

**PARTICIPATION AGREEMENT,**  
**RELEASE AND**  
**ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF RISK**

In consideration of Coosa River Team Trail, allowing me to participate in this tournament, I acknowledge and agree as follows:

I have read and understand the description of the tournament and the Official Rules of this tournament. I will obey all rules and understand that any violation may result in my immediate disqualification without refund of my entry fee. I also understand that tournament officials may reject my application for any reason and in that event my entry fee will be refunded.

I understand and acknowledge that competitive fishing is a dangerous sport. The risks of which include, though not exclusively, drowning, collision in the water and injuries from hooks and other fishing paraphernalia. I voluntarily assume responsibility for these risks, identified and not identified and all risk of injury or death or damage to myself, or my property or to others, including spectators and their property arising from my participation in the tournament.

I hereby release, discharge and agree to hold harmless and indemnify Coosa River Team Trail, its shareholders, officers, directors, agents and employees, the hosts, sponsors and tournament officials and its partners, agents or employees, and all other persons or entities associated with the tournament from any and all liability, claims, demands, actions or rights of action which are related to, arise out of, or are in any way connected with my participation in this tournament. Including specifically, but not limited, the negligent acts or omissions of Coosa River Team Trail, its shareholders, officers, directors, agents and employees, the hosts, sponsors and tournament officials, and its partners, agents or employees and all other persons or entities associated with the tournament for any and all injury, death, illness or disease, and other damage or loss to property suffered by myself or others. In signing this document, I acknowledge and agree that if anyone is hurt or property is damaged while I am engaged in this event, I will have no rights to make a claim or file a lawsuit against Coosa River Team Trail, its shareholders, officers, directors, agents or employees, the hosts, sponsors, officials and all other persons or entities associated with the tournament, even if they or any of them negligently caused the bodily injury or property damage.

Should it become necessary for Coosa River Team Trail or someone on its behalf, to incur attorney's fees and costs to enforce this agreement, or any portion thereof, I agree to pay the reasonable costs and attorney's fees thereby expended, for which liability is incurred.

I have sufficient health, accident and liability insurance to cover any bodily injury or property damage incurred by myself or others as a result of my participation in this event. If I have no such insurance, I represent that I am capable of paying for any and all such expenses or liability.

My signature on this document reflects that I have read this entire document, understand it completely, understand that it affects my legal rights, and agree to be bound by its terms. References herein to "I", "my", "myself" and other first person references shall include any child or ward for which I sign.

**Coosa River Team Trail**  
**Barbara Wetzel, Director**  
**701 Lakeshore Avenue E**  
**Southside, Alabama 35907**

**BUCK'S ISLAND Marina**



# COOSA RIVER TEAM TRAIL

## \$1500.00

**GUARANTEED**  
**1ST PLACE IN ALL 7 EVENTS**

<b>DATE</b>	<b>LAKE</b>	<b>RAMP</b>
<b>March 7</b>	<b>Weiss Lake</b>	<b>J.R.'s Marina</b>
<b>April 4</b>	<b>Logan Martin</b>	<b>Lakeside Landing</b>
<b>May 23</b>	<b>Neely Henry</b>	<b>Coosa Landing</b>
<b>June 13</b>	<b>Weiss Lake</b>	<b>J.R.'s Marina</b>
<b>July 11</b>	<b>Neely Henry</b>	<b>Coosa Landing</b>
<b>Aug. 1</b>	<b>Logan Martin</b>	<b>Lakeside Landing</b>
<b>Aug. 29</b>	<b>Neely Henry</b>	<b>Coosa Landing</b>

**CHAMPIONSHIP SEPT. 19 & 20**  
**LAKE NEELY HENRY • GADSDEN, ALABAMA**

(Must Fish Any 5 of the Above to Qualify)

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# COOSA RIVER TEAM TRAIL RULES:

**RULES:** These rules shall remain unchanged throughout the year season, unless it is the opinion of the tournament officials that an addition or change would further the concept of fairness to all. Interpretation and enforcement of all rules shall be left exclusively to the Director. The Director may impose sanctions as deemed appropriate for any rule infraction without limitations e.g., disqualification, forfeiture of prizes and/or entry fee, and prohibition from participation in subsequent tournaments. Federal, state, local and lake laws must be obeyed and shall supersede Coosa River Team Trail rules.

**ELIGIBILITY:** An annual Association Fee of \$25 per angler is required. A properly and completely filled out entry form, signed by both partners, along with the \$100 tournament entry fee and \$10 optional Big Bass Pot, must be submitted prior to the blast off of each tournament. One Team member must be at least 18 years of age. You must fish with the same partner each tournament. There will be NO substitutions. A Team cannot fish more than THREE (3) tournaments without a partner, unless they receive prior approval from the tournament director. You can change partners at any time, but you will not receive the points from a previous team.

**ALCOHOL & DRUGS:** During tournament hours, including the weigh in, the use of alcoholic beverages and/or narcotic drugs is strictly prohibited. Legally prescribed medications are permitted only if their use does not impair the user to the extent that they are a hazard to themselves or others.

**SPORTSMANSHIP:** Safe boating and high standards of sportsmanship and courtesy shall be observed at all times during the tournaments.

**SAFETY:** Safe boating conduct must be observed at all times. A chest type Personal Floatation Device (PFD) must be worn whenever the combustion engine is running, and a working kill switch must be attached to the operator.

**BOATS & MOTORS:** There is no horsepower limit, however, no engine may exceed the crafts BIA horsepower rating. All boats must meet U. S. Coast Guard regulations. All boats must have a functioning aerated live well that is sufficient enough to keep a limit of fish alive and in a releasable condition at the conclusion of the weigh in.

**TACKLE & EQUIPMENT:** Only artificial lures are permitted. No live bait or prepared bait is permitted. Only one rod may be used at a time. Additional rods may be prepared and ready to use, but each cast must be completed and the line out of the water before another cast can be made. Trolling by any mechanical means is prohibited. The use of underwater cameras is not permitted during competition, which would include any official practice days.

**PROTESTS:** All protests must be submitted, in writing, prior to the official closing of the scales.

**PERMITTED FISHING WATERS:** Any Off Limits will be announced prior to Blast off. No fishing within fifty (50) yards of another anchored boat with their trolling motor up, unless that boat operator gives everyone permission to be within their buffer area.

**CHECK-IN:** There shall be only one (1) official check-in point, which will be designated at blast-off. The official timekeeper's time is final. Failure to check in is grounds for disqualification. There will be a late penalty assessed at the rate of one (1) pound per minute for the first fifteen (15) minutes. After fifteen (15) minutes no weight will be allowed.

**POLYGRAPH:** All contestants are subject to polygraph testing. Failure to submit to testing will be grounds for disqualification.

**SCORING:** Only largemouth, smallmouth and spotted bass will be weighed. Fish will be measured on a flat board with mouth closed and tail pinched or fanned. The team limit is FIVE (5) fish with a minimum length of TWELVE (12) inches. Any team bringing a short fish to the scales will be penalized ONE (1) pound plus the loss of the short fish. Any team bringing more than a FIVE (5) fish limit to the scales will have their catch culled down to the FIVE (5) limit, starting with their largest fish. A penalty of .20 pounds will be assessed for every dead fish. The finale score will be the team's fish's total weight, minus any deductions for being late, bringing in a short fish or having any dead fish.

**CHAMPIONSHIP QUALIFICATIONS:** Participate in at least FIVE (5) events in order to automatically qualify for the Coosa River Team Trail Championship. The Entry Fee for the (2) TWO DAY Championship is \$150. Big Bass Entry Fee \$20 (Optional).

The Anglers of the Year and Championship Qualifiers will be determined by the points system, i.e., with 150 Teams, points will begin at 150 points for first place, 149 points for second place, 148 points for third, etc.

The team that has the highest total of points after the last of the seven Qualifier Tournaments will be the Anglers of the Year. They will have their entry fees paid for next year's Coosa River Team Trail's Qualifier Tournaments.

Fifteen (15) percent of the entry fees from each Qualifier Tournament will be held out to go into the Championship payout. One hundred (100) percent of all of the optional Big Bass entry fees will be paid out at the ramp at each tournament.

Payout Based on 100 boats (1 Place for every 5 Teams):

1st . . . . .1500	11th . . . . .300
2nd . . . . .1000	12th . . . . .250
3rd . . . . .800	13th . . . . .225
4th . . . . .650	14th . . . . .190
5th . . . . .550	15th . . . . .170
6th . . . . .500	16th . . . . .150
7th . . . . .450	17th . . . . .135
8th . . . . .400	18th . . . . .120
9th . . . . .360	19th . . . . .110
10th . . . . .330	20th . . . . .100




**CHAMPIONSHIP**

**Date: TBA**

**\$300 Entry Fee**

# 2009 ENTRY FORM

- Entry Fee Will Be \$100.00 Per Team
- \$10 Big Bass Pot Is Optional
- \$25 Annual Association Fee Per Angler

*Make Checks Payable To: Coosa River Team Trail*

*Mail To: Barbara Wetzel, Director  
701 Lakeshore Avenue E.  
Southside, Alabama 35907  
Phone: (256) 413-7337*

**Email: Bascat2@aol.com Website: CoosariverTeamTrail.org**

**Date:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Location:** \_\_\_\_\_

## BOATER

**Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Address:** \_\_\_\_\_

**City:** \_\_\_\_\_

**State:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Zip Code:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Phone:** \_\_\_\_\_

**SSN:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Email:** \_\_\_\_\_

**I have read the Participation Agreement & Release and agree with all terms**  
*(Must be completely filled out)*

**Signature:** \_\_\_\_\_

## NON BOATER

**Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Address:** \_\_\_\_\_

**City:** \_\_\_\_\_

**State:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Zip Code:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Phone:** \_\_\_\_\_

**SSN:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Email:** \_\_\_\_\_

**I have read the Participation Agreement & Release and agree with all terms**  
*(Must be completely filled out)*

**Signature:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Parent, if minor:** \_\_\_\_\_