2009

Bass Tournament Report

ODNR, Division of Wildlife

A Complete Report of 2009 Tournament Results
(as of September 2010)

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The Ohio Bass Tournament Database

The Ohio Bass Tournament Database is an internet based system that allows bass tournament organizations to voluntarily report their tournament results on-line. At the conclusion of the tournament season, the information is summarized for the angling public in this Ohio Bass Tournament Report. Tournament catch rates are an excellent indication of the quality of fishing in a particular lake or river. Information provided in this report breaks down the catch rates (reported as average hours to catch a keeper bass - with keeper length determined by the tournament organization) for Ohio Inland Reservoirs, Lake Erie and the Ohio River. In addition this report provides a list of the most fished tournament waters and top big bass caught in tournaments.

Ohio Bass Federation

Ohio Bass Federation Nation

Fishers of Men National Tournament Trail—Ohio Division

LaDo Bass Series

Salmoides Team Tournament Circuit

Midwest Sportsman

Electric Bass Circuit

Ross County Bass Anglers Thursday Night Pot

Mid Buckeye Circuit of Central Ohio

Ohio Mega Bass Tournament Trail

Special THANKS to all circuits that entered data—your contribution improves Ohio bass management!

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Overall Summary

TOTAL NUMBER OF TOURNAMENTS REPORTED: 200

STATEWIDE AVERAGES
(Hours to Catch a Keeper Bass)

Lake Erie	5.81
Ohio River	6.96
Inland Lakes	6.99

Top 10 Most Fished Waters

Lake Erie	35
Ohio River	17
Alum Creek Lake	13
Indian Lake	13
Rocky Fork Lake	11
La Due Reservoir	9
Mosquito Reservoir	9
Turkeyfoot Lake	7
Berlin Lake	7
Delaware Lake	6

TOP 10 BIG BASS

Location	Weight	Species	Catch Date
MOGADORE RESERVOIR	6.72	Largemouth Bass	October 31, 2009
LAKE ERIE (GENERAL)	6.13	Smallmouth Bass	July 12, 2009
DEER CREEK RESERVOIR	6.02	Largemouth Bass	May 10, 2009
LA DUE RESERVOIR	5.92	Largemouth Bass	October 10, 2009
TURKEYFOOT LAKE	5.86	Largemouth Bass	August 1, 2009
MOGADORE RESERVOIR	5.76	Largemouth Bass	April 5, 2009
ALUM CREEK LAKE	5.5	Largemouth Bass	October 17, 2009
GALLIPOLIS POOL, OHIO RIVER	5.44	Largemouth Bass	September 26, 2009
MOSQUITO RESERVOIR	5.4	Largemouth Bass	May 2, 2009
LAKE ERIE: VERMILLION RIVER	5.4	Smallmouth Bass	June 13, 2009

Top 30 Big Bass (In-State)

NO.	DATE	LOCATION	SPECIES	WT*
1	31-Oct-09	MOGADORE RESERVOIR	Largemouth Bass	6.72
2	12-Jul-09	LAKE ERIE (GENERAL)	Smallmouth Bass	6.13
3	10-May-09	DEER CREEK RESERVOIR	Largemouth Bass	6.02
4	10-Oct-09	LA DUE RESERVOIR	Largemouth Bass	5.92
5	01-Aug-09	TURKEYFOOT LAKE	Largemouth Bass	5.86
6	05-Apr-09	MOGADORE RESERVOIR	Largemouth Bass	5.76
7	17-Oct-09	ALUM CREEK LAKE	Largemouth Bass	5.5
8	26-Sep-09	GALLIPOLIS POOL, OHIO RIVER	Largemouth Bass	5.44
9	02-May-09	MOSQUITO RESERVOIR	Largemouth Bass	5.4
10	13-Jun-09	LAKE ERIE: VERMILLION RIVER	Smallmouth Bass	5.4
11	18-Apr-09	LA DUE RESERVOIR	Largemouth Bass	5.37
12	05-Sep-09	LA DUE RESERVOIR	Largemouth Bass	5.22
13	20-Sep-09	LA DUE RESERVOIR	Largemouth Bass	5.15
14	03-May-09	ROCKY FORK LAKE	Largemouth Bass	5.13
16	25-Jul-09	LA DUE RESERVOIR	Largemouth Bass	5.03
17	03-May-09	ROCKY FORK LAKE	Largemouth Bass	4.98
19	12-Sep-09	WEST BRANCH RESERVOIR	Largemouth Bass	4.87
20	27-Sep-09	ALUM CREEK LAKE	Largemouth Bass	4.83
21	08-Aug-09	MOGADORE RESERVOIR	Largemouth Bass	4.82
22	06-Sep-09	LAKE ERIE: WEST HARBOR	Smallmouth Bass	4.79
23	26-Sep-09	ALUM CREEK LAKE	Smallmouth Bass	4.78
24	19-Apr-09	LAKE ERIE: WEST HARBOR	Largemouth Bass	4.78
25	19-Jul-09	LAKE ERIE: VERMILLION RIVER	Smallmouth Bass	4.77
26	30-Aug-09	LAKE ERIE: SANDUSKY BAY	Smallmouth Bass	4.75
27	26-Jul-09	INDIAN LAKE	Largemouth Bass	4.74
28	21-Jun-09	LAKE SNOWDEN	Largemouth Bass	4.72
29	07-Jun-09	WEST BRANCH RESERVOIR	Largemouth Bass	4.72
30	04-Apr-09	INDIAN LAKE	Largemouth Bass	4.69

