

SSYC 2023 FISHING TOURNAMENT

August 26th & 27th

Captains Meeting Fri. August 25th at 7PM, SSYC

BASS & BLUES 2023 RULES – Boat Teams

BASS CATCH & RELEASE (this year)

BLUES: WEIGH IN @ HUT

PRIZES (Estimated)

BASS CLASS

- Adult (Age 16 & over)
 - 1st Place Boat: *\$325
 - 2nd Place Boat: *\$140
 - 1st Junior: \$25

BLUES CLASS

- Adult (Age 16 & over)
 - 1st Place Boat: *\$325
 - 2nd Place Boat: *\$140
 - 1st Junior: \$25

****Cash Prizes dependent on participation and subject to change. This is a Non-Profit Event with all profits going to expenses and prize money.***

REGISTRATION

Pre-Registration and payment close on *08/18. New Registration's will be accepted up to 08/25 based on availability.

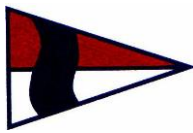
**To get a tournament shirt you must be registered by 08/18.*

- **\$125** per Boat/Team up to 3 Anglers
 - \$50 for each additional Angler.
 - Max Anglers per Boat/Team = *5 (excluding youth)
- **\$25** – Youth Participant – 15 & Under

Checks to be mailed and made PAYABLE to Debbie Gough, 55 Emerson St. Weymouth MA 02189
SSYCFISHTOURNEY@gmail.com

-No Refunds-

Captains are responsible for registering all anglers providing name and shirt size.



This tournament is to be capped at 25 Boats (teams). After **08/18** any applicants will be considered based on availability. All participants must be paid & registered by 8pm, Friday **08/25**.

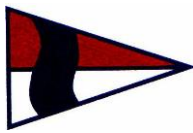
TOURNAMENT RULES

START: Saturday, August 26 @ 5 AM

STOP: Sunday, August 27 @ 12 NOON

The SSYC Bass & Blue Team Fishing Tournament is a recreational tournament and abides by Massachusetts Recreational Saltwater Fishing Rules which require a saltwater license for age 16 and over. This license can be obtained at: [MassFishHunt](#). All participants (not just the captain) must be licensed and registered prior to the tournament.

- This is a “Team” (Boat) Tournament
- All boats/participants must be registered with SSYC prior to the tournament.
 - Team participants registered by 08/18 will receive a Tournament T-Shirt
- Teams are eligible to win cash prizes in both classes (Bass & Blues) but only eligible to win one prize per class. (rev. 2022)
- Only the Best Fish per BOAT is eligible to compete for prize status per class.
 - Each Boat/Team can submit (1) Bass & (1) Blue.
- If no fish are submitted for any particular class or there is only one fish submitted in a class, any uncollected prize money will be evenly distributed across the remaining prize money paid out to winners.
- Fishing waters include all of Massachusetts Bay waters and its inlets including all rivers and estuaries feeding Mass Bay. The Bay extends from Cape Ann on the north to Plymouth Harbor on the south. (Draw a line from the tip of Cape Anne to P-Town and then from P-Town to the Plymouth Power Plant)
- Fishing Hours begin 5 AM on Saturday 08/26. Check in with SSYC on VHF **69** (text optional: 781-901-1922). Fishing ends Sunday at **12 Noon** - all participants are required to have their photo submission texted to 781-901-1922 on the 27th, by 1PM. **Bass Photo submissions & Bluefish weigh in will close promptly at 1:00.**
- You may catch live bait prior to the Tournament start time.
- All fish must be caught with handheld Rods & Reels.
- Due to current regulations involving Slot Limits, this year will be a catch and release tournament for **STRIPED BASS**. Striped Bass fish submissions will be done by photograph submission using SSYC provided tape measurer. The photo is to be submitted by text to 781-901-1922 any time before the 08/27, 1PM deadline. (Details on proper photo submission to follow). All fish must be caught, photographed with tournament tape measurer during tournament hours and **promptly released** (except for keeper fish between 28” to less than 35” - at the angler’s discretion).
 - Striped Bass longest fish submitted to the judge wins, **Tie Breaker: Girth.**
- **BLUE FISH** will be weighed in & Measured at the SSYC Tiki Hut.
 - **Saturday: 5PM – 5:30 PM**
 - **Sunday: 12 Noon – 1 PM**
- Blue Fish – Heaviest Fish Wins. **Tie Breaker: length. 2nd Tie Breaker: girth (rev.2022)**



- If you are not a member and intend to come to SSYC by boat to collect a prize, please check in with SSYC Fleet Captain in advance of the tournament. ssycfleetcaptain2023@gmail.com
- The Honor System applies throughout the entire tournament.
- Protests may be filed, in writing, no later than 1:30 PM on **08/27**. Judge's Decision will be final.
- All fish are the responsibility of the Angler. No fish are to be left with SSYC.
 - Massachusetts Recreational Saltwater Fishing Rules include **"The practice of high-grading, whereby legal sized striped bass are released in favor of larger fish caught subsequently is unlawful. Accordingly, it is also unlawful to keep a striped bass alive in water by attaching a line or chain to the fish (stringer) or placing it in a live well or holding car."** – **"The technique known as "snag and drop" when you snag a menhaden then immediately live line it on the treble hook is now prohibited"**. Please review all rules at <https://www.mass.gov/service-details/recreational-saltwater-fishing-regulations>
- Tournament announcements to be posted at SSYC and on VHF Channel 69
- Unlimited Tackle/Bait
- Awards will begin at approximately 2:30 PM Sunday **August 27**.

CASH PRIZE CALCULATIONS

Cash prizes are based on the total of registration fees less tournament expenses.

Bass 1st: 35% of Net Income

Bass 2nd: 15% of Net Income

Blue 1st: 35% of Net Income

Blue 2nd: 15% of Net Income

Payment will be rounded off

CATCH & RELEASE PHOTO

- Fish should be measured from the tip of the snout or jaw to the farthest extremity of the tail.
- Every entry must include a photo of the fish (Bass) that allows for a **clear** measurement of the fish's size with the photo showing the entire Fish and the measuring tape provided by SSYC. The measuring tape is to be placed over the top linear length of the fish with 0" clearly seen at the snout and the length measurement clearly seen at the furthest extremity of the tail.
- An official Measuring Tape will be provided prior to the tournament.

SCHEDULE

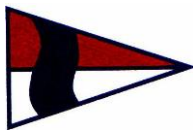
Friday – 08/25

- Captains Meeting SSYC CLUBHOUSE 7PM
- 8PM – Registration closes, and all payments must be in. No payments will be accepted after **8/25**.
- Rules are available on the SSYC Website. Ignorance of the rules is not an excuse.

Saturday – 08/26

- 5AM – Lines Wet (you are allowed to catch bait before 5 am)
- Photo evidence of (Bass) catch can be submitted at any time to 781-901-1922
- 5 – 5:30 PM – Blue Fish Weigh in at SSYC Tiki Hut

800 Bridge St.



Weymouth, MA

Sunday – 08/27

- 12 PM – Fishing Closes – All Captains must have their bass photo submission in to 781-901-1922 by 1PM (or blue fish weighed in).
- 2 PM (Approximately) – Winnings will be distributed, food, entertainment, raffles

SSYC FISHING TOURNAMENT COMMITTEE

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