

# JCAA NEWSPAPER MID-SUMMER 2021

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## Monthly Meeting Via Zoom Meeting Until Further Notice "WORKING FOR MARINE RECREATIONAL ANGLERS"

### **JCAA REGULAR MEETING**

**July 27th, 2021 via Zoom Meeting**

Starting at 7:30 PM

385 Herbertsville Rd, Brick

**NEXT JCAA BOARD MEETING**

Thursday, August 12th, 2021

Via Zoom Meeting

### **OFFICIAL NEWSPAPER OF THE JERSEY COAST ANGLERS ASSOC.**

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### **IMPORTANT DATES**

**July 27<sup>th</sup>** JCAA General Meeting (*tentative*)

**August 5<sup>th</sup>–8<sup>th</sup>** JCAA Heavy Hitter Fluke Tournament

**August 12<sup>th</sup>** JCAA Board Meeting

**September 4<sup>th</sup>** JCAA 26<sup>th</sup> Annual Fluke Tournament

**September 9<sup>th</sup>** JCAA Board Meeting

**September 10<sup>th</sup>** Awards Presentations

**September 28<sup>th</sup>** JCAA General Meeting (*in person*)

### **JCAA Fundraisers Please Help Us Out!**

*By Paul Haertel*

Currently JCAA has two fundraisers. One is that we are selling \$25 gift cards Applebee's Restaurant. JCAA will receive a check for \$200 for every \$1000 worth of cards we sell. The other fundraiser is our Hi-Roller raffle with prizes having a total value exceeding \$3000. All of the shows that we normally sell these tickets at were cancelled this year so we really need you to help us out by buying some. Checks for either the gift cards or raffle tickets can be made out to JCAA and mailed to: JCAA, 1594 Lakewood Rd., Unit 13, Toms River, NJ. 08755. We will mail you the gift cards. Regarding the raffle tickets, we can fill them out for you and mail you the stubs or we can mail you books of tickets and you may fill them out and return them to us with your payment. Either way is fine and we appreciate your anticipated support. We also accept Paypal and credit cards. For more information call our office at 732-506-6565. Please leave a message if no one answers and we will get back to you.

**2021 Hi-Roller Raffle Tickets - \$2 each, 3 for \$5 or a book of 7 for \$10**

**List of Prizes (*retail values*)**

1. Jersey Nutz Six Man Charter (6 hour, 6 man inshore weekday charter) – **\$950**, *Donated by Captains Robert and Cody Melton*
2. Star 6' Handcrafted B03806SHC Conv. Rod/Canyon EX-16 Reel – **\$590**, *Donated by JCAA and Star Rods*
3. \$500 gift Certificate from Fisherman's Headquarters – **\$500**, *Donated by Fisherman's Headquarters*
4. Fenwick 7' HMG70MH-FC Conv. Rod/Shimano 14 HG Reel – **\$320**, *Donated by Grumpys Tackle and Shimano*
5. Tica 12' UEHA936502S Spinning Rod/ Tica Taurus TP5000S Reel – **\$300**, *Donated by Tica*
6. Collection of Custom Striper Plugs – **\$250**, *Donated by various plug builders*
7. Penn Battle 7' BTL11815S70 Spinning Rod/Battle II 3000 Reel – **\$135**, *Donated by Pure Fishing*

Jersey Coast Shark Anglers Building in Herbertsville. We plan to serve refreshments to welcome you back at this in-person meeting. Our **THANKS** go out to the Shark Anglers for their continued and generous support for the JCAA!

At this meeting, we will be taking nominations for the JCAA's prestigious Sportsperson of the Year award. Please think of the individual you would like to see receive this award for their contributions to support and enhance our fishing industry. Also, submit a short paragraph why your nomination should receive this award.

Our JCAA Fluke tournament will be here before you know it with our Awards Ceremony taking place at the Resorts Casino in Atlantic City. Please support the JCAA by entering into our tournament. Detailed information about our tournament is in another section of this newsletter.

Finally, there was an error in the JCAA's June newsletter concerning the cost of our tickets for the High Roller raffle. The price of **one** ticket for the High Roller raffle is **\$2**, and *not* \$3 that was incorrectly posted in the June JCAA newsletter. The price is correct for 3tickets at \$5 and 10 tickets for \$10.

