

West Palm Beach Fishing Club

74th Annual

Silver Sailfish Derby

*A sanctioned event in the
World Billfish Series*



January 5 - 8, 2011

CELEBRATING THE 74th SILVER SAILFISH DERBY

The *Silver Sailfish Derby* was established by the West Palm Beach Fishing Club (WPBFC) in January 1935. While structured quite differently today, the event remains the oldest continually running billfish tournament in the world. The only three years the Derby didn't run was 1943 to 1945, during the Second World War.

At one time, famous American author and avid big game angler, Ernest Hemingway was a Derby trophy sponsor. While many different sports and entertainment celebrities have participated in the prestigious event through the years, it is the Derby's longstanding support of billfish conservation efforts that has been its hallmark. The Derby was among the first sailfish tournaments to promote catch and release, a concept that is thankfully practiced by nearly all billfish tournaments today. Perhaps the most notable conservation contribution attributable to the Derby is the development of the red release pennant. The West Palm Beach Fishing Club began flying the pennants in the late 1930's. Today, the little red pennant is recognized around the world as a way to signify a sailfish release. The Derby was also among the first tournaments to incorporate gamefish



Team 'Double Take' earns the 2010 Silver Sailfish Derby Top Boat honors

tagging for scientific purposes into a competitive format. In recent years, the WPBFC has been committed to billfish conservation efforts by requiring the use of circle hooks, which reduces post-release mortality. Much of the Derby's rich history has been chronicled in the recently published *WPBFC: A 75 Year History* by author Mike Rivkin.

The Derby has an outstanding reputation and a loyal following among south Florida sailfish anglers. It is a fun and very competitive event with rules designed to 'level the playing field' for boats of all sizes. The WPBFC is proud to continue the Derby tradition. Tournament boats and anglers will compete against one another for prestigious awards like the *Louis S. Boski Outstanding Catch Award* and the magnificent *Mrs. Henry R. Rea Trophy*. The Derby is an officially sanctioned *World Billfish Series* event. Trophies, marine artwork & fishing tackle are awarded to top anglers and teams. The tournament fleet is limited to 60 boats. The Derby concludes with a first-class awards ceremony and dinner at the beautiful Sailfish Club of Florida; a fitting finale to a most prestigious event. We look forward to your participation.

The Tournament Committee



FOLLOW THE DERBY ON FACEBOOK!

Whether you're fishing the Derby or not, we encourage you to follow all the action and stay up to date on tournament happenings by 'liking' the *Silver Sailfish Derby*. Boat entry updates, notable catches, fishing conditions, tournament standings and award winners will be posted on the page. To catch all the action go to:

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SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

Wednesday, January 5, 2011 ~ 6:00 pm

Tournament Captain's meeting at the WPBFC (201 5th St., WPB). Receive boat kits and review Derby rules. Enjoy cocktails sponsored by Atlantico Rum, complimentary hors d'oeuvres, beer and soft drinks. Billfish Foundation tags, derby dinner tickets and tournament tees will be available for purchase. **Mandatory attendance from at least one crew member.**

Thursday & Friday, January 6 & 7, 2011

Silver Sailfish Derby Tournament Fishing Hours: 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Informal rum punch gathering by the Derby scoreboard at 5:00 p.m. dockside at the Sailfish Marina. Teams must submit completed report forms **by boat** at Sailfish Marina no later than 5:30 p.m.

Saturday, January 8, 2011

Final Day of Tournament Fishing: 8:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. Teams must submit completed report forms **by boat** at Sailfish Marina no later than 3:30 p.m.

Saturday Evening 7:00 ~ 9:30 pm

Derby Dinner & Trophy Presentations at the Sailfish Club of Florida, located in Palm Beach. There is ample seating at the dinner, however, tickets must be purchased prior to January 8th. Please note this is not a Sailfish Club event, so all Derby dinner tickets must be purchased through the Fishing Club. Jacket required, tie is suggested. No jeans or shorts please.

- 7:00 - 7:45 p.m. Cocktails & social (cash bar)
- 7:45 - 8:30 p.m. Fabulous prime rib & seafood buffet
- 8:30 - 9:30 p.m. Trophy presentations & raffle drawing

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2011 TOURNAMENT RULES

ANGLER ELIGIBILITY: Open to all anglers except professional captains and crew (professional is defined as anyone who has been paid to crew or captain on a boat in the last six (6) months). All entrants must fish on boats officially entered in the *Silver Sailfish Derby* and must fly the official Derby Pennant.

LIMITED ENTRY: Tournament limited to 60 boats.

DEPARTURE: All boats must visually check out of Palm Beach (Lake Worth) Inlet each morning between 6:30 a.m. and 8:00 a.m. Any boats departing after 8:00 a.m. must visually check out at the Sailfish Marina. You must show your boat number and be audibly confirmed prior to leaving the inlet. **All boats must return to Sailfish Marina by water, in the boat you fished on, to submit their daily score sheet by the designated time.**

BOATS WITH OBSERVERS: Tournament boats that are assigned an observer can make arrangements to pick up their observer at Sailfish Marina no earlier than 6:00 a.m.

FISHING HOURS: Official "Lines In" is 8:00 a.m. and official "Lines Out" is 4:00 p.m. each day, except the final day when "Lines Out" will be at 2:00 p.m.

BOUNDARIES: **North:** Fort Pierce Inlet (Lat. 27° 28.2' N) **South:** Port Everglades Inlet (Lat 26° 05.36' N)

DAILY REPORTS: The tournament supplied Daily Report Form must be completed and submitted **by boat** at the designated Sailfish Marina Dock no later than 90 minutes (1 1/2 hours) after "Lines Out". **Register names of all anglers aboard**, whether eligible fish were caught or not (this helps us compute the tournament catch per unit of effort data). List tag numbers if applicable; note estimated weight and length of released sails; **official time of**

release must be indicated for each sailfish; weigh and record dolphin/kingfish/wahoo/cobia/tuna at the marina on an official tournament scale. If a boat breaks down, their report may be delivered prior to the deadline by some other boat. The Sailfish Marina is the **ONLY** official weighing and recording station.

BAIT & TACKLE SPECIFICATIONS

1. All anglers are limited to fishing 20 lb. (maximum) test line. Leader (any material) is limited to 15 feet including floats/corks. The combined length of double line and leader shall not exceed 20 feet. (IGFA rules).
2. Tournament boats are allowed to fish a maximum of four (4) lines at any one time. This includes the use of bait rods. Eligible fish (sailfish, dolphin, etc.) cannot be caught using a bait rod. No wire lines or planers allowed. Downriggers and kites are permissible. **Any type of live, dead or artificial bait can be used and are scored equally.** Dead bait and artificial (hookless) teasers/dredges are permitted. Chumming sailfish with live or dead bait is prohibited.
3. All boats are required to fish with tournament approved zero degree offset circle hooks when fishing with live or dead baits. **The approved hooks are: Eagle Claw L2004EL (black hook) & Eagle Claw L2004ER (red hook).** Hooks must not be altered in any manner whatsoever. A limited supply of size 7/0, 8/0 & 9/0 hooks will be included in your tournament boat kit. The use of other traditional hook styles is permitted only when fishing with unbaited artificial lures.

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2011 TOURNAMENT RULES

ANGLING RULES

1. All participants must comply strictly with IGFA rules (included in boat kits). The only exception will be in the event of multiple hookups. Then the angler may fight additional fish from a rod holder. Anglers must fight their own fish unassisted. Fish will be disqualified if rod, reel or line is handled by anyone other than the angler while fish is baited, hooked up and fought.
2. No one may retain hold of the leader to hook a fish. The fish must pull drag from the reel.
3. A sailfish release is official when the angler reels the swivel, float or leader into contact with the rod tip and/or the mate takes hold of the leader. Floats must come tight to top of leader at time of release. Release sailfish by cutting the leader. A reasonable effort must be made to cut the leader as close as possible to the mouth of the fish. Breaking the leader by jerking or snatching is not permitted & will disqualify a catch.
4. The intentional abandonment of the boat to fight or land a sailfish is prohibited. All anglers must remain in the boat while fighting fish.
5. Boats must retain all baits (fresh or used) during fishing hours.
6. Marlin releases do not count towards sailfish release points, but will be eligible for special awards.
7. If fish are being fought at "Lines Out" time, the captain **MUST** report the number of fish hooked up and only those fish, if

successfully released, will count.

8. The official *Silver Sailfish Derby* VHF Channel will be announced at the Captain's Meeting. All sailfish releases (time of release) must be radioed to the tournament score keeper. Each release will be audibly verified on the VHF. **It is the responsibility of each boat to have a sufficient VHF radio and/or cellular phone.** Tournament standings will also be reported on the radio at the start and conclusion of each day and a scoreboard will be posted at Sailfish Marina daily.
9. If tagging sailfish, care should be exercised in placement of the tag, avoiding eyes, gills & stomach. **Billfish Foundation Tags** will be available at the Captain's Meeting.
10. Derby officials may disqualify any entrant/entry/captain/boat for any rule infractions and will interpret all rules and constitute final authority. Any protests must be submitted in writing immediately to the Derby Committee and **MUST** be accompanied by a \$300.00 non-refundable protest fee.
11. All boats are subject to having an official observer on board at the sole discretion of the tournament committee.
12. All anglers must be properly licensed for fishing in salt water. Anglers, crews and captains fish at their own risk.
13. No individual angler can win more than three (3) major tournament awards including the Rea Trophy. Also, individuals can win only one daily sailfish release award.

2011 Silver Sailfish Derby

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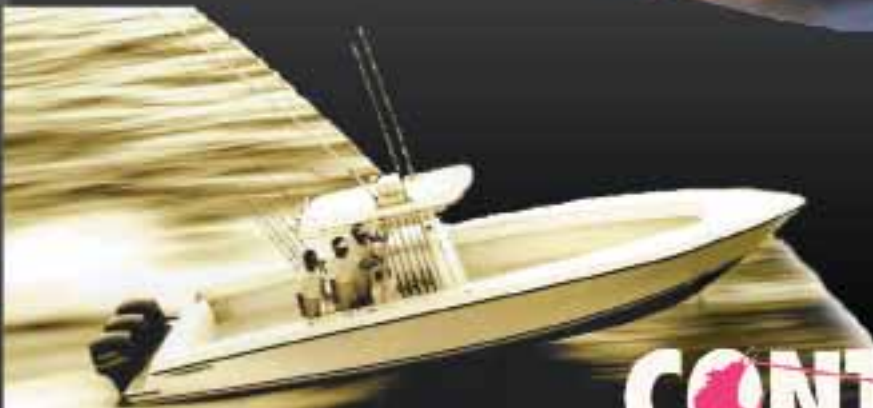
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TOP DERBY ANGLER AWARD

