

# Sailfish Club of Florida

Hosts the

## 46<sup>th</sup> Invitational

# Gold Cup TEAM FISHING TOURNAMENT



January 4–8, 2018

# Program Schedule

## Thursday, January 4<sup>th</sup>

Boat Captains Meeting - 5:00 p.m. (Casual Attire)  
Angler Registration & Welcome Cocktails – 6:00 p.m.  
Gold Cup Welcome Dinner – (Seafood Buffet) 7:00 p.m.  
Dinner Included for Anglers (Jacket Required)

## Friday, January 5<sup>th</sup>

Fishing – 8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.  
Sailfish Club Docktail Party – 6:00 p.m.  
Cocktails, Live Music, Buffet Dinner  
Dinner Included for Anglers (Casual Attire)

## Saturday, January 6<sup>th</sup>

Fishing – 8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.  
Cocktails at the Sailfish Club Bar

## Sunday, January 7<sup>th</sup>

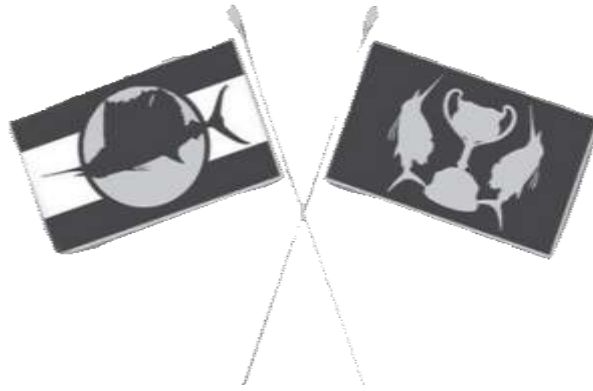
Fishing – 8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.  
Nantucket Raw Bar at the Sailfish Club – 6:00 p.m.  
Included for Anglers (Casual Attire)

## Monday, January 8<sup>th</sup>

Fishing – 8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.  
Cocktails – 6:00 p.m.  
Gold Cup Gala Awards Dinner – 7:30 p.m.  
Dinner Included for Anglers  
(Jacket Required & Tie Suggested)

Fishing is 3 Out of 4 Days

- **Boxed lunches will be available for pick-up by 6:00 a.m. each morning in the main bar.**
- **Please note that we encourage all anglers, their guests and crew members to attend the week's social events.**



*Dear Gold Cup Angler,*

The 2018 Gold Cup Committee is pleased to invite you to participate in the 46<sup>th</sup> Invitational Gold Cup Team Tournament at the Sailfish Club of Florida in Palm Beach on January 4 – 8, 2018.

The schedule of events for this year's tournament includes a seafood buffet at the Gold Cup Welcome Dinner on Thursday, January 4<sup>th</sup> and a Docktail Party by the Clubs docks with a dinner buffet and live music on Friday, January 5<sup>th</sup>. We will once again offer a Nantucket Raw Bar on Sunday, January 7<sup>th</sup>! Concluding the tournament is a Monday evening Awards Dinner on January 8<sup>th</sup> all of which make for an exciting and spirit-filled week. All anglers and crews are encouraged to participate in all festivities.

For additional information or assistance (including dockage), please contact the Club's Tournament Coordinator, Sarah Gay at (561) 844-0206 or via e-mail at: SarahGay@SailfishClub.com, the Tournament Dock Master, Vaughn Vanderwel at (561) 844-1130 or myself, Anthony F. Cummings, at (561) 309-6292 or AnthonyFCummings@gmail.com

The Gold Cup Tournament Committee and the Sailfish Club of Florida staff welcome you to the 46<sup>th</sup> Invitational Gold Cup Team Tournament and we will make every effort to see that you have an unforgettable tournament experience!

I look forward to competing with you in January!

