



**AUGUST 8, 2026 - AUGUST 14, 2026**

**(6) DAY WEATHER WINDOW**

**YOU CHOOSE - (1) OVERNIGHT OR (2) DAY TRIPS**

**SATURDAY, AUGUST 8 - CAPTAINS MEETING 2-5pm SUNDAYS ON THE BAY**

**FRIDAY, AUGUST 14 - AWARDS DINNER 6-9pm SUNDAYS ON THE BAY**

**ENTRY FEE: \$2,200 (Before 6/1/26) \$2500 (After 6/1/26)**

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## TOURNAMENT REGISTRATION

MUST BE COMPLETED PRIOR TO FISHING

### ENTRY FEE:

**\$2,200.00** (BEFORE 6/1/26)

**\$2,500.00** (AFTER 6/1/26)

**CASH /CHECKS PAYABLE TO: MONTAUK TOURNAMENTS**

**BOAT NAME:** \_\_\_\_\_

**BOAT MAKE:** \_\_\_\_\_ **LENGTH:** \_\_\_\_\_ **HULL:** \_\_\_\_\_

**OWNER OR CAPTAIN NAME:** \_\_\_\_\_

**ADDRESS:** \_\_\_\_\_

**CITY, STATE, ZIP:** \_\_\_\_\_

**CELL PHONE #:** \_\_\_\_\_

**EMAIL:** \_\_\_\_\_

**HOLD HARMLESS RELEASE - ALL BOATS, CAPTAINS AND CREWS ACKNOWLEDGE THAT THEY ARE PARTICIPATING IN A SPORT THAT HAS INHERENT RISK OF INJURY OR DEATH. ALL PARTICIPANTS AGREE TO INDEMNIFY, DEFEND AND HOLD HARMLESS HAMPTONS SHOOTOUT, ITS DIRECTORS, AGENTS AND STAFF FROM ANY AND ALL LIABILITY, CLAIMS, LIBEL, SLANDER, LOSS, CAUSES OF ACTION AND DAMAGES, INCLUDING ATTORNEY FEES, DIRECTLY OR INDIRECTLY RESULTING FROM PARTICIPATION IN THIS TOURNAMENT.**

**USE OF PHOTOGRAPHY - I HEREBY GRANT PERMISSION TO USE MY NAME, BOAT NAME, PHOTO OR VIDEO BY HAMPTONS SHOOTOUT FOR THE PURPOSE OF ADVERTISING AND MARKETING.**

**CAPTAIN'S SIGNATURE:** \_\_\_\_\_



## **HAMPTONS SHOOTOUT 2026**

### **Tournament Rules and Regulations**

#### Dates & Times:

Tournament starts Sunday, August 9, 2026 at 1:00 a.m. and ends Friday, August 14, 2026 at 5:00 p.m.

#### Fishing Grounds:

Boats may fish out to 135 miles from Shinnecock Inlet Buoy. *(See below for details)*

#### Tournament Inlets:

Boats may depart from Montauk, Shinnecock, Moriches or approved docks prior to departing. All boats must return directly to Shinnecock Inlet to weigh fish. Contact Director upon return for directions to the weigh station.

#### Departure:

We will be using the Hamptons Shootout APP for departures. If there are issues with the Hamptons Shootout APP, please contact Rich or Chris ASAP.

#### Return:

Boats May Return to Shinnecock. Scales are open 3:00pm - 8:00pm daily.

Boats arriving must contact Rich (516) 851-3078 (OR) Chris (516) 523-3444 and then proceed to a designated slip.

#### Overnight Fishing:

Boats choosing to fish the (1) 38 hour overnight fishing trip MUST depart between 1 AM and 6 AM of the day chosen to fish. Before casting off lines, boats must text Rich or Chris with the following required information:

1. Boat Name
2. Time of Departure
3. Inlet Departing from
4. Expected Return Date & Return Time
5. Photograph of GPS position with departure date and departure time stamp

Do not depart until you receive confirmation on the APP or a return text "Tight Lines". Returning boats must clear the inlet markets within the tournament hours 38 or 19. *Contact Information- Rich (516) 851-3078 or Chris (516) 523-3444.*

#### Day Trip Fishing:

Boats may choose to fish two 19 hour fishing trips. Before casting off lines, boats must text the director the following information: "Same As Above". Do not depart until you receive text "Tight Lines". Returning boats must clear the inlet markers within the tournament hours 38 or 19.

