

Islamorada Fishing Clubs' 12 Annual Captains Cup Dolphin Tournament
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Under rough seas and warm weather the field of 13 boats joined the hunt with winds coming out of the east running 25 miles per hour with higher gusts. "We had great excitement this year. The winner is determined by the combined weight of three fish and this year only fractions of pounds separated second and third places." said tournament director Dianne Harbaugh. "The awards were awesome again. Pasta Pantaleo created individual burgee release flags mounted and framed for the first place winners and a new beautiful Dolphin painting was created for second and third place."

The winners and Grand Champions of the Islamorada Fishing Clubs Captains Cup Dolphin Tournament sponsored by TIB Bank went to Dean Billings of Staten Island, NY, Juan Acosta of Jersey City, NJ and George Giannaros of Queens, NY fishing aboard the Caribsea. Combined total weight of the fish was 62 pounds. The largest fish caught in the tournament was brought in by George Giannaros weighing in at 28.7 pounds. Champion Captain, sponsored by Caribee Boats went to Captain Kenny Spaulding of the Caribsea. Champion Mate sponsored by Yamaha Outboard was presented to Conan Yates and Spanky (Tommy Bressler). All of the winners were presented with the hand painted Pasta mounted and framed release flags.

Second Place Anglers, sponsored by Mercedes Benz of Cutler Bay went to Russell Eaves of Key Largo, FL, Rick LeMaire of Key Largo, FL and Bobby Everett of Inverness, FL on the boat Nuff Said. Total combined weight was 54.6. Second place Captain and Mate, sponsored by Lodge Consulting was Captain Scott Stoky and Mate Cecil Everett.

Third place Anglers, sponsored by Ocean Sotheby's International Realty went to Mike Mora, Arturo Mirera and Claudia Rodriguez all of Miami, FL aboard the Lumber Jack 2, with a combined weight of 54.5, This was only .1 pound behind second place!. Third Place Captain and Mate sponsored by Regan Insurance went to Captain Billy Woods and Mate Joe Milazzo.

"This was an IGFA Offshore World Championship qualifying event and the winners were given an entry to the IGFA Offshore World Championship in Cabo San Lucas, Mexico. They were very excited about that and pledged to fish the 2012 event. This was a tight tournament and these folks are all very competitive and want the honor and recognition involved with this tournament, not to mention the winning check. Captain Brian Cone of the Contagious missed 3rd place by only .3 pounds. This year's tournament paid out \$15,500.00." said tournament director Dianne Harbaugh.