Anthony G. Cummings  
*Gold Cup Chairman*

# General Information

## TournamentName

Sailfish Club of Florida Invitational Gold Cup Team Fishing Tournament

## Headquarters

Sailfish Club of Florida, Palm Beach  
Phone: (561) 844-0206  
Fax: (561) 844-2899  
E-mail: SarahGay@SailfishClub.com

## Tournament DockMaster

Vaughn Vanderwel  
(561) 844-1130

Mailing Address:

GOLD CUP COMMITTEE  
C/O SAILFISH CLUB OF FLORIDA  
1338 NORTH LAKE WAY  
PALM BEACH, FL 33480

## Dates

January 4 - 8, 2018. Fish three out of four days from January 5<sup>th</sup> - 8<sup>th</sup>, with one mandatory "lay day."

## Entry Fee

\$2,200.00 per team of 2 (includes 7% Florida sales tax)

\$700.00 per each additional angler (includes 7% Florida sales tax)

Covers four major Tournament events (Gold Cup Welcome Dinner, Docktail Party, Nantucket Raw Bar and Awards Dinner) for anglers.

Payment due prior to tournament.

## Entry Deadline

January 4, 2018 (50% refundable until this date only)

## Charter Boats

The Tournament Committee will endeavor to arrange a charter for those teams who need boats and crew.

## Captains' Meeting

Thursday, January 4, 2018 at 5:00 p.m. Sharp.

Sailfish Club of Florida, Palm

Beach Phone: (561) 844-0206

ATTENDANCE IS MANDATORY – Casual attire.

# Tournament Committee

**Chairman**  
Anthony F. Cummings

**Vice-Chairman**  
Erik T. Waldin

**Executive**  
Andres B. Fanjul  
Winston Wren  
Keith Beaty  
Clark Beaty

**Rules**  
Erik Waldin  
Keith D. Beaty  
Andres B. Fanjul

**Scoring & Radio**  
Christopher Lazzara  
Clark Beaty  
Keith D. Beaty  
Enrique Tomeu

**Docks & Boats**  
Andres B. Fanjul  
Patrick Koenig  
Winston Wren  
Erik Waldin

**Publicity**  
Andres B. Fanjul  
Jennifer Lazzara  
Winston Wren  
Doug Buck

**Awards**  
Jennifer Lazzara  
Richard Lazzara  
Clark Beaty

**Weather**  
Andres B. Fanjul  
Keith D. Beaty  
Christopher Lazzara

## Sailfish Club of Florida Management & Staff

**General Manager**  
John Newman

**Food & Beverage**  
Michael Nadeau  
Director of Food & Beverage

Daniel Maule  
Executive Chef

**Dock Master**  
Vaughn Vanderwel

**Tournament Administration**  
Sarah Gay

# Tournament Awards

## High Daily Awards

There will be a Daily Award given to each member of the team scoring the highest number of points each day.

## Heaviest Fish Award

There will be individual awards to anglers landing the following heaviest species during the Tournament: DOLPHIN • WAHOO • TUNA

## President's Awards

One trophy will be given to the angler catching the LAST fish of each day. Each angler is eligible but for only one award.

## Daily Crew Awards

There will be a \$250.00 cash award given to the crew which earns the most points each day. Crews are permitted to win more than one Daily Award.

## The Gold Cup – Overall Team Competition

There will be awards given to each member of the teams placing First, Second, Third and Fourth places in earning the highest number of points overall.

## The Gold Cup – Overall Crew Awards

There will be cash awards given to the top four highest-scoring Crews. \$1,000.00 = First, \$750.00 = Second, \$500.00 = Third and \$400.00 = Fourth

## John Rybovich Memorial Trophy

Given to the angler releasing the most Sailfish on dead bait.

## The Chairman's Award

Donald "Boy" Leas, Chairmans Cup  
Given to the angler who has the highest percentage hook up ratio.

## Ann Sodahl Memorial Award

Given to the highest woman angler.

## Westcott Award

Given to the team with the most cumulative points for releases over a consecutive three-year period, including the tournament at which the award is being given and the prior two years.

