



Forked River Tuna Club 2015 Ladies' Catch of the Day Tournament Rules and Regulations

Monitor Channel 19

1. Fishing day will be **Saturday, July 18, 2015**. There is no storm date. The awards picnic will be Sunday, July 19, 2015 at 12:00 p.m.
2. Fishing hours: Lines in the water at 7:00 a.m. Weigh-in at Rick's Marina. Weigh-in will be from 1:00-4:00 p.m. Start and finish times will be by official clock only.
3. All anglers **MUST** attend Angler's Meeting on Friday, July 17, 2015 at 7:00-9:00 p.m. at the Forked River Tuna Club. Angler tournament packages will be distributed at this time. All rules and regulations will be reviewed. Doors and kitchen will open at 6:00 p.m. Registration will close at 9:00 p.m.
4. Entrants in the Mermaid Division must be **12 years of age or under**. Entrants must be accompanied by an adult (male or female). Adult does not need be a registered angler. All fishing/crabbing must be done by the registered angler. Mermaids who register early are guaranteed a "Mermaid Basket".
5. All other tournament rules apply to Mermaid Division Anglers.
6. Anglers make the decision whether to fish/crab or not. If Angler, for whatever reason, decides not to fish or crab, there is no refund of registration fee. All participants will fish/crab at their own risk. A male may operate boats, but the registered Angler must do all fishing/crabbing.
7. A prize will be awarded to an "All Women Boat". An "All Women Boat" is defined as a boat operated, in all respects, by women only, having no men aboard the boat, even as spectators. Prize drawings for "All Women Boat" will be drawn on the day of the Awards Picnic. Entrants **MUST BE** present to win. **Adults ONLY** are eligible for "Early Entry" drawing. "Early Entry" will be drawn Friday, July 17, at the Anglers meeting.
8. In the Women's Division there will be prizes for the categories of bluefish and fluke. In the Mermaid Division, prizes will be awarded for fluke, bluefish and crab. Crab must be a minimum of 4-1/2 inches point to point. An eligible fluke must be a minimum of 18 inches in length. There is a 5 fish (Fluke) maximum per person.
9. Prizes will be awarded by weight. All fish and crabs must be weighed in at official weigh-in site no later than 4:00 p.m. on Saturday, July 18, 2015 and must be weighed in by a tournament official. Entries limited to one fish in each category and a total weight of five (5) preselected crabs, caught by drop line or individual crab trap. If a crab trap is used the dimensions must not be greater than 12-1/2 inches by 12-1/2 inches by 12-1/2 inches.
10. In case of fish of equal weight, first fish weighed in holds the position.
11. If there are no eligible fish or crabs caught for prizes, a drawing for 1st, 2nd and 3rd place will be held at the Awards Presentation. If a category has a weighed in winner, that person is not eligible to be in the drawing and her Angler number will be omitted from the barrel. In the event a Mermaid category must be drawn, the Mermaid whose number is drawn, will receive the gift card prize only, not the trophy. Anglers **MUST BE** present to win. The name will be called three times, if no response, then another name will be selected.
12. All fish and crabs considered for place in tournament will be inspected by tournament official. Their decision concerning eligibility is to be final.
13. Prizes will only be awarded to Anglers registered in the tournament. Each Angler is limited to one prize per category.
14. Results will be posted on the Forked River Tuna Club website: www.forkedrivertunaclub.com prior to awards picnic for review. All protests must be made **IN WRITING** no later than 10:00 a.m., Sunday, July 19, 2015. Any discrepancies should be reported to the Tournament Chairperson at (609) 647-3002. All entrants agree that the decision of the Tournament Committee shall be final.
15. When drawing Door Prizes, if a basket contains alcohol and a minor's number is called, she will receive the next basket that does not contain alcohol.