



May 1st, 2017

Dear Friends, Captain, Anglers, and Sponsors

The 2017 Mark Gerretson Memorial Fishing Tournament is just months away (August 12th 2017) and, as always at this time of year, we are starting to prepare for the tournament, we and wanted to update you.

First, the Captain's Meeting will again be held at the Hurricane Bar and Lounge (640 E Atlantic Ave Ste 7, Delray Beach, FL 33483) on August 10th 2017. They did a fantastic job of hosting us last year, and ensured that we had lots of free food and cheap drinks. Please come out and support them and the tournament this year. There will be raffles with great prizes.

Second, it's that time of year when we reach out to our sponsors from last year in hopes that they will continue to support the tournament so we can support the community. We hope that you will give generously, so that we can provide the benefits to our community. We thank you in advance.

Third, based on feedback from you, we are evaluating new locations for the weigh-in to be held. Unfortunately, Veterans Park is not available due to structural issues with the dock, so it cannot be held there as we would all prefer. We are looking at a couple of specific places that should be fine, and as soon as we nail that down, we will put out a follow up note to let you know where it will be.

We have been supporting the community with the proceeds from last year's tournament. A quick report on our charitable giving include:

- Boys and Girls Club
- City of Delray Beach Delray Reads
- CROSS Ministries
- Atlantic High School Scholarships

Finally, we, the committee members, just want to say, "Thank You" for all that each of you have done for the tournament over the years. Mark started this event nearly 23 years ago and over the years, the tournament has grown significantly and has been able to expand its charitable activities. Mark would be proud of how this tournament has continued to support the community and thrilled with all of the good that it has done over the years. NONE of this would be possible without YOU. You have been the key to our success and we are so grateful that you have continued to support us and we look forward to the next 20 years.



Signed

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