2010 Top Angler Mark Wodlinger
with the prestigious Rea Trophy.



The Rea Trophy

The Derby's top angler award, presented to the individual posting the most overall sailfish releases. Trophy sponsored by the Rea family in memory of Mrs. Henry R. Rea. Angler will receive a one-of-a-kind solid silver miniature Rea Trophy on a polished black marble base. Winner's name will also be engraved on the prestigious perpetual award displayed throughout the year at the West Palm Beach Fishing Club. Winning the Rea Trophy is one of the oldest and most coveted honors in competitive billfishing.

Past Mrs. Henry R. Rea Trophy Winners...

1935 - Alan McMartin, Montreal, CAN
1936 - Jack DeRuyter, New York, NY
1937 - Henry Henninger, Cleveland, OH
1938 - Sam Sprott, West Stockbridge, MA
1939 - Stephen Sanford, New York, NY
1940 - M.F. Bauger, Palm Beach, FL
1941 - Royal Shannonhouse, III, WPB, FL
1942 - William Morris, Birmingham, AL
1943 - 1945 World War II (no tournament)
1946 - Henry Chanin, Atlanta, GA
1947 - John P. MacNeil, Philadelphia, PA
1948 - Eugene Dillahunt, Bronx, NY
1949 - Richard Smith, Jr., New York, NY
1950 - Henry Chanin, Atlanta, GA
1951 - Jack Dulleck, Hackensack, NJ
1952 - Fred Grundy, Savannah, GA
1953 - Edna Schueler, Cincinnati, OH
1954 - John C. Prizer, West Orange, NJ
1955 - Gloria Carlson, Point Pleasant, NJ
1956 - Howard H. Craig, Plainfield, NJ
1957 - Blanche Del Deo, Nutley, NJ
1958 - William Bozman, Baltimore, MD
1959 - Maurice Neinken, Perkasio, PA
1960 - Maxwell Sherbourne, Tyngsboro, MA
1961 - Dr. Joseph Doolan, Jr., Savannah, GA
1962 - Harry Loman, Philadelphia, PA
1963 - James Baldwin, Locust Valley, NY
1964 & 1965 Norman Armour, Manalapan, FL
1966 - John E. Larson, Washington, D.C.
1967 - George Lucas, Jr. Essex Falls, NJ
1968 - George M. Gross, New York, NY
1969 - Richard J. Chase, Jackson, MS
1970 - Eleanor Kline, Philadelphia, PA
1971 - Cynthia Boomhower, Palm Beach, FL

1972 - Julian Corish, Jr., Savannah, GA
1973 - George M. Gross, New York, NY
1974 - Marjorie Daly, Yarmouth Port, MA
1975 - Kenneth Daly, Yarmouth Port, MA
1976 - Helen Grant, Dayton, OH
1977 - Dr. C. Maurice Whiddon, Savannah, GA
1978 - Dr. Donald Sherwin, Jr., Bradenton, FL
1979 - Douglas Anderson, Cedar Rapids, IA
1980 - Louis Perrotti, West Greenwich, RI
1981 - June Crisafi, West Palm Beach, FL
1982 & 1983 Donald Leas, III, Lantana, FL
1984 - Dr. Edward Bundy, Cheshire, CT
1985 - Raymond Billmeyer, Indian River, MI
1986 - Gerald Kaplan, West Long Branch, NJ
1987 - James Murray, II, Pompano Bch, FL
1988 - J. Bruce Beattie, West Palm Beach, FL
1989 - Adrienne Sorg, North Palm Beach, FL
1990 - Nick Smith, North Palm Beach, FL
1991* - Adrienne Sorg/Nick Smith, NPB, FL
1992 - Nick Smith, North Palm Beach, FL
1993 - Michael Piacentino, Marion, OH
1994 - Bobbi Nettles, North Palm Beach, FL
1995 & 1996 Suzanne Litty, Oxford, MD
1997 - Dr. Thomas Floyd, West Palm Beach, FL
1998 - Tom Garvey, Yardley, PA
1999 - Janeen Davis, Riviera Beach, FL
2000, 2001 & 2002 - Nick Smith, North Palm Beach, FL
2003 - Jim Gill, West Palm Beach, FL
2004 - Peter Miller, Miami, FL
2005 - Nancy Paul, Topeka, KA
2006 - Christopher "Kitt" Toomey, Coral Gables, FL
2007 - Art Frigo, Jupiter, FL
2008 & 2009 David Dickerson, Jupiter, FL
2010 - Mark Wodlinger, Singer Island, FL.

* indicates tie

MORE DERBY ANGLER AWARDS

Angler with 2nd Most Releases Overall



Angler with 3rd Most Releases Overall

Angler with 4th Most Releases Overall

Daily Sailfish Release Awards

Awarded to the individual who releases the most sailfish each day

Daily 1st Billfish Release  **Daily last Billfish Release**

A special award for the 1st & last sailfish released each day

Harry Swain (I), fishing aboard the XGeneration, was presented the 2010 'Lucky Sailfish' award by WPBFC president Tom Twyford.



