

2006
Bass Tournament Report
ODNR, Division of Wildlife



*A Complete Report of 2006 Tournament Results
(as of February 28, 2007)*

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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 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.



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Midwest Sportsman

Mid Buckeye Circuit
of Central Ohio



Salmoides Team
Tournament Circuit

Ross County Bass Anglers
Thursday Night Pot



The "TNT Series"

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Overall Summary

TOTAL NUMBER OF TOURNAMENTS REPORTED: 515

STATEWIDE AVERAGES

(Hours to Catch a Keeper Bass)

| | |
|--------------|------|
| Lake Erie | 3.23 |
| Inland Lakes | 5.20 |
| Ohio River | 4.96 |



Top 10 Most Fished Waters

| | |
|-------------------------|----|
| Lake Erie | 50 |
| Ohio River | 43 |
| Alum Creek Lake | 42 |
| Paint Creek Lake | 34 |
| Indian Lake | 27 |
| Buckeye Lake | 26 |
| Rocky Fork Lake | 25 |
| Delaware Reservoir | 24 |
| O'Shaughnessy Reservoir | 23 |
| Clear Fork Reservoir | 16 |

TOP 10 BIG BASS

| LOCATION | WEIGHT | SPECIES | CATCH DATE |
|-----------------------|-------------|-----------------|----------------|
| Lake Erie-Black River | 6 lbs 12 oz | Smallmouth Bass | July 9, 2006 |
| Alum Creek Lake | 6 lbs 5 oz | Largemouth Bass | April 22, 2006 |
| Rocky Fork Lake | 6 lbs 3 oz | Largemouth Bass | April 1, 2006 |
| Lake Erie | 5 lbs 14 oz | Largemouth Bass | April 22, 2006 |
| Caesars Creek Lake | 5 lbs 13 oz | Largemouth Bass | April 2, 2006 |
| Deer Creek Lake | 5 lbs 13 oz | Largemouth Bass | Sept. 17, 2006 |
| Seneca Lake | 5 lbs 12 oz | Largemouth Bass | Oct. 8, 2006 |
| Clear Fork Reservoir | 5 lbs 10 oz | Largemouth Bass | April 1, 2006 |
| Alum Creek Lake | 5 lbs 8 oz | Largemouth Bass | April 27, 2006 |
| LaDue Reservoir | 5 lbs 8 oz | Largemouth Bass | April 8, 2006 |



Top 40 Big Bass (In-State)

