

Schedule of Events and Rules

Thursday, June 25, 2009 - Firemens hall in Matagorda

Registration: 4:00 - 7:00 sharp. (NO LATE ENTRIES WILL BE ACCEPTED)

Captains Meeting: 7:30 one member from each team must be present.

Calcutta: 8:00

Friday, June 26, 2009 - Rest day

Saturday, June 27, 2009 Fishing Day

No Checkout, Boats may leave from any of the listed ports at 5:00 am and may start fishing immediately and must return by water to weigh-in in Matagorda. Boats cannot touch land until boat has weighed in! Scales open at 3:00 and will close at 7:00pm. All boats must be in line to weigh by 7 pm. Awards will take place one hour after the last fish has been weighed.

Calcutta:

1. Calcutta is for King, Ling and dolphin. It is the combined weight of all three fish. 1 lb equals 1 point. 75 additional bonus points will be awarded for having all three fish. In the event that only two fish are caught, the total weight of the two fish will be scored with no bonus points.
2. Calcutta is optional. There will be a \$100 minimum opening bid for each boat participating in the Calcutta. If your team does not participate in the Calcutta your team is not eligible for the calcutta prize money!
3. Boat can only weigh one species per category.
4. \$150 Calcutta insurance can be paid by boat to insure 1/2 of boat winnings in the event of your team winning 1st, 2nd or 3rd place in the Calcutta.
5. After boat sells in Calcutta, money must be paid to the tournament committee representative immediately. If not received by the end of Calcutta, that team will be disqualified.

General Angling Rules:

1. All fish must be weighed by tournament weigh master and be in edible condition. Any fish deemed to be spoiled or rotten will be disqualified. Any fish that has been shot, cut, mutilated, frozen or showing signs of unsportsmanlike like conduct will be disqualified. Weigh-masters decision will be final. All winners will be determined by the largest fish entered according to weight.
2. Protests of any nature must be made to the tournament director no later than 7 pm on Saturday June 27, 2009 along with a \$50 deposit. If the protest is upheld, the \$50 will be refunded. In the event that the protest is not upheld, the \$50 deposit will be forfeited.
3. All fish must be caught by legal means by Rod and reel only. Texas Parks and Wildlife Game rules apply. Fish must be of legal length. Any team, attempting to weigh a fish not of legal length will be disqualified.
4. This is a captain's choice tournament. Captains fish at their own discretion and accept full responsibility for their crew and vessel on land or water.
5. All entrants will be subject to a polygraph test. Failure to submit or pass a polygraph will subject the boat to disqualification.

6. In the event of a tie, the first fish weighed in will be named the winner.
7. In the event any boats come together, regardless the reason, or anything passed between boats after the official start of the days fishing and before each boat has weighed in, then such boats shall be disqualified. As safety is of prime importance to the operation of this tournament, exceptions may be granted by the tournament director, but only to boats granting the assistance, not the boat receiving the assistance.
8. To knowingly fish over a pre-baited spot is not allowed. Chumming is allowed.
9. Due to inclement weather or seas above 5', fishing will be left to the tournament committee's discretion or postponed until Sunday, June 28, 2009 or July 18, 2009
10. All boats must be equipped with an operational 25 watt VHF radio.
11. No diving equipment will be allowed aboard any boat, no diving allowed.
12. Tournament channel will be 66.
13. Biggest Kingfish side pot: \$100 entry per boat and will pay one spot to the heaviest single kingfish of the tournament.
14. Lady angler division: lady must catch fish from start to finish to be eligible for prize money. Lady Angler is for heaviest fish of any category listed.
15. Junior angler division: No entry fee, open to children under the age of 16. Junior angler must catch fish from start to finish. Prizes awarded for heaviest fish caught by a junior angler.
16. The tournament committee reserves the right to refuse tourney applications or entry from any prospective entrant with or without cause. Any applicant refused entry will be entitled to a full refund.
17. There will be no changing of team members after the Calcutta has started.
18. There will be a bounty offered for the person who catches the heaviest Wahoo over 70 lbs, the heaviest Ling over 60 lbs, and the heaviest Dolphin over 50 lbs. The angler must be entered in the tournament as a team member and be entered in either the Wahoo, Ling or Dolphin pots in order to become eligible to win the bounty for each category. The angler MUST hook and fight the fish from start to finish in order to be eligible to win. Prize money will be paid by SCA Promotions upon completion of all required documentation from Tournament committee. If more than one boat catches a qualifying Wahoo, Ling or Dolphin, then the highest weight over the mentioned weights wins. If two fish are weighed and are the same weight, then the boat that weighs the fish first is deemed the winner.
19. Tournament committee reserves the right to refuse any entry for any reason!

Mail entry fee and signed registration form and make checks payable to:

**Matagorda Blue-Water Challenge
356 Byrd Salyer RD
Bay City, TX 77414**

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