

24th ANNUAL SHARK **TOURNAMENT**

Nothing stops the die hard angler from fishing the Annual Star Island Shark Tournament, June's weather and the doom and gloom of a weak economy may have kept some fishermen at the dock. But not the 140 boats and over 650 anglers who participated in last year's tournament that paid out over \$500,000 in cash, custom trophies, and other prizes. Last years top honors for the Heaviest Shark was landed aboard long time Star Island Tournament participants John and Dennis Vlahakis's "Runaway" Capt Harry Clemenz put Costas Vlahakis on a 369lb Thresher as time ran down on day 2. In addition to \$68,000 in prize money, custom trophies and other prizes the crew of the "Runaway" was invited to the IGFA Offshore World Championships in Cabo San Lucas Mexico, as the Star Island Annual Shark Tournament is a qualifying tournament for that event!!

Another veteran of Star Island Tournaments, Capt Steve DeMarco and the crew of the "Freedom" divvied up over \$108,000 as angler Bill Reed's 289lb thresher captured Day One Heaviest Shark honors. A third Star Island favorite. Capt Ed Pollner and the crew of the "P-Pod" took home over \$98,000 in prize money on the back of angler Nick Vuktee's Day Two 239lb Thresher. Honors for the Heaviest Mako went to Star Island Tournament veteran angler Dale Darmante, Fishing aboard Capt Tom Cusimano's charter boat the "Sea Wife" his 227lb Mako earned the crew prize money in excess of \$37, 000. The Heaviest Blue Shark of the Tournament weighing 277lbs earned Nuno DeCosta and the crew of Stan Finguerra's "Lady Fin" \$51,000 in prize money. As you can see last year's prize money was shared by numerous entrants.

So mark your calendars for the 24th Annual Star Island Yacht Club Shark Tournament to be held from June 17th-19th. The Captains meeting will be held on Thursday June 17th with fishing Friday and Saturday June 18th and 19th. The Awards Ceremony and Dinner will follow fishing on Saturday night accompanied by live music and dancing under the stars!!

For those anglers who wish to get in on the action and don't own a boat. The Star Island Yacht Club Charter Fishing Fleet is home to Montauk's finest and most knowledgeable Charter Captains. Their boats can accommodate up to 6 Anglers and are available for ONE or BOTH days of the Tournament!!

In addition to this outstanding competition, all sportsmen can contribute to the studies of the Shark Species by tagging and releasing sharks that don't meet strict weight requirements. Last year over 300 sharks were released back to the ocean. Of the sharks that were weighed in over 900 pounds of edible shark meat was donated to the Long Island Council of Churches food pantry to help feed those in need!!

PRIZES	
Heaviest Shark Tournament	\$25,000
Heaviest Shark Day 1	\$2,500
Heaviest Shark Day 2	\$2,500
Heaviest Mako	\$5,000
2nd Heaviest Mako	\$2,500
3rd Heaviest Mako	\$1,500
Heaviest Blue Shark	\$2,500
2nd Heaviest Blue	\$1,500
3rd Heaviest Blue	\$1,000
Heaviest Other Species	\$3,500
2nd Place Heaviest Other	\$1,500
3rd Place Heaviest Other	\$1,000
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COMPANIE OF EVENIES

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Captain's Meeting & Beer Bus	t	7:30 PN
Coffee/Danish		5:00 AN
Fishing	6:00 AM to	6:00 PN
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Fishing	6:00 AM to	5:00 PN
Awards		7:30 PN
Open Buffet – Live Entertainm	ient	
	Captain's Meeting & Beer Bus Coffee/Danish Fishing Coffee/Danish Fishing Awards	Fishing 6:00 AM to Coffee/Danish Fishing 6:00 AM to

