



# 2001 Rodeo Awards Winners

## CHARTER BOAT CHILDREN'S DIVISION

- 1st Largest Fish (ages 12 & under) \$150 Cash & Rodeo Plaque  
Sponsored by: Charter Boat Strike Zone and T.W. Owens Charters  
*Bonnie Biggers, Destin, FL - 28.1 lbs., Pescador III, Capt. Brad Biggers*
- 2nd Largest Fish (ages 12 & under) \$75 Cash and Rodeo Plaque  
Sponsored by: Charter Boat Strike Zone and T.W. Owens Charters  
*Ashli Buffkin, Destin, FL - 15.7 lbs., Reel Doc, Capt. Brent Buffkin*
- 1st Largest Fish (ages 13-18) \$150 Cash & Rodeo Plaque  
Sponsored by: Charter Boat Strike Zone and T.W. Owens Charters  
*Trey Windes, Destin, FL - 24.3 lbs., Sunrise, Capt. Kelly Windes*
- 2nd Largest Fish (ages 13-18) \$75 Cash & Rodeo Plaque  
Sponsored by: Charter Boat Strike Zone and T.W. Owens Charters  
*Ashley Biggers, Destin, FL - 24.0 lbs., Pescador III, Capt. Brad Biggers*

## OVERNIGHT DIVISION

- Largest Warsaw Open NO ENTRY
- Largest Amberjack Open Rod, 6.0 Reel & Rodeo Plaque  
*Casey McManus, Kennesaw, GA - 61.1 lbs., Back Down 2, Capt. Gary Jarvis*
- Largest Grouper Open Rod, 6.0 Reel & Rodeo Plaque  
*John Glass, Tallasee, AL - 50.5 lbs., Back Down 2, Capt. Gary Jarvis*
- Largest Red Snapper Open Rod, 6.0 Reel & Rodeo Plaque  
*Shaun Nowell, Opelika AL - 15.7 lbs., Back Down 2, Capt. Gary Jarvis*
- Largest Scamp Open Rod, 4.0 Reel & Rodeo Plaque  
*Bennie Speake, Dadeville, AL - 21.3 lbs., Back Down 2, Capt. Gary Jarvis*
- Largest Dolphin Open Spinning Rod & Rodeo Plaque  
*Todd McManus, Powder Springs, GA - 15.8 lbs., Back Down 2, Capt. Gary Jarvis*
- Largest Wahoo Open Spinning Rod & Rodeo Plaque  
*Buddy Harris, Acworth, GA - 30.2 lbs., Back Down 2, Capt. Gary Jarvis*

## PARTY BOAT DIVISION

- 1st Red Snapper Rod, 6.0 Reel & Rodeo Plaque  
Sponsored by: Quality Lubricants Inc.  
*Bobby Horton, B'ham, AL - 17.3 lbs., New Florida Girl, Capt. Jim Westbrook*
- 2nd Red Snapper Rod, 4.0 Reel & Rodeo Plaque  
Sponsored by: Quality Lubricants Inc.  
*Robert Fleming, Crestview, FL - 16.8 lbs., Sweet Jody, Capt. Cliff Cox*
- 1st Dick McHarg Memorial Grouper Rod, 6.0 Reel & Rodeo Plaque  
Sponsored by: Quality Lubricants Inc.  
*Cedric Bates, Ft Walton Beach, FL - 60.5 lbs., Destin Princess, Capt. Cliff Atwell*
- 2nd Grouper Rod, 4.0 Reel & Rodeo Plaque  
*Billy Barker, Calera, AL - 46.9 lbs., Destin Princess, Capt. Cliff Atwell*
- 1st Amberjack Rod, 6.0 Reel & Rodeo Plaque  
*Brian Lee, Cropwell, AL - 37.4 lbs., Destin Princess, Capt. Cliff Atwell*
- 2nd Amberjack Rod, 4.0 Reel & Rodeo Plaque  
*Gearge Kilcrease, Crestview, FL - 33.9 lbs., Swoop, Capt. Matt Wheeler*
- Largest Fish, Lady Angler Rod, 3.0 Reel & Rodeo Plaque  
*Lisa Herring, War-Rob, GA, 41.7 lbs., New Florida Girl, Capt. Jim Westbrook*
- Largest Fish, Jr. Angler Rod, 3.0 Reel & Rodeo Plaque  
*Zach Linna, LaGrange, GA - 23.0 lbs., Destin Princess, Capt. Cliff Atwell*

