**2023 Troutcast at Lake Cuyamaca**

**Itinerary**

**Friday April 14th -** Angler check-in will be held at the general store, (**15027 Highway 79, Julian, CA 92036**) from 4:00 PM to 7:00 PM.  It is strongly recommended however that you register before April 12th online.

**Saturday April 15th -** Late angler check-in will be held at **Lake Cuyamaca South** parking lot, (**15027 Highway 79, Julian, CA 92036**) from 6:00 AM to 8:00 AM.  It is strongly recommended however that you register before April 12th online.  Fishing will begin on Saturday morning, April 15th at sunup and continue until 3 pm.  There will be 3 official weigh stations available during both days of the event.  The scales will be open all day from 8:00 AM until 3:00 PM.  There will be 4 weigh-in segments each day.  Those time periods are listed above.

**Sunday April 16th -** Fishing will begin on Sunday morning, April 16th at sunup and continue until 3 pm.  There will be 3 official weigh stations available during both days of the event.  The scales will be open last hour of each weigh-in segment.  There will be 4 weigh-in segments each day.  Those time periods are listed below.

We will be awarding a total of 16 prize packs during the 2-day event. There will be 8 overall Big Fish segment winners in both the Adult and Junior divisions.  The Biggest Fish each day will also be winning a package. The Bonus Bucks cash prizes will also be split into 8 separate envelopes and given to the 8 Adult segment winners based on $5 from each entry going into the Bonus Bucks Pool.

**Saturday 4/15/23**

Period 1 - SUNUP - 9:00 AM

Weigh-In 1 - 8:00 AM - 9:00 AM - 1 Adult and 1 Junior winner

Period 2 - 9:01 AM 11:00 AM

Weigh-In 2 - 10:0 AM - 11:00 PM - 1 Adult and 1 Junior winner

Period 3 - 11:01 AM - 1:00 PM

Weigh-In 3 - 12:01 PM - 1:00 PM - 1 Adult and 1 Junior winner

Period 4 - 1:01 PM - 3:00 PM

Weigh-In 4 - 2:00 PM - 3:00 PM - 1 Adult and 1 Junior winner

**Sunday 4/16/23**

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Weigh-In 4 - 2:00 PM - 3:00 PM - 1 Adult and 1 Junior winner

**Boat Owners**

Private boaters launching vessels on Lake Cuyamaca are required to submit their vessel for quagga inspection before launching.

**Quagga Mussels**

These are a non-native, invasive species that were introduced to the U.S. in the mid 80’s by a ship transporting cargo from the Black Sea.  Since that time, they have slowly spread throughout the Great Lakes drainage.  The result is billions in damage to man-made structures, decimation of fisheries, and an overall negative impact on the ecosystem.In January of 2007, Quagga Mussels were discovered in Lake Mead, Nevada.  This is the first time they have been found west of the Rockies.  Since this time, they have spread throughout the Colorado River chain and into many Southern California Lakes fed by this water source.  As a result of this spread, many water agencies are adopting a variety of methods in dealing with the Quagga—methods that have gone as far as closing lakes to the public.

*Western Outdoor News* in conjunction with Lake Cuyamaca urges you as a boat owner to take the time to familiarize yourself with boat cleaning procedures prior to coming to Lake Cuyamaca.  For information on boat cleaning requirements and procedures and the Quagga Mussel crisis, please visit or [www.wildlife.ca.gov/Conservation/Invasives/Quagga-Mussels](http://www.wildlife.ca.gov/Conservation/Invasives/Quagga-Mussels) .  Thanks for helping to prevent the spread of this alien species.