## High Live Bait Awards

Given to the top angler with highest number of points for live bait.  
There is also an award for the team who scores the highest number of points for live bait.

# Tournament Rules

1. The Invitational Gold Cup Team Tournament is open to all teams who are in compliance with the tournament rules. If a team is a member of another fishing or yacht club, they are encouraged to fish as a representative of that club, in order to promote friendly competition among the clubs represented.
2. A team can fish three out of four days. The team will select its own days to fish. Each team must declare their fishing days by radio to the committee boat by 7:30 a.m. Failure to contact the committee boat prior to this time will be considered as a lay day for the team. Should the Weather Committee cancel fishing on any day, there will be no make-up days added.
3. The boundaries are from Boca Raton to just north of the Fort Pierce Inlet. Exact boundary lines and the radio channel will be announced at the Captain's Meeting on Thursday, January 4, 2018.
4. Each team must have not less than two (2) anglers and not more than four (4) amateur anglers. Anglers shall be those officially registered. If a registered angler is unable to fish on any given day, an alternate angler may fish in place. (Each team is allowed only one alternate angler. Additional alternates will be charged \$150.00 per day.) Alternate anglers who have not registered prior to the tournament must submit a signed release form and must be approved by the Executive Committee prior to fishing. Alternates may register by phoning the Sailfish Club or the Tournament Chairman and deliver a signed release form to the Club, in person or by fax by 7:30 a.m. the day of registration (no angler will be qualified without submission of the signed release form). Alternates who are properly registered must inform the Committee Boat by 7:30 a.m. of the day they intend to fish and must specify the angler who is replaced. No alternate may be substituted for an angler at any time after 7:30 a.m.
  - A. Amateur Anglers are defined as not having engaged in commercial fishing or receiving monetary remuneration at any time, for guiding, crewing or captaining within the past three years. (Cajalita payments are excluded.) Teams who are discovered having a professional crewman will be disqualified for the day. (Sports writers excepted.)
5. No more than four (4) lines with hooks are permitted out from any boat at ANYTIME.
6. Teams will furnish their own boats, boat crews, bait and lunches. Boxed lunches are available at the Sailfish Club, but please return order forms to the hostess on duty no later than 6:00 p.m. the prior evening.
7. Boat crews will be limited to one captain and no more than two mates. NO PROFESSIONAL CREWMAN may be aboard during fishing as a "guest."
8. TACKLE
  - A. CIRCLE HOOK  
This is a CIRCLE HOOK tournament. Only fish released on single-circle hooks will be counted on scoring. Circle hooks must not have any offset.
  - B. LINE  
Only 20 lb. TEST LINE MAY BE USED. Double line, if used shall be limited to 15 feet. The combined length of the double line and leader shall not exceed 20 feet. All lines will be subject to random testing and inspection by the Tournament Committee.

9. FISHING HOURS:

Lines in at 8:30 a.m., lines out at 3:30 p.m. No teasers in the water before 8:30 a.m.  
No fishing for live bait between 8:30 a.m. and 3:30 p.m.

10. SCORING

A. This is a RELEASE tournament. All billfish must be released.

- (1) Billfish released on live bait will count 100 points each.
- (2) Billfish released on dead bait or artificial bait will count 300 points each.
- (3) Tuna, Dolphin and Wahoo (heaviest) have separate awards.  
THEY DO NOT COUNT FOR POINTS. A tie is broken based on length.

B. TEAM SCORES

- (1) Catches will be combined to determine team scores.
- (2) In the case of boat breakdown, the committee must be notified. Team scores will be transferred to a replacement boat. The replacement boat must not be participating in the tournament.

C. CREW SCORES

- (1) Crew scores will be the same as their team scores.
- (2) Crew scores are transferable, in the case of a boat breakdown, providing the same crew is used.

