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Logan wins Lowrance Bassmaster Elite trophy at Lake Tenkiller with 63 lbs.

TAHLEQUAH, Okla., June 15, 2025— Ten months ago, Wes Logan found himself in a hospital bed with a gash across his head and a set of broken bones after hitting an unknown object on Day 2 at the Bassmaster Elite at Lake Champlain. Logan knows how fortunate he is to even still be alive, making his second Progressive Bassmaster Elite Series trophy all the more meaningful.

“I could be dead. That is the reality of it,” Logan said. “The good Lord wants me here for some reason. I’m truly blessed to be here.”

Arguably the most consistent angler all week, Logan won the Lowrance Bassmaster Elite at Lake Tenkiller with a four-day total of 63 pounds, a Father’s Day gift for his father Doug. It is the second win of Logan’s five-year career, the first coming at the 2021 Bassmaster Elite at Neely Henry Lake on Mother’s Day.

“I don’t deserve this,” the Springville, Ala., native said. “I got to fish how I wanted to. I got to pitch a jig like how I grew up with my dad.”

Opening the tournament in 11th place with 14-12, Logan climbed to fifth on Day 2 with 15-13 before jumping into third on Semi-final Saturday with 15-9. He then landed the biggest bag of Cham-



Alabama's Wes Logan has won the Lowrance Bassmaster Elite at Lake Tenkiller with a four-day total of 63 pounds. (Photo by Seigo Saito/B.A.S.S.)

pionship Sunday, a 16-14 limit anchored by a 5-1 largemouth, edging out fellow Elite Series pro Andrew Loberg, who had led the first three days, by 1 ounce. This victory couldn’t have come at a better time for the “Little Ball of Hate.” After two good tournaments to start the 2025 season, Logan has struggled outside of the state of Florida, so much so that he questioned if he still belonged on the Elite Series

stage. He entered Lake Tenkiller in 40th place in Progressive Bassmaster Angler of the Year standings.

“This year has not been easy. I hit a wall and didn’t even know my last name,” Logan said. “After Lake Hartwell, I sat in Bill Lowen’s boat and cried my eyes out because I wanted to quit. I didn’t know if I was good enough to be here.

“Practice wasn’t that great for

this tournament, but I got a few bites doing what I like to do, and I ran with it.”

Fluctuating water levels at Lake Tenkiller challenged the 101 Elite Series anglers all week long. Waters rose dramatically during the first half of official practice before falling several feet between the Wednesday off-day and Thursday’s opening round. More water entered the

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proud that firearm retailers are the frontline of defense to prevent firearms from being possessed by those who should never have them. This action by the ATF underscores the value ATF places in that cooperative relationship.”

Previous “name-and-shame” leaks of the Demand Letter 2 list, which is created using protected firearm trace data, included the Washington, D.C. Metro Police Department. For a short time, D.C. Metro Police became the sole FFL in Washington, D.C., facilitating firearm transfers until private businesses obtained a license to do so. During that short time, D.C. Metro Police was required to report Demand 2 information to the ATF. That’s not because anyone at the D.C. Metro Police Department did anything wrong. It’s because criminals later misused firearms that were legally transferred.

NSSF was vocally critical of the former ATF Director Steve Detelbach’s abuse of the Demand 2 Program when he shared protected firearm trace data with USA Today and the gun control group Brady United, in violation of the Tiahrt Amendment. That amendment restricts public access to sensitive, law enforcement-only firearm tracing data. This restriction is supported by Congress, ATF and law enforcement groups such as the Fraternal Order of Police (FOP) because it secures sensitive trac-

ing information which would jeopardize ongoing criminal investigations and put the lives of law enforcement officers, cooperating retailers and witnesses at risk.

The ATF explained in their 1998 Crime Gun Trace Analysis Reports, “The appearance of [a licensed dealer] or a first unlicensed purchaser of record in association with a crime gun or in association with multiple crime guns in no way suggests that either the federal firearms licensed dealer (FFL) or the first purchaser has committed criminal acts. Rather, such information may provide a starting point for further and more detailed investigation.”

NSSF supports U.S. Rep. Clay Higgins’ (R-La.) introduction of H.R. 1698, the Law Enforcement Protection and Privacy Act, which would enhance safeguards for protected firearm trace data. This legislation is vital to ensuring firearm trace data, which is protected by federal law, remains safeguarded from misuse that threatens investigations and lives. The bill puts “teeth to the Tiahrt rider,” by providing accountability for individuals who purposefully and unlawfully release this sensitive law enforcement information that is reserved for use in law enforcement investigations.

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Gov. Sarah Huckabee Sanders and family visit Normandy American Cemetery to honor America’s Greatest Generation patriots on D-Day

COLLEVILLE-SUR-MER, Fr. – Over the weekend, Governor Sarah Huckabee Sanders, with First Gentleman Bryan Sanders and their kids, visited the Normandy American Cemetery to lay a wreath at The Wall of the Missing in memory of Private Roger Dean Andrews and pay their respects to other fallen Arkansans.

Private Rodger Dean Andrews, a member of the U.S. Army's 37th Engineer Combat Battalion, was killed in action during the D-Day invasion of Normandy on June 6, 1944. His remains were identified through DNA testing and were returned to his hometown of Gravette, Arkansas, where he was laid to rest with full military honors on June 9, 2025.

While there, the Sanders family also visited the gravesites of Arkansas natives Lt. Col. Percy O. Forgy and Private Harold E. Sellers.

Following her trip to Normandy, Sanders is continuing on to the Paris Air Show to meet with major aerospace and defense companies, and then concludes her trip in Switzerland to discuss investing in Arkansas with several large corporations.



Governor Sarah Huckabee Sanders lays a wreath at Normandy American Cemetery alongside Arkansas' Secretary of Veterans Affairs Col. (Ret.) Robert Ator in France on Saturday, June 14th.



Governor Sarah Huckabee Sanders with First Gentleman Bryan Sanders and their children, Scarlett, Huck, and George at Normandy American Cemetery in France on Saturday, June 14th.

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