

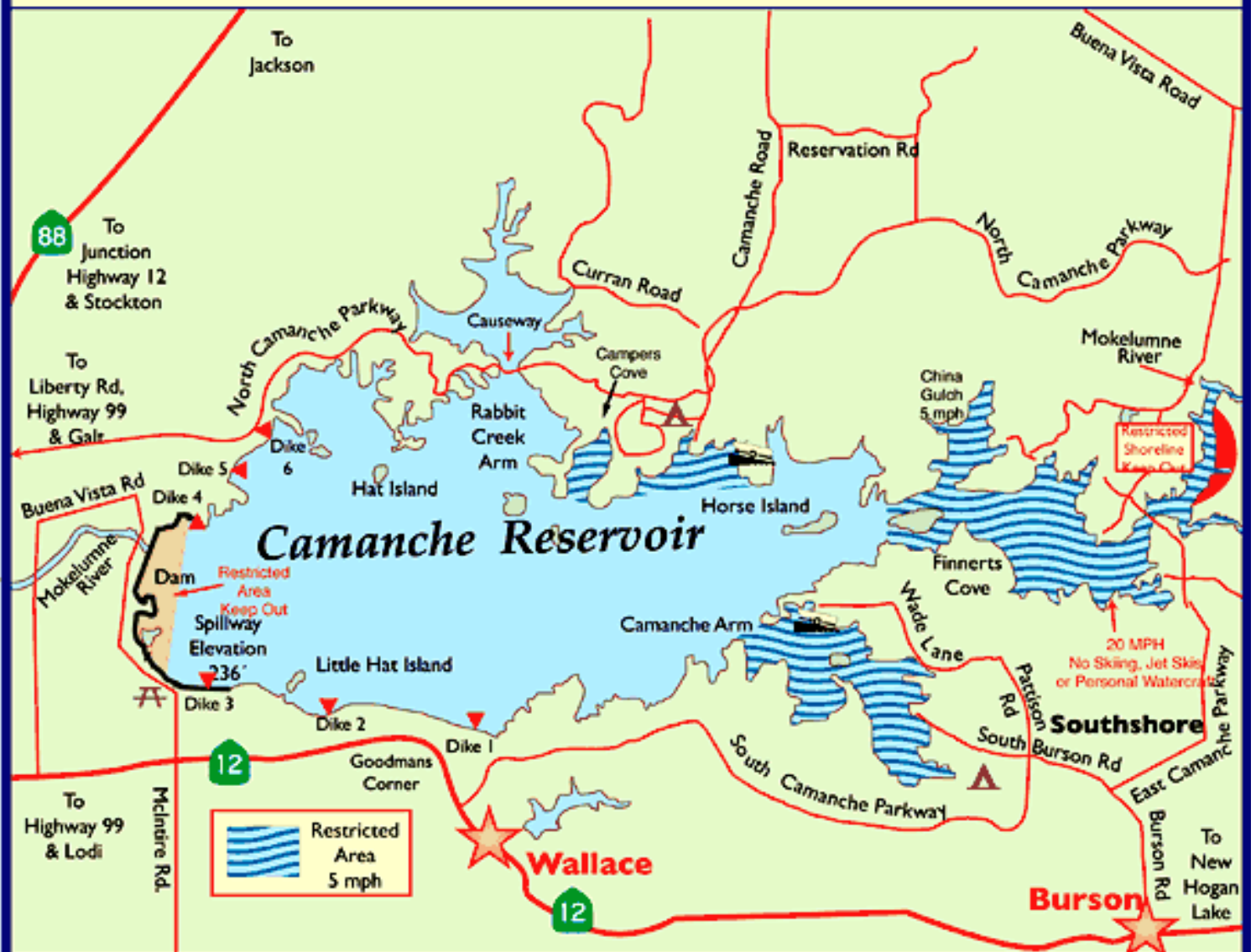
THE ROOSTER TAILS CAMANCHE LAKE TROUT TOURNAMENT
MEMBERS ONLY – WEDNESDAY, MARCH 21, 2018
REGISTRATION & TOURNAMENT RULES