**HALF HITCH TACKLE PIER, BRIDGE, JETTY & SURF DIVISION**

Largest Pompano Reel Rod &  
Sponsored by: Half Hitch Tackle  
*William Hartley, Pensacola, FL – 4.6 lbs.*

Largest King Mackerel Rod & Reel  
Sponsored by: Half Hitch Tackle  
*Lance Perkins, Montgomery, AL – 26.4 lbs.*

Largest Spanish Mackerel Rod &  
Reel Sponsored by: Half Hitch Tackle  
*Magcanan Gerardo, Fort Walton Beach, FL – 6.2 lbs.*

Largest Jack Crevalle Rod & Reel  
Sponsored by: Half Hitch Tackle  
*Mark Sperl, Katy, TX – 27.0 lbs.*

Largest Fish in Division by Jr. Angler Rod & Reel  
Sponsored by Half Hitch Tackle  
*Kevin Brandewie, Mary Esther, FL – 9.5 lbs.*

**SUMMERPLACE INN SCAMP DIVISION**

1st Open 2 Night Stay & Rodeo Plaque  
Sponsored by: Summerplace Inn  
*Charlie Saleeby, Destin, FL – 21.5 lbs., Sunrise, Capt. Kelly Windes*

2nd Open Rodeo Plaque  
Sponsored by: Summerplace Inn  
*Buddy Johnson, Shalimar, FL – 21.4 lbs., Sunrise, Capt. Kelly Windes*

**SPECIAL AWARDS DIVISION**

Largest Black Snapper Open 2 Night Stay & Rodeo Plaque  
Sponsored by: Abbott Resorts  
*Tim Koehler, Cookville, TN – 9.7 lbs., Miss Aegina, Capt. Robert Hanshaw*

Largest Kitty Mitchell Open 2 Night Stay & Rodeo Plaque  
Sponsored by: Abbott Resorts  
*Lynne Fortner, Destin, FL, - 33.4 lbs, Big John, Capt. Todd Allen*

Largest Red Grouper Open 2 Night Stay & Rodeo Plaque  
Sponsored by: Abbott Resorts  
*Allan Davis, Killen, AL – 31.6 lbs., Top Gun, Capt. John Cox*

Largest Yellowfin Grouper Open 2 Night Stay & Rodeo Plaque  
Sponsored by: Comfort Inn  
*Jim Botelho, Ft. Walton Beach, FL – 26.6 lbs., Sunrise, Capt Kelly Windes*

Largest Blackfin Tuna Open 2 Night Stay & Rodeo Plaque  
Sponsored by: Comfort Inn  
*Sam Tucker, Destin, FL – 27.1 lbs., Ole Harley, Capt. Sam Tucker*

Largest Spanish Mackerel Open 2 Night Stay and Rodeo Plaque  
Sponsored by: Hampton Inn  
*Michael Medlin, Destin FL – 6.6 lbs., Sea Ya, Capt. Donnie Brown*

Largest Little Tuna or Bonito Open Hand Carved Bonito Plaque  
*Skip White, Navarre, FL – 14.8 lbs., Ole Harley, Capt. Sam Tucker*

Buddy Cross Memorial Award, Largest Flounder Hand Carved Flounder Plaque  
*Rick Scalf, Rogersville, TN – 5.9 lbs., Back Bay Fishing Team, Capt. Joe Lowery*

Largest Jack Crevalle Hand Carved Jack Crevalle Plaque  
*Ray Jamieson, Germantown, TN – 27.8 lbs., Crosstown Girl, Capt. Pat Dineen*

**PANFRY DIVISION**

Largest Fish Walnut Wall Clock  
Sponsored by: Warner Mechanical Contractors  
*Vann Knight, Destin, FL – 6.6 lbs., Frenzy, Capt. Justin Gorczynski*

