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Fort Hunter Liggett Youth Fishing Derby April 27

FORT HUNTER LIGGETT, Calif. - Fort Hunter Liggett Directorate of Family & Morale, Welfare and Recreation (DFMWR) will host its annual Youth Fishing Derby for ages 15 and younger on Saturday, April 27, 2024, from 6:30 a.m. to noon at Del Venturi Reservoir. The reservoir will be stocked with about 3,000 pounds of rainbow trout for participants. Signs will be posted to guide visitors to the event.

Children up to age 15 from FHL and surrounding communities are invited and will not need a fishing permit. When the derby ends, the pond will be open for everyone who has a California fishing license. No FHL fishing permit will be needed April 27 and 28. Registration is required for participation and begins at 6:30 a.m. There is a limit of five fish per youth, and 1st, 2nd and 3rd place prizes will be given for the biggest fish caught by each age category.

“We are happy to host this annual event celebrating the Month of the Military Child and extending this opportunity to the surrounding community,” said Garrison Commander Col. Stephen Trotter. “We’ll have fishing coaches on site so it’s an excellent opportunity for youth to learn how to fish safely.”

Breakfast and lunch will be available for purchase (cash only) the day of the event. Fishing poles and a limited amount of bait will be provided for up to 150 youth. Participants are encouraged to bring their own bait. The fishing derby will be held rain or shine. For more information or to register your family, please visit www.fhlfmwr.com/youthfishingderby or call the Fort Hunter Liggett Outdoor Recreation Department at (831) 718-7607.

The Youth Fishing Derby is proudly sponsored by Rocky Elk, USAA, IHG, McDonalds, L.A Hearn Company, A&G Pumping, Trout United, and Azcona Harvesting. This is paid sponsorship and does not reflect U.S. Army or federal government endorsement.

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Media interested in covering event contact Ms. Amy Phillips 831-718-7552. Media must check in at the Registration Desk upon arrival at Del Venturi Reservoir and have media identification clearly visible at all times during visit.

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