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IMPORTANT DATES

June 28th JCAA General Meeting
July 7th JCAA Board Meeting

No General Meeting in July and August

August 4th-7th Heavy Hitters Fluke Tournament
August 11th JCAA Board Meeting

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JCAA Newspaper Goes Digital
By Paul Turi, Office Manager

This issue of the JCAA newspaper will be our last printed edition. In the future all monthly newspapers will be emailed out to anyone who has their email address on file with JCAA. So, please, if you want to receive the JCAA newspaper or continue to receive the paper, please provide me with your email address and you will be added to our database.

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JCAA 26th Annual Fluke Tournament
By Paul Turi

On June 11th JCAA held its annual fluke tournament and what an exciting tournament it was. This tournament started 28 years ago and because of Covid making us skip two years it was our 26th. We came back with a bang-up winner. Ted Gaydos of Monroe Township and his crew landed a 12.45 lb. fluke and weighed it in at Gateway Marina in Sandy Hook. The excitement of the catch quickly spread throughout the area. Ted also entered all calcuttas and with that fish swept all calcuttas in the tournament and earned a total of $55,706.25. Not bad for a day of fishing!
During the week weather conditions did not look too promising, but the day of the tournament weather conditions were fine with some rain here and there in our fishing areas but nothing to discourage anyone from fishing.

Due to gas prices, the economy in general and other reasons, the number of entries this year were low with only 90 boats entering the tournament as opposed to 188 boats in our last tournament in 2019, but it turned out to be quite a tournament. The awards presentations took place on the evening of June 17th at the Resorts Casino/Hotel and the excitement of the tournament carried over. 160 people showed up and the room was filled with electricity throughout the night. Ted Gaydos was given quite an ovation by the crowd in attendance when he was presented with a blowup of a check for $50,000, and our Yamaha representative, Ron Zastocki, also got the crowd excited when he tossed out to the audience Yamaha hats and T-shirts as he does every year.

Our thanks go out to not only Yamaha for donating the engine for the boat, motor and trailer that was given out as a door prize at the end of the evening but also to Resorts Hotel/Casino for providing the room for the awards at no charge, a port prize of a free night’s stay plus $40 in food. Thanks also go out to Yacht Club Trailers for providing the trailer for the boat and our other sponsors Icom, Tica, Fuel Ox, Engel Coolers, and Pure fishing (Penn).

A special thanks to Pure Fishing for coming back on board as a sponsor suppling us with fantastic Penn rod and reel combos. They supplied the 2nd place region prizes and the 3rd place region prizes which included the night at Resorts. Penn Reels was the original rod and reel sponsor 28 years ago. Penn rods and reels and Pure Fishing have always been big supporters of JCAA. We hope to continue that partnership.

To end this exciting evening, as we always do, we gave out the 51st door prize, the G3 Boat, Yamaha motor and Yacht Club trailer package to a registrant that did not have to weigh in a fluke. This year’s lucky winner was Steve Materia of Hamilton, NJ. Congratulations, Steve!

I would also like to thank all those who helped me put this tournament together this year: Don Marantz, Paul Haertel, Mark Taylor, John Toth, Al Marantz, Tom Fote, Ron Zastocki, and Doug Tegeder. I would also like to thank the two ladies, Michelle and Karen, who pitched in to help us sell the 50/50 raffle tickets. We were a little shorthanded and the ladies volunteered to help us out.

And, lastly, I would like to thank all those who participated in the tournament and those who attended the awards presentations. Without your participation there would be no tournament. Thank you, all.

The tournament results press release is at the end of the newspaper and pictures of the winners.

2022 26th JCAA Annual Fluke Tournament Prize List

There were 7 ports with a total of 49 port prizes available to the 90 boats. That means that if you caught a legal fluke, you had almost a 55% chance of winning a region prize worth more than your entry fee. We also handed out 50 door prizes which meant that almost every boat that showed up got a door prize. Of course, there was the 51st door prize that you did not have to catch a fish to win, the boat, motor and trailer. JCAA gave away over $90,000 of money and prizes.