#### Weather Decision:

There is no weather committee, captains are responsible for reviewing all weather forecasts and making weather related decisions. The Director reserves the right to discuss each boat's weather fishing decision but the ultimate decision belongs to the Captain.

### Fishing Regulations:

All fish must meet SIZE and bag limits of state and federal regulations to qualify for this tournament. Bluefin Tuna is a "Calcutta Only" category species. All NOAA/HMS rules and reporting requirements apply to landing a Bluefin Tuna. The Fishing territory is 135 miles from the Shinnecock Inlet buoy. Captain must have continual knowledge of the vessel position in regard to the boundary limits at all times. This is a Polygraph question, be sure to stay within limits. The angler must fight and bring the fish to the gaff unaided by any other person (excluding gaff and leader man). The "One Pass Rule" provides the angler the opportunity to have the rod handed to them from the Rod Holder or Rocket Launcher as long as the reel is not advanced during the hand off. Fishing out of a Rod Holder is not permitted. This is a rod and reel, hook and line tournament. The use of hand lines, ropes, nets, harpoons and any other means of fish capture other than rod and reel are strictly prohibited. Outriggers and downriggers are permitted, greensticks are not allowed and must be tied forward to the bow of the boat. Fish must be hooked, fought and landed or tagged from the same boat. In the event of a mechanical breakdown, fish cannot be transferred. No mutilated fish will be eligible for competition. There shall be no use of aircraft of any kind, for spotting or baiting fish. This includes recreational drones; film your boat and spread at another time. There shall be no use of outside assistance for landing or acquiring fish. Protest must be made prior to distribution of awards and prizes. The Tournament Director reserves the right to protest a fish at any time during the length of the Tournament. The ruling on each protest by the Tournament Director is final, there is no appeals process. Tournament Director reserves the right to refuse entry to any boat for any reason prior to the start of the tournament.

### Tackle Specifications:

International Game Fishing Association Rules and additional rules specified herein. Maximum line class is "as stated, not tested breaking point" maximum line class is 130 lbs. Leaders may exceed the 130 lb. limit but cannot be more than 40 feet in length from line to hook including double line, wind-on etc. Spreader bars are permitted, but may only have one hook per bar. Double hook rigs are not permitted with live or dead baits in this tournament. A single j, circle or offset hook must be used on live, dead or artificial baits. Fish must be fought either stand up, from a fighting chair, or rocket launcher with floating gimbal. Fish may not be fought from rod holders.

### Polygraph Testing:

Tournament Director reserves the right to require a Polygraph test to any boat captain that received more than \$10,000 in combined winnings. All Polygraph questions are at the discretion of the Tournament Director and Examiner and may vary from boat to boat. The three top prize winners will be polygraphed unless a polygraph test is needed for a protested boat. There may be a polygraph test given to the top three cash prize winners of this tournament. The Captain will be tested and must have knowledge of the vessel position for the entire trip, witnessed the fight and landing of the winning fish and a good knowledge of IGFA Rules. If the Captain is excused by the Tournament Director and Examiner, the Tournament Director reserves the right to choose between a replacement from the crew. If no crew member can attest to location, fish fight and IGFA rules, boat will be disqualified. All polygraph tests will take place on Friday, August 15th. Please be available from 2:00pm - 6:00pm. Interviews take approximately 1 hour. Prize money categories for boats with winning fish being polygraphed, will not be given out until interviews are complete. Should there be a protest relating to a prize category not in the top three payouts, Tournament Director reserves the right to substitute a polygraph exam of one of the top three payout boats to settle the protest. All decisions of the Polygraph Examiner and Tournament Director are final, no appeals process.