The **Rooster Tails March 21st Camanche Lake Trout Tournament Member's Cash Tournament** will be launching from the South Shore boat ramp at safe-light on **Wednesday, March 21, with a 2:00 p.m. weigh-in at the South Shore boat ramp parking lot.** Camanche Lake South Shore, (11700 Wade Lane, Valley Springs, CA 95252) gate opens at 5:00 a.m. with a tow-vehicle/boat/parking fee of \$17.00, plus a \$6.25 per person fishing access permit. Shore fishermen are encouraged to fish the South Shore trout pond or from various lake-shore access points around the lake. Shore angler's fee is \$9.00 per person, plus \$6.25 fishing access permit. A Camanche Fishing Permit plus a 2018 fishing license must be in possession by each person. Boat owners are encouraged to pick-up an invasive species boat inspection form at our breakfast meeting and complete it in advance of arriving at the lake to expedite access. Coordinate and find new fishing partners by accessing the Rooster Tail's web site **MEMBERS ONLY** tab. All club members, including spouses and other family members are welcome to participate in this tournament. **Club members will compete as individual entrants for a share of \$1,000 in tournament cash based on fifty (50+) anticipated participants.** For every ten (10) individual paid tournament angler registrations to fish, the club will contribute \$100 to the tournament cash purse. Early registration is important to for additional cash and prizes.

1. No guests, no non-members, no boat 'ride-a-longs' may not be part of the tournament in any form. All participants must have current club paid membership fees, a signed membership agreement, and have a liability waiver on file with the club.
2. Individual club members participating in the tournament, fishing from boat or from shore, are requested to **register in advance submitting \$20 per person tournament entry fee.** Each Member that registers in advance and pays the entry fee, including shore anglers, will receive a free lure at the boat ramp check-in area.
3. Each individual registered participant is responsible for catching and **personally presenting up to five (5) trout** in a club provided bag to the tournament Chairman for weigh-in. The trout must be legally caught from Camanche Lake on March 21st to qualify as a contest entry. Entries of less than five trout for weigh-in is allowed since total weight determines winning entries.
4. Contestants are prohibited from trading fish in an attempt to win a prize. This is considered to be unfair to fellow Rooster Tail members and poor sportsmanship. Fish determined not caught on tournament-day or with weight artificially increased will be disqualified. The Chairman reserves the right to open the body of any fish as a questionable entry.
5. The tournament chairmen using a Club provided scale will weigh each bag entry submitted **no later than the 2:00 p.m. as shown on the Chairman's cell phone.** Entries will not be accepted after 2:00 p.m. and will not qualify for prizes. Each participant must be present to witness the bag-weight of their contest entry.
6. Tournament payouts for the four heaviest bags will share in the total prize money as per the following percentages:
1st Place – 40%; 2nd Place – 30%; 3rd Place – 20%; 4th Place – 10%
7. Determination of tournament winners will be made by the Tournament Chairman at the tournament weigh-in area set-up at the South Shore launch ramp parking lot. Ties for the same bag-weight will share equally in the place-percentage prize. Any disputes will be the final decision of the RT Board of Directors. Results of the tournament will be posted on the club web site and **prizes awarded at the next club food function, e.g. breakfast meeting, picnic, luncheon.**
8. Tournament participants are encouraged to keep VHF marine radios set to Channel 68. Cell phone service is very limited.
9. The Board of Directors reserves the right to modify or change the tournament rules in advance of the tournament and distribute the changes in writing to the participants.
10. All Rooster Tail Member participants are reminded that club tournaments are for **fun and friendly** competition and not to be taken too seriously... Tournament entries are also welcome by sending a \$20 tournament check to RTFC, P.O. Box 7441, Auburn, CA 95604.

Camanche San Joaquin, Calaveras & Amador Counties Reservoir

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- **Rainbow Trout** fishing is a year round affair at Camanche, with the best action taking place in the winter and spring months. Bank anglers have the choice of fishing the South Trout Pond or the main lake on the both the north and south shores. Toss out Power Bait, nightcrawlers, Kastmasters and spinners for a mixture of recent planters and holdovers. Trollers can find success with Needlefish, Rebels, Rapalas, Hum Dingers, Crippulures, Goldeneyes and Sparklefish. Unfortunately, the DFG isn't planting king or kokanee salmon in the reservoir any more.
- **Largemouth, Spotted and Smallmouth Bass** are abundant in Lake Camanche, due to its abundant structure and quality bass habitat. Yearly plants of Florida-strain largemouths by the lake management supplement natural reproduction. Plastic worms, grubs, jigs, top water lures, buzzbaits and jerkbaits are all productive offerings, depending upon the weather and water conditions.
- **Black Crappie** are still caught in areas with brush and other structure, but the population has declined in recent years. A better sunfish bet during the spring and summer is bluegill; fish meal and redworms for these light tackle scrappers.
Channel and Blue Catfish are abundant at Camanche. Fish mackerel, nightcrawlers and chicken liver in the spring and summer months for the top action.

PLEASE NOTE: The Camanche South Shore boat ramp for the tournament weigh-in on the above map is located on the Camanche Arm. There is also a convenient fish cleaning station, marina store for ice, and fuel. Camping and cabins are located off of S. Camanche Parkway.