



**THE Chamber**  
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WORLD'S FOREMOST OUTFITTER®

# CATFISH TOURNAMENT

## East Grand Forks, Minnesota

### Big Bud Prize

Heaviest Catfish



### Mike's Mystery Catfish

Daily Prize



MAKE IT MIKE'S™

## July 27 & 28, 2013

**\$230.00** Entry Fee Per Two Person Team

1st Place.....\$4,227	9th Place.....\$552	17th Place.....\$207
2nd Place.....\$2,432	10th Place.....\$500	18th Place.....\$207
3rd Place.....\$1,794	11th Place.....\$431	19th Place.....\$207
4th Place.....\$1,070	12th Place.....\$414	20th Place.....\$207
5th Place.....\$828	13th Place.....\$378	21st Place.....\$207
6th Place.....\$725	14th Place.....\$328	22nd Place.....\$207
7th Place.....\$673	15th Place.....\$207	23rd Place.....\$207
8th Place.....\$621	16th Place.....\$207	24th Place.....\$207
		25th Place.....\$207

Guaranteed entry for the top 10 teams from the 2012 tournament. Must be the same team members that participated in the 2012 tournament. \*See Official Rules on back for details and restrictions (rule #1)

For More Information Contact:

The Chamber: 701-772-7271, info@gochamber.org or www.gochamber.org

WE ALSO NEED VOLUNTEERS WITH BOATS TO SERVE AS OFFICIALS. PLEASE CONTACT THE CHAMBER IF YOU KNOW SOMEONE WHO CAN HELP.

### 2013 Cats Incredible Tournament Entry Form

(Please print ALL Information below for valid entry form)

Name \_\_\_\_\_  
 Address \_\_\_\_\_  
 City \_\_\_\_\_ St \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_  
 Soc. Sec.# \_\_\_\_\_  
 Phone \_\_\_\_\_  
 Age \_\_\_\_\_ #Years fished Cats Incredible \_\_\_\_\_

Name \_\_\_\_\_  
 Address \_\_\_\_\_  
 City \_\_\_\_\_ St \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_  
 Soc. Sec.# \_\_\_\_\_  
 Phone \_\_\_\_\_  
 Age \_\_\_\_\_ #Years fished Cats Incredible \_\_\_\_\_

Did this team place in the top 10 in the 2012 tournament?  Yes  No

Incomplete or unsigned applications will be returned! ENTRY FEE: \$230 per team of 2 - Make checks or money orders payable to:  
 The Chamber - 202 N. 3rd St. - Grand Forks, ND 58203

I (we) have read and understand the rules. I (we) release with our signature(s) all sponsors and officials concerned from any and all responsibility and liability. I (we) further give The Chamber permission to publish in print, electronic, or video format, our image or likeness. I (we) release all claims with respect to copyright further give The Chamber permission to publish in the use of such material. (Both contestants MUST sign.)

Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_ Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

## 26th Annual Cats Incredible Catfish Tournament – July 27 & 28, 2013

Ten Fish Limit – 5 Each Day

Fishing Hours (Both Days) – 7:00 a.m.–4:00 p.m.

Must have working AM/FM radio in boat!

