

Bass Tournaments

There are many junior fishing clubs where you can compete in fishing tournaments. Points are given to the anglers who catch the heaviest weight of fish in a tournament. The anglers with the most points from each club fish in a state tournament. The winner of this tournament represents their state at a Junior World Championship where they fish for a chance to win college scholarships.

Competition fishing at the college level has become very popular. Many colleges and universities have clubs and may pick students for the teams. Some have student scholarships, sponsors and team uniforms. These teams compete in regional and national tournaments. College fishing is on television, so you can cheer for your favorite college team on the water.

Some anglers make a career out of fishing and become professionals. These



The Penn State team at the 2007 National Collegiate Bass Fishing Championship.

anglers compete for money and the chance to fish in championship tournaments. They have sponsors that provide support. There are several professional tournament series. For more information about tournaments, visits these websites:

- www.bassmaster.com/tournaments
- www.collegiatebasschampionship.com
- www.flwoutdoors.com/bassfishing/collegefishing
- www.midatlanticyouthanglers.com

If you have a passion for *fishing*, join a local club.

It could be the start of a *professional career.*



www.fishandboat.com