# MARION COUNTY BASSMASTERS 2026-27 SCHEDULE

**80% Payback, $40 per Angler. (Includes Big Bass)**

**For more info check out Marioncountybassmasters.com. Meetings Held at 7pm Terry's Ocala!**

| Meetings | Tournament Date | Lake | Boat Ramps-Addresses |
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| Nov 9th | Nov 14th | Harris | Venetian Gardens – 109 East Dixie Ave, Leesburg |
| Dec 8th | Dec 12th | Rousseau | Dam Ramp – 10905 W. Riverwood Dr, Crystal River |
| Jan 5th | Jan 9th | Apopka | Macdonald Ramp – 24600 CR 448-8 Mount Dora |
| Feb 9th | Feb 13th | Astor | Butler St Ramp – 55400 Butler St, Astor |
| March 9th | March TBA | Rodman | Kenwood – 115 Kenwood Boat Ramp Rd, Interlachen |
| April 6th | April 10th | Toho | Big Toho Marina – 201 Lakeview Dr, Kissimmee |
| May 4th | May TBA | Panasoffkee | Tracy's Point – 950 CR 437, Lake Panasoffkee |
| June 8th | June TBA | Eustis | Buzzards Beach – 2030 W. Burliegh Blvd, Tavares |
| July 6th | July 10th | Rousseau | Dam Ramp – 10905 W. Riverwood Dr, Crystal River |
| Aug 10th | Aug 14th | Minneola | Clermont Boat Ramp – 140 East Ave, Clermont |
| Sept 7th | Sept 11th | Griffin | Herlong Park – 700 N Blvd E, Leesburg |

**Oct 4th Oct 9th & 10th Seminole Spring Creek- 7863 Reynold's Landing Road, Donalsonville GA**
**ALT Lake Orange Lake -Heagy-Burry-5040 NW 191st Pl, Reddick FL**

**Membership Info: In Order to participate in Marion County Bassmasters tournaments you must be a registered member of B.A.S.S. and a member of the FL BASS Nation. You must pay dues of $60 for the year. Dues make you a member of FL BASS Nation and Marion County Bassmasters. Dues also make you eligible to compete in FL BASS Nation qualifier tournaments (Could Lead you to the Bassmaster's Classic) and participate in the Bassmaster Elite's Marshall Program. Dues also give you a one year membership to BASS Times magazine. Any questions contact one of the following club officers.**

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## Tournament Rules

**1) There will be no minimum fish size. It is the participant's responsibility to attain and sign a Black Bass Tournament Exemption Permit in his/her possession from take-off to release (after weigh-in) of the fish into the same body of water from which it was caught.**
**2) All Boats must have a working livewell capable of sustaining their catch.**
**3) Safe boating conduct must be observed at all times. Life vests must be worn when the boat is on plane and boat lights are required til after sunrise. No Alcoholic beverages permitted during tournament hours. The kill switch is recommended to be hooked up to the driver when the gas-powered motor is on and running.**
**4) No more than five fish per boat. Culling of dead fish is prohibited. Note on slot lakes you can only keep three fish per boat. There will be a 1/4lb penalty per dead fish. If that dead fish is big bass a 1/4lb will be deducted from big bass.**
**5) In the event of a tie. The angler/team that has a legal live limit will win the tie. In the result the anglers/teams that are both tied have legal live limits then the angler/team with the biggest bass will win the tie.**
**6) Only artificial baits Shall be used. Live Bait is Prohibited! Only one pole per angler in the water at one time. Trolling as a method of fishing is prohibited. Culling of fish at the ramp is prohibited.**
**7) At least one angler in the boat must be 18yrs of age. All boats must return to the launch ramp by the given weigh in time. Late penalty is 1/4lb penalty per minute, after 15 minutes you will be disqualified. In the event of a break down, one or both anglers can return in another competitors boat with their catch or be towed in to the ramp by anyone available. All anglers must return to the ramp by water by the given weigh in time unless approved by the Tournament Director in the state of an emergency with the President being the final authority. If an angler leaves early please text a club officer so that they are aware.**
**8) No fishing within 50 yards of another contestant who has their trolling motor is the stowed position and is anchored. No fishing within 50 feet from a contestant with the trolling in the down position.**
**9) Protests must be received prior to payouts to the Tournament Director. Tournament Committee will vote and announce the final decision.**
**10) Any contestant receiving a fine or citation while fishing a tournament will be disqualified. All state and local laws as well as club rules must be complied with at all times. Any violation of club and or tournament rules may be grounds for disqualification.**
**11) Anyone arriving late to tournament take-off must call and inform a club officer. Additionally, the boater must find a club officer to have their live well checked.**
**12) Tournament Committee has the right to refuse any entry.**
**13) To fish the classic the boater and co-angler must fish at least 5 of the Marion County Bassmaster tournaments. Up to one tournament can be paid for in the event the club member can't fish 5 tournaments. There must be a tournament on the schedule to be paid in on. Take off order for Day 1 of the Classic will be based on points, Day 2 will be based off of Day 1's weights.**
**14) All boaters must show and maintain $300,000 liability insurance coverage on their boats in order to participate in tournaments.**
**15) Guests may come and fish one tournament by invite of a club member only (Lifetime) and must fish with a member of the club. Guests will not be required to pay dues, however they must be members of B.A.S.S. and have proper required insurance on their boats. They must pay tournament entry.**

16) Refunds. Once boat numbers begin to be called off at launch there will be no refunds of tournament entries. If you are experiencing any boat issues or issues of any kind and are at

**the tournament, but, choose not to fish or are unable to fish you must notify a club officer and/or the tournament director before boat numbers are called off in order to get a refund.**

**17) Boat Requirements: There will be no regulation on Horsepower of motors. Boats that have poling platforms or raised platforms will not be permitted.**

**18) Bass Nation Members from other clubs may join Marion County Bassmasters for the $5 Club Dues as long as their Bass Nation Dues are Current. Said member has from Nov until Feb to join the club for $5. Bass Nation Members from other clubs that wish to join after the Feb tournament must pay the complete $60 dues to Marion County Bassmasters and that money will go into the Classic Pot.**

**19) When participating in Marion County Bassmaster's Club tournaments members will only be allowed to participate in the Marion County Club Tournament. It is prohibited to fish another tournament that may be in process on the same date at the same location for club members. The only exception to this rule is if there is a Bass Nation Tournament in process on the same date and location (meaning boat ramp) then members will be permitted to fish in both the club tournament and the Bass Nation event, however, club members must launch with Marion County Bassmasters and weigh in on Marion County Bassmaster's scales first.**