



3rd Annual Charity Fishing Tournament

“A fund raising event for Brooke Thabit”

June 13, 2015

Bahia Mar Beach Resort & Yachting Center
801 Seabreeze Blvd, Ft. Lauderdale, FL 33316

Top Prize \$10,000

SCHEDULE

Friday, June 12

5:00 pm – 6:00 pm Check-In and Registration
6:00 pm Captain’s Meeting

Saturday, June 13

7:00 am Lines in
3:00 pm – 5:30 pm Weigh-In
6:30 pm Awards, Prizes and After Party w/ Live Entertainment
7:30 pm Live Auction

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Charity Fishing Tournament
Tournament Date: **June 13, 2015****

Tournament Rules

A. SAFETY AND CONDUCT

1. This is a boat tournament.
2. Participants are expected to follow all applicable laws and rules for safe boating, including those regarding USCG equipment requirements.
3. Participants are expected to follow all applicable laws pertaining to the taking of marine fish.
4. Participants are expected to follow high standards of sportsmanship and courtesy. Any participant who exhibits threatening behavior or who otherwise engage in disorderly, illegal or improper conduct of any kind is subject to immediate disqualification from the Tournament.
5. Willful violations of marine laws or other violations of safe and proper conduct may lead to disqualification.

B. REGISTRATION

1. No angler will be eligible to win any tournament prize or contribute to a team score unless properly registered, with payment of the applicable fee(s), before catching the entered fish.
2. The final deadline for entry by any means is at the close of the Captain’s meeting on June 12, 2015.
3. Mailed entries must be received by THURSDAY, June 11, 2015, at 5:00 pm. Call 561-302-7603 or email fishhunter@bellsouth.net to confirm.
4. The tournament entry fee is \$350 for four (4) Anglers or \$250 for early registration before May 1, 2015; additional Anglers may be registered for \$50 per Angler.
5. Entry fees are non-refundable
6. Junior Anglers may not turn 14 by the day of the Captain’s Meeting. Proof of age must accompany registration form.

C. FISHING AREAS AND HOURS

1. Boats may depart from any inlet.
2. Lines in at 7:00 am.
3. All boats must return to the dock by 5:00 pm. Once you have returned to the dock with your fish to be weighed, you MUST check in at the Tournament Committee Table in order for your fish to count. There is no early weigh- in.

D. FISH ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

1. All fish to be weighed must be weighed at Bahia Mar and must be brought to the dock on the boat they were caught on.
2. All species must be in compliance with the Florida Fish and Wildlife Commission and Federal Regulations to be eligible.
3. **The minimum weight requirement for eligibility is ten (10) pounds per fish.**
4. **The following species are allowed:**
 - Dolphin 22" minimum fork length, maximum of four (4) fish per angler
 - Wahoo 22" minimum fork length, maximum of four (4) fish per angler
 - Kingfish 27" minimum fork length, maximum of four (2) fish per angler
 - Cobia 34" minimum fork length, maximum of 1 per person or 6 per vessel, whichever is less
 - Tuna – Blackfin no size limit, maximum of four (4) fish per angler.
 - Tuna – Skipjack no size limit, maximum of four (4) fish per angler.
 - Tuna – Yellowfin 27" minimum curved fork length - must have Highly Migratory Species permit. Maximum of Three (3) fish per angler.
 - Tuna – Bigeye 27" minimum curved fork length - must have Highly Migratory Species permit. Maximum of Four (4) fish per angler.

CURVED FORK LENGTH (CFL) MEASUREMENT: Total curved fork length is the sole criterion for determining the size class of whole (with head) Atlantic tunas. Measurements must be taken in a line, tracing the contour of the body from the tip of the upper jaw to the fork of the tail, which abuts the dorsal insertion of the pectoral fin and the dorsal side of the caudal keel. Measurements must be taken from the dorsal insertion of the pectoral fin, tracing the contour of the body, to the fork of the tail. THE TAPE MUST TOUCH THE TOP PORTION OF THE PECTORAL FIN.

