ALL TOURNAMENTS

4/7 @ Sutton 4/21 @ Burnsville 5/5 @ Summersville 5/19 @ Kanawha-Nitro 6/2-3 @ Mon River (*BT Championship*)

BNWV
C/O Ed Vozniak
51 Juniper Drive
Bridgeport, WV 26330

All participants must have Boat Liability Insurance form with them on the boat! These will be randomly checked at ramp. Anyone without proper Insurance will be disqualified from the tournament.

Entry Fee---\$100.00 (includes lunker)

RULES INTERPRETATIONS: The *Tournament Committee* is solely responsible for the interpretation and enforcement of tournament rules. Its decision will be final in all instances. All protests must be turned in to the *Tournament Director* no later than 15 minutes after the closing of the scales. All protests must be in writing.

ELIGIBILITY: These tournaments are open only to anglers affiliated with *B.A.S.S. Nation* and the *B.A.S.S. Nation of West Virginia (BNWV)* and they must be members in good standing at the time of the event. All participants must be members of a registered club with the *BNWV*.

REGISTRATION: Entries must be received by Wednesday before the event! Late entries will not be accepted! Starting positions are determined by a random drawing of numbers using the *Pro Tournament Software*.

SCORING: The *Buddy Trail* tournaments are team events and the score will be based on a team's total weight in pounds. The tournament limit is **5** bass, 12 inches or longer. **Participants cannot cull dead fish.** A **dead fish will not be weighed for lunker.** In the event of a tie, points and prize money will be split. First place gets 100 points; second place gets 99 points, etc. In the event that a team member cannot fish an event, the other partner is permitted to fish alone for team points or fish one tournament with a substitute partner that is a member in good standing with the *BNWV*. *BT Final Standings Top 15* teams advance to the *State Championship*. **TOURNAMENT HOURS:** Tournaments will run from 7:00 a.m. to 4:00 p. m. *Tournament Director* has the right to change start time due to low visibility.

PENALTIES: All participants must check in with tournament officials at the official check-in site. Participants arriving late for weigh-in will be penalized 1 pound per minute. Any participants arriving 10 minutes late will loose the entire weight of their fish for that day. If a dead fish is weighed, 4 ounces will be deducted per dead fish and a short fish is a 1 pound penalty.

SAFETY: All participants will wear a *U.S. Coast Guard*-approved life preserver while the combustible engine is running. All participants will abide by all state and federal laws. All boat operators will attach an operable kill switch while the combustion engine is running.

SPORTSMANSHIP: All participants shall observe high standards of ethics, sportsmanship, personal conduct, and abide by all state rules and regulations. Possession or use of alcohol or illegal drugs is strictly prohibited during competition hours. Trolling as a method of fishing is prohibited. Only one rod may be in use per participant at one time. **Participants may not use any communication device for the purpose of locating or catching fish.**

INSURANCE: All participants must maintain liability insurance equal to \$300,000.00 of liability coverage for the boat they are using. By signing this form, the participant certifies that the \$300,000.00 of liability insurance coverage for the boat is in effect during the time of this tournament.

POLYGRAPH: All participants agree that they will, if required by the *Tournament Director*, submit to a polygraph examination. Participants further agree that the results of the polygraph will be accepted without further appeal. Failure to take or successfully pass a polygraph examination will result in immediate disqualification without recourse.

By signing this form, I agree to hold the *B.A.S.S. Nation of WV* harmless should any injury or damage result to me or my property. I also agree to abide by the above rules and all *B.A.S.S.* rules that, if not otherwise addressed on this form, apply during these events. You can find these additional rules on the *B.A.S.S. Nation* web site.

Boater:	Non Boater:
	Address:
Address:	Address:
Club Name:	Club Name:
Phone:	Phone:
Signature: Triton Gold Participant	Signature: