

Atlanta Saltwater Sportsman's Club

Tournament Application

Charleston, SC May 9 – 11, 2024

Applications and payments due by April 12th

Captain's Name: _____ Boat Name: _____

Address: _____ City: _____ State: _____ Zip _____

Email: _____ Home: _____ . _____ . _____ Work/Cell: _____ . _____ . _____

In Case of Emergency, Contact: _____ Phone Number _____

Boat Manufacturer/size: _____ Registration #: _____

CAPTAIN AND PARTICIPANTS at \$60 each.

Captain (BLACK ZIP TIE): _____ Phone: _____ \$ _____ Non-Member
Junior

Angler 2 (WHITE ZIP TIE): _____ Phone: _____ \$ _____

Angler 3 (RED ZIP TIE): _____ Phone: _____ \$ _____

Angler 4 (BLUE ZIP TIE): _____ Phone: _____ \$ _____

Angler 5 (YELLOW ZIP TIE): _____ Phone: _____ \$ _____

Angler 6 (GREEN ZIP TIE): _____ Phone: _____ \$ _____

Number of Non-Anglers Attending Awards Dinner*: _____ x \$40 = \$ _____

*(Non-Anglers may attend the Awards Dinner for \$40/each.)

Total Due: \$ _____

ASWSC Release and Indemnification Agreement

(Attention: Please Read Carefully—Your Signature Indicates Agreement with These Terms)

In signing this document, I do hereby agree and understand that the Atlanta Salt Water Sportsman's Club, (hereinafter referred to as "The Club", is acting as a sponsor of various club activities (including, but not limited to fishing tournaments, picnics, meetings, etc.) and I do fully release, indemnify and hold The Club harmless from any negligence, contractual and intentional tort liability caused by or the fault of any person or entity. The Club is hereby released from any responsibility whatsoever for any decision, action or inaction of entrant, boats of other participants in any Club activities.

To the fullest extent provided by law, my team, my crew, my guest, and I hereby agree to indemnify and hold The club harmless from any and all claims, suits, obligations, liabilities, losses, damages, cost or expense suffered by, arising out of, resulting from, any act of mine or any member of my crew during my and their participation in Club sponsored activity, including any and all claims, suits, obligations, liabilities, losses, damages, cost or expense caused in whole or in part by any negligent act or negligent omission of The Club, regardless of my vessel, it's passengers crew participants and equipment, in conjunction with any activity sponsored by The Club. Said photographs may be used by The Club in promotional and/or advertising material or in any other way otherwise not unlawful, and consent of the vessel, it's owner and persons photographed is hereby acknowledged.

This agreement shall take effect as an instrument under seal, and be binding upon and inure to the benefit of my and my team's and crew's heirs, executors, administrators, successors and assigns.

Capt. Signature _____ Date _____

Email Application page to William Mann at WilliamWinslowMann@gmail.com

For payment, Venmo funds to Mike Ball (@Mball-ASWSCtreasurer) or send check made out to ASWSC to: Mike Ball, 2019 Shoals View Ln, Lawrenceville GA 30045. Only one payment per boat will be accepted. No cash will be accepted.



Tip Sheet

Palmetto Shootout

Offshore Competition

Charleston, South Carolina May 9 – 11, 2024

Headquarters: St. Johns Yacht Harbor

Captains Meeting: Thursday May 9th @ 6:00 pm, Location TBD.

Awards Dinner: Saturday, May 11th @ 7:00 pm, Location TBD.

Tournament Fishing Days: Friday May 10 and Saturday May 11

Target Species:

- Mid-April through May, the mahi are running north in the gulf stream and can be easily caught via trolling and/or pitching to weed patches. Chuggers **WITH ballyhoo** will bring many of these fish to the boat, including the larger fish (35+ pounds). Remember, the Atlantic has a size restriction where the fish has to be 20+ inches.
- Included within the mahi, blue marlin can be caught (when in deeper water) using similar tactics with trolling ballyhoo on chugger heads (use horse ballyhoo).
- Bottom and other species are also available (**will confirm closer to the tournament date**):
 - o Amberjack
 - o Cobia
 - o Gag and Scamp Grouper (should open May 1)
 - o Black Sea Bass
 - o Mutton Snapper (yes, they are caught off Charleston)
 - o Vermillion Snapper
 - o Sailfish
 - o Trigger Fish (Queen, Gray and Ocean)
 - o Blackfin Tuna