Lucky Sailfish Award

A weekend getaway at Sailfish Marina presented to the angler whose sailfish release number is randomly drawn.



Daily Weight Fish Award

An assortment of C&H Lures for the heaviest weight fish entered each day. Eligible species: kingfish, dolphin, wahoo, cobia & tuna



Grand Champion Weight Fish Award

Engraved crystal plus an award package from Kluch Clothing presented to the angler catching the largest weight fish entered in the Derby. Eligible species: kingfish, dolphin, wahoo, cobia & tuna

Recent Grand Champion Weight Fish Winners...



- 2000: R&R - Janeen Davis: 36 lb. Cobia
- 2001: Perfect Parts- Pico Cassada: 24 lb. Dolphin
- 2002: Envy - Ronnie Appleton: 31 lb. Wahoo
- 2003: Envy - Tom Edwards: 28 lb. Dolphin
- 2004: Hot Rods - Rob Ruwitch: 29.25 lb. Kingfish
- 2005: Reformed - Joe Farish: 49 lb. Kingfish
- 2006: Ale N Rye - Tim McClure: 53 lb. Wahoo
- 2007: Sea Hunter - Paul Sachse: 35 lb. Dolphin
- 2008: Catch One - David Kairalla: 32 lb. Dolphin
- 2009: Permitted - John Kazaros: 46.4 lb. Kingfish
- 2010: Offshore Account - John Rearden: 30.5 lb. Wahoo



Team Elixir's Hunter Beall took home the 2010 3rd place angler trophy (on time) with 11 sailfish releases overall.

MORE DERBY ANGLER AWARDS

Louis S. Boski Memorial Trophy

Awarded to the individual who makes the most outstanding catch or release, or who makes a unique angling contribution to the tournament as determined by the Tournament Committee.

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About the Boski Trophy tradition...

This prestigious award is presented in memory of Louis S. Boski and has been awarded by the tournament for over 25 years. Lou Boski grew up in Norwalk, Connecticut and later moved to New Milford. He was a lifelong angler and a frequent seasonal visitor to south Florida. Chasing sailfish was a passion of Lou Boski's, plus it provided a great excuse to escape the cold northeast winter. During one of his seasonal visits to the Sunshine State he discovered the West Palm Beach Fishing Club and its marquee tournament the *Silver Sailfish Derby*. Boski soon became an active Fishing Club member, regularly participating in club contests, trophy competitions and tournaments. His boat the *Elbo 7*, a 53' Monterey, captained by Albert Johnson was often among the sailfish fleet off Palm Beach each season. February 3rd, 1980, in particular remains the stuff of angling lore. Capt. Johnson and Boski found schools of sailfish balling bait east of Boynton Inlet. At the end of the day Boski had tallied an amazing 83 sailfish releases. Longtime club members Nick Smith and Capt. Jackie Morrow were both on the water that day. Morrow's charter boat *No Problem* posted 54 sailfish releases. Smith had to go in early and missed the bite (something that doesn't happen to Nick very often). Smith fished solo the following day and released an impressive 22 sails. To the WPBFC's knowledge, Boski's spectacular fishing feat remains the single best sailfish day ever recorded off the Palm Beaches, perhaps in all of Florida. The Fishing Club is grateful to the Boski family, particularly longtime club member Kurt Boski, who continues to sponsor this prestigious award in memory of his father. The WPBFC is honored to carry on this important Derby tradition.



2010 Boski Trophy winners Team 'Cool Breeze'

Recent Boski Trophy Winners...

- 1995: Jonathan Rice: this junior angler released his first ever sailfish
- 1996: Patricia J - Adam & Andy Lavelle: junior anglers who released their 1st ever sailfish
- 1997: Blue Rose - Charlie LaFlamme & Mario Todaro: released their first ever sail in a tournament
- 1998: Mer-Lin - Chet Stewart & Pete Michalczyn: landed triple-header sailfish on dead bait
- 1999: Fishtales - Suzie Donnellan & Jay and Bonnie Carpenter: girls released 7 sailfish in 40 minute period
- 2000: CommOcean - Gwen Hahn: caught and released 7 sailfish last day of Derby
- 2001: Fishtales- Bonnie Carpenter: after a 1 hour, 20 minute battle released an estimated 100 pound sailfish
- 2002: Tuff Cookie - Sean Quinn: lead his team to a sailfish quad catch and release
- 2004: Fubar - Mike Peligini: caught & released his first ever blue marlin (est. 90 lbs.)
- 2005: Man-O-Warrior - Andrew Simko (age 12) caught and released his 1st & 2nd ever sailfish
- 2006: Catch One - Mark Wodlinger: jumped overboard to catch a sailfish
- 2007: Dos Amigos - Steve Alexander: caught & released a sail on dead bait from 23' boat (smallest in fleet) in 6-8 ft. seas
- 2008 - Drag'n Slayer - Joe Garberoglio: 5 sailfish caught & released from 25' boat under extreme sea conditions, Day 1
- 2009: Vic & Beth Nelson of New Milford, CT, having fished the Derby religiously for over 30 years
- 2010: Pat O'Hara & Team 'Cool Breeze': smallest boat in fleet (27') & consistently only all female team in tournament

TOP BOAT AWARDS

Top Boat Trophy

The Derby's top boat award presented to the boat registering the most overall sailfish releases during the tournament.

