



ANCIENT CITY GAME FISH ASSOCIATION
In-Club September Bottom Fishing Tournament – 2021
September 1-30, 2021

FISHING: This tournament is an ACGFA “members only” Boat Tournament. Entrants (boat captains) must be ACGFA members in good standing. Anglers are not required to be ACGFA Members, but please remember that fish caught by non-members do not count towards BOY points any longer. Anglers are fishing as a crew for the boat. Anglers must fish in local waters. Federal, State, and/or County fishing laws and regulations always apply. Boats will fish all month and their collective points for the month will be their total score.

SAFETY: SAFETY IS ALWAYS FIRST. Safety is of paramount importance. Captains are responsible for the safe and legal operation of their boats at all times.

QUALIFYING FISH: Fish eligible for this tournament are all “ACGFA Offshore Species” listed in Paragraph B-1 of 2020-2021 ACGFA Fishing Rules **except COBIA, TUNA, DOLPHIN, SPANISH MACKEREL, WAHOO, AND KING MACKEREL**. Fish must be caught on hook and line while “Bottom Fishing”, fish caught while “Trolling” do not count. Fish must be of legal length, bag and possession limits. Weighing in of a fish that is not within legal size and possession limits will result in disqualification from the tournament. Mutilated fish will not be weighed.

RADIO: Captains are reminded that they should have an operational VHF radio on board their boat for safety. Many ACGFA members monitor VHF channels 68 & 72. Checkout and check-in do not apply in the normal sense for this tournament.

WEIGH IN: Fish **MUST** be weighed at any of the following ACGFA approved locations. In case of ties, the earliest weigh-in date/time wins. In order for fish to count in the tournament each card or website entry must be plainly marked “BOTTOM FISHING” in the “Tournament” blank and submitted no later than 7 days from catch date.

AWARDS: 100 points will be awarded for the heaviest; 75 points for second; 50 points for third and 25 points for fourth heaviest fish in each category. The point system will decide the top Boat for this tournament who will be awarded \$300. Also the winning Boat is also awarded 25 bonus points which count for 2020-2021 Boat-of-the-Year. In case of a tie, earliest weigh-in shown on the weigh card or web-site entry will decide the winner of the tie.

ENTRY FEE: Boat Captains can register at the August meeting or on the website prior to September 1st. Entry fee is free for members. There is a ten-boat minimum for this tournament.

TOURNAMENT CHAIRMAN: Contact Eddie Gatchell (904) 814-3489 or Kevin Whitfield (904) 669-5327 if you have any questions. The Tournament Chairmen will settle Protest; the Tournament Chairmen’s decision is final.