

**2025 NOBGFC**

**LADIES INVITATIONAL TOURNAMENT**

**SCHEDULE OF EVENTS**

THURSDAY JUNE 12     3:00-5:00 CHECK-IN AT CLUB HOUSE  
COCKTAILS

5:30pm **MANDATORY** CAPTAIN'S MEETING  
LIGHT DINNER TO FOLLOW

FRIDAY JUNE 13    LINES IN WATER AT **6:00 AM**

SATURDAY JUNE 14     LINES OUT OF WATER AT **4:00 PM**

BOATS MUST BE BACK AT CYPRESS COVE  
MARINA BY **6:00 PM!**

COCKTAILS AND LOBSTER DINNER WITH 8:30  
PM AWARDS CEREMONY AND DANCE BAND TO  
FOLLOW.

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**PLEASE WEAR YOUR WRISTBANDS THEY ARE  
REQUIRED AT ALL EVENTS!**

## **GENERAL INFORMATION AND TOURNAMENT RULES**

THE LADIES TOURNAMENT IS A TWO-DAY TOURNAMENT WITH AWARDS BEING PRESENTED ON SATURDAY EVENING JUNE 14. **AWARD WINNERS OR THE BOAT OWNER MUST BE PRESENT** TO RECEIVE THEIR AWARDS.

1. ALL FISH MUST BE CAUGHT IN THE SPIRIT OF THE **IGFA** RULES AND IN ACCORDANCE WITH FEDERAL AND STATE LAWS.
2. **ONLY** FISH CAUGHT BY REGISTERED LADY ANGLERS WILL BE ELIGIBLE. A MATE MAY PASS THE ROD TO A FEMALE ANGLER.
3. **TOURNAMENT FISHING BEGINS AT 6:00 AM FRIDAY JUNE 13 AND WILL END PROMPTLY AT 4:00 PM SATURDAY JUNE 14.** A FISH HOOKED PRIOR TO THIS TIME MAY BE FOUGHT UNTIL LANDED, TAGGED, OR LOST PROVIDED NOTIFICATION OF THE HOOK-UP IS COMMUNICATED TO A COMMITTEE BOAT. FOR A FISH TO BE ELIGIBLE, IT MUST BE IN CYPRESS COVE MARINA BY 6:00PM SATURDAY, JUNE 14th, 2023. **THE TAG CARDS MUST BE TURNED IN TO WEIGHMASTER** FOR THIS FISH TO BE ELIGIBLE!
4. THE FOLLOWING SPECIMENS, CAUGHT IN THE SPIRIT OF IGFA RULES AND LADIES TOURNAMENT RULES, WILL BE CONSIDERED ELIGIBLE FISH IN COMPETITION. NO FISH WEIGHING LESS THAN THE LISTED MINIMUM WEIGHT WILL BE ELIGIBLE FOR POINTS OR AWARDS.

### **SPECIES**

### **MINIMUM WEIGHT**

**BLUE MARLIN**

**RELEASE OR TAG OR 102"**  
(LOWER JAW TO FORK IN TAIL)

**WHITE MARLIN**

**RELEASE OR TAG**

**SAILFISH**

**RELEASE OR TAG**

**SPEARFISH****RELEASE OR TAG****YELLOWFIN OR BIGEYE TUNA 27" & 20LBS – JR 27"****WAHOO 20 LBS - JR ANGLER ANY****DOLPHIN 20 LBS JR ANGLER ANY**

5. EXCEPT WHERE FEDERALLY REGULATED, THERE SHALL BE NO LIMIT TO THE NUMBER OF ENTRIES IN EACH CLASS BY ANY ONE ANGLER, WITH THE EXCPETION OF A THREE FISH LIMIT FOR DOLPHIN, WAHOO, AND YELLOWFIN TUNA BOATED BY ANY ONE ANGLER THAT SHALL BE CONSIDERED IN THIS TOURNAMENT.

6. **TAGGING AND RELEASING-** RELEASE POINTS ARE AWARDED FOR ELIGIBLE FISH. **AN ADDITIONAL 50PTS FOR BLUE MARLIN AND 25PTS FOR OTHER BILLFISH WILL BE AWARDED FOR PROPERLY TAGGED BILLFISH.** IN ORDER TO QUALIFY, THE LEADER MUST BE IN HAND AND CUT AS CLOSE AS PRACTICAL, OR THE HOOK REMOVED WITHOUT GAFFING OR PERMANENTLY INJURING THE FISH. THE TAG MUST BE PERMANENTLY EMBEDDED IN THE FISH USING A TAGGING STICK, NO LONGER THAN EIGHT FEET. **TAG CARDS MUST BE TURNED IN TO THE WEIGHMASTER ALONG WITH A PHOTO OR VIDEO TO IDENTIFY THE SPECIES.** THE NUMBER OF TAG AND RELEASE POINTS FOR ANY TYPE AND/OR SIZE FISH IS AS FOLLOWS:

**BLUE MARLIN: 500 POINTS (NO LINE BONUS)**

**OTHER ELEIGIBLE BILLFISH: 250 POINTS (NO LINE BONUS)**

**LINE BONUS WILL APPLY FOR CLUB ANNUAL POINTS ONLY.**

7. ALL TAGGED AND RELEASED OR RELEASE BILLFISH MUST IMMEDIATELY BE REPORTED TO A COMMITTEE BOAT WITH THE TIME OF RELEASE, ANGLER NAME, AND SPECIES OF BILLFISH. **\*\*\*A photo or video must be provided to the weigh master to verify the species.\*\*\***

