

YACHT CLUB OF STONE HARBOR



51st Annual Marlin Tournament JULY 27-30, 2017

Dear Fellow Angler,

On behalf of the Yacht Club of Stone Harbor, we would like to extend an invitation to participate in the 51st Annual YCSH Marlin Tournament. The dates for this year's tournament will be Thursday, July 27th through Sunday July 30th. We hope to accommodate all those who express interest to fish with us, however space is limited.

Friday and Saturday night activities will be hosted at the Canyon Club. After each fish day we have a meat fish weigh in, as well as cocktails, music and dinner for participants. We also encourage you to come dock with us at Canyon Club for the tournament days if you are not there already. We have arranged for complimentary dockage for tournament participants with the folks from Canyon Club. (Please note that you must fish out of Cape May Inlet) As always we will continue to have the Captain's Meeting and outstanding Awards Banquet at the Yacht Club of Stone Harbor. As always we expect a great turnout for this year's event and hope you can join us for our tournament of friendly competition and class!

We look forward to hearing from you and fishing beside you in this year's tournament.

Sincerely,
Jamie Diller,
Red Coat Committee Chairman

For questions regarding the tournament please feel free to contact Jamie Diller at 609-827-0020 or Aaron Hoffman at 609-412-3778

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

*Thursday July 27th

6:00pm-7:30pm | Captains Meeting & Cocktails
6:00 (Open Bar) | Cocktails & Hors d'oeuvres
7:30 | Meeting

Friday July 28th

8:00am- 3:30pm | Fish Day
(After Fishing) | Cocktails, music and dinner poolside at Canyon Club Resort Marina

Saturday July 29th

8:00am- 3:30pm | Fish Day
(After Fishing) | Cocktails, music and dinner poolside at Canyon Club Resort Marina

*Sunday July 30th

6:00pm- 9:00pm | Awards Banquet (Shirt & Slacks, Jacket Suggested)
6:00pm | Cocktails and music
7:00pm | Dinner
8:00pm | Awards

*CAPTAINS MEETING
AND AWARD CEREMONY
TO BE HELD AT THE

YACHT CLUB OF STONE HARBOR

90TH & SUNSET DRIVE
STONE HARBOR, NJ 08247

2017 AWARDS

1ST PLACE BOAT
1ST PLACE BOAT ANGLER (5)

2ND PLACE BOAT
2ND PLACE BOAT ANGLER (5)

3RD PLACE BOAT
3RD PLACE BOAT ANGLER (5)

1ST PLACE ANGLER
2ND PLACE ANGLER
3RD PLACE ANGLER
1ST PLACE FEMALE ANGLER

1ST PLACE JUNIOR ANGLER
(16 AND Under)

1ST PLACE TEAM
2ND PLACE TEAM

WARREN BUCKINGHAM
MEMORIAL TROPHY
MOST OUTSTANDING CATCH
WALT HENDEE CAPTAINS AWARD
1ST PLACE BOAT CAPTAIN

HEAVIEST TUNA
HEAVIEST DOLPHIN

MARLIN CALCUTTA
\$500.00 - MOST OVERALL POINTS
1ST PLACE - 75%
2ND PLACE - 25%

TUNA AND DOLPHIN CALCUTTA
\$250 PER CATEGORY
1ST HEAVIEST FISH - 75%
2ND HEAVIEST FISH - 25%

51st Annual Marlin Tournament



2017 RULES AND REGULATIONS

The tournament is primarily a billfish release competition, with all entrants considered good sportsmen and their fishing reports being accepted in the sportsmanlike manner and honor in which this tournament is held.

1. All boats, captains and anglers must be registered by 7:00pm with the Tournament Committee at the Captain's Meeting.
2. Only the tournament committee or the weather committee may declare NO FISHING prior to 6:00am on any of the scheduled days based upon weather conditions issued by the NOAA or reports from tournament weather boats.
3. No boat shall be permitted to leave Cape May inlet sea buoy prior to 4:00am. Departure may be made from the Cape May Inlet only.
4. Fishing hours: Fishing begins at 8:00am: No lines or teasers are permitted in the water prior to 8:00am. Fishing ends at 3:30pm: Any boat with a fish hooked up prior to 3:30pm and not caught or released must contact a committee boat prior to 3:30pm and inform them of such for the fish to be eligible. Please note that all catch reports must be turned in no later than 9pm each fishing day.
5. Any protests must be made in writing to the tournament committee for formal consideration by 7:00pm on the day of the awards banquet.
6. Tackle used in the tournament must conform to I.G.F.A. rules. There is no limit on the size of tackle used. Circle hooks must be used with any combination of natural bait. J hooks are permitted in all 100% artificial baits.
7. Reporting Fish: All fish released must be reported to another tournament participant over the designated tournament channel. Each boat will be supplied with two daily catch reports for each fishing day of the tournament. The daily catch report must be turned in each day to the tournament committee at the Canyon Club weigh station by 9pm the evening of each fishing day.
8. A fish will be considered released when the swivel touches the rod tip or the mate touches the leader.
9. Team competition will consist of teams of up to four boats each, the teams vying for prizes for first and second place. Teams will be picked lottery style at the captain's meeting.
10. In the event of radio failure, the boat captain or a representative of the boat must turn in the catch report no later than 9pm the day of the catch. The report should be turned in at the Canyon Club weigh station. In no instance will fish reported after 9:00 pm be eligible for awards.
11. All fish caught and/or released shall be final by 7:00pm the night of the awards banquet. The boat captain is responsible for reviewing that all fish caught and/or released are recorded properly. Any possible discrepancy must be reported to the Tournament Committee by 7:00pm the night of the awards banquet.
12. Radio communications for fish reporting purposes will be announced during the Captain's Meeting.
13. Committee and Weather Boats will be announced during the Captain's Meeting.
14. Scoring: Points will be awarded as follows:
 - White Marlin Released | 150 points**
 - Blue Marlin Released | 150 points**
 - Spearfish Released | 150 points**
 - Sailfish Released | 150 points**Note: No points for any Billfish Boated
Any ties in points between boats will be decided by time.
15. To qualify for the Calcutta or heaviest fish, boated tuna and dolphin must be weighed at the Canyon Club certified weigh station. The staff at Canyon Club will report the weights to the tournament committee.
16. Calcutta: Entry fee is \$1000 (cash preferred) total for all categories per boat payable at the captains meeting. \$500 Marlin, \$250 Tuna, and \$250 Dolphin. Participants can enter any category individually, all three, or none. It is entirely up to you.

Winners determined by overall points on billfish and weight on meatfish.

Winnings distributed as follows:

- Marlin Division | 1st place boat 75%, 2nd place boat 25%**
- Tuna Division | 1st place boat 75%, 2nd place boat 25%**
- Dolphin Division | 1st place boat 75%, 2nd place boat 25%**