ANCIENT CITY GAME FISHING ASSOCIATION INSHORE SPRING KICKOFF "SLAM" TOURNAMENT (Flounder, Redfish & Trout) <u>DATES</u>: 1 February thru 28 February 2022

<u>FISHING</u>: This tournament is free to all ACGFA members who have signed up for the tournament at the January Meeting. Non-members may participate in the event for a fee of \$15.00. This is an ANGLER TOURNAMENT. Anglers may fish from any boat, shore, beach, pier, dock, etc. To encourage more young angler participation, for this tournament, a membership will include grandchildren and nieces/nephews who are 15 years and under. All anglers including junior and small fry anglers are participating in the same category, prize money will only be awarded to the top 3 anglers. Anglers' must fish in local waters. There are no weather days; Anglers may fish as many days as they wish during the period of the tournament.

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

<u>QUALIFYING FISH</u>: Fish eligible for this tournament are ACGFA Inshore species: FLOUNDER, REDFISH, and TROUT. Specific rules for qualifying fish:

- 1. Only 1 fish may be turned in on this tournament per fish species.
- 2. Only 3 total fish may be turned in for the tournament (example: 1 Red, 1 Trout, and 1 Flounder).

NOTE 1: This is a change from our normal tournament format; please make sure you really want to enter any qualifying fish specifically in this tournament, because after you enter your 1st fish of the species, you are closed out on that species.

NOTE 2: Fish must be of legal length, bag, possession, and meet all State and Federal laws. The club minimum limits do NOT apply. Weighing in of a fish that are out of season or not of legal limits will result in disqualification from the tournament.

RADIO - CHECK OUT/IN: NA due to month long tournament.

<u>WEIGH IN</u>: Anglers MUST weigh their fish at Avid Anglers, The Bait Shack, St. Augustine Paddle Sports, or Old City Bait & Tackle. Anglers are responsible for proper preparation and mailing of each ACGFA Fish Entry Form. <u>In order for</u> <u>fish to count</u> in the tournament, anglers MUST weigh their fish at above locations and each form must be plainly marked "INSHORE SPRING KICKOFF" in the "Tournament" blank. Entry Forms must be postmarked and mailed to ACGFA, P.O. Box 2001, St. Augustine, FL 32085-2001 or entered on the Web-Site no later than seven calendar days after the fish is caught.

<u>AWARDS:</u> Each Angler's entry in each species (max of three total entries) will be added together for a total aggregate slam weight (one redfish, one flounder, one trout) for the month. The top three heaviest slam aggregate weights for the month will be awarded for this tournament. (1st place - \$150, 2nd- place - \$100, 3rd place - \$50). A slam aggregate weight does not require all fish to be included, for example a two fish aggregate weight can beat a three fish aggregate weight. Also the 1st place winning angler is awarded 100 bonus points which count for Angler-of- the Year. In case of tied weight, earliest date/time entered wins.

<u>ENTRY FEE</u>: Anglers must be registered at the January Meeting or on the ACGFA.com web site not later than February 1st. Entry fee is free for members and \$15.00 per non-member angler. There is a ten-angler minimum for this tournament.

TOURNAMENT CHAIRMAN: The Tournament Chairman will settle Protest; the Tournament Chairman's decision is final. If you have any questions Tournament Chairman is Eddie Gatchell at (904) 814-3489.