

54th Annual Marlin Tournament

JULY 23-26, 2020



YACHT CLUB
OF
STONE HARBOR

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Dear Fellow Angler,

On behalf of the Yacht Club of Stone Harbor, we would like to extend an invitation to participate in the 54th Annual YCSH Marlin Tournament. The dates for this year's tournament will be Thursday, July 23rd through Sunday, July 26th. 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. (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. Once again, 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 23rd

Captains Meeting at
Yacht Club of Stone Harbor
6:00pm
Cocktails & Hors D'Oeuvres
7:30pm | Captains Meeting

Friday July 24th

Fish Day
4:00am | Depart Inlet
8:00am – 3:30pm | Lines In
5:00pm – 8:00pm
Weigh Station Open
Evening Dockside | Cocktails,
Music & Dinner, Poolside at
Canyon Club Resort Marina

Saturday July 25th

Fish Day
4:00am | Depart Inlet
8:00am – 3:30pm | Lines In
5:00pm – 8:00pm
Weigh Station Open
Evening Dockside | Cocktails,
Music & Dinner, Poolside at
Canyon Club Resort Marina

Sunday July 26th

Awards Banquet at
Yacht Club of Stone Harbor
6:00pm | Cocktails & Music
7:00pm | Seated Dinner
8:00pm | Presentation of Awards

*CAPTAINS MEETING AND AWARD CEREMONY TO BE HELD AT THE
YACHT CLUB OF STONE HARBOR
90TH & SUNSET DRIVE | STONE HARBOR, NJ 08247

2020 AWARDS

Most Points Overall Boat • 1st | 2nd | 3rd
5 Angler Awards per Boat

Most Points Overall Angler (IGFA) • 1st | 2nd | 3rd
IGFA Points is for anglers who hook and fight their fish until released. Anglers may not be handed any fish at any time throughout the tournament.

Most Points Overall Angler (H&H) • 1st | 2nd | 3rd
Hook and Hand Points is for any combination of angling throughout the tournament.
Angler Awards are separate categories and anglers can only qualify for one or the other.

1st Place Female Angler

1st Place Junior Angler (16 & Under)

Heaviest Tuna

Heaviest Dolphin

Most Points Overall Team • 1st | 2nd
Most Release Points Accumulated by Teams Determined at Captains Meeting

**Warren Buckingham
Memorial Trophy**
Most Outstanding Catch

Walt Hendee Captains Award
1st Place Boat Captain

Marlin Calcutta
\$500 - Most Overall Points
1st Place - 75% | 2nd Place - 25%

Tuna & Dolphin Calcutta
\$250 per Category
1st Place - 75% | 2nd Place - 25%

Daily Calcutta
\$100 per Fish Day - Most Daily Points
1st Place - 100%

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2020 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 that time. Fishing ends at 3:30pm. Any boat with a fish hooked up prior to that time and not landed or released must contact a committee boat prior to 3:30pm and inform them of such for the fish to be eligible.
5. Any protests must be made in writing to the tournament committee for formal consideration by 12:00pm 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 8:00pm 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. All fish caught and/or released shall be final by 8:00pm each fishing day. The boat captain is responsible for reviewing that all fish caught and/or released are recorded properly.
11. Radio communications for fish reporting purposes will be announced during the Captain's Meeting.
12. Committee and Weather Boats will be announced during the Captain's Meeting.
13. Scoring: Points will be awarded as follows;
White Marlin Released | 100 points
Blue Marlin Released | 100 points
Spearfish Released | 100 points
Sailfish Released | 100 points

Note: No points for any Billfish Boated
Any ties in points between boats will be decided by time.
14. Anglers awarded points will be accumulated for scoring by two methods; A) IGFA Angler Points whereas from the time that a fish strikes or takes a bait or lure, the angler must hook, fight, and land or boat the fish without the aid of any other person. B) Hook & Hand Angler Points whereas a fish may be hooked by someone other than the angler provided the rod is immediately transferred to the angler after hook-up. From that time on, the angler must fight the fish alone until boated or released.
15. Weigh-ins begin at 5:00pm. All eligible fish must be available for weigh-in by 8:00pm at Canyon Club Marina.
16. **Calcutta:** Entry fee is \$1200 (cash preferred) total for all categories per boat **payable at the captains meeting.** \$500 Marlin, \$250 Tuna, \$250 Dolphin, and \$100 Daily Calcutta per each available fish day. Participants can enter any category individually, all four, or none. It is entirely up to you.

Winners determined by total accumulated release points on Billfish and by weight for Tuna and Dolphin.

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%
Daily Division | 1st Place Boat Fish Day One 100%
Daily Division | 1st Place Boat Fish Day Two 100%

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2020 ENTRY FORM

Entry Fee: \$2,000.00

Made payable to the 'YCSH' and mailed to PO Box 323, Cape May, NJ 08204

Boat Name _____

Manufacturer _____

Length _____

Owner _____

Mailing Address _____

Home Phone _____

Work Phone _____

Cell Phone _____

Sat Phone _____

Captain _____

Entry Fee includes admission to all events for tournament participants.

All participants and their guests are welcome at Canyon Club Resort Marina on Friday and Saturday night for cocktails, music and dinner after the end of each fish day.