- 1st $1200 Cash
- 2nd Penn Spinfisher VI 5500 combo and a Penn Spinfisher VI 6500 combo--$490
- 3rd One night stay at Resorts, a $40 food voucher and a Penn Squall Trolling Combo--$380
- 4th Engel Cooler and an Okuma Conventional Reel--$295
- 5th Fin-Nor Ahab Spinning Reel and 2 pairs of Viking sunglasses--$280
- 6th Tica Spinning Combo and 2 JCAA T-shirts--$206
- 7th Icom IC-M25 VHF Radio and 2 JCAA T-shirts--$196

President’s Report

By Mark Taylor

This year’s 26th Annual JCAA Fluke Tournament was held on June 11th and the Awards Ceremony at Resorts Casino Hotel in Atlantic City on June 17th. For all those that participated in this year’s tournament and awards ceremony, I thank you. As all of you may have seen in diverse types of media the results, there was a 12.45lb Fluke weighted in at
Gateway Marina by Ted Gaydos. Congratulations to Ted and his crew for that great specimen that I was honored to officially weigh in. Ted and crew entered all categories and with that fish being the largest Fluke weighed in over twelve pounds in the tournament, they also won the $50,000. For those that did not enter this year’s tournament, look for it next year. You and your crew could be big winners. JCAA Board Member Paul Turi did an excellent job putting this tournament together along with other board members. We are looking to improve on next year’s tournament. Read more details about the tournament in Paul’s article.

If you are looking to enter another fluke tournament this year, you should enter JCAA’s Heavy Hitter Fluke Tournament in August. JCAA Past President Paul Haertel is the Chairman and will be managing the entries. This tournament format is different from our last. Look for the flyers and read the details of the format. If you have any questions, contact Paul Haertel. For more details read Paul’s article. This is a tournament not to miss.

JCAA is moving with the times and will be going to an all-electronic newsletter next month. This Month’s newsletter will be the last printed edition of JCAA. If you want to continue to receive this informative newsletter you must make sure we have your email address. Paul Turi will have an article in this newsletter explaining this in detail.

Membership Chairman John Toth and I have been invited to speak at two clubs in July. If you would like John and someone to come speak at your club, contact us. John Toth has sent out emails to recreational clubs. He is working hard to contact them. If you are a recreational fishing club and have not heard from John, please reach out to him at 732-656-0139 or tothjohn@verizon.net. If you belong to a club which is not part JCAA and want to learn more about us reach out to John also. Read John’s article in this newsletter for more information.

This is a reminder if you have not gotten your raffle tickets for the JCAA High Roller Raffle it’s not too late. JCAA High Roller Raffle has been underway and that drawing will be on August 12th. Paul Haertel did an outstanding job putting the great prize list together. If you have not or want more raffle tickets to purchase, contact Paul at the JCAA Office 732-506-6565 and leave a message clearly with a number to call back. You can also contact me at 732-245-9445 or mtsport64@aol.com.

JCAA will be having other events throughout the year, so keep on the lookout for them. Continue to check out our website for details and dates. If you want to get emails about them, send me an email stating you want to be added to the email list. My email is mtsport64@aol.com. You do not want to miss them.

I will be working to get all the recreational community motivated. So, if you do not belong to a club for whatever the reason and want to get involved, reach out to me at mtsport64@aol.com or 732-245-9445. I will collaborate with you to see how you can get more involved for the future of our sport. Continue to have a safe and enjoyable fishing season.