5. Freshness: Fish brought to weigh-in must be whole with heads on in a fresh, edible condition and must not have been frozen.
6. All fish weighed by the tournament may be subject to a gut check after weighing at the discretion of Tournament officials.
7. Winners will be determined on overall weight on the dock following timed check-in at the Tournament Committee Table.
8. Tampering: Fish must be intact with no evidence of spearing, bangsticks, weight tampering, or other rules violations. It is the responsibility of the angler to ensure that all foreign objects are removed from the fish. Such objects shall include, but are not limited to: hooks, leaders, ice, and weights. Hooks or bait that have passed through the mouth and into the gullet may be left in place. Any fish found to be in violation of this rule is subject to disqualification and/or gut check.

E. TACKLE AND METHODS:

1. The angler credited with a catch in tournament scoring must have personally hooked and played the fish to boatside without assistance. Normal sportfishing practices for landing a fish (e.g. gaffing, wiring, or landing nets) may be assisted.
2. Fish must be hooked and landed on a single rod and reel, pole, or handline.
3. Electrically driven reels on a free-standing rod (e.g. "Electramates") are acceptable.
4. Expressly prohibited fishing methods for purposes of this tournament include: mounted winch devices ("one-armed bandits"), motor-driven longlines, spearing, gigging, netting, shooting (including use of bangsticks), or any method of catch in violations of State or Federal laws. Evidence of prohibited methods will disqualify the catch and all entrants fishing aboard the vessel on which such rule violations were committed.

F. RULINGS AND RULES COMPLIANCE:

1. Rules violations, the eligibility of entrants or entered fish, disqualifications, and any other matters not specifically covered by these rules will be decided by the Tournament Judge in consultation with the Tournament staff. The Tournament Judge may disqualify any person who commits any violation of tournament rules. The Tournament Judge may disqualify entrants from this tournament and from future tournaments and events.
2. Decisions of the Tournament Judge(s) are final and binding on all entrants.
3. There is no differentiation between professional and amateur.
4. All boats fish at their own risk.
5. The Tournament Committee reserves the right to refuse entry to anyone.
6. By accepting the prize, the winner consents to the use of his or her photograph, name, city and state for promotional and advertising purposes in any media without further payment or consideration.
7. Ship-to-shore communication for safety and for periodic tournament announcements will be maintained throughout the tournament on marine VHF channel 09.
8. All boats must check in by 6:00 pm on marine VHF channel 09, by cell phone 561-302-7603 or in person for safety.

G. WEATHER CONTINGENCY:

1. The tournament will not be canceled or postponed due to weather or sea conditions. Entry fees are non-refundable.

H. PARTICIPANTS RESPONSIBILITY:

1. All Anglers, Captains, Crew and Guests fish at their own risk. All participants and guests agree to indemnify and hold harmless The Tournament Committee, Bahia Mar, Sponsors, Press and their agents and employees from any liability loss or damage including attorney's fees they may suffer arising from their participation in this tournament.
2. All Anglers and Captains should attend the Captain's Meeting and Registration on Friday, June 12, 2015, at Bahia Mar.

I. DIVISIONS:

The following species are allowed: Dolphin, Wahoo, Kingfish, Cobia, and Tuna (Blackfin, Yellowfin, and Skipjack). The minimum weight requirement is ten (10) pounds per fish, per species. There is a maximum of four (4) fish per species per angler. All species must be in compliance with the Florida Fish and Wildlife Commission and Federal Regulations.

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| 1. TOURNAMENT PRIZE – HEAVIEST DOLPHIN 30 LBS and OVER | \$10,000 & Plaque |
| 2. Top Angler (heaviest all species combined) | \$ 500 & Plaque |
| 3. Top Female Angler (heaviest all species combined) | Plaque and Prizes |
| 4. Top Junior Angler (heaviest all combined) | Plaque and Prizes |
| 5. Top Boat (heaviest all species all anglers combined fish) | |
| a. 1st place | Plaque and Prizes |
| b. 2nd place | Plaque and Prizes |
| c. 3rd place | Plaque and Prizes |