D. RECORDING OF SCORES:

- (1) The following must be reported to the Scoring Committee: Team Number, Angler's Name and THE TYPE OF BAIT USED. The time will be the time recorded by the radio operator. Each fish reported may be fought until caught; any fish hooked after 3:30 p.m. is ineligible.
- (2) Ties will be broken on time – the team reaching the tie score first will be the winner. The numeric day of fishing for the teams or anglers in question will be used to break scoring ties.
- (3) To facilitate early posting of team scores the RADIO LOG WILL BE THE OFFICIAL SOURCE OF INFORMATION DURING FISHING HOURS; boats (teams) reporting fish caught must turn in daily report forms for OFFICIAL SCORE and verification of posted scores by the time indicated in (4); failure to comply with (4) will result in the loss of this day's score plus a 50 point penalty. In case of a boat breakdown, notify Committee and the reporting time will be extended accordingly. THE BOATS MUST TURN IN DAILY REPORT FORMS AT THE CENTER DOCK OF THE SAILFISH CLUB BY THE DEADLINE FOR OFFICIAL POSTING. ONLY SCORE SHEETS TURNED IN TO THE CENTER DOCK INDICATING THE TYPE OF BAIT AND TIME WILL BE CONSIDERED OFFICIAL REPORTS. TEAM CAPTAIN'S SIGNATURE REQUIRED.
- (4) Reporting Times: Boats must leave and return at the Palm Beach inlet EACH DAY and return to the Sailfish Club to report fish by 6:45 p.m.

11. In order to qualify a billfish as having been caught and released, only one team member is permitted to set the hook, fight and retrieve the line until the swivel or leader touches the rod tip. Once a team member has set the hook, no one else may touch the rod at the time until the fish is released.

12. Any fish mutilated in such a way as to impair its fighting ability from the time of hooking to the time of release or boating is ineligible for entry.

13. A broken rod will disqualify the entry.

14. The following are not permitted: nets; backing into schools; more than one hook per bait; use of hooks in teasers (there is no limit on the number of teasers); spinning tackle; one fish hooked by more than one line. Prospecting is permitted.



NOTE: LIVE BAIT AND LIVE TEASERS MAY BE USED BUT ONLY COUNTS FOR LIVE BAIT POINTS.  
(The use of kites is permitted.)

15. All anglers and crew must remain in the cockpit when attempting to hook or fight a fish, unless they are fishing from a boat specifically designed (such as a walk-around) to safely accommodate such actions.  
If a team is fishing in a boat designed for this purpose, they must notify the Rules Committee at or before the Captain's meeting. A violation of this rule will result in forfeiting all team points in that day's fishing.
16. The Committee would like to stress that this is an honor system tournament with each team captain and co-captain being responsible for their team's compliance with the rules. Any angler or Committee person witnessing a rules violation should enter a protest by reporting the violation to the Protest Committee no later than the same time scores for that day are turning in. Protests must be in writing and only to the Protest Committee.
17. The decision of the Protest Committee, in regard to protest and the interpretation of rules, shall be final. The Rules Committee is the Protest Committee.
18. The Tournament Committee has the authority to cancel any day's fishing, alter boundaries and change fishing hours.
19. Minimum boat length is 30 feet. Please obtain your fishing license prior to the tournament.

## Good Fishing and Good Luck!

# Tournament Chairmen

1972	Bert Seeley	1995	Barbara Brandon
1973	Bert Seeley	1996	Barbara Brandon
1974	No Tournament	1997	Patsy & Jim Wearn
1975	John Rybovich, Jr.	1998	Patsy W. Wearn
1976	John Haggin	1999	Donald S. Leas, III
1977	Richard Raffo	2000	Donald S. Leas, III
1978	Richard Raffo	2001	Donald S. Leas, III
1979	Richard Raffo	2002	Andres B. Fanjul
1980	Sandy Kaupe	2003	Andres B. Fanjul
1981	Sandy Kaupe	2004	Andres B. Fanjul
1982	Norman Ehinger	2005	Keith D. Beaty
1983	Norman Ehinger	2006	Keith D. Beaty
1984	Sam Evert	2008	Keith D. Beaty
1985	Sam Evert	2009	Andres B. Fanjul
1986	Cara Ehringer	2010	Keith D. Beaty
1987	Cara Ehringer	2011	Andres B. Fanjul
1988	Bob Brandon	2012	Winston D. Wren
1989	Bob Brandon	2013	Winston D. Wren
1990	F. Thomas Westcott	2014	Christopher Lazzara
1991	F. Thomas Westcott	2015	Christopher Lazzara
1992	George Hutton, Jr.	2016	Erik T. Waldin
1993	George Hutton, Jr.	2017	Erik T. Waldin
1994	Barbara Brandon	2018	Anthony F. Cummings