2nd place boat  3rd place boat  4th place boat



Team 'Reel Circus' took Top Daily Boat honors on Day 3 of the 2010 tournament.

Top Daily Boat Sailfish Release

Awards

Top Captain Award

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2010 1st Place Boat Overall
'Double Take' heads to the docks on day 1.

Recent Top Boat Trophy Winners...

- 1995: Ruthie - Capt. Charlie Bouchard (16 releases) Anglers: Gus Buonaiuto & Sherman Miller
- 1996: Toy II - Capt. Bill Weyand (7 releases) Anglers: Bill Weyand, Richard Denti & Martha Chisholm
- 1997: Liquidator - Capt. Wink Doerzbacher (31 releases) Anglers: Dr. Tom Floyd & Dan Kleiser
- 1998: Permitted - Capt. Greg Bogdan (16 releases) Anglers: David Leavitt & Flint Harner
- 1999: Strictly Business - Capt. Vinnie Donato (14 releases) Anglers: Dave & Donna Dickerson, Pete Farkas
- 2000: Old Reliable - Capt. Ray Rosher (19 releases) Angler: Nick Smith
- 2001: Hot Rods - Capt. Jeff Archer (16 releases) Anglers: Rob Ruwitch, Jeff Archer & Al Castro
- 2002: Old Reliable - Capt. Ray Rosher (13 releases) Angler: Nick Smith
- 2003: Reel Lucky - Capt. Tore Turney (14 releases) Angler: Jim Gill
- 2004: Get Lit - Capt. Ray Rosher (45 releases) Anglers: Peter Miller, Kitt Toomey, Jon Cooper & Charmain Williams
- 2005: Get Lit - Capt. Ray Rosher (12 releases) Anglers: Peter Miller, Kitt Toomey, Jon Cooper & Charmain Williams
- 2006: Get Lit - Capt. Ray Rosher (59 releases) Anglers: Peter Miller, Kitt Toomey & Carlos Garcia
- 2007: Reel Lucky Too - Capt. Tore Turney (11 releases on time) Anglers: Jim Gill & Art Frigo
- 2008: Sandman - Capt. Neil Orange (18 releases) Anglers: Jason Roe, Kitt Toomey, Todd & Sandra Kirkpatrick
- 2009: Certifiable - Capt. Frank Gibbs (12 releases) Anglers: Syd Sussman, Janeen Davis, Molly Fleming & Dave McCleod
- 2010: Double Take - Capt Mike Laufle (27 Releases) Anglers: Craig Lindner, Tony Cummings, Mike Causley & Todd Peter

OTHER AWARDS & GIVEAWAYS

The Billfish Foundation Tagging Award

Limited Edition Billfish Foundation print awarded to the top boat responsible for tagging the greatest number of sailfish with TBF nylon dart tags.



Derby Tagging Stats Through The Years...

Year	Tagged	Released	Year	Tagged	Released	Year	Tagged	Released
1961	188	321 * 1st year of tagging	1977	167	483	1994	23	54
1962	85	148	1978	150	387	1995	30	149
1963	104	193	1979	147	332	1996	13	54
1964	28	74	1980	158	348	1997	38	186
1965	190	306	1981	102	284	1998	49	181
1966	98	209	1982	128	363	1999	30	150
1967	54	130	1983	87	164	2000	28	193
1968	112	491	1984	44	140	2001	68	291
1969	23	92	1985	81	218	2002	34	214
1970	13	72	1986	37	123	2003	64	263
1971	65	179	1987	24	109	2004	84	636
1972	47	85	1988	10	65	2005	15	208
1973	117	255	1989	no data		2006	81	958
1974	32	81	1990	46	325	2007	13	148
1975	106	216	1991	52	257	2008	21	210
1976	162	384	1992	16	49	2009	15	145
			1993	no data	22	2010	25	430

Daily radio giveaways...

Throughout the 3-day tournament, boat numbers will be drawn randomly for VHF radio giveaways of items donated by various tournament sponsors. Winning boat numbers will be announced on air & prizes can be picked at the Sailfish Marina when turning in your daily score sheet.

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2010 Silver Sailfish Derby Recap

Arctic Blast Billfishing

Double Take wins Derby in Challenging Conditions



The forty-two boat fleet fishing the West Palm Beach Fishing Club's 73rd annual *Silver Sailfish Derby* last January would have been ideal subjects for a new reality TV show on the Weather Channel called *Arctic Blast Billfishing*. Approximately 165 intrepid anglers fished in the teeth of a record setting south Florida cold snap that plummeted temperatures and turned on the sailfish. The *Derby's* final day was especially eventful with early morning



2010 Silver Sailfish Derby Top Team 'Double Take'

temperatures only several degrees above freezing leaving a thick blanket of steam across the wind swept waters. "I've fished here all my life, under a lot of different conditions, including the year it snowed, but this ranks as one of the most extreme fishing days ever. I think we were all happy to get back to the dock safely," said club member Captain Frank Branch from the boat *Sandra T*. "We always seem to have a memorable *Derby*. This year the weather stole the show, but the fishing was pretty darn good too," commented tournament radioman Pete Schulz from Fishing Headquarters tackle shop in Jupiter who logged an impressive total of 430 sailfish during the three-day *Derby*. The frigid conditions produced an above average 3.61 sails per boat day catch rate for the tournament. Nearly triple the *Derby's* historical tournament average of 1.35 sails per boat day.