## President's Report

*By John Toth*

While we are enjoying our fishing this summer, there is an effort by the animal right activists to eliminate hunting events that sponsor prizes or monetary rewards. While you may think that this has nothing to do with us anglers, think again! Bill (A) 1365 has passed through the Assembly's Agricultural Committee that would stop competitive events for hunters, and if it is passes through the assembly and senate, I don't think the animal right activists would rest until our fishing tournaments would also be eliminated. I have written a column about this troublesome issue that is in another section of this newsletter that explains this bill in further detail. Rest assured the JCAA, NJOA and the NJ Federation of Sportsmen's Clubs are closely monitoring this bill so that we can collectively protect the rights of hunters, trappers and anglers (both salt & fresh) who live in our state!

As I mentioned in my June report, we have had to rely on ZOOM meetings because of COVID19. While ZOOM meetings have their benefits, they lack the camaraderie that in-person meetings generate. I am happy to announce that our September 28th JCAA General Membership meeting will take place at the

## JCAA 26<sup>th</sup> Annual Fluke Tournament

*By Paul Turi, Fluke Tournament Director*

This year the JCAA fluke tournament will take place on September 4<sup>th</sup>. Entry forms have been mailed to anyone who has participated in this tournament in the past five years. In the center of this newspaper is an application that can be filled out and either mailed or faxed to JCAA. In addition, you may go to JCAA.org and download an application or use our on-line entry system through Eventbrite. The best way to enter the tournament is through Eventbrite. By entering through Eventbrite your entry automatically goes into our tournament database, you receive an automatic receipt and you will receive an email with instructions to print an affidavit/weigh-in slip.

Our Awards Presentations this year will be taking place at the Resorts Hotel Casino in Atlantic City on September 10th. I would like to give a shout-out to Resorts for giving us the opportunity to have our Awards Presentations in their hotel. They are excited to have us there and we are excited to be back there. In addition to donating the use of their

facility, Resorts will also be giving every attendee \$10 in slot play or \$20 in Match Play plus \$10 in meal credits for new members. There will also be a reduced room rate for those wishing to stay over. They will also be donating a prize package for each of our 7 regions. Each package will contain a free overnight stay in their hotel and \$40 in food credits.

The early entry fee is \$150.00 if you register by August 23<sup>rd</sup> and after August 23<sup>rd</sup> the entry fee is \$175. The online entry form can be found at [this link](#). A downloadable, mail-in entry form can be found at [this link](#). Complete rules can be found on the JCAA website at [this page](#).

## Amazon Smile

*By Paul Turi, Office Manager*

Amazon Smile is a program where Amazon donates 0.5% of the purchase price of eligible products to the charitable organization selected by its customers. JCAA is a non-profit 501(c)(3) organization and is registered with Amazon Smile to receive these donations from Amazon. If you would like to support JCAA in this manner, whenever you buy something on Amazon, simply go to smile.amazon.com whenever you make a purchase from Amazon and when asked indicate the Jersey Coast Anglers Association as the charitable organization you would like the donation to go to. You will still get the same price you would normally get but Amazon makes the 0.5% of the purchase price donation to JCAA. It's that simple and it is a great way to support JCAA.

## Sportsperson-of-the-Year

*By Paul Turi*

We are now accepting nominations for Sportsperson-of-the-Year. If your club would like to nominate someone for this award, please submit to JCAA a nomination of approximately 250-300 words. Voting to elect our sportsperson-of-the-Year will take place at our September General Membership Meeting. At the present time we do not have a date for the Awards Dinner or a location for the dinner. As soon as we have secured a facility to host this event, I will let everyone know.

## Update on Bill (A) 1365

*By John Toth*

Bill (A) 1365 was passed out of the Assembly Agricultural Committee on June 14<sup>th</sup> with the purpose of banning competitive events for trappers and hunters in our state. The culprits behind this bill are the animal right activists who desire to end not only hunting, but eventually competitive fishing events in our state. They are well organized and spend a lot of energy and time influencing our legislators to sponsor bills like this one. While the penalties may change for holding a competitive hunting event that has prize or monetary rewards, the penalties for violating this bill include:

- A five-year suspension of hunting license/permit.
- A penalty of up to six months of imprisonment, a fine to \$1,000, or both

Originally, this bill included anglers, both fresh and saltwater, but they were removed from the bill since they would also be expected to fight its passage. The Fisherman Magazine regularly lists saltwater tournaments and even sponsors a Dream Boat Tournament. Imagine if these tournaments would be canceled since they would be in violation of this bill! While we are presently not included in it, if hunters and trappers cannot hold competitive events, do you think anglers would not be the next target of animal right activists?