## KING MACKEREL DIVISION

- 1st Fare Carrying -  
Henry Hinkel Memorial Award \$1050 Fishing Cert. & Framed Poster  
Sponsored by Charter Boat Finest Kind  
*Ken Phillips, Hampton, GA – 33.3 lbs., Al-Lin, Capt. Harold Staples*
- 2nd Fare Carrying  
Leonard Hutchison Memorial Award \$650 Fishing Certificate & Rodeo Plaque  
*David Duncan, Knoxville, TN – 32.3 lbs., Kelly Girl, Capt. James Miles*
- 1st Private Boat \$1500 Savings Bond & Framed Rodeo Poster  
*John Tschudin, Destin, FL – 45.4 lbs., Bella Cosa, Capt. Sonny Martin*
- 2nd Private Boat \$750 Savings Bond & Rodeo Plaque  
*Sonny Martin, Destin, FL – 42.2 lbs., Bella Cosa, Capt. Sonny Martin*
- 1st Junior Fare Carrying Rod, Penn GTI 320 Reel & Plaque  
Sponsored by Charter Boat Lady K  
*Zach Linna, LaGrange, GA – 23.0 lbs., Destin Princess, Capt. Cliff Atwell*
- 2nd Junior Fare Carrying Spinning Rod & Rodeo Plaque  
Sponsored by Southern Star  
*Cameron Shearman, Pensacola, FL – 20.7 lbs., Reel Doc, Capt. Brent Buffkin*
- 1st Junior Private Rod, Penn GTI 320 Reel & Plaque  
Sponsored by Ace Hardware—Destin  
*Kory Marino, Ft. Walton Beach, FL – 22.7 lbs., Ole Harley, Capt. Sam Tucker*
- 2nd Junior Private Spinning Rod & Rodeo Plaque  
Sponsored by Ace Hardware—Destin  
*Vincent Patti, Fairhope, AL – 19.5 lbs., Shady Deal, Capt. Mark Eliason*
- 1st Sr. Citizen Open Etched Glass Trophy & \$100 Dinner Certificate  
Sponsored by Destin Log  
*Jim Hamilton, Nashville, TN – 24.4 lbs., Finest Kind, Capt Tommy Browning*
- 2nd Sr. Citizen Open Etched Glass Trophy & \$50 Dinner Certificate  
Sponsored by Destin Log  
*Donald W. Rhodes, Decatur, GA – 18.6 lbs., First Light, Capt. Steve Haeusler*
- Ladies Largest Open Crystal, \$100 Dinner Certificate & Rodeo Plaque  
Sponsored by Destin Charter Boat Association  
*Jeane Guthrie, Santa Rosa Bch, FL– 27.4 lbs., Hook-Up, Capt. Randall Hanshaw*

## LEGENDARY, INC. GRAND PRIZE BONUS KING MACKEREL AWARDS

- Largest King Mackerel  
*John Tschudin, Destin, FL – 45.4 lbs. – Bella Cosa, Capt. Sonny Martin*
- Second Largest King Mackerel  
*Sonny Martin, Destin, FL – 42.2 lbs. – Bella Cosa, Capt. Sonny Martin*
- Third Largest King Mackerel  
*Tim Freeman, Crestview, FL – 33.4 lbs. – Got-Em-On, Capt. Tim Freeman*

## RODEO JACKPOT AWARDS

- First Place  
*Sonny Martin – Bella Cosa – 45.4 lbs.*
- Second Place  
*Tim Freeman – Got-Em-On – 33.4*
- Third Place  
*Kelly Windes – Sunrise – 31.9 lbs.*

## WAHOO DIVISION

- 1st Open 14k Gold & Diamond-Studded Wahoo Pendant & Plaque  
Sponsored by: Merlin's Custom Jewelry & Gemstones  
*Charles Willard, Wareshoals, SC – 81.9 lbs., Pescador III, Capt. Brad Biggers*
- 2nd Open 14k Gold Wahoo Pendant & Plaque  
Sponsored by: Merlin's Custom Jewelry & Gemstones  
*Jim Blanscet, North Little Rock, AR – 65.8 lbs., Top Gun, Capt. John Cox*
- 1st Junior Open Penn 320 GTI, Rod and Plaque  
*Douglas Sellers, Montgomery, AL – 30.8 lbs., Wynsong, Capt. Harold Staples*

