2021 InTheBite CHAMPION'S CUP

INTERNATIONAL DIVISION





elcome to the *InTheBite Magazine* Champion's Cup. Since 2014, *InTheBite* has awarded its prestigious Captain of the Year honor to the most successful captain in this sanctioned tournament competition in five separate and geographically diverse divisions: Florida, Hawaii, International. Gulf and East Coast.

New for 2021, we are adding an optional paid entry with a winner-takes-all prize format for teams who want to up the stakes in each division utilizing our longstanding tournament scoring formula.

Registered teams can compete in as many *InTheBite* sanctioned tournaments or divisions as they choose. Each division is scored independently.

Our website, the official scoring app and every issue of *InTheBite Magazine* will be updated with leaderboard scores and prize money upon the completion of each event. We are excited to offer you the opportunity and celebrate your Champion's Cup success in 2021.

Please note the *InTheBite* Captain of the Year program has not changed and the Champion's Cup is in addition to the time-honored tradition.

All the best.

Captain Dale E Wills
Tournament Chairman | Publisher

WINNER-TAKE-ALL FORMAT THREE WAYS TO WIN



1. HUGE Blue Marlin Award:

Largest sanctioned tournament-caught blue marlin. (90% Payout) Entry: \$2,000

2. Largest Division Blue Marlin:

Largest sanctioned tournament caught blue marlin. (90% Payout) Entry: \$1,250

3 Most Division Points:

Points are awarded for first (500), second (300) and third (100) place finishes within the sanctioned tournaments. Winning a multi-event series earns an additional 250 points. (85% payout). Entry: \$1,250

Duration: Jan. 1 - Dec. 31. **Register:** ReelTimeApps.com **More Info:** info@inthebite.com

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INTERNATIONAL DIVISION RULES



International Division Champions

- 2020 Capt. Edward "Cookie" Murray Auspicious | 1350 Points
- 2019 Capt. Jason Parker | Reel Steel
 1550 Points
- 2018 Capt. Greg
 DiStefano | El
 Suertudo | 900 Points
- 2017 Capt. Russell Sinclair | Wave Paver, 2150 Points
- 2016 Capt. Victor Julio Lopez | Tranquilo, 2100 Points
- 2015 Capt. Russell Sinclair | Wave Paver, 1950 Points
- 2014 Capt. Rob Moore, Fa-La-Me, 1650 Points

TOURNAMENT PARAMETERS:



Eligibility: *InTheBite's* Captain of the Year Champion's Cup is open to all teams registered in <u>compliance with the rules of each sanctioned tournament</u>. The registered team must be the sanctioned tournament registered team in order to receive points or most releases prizes.

Eligible Events: *InTheBite* shall manage an official Captain of the Year Champion's Cup sanctioned tournament calendar, consisting of the most prestigious and popular billfish tournaments in the world.

Changing Boats: The series points for the Champion's Cup reside with the registered boat and the owner of that boat. If a registered boat elects not to participate in a sanctioned tournament and other members of the team wish to continue forward on a new boat with those points, they may do so provided at least 3 of the original team members are on board the new boat and approval in writing has been provided by the owner of the original boat. However, points may not be transferred to another boat already competing in the series.

Scoring: Points are accrued through *InTheBite* Captain of the Year Champion's Cup sanctioned tournaments and listed for each tournament (see schedule). Championships points: 250 points will be awarded for each championship win. The following are eligible championships for the International Division: Los Sueños Series, Bermuda Triple Crown.

Disputes: *InTheBite* Champion's Cup board shall have the final and binding decision on any questions or disputes that may arise during the year.

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INTERNATIONAL DIVISION RULES CONT'D



TOURNAMENT PARAMETERS:

Tracking: Scores shall be made available online at *InTheBite.com* and will be updated as quickly as possible following each sanctioned tournament. The results shall come from the official tournament standings. *InTheBite* shall not become involved in disputes over the legitimate winners of the sanctioned tournaments but will follow the lead as directed from each event.

Ties: In the event of any tie at the conclusion of the season, the team who reached their point total first shall be declared the winner. In the event of both teams receiving the same points in their last event, the one who competed in the highest number of *InTheBite* sanctioned tournaments shall be declared the winner. In the event the top two have the same number of tournaments, they shall be declared co-winners for that year.

Vacant Prize Category: In the event of a vacant prize category among the division registered boats, the division category prize will be rolled over to the next year and the entries will start anew.

Protests: Any protests concerning the conduct of an angler or rules violations must be filed in writing with the tournament committee no later than the close of the fishing day on the day of the alleged violation. Along with a non-refundable \$500. The rules committee will address protests; the decisions of the committee and director are final. Teams may be subject to polygraph if necessary and agree to polygraph by filing said protest.

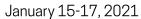
Refunds: No refunds for entry fees.