The fast fishing and cold weather also produced no shortage of drama on the water. Teams *Double Take*, *Osprey* and *Grand Slam* all posted double digit releases on day one. In fact, all but two boats in the fleet tallied fish on the scoreboard

keeping the tournament radio crew very busy. At the conclusion of the first day it was the 58' Jarrett Bay, *Double Take* captained by Mike Laufle that landed Top Daily Boat honors with 14 releases. Angler Lamont Harris of Palm Beach, fishing aboard the *Osprey* edged out Mark Wodlinger of Singer Island on the *Grand Slam* to earn the Top Daily Angler award with six releases on time. Anglers Adrian Lavina of North Palm

Beach on the *MD 20/20* and Todd Burley of Miami on the *Goin' Raptor* both had five releases each. The *Derby* fleet released a total of 192 sails on the first day. Angler Nancy Paul of North Palm Beach fishing aboard *Inlet Magic* landed a 24 lb. kingfish to win the Daily Weight Fish award.

As final scores were being posted the first day word quickly spread about the strong sailfish bite near the tournament's northern boundary line off Ft. Pierce Inlet. Many *Derby* boats immediately began making preparations to make the run north the next day. While temperatures remained cold, the northwest wind produced ideal sea conditions on the second day, which set the stage for more great action. Angler Rudy Polselli of Palm Beach Gardens aboard the 55' Viking, *Rude Awakening* started things off quickly by radioing in the first release only several minutes after fishing began. It would be one of seven sails Rudy would catch this day. But it wouldn't be good enough to edge out Hunter Beall of Palm Beach who scored an impressive eight releases aboard the red hot, *Elixir* to earn the Top Daily Angler award on day



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two. Captain Steve Smitties guided Beall and fishing buddy Erik Waldin also of Palm Beach to a total of 12 sail releases and claimed Top Daily Boat honors on day two. *Elixir* was among quite a few boats that ran the distance north to the area offshore the St. Lucie Power Plant where the bite remained strong. Team *Grand Slam* stayed in the hunt with another 10 releases. Teams *X Generation*, *Double Take* and *Viking 76* all posted an impressive 9 releases, and another dozen boats had at least 6 releases or more. It was another excellent day of fishing with a total of 166 sails tallied and a two-day total of 358. Plenty of boats remained in position to change the leader board on the final day. Angler John Rearden of Murrell Inlet, South Carolina landed the Daily Weight Fish winner, a 30.5 lb. wahoo aboard the *Offshore Account* with Capt. Greg Bogdan at the helm. Rearden's wahoo would be good enough to win the *Derby's* Overall Grand Champion Weight Fish award.

The second wave of what meteorologists called an Arctic Blast was upon South Florida on the *Derby's* final day. Running back to the hot spot off the Power Plant was not option for most. In fact, running much of anywhere was a task that challenged even the most experienced captains. "Between the sea smoke, sideways rain and the layers of clothes people had on it was hard to recognize who was who," said tournament committee member David Webb who was responsible for visually checking the fleet out each morning. The conditions continued to deteriorate throughout the day. Despite the curve ball Mother Nature was throwing at the *Derby* fleet, boats were calling in fish. Team *Cool Breeze*, a 27' Rambo, was among those who braved the miserable conditions

and posted a few fish on the final day. The all girl team of Gwen Hahn, Debra Craig, Susan McCarthy and Pat O'Hara were awarded the *Derby's* Louis S. Boski Trophy this year for being the smallest boat in the fleet and posting five sails under extreme conditions, including Craig's first ever. Angler Carl Patrignani of Ft. Lauderdale on the *Barefoot* landed a 27 lb. kingfish on the final day to win the Top Daily Weight Fish award. A total of 72 sails were posted on the last day for a three-day total of 430 sailfish released. Team *Reel Circus*, a 33' L&H captained by Jon-Paul Wolf earned Top Daily Boat honors with 7 sailfish on the final day. Team *Grand Slam* angler Mark Wodlinger was Top Daily Angler with 4 releases.

Wodlinger's three-day individual total of 17 releases earned him the *Derby's* Top Angler award, The Mrs. Henry R. Rea Trophy. Rudy Polselli on the *Rude Awakening* was Second Place Angler Overall, Hunter Beall on the *Elixir* finished third and angler Mike Causley on the *Double Take* finished fourth individually. All three anglers posted 11 releases and their places were determined by the time of release of their last fish.

Team *Double Take* took home Top Overall Boat honors with 27 releases. *Grand Slam* was second overall with 25 releases. Team *Barefoot* was third overall with 21 releases and *Elixir* finished fourth overall with 20 releases. Despite fishing during an Arctic Blast, a total of 130 different anglers registered at least one sailfish release during the *Derby*.