| NO. | DATE | LOCATION | SPECIES | WT* |
|-----|-----------|------------------------------------|------------------|------|
| 1. | 09-Jul-06 | BLACK RIVER | Smallmouth Bass | 6.77 |
| 2. | 22-Apr-06 | ALUM CREEK LAKE | Largemouth Bass | 6.32 |
| 3. | 01-Apr-06 | ROCKY FORK LAKE | Largemouth Bass | 6.15 |
| 4. | 22-Apr-06 | LAKE ERIE (GENERAL) | Largemouth Bass | 5.87 |
| 5. | 02-Apr-06 | CAESAR CREEK LAKE | Largemouth Bass | 5.77 |
| 6. | 17-Sep-06 | DEER CREEK LAKE | Largemouth Bass | 5.76 |
| 7. | 08-Oct-06 | SENECA LAKE | Largemouth Bass | 5.73 |
| 8. | 01-Apr-06 | CLEAR FORK RESERVOIR | Largemouth Bass | 5.61 |
| 9. | 27-Apr-06 | ALUM CREEK LAKE | Largemouth Bass | 5.50 |
| 10. | 08-Apr-06 | LA DUE RESERVOIR | Largemouth Bass | 5.47 |
| 11. | 25-Jun-06 | LAKE ERIE (GENERAL) | Bass (all types) | 5.43 |
| 12. | 25-Jun-06 | LAKE ERIE (GENERAL) | Smallmouth Bass | 5.43 |
| 13. | 22-Oct-06 | LA DUE RESERVOIR | Largemouth Bass | 5.38 |
| 14. | 29-Jul-06 | PLEASANT HILL LAKE | Largemouth Bass | 5.25 |
| 15. | 16-Jul-06 | NEW CUMBERLAND POOL, OHIO RIVER | Smallmouth Bass | 5.23 |
| 16. | 18-Apr-06 | LAKE SNOWDEN | Largemouth Bass | 5.21 |
| 17. | 27-May-06 | LA DUE RESERVOIR | Largemouth Bass | 5.18 |
| 18. | 10-Jun-06 | LA DUE RESERVOIR | Largemouth Bass | 5.17 |
| 19. | 08-Oct-06 | LAKE ERIE: BLACK RIVER ACCESS | Smallmouth Bass | 5.09 |
| 20. | 10-Sep-06 | ALUM CREEK LAKE | Largemouth Bass | 5.08 |
| 21. | 13-Aug-06 | LAKE ERIE (GENERAL) | Smallmouth Bass | 5.08 |
| 22. | 06-May-06 | BUCKEYE LAKE | Largemouth Bass | 5.07 |
| 23. | 25-Jun-06 | GRAND RIVER AREA | Bass (all types) | 5.06 |
| 24. | 17-Jun-06 | LAKE ERIE: VERMILLION RIVER ACCESS | Smallmouth Bass | 5.06 |
| 25. | 02-Apr-06 | TURKEYFOOT LAKE-PORTAGE LAKES | Largemouth Bass | 5.05 |
| 26. | 23-Sep-06 | LAKE ERIE (GENERAL) | Smallmouth Bass | 5.04 |
| 27. | 27-Aug-06 | LAKE ERIE: VERMILLION RIVER ACCESS | Smallmouth Bass | 5.02 |
| 28. | 29-Apr-06 | LAKE ERIE: SANDUSKY BAY | Smallmouth Bass | 5.00 |
| 29. | 20-May-06 | CLEAR FORK RESERVOIR | Largemouth Bass | 5.00 |
| 30. | 09-Jul-06 | LAKE ERIE (GENERAL) | Smallmouth Bass | 5.00 |
| 31. | 06-May-06 | ALUM CREEK LAKE | Largemouth Bass | 5.00 |
| 32. | 06-Aug-06 | LAKE ERIE: SANDUSKY BAY | Smallmouth Bass | 4.98 |
| 33. | 27-Aug-06 | MELDAHL POOL, OHIO RIVER | Largemouth Bass | 4.95 |
| 34. | 01-Apr-06 | LAKE WHITE | Largemouth Bass | 4.94 |
| 35. | 16-Jul-06 | LAKE ERIE (GENERAL) | Smallmouth Bass | 4.94 |
| 36. | 20-May-06 | CLENDENING LAKE | Largemouth Bass | 4.93 |
| 37. | 11-Jun-06 | LAKE ERIE (GENERAL) | Smallmouth Bass | 4.92 |
| 38. | 19-Aug-06 | LA DUE RESERVOIR | Largemouth Bass | 4.89 |
| 39. | 22-Apr-06 | LA DUE RESERVOIR | Largemouth Bass | 4.86 |
| 40. | 29-Jul-06 | LA DUE RESERVOIR | Largemouth Bass | 4.81 |

