

## WEDNESDAY, APRIL 9<sup>TH</sup> – 6:00 PM BAILEY BLESER –

## **B.A.S.S. TOURNAMENT ANGLER**

## SMALLMOUTH BASS AND THE SPRING TRANSITION

Bailey is an avid tournament angler who grew up in southeastern Wisconsin. He began fishing bass tournaments at age 11. After founding a high school fishing team at Catholic Central High School in Burlington Wisconsin, Bailey found success fishing high school tournaments across the country and in turn received a scholarship to attend McKendree University in southern Illinois to compete as a

member of their bass fishing team. Bailey spent four years fishing college tournaments across the country during his time at McKendree University and had numerous top 10 finishes at national level events including a win at Lake of The Ozarks in the 2021 Major League Fishing College Central Open.

Bailey now works in the corporate wellness field and spends countless hours on the waters of southeastern and central Wisconsin chasing smallmouth and largemouth bass.

Bailey continues to compete in tournaments across the nation fishing the Bassmaster Opens as well as local events including the Lake Geneva



Anglers Choice series and the Sturgeon Bay Bass Open. He has finished in the money in three recent Bassmaster Opens; and he has fifteen top ten finishes, out of twenty-one tournaments, in the Lake Geneva Anglers Choice series. He finished 20<sup>th</sup> in 2023, and 4<sup>th</sup> in 2024, in the Sturgeon Bay Bass Opens.

Bleser will be speaking on the spring migration patterns and behaviors of smallmouth bass around the spawn. Focusing specifically on what types of locations and structures to seek out during the prespawn, spawn, and immediate post spawn time frames. This will be another rare treat, like Brian Post in 2024, having a local professional angler from the prestigious Bassmaster Open tournament series speak at our club.

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