# Tournament Winners

1972	CAIRNES BIG GAME & FISHING CLUB Sheila and JoJo Del Guercio
1973	CAIRNES BIG GAME & FISHING CLUB JoJo and Kenneth Del Guercio
1974	No Tournament Fuel Shortage
1975	NEW ORLEANS BIG GAME FISHING CLUB Gay and Guy Billups
1976	CAPE HENRY BILLFISH CLUB Marvin Blount and Dick Manchon
1977	HATTERAS MARLIN CLUB Charles Robinson and Warren Klawans
1978	STUART SAILFISH CLUB Kenneth Kimball and Dick Madsen

1979 HAVANA YACHT CLUB  
Gary Lang, Alfy Fanjul and Blitz Robinson

1980 MIAMI ROD AND REEL CLUB  
Tim Choate, Robert Starres and Robert Navaros

1981 BAYHEAD YACHT CLUB  
Hank Manley and Warren Klawans

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1983 SAVANNAH SPORT FISHING CLUB  
Bob and Henry Minis

1984 SAILFISH CONSERVATION CLUB OF THE PALM BEACHES  
Art Hillbrath, Marsha and Len Bierman

1985 TWIN PONDS FISHING CLUB  
R. Mark Granville-Smith and Joe Judge

1986 STUART SAILFISH CLUB  
Charles Campbell and James Stewart

1987 INDIAN RIVER BOATING ASSOCIATION  
Dick Collins, Charles Bouchard and Charles Walther

1988 SAILFISH CLUB OF FLORIDA  
Bob & Barbara Brandon, Charles Campbell and James Stewart

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Bob & Barbara Brandon, Charles Campbell and James Stewart

