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**JANUARY 11-13, 2019**

**3<sup>rd</sup> ANNUAL ROCKSTAR! OFFSHORE TOURNAMENT** presented by PELAGIC  
*January 11-13, 2019 – Marina Pez Vela | Quepos, Costa Rica*

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The PELAGIC Rockstar! Offshore Tournament is a team event with cash, prizes, and awards estimated to over \$400,000\*. Labeled as “Costa Rica’s Funnest Big Game Fishing Event”, the Rockstar! Offshore Tournament features multiple marina-side bashes, knock-your-socks-off rock ‘n roll concerts, and offshore tournament extravaganza. You bring your crew, we bring the fun – so join us this January in Costa Rica for an experience you don’t want to miss. Fish all day, party all night... If you dare!

### Schedule of Events:

- **Friday, January 11<sup>th</sup>**
  - Team Check-In/Registration (3:00 – 6:00pm: PELAGIC Captain’s Lounge)
  - Captain’s Meeting/Happy Hour (5:30 – 7:00pm: Rockstar! Tournament Village Stage)
  - Kick-Off Party Extravaganza/Concert (7:00 – 10:00pm)
- **Saturday, January 12<sup>th</sup>**
  - Tournament Procession Departing Marina Pez Vela (6:30am)
  - All Teams/Boats Staged at Starting Line (6:45am)
  - Mandatory Shotgun Start (7:00am)
  - Day 1 Tournament (Lines In: 7:00am | Lines Out: 3:00pm)
  - Scales Open (3:00pm) | Scales Close (6:00pm)
  - Weigh-In/Documentation (3:00 – 6:00pm: Tournament HQ/PELAGIC Captain’s Lounge)
  - Docktail Party/Music (4:30 – 6:30pm)
- **Sunday, January 13<sup>th</sup>**
  - Tournament Procession Departing Marina Pez Vela (6:30am)
  - All Teams/Boats Staged at Starting Line (6:45am)
  - Mandatory Shotgun Start (7:00am)
  - Day 2 Tournament (Lines In: 7:00am | Lines Out: 3:00pm)
  - Scales Open (3:00pm) | Scales Close (6:00pm)
  - Weigh-In/Documentation (3:00 – 6:00pm: Tournament HQ/PELAGIC Captain’s Lounge)
  - Award’s Ceremony/Farewell Bash/Concert (7:00 – 10:00pm)

**General Tournament Rules:** There are three (3) divisions: Billfish Release, Tuna, Dorado. Awards will be presented to teams and anglers for their performance in releasing the most aggregate billfish points (sailfish, blue marlin, black marlin, striped marlin) and/or weighing the heaviest two-fish total of each gamefish species (tuna & dorado) during the two-day tournament. (Saturday, January 12<sup>th</sup> & Sunday, January 13<sup>th</sup>).

(1) Teams must strictly abide by Costa Rica’s Fisheries laws: all billfish *must be released*; offset circle hooks are forbidden. (2) Fish must be caught on standard rod and reel equipment during advertised tournament hours of 7:00am-3:00pm on January 12-13, 2018. (3) Teams may use lures, live bait, dead bait, or any combinations of the aforementioned, so long as offset circle hooks are not used. (4) There is no limit to line class. (5) No electric reels, spears, or harpoons are permitted.

(6) *Fishing Boundaries:* Teams must fish within a 50-mile radius from the Marina Pez Vela buoy.

(7) Anglers may receive assistance from their captain/crew in hooking & landing fish. This is a fun tournament, and while it’s perfectly acceptable for crew to hook and assist anglers during the fight, the primary angling is intended to be done by the registered anglers of each individual team.

*\*based on estimated number of team entries*

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**Daily fishing hours:** 7:00am-3:00pm. Teams *must* be lined up in front of Marina Pez Vela by 6:45am for an official shotgun start promptly at 7:00am, after which they may begin fishing. Fish hooked prior to lines-out may be fought until released or brought aboard (in the case of a gamefish), but teams must make it to the scales before closing each day. Hook-ups occurring within the hours of 2:30-3:00pm must be radioed in.

**Tournament Procession:** 6:30am

**Starting Line:** 6:45am

**Shotgun Start:** 7:00am

**Lines-In:** 7:00am

**Lines-Out:** 3:00pm

**Scales Open:** 3:00pm

**Scales Close:** 6:00pm

**Weigh-In/Documentation:** 3:00-6:00pm each tournament day. Weigh-in will be hosted at the designated location in Rockstar! Tournament Village, at Marina Pez Vela. Scales close at 6:00pm; however, if there are fish waiting to be weighed passed official close time, they will be accepted, so long as visual contact has been made with weighmaster or tournament officials. Teams are asked to bring their gamefish to be weighed (tuna and dorado) to the scales for official weigh-in first, before proceeding to documentation of billfish releases. Teams will be asked to provide video evidence of each individual billfish release at the official documentation station located at Tournament HQ in Marina Pez Vela.

**Billfish Release Division:** The team which scores the most billfish release points combined over the two (2) days of tournament fishing will win the Billfish Release Division. **Hookups & releases must be radioed in (station to be listed during captain's meeting).** *Qualifying billfish include:* sailfish, blue marlin, black marlin, and striped marlin.

**SCORING:** Teams will be ranked based on their two-day combined release point total. 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, and 3<sup>rd</sup> place cash and prizes will be awarded.