What can we do to stop this misguided legislation? Contact your legislators and tell them you want them to oppose the passage of Bill (A) 1365. As it now stands, the animal right activists claim that this bill protects bobcats, but bobcats are already protected in New Jersey. The version of this bill protects raccoons, skunks and coyotes, but 80% of rabies cases in our state are attributed to these animals. Hunting contests not only helps to reduce these predator populations, but they also help to procure samples that lead to mitigation processes.

Sometimes, legislators do not fully understand the consequences of the bills that they sponsor or sign on to. I have seen this in the past while talking to them. That is why, at the time of my writing this column, I have asked for a meeting with Assemblyman Dan Benson from my district who is a sponsor of this bill to talk to him so he has a better

appreciation of our concerns with it and, hopefully, withdraw his support for it.

About 10 years ago, Assemblyman Panter and Senator Karcher were persuaded by the animal right activists to stuff the NJ Fish & Game Council with a lot their members and, if successful, they would eventually end hunting and fishing in this state as we know it. They were thrown out of office by the collective efforts of our hunting and fishing organizations. Unfortunately, this fight with animal right activists is far from over and that is why we have Bill (A) 1365. They also want to again change the NJ Fish & Game Council by having them appointed to it so that they can influence the decisions made by this Council in their direction. We have to remain diligent in protecting our hunting and fishing rights from individuals and organizations that want to take them away from us outright or through a slow but shadowy way like this bill.

## Youth Education Report

*By Greg Kucharewski*

### IGFA & RCE HOST "REEL INTO FISHING"

Rutgers Cooperative Extension (RCE) are hosting in partnership with the International Game Fish Association (IGFA).

**Day 1** - Saturday, August 7, Classroom education on fisheries management, environmental science, and fish biology and tagging. Meets from 9am – 1pm at the RCE of Ocean County (1623 Whitesville Road, Toms River, NJ 08755).

**Day 2** - Wednesday, August 11, fishing trip aboard the "Bingo" fishing boat from Leonardo, NJ ([Bingo](#)). Bus transportation is available from the RCE of Ocean County with planned departure of 9:00 AM and returning at approximately 4:00 PM. The fishing trip component is planned for approximately 10:00 AM - 2:00 PM. Registration: Please register for this free program by calling the Ocean County 4-H program at 732-349-1227. If you have any questions, then please contact Amelia Valente (4-H Program Associate, Ocean County).

### BOATUS NATIONAL FLAGSHIP AWARD 2021

Congratulations to the young Scouts of Sea Scout Ship 1959, they receive the BoatUS National Flagship Award for 2021. Sea Scouts is a co-educational program from the Boy Scouts of America (BSA) that teaches youth boating and leadership skills with on-water practice and outdoor, social and community service experiences. The newly formed Sea Scout Ship 1959 is just two years old. Great job Leaders and Scouts!!! Read more at [this link](#).

### BEGINNER SURF FISHING CLINIC FRIDAY, AUG. 6, 13, 20, 2021

Learn how to tie knots, how to read the beach, what species to catch and how you can improve your skills! All equipment and bait will be provided. Children must be 10 years or older and anyone 10-18 must be accompanied by an adult. Participants 16 and older should register as a NJ Saltwater Angler. Registration is free and can be completed online at NJDEP | NJ Saltwater Recreational Registry Program. Cost is \$10.00. Read more at [this link](#).

### 2021 HRFA CATFISH CHAOS DERBY

The Hudson River Fishermen's Association is sponsoring this fun catfish event for youngsters and adults. Only catfish caught in the Hudson River will qualify for a prize. Catfish Chaos Derby to be held on August 14, 2021, from 12:01am until 3:00pm. The weigh stations listed on the registration page are where fish will be checked in according to length. There will be prizes awarded at each weigh station for 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place for adult and youth division and for overall tournament winners for 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place for adult and youth division. You can fish from a boat, pier, and shore. The event is scheduled for August 14<sup>th</sup>, and you can register online at [this link](#).

