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CELEBRATE THE 19TH ANNUAL GEORGETOWN

KIDS FISHING DERBY

Georgetown CA.....Children 12 years old and younger are invited to come out to Lake Walton with their fishing poles, tackle boxes and bait and take part in the 19th Annual Georgetown Kids Fishing Derby from 8:00 am to 1:00 pm on Saturday, June 7, 2008.

The US Forest Service, Georgetown Ranger Station; Georgetown Divide Public Utilities District; El Dorado County Fish and Game Commission; and the Placerville Wal-Mart are hosting an exciting, fun-filled day of fishing for kids and their families in celebration of "Free Fishing Day" on June 7.

Registration will be held to the first 250 participants so parents are encouraged to pre-register youngsters at the Georgetown Ranger Station located at 7600 Wentworth Springs Road. Participants can also register at the event site the day of the derby from 7:30-8:00 AM (space permitting). All children must be accompanied by a parent or guardian.

In addition to free fishing, the day will feature good food, fun contests and other activities. Prizes will be awarded in each age category for the Biggest Fish Caught, Greatest Total Weight, First Fish Caught, and the Casting Contest. There will also be trophies for overall winners in each age category. The Georgetown Divide Rotary will BBQ hot dogs and have cold drinks available for the participants.

Lake Walton is located approximately 4 miles east of Georgetown on Balderston Road, off of Wentworth Springs Road. Look for signs directing participants to the event site. Parking is limited so please try to carpool, if possible. For emergency vehicle and local access, we ask for your cooperation in only parking on the east side of Balderston Road. There is no camping for participants on-site; Dru Barner and Stumpy Meadows are the closest Forest Service campgrounds to the event.

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