Fisheries Management Legislative Report
By Tom Fote

JCAA Needs You

We just finished the 26th Annual Fluke Tournament. The article below talks about the first office manager. What enabled JCAA to move forward, print newspapers and become a more efficient organization was when we were able to hire our first office manager and move into a real office. When we started making money from the Fluke Tournament, we were able to get a more high-speed printer and other equipment. The office gave us a place we could work and store information and JCAA materials. We were frugal with our money, so we built up a treasury over the years and that has proved to be a lucky decision. Since the crash of the economy in 2007, our Fluke Tournament numbers have continued to decrease. We have gone from 750 boats in the first tournament to 5 years of over 1,000 boats. The last few years, even before Covid, have been tough and the tournament numbers kept dropping. We have been operating from our reserves. Covid just made things worse. We had no Fluke Tournament or any other fundraisers for two years and even with the success of this year’s tournament, we didn’t make any money. We need for the clubs to become more active in supporting our fundraisers and their organization. And we need people to get involved to do the work to make these fundraisers work. When I got involved with JCAA I was in my
30’s. When I was put on the board in 1988, I was the 6th youngest member. Now, almost 40 years later, at 75, I am still the 6th youngest board member. We cannot survive without young blood with new ideas and new ways of doing things. JCAA has a long history of helping to stop chemical dumping, wood burning and stopping other pollutants in the ocean. We made striped bass a gamefish in 1991 in New Jersey. We continue to work to make it a gamefish coast wide. We have fought for public access and many other environmental issues on land and in our inland water bodies. We have worked with many coalitions to protect the environment and that remains a major goal. You may be upset about our stand on one issue but if you look at the totality of what we are doing, you will realize how important it is for you to get involved. The anglers of New Jersey as a whole cannot afford to lose JCAA. If you want to get involved, just email me or any of the board members. We are specifically looking for a new office manager and/or fluke tournament director.

The JCAA First Office Manager

We are looking for a new office manager and JCAA Fluke Tournament Director and I started to think: who was the first office manager? When I became Vice President in 1988, I decided we needed to start a newsletter to replace the postcards we were sending out to announce the meetings. JCAA purchased a secondhand copy machine in about 1988. We got a good price since the person who sold it to JCAA was an angler and supported us. It printed 10 pages a minute and it was in my house. My wife Lynda and I bought our first computer and dot matrix printer. I could not type at that time, so Lynda did all the typing. We put all the member clubs in a file so we could print labels. In my house we started composing and printing the newsletter on our computer and making copies on the copy machine. The whole JCAA office was in my house at the time I designed to do fly tying. The machine would constantly need the wires cleaned and toner put in. I learned how to take it apart and fix it. It would bang like crazy, and I would be printing all night. Lynda never told me that she could hear it through the wall which was our old bedroom when she was sleeping. On our computer is organized the JCAA data base and printed labels for the newsletter. Lynda and I were the first office managers. I was also vice president at the same time. I think it was about 1992 when we realized we needed to get an office. Gary Dickerson and I found the office on route 37 and we moved things out of my house and looked for a real office manager.

**JCAA High Roller Raffle**

*By Paul Haertel*

JCAA now has its Hi Roller Raffle tickets on sale. We will be giving away prizes that have a total value exceeding $2500. We will be selling them at the AC Boat Show, the Saltwater Fishing Expo and also by mail. This is one of our major fundraisers so please help us out if you can. Stop by our booth to buy a few or just say hello and talk fishing.

To purchase tickets by mail, make out a check to JCAA and mail it to: JCAA, 1594 Lakewood Rd., Unit 13, Toms River, NJ. 08755. We can fill out the ticket stubs for you and mail them to you 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.

**New Jersey Amin. Code § 13:47-8.7**

Location:

*At the JCAA office located at:*

1594 Lakewood Rd., Unit 13, Toms River, NJ 08755

Drawing Date: **August 12, 2022 at 7:30 pm**

NJLGCCC Identification: #475-4-32152

Municipal Raffle License: #9265

Beneficiary: **Jersey Coast Anglers Association**

Price of Ticket: $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) – **$1100**, *Donated by Captains Robert and Cody Melton*
2. $500 gift Certificate from Fisherman’s Headquarters – **$500**, *Donated by Fisherman’s Headquarters*
3. St. Croix Triumph 10’ TSRS100M2 Spinning Rod/Penn Spinfisher V 650LL Headquarters – $250, Donated by JCAA

4. Shimano Tallus 7’ TLC70M Conv. Rod/Montauk Cerebus CER210 Headquarters – $233, Donated by JCAA

5. Collection of Custom Striper Plugs Headquarters – $200, Donated by Various Plug Builders

6. Tica 9’ UEHA4290025 Spinning Rod/ Tica Galant 4500 Reel Headquarters – $155, Donated by Tica

7. Tsunami 7’ TSTSS702M Spinning Rod/Tsunami Shield TSSHD4000 Reel Headquarters – $154, Donated by Bimini Bay Outfitters

Note: No substitution of the offered prize may be made and no cash will be given in lieu of the prize.

