

FLORIDA SPORTSMAN NORTHEAST BASH/TOURNAMENT SEPTEMBER 27th AND 28th BEACH MARINE JAX BEACH

Well, were doing it again! Mark the date and get ready to fish and party at the 2nd annual Florida Sportsman N/E Bash/Tournament. The captain's meeting will be held at Beach Marine in Jax Beach on Friday Sep 27th from 6 p.m. till 9 p.m. **The meeting is required so please have at least one member of each team present.**

The tournament will be held on Saturday Sep 28th and the cost will be \$40 per angler for inshore and offshore. This will include entry to the tournament, captain's bag, tee shirt, dinner and beer.

Check out the event flyer for specifics and the tournament rules below. Feel free to contact any one of us via email or phone with any questions/concerns or if you know of someone that would like to contribute to our cause which will help Taylor Haberman and her family with their mounting medical expenses.

Location

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General Tournament Rules

1. WEATHER: The decision to fish is solely the captain's choice. All anglers fish at their own discretion and risk. If the tournament rules committee determines it is unsafe to fish, all prizes will still be awarded by raffle tickets at the Bash **(you must be present to win)**. NO ENTRY REFUNDS! If the weather is bad at the captain's meeting, Tony (the Tournament Director) will decide to cancel the offshore division. All offshore prizes will be raffled off to only the offshore captains/anglers after completion of the weigh in **(you must be present to win)**.
2. All boats must be registered and prepaid to fish the Bash tournament by the start of the captain's meeting on Friday 27 Sep.
3. Tournament hours of fishing are 7 a.m., with scales open from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. If you are in line by 4 p.m., **your fish WILL be counted.**

4. All state and federal recreational fishing rules governing weight, size, bag limits and licensing must be observed. Only legal sized fish will be weighed.

5. One member of each fishing team must be a member of Florida Sportsman Forum prior to September 27, 2013.

6. Weigh-in will be held at the Bash area of Beach Marine in Jacksonville, Fl.

7. Florida Sportsman Magazine, its sponsors, vendors or members of the committee; are NOT responsible for any incidents/accidents that may occur during this event.

8. All protests must be submitted verbally and in writing with the Tournament Director within 30 minutes after the last fish is weighed in each category along with a \$100 deposit. If the protest is up-held, the \$100 deposit will be returned to protester. Otherwise, the \$100 becomes the property of the tournament. Protests resolutions are based on the Tournament Committee which will be final.

9. By registering for this event you agree that you have read and understand these rules.

Specific Offshore Tournament Rules

1. All fish must be caught on rod and reel (no electric reels). Kites, downriggers, planers, and wire lines are permitted. No line test restrictions. Live, dead, and artificial baits are permitted. No limits to the number of lines each boat can fish.

2. Fish where you want as long as it is in the state of Florida. And obviously, **the fish must be caught tourney day.**

3. Tournament scales open at 1 p.m. you must be in line by 4 p.m. No mutilated fish will be weighed. Anglers entering fish must return to the weigh station in the boat they fished from. **No fish or anglers can be transferred between boats.** All fish weighed in must be accompanied to the scale by an angler from the boat it was caught from and be weighed in the presence of the Official Tournament Weigh Master. In the event of a tie (identical weights), the first boat that weighed in will win the award.

4. Only one (1) fish per category per registered angler can be entered. Offshore species include grouper, dolphin, kingfish and wahoo. Prizes will be awarded for each of the largest species weighed, but no more than one prize be awarded per boat.

Specific Inshore Tournament Rules

1. Fishing for a slam of any three of the four allowed species- redfish, trout, flounder, and whiting. You must weigh three separate species (for a slam), your choice. Natural baits or artificial lures are allowed.

- a. Gaffing, gigging, spearing, or snagging fish is prohibited.
2. Wading, kayaking, shore, pier, and powerboat fishing are all allowed. This is open to everyone!
3. Lines in at 7 a.m. sharp. There is no check-out on the morning of Saturday, September 28th. Feel free to get on the water early, but do not fish until 7 a.m. If a picture is taken of you fishing before 7 a.m., your fish will not count.
4. If you do not intend on consuming your fish, please, by all means, release them alive at Beach Marine after they are weighed.
5. In the unlikely event of a tie, the first fish (or slam) weighed will win.
6. One registered angler can only win one prize. (This does not apply toward separate raffle prizes). This tournament is about Florida Sportsman members and fishermen having fun, fishing, and listening to good music, and to benefit Taylor Haberman.
7. And we had to bring this back! The largest LIVE (because who would want to kill such a beautiful creature) toadfish brought to the scales will win free Sun Deli subs for a year!

PRIZES

1st place: TBD
2nd place: TBD
3rd place: TBD

In the event that a particular species is not entered for a prize, the prizes will be awarded via a drawing from all teams entered in the tournament.

Bash Q&A

Q. What about those who want to attend, but aren't fishing?

A. The NE Bash is more about getting together for a good time than trying to catch the biggest fish to win a tournament. All Florida Sportsman members, their family and friends are encouraged to come out and enjoy the music, food and good company. The Bash is free to all.

Q. What time does the Bash actually start?

A. Saturday, September 28th at 12 pm
Food, Beer, Music 12 pm till
Tournament: lines in the water at 7 am

Q. Will t-shirts be for sale prior to the Bash and can I buy without going?

A. Yes, you'll be able to buy t-shirts and help raise money for Taylor Haberman without going to the Bash or fishing in the tournament.

Q. How do I pay? Website, Paypal?

A. You can pay at the captains meeting on Friday the 27th or, at the top of this page, click the register here link and take care of it online.

Q. Can I bring the fish to the weigh in by car?

A. Yes, you can bring your fish to the weigh in by car. You do not have to come by boat.

Q. Will there be a raffle, silent auction?

A. Yes, there will be lots of great silent auction items, don't forget 100% of the raffle money goes to Taylor!!!

Q. What will the winner of the tournament get?

A. The Tournament's format and prize structure is based on keeping things fun. Everyone has a shot at winning, one local boat or captain won't win it all. No big prize money at stake, but definitely good prizes to win. **Watch this thread for additional prizes.**

Please remember fellow anglers. This tournament is a great opportunity to get us forum brothers (and sisters) together and have a bash (pun intended)! But let's not forget the real reason we are participating. Have a blast!