As many of those anglers claimed their prizes and socialized during the *Derby* Awards dinner in the warm confines of the Sailfish Club of Florida the thick blanket of steam remained over the water, a spectacular reminder of another memorable *Derby*.

Derby Stats from the recent past...

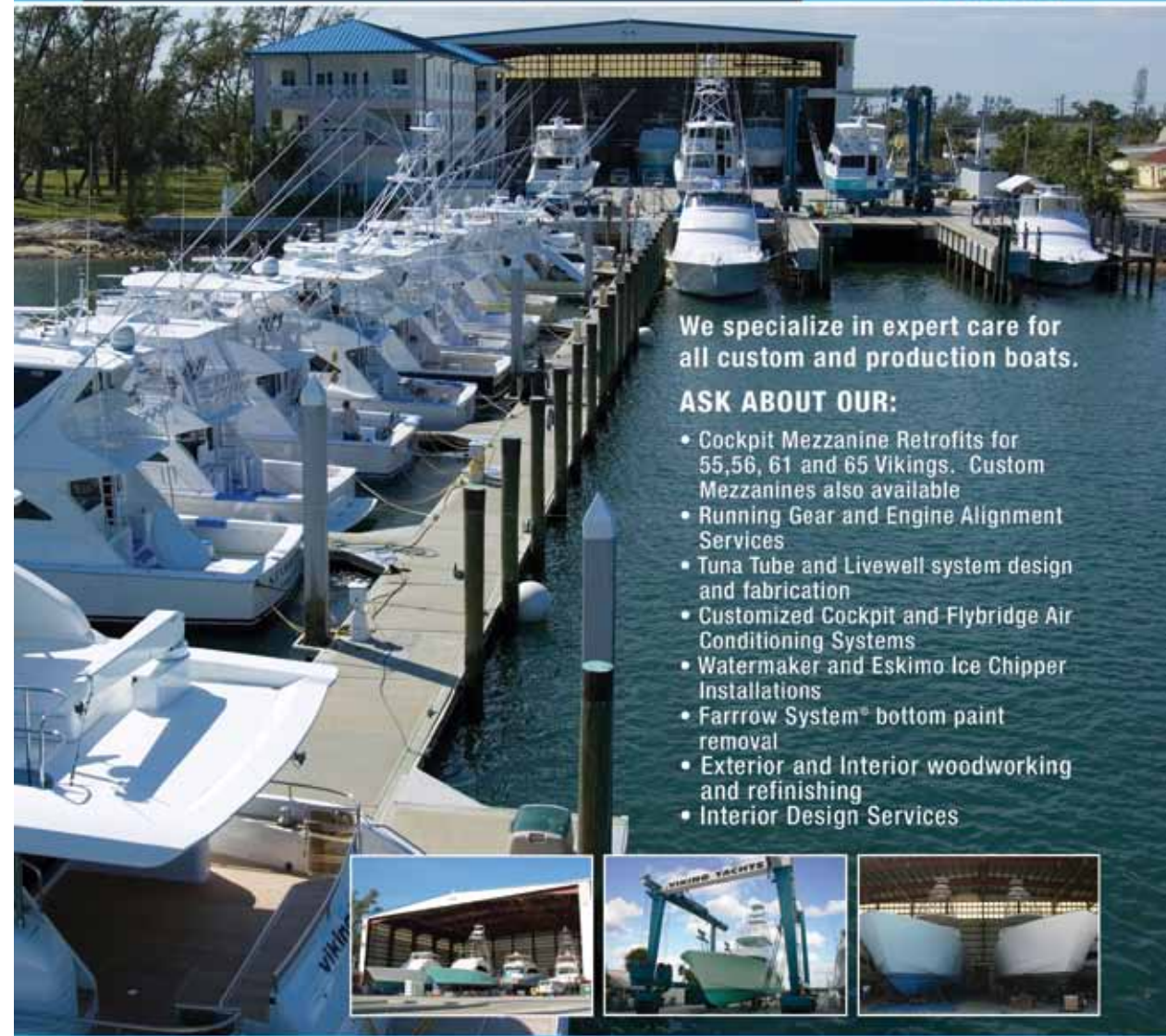
- 1995 - 33 boats released 149 sails (1.51 sails/boat day)
- 1996 - 31 boats released 54 sails (0.58 sails/boat day)
- 1997 - 29 boats released 186 sails (2.14 sails/boat day)
- 1998 - 28 boats released 181 sails (2.15 sails/boat day)
- 1999 - 37 boats released 150 sails (1.35 sails/boat day)
- 2000 - 41 boats released 193 sails (1.57 sails/boat day)
- 2001 - 48 boats released 291 sails (2.02 sails/boat day)
- 2002 - 51 boats released 214 sails (1.40 sails/boat day)
- 2003 - 56 boats released 263 sails (1.57 sails/boat day)
- 2004 - 59 boats released 636 sails (3.6 sails/boat day)
- 2005 - 59 boats released 208 sails (1.18 sails/boat day)
- 2006 - 50 boats released 958 sails (6.39 sails/boat day)**
- 2007 - 54 boats released 148 sails (0.91 sails/boat day)
- 2008 - 51 boats released 210 sails (1.51 sails/boat day)
- 2009 - 35 boats released 145 sails (1.41 sails/boat day)
- 2010 - 42 boats released 430 sails (3.61 sails/boat day)

* In 1992 the Silver Sailfish Derby changed its format from a three week event, to a three-day tournament.