## DOLPHIN DIVISION

- 1st Steve Moore Memorial Award \$500 Savings Bond and Plaque  
Sponsored by: Lloyd Taylor  
*John Strickland, Memphis, TN – 37.5 lbs – Mary Lou, Capt. Peter Bermel*
- 2nd Open \$250 Savings Bond and Plaque  
Sponsored by: Lloyd Taylor  
*Tom Barick, Delphi, IN – 21.9 lbs., Swoop, Capt. Matt Wheeler*
- 1st Junior Open Penn 320 GTI, Rod and Plaque  
Sponsored by South Walton Utility Company  
*Dale Smith, Destin, FL – 9.2 lbs., Game On, Capt. Mike Lippert*
- 2nd Junior Open Penn 320 GTI, Rod and Plaque  
Sponsored by South Walton Utility Company  
*Caryl Dalton, Santa Rosa Beach, FL – 8.1 lbs., Dalton Gang, Capt. John Dalton*

UNREEL SAILFISH DIVISION

1st Open Carved Sailfish Plaque  
Sponsored by: Captain and Mrs. Harold Loeffler, Charter Boat UnReel  
*Chuck Miller, Stateboro, GA – 55.6 lbs., Kelly Girl, Capt. James Miles*

2nd Open Rodeo Plaque  
Sponsored by: Captain and Mrs. Harold Loeffler, Charter Boat UnReel  
*Hoon Park, Marietta, GA – 41.3 lbs., Class Act II, Capt. Danny Bryant*

WHITE MARLIN DIVISION – NO ENTRY

BLUE MARLIN DIVISION – NO ENTRY

COBIA DIVISION

Joel Knight Memorial, Largest Open 2 Night Stay at Sandpiper Cove  
& Handcarved Cobia Plaque  
Sponsored by: Sandpiper Cove & Capt. Cliff and Holly Atwell  
*George Hendricks, Chatanooga, TN – 67.4 lbs., Back Down 2, Capt. Gary Jarvis*

WARSAW DIVISION

1st Open Rod, 6.0 Reel & Rodeo Plaque  
Sponsored by Destin Wal-Mart  
*Deanna Boone, Freeport FL – 158.3 lbs., Reveille II, Capt. Ken Baird*

2nd Open Rod, 4.0 Reel & Rodeo Plaque  
*Larry Carter, Destin, FL – 70.6 lbs., Big John, Capt. Todd Allen*

TRIGGERFISH DIVISION

1st Open – Capt Jimmie Trammel Memorial Award Rod, 4.0 Reel & Rodeo Plaque  
*William Allen, Bloomfield, KY – 10.1 lbs., Trade Winds, Capt. Frank Teems*

2nd Open Rod, 3.0 Reel & Rodeo Plaque  
*Ann Tillman, Birmingham, AL – 7.9 lbs., Tropical Winds, Capt. Bruce Marler*

1st Junior Open Rod, 4.0 Reel & Rodeo Plaque  
Sponsored by: Charter Boat Lady K & Capt. & Mrs. Brant Kelly  
*Brooks Cunningham, Maryville, TN – 4.8 lbs., Destin Princess, Capt. Cliff Atwell*

2nd Junior Open Rod, 3.0 Reel & Rodeo Plaque  
*Todd Tessem, Plano, TX – 3.9 lbs., Lady Tina, Capt. Bill Castor*

AMBERJACK DIVISION

1st Fare Carrying Rod, 6.0 Reel & Rodeo Plaque  
*Johnny Burnett, Ellijay, GA – 77.9 lbs., Daybreak, Capt. Eric Thrasher*

2nd Fare Carrying Rod, 4.0 Reel & Rodeo Plaque  
*Kevin McCrossen, Metairie, LA – 66.0 lbs., Hired Gun, Capt. Bill Waitzman*

1st Private Boat Rod, 6.0 Reel & Rodeo Plaque  
*Robert Kreifels, Omaha, NE – 72.8., Outrageous, Capt. Frank Hayman*