Hold Harmless: All registered teams and non-registered occupants of their boats enter and participate in this series voluntarily at their own risk. In consideration for the series' acceptance of his or her entry, each angler, for his or her heirs, executors, and administrators, agrees to release, hold harmless and indemnify the series (InTheBite LLC) its officers, managers, directors, agents, sponsors, donors, the city and county where the event is held, and all other persons connected directly or indirectly with the operation of the series, from and against any and all liabilities, claims, actions, damages, costs, fees or expenses, which he or she may have against any above-described party, or which his or her captains, crew members, family members, companions or non-registered occupants of their boat may have, arising out of or in any way connected with his or her participation in this series, including any injury or death suffered by any registered angler, boat captains, crew members, family members, companions or other occupants of any boat, and including any damage to vessels and equipment, which occurs during or in conjunction with the event. Each team understands and agrees that this release specifically includes and waives any claims based on libel, slander, negligence, action or inaction of any above-named party.

International Division Schedule of Events

Awards presentation will be scheduled at the conclusion of the year





Pelagic Rockstar Offshore Tournament

500 points for 1st place release team 300 points for 2nd place release team 100 points for 3rd place release team

January 20-23, 2021

Los Sueños Signature Billfish Series, Leg 1

500 points for 1st place release team 300 points for 2nd place release team 100 points for 3rd place release team

February 24-27, 2021

Los Sueños Signature Billfish Series, Leg 2

500 points for 1st place release team 300 points for 2nd place release team 100 points for 3rd place release team

March 12-13, 2021

Quepos Billfish Cup

500 points for 1st place release team 300 points for 2nd place release team 100 points for 3rd place release team

March 17-20, 2021

Los Sueños Signature Billfish Series, Leg 3

500 points for 1st place release team3 00 points for 2nd place release team 100 points for 3rd place release team

Los Sueños Triple Crown Series Champion

250 points for overall champion

March 18-20, 2021

Marina Casa de Campo Open

500 points for 1st place release team 300 points for 2nd place release team 100 points for 3rd place release team April 14-17, 2021

White Marlin Roundup

500 points for 1st place release team 300 points for 2nd place release team 100 points for 3rd place release team 500 points for largest tournament white marlin

April 28-May 1, 2021

Production vs. Custom Shootout

500 points for 1st place release team 300 points for 2nd place release team 100 points for 3rd place release team 500 points for largest tournament blue marlin

April 2021

Casa de Campo International Blue Marlin Classic

500 points for 1st place release team 300 points for 2nd place release team 100 points for 3rd place release team

May 6-8, 2021

Baker's Bay Invitational

500 points for 1st place release team 300 points for 2nd place release team 100 points for 3rd place release team

May 12-15, 2021

Custom Shootout

500 points for 1st place release team 300 points for 2nd place release team 100 points for 3rd place release team 500 points for largest tournament blue marlin

May 2021

International Cap Cana Billfish Shootout

500 points for 1st place release team 300 points for 2nd place release team 100 points for 3rd place release team

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July 3-7, 2021

Bermuda Billfish Blast

500 points for 1st place release team 300 points for 2nd place release team 100 points for 3rd place release team 500 points for largest tournament blue marlin

July 4, 2021

World Cup

500 points for largest tournament blue marlin

July 9-13, 2021

Bermuda Big Game Classic

500 points for 1st place release team 300 points for 2nd place release team 100 points for 3rd place release team 500 points for largest tournament blue marlin

July 15-17, 2021

Bermuda Billfish Release Cup

500 points for 1st place release team 300 points for 2nd place release team 100 points for 3rd place release team 500 points for largest tournament blue marlin

July 19-23, 2021

Sea Horse Angler's Billfish Tournament

500 points for 1st place release team 300 points for 2nd place release team 100 points for 3rd place release team 500 points for largest tournament blue marlin

Bermuda Triple Crown Champion

250 points for overall champion

August 3-7, 2021

Bisbee's East Cape Offshore Tournament

500 points for 1st place release team 300 points for 2nd place release team 100 points for 3rd place release team 500 points for largest tournament blue marlin

August 17-22, 2021

San Juan International Billfish Tournament

500 points for 1st place release team 300 points for 2nd place release team 100 points for 3rd place release team

September 16-20, 2021

Scrub Island Invitational

500 points for 1st place release team 300 points for 2nd place release team 100 points for 3rd place release team

October 10-14, 2021

*Los Cabos Billfish Tournament

500 points for 1st place overall 300 points for 2nd place overall 100 points for 3rd place overall

October 14-17, 2021

Bisbee's Los Cabos Offshore Tournament

500 points for 1st place release team 300 points for 2nd place release team 100 points for 3rd place release team 500 points for largest tournament blue marlin

October 19-23, 2021

Bisbee's Black & Blue Marlin Jackpot Tournament

500 points for 1st place release team 300 points for 2nd place release team 100 points for 3rd place release team 500 points for largest tournament blue marlin

*The following tournament combines harvested fish and release points for overall scoring.