### Prize Money Distribution:

Trophies, Large Ceremonial Checks and Tournament Prize Checks will be distributed at the Awards Dinner. All Calcutta payouts will take place Friday after 8:00pm. Location to be announced to winners. Calcutta will be paid immediately after the Awards Dinner. Boats must provide the name, address and SS number for recipient(s) of Tournament winnings. Tournament Prize Money is based on 50 boats. If the tournament has less than 50 boats, prize amounts will be pro-rated based on number of registered boats. All prize categories are pro-rated based on the number of boats up to 50, except Junior and Lady Angler.

**Refunds - Entry Fees & Calcutta:**

100% Refund of Entry Fee and Calcutta Payments are available to boats that provide a written refund request before Thursday, August 6th, 2026 6:00pm. No Refunds for any reasons, including illness and mechanical failure after August 6th, 2026, 6:00pm. No refunds for disqualified fish or disqualified boats for breaking the Tournament Rules. Tournament will pay out 95% of all Calcutta monies collected.

**Heaviest Tuna:**

Species included: Big Eye Tuna, Yellowfin Tuna & Albacore Tuna - No Bluefin.

**Triple Yellowfin Tuna:**

Combined weight of the 3 heaviest yellowfin tunas from each boat. Day Trip boats may use tuna from each trip to create their heaviest string.

**Bluefin Tuna:**

Calcutta Only - No Cash Tournament Prize or Trophy. Recreational regulations apply.

**Calcutta Split:**

All Calcutta's are split 70/30 for 1st & 2nd Place. WINNER TAKE ALL (HEAVIEST TUNA - \$10,000 - *All boats eligible*) Only 1 Fish from each species per boat (3 Yellowfin limited to 1 set of 3 per boat) qualifies for each Calcutta. (e.g.; Boat #1 catches two Yellowfins 85 lbs. & 84 lbs., Boat #2 catches one 83 lbs. Yellowfin - Yellowfin 1st Place Boat #1 85 lbs. & Boat #2 83 lbs.)

**One Rod Pass Rule:**

How this rule works: Crews may pass the rod once to the angler provided that the reel has not been advanced. *Example: Rod goes off on flybridge rocket launcher, a crew member may pass the rod down to the angler in the cockpit that will then fight the fish unassisted until leader and gaff. However, if the crew member or captain advances the reel, then that's your fish and you must fight unassisted and there is no allowed "one pass".*

**Greenstick Notice:**

The use of greensticks and/or use of bandit reels during the tournament for any reason/purpose is **prohibited**. Any vessel equipped with a greenstick must declare the greensick to the tournament director prior to trip departure. All vessels with greensticks must have them secured by a tournament committee member prior to leaving the harbor on their designated offshore days or will not be allowed to weigh a competing fish. Any tampering with or changing the tournament approved security tag will cause any competing fish by the vessel to be disqualified. LE electric reels and/or other electric reels including bridge teaser reels may only be used to tow dredges and teasers. No hydraulic reels are allowed as teaser reels.

**Protests:**

Any and all protests must be filed in writing and signed by the protestor, Attn: Tournament Committee. Protests will only be accepted that pertain to boats that have competing fish. Protests must include the protesting boat, the boat being protested, details of the event including time and location the protested event took place. Protests must be brought on specific rule violations and not personal beliefs and will be vetted based on current rules in place. Hearsay protests will not be accepted without a written statement from the witnessing party. Witnessing parties must be an entered boat or angler in the current years Hamptons Shootout. Members of the protesting boat, protested boat, and any witnesses providing statements may be subject to a polygraph test to determine the validity of the claims put forth. Prize money may be withheld up to 48 hours to allow for all information to be collected regarding protested events.