2nd Private Boat Rod, 4.0 Reel & Rodeo Plaque  
*Stick Harrison, Niceville, FL – 54.8 lbs., Periwinkle II, Fred Donovan*

Largest Sr. Citizen Open Etched Glass Trophy & \$50 Dinner Certificate  
*Robert Kreifels, Omaha, NE – 72.8., Outrageous, Capt. Frank Hayman*

BLUEBAY OUTFITTERS FLY FISH DIVISION

1st Speckled Trout Open Custom Fly Rod, Reel & Rodeo Plaque  
Sponsored by: Bluebay Outfitters  
*Mark Stoia, Destin, FL – 3.0 lbs.*

2nd Speckled Trout Open Rodeo Plaque  
Sponsored by: Bluebay Outfitters  
*Dan Payne, Fort Walton Beach, FL – 2.8 lbs.*

1st Spanish Mackerel Open Custom Fly Rod, Reel & Rodeo Plaque  
Sponsored by: Bluebay Outfitters  
*James Grayson, Birmingham, AL – 2.0 lbs., BlueBay Outfitters, Capt. Alan Steele*

1st Red Fish Open Custom Fly Rod, Reel & Rodeo Plaque  
Sponsored by: Bluebay Outfitters  
*John Ledbetter, Destin, FL – 4.7 lbs.*

GROUPER DIVISION

1st Fare Carrying -Jewel Melvin Memorial Award Rod, 6.0 Reel & Plaque  
*Cedric Bates, Ft. Walton Beach, FL – 60.5 lbs., Destin Princess, Capt. Cliff Atwell*

2nd Fare Carrying Rod, 4.0 Reel & Rodeo Plaque  
*David King, Niceville, FL – 58.2 lbs., Big John, Capt. Todd Allen*

1st Private Boat Rod, 6.0 Reel & Rodeo Plaque  
*Kev Filson, Valparaiso, FL – 64.0 lbs., Periwinkle II, Capt. Fred Donovan*

2nd Private Boat Rod, 4.0 Reel & Rodeo Plaque  
*Mark Eliason, Destin FL – 49.7 lbs., Shady Deal, Capt. Mark Eliason*

**TRAVIS MARINE 25' AND UNDER – FARE CARRYING**

- 1st Largest King Mackerel 20# Spinning Reel, Rod and Plaque  
Sponsored by Travis Marine  
*Andy Newton, Destin, FL – 18.9 lbs., Reel Deep, Capt. Jim Newgent*
- 1st Largest Red Snapper 4.0 Reel, Rod and Rodeo Plaque  
Sponsored by Travis Marine  
*Sue Haake, Hudson, FL – 9.3 lbs., Reel Deep, Capt. Jim Newgent*
- 1st Largest Grouper 4.0 Reel, Rod and Rodeo Plaque  
Sponsored by Travis Marine  
*Andy Newton, Destin, FL – 17.5 lbs., Reel Deep, Capt. Jim Newgent*
- 1st Largest Speckled Trout – Elrod Memorial 12# Spinning Reel, Rod and Plaque  
Sponsored by Travis Marine  
*Don Oliver, Ft. Walton Beach, FL – 4.4 lbs., Dawn Patrol, Capt. John Tenore*
- 1st Largest Spanish Mackerel 12# Spinning Reel, Rod and Plaque  
Sponsored by Travis Marine  
*Dean Rogers, Carrabelle, FL – 4.9 lbs., Dawn Patrol, Capt. John Tenore*
- 1st Largest Triggerfish 3.0 Reel, Rod and Plaque  
Sponsored by Travis Marine  
*Phil Hudgins, Gainesville, GA – 5.2 lbs., Reel Deep, Capt. Jim Newgent*