1. Eligibility: Limited to 125 two-person teams. Must fish from boats. **Registration begins on Tuesday, December 11, 2012. Registration forms may be dropped off at The Chamber or postmarked that day. The top 10 teams from the 2012 tournament are guaranteed a spot if the teams are identical and the completed registration form is postmarked between November 26 and December 11, 2012.** On the day the registrations exceed 125 those received or postmarked THAT day will be put into a lottery drawing to fill the tournament. The remaining registrations will be placed on the waiting list. Each contestant must sign an entry/release form. Applications must be complete when registering or they will be rejected. Tournament officials reserve the right to refuse entry to anyone
2. Entry Fees: Entry fee is \$230/team. Cash, personal checks, money orders or visa/mastercard are accepted for entry fees. All forms of payment will be deposited on the day the entry form is processed and confirmation of entry is sent to entrants. Entries are non-refundable and may not be resold. All entries must be received by July 12, 2013. Cash, visa/mastercard or money orders only after July 12. No team changes will be accepted after 5 pm on July 26th. Team cancellations made after July 12th will not be refunded. The committee may make exceptions and refund the entry fee if a replacement team is located and participates in the tournament. (Rule 19 may apply)
3. Replacements: Only one team member can be replaced. One member of the original team must fish. The replacement cannot be or have been on a team that has an assigned team number for 2013. The replacement can be on the waiting list. Team changes must be made in writing to include signature of both team members. Changes in the teams may be made until 5 pm on July 26th, HOWEVER, there will be a \$25 charge for any changes made after July 12th.
4. Promoters: Tournament officials, sponsors and organizations assisting in the tournament operation, their agencies, agents, etc. are not responsible for deaths, injuries, damages, liability, theft, fire or any loss of any kind to entrants. By signing the entry form, you release all promoters, as defined, of any liability.
5. Orientation Meeting: Friday, July 26th at 6:30 p.m. at the south ramp. At least one member of each team should attend. Last minute instructions will be given at that time. If necessary, start times will be issued.
6. State & Local Ordinances: All state and/or local ordinances will be enforced. A valid ND or MN fishing license is required by each team member. Violations will result in disqualification. Tournament Rule: Only 1 single hook. No treble hooks, stinger hooks or smelt hooks, etc. Participants can only step out of the boat at the official ramps. Absolutely NO fishing is allowed unless both team members are in the boat. Violations of this rule will result in immediate disqualification.
7. Boundaries: Only on the Red River. From the Riverside Dam to the Thompson Bridge
8. Fishing Hours: Contestants can fish on the Red River only during tournament hours. Pre-fishing is allowed until 5 pm, July 26th. Tournament hours are 7 am until 4 pm. Delays due to weather are at the discretion of the tournament directors.
9. Limits: Tournament limit is 10 fish per team. Only 5 fish may be weighed on each day. All fish must be at least 12 inches in length. If a fish is less than 12 inches, it counts toward the daily limit but will not be weighed. Only 2 fish per day may be OVER 24 inches in length. If a
10. Catch & Release: Fish must be carried to the weigh station in coolers with water proportionate to the size of the fish. NO STRINGERS! Each team is encouraged to use 60-qt. tote to help with safety of fish. It is unlawful to release any fish that has been on a stringer or stored in a basket. Those fish are the responsibility of the contestants and will count toward the daily limit with no weight. All fish kept in live wells will be released into the river, if healthy. Weigh in often.
11. Weigh-In: Weigh-in is at the official weigh station at LaFave Park. Fishermen must have their fish inside the corral by 4:00 pm or assigned weigh in time at the ramp. Each team must only transport their own fish/coolers. No fish will be counted after the deadlines. Fishermen are responsible for the accuracy of the final weigh slips and that one copy remains at the weigh station.
12. Scoring: Dead fish, as determined by the officials, will count toward your daily limit but will not be weighed. Any altered fish will result in disqualification. All officials' decisions are final.
13. Prizes: Based on the total weight (pounds & ounces) for both days. If less than 125 teams are entered, prizes will be reduced pro portionally. Based on 125 teams, prizes will be awarded as listed on the front of this application.
14. Ties: Ties are decided first by the heaviest fish caught and then by the weigh-in times. Heaviest fish competition ties will be decided by weigh-in times.
15. Identification: Team ID must be worn & visible at all times. Each team MUST return their tournament ID when done fishing for the day. Team number must be affixed to boat and visible. Only 1 team per boat. No passengers.
16. Protests: The tournament committee or any contestant can protest any team, contestant, tournament official or decision. The protest must be filed in writing with the tournament director no later than 5 pm on the day of the incident. The tournament committee appoints a 3-person protest committee to hear both sides of any protest. A polygraph may be utilized if so decided by the protest committee. The decision of the protest committee is final in all cases.
17. Sportsmanship: Competitors are expected to follow the highest standards of sportsmanship, courtesy, safety and conservation. Disorderly conduct and drunkenness will not be tolerated. A no wake rule when passing boats is in effect between 7:30 am and 3:30 pm. No wake at south launch south to the Point Bridge and north to the Sorlie Bridge. When there is shore fishing, the no wake rule is in effect at all times. The no wake rules will be strictly enforced and violators may be disqualified. Be courteous and leave adequate space between your boat and a competitor's boat when anchoring as well. On water tournament and public safety officials have priority at ramps. Any infraction of these fundamentals may be cause for disqualification.
18. Patrols: Officials are at many locations, observing teams. Any sign of cheating may result in disqualification.
19. Rules may be changed at the discretion of the Tournament Rules Committee. The rules committee consists of 3 tournament officials who are not fishing. Violations of any rules may result in disqualification from the tournament.

Rules adopted on September 25, 2012 by the Cats Incredible Tournament Committee.

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### CREDIT CARD PAYMENTS

Please print clearly. Incomplete or illegible card numbers will be cause for return of entry form.

Full Name (as it appears on card) \_\_\_\_\_ Amount \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Card Number \_\_\_\_\_ Card Type: VISA \_\_\_\_\_ MC \_\_\_\_\_

Expiration Date: \_\_\_\_\_ V-Code (last 3 digits on back side of card) \_\_\_\_\_

Authorized Signature \_\_\_\_\_

**For office use only. Do not write below this line.**

Date Entry Form Received/Postmarked \_\_\_\_\_

Team Number Assigned \_\_\_\_\_

Confirmation Sent \_\_\_\_\_

Date Processed \_\_\_\_\_