8. BASIC POINTS ARE COMPUTED AT THE RATE OF ONE POINT PER POUND OF FISH. FRACTIONAL POUNDS ARE NOT AWARDED.
9. OUR OFFICIAL WEIGHMASTER, JOE YURT, WILL WEIGH ALL FISH CAUGHT AT **CYPRESS COVE ON FRIDAY AND SATURDAY**.
10. ALL BILLFISH TIEBREAKERS WILL BE BASED ON TIME OF CATCH. THE FIRST BILLFISH TAGGED AND RELEASED OR BOATED (BASED ON TIME REPORTED TO A COMMITTEE BOAT) WILL BE DECLARED THE WINNER. ALL NON-BILLFISH TIES WILL BE BROKEN BY A FLIP OF A COIN. IN CASE OF A TIE IN POINTS BETWEEN ANGLERS OR TEAMS FOR MULTIPLE BILLFISH, THE ANGLER OR TEAM THAT ACCUMULATED THE BILLFISH POINTS FIRST WILL BE DECLARED THE WINNER. ALL RULES ARE SUBJECT TO COMMITTEE MEMBERS DISCRETION!
11. ALL AWARD WINNERS OR THE BOAT OWNER/CAPTAIN (**NOT A REPRESENTATIVE**) MUST BE PRESENT SATURDAY EVENING IN ORDER TO RECEIVE THEIR AWARDS.
12. COMMITTEE BOATS WILL BE ANNOUNCED AT CAPTAIN'S MEETING IN CYPRESS COVE MARINA.

## **AWARDS**

1. **ANGLER AWARD:** AWARDED TO THE LADY ANGLER ACCUMULATING THE MOST BILLFISH POINTS FOR TAG, RELEASE AND WEIGHED BLUE MARLIN.
2. **TEAM AWARDS:** AWARDED TO THE TOP THREE TEAMS ACCUMULATING THE MOST BILLFISH TAG, RELEASE AND WEIGHED BLUE MARLIN POINTS (MAX OF FOUR TROPHIES PER TEAM). IN THE EVENT OF A TIE, DECISION IS BASED ON TIME OF CATCH.
3. **DAILY ANGLER AWARDS:** AWARDED TO THE LADY ANGLER ACCUMULATING THE MOST BILLFISH POINTS FOR TAG, RELEASE AND WEIGHED BLUE MARLIN ON A DAILY BASIS.

4. **CAPTAIN'S AWARD:** AWARDED TO THE CAPTAIN/OWNER OF THE BOAT THAT ACCUMULATES THE MOST TAG, RELEASE BILLFISH AND WEIGHED BLUE MARLIN POINTS.
5. **LARGEST FISH AWARDS:** AWARDED TO THE LADY ANGLERS CATCHING THE THREE LARGEST WEIGHABLE MEAT FISH IN EACH CATEGORY AND FOR BILLFISH, TIME OF CATCH IN EACH CATEGORY. TIME OF RELEASE PRESIDES. FISH CATEGORIES - BLUE MARLIN, WHITE MARLIN, SAILFISH, WAHOO, TUNA, AND DOLPHIN.
6. **THE KATIE'S KUP:** IN MEMORY OF KAY PRAGER, WILL BE CREDITED TO THE LADY ANGLER ON A **CLUB MEMBER BOAT** WITH MOST WEIGHED BLUE MARLIN POINTS. IF THERE ARE NO BLUE MARLIN WEIGHED, IT WILL BE CREDITED TO THE LADY ANGLER ON A **CLUB BOAT** WITH THE MOST T&R, OR RELEASE BLUE MARLIN POINTS BASED ON TIME OF RELEASE.
7. **GRAND SLAM AWARD:** AWARDED TO THE LADY ANGLER WHO ENTERS THE MOST ELIGIBLE SPECIES OF FISH, INCLUDING TAG OR RELEASE OF ELIGIBLE SPECIES. MINIMUM WEIGHTS APPLY.
8. **TEAM PARTICIPATION:** FOR THE BOAT WHOSE TEAM MEMBERS EACH ENTERED AN ELIGIBLE FISH BASED ON FOUR TEAM MEMBERS. TIES BROKEN BY WEIGHT/POINTS.
9. **BACKBREAKER AWARD:** AWARDED TO THE LADY ANGLER WHO WEIGHS THE **MOST** ELIGIBLE YELLOWFIN TUNA.
10. **YOUTH AWARDS:** AWARDED TO LADY ANGLERS, **AGE 17 AND UNDER**, WHO ENTER A FISH OF ANY SPECIES BASED ON TIME OF CATCH OR WEIGHT. 1<sup>ST</sup>, 2<sup>ND</sup>, AND 3<sup>RD</sup> PLACE ONLY.
11. **CLUB ANNUAL BOAT POINTS:** AS IN OTHER CLUB TOURNAMENTS, POINTS ACCUMULATED IN THIS TOURNAMENT WILL BE CREDITED TO THE MEMBER BOATS ON WHICH ELIGIBLE FISH ARE CAUGHT, PROVIDING THE ANGLER IS PROPERLY REGISTERED. THIS APPLIES TO NOBGFC MEMBER BOATS ONLY.

**MANY THANKS TO THE DONORS WHO HELP MAKE  
THIS TOURNAMENT A SUCCESS!!!**

**LEE LEBOEUF  
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