Youth Education Report
By Greg Kucharewski

REEL INTO FISHING - REGISTER BY AUGUST 6TH

This is a terrific opportunity for youngsters to learn about saltwater fishing. The youth fishing program, "Reel Into Fishing!", is hosted by Rutgers Cooperative Extension (RCE) in partnership with the International Game Fish Association (IGFA) on August 16-18. Learn more about this exciting free program. Contact: Douglas Zemeckis (County Agent III – Asst. Professor) at zemeckis@njaes.rutgers.edu.

Marine Science Day Camp at New Jersey Sea Grant Consortium (NJSGC) will also offer science lessons for children interested in learning about the ocean and marine life. Summer 2022 brings exciting formats: choose from a variety of learning experiences for specific grades: link here.

ISLAND BEACH NATURE PROGRAMS: FRIDAY, JULY 1, 2022

Learn how to tie knots, how to read the beach, what species to catch and how you can improve your saltwater fishing 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 Saltwater Recreational Registry Program. Cost is $10.00.

HOFNOD LEADER TRAINING

Become a HOFNOD Team Leader July 30-31, 2022 at the Pequest Trout Hatchery. Liz Jackson and Alaina Newmarke are accepting applications for NJ HOFNOD Leader Training. The JCAA Youth Education Committee is supporting the training by recommending four Play HOOK-e veterans to attend the training. To attend the training visit the NJ HOFNOD website and click on the Leader Training link in the upper left corner of the page.

Will the Hudson Canyon Become a Marine Sanctuary?
By John Toth

The National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) is proposing to make the Hudson Canyon a marine sanctuary. NOAA runs our nation’s sanctuary program and has already established 13 sanctuaries. The Hudson Canyon could be their 14th sanctuary.

The Canyon is a hotspot of marine life including deep sea corals, sharks, whales, tuna, squid, sea turtles and all types of fish. It is a prime fishing area for both the recreational and commercial industries. The designation of it as a marine sanctuary could be a devastating blow to the fishing industry of New Jersey. While the fishing industry will most likely oppose this sanctuary designation, environmental groups will support it and that will set up a conflict between these two groups.

NOAA is currently taking public comments on the proposed sanctuary and the comment period ends on August 8th. This agency will hold a series of virtual and in-person meetings on the sanctuary and one of them is scheduled on July 21st at the Monmouth University’s Urban Coast Institute, Edison Building Atrium – E201, located at 400 Cedar Ave., Long Branch, NJ.

The meeting will start at 6:30 p.m. and end at 8:00 p.m.
IDEAL FISHING TRIP

The Point Pleasant Elks will once again host a FREE veteran fishing trip on the Ideal out of Point Pleasant on Wednesday, July 20, 2022. If you are interested in fishing aboard the Ideal, please contact Greg or Eric at gkucharews@jcaa.org.

6th ANNUAL VETERANS AND KID’S WISH’N TO GO FISH’N

The Play HOOK-e 6th Annual Veterans, Disabled Children and Active-Duty Military Fishing Day will be held on August 27. The goal of the veteran, active-duty military and disabled children fishing day is to feel the health benefits of getting in touch with nature while making good memories with friends and family while fishing.

Veterans and families that have disabled children and other special needs are welcome to register for the 6th annual event. Attendees and their guest 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. Come join us 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 27, 2022, 9:00 a.m. till 2:00 p.m.

Disabled Veterans and 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 said: “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 and 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 NJ Military Support Alliance, MA 22, Vietnam Veterans of America Shore Area Chapter 12, Project Healing Waters Fly Fishing, Boating Education and Rescue, and the Jersey Coast Anglers Association.