** 2006 was the best fishing year ever in terms of catch per unit of effort (sailfish/boat day).

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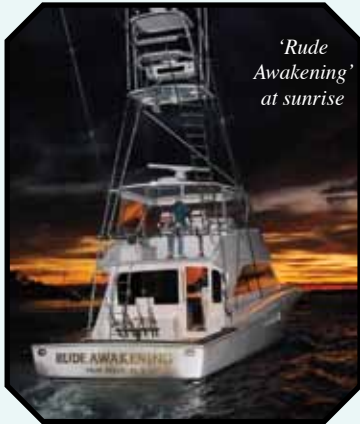
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Best First Day of three-day Derby

258 sailfish releases on January 5, 2006 during 69th Derby. (Previous record was 155 sailfish releases in 2004 Derby).

Best Second Day of three-day Derby

397 sailfish releases on January 6, 2006 during 69th Derby. (Previous record was 373 releases on day #2 of 2004 Derby).

Best Single Day Derby Total Ever

397 sailfish releases on January 6, 2006 during 69th Derby. (Previous record was 373 releases on day #2 of 2004 Derby).

Best 3-Day Derby Total

958 sailfish releases by 50 boats fishing in 69th Derby January 5 – 7, 2006. Believed to be a world record for Atlantic sailfish during three consecutive days of tournament fishing (Previous record was 636 sailfish releases by 59 boats in 2004 Derby).*

Best Single Day Total by one Boat in Derby

Team *Get Lit* lead by Capt. Ray Rosher of Miami with 35 releases on Day #2 of 2006 Derby (Previous record held by team *Cookie* with 30 sails Day #2 of 2004 Derby).

Best Single Day Total by one Angler in Derby

Chip Sheehan of Boynton Beach fishing aboard the *Cookie* with 19 individual sailfish releases on Day #2 of 2004 Derby (Previous record held by Dr. Thomas Floyd of West Palm Beach with 16 individual sailfish releases fishing aboard the *Liquidator* with Capt. Wink Doerzbacher in 1997 Derby. Also noteworthy: Angler Jim Gill of West Palm Beach posted an impressive 18 individual sailfish releases on Day #2 of the 2006 *Silver Sailfish Derby*).

Best Tournament 3-Day Total by a Derby Boat

Team *Get Lit* from Miami (Capt. Ray Rosher, Kitt Toomey, Peter Miller, Carlos Garcia) with 59 sailfish releases during 69th Derby in 2006

Most Individual Sailfish Releases in 3-Day Derby Overall

Tie: Peter Miller of Miami aboard team *Get Lit* with 26 during 2004 Derby and fellow team mate Christopher "Kitt" Toomey of Miami aboard team *Get Lit* with 26 releases during 69th Derby in 2006 (Previous record set by Dr. Thomas Floyd on team *Liquidator* in 1997 with 22 sails individually overall).

Most Boats to Post Double Digit Score during 3-day Derby

36 boats released 10 or more sails during the 2006 Derby, just under 3/4 of the tournament fleet (Previous record was 28 boats during the 2004 Derby).

Most Anglers to Catch at least one Sailfish During Derby

177 different individual anglers during 2004 Derby.

Best Catch/Per Boat Day Average for 3-Day Derby

6.39 sails per boat day during 69th Derby in 2006 (Previous record was 3.6 sails per boat day during 2004 Derby. The Derby's historical tournament average is somewhere between 1.3 and 1.5 sails per boat day).

Best Single Day Catch Per Boat/Day Average in Derby

7.94 sails per boat/day on Friday January 6, 2006. 50 boats released 397 sails (Previous record was Day #2 during the 2004 Derby when 59 boats registered 6.3 sails per boat/day).

Most Sailfish Released on Circle Hooks in any Tournament held in United States


958 sailfish released by 50 boats all using tournament approved zero degree-offset circle hooks: Eagle Claw Lazer Sharp L2004EL and Penn International Billfish hook P170 (Previous record was 636 releases by 59 boats in 2004 Derby).

Heaviest Weight Fish Entered in 3-Day Derby

54.5 pound kingfish caught by Bill Watson aboard team *Loose Connection* during the 1998 Derby (Eligible weight fish are: Kingfish, Dolphin, Wahoo, Cobia and Tuna).

Angler to Win the Derby's Rea Trophy the Most Times

Nick Smith of Stuart, Florida has won the prestigious *Rea Trophy* 6 times (1990, 1991, 1992, 2000, 2001 & 2002). The *Mrs. Henry R. Rea Trophy* is the Derby's Top Individual Angler Award and is presented to the angler who releases the most sailfish during the 3-day tournament.


* These records do not include tournament totals for the *Silver Sailfish Derby's* held prior to 1992 when the event was three weeks, sometimes nearly 4 weeks long (1935 to 1991). Interestingly however, since the first *Silver Sailfish Derby*, held in 1935, there are only 3 occasions when the Derby fleet caught more than 958 sails (the number of sailfish released during the three-day Derby in 2006). The dates of those events were: 1941 = 1,035 sails; 1942 = 1,238 sails and 1948 = 1,579 sails.



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