## **CAPTAIN'S CHOICE**

**(ONE) 38 HOUR OVERNIGHT OR (TWO) 19 HOUR DAY TRIPS**

## **FISHING GROUNDS**

**OUT TO 135 MILES FROM SHINNECOCK INLET BUOY**

## **FISHING WINDOW**

**SUNDAY, AUGUST 9TH 1:00 AM TO FRIDAY, AUGUST 14th 5:00 PM**

*Boats choosing to fish the (1) 38 hour overnight fishing trip MUST depart between 1 AM and 6 AM of the day chosen to fish.*

## **APPROVED DEPARTURE INLETS**

**MONTAUK / SHINNECOCK / MORICHES**

## **OFFICIAL WEIGH STATION**

### **SUNDAYS ON THE BAY**

**369 Dune Rd, Hampton Bays, NY 11946**

**SCALES OPEN 3:00PM TO 8:00PM**

**BOATS MUST RETURN DIRECTLY TO SHINNECOCK TO WEIGH IN.**

**WEIGH STATION LOCATION WILL BE ASSIGNED PRIOR TO ENTERING SHINNECOCK.**

## **BEFORE YOU FISH:**

**- WE ARE NOW USING THE HAMPTONS SHOOTOUT APP FOR DEPARTURES**

**-IF YOU HAVE ISSUES WITH APP, PLEASE USE TEXT PROCEDURE;**

**\*TEXT or CALL PRIOR TO DEPARTURE - RICH (516) 851-3078 / CHRIS (516) 523-3444**

**INCLUDE THE FOLLOWING- BOAT NAME / TIME / DEPARTURE INLET / RETURN DATE & TIME / PHOTOGRAPH OF GPS POSITION WITH DATE & TIME.**

**\*DO NOT DEPART INLET UNTIL YOU RECEIVE TEXT BACK "TIGHT LINES"\***



## 2026 PRIZE MONEY

- HEAVIEST TUNA - \$4,000
- HEAVIEST TUNA - \$1,500
- HEAVIEST TUNA (NON SONAR)- \$4,000
- HEAVIEST TUNA (NON SONAR)- \$1,500
- HEAVIEST YELLOWFIN TUNA - \$3000
- HEAVIEST YELLOWFIN TUNA - \$1,000
- HEAVIEST YELLOWFIN TUNA (NON SONAR) - \$3,000
- HEAVIEST YELLOWFIN TUNA (NON SONAR)- \$1,000
- HEAVIEST (3) YELLOWFIN TUNA - \$3,000
- HEAVIEST (3) YELLOWFIN TUNA - \$1,000
- HEAVIEST ALBACORE TUNA - \$1,000
- HEAVIEST ALBACORE TUNA - \$500
- MAHI - \$2,000
- MAHI - \$500
- WAHOO - \$1,000
- HEAVIEST TUNA (OUTBOARD) \$1,000
- HEAVIEST YELLOWFIN TUNA (OUTBOARD) \$1,000
- JR. ANGLER - \$500
- LADY ANGLER - \$500

**2026 GUARANTEED PAYOUT (50) BOATS - \$31,000**

**\*\*ALL TOURNAMENT PRIZE MONEY, BASED ON 50 REGISTERED BOATS.  
IF LESS THAN 50 BOATS, ON A PRO-RATED BASIS.**





## **50/50 CHARITY CALCUTTA** **SHOOTOUT CHAMPION**

50% of this calcutta will be donated to charities  
*Big Brothers Big Sisters of Long Island & Dana Barrett Strong*

*\*ALL PROCEEDS FROM RAFFLE WILL BE DISTRIBUTED TO CHARITIES.  
PERSONAL DONATIONS TO DESIRED CHARITY ARE ENCOURAGED*



## **BLUEFIN CALCUTTA ONLY**

*This fishing category is limited to those that participate in the  
\$500 Bluefin Calcutta. Bluefin Tuna does not count towards  
Shootout Championship Points or the Heaviest Tuna Prize & Calcutta.*

*Example: Boat (#1): Big Eye Tuna qualifies for Shootout Championship Points and Heaviest Tuna Prize & Calcutta. Boat (#2): Bluefin qualifies for the \$500 Bluefin Calcutta (if entered) and does NOT qualify for Shootout Champion Points & Heaviest Tuna Prize Category and Heaviest Tuna Calcutta's. Rec regs apply.*





