

# 2024 BATTLE FOR CANCER TOURNAMENT

## November 7th - 10th, 2024

**OUR TOP PRIORITY IS THE SAFETY OF ALL PARTICIPANTS. THE PUBLIC AND EVERYONE INVOLVED MUST ADHERE TO ANY/ALL GUIDELINES SET BY LOCAL, STATE, OR FEDERAL AUTHORITIES.**

### **CAPTAIN'S MEETING**

**Galuppi's Restaurant Pompano Beach  
Thursday, Nov. 7, 2024 6pm-9pm**

### **WEIGH IN**

**The Sands Harbor & Sailfish Marina (satellite location)  
Saturday, Nov. 9, 2024 3pm-6pm**

### **AWARDS**

**Galuppi's Restaurant Pompano Beach  
Sunday, Nov. 10, 2024 - Noon**

1. **Early Registration: \$150** – Teams may pre-register for the tournament online at [www.fishingchaos.com](http://www.fishingchaos.com) search for Battle For Cancer or you can register at Big Dog Tackle. Payment may be made by cash, credit card and online payments are accepted. All payments are subject to a 7% sales tax. A 3% service charge will be added to ALL transactions. On July 4, 2024, the registration fee goes to **\$200.00**. On July 31st, 2024, the registration fee goes to **\$250.00**. On August 30th, 2024, the registration fee goes to **\$300.00**. On September 30th, 2024, the registration fee goes to **\$350.00**. \* Registration fee is non-refundable! \* You must bring a 1-liter bottle of top shelf liquor to the Captain's Meeting as part of the "STOCK THE BAR" Entry Fee. If not, please bring an extra \$30 CASH to the Captain's Meeting, and it will be purchased for you.
2. **Late Registration:** Late registration may be paid until the night of the Captain's Meeting on November 7th, 2024 from 6pm-9pm. Entry fees are not refundable for any reason. At least one member from each team MUST attend the Captain's Meeting to observe the rules and any changes or updates. Captain's Meeting will be hosted at Galuppi's Restaurant - 1103 N Federal Hwy, Pompano Beach, FL 33062.
3. **Entry Forms:** All entries must be completed online. Tournament officials reserve the right to refuse application or entry into the tournament at their discretion with or without cause.
4. **Anglers:** Each boat will be required to register each angler and identify specifically any anglers that are Youth or Female. Each boat may have as many anglers as they choose. ALL ANGLERS MUST HAVE A VALID FLORIDA FISHING LICENSE!
5. **Eligible Species:** Kingfish, Dolphin Fish/Mahi, Blackfin Tuna, Yellowfin Tuna (HMS Permit will be required at weigh-in), Wahoo and Cobia. Yellowfin Tuna will be disqualified if the team does not have an HMS Permit as of tournament day.
6. **Fish Limit:** Each fish must weigh a minimum of 10 lbs. Fish that do not meet these requirements will not count. All boats must adhere to the State of Florida's recreational bag limits as they pertain to all eligible species.
7. **Tackle:** All fish must be caught on rod and reel. Wire lines are permitted. No electric reels (except kite rods and downriggers). Treble hooks are permitted.
8. **Hook & Catch:** Passing the rod after hookup (hook and hand) is allowed. Once the line is tight with a fish hooked, the rod may be passed to another angler at any point in the fight.

