## **Angling Sports/Forest City Bassmasters Spring Pike Tournament**

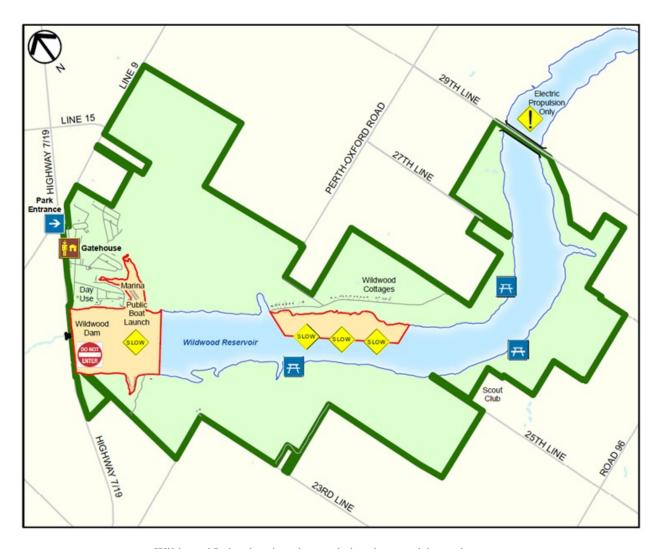
**Date:** Monday, May 19<sup>th</sup>, 2014, 8:00 am blast off, 2:00 pm finish. Sign in/registration, launching (fees apply) and boat inspection starts at 6:30 am. Registration closes at 8:00 am.

Location: Wildwood Conservation Area Boat Launch, Wildwood Lake, ON

## Rules:

- 1. A team will consist of 2 anglers (maximum), one of which must be 19 years of age or older.
- Northern pike only will be allowed for entry, all other species must be immediately released. This
  is a catch, photograph and release tournament. Teams are required to supply their own digital
  cameras.
- 3. Each boat will receive a yard stick or a measuring trough (distributed by the officials before blast-off) with a unique # on it to distinguish between teams. When they catch a pike they will take a picture of it against the yard stick or measuring trough and then release the fish. A maximum of three pike will be allowed to be measured. Pike will be measured from the tip of the nose to the longest tip of the tail.
- 4. Total length of the top three longest fish will be the team's score. Teams need to save the picture of the top three fish only (i.e. cull the pictures of the fish that they do not want to submit prior to the tournament finish).
- 5. Entry fee is \$40.00 per team (\$20.00 per person). All entry fees collected will be paid out as prizes. Prize structure is: 1st 60% of total entry fees, 2nd 30% and 3rd 10%. Optional "Big Fish" competition is an additional \$10.00 per team (\$5.00 per person). Prize money is paid to the team to divide as they see fit. **All payments are due prior to start.**
- 6. In the event of a tie, the team with the longest fish wins, still being tied the second longest fish, if still tied monies will be pooled and split evenly.
- 7. **Artificial bait only**, no live or prepared bait allowed, pork rind may be used.
- 8. All Federal/Provincial/GRCA boating / fishing rules / regulations must be adhered to.
- 9. Competitors' boats cannot make contact except for emergency situations (i.e. breakdown). Competitors' boats must not get closer than 6m / 20 feet from each other (i.e. give competitors space).
- 10. No alcoholic beverages or illegal drugs may be consumed or in possession of any competitor or boat during the Tournament hours.
- 11. Fishing is allowed in all of Wildwood Lake. Electric propulsion / slow zones must be adhered to (see map at bottom).
- 12. Pre-fishing will be allowed until 5:00 p.m. the day before the tournament.

- 13. Each boat must be inspected prior to the start of the tournament. Officials may inspect/board your boat at any time during tournament hours to ensure integrity of the tournament.
- 14. Protective floatation devices must be worn while traveling at more than trolling speed.
- 15. Boats will be dispatched in flights of 5. Boats #s 1-5 then #s 6-10 then 11-15 until the entire field of boats are dispatched. Boats not following the procedure will incur a penalty of 20 cm.
- 16. At 2:00 pm you must be within 300 meters of the measuring station/dock/boat launch. Late arrivals at the end of competition hours will incur a 5 cm/minute penalty, more than 10 minutes = disqualified.
- 17. If you notice any violation of tournament rules, notify an official immediately and give them the violators' boat number and boat description.
- 18. One team member must be present to collect team prizes, no proxy.
- 19. Any team disqualified for any reason will not receive a refund of entry fees.
- 20. All taxes on any prize awards are the responsibility of the recipient.
- 21. Protests must be in writing and be accompanied by a \$50.00 deposit. Protest must be made prior to final standings. Deposit will be refunded if protest is valid.
- 22. Competitors may be disqualified for violation of any of the above rules. Cheating/Fraud will be prosecuted to the full extent of the law. The decisions of the Judges are final.
- 23. At the discretion of the tournament director, tournament day may be shortened, postponed or cancelled due to unsafe weather or water conditions.
- 24. Angling Sport and the Forest City Bassmasters will not be responsible for any stolen property, damage to property, or personal injury.
- 25. Let's all be respectful of others, have fun and enjoy ourselves!



Wildwood Lake showing slow and electric propulsion only zones.