

# 2024 CORK THORNTON MEMORIAL ICE FISHING TOURNAMENT

**JAN 26-27th, 2024**

**Entry Fee: \$120/TEAM**

- \$3000 GUARANTEED PAYOUT TO 1ST PLACE
- Location will be Merritt Dam Reservoir - 26 Miles South of Valentine on NE-97
- PANFISH tournament - based on total weight of 25 panfish per team.
- Cash awards for Big Fish in all categories.
- Over \$5000 in Cash and Prizes.
- Traveling Trophies to Winners/Champion Coats - Provided by Outback/Stadium Sports.
- 2024 Nebraska Game and Parks Regulations will be followed.
- Motorized vehicles will be allowed based on ice conditions.
- Fish must be fresh and ice free - suspect fish, dismembered, or altered will be disqualified.
- Tournament officials will check equipment before and during the tournament - Electronics Allowed.
- Contestants are entered as Two-Person Team.
- Teams will be released on the ice in order that their entry is received and paid starting with Team #1 in groups of 15.
- Early Bird - all entries received and paid before Jan 1st go into a drawing to pay back entry fee.
- If a team is not bought in the Calcutta, they must buy themselves for \$50 and pay Friday night.
- Team buckets, accompanied by at least one team member, must be turned into officials at the boat dock by 3:00. There will be a 1lb per minute penalty for every minute late. No buckets will count after 15 minutes.



**Game Fish Side Pot**

**\$30/team**

**Winner Take All**

**Total weight of game fish, which includes Catfish, Walleye, Northern Pike, Bass, and Muskie. (Fish not included in panfish weight)**

**\*Must be entered and paid before the 27th**



**For more information contact:  
Jeff Ohlmann 402-322-1602  
or Tyler Brown 402-875-0524**

Friday, JANUARY 26TH 4:00 pm	Rules Meeting, Dinner (included in Entry Fee) & Calcutta at 4H Building in Valentine (120 S Green St)
Saturday, JANUARY 27TH - 6:30 am	Check-in on ice - (Based on Ice conditions)
Saturday, JANUARY 27TH - 7:30 am - 3:00 pm	Fishing Hours - Within marked boundaries
Saturday, JANUARY 27TH - 5:00 pm	Weigh-ins & Awards at Peppermill (502 E Hwy 20 in Valentine)

**Hosted by:  
VALENTINE CHAMBER OF COMMERCE**

**Major Sponsor:  
CHERRY COUNTY TOURISM**

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**Optional Side Pot \$30/team**

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Please select the Box below and include in your payment if you want to enter Side Pot:

- Entry Fee \$120  
 Optional - Side Pot \$30

\*Must be entered in Panfish tournament to participate in the side pot - \$150 total if entering side pot

Total Enclosed \_\_\_\_\_

MAIL ENTRY FORM WITH PAYMENT TO:  
ICE FISHING TOURNAMENT  
219 N Cherry Street  
VALENTINE, NE 69201

(Make checks payable to Valentine Chamber of Commerce)

By entering this tournament, I agree to follow the rules and also agree to hold harmless the NE Game and Parks, Valentine Chamber of Commerce, Tournament officials, and Sponsors for any and all injuries, or theft of my equipment.

Team Member 1

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_

State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Team Member 2

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_

State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_