ENTRY FEE \$800 PER BOAT

RULES & REGULATIONS

- 1. All boats must sail from and return through Lake Montauk each fishing day.
- 2. Each boat will be issued a tournament number, which must be prominently displayed
- 3. No boat may leave the inlet before 6:00 A.M. and boats must return by 6:00 P.M. on Fri. and 5:00 P.M. on Saturday.
- 4. The prize category of the "Other Species" refers only to the minimum size species of Hammerhead and Thresher. Minimum weight: Mako 100 lbs., Blue Shark - 250 lbs., Other Species - 150 lbs. FISH WEIGHED THAT DO NOT MEET THE MINIMUM WEIGHTS MAY COUNT AGAINST A TEAMS QUALIFYING FISH WEIGHT.
- 5. All I.G.F.A. tackle rules apply. Use of mammal blood or flesh is strictly prohibited No guns, bang sticks or harpoons,
- Fishing will be held each scheduled day, Captain's choice, no weather committee Only one day need be fished for the tournament to be considered official.
- All fish must be available for weigh-ins at S.I.Y.C. by 6:00 P.M. on Friday and 5:00 P.M. on Saturday. Weights will be rounded to the nearest pound, with exact 1/2 pounds being rounded up.
- 8. Should there be a tie in any cash prize category, the prize money will be divided
- 9. In the event of a category not having a winner, that prize money will be divided equally among winning categories.
- 10. In the event of a boat disability, contestants are allowed to transfer to another boat not entered in the Tournament, and fish in the name of the original. Fish may not be transferred to another boat.
- 11. Any protests must be presented, at the time of the alleged infraction, to the Tournament Directors. They, and the Weighmaster, shall serve as judges in such cases and their decision is final.
- 12. In the event of a 2 day blow, as per boat safety and judge's decision, prize monies and trophies will be awarded by a drawing.

23rd ANNUAL RESULTS

Heaviest Shark: Captain: John Vlahakis	369lb Thresher • Angler: Costas Vlahakis	"Runaway"
Heaviest Shark Day 1: Captain Steve DeMarco		"Freedom"
Heaviest Shark Day 2: Captain: John Vlahakis	369lb Thresher • Angler: Costas Vlahakis	"Runaway"
Heaviest Blue Shark: Capt. Stan Finguerra •		"Lady Fin"
Heaviest Other Shark: Capt. John Vlahakis	369lb Thresher Angler: Costas Vlahakis	"Runaway"
2nd Heaviest Other: Capt. Steve DeMarco •		"Freedom"
3rd Heaviest Other: Capt. Paul Giangreco •	287lb Thresher Angler: Pete Greenhath	"Fisherman II"
Heaviest Mako: Capt. Tom Cusimano •	227lb Mako Angler: Dale Darmante	"Sea Wife IV"
2nd Heaviest Mako: Capt. Mike Forman • A	197lb Mako ngler: Vincent O'Connor	"Sandra Jeanne"
3rd Heaviest Mako Capt. Greg Hughes • A		"Three of a Kind"
Number of Entrants:	140 Boats	
Total Fish Weighed:	17	
Mako:	4	
Thresher:	4	
Blue:	9	

ENTRY FORM 24th ANNUAL **SHARK TOURNAMENT**

Boat Name

Make			
Length		Beam	
Name			
Street			
City			
State	Zip		
Phone # H:		_Cell:	
E-mail Address			
C.C. #			Exp
Transient Dockage	☐ YES	□ NO	
Electric	☐ 30 AMP	☐ 50 AMP	
Arrival	D	ept	

EARLY ENTRY

Forms returned with full entry fee by April 15th will qualify for a special drawing of a \$500.00 gift certificate for the Star Island Yacht Club Store.

TOURNAMENT DOCKAGE FEES

Transient rates for this tournament will be \$5.00 per foot + \$25.00 for utilities (water, electric & cable TV) per day payable in advance. For transient dockage, please check the appropriate box on entry blank and mail payment to reserve your slip reservation. Dockage is available on a fist come - first serve basis. There will be a three night minimum charge for dockage during the tournament.

PAYABLE to:

STAR ISLAND YACHT CLUB MAIL TO:

STAR ISLAND YACHT CLUB Tournament Division P.O. Box 2180, Montauk Point, NY 11954 Please include fee with entry blank.

> PHONE: 631-668-5052 FAX: 631-668-5503

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