engine or gear oil, fuel additives or a trolling motor please get with Rick Culver on how to get you taken care of. The discount is significant at ~47% off MSRP and all products are direct shipped to your house.

Additional Tournaments Forecasted for this year

BULLFROG OPEN— October 8-9 2022

GENE COVELLO MEMORIAL TOURNAMENT—15-16 October 2022 Location to be determined

BUDs SIGNS TOURNAMENT—12-13 November 2022 Location to be determined





MARCH 2022 STATE TEAM QUALIFIER TOURNAMENT RESULTS

UTBN BOATER	total fish	total weight
Justin Hicks	15	35.16
Matt Adamson	15	32.97
Ty Faber	15	30.78
Trevor Tippetts	14	30.08
Bill Brown	12	29.45
Ty Sanderfer	13	28.84
Mike Lavalle	15	28.64
Paul Morley	13	27.18
Riley Nielson	11	24.09
Rick Culver	12	21.82
Steve Christensen	10	21.66
Mike Tafoya	9	20.32
Joe Paez	11	20.21
Billy Ricker	11	18.72
Eric Inman	10	16.74
Tom Wennerlund	8	15.08
Tom Nokes	7	13.16
Allen Bratton	6	11.52
Ramsey Romanin	6	11.42
Clinton Hall	6	10.85
Max Spangler	6	10.42
Wayne Myers	6	10.42
Wayne Welchel	2	3.58
Mike Stephens	0	0.00
Sam Page	0	0.00

UTBN NONBOATER	total fish	total weight
Hunter Loveless	15	33.33
Zac Ortiz	13	27.74
Greg Pink	13	24.22
Terry Peterson	11	20.63
Melissa Nokes	11	20.22
Mark Sheppard	12	17.43
Ted Grove	11	16.05
Paul Swan	7	14.18
Scott Nielson	8	13.88
Kenny Keovilayphone	8	13.76
Trent Perry	6	13.64
Kyle Charles	5	12.99
Don Edwards	6	12.60
Josh Thalman	7	11.62
Wally Haltom	4	7.35
Nick Brown	4	7.18
Duke Ayers	3	6.13
Kurt Gale	3	5.61
Jared Decker	2	4.22
Rick McLenon	1	3.18
KC Simbro	1	3.17
Jeff Rosenthal	1	2.16

STATE TEAM QUALIFIED FOR 2023
WESTERN DIVISIONAL