**FUDPUCKER'S MONKEY BOAT DIVISION (25' & UNDER - PRIVATE)**

- 1st Largest King Mackerel 20# Spinning Reel, Rod and Plaque  
Sponsored by Fudpucker's  
*Tim Freeman, Crestview, FL – 33.4 lbs., Got-Em-On, Capt. Tim Freeman*
- 1st Largest Red Snapper 4.0 Reel, Rod and Rodeo Plaque  
Sponsored by Fudpucker's  
*Kais Daoud, Milligan, FL – 19.7 lbs., Miss Ida, Capt. DeLynn Sigler*
- 1st Largest Grouper 4.0 Reel, Rod and Rodeo Plaque  
Sponsored by Fudpucker's  
*Larry McKenzie, B'ham, AL – 41.2 lbs, Fish Whacker, Capt. Larry Sinquefield*
- 1st Largest Speckled Trout – 12# Spinning Reel, Rod and Plaque  
Sponsored by Fudpucker's  
*Andre Thompson, Freeport, FL – 3.4 lbs., LY Café, Capt. Andre Thompson*
- 1st Largest Spanish Mackerel 12# Spinning Reel, Rod and Plaque  
Sponsored by Fudpucker's  
*Penelope Smith, Destin, FL – 3.8 lbs., Toe Up, Capt. Doug Sinkovich*
- 1st Largest Triggerfish 3.0 Reel, Rod and Rodeo Plaque  
Sponsored by Fudpucker's  
*Ricky Young, Ft. Walton Beach, FL–10.9 lbs., Resco Ranger, Capt. Phillip Riefler*

**BILLFISH DIVISION**

- Most Releases Ladies Fare Carrying Guy Harvey Watch & Plaque  
Sponsored by: Jackie Arnold & Dick Rosen  
*Jerrie Spencer, Alpharetta, GA – 1 Release , Al-Lin, Capt. Harold Staples*
- Most Releases Ladies Private Guy Harvey Watch & Plaque  
Sponsored by: Becky Sanders, Destin Realty  
*Becky McFarland, Destin, FL – 1 Release – Trust Fun, Capt. Jason Woodham*
- Most Releases, Angler on Fare Carrying Boat Rod, Reel & Rodeo Plaque  
Royal Melvin Memorial Award  
Sponsored by: Flamingo Café' and Ms. Jean Melvin  
*Terry White, Destin, FL – 2 Releases – Miss Destin II, Capt. Andy Vaughn*
- Most Releases, Angler on Private Boat Rod, Reel & Rodeo Plaque  
Andy Anderson Memorial Award  
Sponsored by: Flamingo Café' and Ms. Martha Anderson  
*J.W. Waitzman, Destin, FL – 2 Releases, Mollie, Capt. Jeff Shoults*

**RED SNAPPER DIVISION**

- 1st A.T. Newell Memorial Fare Carrying \$1050 Fishing Certificate & Framed Rodeo Poster  
Sponsored by: Capt. David Windes (Seascape) and Capt, Kelly Windes (Sunrise)  
*Terry Marshall, Madison, AL – 29.6 lbs., Sunrise, Capt. Kelly Windes*
- 2nd Fare Carrying \$650 Fishing Certificate & Rodeo Plaque  
*Gill McLane, Navarre, FL – 27.9 lbs., First Light, Capt. Steve Haeusler*
- 1st Private Boat \$1500 Savings Bond & Framed Rodeo Poster  
*Tony Beaver, Destin, FL – 26.6 lbs., Shady Deal, Capt. Mark Eliason*
- 2nd Private Boat \$750 Savings Bond & Rodeo Plaque  
*Alex Palmer, Destin, FL – 26.0 lbs., Shady Deal, Capt. Mark Eliason*
- 1st Junior Fare Carrying Rod, 4.0 Reel & Plaque  
Sponsored by: Capt. & Mrs. Brant Kelly, Charter Boat Lady K  
*Zach Richards, Loganville, GA – 17.8 lbs., Sunrise, Capt. Kelly Windes*

## **2001 Destin Fishing Rodeo Captain's Awards**

**Most entries by a Fare-Carrying Boat**

***Captain Jim Westbrook – New Florida Girl - 30 Entries***

***Captain Kelly Windes – Sunrise – 30 Entries***

**Most Entries by a Private Boat**

***Captain DeLynn Sigler – Miss Ida – 20 Entries***

**Chubby Destin Memorial Fare Carrying Captain's Award**

**Sponsored by Destin Bait Company**

***Captain Harold Staples – Al-Lin – 33.3 Pounds***