



# Manasquan River Marlin & Tuna Club

Established in 1936

## 2017 MRMTC Bluefin Tuna Tournament

**FREE ENTRY - Member Required. Each entry may fish FOUR DAYS**  
**Fishing Dates: Friday, June 2 through Sunday, July 30**

**Captains Meeting – Thursday, June 1 – 6:00 pm – Southside Marina**  
**Weigh-Ins daily at Hoffman’s Marina East**

**PRIZE: GUARANTEED CASH AWARD OF \$1,500.**

**50% HEAVIEST BLUEFIN, 30% 2nd HEAVIEST BLUEFIN, 20% 3rd HEAVIEST BLUEFIN**

\*In the event of a tie for 1st Place, 40% will be awarded to the two entries. No second place.

\*In the event of a tie for 2nd Place, 25% will be awarded to the two entries. No third place.

### **RULES:**

1. This tournament is a MRMTC member only tournament. Only MRMTC members and non-member guests are eligible to fish this tournament.
2. Members must submit a tournament Entry Form in order to be considered as fishing this tournament.
3. Tournament entry is on a per boat basis. A member may fish on a member or non-member boat.
4. Each entry is for four individual days of fishing. However, a boat may fish additional days if the member's fishing partner is also a club member and has entered the tournament separately. Each 4-days of fishing requires a separate Entry Form. The entrant must be on board on each fishing day of their entry for any catches on that day to be eligible for award consideration.
5. Entrants must declare their fishing day by 9:00 PM the evening before their day of fishing. To declare a fishing day, a representative from the boat must call (732) 612-8052 and leave a message with the following information: Entrants name, boat name, fishing day, and day and time of call.
6. Boats must not depart Manasquan Inlet before 12:00 AM on their declared day of fishing and must return through Manasquan Inlet on the same day. Overnight trips are not permitted.
7. In the event of a boat becoming disabled prior to leaving Manasquan Inlet, the entry may be transferred to a substitute boat and/or a substitute fishing day. The boat disability must be reported by calling (732) 612-8052 and leaving a message with the following information: Entrant's name, boat name, fishing date, nature of the boat disability, date and time of call.
8. In the event of a boat becoming disabled after leaving Manasquan Inlet, a substitute boat and/or fishing day will be granted as long as the following conditions are satisfied:
  - a. Fishing lines must not have been placed in the water.
  - b. The boat must return to Manasquan Inlet by 10 AM on the same day it departed.
  - c. A participant on the boat must call (732) 612-8052 as soon as the boat enters Manasquan Inlet and leave a message with the following information: Entrants name, boat name, fishing day, nature of the boat disability, date and time of call.
9. Fish being entered for award consideration must have the fish weighed on the official scale at **Hoffman's Marina - East**. Weigh hours are **daily** each day of the tournament. Call Hoffman's Marina **732-528-6160** to confirm the time of dock closing. The fish must be brought to the weigh scale by the boat upon which they were caught.
10. The official tournament radio channels are: VHF Channel 65, SSB frequency 4149.
11. All State, Federal and IGFA Rules and Regulations apply to this tournament except as follows:
  - a. A fish may be hooked by anyone other than the angler provided the rod is immediately transferred to the angler after the hook-up. From that time forward, the angler must fight the fish alone until boated or released.
  - b. The use of spreader bars is permitted.
12. There is no limit to the number of rods or lines used while fishing. The use of commercial fishing gear is not permitted.
13. In the interest of conservation, MRMTC encourages the use of circle hooks when using natural bait and/or natural bait/artificial lure combinations, however, circle hook rules do not apply to this tournament.
14. The boundary for the tournament is 65 miles from the Manasquan Inlet sea buoy.
15. Fish may be caught trolling, chunking, jigging and casting.
16. All fish over 100 lbs. must be reported to another member boat.
17. This tournament is being run concurrent with the Jack Meyer Tournament. Participants may not fish both tournaments on the same day.
18. Fish caught on a member's boat during the course of a non-member-paid charter trip are not eligible for award consideration regardless of who the angler is. Fish caught by a member who is being paid as a crew member, i.e., a mate, captain, etc. during the course of a fishing trip, are not eligible for any prize or trophy.
19. Prize money will be paid by check and made out to the Entrant's name as shown on the Entry Form. Prize money will be distributed to the winners upon determining the official results.
20. The tournament may be altered, cancelled, postponed or extended to other dates at the discretion of the Tournament Committee.
21. All interpretations of the Rules and decisions by the Tournament Committee are final.



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Member \_\_\_\_\_

Boat Name \_\_\_\_\_

**By signing this I acknowledge the rules and that I have read and understand the following:**

All boat owners, their crews, and anglers participate in the tournament voluntarily and at their own risk. They hereby agree to release and hold harmless the MRMTC, its Officers, Trustees, Agents, and employees from and against all claims, damages, losses and expenses – including all attorney's fees incurred as a result of their suffering bodily injury, illness, death, economic loss, or property damage while participating in this tournament. By signing this agreement I acknowledge that I have liability insurance coverage for my vessel and crew.

The decision to fish or not relative to weather or any other reason is at the sole discretion of the participants. The entrant may elect to withdraw from the tournament if they are concerned with weather related sea conditions. All entry monies will be fully refunded as long as an officer, a trustee, or a tournament committee member is notified prior to the time of the captains meeting.

Participants must comply with all applicable governmental laws, rules and regulations. MRMTC assumes no responsibility in that or any other regard. Any non-complying fish will be disqualified.

I agree to the aforementioned terms and conditions, and represent that anyone invited to fish on the boat entered, has been informed and has accepted accordingly. Participation constitutes acceptance of the aforementioned terms and conditions and that the crew has been notified of these and all applicable, state, federal and IGFA rules. Participants specifically agree and consent to the use of any photograph in which they appear, or audio recording, by the Tournament for any purpose whatsoever including, but not limited to, resale, advertising and promotional material without compensation or restriction of any kind.

**ONE REPRESENTATIVE MUST ATTEND THE CAPTAINS MEETING TO RECEIVE TOURNAMENT INFORMATION.**

**ENTRANT'S SIGNATURE** \_\_\_\_\_ **DATE** \_\_\_\_\_

Completed forms may be mailed to MRMTC, PO Box 0251, Brielle, NJ 08730 and must be postmarked no later than May 26, 2017. All others will be accepted at the Captains Meeting on June 1st.