2022 JCAA YOUTH EDUCATION AWARD

The JCAA Youth Education Committee is accepting nominations for the 2022 Youth Education Award. There are many NJ HOFNOD volunteers doing magnificent 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. Please view the JCAA website for the next general membership meeting.

BOY SCOUT TROOP 116 FISHING DAY

On Saturday, June 4, 2022, the JCAA Youth Education committee and Project Healing Waters Fly Fishing helped teach Boy Scout Troop 116 and their family members about freshwater fishing at Lake Julianna, Millstone Township.

Mark Ugi, Scout Leader along with other Scout Leaders organized the event. The Scouts caught over 200 fish throughout the day, mostly sunnies, but some very nice 13-15" Bass, a few Perch, and the largest fish of the day was a 22" catfish caught by a Cub Scout. The Fisherman Magazine, Vietnam Veterans of America Chapter 12, and JCAA “Play
HOOK-e from PTSD supported the event with loaner rods and reels and other goodies. We also thank Spring Lake Freezer Company for donating worms for the event.

### 2022 HRFA CATFISH CHAOS DERBY - AUGUST 20, 2022

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 Saturday, August 20, 2022. Information about registration and the weigh stations can be found on their FB page.

**REGISTER FOR OPERATION HOOK-IT: TAKE THE SURVEY AND WIN A PENN ROD & REEL COMBO**

MA22’s Operation HookIt is a great complement to our “Play HOOK-e from PTSD” program. Over 300 Veterans will have the opportunity to participate in Operation Hook It for FREE. Boaters & Captains will support our heroes, and Veteran Advocates have an opportunity to assist.

Submit your photos for prizes and take their random drawing survey to win a Penn rod and reel prize. Rod and Reel prizes are contributed by JCAA and the Vietnam Veterans of America Chapter 12 “Play HOOK-e from PTSD.”

**NBFCC SUPPORT VETERANS FISHING**

Veterans aboard the Mi-Jo enjoyed a fun fishing trip hosted by the Newark Bait and Fly-Casting Club on June 24th. Rich MacDonald did a fantastic job of organizing the fishing day and everyone in attendance had fun catching fish. Play HOOK-e supplied a rod and reel prize for the largest fish that Nick Carlone caught.

**NEW FLYCASTERS LEARN AT LAKE JULIANNA**

Veterans that registered for the fly casting and fishing evening on June 25th, at Lake Julianna enjoyed catching a number of warm water species at Lake Julianna. Don Marantz, JCAA, surprised everyone with pizza donated by Bella Napoli restaurant, and we are grateful for our host Vito Cardinale for allowing us the fishing experience at Lake Julianna.
$55,706.25 winner Ted Gaydos & Crew & Penn Squall Trolling Combo

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7th Icom IC-M25 VHF Radio and 2 JCAA T-shirts--$196
The 26th Annual JCAA Fluke Tournament took place on June 11th. After several years of bad weather on our tournament days, we finally had a pretty nice day. The improved forecast that came out late in the week resulted in a surge of entries on Thursday and Friday. We ended up with a total of 90 boats. Early Saturday morning, anglers were greeted by partly sunny to cloudy conditions with calm seas and light winds. Though scattered storms developed during the day the winds remained light in most areas.

For the first time ever in our tournament someone who entered our doormat fluke category for just $25 won the $50,000 cash prize. Ted Gaydos from Spotswood, NJ caught and weighed in a 12.45 lbs. fluke winning him the $50K Grand Prize! We will have more details of this fabulous catch in a future article. Ted weighed in his fish at Gateway Marina in the Sandy Hook Region. Gateway Marina is located in the Highlands and the Owner/President Capt. Richard G. Ketchow was onsite to see this prize-winning fish. In addition to the $1,200 -1st place prize for the Sandy Hook Region, Ted and his crew swept both the $50 & $100 Region Calcuttas and $50 & $100 Overall Calcuttas for a grand total of $55,706!