9. **Bait & Bait Fishing:** Fishing with live bait is permitted in the tournament; however, live chumming is not permitted. Live baits may not be removed from a hook or baitwell, thrown against any object or surface on the boat and then placed in the water. Live baits may not be removed from a hook or baitwell, then cut in half and thrown into the water. If a bait is not attached to a hook connected by a line to a fishing rod, it must be completely dead before it is placed in the water. Live bait teasers are not allowed. All teams in the tournaments are prohibited from having any boats outside the tournament to live chum on their behalf. Frozen chum and cut bait are permitted.
10. **Tournament Channel:** The tournament committee will operate on Channel 80. Channel 72 will be used as an alternate. All discussions among competitors should be conducted on alternate channels.
11. **Boundaries:** Participating boats are limited to the waters off the east coast of Florida no more than 30 miles offshore. Boats may fish as far north or as far south as they wish. Lines out at 3:30pm and must be visible to the scales no later than 5:00pm.
12. **Check-Out:** There will be a gentlemen's lines in @ 7:00 AM from whichever inlet you decide to leave from. This is a tournament that benefits a charity so please be honest and do not start fishing until 7:00 AM! ALL THE WINNERS WILL BE SUBJECT TO POLYGRAPH. LINES IN EARLY WILL RESULT IN IMMEDIATE DISQUALIFICATION!
13. **Check-In:** Lines OUT is 3:30pm. All boats with fish to weigh must be visible from the weigh scales no later than 5pm & verbally checked in by displaying their boat # to the tournament committee, regardless of hook-ups. Boats that are not visible from the weigh-in scales by 5:00 PM will not be eligible to weigh their fish.
14. **Landfall:** Following check-out, or once fishing hours have begun, no boats will be permitted to touch land or enter any inlet and return to fishing. Once coming back to land, dock or entering an inlet that boat's day of tournament fishing will be over. Special consideration will be given to medical conditions and special circumstances that may arise during the day of fishing. The committee must be notified in advance of any situation that may warrant an exception to this rule.
15. **Weigh-In:** There are 2 weigh stations 1) located at The Sands Harbor Resort & Marina in Pompano Beach & 2) Satellite Weigh In Station @ Sailfish Marina in West Palm Beach. The scale will open at 3:00 PM. All fish must be brought to the weigh station(s) in the boat that they were caught. Eligible fish must be caught during tournament times of tournament day. Transferring fish to another boat will result in disqualification. Mutilated fish will be disqualified. All decisions of the weigh master are final. The weigh master reserves the right to inspect any fish by any means including but not limited to internal inspection.
16. **Weather:** If weather conditions arise and it is deemed unsafe for the average registered boat, by the tournament officials, the tournament may be called off for that day. No refunds will be made in the event of cancellation. Any notice of cancellation will be broadcast on channel 80. If Saturday is weathered out, the tournament will be moved to the same hours on the next day, Sunday. If Sunday's weather conditions are also deemed unsafe, the tournament will be scheduled to the following Saturday November 16th, 2024 and if that date is not acceptable the tournament will be rescheduled to Sunday November 17th, 2024 If that day is not acceptable, the tournament will be rescheduled to Sunday December 8th, if that date is not acceptable the tournament will be rescheduled to another date. It is expressly understood that the permitting of fishing by tournament officials does not ensure the safety of registered anglers or any other occupants of their vessels. Captains, anglers, and all other members of registered boats must determine in their own judgment whether to fish under the given conditions based on factors including but not limited to the seaworthiness of their boat and their own seamanship.
17. **Protests:** All protests must be made by 8pm of tournament day right after the conclusion of weigh-in along with \$500 cash to the tournament officials. Protests should be made based on first-hand eyewitness information. All decisions of the tournament officials regarding protests are final.
18. **Polygraph:** By entering the tournament all captains, anglers, and occupants of their boats voluntarily consent to submit to a polygraph examination as deemed necessary by tournament officials. All decisions of the polygraph examiner will be final. Any captain, angler or occupant of a registered boat who refuses to take a polygraph or provides untruthful answers as determined by the examiner will be disqualified from the tournament without further notice. Such a disqualification will eliminate payment or provision of any prize money, awards and/or refund of entrance fees or calcuttas. Polygraph test will be conducted the day after the tournament.
19. **Release:** By signing the entry form, all captains, anglers and occupants of their boat hereby consent that tournament officials may use without payment or restriction, any photographs, video or interviews in which he

or she may appear for any purpose whatsoever, including but not limited to resale, advertising, and promotional material.

20. **Tournament Discretion:** The tournament director reserves the right to implement his discretion at any time during the tournament as it may apply to the rules or any other circumstance that should arise during the course of the event.
21. **Prizes:** Award winners over \$600.00 MUST provide their social security number and will be REQUIRED to fill out a W-9 Form. ALL CASH & PRIZES will be awarded to the person or entity that paid the entry fee from the winning boat UNLESS that said person signs a release designating another individual to receive on their behalf.
22. **Named Charity:** Racing for Cancer (R4C) founded by Ryan Hunter-Reay, Champion Indycar Driver is our named charity this year. Ten percent 10% of all entries and calcuttas will be donated to R4C. You can check out the charity at [www.racingforcancer.org](http://www.racingforcancer.org)
23. **In the Event of a Tie:** Prizes will be split equally.
24. **PRIZE STRUCTURE (based on 50 boats)**  
**\*\*Stock The Bar Prizes will be Divided up among winners ... will depend on # of boats registered.**  
Tournament Winner – Heaviest Meat Fish (One prize per team in this category)
  1. \$5,000 & CHAMPIONSHIP TITLE BELT & Stock the Bar
  2. \$1,500 & Stock the Bar
  3. \$800 & Stock the Bar
  4. \$700

**Other Main Prize Categories (Teams may win multiple categories)**

Single Engine - Heaviest King  
Lady Angler - Heaviest Meat Fish  
Junior Angler (11-15 yr. old)- Heaviest Meat Fish  
PeeWee (8-11 yrs. old) - Heaviest Fish (Barracudas, Jacks & Bonita Included with Meat Fish)  
Mighty Mite (Under 8 yrs. old) - Heaviest Fish (Barracudas, Jacks & Bonita Included with Meat Fish) Heaviest Wahoo  
Heaviest Dolphin  
Heaviest Tuna  
Heaviest Cobia

**CALCUTTAS & ENTRY FEES - (Teams may win multiple prizes in each calcutta)**  
**(Payouts are 50/30/20 but may adjusted depending on # of boat entries)**

\$200 - Heaviest Fish (Kingfish, Dolphin, Wahoo, Cobia, Tuna, Yellowfin Tuna)  
\$200 - Heaviest King  
\$200 - 3 King Aggregate (Can weigh 1,2 or 3 fish)  
\$200 - Heaviest Wahoo  
\$200 - 5 Fish Aggregate (Max 2 of Each Species Kingfish, Dolphin, Wahoo, Cobia, Tuna)  
\$50 - Heaviest Bonita  
\$500 – High Roller Biggest Fish Overall  
**\*\*ACROSS THE BOARD - \$1,700 Early Entry\*\***  
**\*\*ALL Categories, Payouts, # of Payouts, etc. can and will be adjusted based on the number of boats based on whatever the Tournament Committee deems appropriate at their discretion\*\***