### 5<sup>th</sup> ANNUAL VETERANS AND KID'S WISH'N TO GO FISH'N

Last year organizers combined the Play HOOK-e Take a Veteran Fishing Day with the Kid's Wish'n to go Fish'n program. Veterans enjoyed fishing and helping youngsters learn to fish so event organizers decided to duplicate the FREE event

format. Veterans and youngsters with disabilities and other special needs are welcome to register for the 5<sup>th</sup> Annual Kid's Wish'n to go Fish'n and Play HOOK-e Take a Veteran Fishing Day at Ponderosa Estates Farm, Millstone Township. Don Marantz, Event Chairman, Vito Cardinale, Cardinale Enterprises, and Randy Johnson, Laurita Winery always make this a fun event for children with disabilities and other special needs. The event includes a fishing fun day for children and honoring disabled veterans, along with active-duty military from Joint Base McGuire-Dix-Lakehurst, on Saturday, August 21, 2021, 9:00 a.m. until 2:00 p.m.

The goal of the veteran, active-duty military, and children fishing day is to feel the health benefits of getting in touch with nature while making good memories with friends and family.

Attendees and their guests are invited to fish at Lake Julianna to catch and release big fish and then join Mr. Vito Cardinale and his staff of volunteers for a free BBQ that will provide soft drinks, pizza, hamburgers & hot dogs, and other goodies. Admission is free but registration is mandatory through EventBrite at [this link](#). Disabled Veterans and special needs children with mobility challenges will have use of 4x4 transportation around the lake, along with fishing assistance if needed. Project Healing Waters Fly Fishing Jersey Shore Chapter will assist with fly fishing instruction. Boating Education and Rescue (B.E.A.R.) will bring their mobile education booth and "Hooked on Fishing not On Drugs" loaner rods and reels. Mike and Debbie Bennett B.E.A.R. and volunteers will teach youngsters and families about fishing ethics.

Don Marantz, Event Chairman stated: "We have plenty of door prizes, terminal tackle, bait, and other fishing equipment available to ensure that participants have an enjoyable time at Lake Julianna. "Come out and catch a smile." Things you might want to bring to have an enjoyable time: Folding Chairs, Blanket, Hand Sanitizer, Sunglasses, Rod and Reel, Lucky Fishing Cap, Sunscreen/Bug Spray, Pliers, Wet Weather Gear/Footwear, and Fishing Cloth. This is a catch and release event, please use barbless fishing hooks. No boats, rafts or wading in the water.

The event is sponsored by Cardinale Enterprises, Laurita Winery, and supported by Vietnam Veterans of America Shore Area Chapter 12, Project Healing Waters Fly Fishing, Boating Education and Rescue, and the Jersey Coast Anglers Association.

To register for this free event visit VVA Chapter 12, Shore Area Chapter [Play Hook-e page](#).

### **BERKELEY STRIPER CLUB KID'S FISHING**

Hey kid's keep an eye out at local Ocean County tackle dealers for fliers about the Berkeley Striper fishing contest. Information will be posted during August.

### **FREE KID'S SURF FISHING CONTEST**

New Jersey Beach Buggy Association will host the 27<sup>th</sup> Annual surf fishing contest for children on September 18th at Island Beach State Park (IBSP). The FREE EVENT is for youngsters 16 yrs. old and younger. Registration starts at 7:30 am at the first swimming area, "OBA-1". The kids will receive an event t-shirt and a grab bag full of goodies after attending 5 Learning stations. "Prizes will not be given out before the awards ceremony. Fishing starts at 10 am, any fish caught could be a winner. When the 3-hour fishing period ends, everyone returns to OBA-1 for a FREE lunch.

During lunch period the winning fish entered are calculated by the committee. At 2:30 pm, the Awards Ceremony starts. All winners receive a Rod/Reel Combo, a \$25 Gift Card and a trophy. Then the FREE PRIZE GIVEAWAY starts. Each registered child will have a chance to pick the prize of their choice from the 130 prizes available to them. This Giveaway will take an hour or so to complete.

Thank you, Ken Hollins #23, director and chairman. If you would like to learn more, please, contact Ken at: [njbbawebmaster@gmail.com](mailto:njbbawebmaster@gmail.com).

### **2021 JCAA YOUTH EDUCATION AWARD**

The JCAA Youth Education Committee is accepting nominations for the 2021 Youth Education Award. There are many NJ HOFNOD volunteers doing great work to bring successes to the fishing community but sometimes individuals and sport-



fishing organizations go above and beyond to make the future of fishing better for our youngsters.

Youth Education Award Criteria: Promoting “Hooked On Fishing Not On Drugs (HOFNOD),” Certified HOFNOD instructors, number of fishing or aquatic education events, JCAA lending library usage, and creativity for promoting youth fishing events. Submit your nominations in writing and email to [gkucharews@jcaa.org](mailto:gkucharews@jcaa.org).