The second largest fluke in the tournament weighed in at 8.71 lbs. and was caught by Steve Kelly of Secaucus, NJ who won 1st place in the Jersey City Region. Other regional winners included Art Hyslop of Wayne, NJ who won the Shark River Region with his 3.78 lbs. fluke, Manasquan Region winner, Stephen Failla of Frenchtown, NJ with a 4.59 lbs. fluke, Barnegat Bay Region winner Fred Knott of Wrightstown, NJ with a 6.34 lb. fluke, Long Beach Island Region winner Dean Paolella of Springfield, NJ with a 5.43 lbs. fluke and Southern Region winner Drew Reuter of Mullica Hill with a 6.02 lbs. fluke.

In addition to his 1st place prize for fluke, Den Paolella swept both sea bass calcuttas with a beautiful 4.37 lbs. knot head. Fourteen year old Cole Sturman of Forked River, NJ narrowly missed 1st place in the Barnegat Bay Region with a very nice 5.91 lbs. fluke. Ed Plichta of Forked River, NJ had the smallest fish this year which won a region prize weighing in at 1.79 lbs. at South Harbor Marina in the Barnegat Bay Region. All the winners from each region are listed below.

This annual tournament provides funds to help the Jersey Coast Anglers Association continue its fight for sound management of our fisheries and our marine environment while seeking to protect or enhance fishing opportunities for our recreational anglers. We are currently seeking more reasonable regulations for our recreational anglers.

The Resorts Hotel/Casino in Atlantic City is the host for the 26th Annual Jersey Coast Fluke Tournament Awards Ceremony. Resorts invites tournament entrants to come and enjoy their facilities both before and after the awards ceremony. Family and friends are also invited. All who attend will be given a choice of $10 in slot play or $25 in match play. Let’s have a nice turnout for our sponsors and host. You can meet JCAA Executive Board members and representatives from our sponsors.

By attending the awards ceremony this is your chance to win the drawing for the boat, motor and trailer Grand Prize. In fact, most of our Grand Prize winners did not weigh in a qualifying prize fish in the tournament. Someone from your boat must be present to win the Grand Prize and any of the forty or so great door prizes.
We want to thank all tournament participants and especially our sponsors for making the tournament a success. Our nationally known sponsors include Resorts Hotel/Casino, Yamaha Motors, Yacht Club Trailers, Tica Fishing Tackle, Fuel Ox, Pure Fishing, and ICOM. The $1,200 First Place Region Prizes were sponsored by Fisherman’s Headquarters, in Memory of Dr. Edward Cherry (for LBI), South Harbor Marine (for Barnegat Bay), and Liberty Landing Marina (for Jersey City) and the remaining ports by the JCAA. Jersey Coast Fluke Tournament T-shirts and hats will be on sale as long as supplies last.

The tournament grand prize registration will be at the Resorts Hotel/Casino on Friday evening, June 17th. Follow the signs to find the registration site in the Ballroom. Registration is between 3-7 pm. At least one person from your boat must attend at the time of the drawing in order to win a prize. We hope to have a large turnout so please come early. Please bring your registration affidavit to save yourself time at the registration desk. A cash bar will be open throughout the event. All winning numbers will be announced in the ballroom. We will also be distributing the port prizes for those in attendance. The registration desk will issue one ticket which is good for both the Grand Prize and for the door prizes. Additionally, we will be holding a huge 50-50 raffle. We really appreciate both your participation and patience and are sure everyone will have a great time. Congratulations to all the winners and thank you for your support.

JCAA is pleased to announce that we will be holding our Heavy Hitters Fluke Tournament from August 4th through August 7th. Complete details and applications will be available at the Awards Ceremony. Those who register during the night of the ceremony can enter for just $125 per boat.

HERE ARE THE WINNERS FOR 2022
* / ** Denotes $50 / $100 Region Calcutta Winner
$ / $$ Denotes $50 / $100 Overall Tournament Calcutta Winner
# / ## Denotes $50 / $100 Seabass Overall Calcutta

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