***WT = Weight recorded as pounds & hundredths of pounds.**

*TOP 20 OHIO LAKES**

LAKE	NO.[1]	AVE. HOURS/ KEEPER[2]
1 HOOVER RESERVOIR	2	2.38
2 DILLON LAKE	1	2.60
3 PLEASANT HILL LAKE	2	3.02
4 DEER CREEK LAKE	4	3.81
5 DELAWARE LAKE	6	3.87
6 LORAMIE	2	3.92
7 WEST BRANCH RESERVOIR	5	4.19
8 MOGADORE RESERVOIR	5	4.30
9 ROCKY FORK LAKE	11	4.78
10TAPPAN LAKE	1	4.80
11CLEAR FORK RESERVOIR	4	4.94
12LAKE MILTON	2	5.23
13BUCKEYE LAKE	5	5.36
14EAST FORK LAKE	1	5.65
15CLARK LAKE	1	5.67
16INDIAN LAKE	13	5.77
17BERLIN LAKE	6	5.79
18GRIGGS RESERVOIR	3	5.82
19MOSQUITO RESERVOIR	9	5.84
20RESTHAVEN POND #8	1	6.00

[*]Results are reported as the "average hours per keeper", the average amount of time to catch a 12-inch or larger bass during a tournament.
[1]NO. = Number of tournaments held at lake.

*Results by Ohio River Pool**

POOL	NUMBER OF TOURNAMENTS	AVERAGE HOURS / KEEPER	BEST TOURNAMENT HOURS/KEEPER
BELLEVILLE POOL	1	3.00	3.00
GALLIPOLIS POOL	4	5.02	3.35
GREENUP POOL	2	5.22	4.71
MARKLAND POOL	2	11.40	10.00
MELDAHL POOL	3	12.13	5.00
NEW CUMBERLAND POOL	3	5.94	5.45
RACINE POOL	2	3.96	2.89

*Results by Lake Erie Areas**

AREA	NUMBER OF TOURNAMENTS	AVERAGE HOURS / KEEPER	BEST TOURNAMENT HOURS/KEEPER
PORTAGE RIVER ACCESS	7	8.21	2.43
CUYAHOGA RIVER ACCESS	1	6.11	6.11
EAST HARBOR	3	3.37	3.13
GRAND RIVER ACCESS	3	8.17	5.82
LAKE ERIE (GENERAL)	8	4.43	1.86
MAUMEE RIVER	1	4.00	4.00
SANDUSKY BAY	5	6.81	2.83
VERMILLION RIVER ACCESS	2	4.31	3.43
WEST HARBOR	5	4.64	1.85

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Results by Reservoir (Page 1 of 2)*

RESERVOIR	NUMBER OF TOURNAMENTS	AVERAGE HOURS / KEEPER	BEST TOURNAMENT HOURS/KEEPER
ALUM CREEK LAKE	13	8.99	1.60
BERLIN LAKE	6	5.79	3.85
BUCKEYE LAKE	5	5.36	2.86
CLARK LAKE	1	5.67	5.67
CLEAR FORK RESERVOIR	4	4.94	2.67
DEER CREEK LAKE	4	3.81	3.20
DEER CREEK RESERVOIR	3	7.05	2.59
DELAWARE LAKE	6	3.87	2.43
DILLON LAKE	1	2.60	2.60
DOW LAKE	1	10.67	10.67
EAST FORK LAKE	1	5.65	5.65
GALLIPOLIS POOL, OHIO RIVER	1	7.50	7.50
GRAND LAKE ST MARYS	4	6.14	2.97
GRIGGS RESERVOIR	3	5.82	4.25
HOOVER RESERVOIR	2	2.38	1.60
INDIAN LAKE	13	5.77	1.59
KNOX LAKE	3	44.17	36.00

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Results by Reservoir (Page 2 of 2)*

RESERVOIR	NUMBER OF TOURNAMENTS	AVERAGE HOURS / KEEPER	BEST TOURNAMENT HOURS/KEEPER
LA DUE RESERVOIR	9	6.61	4.97
LAKE MILTON	2	5.23	4.92
LAKE SNOWDEN	2	9.36	3.41
LORAMIE	2	3.92	3.56
MOGADORE RESERVOIR	5	4.30	3.44
MONROE LAKE	1	19.25	19.25
MOSQUITO RESERVOIR	9	5.84	2.33
O SHAUGHNESSY RES.	2	6.79	4.44
PAINT CREEK LAKE	4	8.14	3.39
PLEASANT HILL LAKE	2	3.02	2.62
RESTHAVEN POND #8	1	6.00	6.00
ROCKY FORK LAKE	11	4.78	2.49
SENECA LAKE	2	7.67	5.33
TAPPAN LAKE	1	4.80	4.80
TURKEYFOOT LAKE	7	9.35	3.06
WEST BRANCH RESERVOIR	5	4.19	3.21

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