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To all SE Region anglers,

Merry Christmas and Happy New year to all anglers and your families.

As we roll into the upcoming 2024 season. I want to share with you anglers where we stand as a region. Last year we had the lowest participation in our region events, and I am confident that we will have less participation this upcoming season. This economic hardship is felt by all. You will notice an increase in our entry fee for the region events and I want to take a moment to explain the increase.

Our region has had an entry free championship for the 18yrs I have fished the SE region. In years past the monies earned from our raffles has covered those expenses as well as some extra giveaways at each Top 40 championship. Over the last 4 yrs the raffle income has not been covering the costs and the region has had to supplement that money from our region account.

At our last SE Region directors meeting the club presidents decided to increase our entry fee by \$5.00. 100% of the extra \$5.00 goes directly towards the Top 40 championship payout. This will keep our championship entry free and when the economy recovers the region directors and club presidents can revisit this policy in the future and either remove it or enhance as needed to meet the SE Region anglers needs.

We are looking forward to the 2024 season and hope you will come fish with us. Enjoy your holidays as 1-27-24 on Rayburn is right around the corner. Take care all and I hope everyone has the best Christmas and New Years.

Thank you,

Matt Russell