

51st Annual
Mission Bay Marlin Club
MARLIN
TOURNAMENT

Saturday
 September 13, 2025



"CATCH AND RELEASE" OR "TAKE" TOURNAMENT
ALL MARLIN CAUGHT ARE ELIGIBLE FOR TOURNAMENT PRIZES

*** The 2025 MBMC Marlin Tournament is open to
MBMC member boats only.***

1ST PRIZE **\$2,000** First Place Prize

2nd PRIZE **\$1,250** Second Place Prize

3rd PRIZE **\$750** Third Place Prize

★ **TUNA**
 1st Place- \$1000 for the largest tuna
 2nd Place Tuna- \$500 for 2nd largest

CAPTAINS MEETING: FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 12, 2025
 6:00 PM-8:00 PM at Marina Village Dockhouse Deli
 1840 Quivira Way San Diego, CA 92109

AWARDS BANQUET: SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 14, 2025
 Festivities begin at 2:00 PM at
 Sardina's Italian Restaurant
 1129 Morena Blvd. San Diego, CA 92110

FOR MORE INFORMATION EMAIL : INFO@missionbaymarlinclub.org



OFFICIAL ENTRY FORM

Entry fee includes dinner, t-shirt & your registration.
 Entries postmarked on/or before Monday, September 1st,
 2025 are eligible for the Early Bird Drawing
 Prize (Marlin caster rod and Shimano TN 30 Reel)
 Shimano reel donated in memory of Jerry & Roy Lively.
 Rod donated by MBMC
PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY

BOAT NAME: _____	CLUB AFFILIATION: _____
CAPTAIN: _____ Email: _____ T-Shirt: S M L XL XXL	NAME: _____ Email: _____ T-Shirt: S M L XL XXL
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Member Anglers _____ X \$50 = \$ _____ (On/Before Sept 1)
 Non Member Anglers: _____ X \$150 = \$ _____ (On/Before Sept. 1)

No. of Non-Angler Dinners: _____ X \$25 = \$ _____
 Extra T-Shirts (list qty. next to size): _____ X \$20 = \$ _____
 S _____ M _____ L _____ XL _____ XXL _____
 TOTAL = \$ _____

Make Checks payable to: Mission Bay Marlin Club
Send completed entry form along with check to:

Mission Bay Marlin Club
 c/o Ken Yasuda
 2419 Erie St.
 San Diego, CA 92110

2025 MBMC MARLIN TOURNAMENT RULES AND REGULATIONS

ENTRY- \$50 To All 2025 MBMC Members

MBMC club member boats only. You may have non-member guests. \$150.00 entry fee per angler on or before Sunday, September 1, 2025 (after September 1, 2025 the entry fee is \$175 per angler). Have as many anglers per boat as you wish, with the minimum of two. All those aboard must be entered. **Entries received on or before Sunday, September 1, 2025 will be eligible for the Early Bird Prize (Shimano reel donated by Lively family in memory of Jerry and Roy Lively. Rod donated by MBMC).**

CAPTAINS MEETING

A MANDATORY meeting will be held on Friday, September 12, 2025 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. at the Marina Village Dockhouse Deli, 1840 Quivira Way. One representative of each team is required to attend this meeting. Any changes or clarifications to the rules will be made at this time. A "Captains Bag" will be issued containing t-shirts, dinner tickets and tournament gifts, & forms. Exceptions to this mandatory attendance will be granted for those who have undue hardship to attend (other mandatory meetings and travel accommodations) by contacting a MISSION BAY MARLIN CLUB Representative. **Hook ups, releases, and captures should all be called in to MBMC in real time. The tournament will be monitored on Channel 69.**

TOURNAMENT SPECIES

Only **MARLIN** qualify and may be entered for the Marlin category of this tournament. One fish per angler may be entered for the individual prizes. More than one fish per angler may be entered for the Club Trophy.

TUNA DIVISION

To be eligible for this prize all entries **MUST** be weighed in at the MBMC weigh station (Dana Landing fuel dock) or other certified weigh station by 8:00 P.M. on the day of fishing. No exceptions. The winner will be determined by the single Heaviest tuna weighed in. In case of a tie the prize will be divided equally. If there are no qualifying entries, all tournament anglers will be entered in a special drawing to determine the winner. Only the following species will be eligible: Bluefin Tuna, Yellowfin Tuna, and Bigeye Tuna.

TACKLE

Tackle may be any weight up to and including **80 lb. test**. All IGFA rules apply for this tournament. Please see IGFA [2024](#) rules.

RELEASED FISH

Marlin - A released fish will be considered captured once a crew member has the leader (not the double line) in hand. **THE REQUIRED PHOTOGRAPH OR VIDEO MUST CLEARLY DEPICT THE MARLIN AND HAND(S) GRIPPING LEADER.** The crew cannot touch any part of the tackle above the leader until the fish has been officially taken. All conditions of IGFA rules apply to the moment of leadering. On Saturday September 13, 2025, the angler will report the release in advance of this 8 p.m. deadline by phone to a MBMC representative (Weighmaster - TBD). All digital data will be delivered to the MBMC by 10:00 a.m. Sunday September 14, 2025. A picture of the mandatory MBMC release forms are also due by this time Sunday (picture of form can be sent to info@missionbaymarlinclub.org). See below for "Digital Data Documentation" requirements.