Please view the JCAA website for the next general membership meeting.

### **NJ HOFNOD**

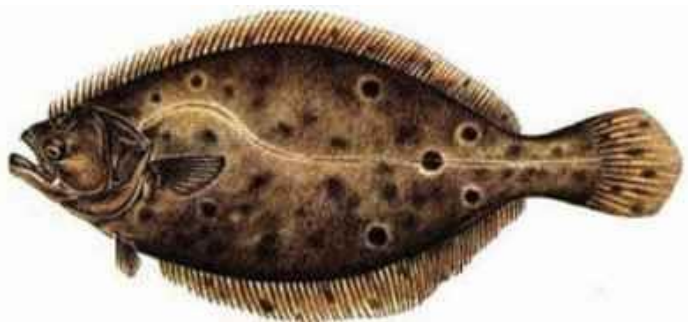
Over the summer, think about becoming a NJ HOFNOD instructor. NJ HOFNOD facilitator workshops are hosted by the DEP Division of Fish and Wildlife. NJ HOFNOD instructors teach youngsters the importance becoming environmental stewards. If you are interested in attending a NJ HOFNOD workshop, please phone or email Liz Jackson, NJ HOFNOD Coordinator Phone: 908- 637-4125 x 122 email: [liz.jackson@dep.state.nj.us](mailto:liz.jackson@dep.state.nj.us).

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## **Heavy Hitters 4-Day Tournament**

**August 5-8, 2021**

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## **JCAA 26th Annual Fluke Tournament**

**Saturday September 4, 2021**

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# JCAA Presents its **HEAVY HITTERS**



## **FLUKE TOURNAMENT**



**Tournament Dates**  
**August 5<sup>th</sup> – 8<sup>th</sup>, 2021**

**You choose the date to fish but you may only fish one day!**

**1<sup>st</sup> Place \$5000 based on the weight of 3 fluke**

**2<sup>nd</sup> Place \$2500 based on the weight of 3 fluke**

**3<sup>rd</sup> Place \$1500 based on the weight of 3 fluke**

**4<sup>th</sup> Place Gift Cards and/or Merchandise valued at \$250**

**5<sup>th</sup> Place Gift Cards and/or Merchandise valued at \$150**

**Also \$1000 for the largest single fluke**

**Largest sea bass Gift Cards and/or Merchandise valued at \$150**

**(Cash prizes based on a minimum of 250 boats)**

**Various Calcuttas with Huge Payouts Anticipated**

**EARLY ENTRY FEE \$150 PER BOAT**

**(if postmarked by August 1<sup>st</sup> 2021)**

**(MAXIMUM OF 4 ANGLERS/PEOPLE PER BOAT)**

**Entry \$175 (if postmarked after August 1<sup>st</sup>, 2020)**

For additional info call Paul at 609-698-2637 or 973-943-8201

For entry forms, rules and info go to [www.jcaa.org](http://www.jcaa.org) or visit our Facebook Page

Completed entry forms can be faxed to the JCAA office: 732-506-6975 or

Mailed to: JCAA Hitters, 207 Bayshore Drive, Barnegat, NJ 08005

**Awards Ceremony (Indoor/Outdoor)**

**8/8/21 4:00 PM – 8:00 PM**

**Forked River Tuna Club**

**18 Bay Av., Forked River, NJ**

**Salad, Italian food, soda, water, dessert, and a Cash Bar**

**Door Prizes, 50/50 and Hi- Roller Raffle Tickets will be on sale**

**Live Band - Ken and the Escorts**

**Register online [here](http://www.jcaa.org). For rules go to [jcaa.org](http://www.jcaa.org) or visit our FB page**

# **JERSEY COAST 2021 HEAVY HITTERS TOURNAMENT August 5<sup>th</sup>, 6<sup>th</sup>, 7<sup>th</sup>, 8<sup>th</sup> 2021 ENTRY FORM**

Early Entry fee \$150 on or before August 1<sup>st</sup>  
Regular Entry fee \$175 after August 1<sup>st</sup>

**Awards Ceremony**  
Forked River Tuna, 4-8 PM on August 8<sup>th</sup>

**REGISTRANT** (please *print* clearly, double-check your address, email & phone; sign the release and return both pages with payment)

Boat Name or Registration # \_\_\_\_\_  
Name \_\_\_\_\_  
Address \_\_\_\_\_  
City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_  
Phone \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

Check applicable tournament options:

- Fluke Tournament: Early entry fee on or before 8/1/21 - **\$150** per boat up to 4 anglers (on or after 8/1/21 - **\$175**)
- Optional **\$50** Three Fluke Calcutta (*total weight of your 3 largest fluke*)
- Optional **\$100** Three Fluke Calcutta (*total weight of your 3 largest fluke*)
- Optional **\$50** Single Fluke Calcutta (*weight of your largest fluke*)
- Optional **\$100** Single Fluke Calcutta (*weight of your largest fluke*)
- Optional **\$50** Sea Bass Calcutta (*weight of your largest Sea Bass*)
- Optional **\$100** Sea Bass Calcutta (*weight of your largest Sea Bass*)
- Become a JCAA Associate Member and receive our monthly newsletter by adding **\$25**

\_\_\_\_\_ **Total Payment**

**Rules on Calcuttas:**

- You may enter any or all of the Calcuttas if you wish
- You may win whichever Calcuttas you are entered in with the same fish
- JCAA will pay out 7/8 of the money collected to the winner of each Calcutta

The tournament will be held rain or shine on August 5<sup>th</sup>, 6<sup>th</sup>, 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup>. Remember, you can only fish one day and you must text **973-943-8201** or email **anglerpmh@aol.com** by 9 PM the night before the day you intend to fish. It is the decision of the captain/registrator to evaluate weather conditions and decide whether or not to participate. Complete tournament rules, weigh-in locations are posted on our website at [www.jcaa.org](http://www.jcaa.org) and on our FB page. Those with questions can call Paul H. at 973-943-8201 or 609-698-2637. Complete this form and mail it with a check payable to JCAA or use your credit card by providing the additional information below and **mail or fax to:**

**JCAA Heavy Hitters Tournament, 207 Bayshore Drive, Barnegat, NJ 08005**

Fax: 732-506-6975

To pay by credit card include the following :      MasterCard \_\_\_    Visa \_\_\_      AmEx \_\_\_      Discover \_\_\_

Card Number \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_      Expiration Date \_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_

Name on Card \_\_\_\_\_      Security Code (on back of card) \_\_\_\_\_

Signature \_\_\_\_\_      Zip Code associated with card \_\_\_\_\_



## General Release

The tournament will be held rain or shine. It is the sole responsibility of the registrant/captain of all entered boats to determine if weather and sea conditions are safe to fish. Participants expressly and unconditionally agree as a condition to the acceptance of their application that JCAA and its administrators, agents, officers, directors, committee members and tournament sponsors are not liable for any claims, suits or obligations arising out of or resulting from participation in this event as a result of negligent or intentional conduct by JCAA and its administrators, agents, officers, directors, committee members and tournament sponsors. Participant agrees to indemnify and hold JCAA and its administrators, agents, officers, directors, committee members and tournament sponsors harmless for any and all claims and costs, including attorney fees, arising out of his or her conduct resulting from participation in the tournament.

I understand that in conjunction with engaging in the JCAA Tournament, I could experience certain hazards and become involved in certain risks. I further recognize that it would be impractical as well as unfair for the JCAA and its administrators, agents, officers, directors, committee members and tournament sponsors and/or any and all other persons or boat owners and their crew directly or indirectly involved in or connected with the Tournament to be liable or responsible in any way for my safety. I hereby release, hold harmless and forever discharge the Tournament, JCAA and its administrators, agents, officers, directors, committee members and tournament sponsors from any liability and/or libel, slander, loss, damage, harm, injury or death suffered by me or which may occur during the Tournament. I understand this includes any claims based upon any negligent act or omission.

I understand that I enter the Tournament at my own risk and hereby assume all risks which may be involved in participating in the Tournament, particularly hazards due to weather conditions, and I fully understand that at any time during my participation I may elect not to participate when I think weather or any other hazards are too extreme.

I, by entering this Tournament, do hereby agree to the terms and conditions of this General Release and agree to abide by the rules and regulations prescribed for competition in the 2021 JCAA Heavy Hitters Fluke Tournament.

**Registrant's/Captain's signature:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Date:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Please read the rules regarding the fishing event** and the dispersal of prizes, which will be mailed to you. You may also view them on our web site at: [www.jcaa.org](http://www.jcaa.org)

**Cash Prizes are awarded to the registrant.** It is his or her responsibility to allocate the prizes to the anglers on their crew if they so desire. Some prizes may not be appropriate for minors. Proper ID will be required for IRS 1099-MISC for prizes exceeding \$600.00.