



Manasquan River Marlin & Tuna Club

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2020 Fluke Tournament Tournament Outline, Rules and Awards

COVID-19 Statement

The safety, health and well-being of our officers, trustees, members, families, friends, guests, and the general public will always be our primary goal. To reduce the risk of COVID-19 exposures at Manasquan River Marlin and Tuna Club (MRMTC) member events, tournaments and gatherings (functions), we have developed a MRMTC COVID-19 Health & Safety Plan. That plan is available for viewing at: mrmtc.com/covid19/

NJDEP/ NJ Division of Fish & Wildlife

COVID-19 Fishing Guidelines (April 3, 2020; Updated May 27, 2020)

Consistent with Governor Murphy's latest Executive Orders regarding social distancing in order to limit the spread of Coronavirus (COVID-19), "non-family/household member" fishing is permitted in groups of fewer than 25 persons provided six-foot social distancing is maintained and the recommended infection control procedures (face coverings, hand washing) are followed.

Anglers **MUST NOT** congregate in parking areas, boat ramps or at popular fishing locations. Conservation Police Officers, New Jersey State Park Police, and DEP staff are actively monitoring our parks and natural areas to ensure that individuals enjoying our natural resources are maintaining social distance. Any groups encountered **will be instructed to disperse to maintain social distance, and if they do not comply, tickets will be issued by law enforcement.**

Excerpts from Dave Golden, Director of NJ Fish & Wildlife YouTube Video

- A. Click Here for video - <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ms3eLwoLiz4>
- B. Do not fish if you are not feeling well. Stay at home if you exhibit any COVID-19 symptoms listed on CDC website
- C. Fish close to home, reducing travel
- D. Fish by yourself or with members of immediate family members **ONLY**
- E. Maintain safe physical distance from other anglers and do not share gear
- F. Use your rod as an easy measure to provide a 6' distance
- G. Avoid crowds and groups
- H. Buy licenses online



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Tournament Outline

- A. Tournament Entry: Free
- B. Guaranteed Prize Money: \$1,250
- C. Fishing Days: Thursday, August 6th thru Sunday, August 9th
- D. Captains Meeting: Wednesday August 5th – Southside Marina – 6:30pm
- E. Calcuttas: \$100.00 – All in. See Below
- F. Registration: All members in good standing are automatically registered to fish the tournament
- G. Call In: Entrants are required to call-in their fishing day
- H. Awards: 3 largest Fluke

Tournament Rules

1. MRMTC 2020 Fluke Tournament Rules

1. This tournament is a MRMTC member only tournament. Only MRMTC members and non-member guests are eligible to fish this tournament.
2. All members in good standing are automatically registered to fish this tournament. Call in is required. Calcutta form must be submitted at or before the captains meeting for fish to be eligible for such.
3. Each boat may fish only one day. However, a boat may fish multiple days if the member's fishing partner is also a club member and has entered the tournament separately. Each day of fishing requires a separate Entry Form. The entrant must be on board on each fishing day of their entry for any catches on that day to be eligible for award consideration.
4. Entrants must declare their fishing day by 12:00AM midnight on their declared day of fishing. To declare a fishing day, a representative from the boat must call (732) 612-8052 and leave a message with the following information: Entrants name, boat name, fishing day, and day and time of call.
5. Boats must not depart Manasquan Inlet before 12:00 AM on their declared day of fishing and must return through Manasquan Inlet on the same day. In lieu of fishing on a boat, a member may fish from the shores of Monmouth and Ocean Counties. Similarly, members fishing from shore must not commence fishing before 12:00 AM on their declared day of fishing.
6. Upon returning to Manasquan Inlet, a representative from the boat is requested to call Dave Mellett (732) 423-6520 to advise of their safe return; boats not having fish to report are also requested to call in upon entering the inlet so that the weigh scale does not need to remain unnecessarily open.
7. In the event of a boat becoming disabled prior to leaving Manasquan Inlet, the entry may be transferred to a substitute boat and/or a substitute fishing day. The boat disability must be reported by calling (732) 612-8052 and leaving a message with the following information: Entrant's name, boat name, fishing date, nature of the boat disability, date and time of call.
8. In the event of a boat becoming disabled after leaving Manasquan Inlet, a substitute fishing day will be granted as long as the following conditions are satisfied:
 - a. Fishing lines must not have been placed in the water.
 - b. The boat must return to Manasquan Inlet by 10 AM on the same day it departed.
 - c. A participant on the boat must call (732) 612-8052 as soon as the boat enters Manasquan Inlet and leave a message with the following information: Entrants name, boat name, fishing day, nature of the boat disability, date and time of call.
9. Fish being entered for award consideration must have the fish weighed on the MRMTC scale at **Crystal Point Yacht Club** between **5:00 PM and 6:00 PM on Thursday, Friday and Saturday, and between 3:30 PM and 4:30 pm at the tournament party at Manasquan River Club on Sunday**. The fish must be brought to the weigh scale by the boat upon which they were caught or by vehicle.
10. The official tournament radio channel is: VHF Channel 65.
11. All State, Federal and IGFA Rules and Regulations apply to this tournament except as follows:



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A fish may be hooked by anyone other than the angler provided the rod is immediately transferred to the angler after the hook-up. From that time forward, the angler must fight the fish alone until boated or released.

12. There is no limit to the number of rods used while fishing. The use of commercial fishing gear is not permitted.
13. In the interest of conservation, MRMTC encourages the use of circle hooks when using natural bait and/or natural bait/artificial lure combinations.
14. Fish caught on a member's boat during the course of a non-member charter trip are not eligible for award consideration regardless of who the angler is. Fish caught by a member who is being paid as a crew member, i.e. a mate, captain, etc. during the course of a fishing trip, are not eligible for any prize or trophy.
15. Prize Money will be paid by check and made out to the Entrant's name as shown on the Entry Form. Prize money will be distributed to the winners upon determining the official results.
16. The tournament may be altered, cancelled, postponed or extended to other dates at the discretion of the Tournament Committee.
17. The tournament committee reserves the right to have winners take a lie detector examination.
18. All interpretations of the Rules and decisions by the Tournament Committee are final.

All boat owners, their crews, and anglers participate in the tournament voluntarily and at their own risk. They hereby agree to release and hold harmless the MRMTC, its Officers, Trustees, Agents, and employees from and against all claims, Damages, losses and expenses – including all attorneys' fees incurred as a result of their suffering bodily injury, illness, death, economic loss, or property damage while participating in this tournament. By signing this agreement I acknowledge that I have liability insurance coverage for my vessel and crew. The decision to fish or not relative to weather or any other reason is at the sole discretion of the participants. The entrant may elect to withdraw from the tournament if they are concerned with weather related sea conditions. All entry monies will be fully refunded as long as an officer, a trustee, or a tournament committee member is notified prior to the time of the captains meeting. Participants must comply with all applicable governmental laws, rules and regulations. MRMTC assumes no responsibility in that or any other regard. Any non-complying fish will be disqualified. I agree to the aforementioned terms and conditions, and represent that anyone invited to fish on the boat entered, has been informed and has accepted accordingly. Participation constitutes acceptance of the aforementioned terms and conditions and that the crew has been notified of these and all applicable, state, federal and IGFA rules.

Tournament Awards

Guaranteed Prize Money for the tournament is \$1,250. The prize money will be distributed across the three heaviest Fluke as follows:

Heaviest Fluke	\$625
2 nd Heaviest Fluke	\$375
3 rd Heaviest Fluke	\$250

Calcutta Execution

1. Weigh-ins will be performed by the MRMTC weighmaster at Crystal Point Yacht Club Thursday – Saturday from 5-6PM and Sunday from 3:30-4:30 at Manasquan River Club(awards to follow.)

Calcutta Payout

1. MRMTC will mail checks to the Calcutta winners.

Calcutta Entry Form

The Calcutta Entry Form is included as the next page.



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2020 ANNUAL FLUKE TOURNAMENT Calcutta

Fish Day--Thursday Aug 6 - Sunday Aug 9

NAME _____ BOAT NAME _____ CELL# _____

Entry

Fee

\$1,250 Base entry (50/30/20)	Free
Calcutta1 (50/30/20)	\$50.00----
Calcutta2 fluke (largest fish takes all)	\$25.00----
Calcutta (Sea bass 50/30/20)	\$25.00----

Amount received _____

See rules for all particulars and details

By signing this I acknowledge that I have read and understand the following:

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TOURNAMENT ENTRANT'S SIGNATURE _____ DATE _____