1991 ROYAL MARSH HARBOR YACHT CLUB  
John Santarsiero and Gary Price

1992 YACHT CLUB OF MONACO  
Susan Troubetzkoy and Joe Lopez

1993 MARLIN CONSERVATION CLUB  
Joseph Zimmer, Lori Zimmer and John Zimmer

1994 NANTUCKET ANGLERS CLUB  
Tom & Pat Westcott and Bruno Rodriguez

1995 GREAT ABACO YACHT CLUB  
John Santarsiero and Steve Winch

1996 FENWICK ISLAND YACHT CLUB  
Ed Joy, Bob Herder and Chris Hodge

1997 A & P ANGLERS  
Henry Minis, Peter & Peggy Trethewey and Webb St. Clair

1998 FENWICK ISLAND YACHT CLUB  
Ed Joy, Bob Herder and Bernie Campbell

1999 JUPITER SEASPORT YACHT CLUB  
C.P. "Punch" Martyn, Charles Johnson and Scott Guenther

2000 STUART SAILFISH CLUB  
Tom Corr, Kelly Kite, Tim Essaye and Tim Essaye, Jr.

2001 CHUB CAY CLUB  
John Hundley, Patsy Hundley, John Santarsiero and Bonnie Santarsiero

2002 AVALON TUNA & MARLIN CLUB  
John Raimondo, Betty Raimondo, Tim Lehman and Tom Dougherty

2003 WRENS RANCH ANGLERS  
Winston Wren, Tony Cummings and Benji Bakas

2004 HAVANA YACHT CLUB  
Andres Fanjul, Cathie Fanjul, Carlos Aruza, Richard Ganter

2005 CHUBB CAY CLUB  
John Hundley and Don Stallings

2006 WRENS RANCH ANGLERS  
Winston Wren, Erik Waldin, Tony Cummings

2007 HAVANA YACHT CLUB  
Andres Fanjul, Carlos Aruza, Richard Ganter, Alfy Fanjul

2008 SAILFISH CLUB OF FLORIDA  
Enrique Tomeu, Harold Hutchins, Chuck Jordan, Mark Willis

2009 HAVANA YACHT CLUB  
Andres Fanjul, Carlos Aruza, Jamie MacGregor

2010. EASTERN SHORE MARLIN CLUB  
Thomas Murray, Nancy Murray, John Murray & Debbie Murray

2011 WRENS RANCH ANGLERS  
Winston Wren, Erik Waldin, Anthony Cummings & Hunter Beall

2012 CORALC  
Christian Berian, Skip Smith, Rob Ruwitch & C.J. McLaughlin

2013 WRENS RANCH ANGLERS  
Winston Wren, Erik Waldin, Anthony Cummings & Hunter Beall

2014 SAILFISH CLUB OF FLORIDA  
Enrique Tomeu, Harold Hutchins, Chuck Jordan & Mark Willis

- 2015 CAPE MAY MARLIN & TUNA CLUB  
Dave Anderson, Jamie Diller, Eric McDowell & Brian Graul
- 2016 SAILFISH CLUB OF FLORIDA  
Clark Beaty, Mike Ivancevic, Walker Royall & Gunnar Askeland
- 2017 HUDSON TUNA CLUB  
Dale Creamer, Peter Creamer, Glenn Creamer and Rick Kadien

## Friends of the GoldCup

Michael Rybovich, Rybovich  
Jamie MacGregor, MacGregor Yacht  
Dominic Lacombe, American Custom Yachts Bill  
Buckland, Fisherman's Center  
Pat Healy, Viking Yachts  
Roy Merritt, Merritt Boat & Engine  
Jim Floyd, F&S Boats  
Paul Spencer, Spencer Yachts  
Peter & Evert Landeweer,  
Garlington-Landeweer  
Rich Scheffer, Tribute Performance Boats

John Whitarcar, Whitarcar Boat Works  
Mark Willis, Willis Marine Mike  
Murray, Murray Products  
Brian Tinkler, Sunset Marina



# History of the Sailfish Club

The Sailfish Club of Florida was chartered in 1914 by a dedicated group of pioneer saltwater anglers interested in prompting a tradition in the sport. Our Club strives today to provide support and leadership compatible with changing times and conditions. Besides our unwritten rules regarding good sportsmanship, our anglers are expected to conform with the very strict ones governing the methods of taking fish. Our emphasis is on conservation. We therefore give much credit for released fish and discourage killing them, unless the specimen provides a value to science, a worthwhile trophy to be mounted, or (at the very least) some tasty nourishment at the table.

The Sailfish Club is noted for the main important angling tournaments it has hosted since its inception, including the famous Masters Tournament, the International Light and Tackle Tournament Association and the International Women's Fishing Association tournaments. The perpetual trophy awarded to the winning team in the Sailfish Club Invitational Gold Cup Team Tournament was originally donated in 1938 by the late Colonel E.R. Bradley.

The scope of the Sailfish Club activities has been considerably broadened over the past eighty odd years. We now have over 650 proprietary members and, because of the diversified interest within these families, have developed our facilities to include all water sports and full provisions for both formal, informal and casual social gatherings. Besides anglers, we have many yachting members who berth their crafts at our docks, which accommodate a variety of both sail and power boats, ranging from twelve to one hundred feet in length. We have newly renovated club rooms and a pool along with cuisine which ranks with the best in the Palm Beach area; but what really makes our Club is our membership; a friendly, gregarious group representing a fascinating cross section of Florida's professional, sporting and social leaders.





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