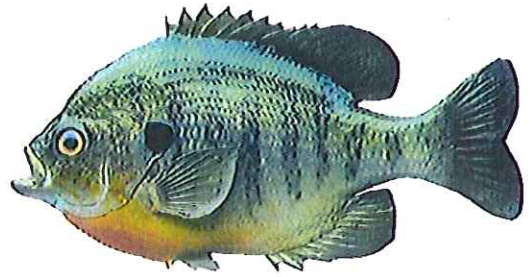


Pana Vista Lodge and Big & Wild Outdoors Radio Present

3rd Annual



Panfish Challenge

Sponsored by Brandon Ford

Saturday, June 10, 2017 8 a.m. - 1 p.m. Pana Vista Lodge

3417 Co Rd 421, Lake Panasoffkee, FL 33538

Additional Details

- \$25/boat preregistered
- \$35/boat day of
- All boat entry fees will be

donated to

Sumter County
FFA Alumni &



Where Miracles Happen for Kids

Prizes

- 1st Place \$500
- 2nd Place \$300
- 3rd Place \$200
- Largest Bluegill \$100
- Largest Shellcracker \$100

Register today by calling (352) 793-2061

For rules & more info:  The Big and Wild Outdoors

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LAKE PANASOFFKEE, FL



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Rules, Regulations & Entry:

Scoring

- Heaviest 12 panfish per boat wins
 - 1st Place: \$500.00
 - 2nd Place: \$300.00
 - 3rd Place: \$200.00
- Additional prizes for heaviest fish:
 - Heaviest Bluegill: \$100.00
 - Heaviest Redear Sunfish (Shellcracker): \$100.00.
- It is up to the team to select which 12 fish they want to have weighed and which individual Bluegill and Shellcracker they wish to have weighed.
- All fish must be caught between 8 a.m. and 1 p.m. Weigh-in will take place from 12:00 pm to 1pm.

General

- All boats are eligible, but there may not be more people on the boat than the boat is Coast Guard approved for.
- Pre-Entry fee is \$25 per boat or \$35 per boat the day of the event.
- Motors must not exceed Coast Guard specifications for the boat.
- Boats must be properly registered and have all state and Coast Guard required safety equipment.
- Although all participants are encouraged to keep caught fish alive and release them after weigh-in, there is no prohibition against keeping and eating what you catch.
- Only Florida Native panfish count – Bluegill, Red ear Sunfish, Redbreast Sunfish, and Spotted Sunfish. For identification please refer to the FWC's identification table found here: <http://myfwc.com/wildlifehabitats/profiles/fish/freshwater/>
- The Panfish Challenge will take place at Pana Vista Lodge located on Lake Panasoffkee's private access ramp where the anglers must check-in. Weigh-in will also be at the Pana Vista Lodge bait house, followed by the award ceremony.
- All rules interpretation and decisions are at the discretion of the tournament director.

Teams

- We would like to encourage each team to include 1 minor child in our Panfish Challenge; however, the operator of the boat must be at least 18 years of age and have completed the FWC Boater's Education class (In order to operate a motorboat of ten (10) horsepower or greater, Florida law requires anyone who was born on or after Jan. 1, 1988 to successfully complete **an approved boating safety course** and obtain a Boating Safety Education Identification Card issued by the FWC).
- The prize money will remain the same, regardless of the number of anglers on the boat.
- Teams may be composed of any combination of anglers; the entry fee is for the boat.

Safety

- Safe boat operation must be practiced at all times. Participants are to abide by all applicable state and local boating laws.
- The use of alcohol and other mind altering substances is prohibited during tournament and weigh-in.

Sportsmanship

- Participants are expected to conduct themselves in a civilized and sportsman-like manner. Arguing, fighting, and other acts of violence will not be tolerated and will result in disqualification from tournament and possible loss of eligibility to participate in future tournaments.
- **Please remember that this is a family friendly event and conduct yourself accordingly.**

Tournament Rules

- All state and local regulations (for size and bag limits) will be applicable.
- All fish must be caught and in a conventional and legal sporting manner.
- All fish must be caught during normal tournament hours.
- *Only 1 rod per person is to be in use at any given time.*
- Boats must maintain a distance of 25 yards from a boat that is anchored.
- Participants must maintain a safe and courteous distance from other boats while fishing.
- Depth finders, fish finders, and GPS units are acceptable.
- All legal baits are acceptable.
- Landing nets are acceptable.
- Participants shall not leave their boats during a tournament except for an emergency.
- Anglers shall not block navigational routes.
- Fishing is allowed only in waters that are accessible to all participants.
- Ties will be broken by the following methods and in this order:
 - A. Team with the heaviest combined Bluegill AND Shellcracker
 - B. First team in with 12 fish.
 - C. Even split of prize money and "draw straws" for affected trophies.
- Big Bluegill and Sunfish ties will result in an even split of prize money and "draw straws" for trophy.
- Each team is responsible for boat ramp fees where applicable.
- Weigh-in will be as you arrive up to 1pm. All Boat operators must report their arrival to the check in area before 1pm.

Penalties

- *Being late for weigh-in will result in a penalty of 1 pound per minute with disqualification occurring after 5 minutes.*
- There is no dead fish penalty, **but teams found using fish not caught during tournament hours will be disqualified and forbidden from participation in future events.**

Fees

- Tournament entry fee is \$25 per boat for pre-entry.
- Day-of entries will be available for \$35. "Day-of" boats will check in after all other pre-registered boats.

Goal

- Our goal is to promote family fishing with kids and to provide a means for everyone to enjoy themselves in the spirit of the great outdoors... and have fun!

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Entry Form:

Name of Boat or Team: _____

Boat Operator Name: _____

Boat Operator Signature: _____

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Total Number of Anglers: _____

Number of Anglers under that age of 18: _____

For additional information and to secure rental boats and/or lodging,
please contact Jim Veal at Pana Vista Lodge (352)793-2061

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