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



TOP 40 OHIO LAKES*

| LAKE | AVERAGE HOURS/KEEPER |
|----------------------------------|-------------------------|
| 1. RESTHAVEN POND #1 | 2.46 |
| 2. O SHAUGHNESSY RESERVOIR | 2.87 |
| 3. LAKE LORAMIE | 3.05 |
| 4. ATWOOD LAKE | 3.20 |
| 5. TURKEYFOOT LAKE-PORTAGE LAKES | 3.22 |
| 6. PIEDMONT LAKE | 3.27 |
| 7. PLEASANT HILL LAKE | 3.33 |
| 8. KNOX LAKE | 3.55 |
| 9. LEESVILLE LAKE | 3.56 |
| 10. MOSQUITO RESERVOIR | 3.57 |
| 11. DELAWARE LAKE | 3.74 |
| 12. ALUM CREEK LAKE | 3.86 |
| 13. CLEAR FORK RESERVOIR | 4.30 |
| 14. CHARLES MILL RESERVOIR | 4.31 |
| 15. GRIGGS RESERVOIR | 4.49 |
| 16. DILLON LAKE | 4.84 |
| 17. HOOVER RESERVOIR | 4.96 |
| 18. DEER CREEK RESERVOIR | 5.00 |
| 19. TYCOON LAKE | 5.00 |
| 20. INDIAN LAKE | 5.01 |
| 21. BURR OAK LAKE | 5.30 |
| 22. TAPPAN LAKE | 5.46 |
| 23. ROCKY FORK LAKE | 5.58 |
| 24. DEER CREEK LAKE | 5.97 |
| 25. BERLIN LAKE | 6.16 |
| 26. WEST BRANCH RESERVOIR | 6.39 |
| 27. NIMISILA RESERVOIR | 6.44 |
| 28. BUCKEYE LAKE | 7.19 |
| 29. ROSE LAKE | 7.29 |
| 30. LAKE SNOWDEN | 8.02 |
| 31. LAKE MILTON | 8.30 |
| 32. LA DUE RESERVOIR | 8.75 |
| 33. EAST FORK LAKE | 9.40 |
| 34. WILLS CREEK LAKE | 9.78 |
| 35. CLENDENING LAKE | 10.43 |
| 36. C. J. BROWN RESERVOIR | 10.95 |
| 37. GRAND LAKE ST MARYS | 11.32 |
| 38. STONELICK LAKE | 11.57 |
| 39. LAKE LOGAN | 11.67 |
| 40. SENECA LAKE | 12.80 |

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Results by Ohio River Pool*

| POOL | NUMBER OF TOURNAMENTS | AVERAGE HOURS / KEEPER | BEST TOURNAMENT HOURS/KEEPER |
|-------------------|--------------------------------------|---------------------------------------|---|
| BELLEVILLE | 5 | 5.60 | 3.27 |
| BYRD (GALLIPOLIS) | 7 | 5.22 | 3.33 |
| GREENUP | 1 | 5.57 | 5.57 |
| HANNIBAL | 3 | 7.11 | 4.71 |
| MARKLAND | 5 | 4.97 | 2.00 |
| MELDAHL POOL | 10 | 4.77 | 1.71 |
| NEW CUMBERLAND | 3 | 3.17 | 2.82 |
| PIKE ISLAND | 5 | 6.16 | 3.86 |
| RACINE POOL | 4 | 4.12 | 2.67 |

Results by Lake Erie Areas*

| AREA | NUMBER OF TOURNAMENTS | AVERAGE HOURS / KEEPER | BEST TOURNAMENT HOURS/KEEPER |
|---------------------|--------------------------------------|---------------------------------------|---|
| BLACK RIVER | 2 | 7.83 | 6.43 |
| LAKE ERIE (GENERAL) | 22 | 3.14 | 1.23 |
| EAST HARBOR | 3 | 3.54 | 2.39 |
| HURON RIVER | 2 | 4.08 | 3.73 |
| MAUMEE RIVER | 1 | 1.74 | 1.74 |
| MIDDLE HARBOR | 1 | 2.61 | 2.61 |
| PORTAGE RIVER | 2 | 3.02 | 2.56 |
| SANDUSKY BAY | 14 | 3.32 | 1.72 |
| VERMILLION RIVER | 3 | 3.48 | 3.00 |

