

WAR AT THE SHORE **OFFSHORE TOURNAMENT**



Date: June 1st to August 31st, 2026

(Captain's Choice* – Fish 4-day trips, 2 overnight trips or 2-day trips and 1 overnight trip)

Fishing Time: boats may leave inlet after midnight and fish until 3:30PM on day trips and 3:30 PM on second day of overnight trips.

Weigh In: **RELEASES AND FISH TO BE WEIGHED REPORTED TO CLUB COMMITTEE PERSON ON RETURN TO INLET. WEIGH IN SLIPS BY 10 AM ON THE DAY AFTER THE DECLARED FISHING DAY**

Radio Channel: VHF # 72

Captain's Meeting: TBD by EACH Club, Individually.

***** 5- WAY CLUB V. CLUB TOURNAMENT*****

RULES

1. This will be a Club v. Club Tournament with NO ENTRY FEE.
2. All Club members in good standing are automatically registered to fish this tournament.
3. Tournament entry is on a per boat basis.
4. Each competing boat will have the option to fish four single day trips, 2 overnight trips, or a combination of 2-day trips and 1 overnight trip between June 1st and August 31st, 2026.
5. Members must call in their fishing day by **11:59 PM** on the evening before their declared day of fishing. Call in number will be designated by each club.
6. Boats must not depart the Inlet before **12:00 AM** on their declared day of fishing.
7. Fishing Time: until 3:30 PM on single day trips and 3:30 PM on second day of overnight trips.
8. The DISTANCE for the Tournament will be a 115 Nautical Mile radius from the Little Egg Inlet (or PAST Little Egg Inlet) Bell Buoy. Or 115 NM from 39°27.937' N, 074°16.456' W.
9. IGFA Rules with Spreader Bars
10. Circle hooks must be used for all naturally trolled baits.
11. Jigging/Chunking is allowed – circle hooks must be used on natural chunk baits.
12. All Entrants entering a Calcutta must be **registered with Individual Club Tournament Committee Person by 8pm on Friday 5/31/26.**
13. Disputes must be made in writing to Club Committee Person by 9pm on day of fishing.
14. Disputes will be resolved by 5-person tournament committee by majority vote within.
15. Each boat will have the **option to enter 3 Calcutta's:**
 - a. **Home Port Calcutta (\$100)**
 - b. **Tuna/Dolphin/Wahoo (70/20/10%) (\$300)**
 - c. **Billfish Release Jackpot (\$200)**
16. **20% of total Calcutta entries for this event will be donated to a Charity for Childhood Leukemia Research** in the Name of Parker Nork by each individual club.
17. **Overall Club Winner** will be determined by overall points total of the best "trip" for each of the top 5 boats per club. "Trip" is defined as the time from inlet departure to return. Each day trip qualifies as one "trip". An overnight trip qualifies as one "trip". (Tiebreaker will be determined by first fish time, caught or released.)
18. Overall Club Winner will have name engraved onto Historic Governor's Trophy Award to be displayed at BHMTTC with winning club's burgee above trophy for ENTIRE year.

POINTS/SCORING

1. MEATFISH

- a. Tuna – 1 point per pound (3 fish per boat max) Bluefin count, within regulations (NO GIANTS – bluefin over 73" - due to SEASON Closed South of GE INLET.)
- b. Mahi – 2 points per pound (3 fish per boat max)
- c. Wahoo – 2 points per pound (3 fish per boat max)
- d. Individual boat is only allowed to weigh in 3 fish of each species for each "trip" – single day or overnight trip.

2. BILLFISH

- a. Points per release
 - i. 70 points for White Marlin
 - ii. 150 points for Blue Marlin
- b. Points for 3 billfish released, any combination of White and/or Blue Marlin for best single "trip" count for the boat towards the overall club tournament.
- c. Marlin Release Jackpot Calcutta is for boat with MOST BILLFISH RELEASE POINTS Total for all "trips" taken. No limit on the number of releases

3. Points total of the best "trip" for the top 5 boats per club.

- a. Total club points will be the sum of the best "trip" for each of the top 5 boats of each club.

OPTIONAL CALCUTTAS

1. Homeport Calcutta (\$100)
 - a. Gentleman's agreement between the members of the Club at the location of the Club. The structure is TBD by the Club Tournament Committee Person.
 - b. The amount for the homeport Calcutta is suggested at \$100.00 but may change per individual club.
2. Overall Calcutta (\$300)
 - a. Gentleman's agreement between all clubs/entrants into the Calcutta for heaviest meat fish.
 - b. The breakdown for the payouts of the Calcutta is:
 - i. Tuna (70% of pot): 1st – 70%, 2nd – 30%
 - ii. Mahi (20% of pot): 1st – 70%, 2nd – 30%
 - iii. Wahoo (10% of pot): 1st – 100%
 - c. All ties split payout for tied position.
 - d. No wahoo, money rolls into mahi, no mahi, money rolls into wahoo, no mahi or wahoo, money rolls into tuna, no tuna, money rolls into split mahi and wahoo, no mahi, wahoo, or tuna, whole pot goes to the Children's Leukemia Research in the name of Parker Nork.
3. Billfish Release Jackpot Calcutta (\$200)
 - a. Gentleman's agreement for boat with most billfish release points (no limit to number of billfish releases per trip, total of all trips).
 - b. Paid out 100% to boat with most release points in Calcutta.
 - c. Swordfish do not count as billfish in this tournament, swordfish releases do not count as billfish releases.

20% of total of all Calcutta entries for this event will be donated to a Charity for Childhood Leukemia Research

2026 Tournament Committee

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BILLFISH RELEASE FORM

BOAT NAME _____ DATE FISHED _____

<u>BILLFISH SPECIES</u>	<u>TIME OF RELEASE</u>	<u>REPORTED TO BOAT</u>
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RELEASE SHEET **MUST** BE RETURNED TO THE CLUB TOURNAMENT COMMITTEE PERSON BY 10
AM ON THE DAY AFTER THE DECLARED FISHUING DAY TO BE ELIGIBLE FOR POINTS.

2026 WAR AT THE SHORE WEIGH-IN FORM

BOAT NAME _____ DATE FISHED _____

WEIGH-IN LOCATION: _____

WEIGHMASTER SIGNATURE/PHONE NUMBER:

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	<u>SPECIES</u>	<u>WEIGHT</u>	<u>ANGLER</u>
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COMPLETED WEIGH-IN SHEET **MUST** BE RETURNED TO CLUB TOURNAMENT COMMITTEE PERSON BY 10 AM ON THE DAY AFTER THE DECLARED FISHUNG DAY TO BE ELIGIBLE FOR POINTS.