TAKEN FISH

All fish to be weighed in must be presented to the MBMC weigh station (Dana Landing fuel dock) or another certified IGFA weigh station by 8:00 P.M. On Saturday September 13, 2025. The angler shall report the catch in advance of this 8 p.m. deadline by phone to a MBMC representative (Weighmaster - TBD). If weighing a billfish, the **TIME** of the actual weigh in must be entered on the weigh slip. This must be prior to 8:00 pm Saturday September 13, 2025. NO EXCEPTIONS. All digital data will be delivered to the MBMC by 10:00 a.m. Sunday September 14, 2025. The weigh slip documentation is also due at this time. Email to Info@missionbaymarlinclub.org. See below for "Digital Data Documentation" requirements.

DIGITAL DATA DOCUMENTATION - For proof of capture, release, or any other required documentation, digital evidence can be provided ONLY in one of the following ways:

- 1. DIGITAL CAMERA** For proof of capture, photo must clearly show leadering, then you should immediately take a photo showing boat gps with date and time of the release. Cameras must have the proper date & time entered into the camera. Entire Digital Camera will be submitted for proof.
- 2. DIGITAL (SMART) PHONE OR VIDEO CAMERA (GO PRO) – For proof of capture, a VIDEO must be taken of the release (clearly depicting the marlin and hand(s) gripping leader) and IN THE SAME VIDEO show the boat gps with date and time of the release.** Same procedure to be taken for other data documentation. Files can be submitted to info@missionbaymarlinclub.org.

*** All digital data documentation will be delivered to the MBMC by 10:00 a.m. Sunday September 14, 2025. Release forms and weight slip documentation are also due at this time.

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*****ALL CAMERAS AND PHONES USED FOR DIGITAL DOCUMENTATION will take a picture/video of the boat's GPS showing the date and time BEFORE starting to fish on the day of the tournament.**

FISHING HOURS

Lines in the water any time after 12:01 am on Saturday, September 13, 2025. Lines out of the water at 6:00 pm Saturday, September 13, 2025. The tournament deadline for all weighed fish is at 8:00 pm Saturday, September 13, 2025. *****ALL CAMERAS AND PHONES USED FOR DIGITAL DOCUMENTATION will take a picture/video of the boat's GPS showing the date and time before starting to fish on the day of the tournament (See above for "Digital Data Documentation" requirements).** All boats declaring a weigh-in, must be at the dock of the Mission Bay Marlin Club or any IGFA certified weigh station before 8:00 pm. If at a weigh station other than MBMC's, then it is permitted to take a photo/video of the weigh slip and submit that along with a photo/video of the IGFA weigh station (with the Team Members included) followed by a photo/video of the boat's GPS showing the time at or before 8:00 p.m. Saturday, September 13, 2025 to the tournament weigh master. If you are hooked up on a fish (marlin or tuna) prior to the 6:00 pm "lines out", you must report it to a tournament control via channel 69 and still be at the weigh station by 8:00 pm Saturday September 13, 2025.

The angler shall report all catches / releases by phone or VHF Radio Channel 69 to a MBMC Tournament Boat representative by 8 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 13, 2025. All boats declaring a catch either weigh-in or release, must be at the dock of the Mission Bay Marlin Club or any IGFA certified weigh station before 8:00 pm.

Hook ups, releases, and captures will all be called in to MBMC tournament control in real time. The tournament will be monitored on Channel 69.

QUALIFYING CATCH

Weighed billfish or tuna must be verified with a CERTIFIED WEIGH SLIP (If weighing a billfish/tuna, the time of actual weigh in must be entered on the slip). A digital photo/video of the certified weigh slip will suffice as evidence. Released fish must be verified by DIGITAL CAMERA (not a phone camera) or DIGITAL PHONE VIDEO (see "Digital Data Documentation above"). The pictures/videos will be viewed by the tournament committee to verify the catch. The responsibility for providing these proofs of capture rests solely with the fisherman entering the catch.. **All fish, weighed or released, must be called in to a MBMC representative (Weighmaster - TBD) by 8:00 p.m. Saturday September 13, 2025.** Any boat with a qualifying billfish catch must be at the Mission Bay Marlin Club or any other recognized certified weigh station by 8:00 pm Saturday September 13, 2025. If not at the Mission Bay Marlin Club dock, then a photograph/video of the Team Members in front of the Certified Weigh Station. Followed by a photograph/video of the boat's GPS showing the time at or before 8:00 pm Saturday September 13, 2025. All digital documentation, weight slips, & release forms must be submitted to MBMC by 10:00 am Sunday September 14, 2025 for verification. Entire digital cameras will be submitted and phone video can be submitted on a usb memory stick or email info@missionbaymarlinclub.org.

WINNERS

Each angler with a qualifying Marlin catch/release will be entered into a drawing to determine the prize winners. All drawing entries have an equal chance in the drawing for prizes. If fewer fish are caught than prizes are available, all remaining tournament anglers will be entered in a special drawing to determine the winners of the remaining prizes.

BOAT SCORING

Four (4) points for First Place, three (3) points for Second Place, two (2) points for Third Place, and one (1) point for Entering (if not in the top 3). These points accumulate for all MBMC Tournaments open to all members for the angling year 2025. The boat with the most points at the end of the year will be awarded the Top Boat Award.

PROTESTS

All protests must be filed with the MBMC by 9:00 p.m. on Saturday, September 13, 2025.