

Calamus Tournament Recap- 6/24 & 6/25

Calamus is in the books and unfortunately it was a tough one. Fishing weeks prior had been very hot on Calamus until the big cold front blew in Thursday before the tournament. Anglers fished in some very strong winds pre fishing Friday and again in the afternoon on Saturday and made boat loading a little interesting. As in every tournament though there were a few teams that managed to put some fish in the boat.

Day 1:

Saturday started off beautifully with light variable winds and high hopes for many. It ended with strong winds and many hopes dashed. The winning team of Waldron/Waldron Saturday was west by Valley View and pulling crank baits for their fish in 12-16 foot of water. 2nd place team Stender/Stender and 3rd place team Woerth/Paul were also west pulling crank baits.

Day 2:

A new day and even tougher fishing. Day 2 saw half the amount of fish coming across the scales as day 1, but the 1st place team of Debrie/Schroder managed the only 5 fish limit of the weekend (almost a 1/3 of the total fish weighed day 2) and were live baiting over the trees. The team used their spot lock on the Minn Kota trolling motor to position themselves over the mid lake trees by the no wake line. Fishing started hot for them as they had their bag by 10:30am and the bite shut off. The 2nd place team of Pavelka/Pavelka and 3rd place team of McShane/Frese were pulling on the west end for their fish.

Congratulations to all the winners from the weekend. A special thank you to our sponsors and the Burwell Chamber of commerce for the exceptional treatment. We'd like to thank all the anglers for coming out and hope you had a good experience at the tournament. Jason and I are looking forward to future events and are doing what we can to give the anglers the best tournament environment possible. Hope to see you all at Lewis and Clark next 7/15 & 7/16.

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