BOAT NAME : \_\_\_\_\_

CAPTAIN'S NAME : \_\_\_\_\_

## **HAMPTONS SHOOTOUT CALCUTTA**

***CIRCLE EACH CALCUTTA***

70% 1st place & 30% 2nd place (One species weighed per boat - except for (3) yellowfin stringer)  
95% of all calcutta money collected will be paid out to winners

HEAVIEST ALBACORE		\$500
HEAVIEST BLUEFIN TUNA		\$500
HEAVIEST MAHI MAHI	\$1,000	\$500
HEAVIEST WAHOO		\$500
HEAVIEST SWORDFISH		\$500
*HEAVIEST TUNA	**\$5,000	\$2,500
HEAVIEST YELLOWFIN	\$1,000	\$500
HEAVIEST (3) YELLOWFIN	\$1,000	\$500
TRIFECTA (HEAVIEST YELLOWFIN, ALBACORE, MAHI MAHI)	\$1,000	\$500
50/50 CHARITY - SHOOTOUT CHAMPION (OVERALL POINTS)	\$400	
SUB -TOTAL		

***\*HEAVIEST TUNA -> BIG EYE, YELLOWFIN OR ALBACORE - NO BLUEFIN***

***\*\*HEAVIEST TUNA - \$5,000 WINNER TAKE ALL***

BOAT NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

CAPTAIN'S SIGNATURE: \_\_\_\_\_

BOAT TOTAL: \_\_\_\_\_

TOTAL CALCUTTA: \_\_\_\_\_

COUNTED BY: \_\_\_\_\_

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BOAT NAME : \_\_\_\_\_

CAPTAIN'S NAME : \_\_\_\_\_

## **HAMPTONS SHOOTOUT** **NON -SONAR CALCUTTA**

***CIRCLE EACH CALCUTTA***

70% 1st place & 30% 2nd place (One species weighed per boat - except for (3) yellowfin stringer)  
95% of all calcutta money collected will be paid out to winners

*HEAVIEST TUNA	**\$5,000	\$1,000
HEAVIEST YELLOWFIN	\$1,500	\$500
HEAVIEST (3) YELLOWFIN	\$1,500	\$500
SUB -TOTAL		

***\*HEAVIEST TUNA -> BIG EYE, YELLOWFIN OR ALBACORE - NO BLUEFIN***

***\*\*HEAVIEST TUNA - \$5,000 WINNER TAKE ALL***

**BOAT TOTAL:** \_\_\_\_\_

**BOAT NAME:** \_\_\_\_\_

**TOTAL CALCUTTA:** \_\_\_\_\_

**CAPTAIN'S SIGNATURE:** \_\_\_\_\_

**COUNTED BY:** \_\_\_\_\_

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BOAT NAME : \_\_\_\_\_

CAPTAIN'S NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

## **OUTBOARD ONLY/42 & UNDER CALCUTTA**

***CIRCLE EACH CALCUTTA***

70% 1st Place & 30% 2nd / 1 species weighed per boat except for (3) Yellowfin stringer  
95% of all Calcutta \$ Collected Paid Out to Winners

*HEAVIEST TUNA	\$1,000
HEAVIEST BLUEFIN	\$1,000
HEAVIEST MAHI MAHI	\$1,000
HEAVIEST YELLOWFIN	\$1,000
HEAVIEST (3) YELLOWFIN	\$1,000
TRIFECTA (HEAVIEST YELLOWFIN, ALBACORE, MAHI MAHI)	\$1,000
SUB -TOTAL	

***\*HEAVIEST TUNA -> BIG EYE, YELLOWFIN OR ALBACORE - NO BLUEFIN***

**BOAT TOTAL:** \_\_\_\_\_

**BOAT NAME:** \_\_\_\_\_

**TOTAL CALCUTTA:** \_\_\_\_\_

**CAPTAIN'S SIGNATURE:** \_\_\_\_\_

**COUNTED BY:** \_\_\_\_\_

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