Weigh-ins:

- **Offshore** is based on weight, using the ASWSC Traditional/Offshore points matrix
 - o Weigh-ins will be at the St. Johns Yacht Harbor
 - o Boats need to be docked at St. Johns Yacht Harbor by 6:00pm Friday and 5:00pm on Saturday to qualify for weigh-in – No exceptions will be made on timing.
 - o If you have no fish to weigh, you are still expected to check in with the tournament director to ensure you have returned safely – If not, the US Coast Guard will be called.

Lodging:

- **Many rentals around John's Island** – check Air BnB and VRBO. I have found Air BnB to be cheaper and have better cancelation policies (sometimes the day before) than VRBO.
- **If you have any questions as to location, please reach out.**

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Logistics:

- **St. Johns Yacht Harbor** (<http://stjohnsyachtharbor.com>)
 - o 2408 Maybank Highway, Johns Island, 29455. PH: (843) 557-1027
 - o In-water dockage (for in-water dockage, call and reserve your spot; there are a limited number of slips). **Talk with “Ea” and they will provide you the discounted rate** (still working on rate, but standard rate is \$3.50 per foot, per night).
 - o Gas dock at marine for on-water fuel (working with Ea to ensure fuel dock remains open as part of the weigh-in process – two nice high-speed fuel pumps).

- **Trailer Storage**
 - o Trailer parking (~\$35 for the entire tournament period)
 - o Call or text Zac @ (843) 530-8886
 - o 2761 Abbapoola Rd, Johns Island, SC 29455

- **Public Boat Ramps**
 - o John P. Limehouse (on Stono River): 495 Main Rd, Johns Island SC 29455
 - o Wappoo Cut (between Ashley and Stono Rivers): Tranquil Dr, Charleston SC 29407
 - o Complete list of boat ramps by county: <http://www2.dnr.sc.gov/ManagedLands/Boatramp/BoatRampCounty>

Limehouse will provide the best launch/retrieve location. Large parking lot with several ramps and the least amount of current. If you catch the current at a slack tide, Wappoo Cut is fine, but do not try without prior knowledge as the current is very strong. Both ramps can handle any size boat.

- **Gas Station(s)**
 - o Bluewater Gas Stations all have ethanol free gas and has “longer hoses” at those pumps. The best and closest Bluewater to Limehouse is at the following address:
 - 2493 Savannah Hwy, Charleston, SC 29414

Tackle Stores / Bait:

- Haddrells Point Tackle (47 Windermere Blvd Charleston, SC 29407). (843) 573-3474
 - o Mud-minnows
 - o Fiddler crabs
 - o Shrimp (hit or miss)
 - o Everything else (frozen, artificial, terminal tackle, etc.)
- West Marine (975 Savannah Hwy #133, Charleston, SC 29407). (843) 402-6988
 - o Everything else (frozen, artificial, terminal tackle, etc.)

- **Cast Net:** Bait fish should be within the creeks (within the intercoastal waterway) and off of Morris Island (the lighthouse to the south of the Charleston Jetty)

- **Sabiki:** within the jetty (with squid on the hooks) will result in “larger” live bait

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Safety:

If you will be more than 1 hour late for weigh-in or you are not participating in weigh-in, please let the tournament director know or the Coast Guard will be notified, and you are responsible for any costs.

- Charleston harbor has a large number of large cargo ships and pilot boats which will not slow down and can generate large wakes within the harbor/jetty – be careful if traveling through the jetty.
- Once you are inside the jetty, follow the channel markers, as the channel is deep but there are not many sand bars with the harbor.
- Be careful traversing through Wappoo Cut – the water can be moving quickly.
- There is 1 no wake zone as you travel through Wappoo Cutt (at the bridge and boat ramp) – this is heavily enforced.

In accordance with the club's rules, if there is a Small Craft Advisory warning, the tournament fishing day will be canceled.

Local Entertainment:

- Charleston is known for its shopping and food. The main Charleston peninsula has King Street, if the non-fishers want to go shopping.
- There are also some of the best restaurants in the south – from fried seafood to classic French (with a southern twist). If you need any recommendations, just ask.

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