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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 | 42 | 3.86 | 1.03 |
| ATWOOD LAKE | 1 | 3.20 | 3.20 |
| BERLIN LAKE | 14 | 6.16 | 3.31 |
| BUCKEYE LAKE | 26 | 7.19 | 1.78 |
| BURR OAK LAKE | 2 | 5.30 | 3.05 |
| C. J. BROWN RESERVOIR | 2 | 10.95 | 8.00 |
| CAESAR CREEK LAKE | 2 | 20.96 | 14.79 |
| CHARLES MILL RESERVOIR | 1 | 4.31 | 4.31 |
| CLEAR FORK RESERVOIR | 16 | 4.30 | 1.47 |
| CLENDENING LAKE | 3 | 10.43 | 10.00 |
| COWAN LAKE | 1 | 64.00 | 64.00 |
| DEER CREEK LAKE | 9 | 5.97 | 3.33 |
| DEER CREEK RESERVOIR | 2 | 5.00 | 4.29 |
| DELAWARE LAKE | 24 | 3.74 | 1.34 |
| DILLON LAKE | 8 | 4.84 | 2.70 |
| DOW LAKE | 1 | 104.00 | 104.00 |
| EAST FORK LAKE | 6 | 9.40 | 2.91 |
| GRAND LAKE ST MARYS | 9 | 11.32 | 6.15 |
| GRIGGS RESERVOIR | 8 | 4.49 | 2.80 |
| HOOVER RESERVOIR | 3 | 4.96 | 4.44 |
| INDIAN LAKE | 27 | 5.01 | 1.38 |
| KNOX LAKE | 12 | 3.55 | 1.64 |
| LA DUE RESERVOIR | 9 | 8.75 | 5.44 |

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Results by Reservoir* (Page 2 of 2)

| RESERVOIR | NUMBER OF TOURNAMENTS | AVERAGE HOURS / KEEPER | BEST TOURNAMENT HOURS/KEEPER |
|-----------------------|--------------------------------------|---------------------------------------|---|
| LAKE LOGAN | 1 | 11.67 | 11.67 |
| LAKE MILTON | 5 | 8.30 | 4.00 |
| LAKE RUPERT | 1 | No Fish | No Fish |
| LAKE SNOWDEN | 3 | 8.02 | 4.95 |
| LAKE WHITE | 5 | 12.97 | 8.75 |
| LEESVILLE LAKE | 2 | 3.56 | 1.92 |
| LORAMIE | 4 | 3.05 | 2.57 |
| MADISON LAKE | 1 | 52.00 | 52.00 |
| MOSQUITO RESERVOIR | 12 | 3.57 | 0.98 |
| NIMISILA RESERVOIR | 2 | 6.44 | 4.36 |
| O SHAUGHNESSY RES. | 23 | 2.87 | 1.07 |
| PAINT CREEK LAKE | 34 | 12.87 | 3.08 |
| PIEDMONT LAKE | 2 | 3.27 | 3.05 |
| PLEASANT HILL LAKE | 11 | 3.33 | 1.15 |
| RESTHAVEN POND #1 | 1 | 2.46 | 2.46 |
| ROCKY FORK LAKE | 25 | 5.58 | 3.00 |
| ROSE LAKE | 1 | 7.29 | 7.29 |
| ROSS LAKE | 2 | 42.00 | 21.00 |
| SALT FORK LAKE | 9 | 20.31 | 4.80 |
| SENECA LAKE | 10 | 12.80 | 4.44 |
| STONELICK LAKE | 1 | 11.57 | 11.57 |
| TAPPAN LAKE | 12 | 5.46 | 1.73 |
| PORTAGE LAKES | 11 | 3.22 | 2.17 |
| TYCOON LAKE | 1 | 5.00 | 5.00 |
| WEST BRANCH RESERVOIR | 8 | 6.39 | 4.19 |
| WILLS CREEK LAKE | 1 | 9.78 | 9.78 |
| WOLF RUN LAKE | 3 | 106.67 | 64.00 |

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