- Sailfish = 100 points per release
- Blue Marlin, Black Marlin, or Striped Marlin = 300 points per release

Properly documented video evidence of each released billfish must be provided. To be scored, the release video *must* contain the following five (5) items:

- 1) **Ability to show time/date, if needed.**
- 2) **A registered tournament angler fighting the fish.**
- 3) **A mate touching the leader with the fish boat side. To identify species, clear video showing the fish's distinctive traits must be provided.** Billfish that cannot be unmistakably identified will be scored at 100 points.
- 4) **Numeric scorecard in clear view with fish in sight**
- 5) **Video of the leader being cut or the fish unhooked, followed by at least 3 seconds of continuous video showing the fish no longer attached.**

If proper video is not supplied, your catch will *not* be scored. Teams must supply their own video recording device with ability to show time/date. Tournament Officials' rulings on release evidence are final; there will be no protests allowed for video evidence. Submitted tournament videos may be used by Pelagic, Inc. in future events.

*If there is a tie in aggregate billfish release points by multiple teams at the end of the two-day tournament, rankings will be determined by the first team to reach their aggregate point total **by time**. Example: if "Team A" reached their point total at 1:00pm and "Team B" reached their point total at 2:00pm, "Team A" beats "Team B".*

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Billfish Release Division - Example Scorecard:

<b>BILLFISH RELEASE DIVISION</b>				
SPECIES	DAY 1	DAY 2	TOTAL FISH CAUGHT	SCORE
Sailfish (100 pts.)	7	4	11	1100
Striped Marlin (300 pts.)	--	1	1	300
Blue Marlin (300 pts.)	--	2	2	600
Black Marlin (300 pts.)	1	--	1	300
<b>DAILY TOTAL</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>15</b>	

<b>DIVISION TOTAL</b>	<b>2300</b>
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**Gamefish Divisions:** TUNA & DORADO

There are two (2) Gamefish Divisions, in which the following rules apply: At the end of each day of tournament fishing, teams may weigh their respective tuna and dorado. Each team may weigh two (2) fish per species each day; however, only their single-heaviest tuna and dorado will be scored that day. At the end of the final day of tournament fishing, team rankings will be determined for each gamefish division (tuna and dorado) based on their aggregate two-fish per species weight (single-heaviest each day) throughout the two-day tournament.

*If no qualifying gamefish are caught in a given division, then the entries for that species will be rolled to the opposite gamefish division (i.e. if no qualifying dorado scored, then money rolls to tuna division; and vice versa). If no qualifying tuna or dorado are scored, then the money from those divisions rolls to the Billfish Release Division.*

**SCORING:** Teams will receive 1-point per pound of scored gamefish, rounded to the nearest tenth (i.e. 17.2 points). 10 lb. minimum weight required to score a gamefish. Remember, teams will score their heaviest fish per species per day. Each division will be awarded 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, and 3<sup>rd</sup> place cash and prizes.

The tail of each fish brought to the scales will be clipped, signifying that it has been weighed and scored. All fish that appear to have been altered, spoiled, mutilated, or frozen will be disqualified, per the discretion of tournament officials. Any boat which enters a fish that is proven to have been weight-altered, frozen, or previously weighed will be disqualified from the tournament.

Gamefish Divisions - Example Scorecard:

<b>Tuna</b>		<b>Dorado</b>	
DAY 1 Weight	DAY 2 Weight	DAY 1 Weight	Day 2 Weight
35.0	110.7	18.1	12.8
--	122.4	--	34.7
<b>DIVISION TOTAL</b>	<b>157.4</b>	<b>DIVISION TOTAL</b>	<b>52.8</b>

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**General Entry and Awards:** All teams must enter the General Entry category to be eligible – 50% of net entry goes towards the Billfish Release Division, which pays 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, and 3<sup>rd</sup> place; and 25% of net entry goes towards each of the two (2) individual Gamefish Divisions (Tuna & Dorado), which pays 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, and 3<sup>rd</sup> place per division. This enters you into the general tournament. Each division will be awarded as follows: 65% to 1<sup>st</sup> place; 25% to 2<sup>nd</sup> place; and 10% to 3<sup>rd</sup> place. *The Rockstar! Offshore Tournament presented by PELAGIC offers an 80% total (net) payout on general entries.*

**PLEASE NOTE:** Awards and ceremonial checks will be presented in ascending order based on tournament winnings by team.

**Early Bird Registration:** **SAVE \$500 BY REGISTERING BY DECEMBER 1<sup>ST</sup>!** All teams submitting completed registration forms and payment *on or before* December 1<sup>st</sup>, 2018 will receive a \$500 discount off general entry, plus a FREE GIFT SET which includes an Official Tournament Apparel Package!

	<i>Early Bird Entry – Before 12/1 Deadline</i>	<i>Entry – After 12/1 Deadline</i>
<b>GENERAL ENTRY</b>	<b>\$3,000</b>	<b>\$3,500</b>
<b>BILLFISH HIGH ROLLERS \$5K JACKPOT</b>	<b>\$5,000</b> - Optional	<b>\$5,000</b> – Optional
<b>BILLFISH RELEASE \$2K JACKPOT</b>	<b>\$2,000</b> - Optional	<b>\$2,000</b> - Optional
<b>BILLFISH RELEASE \$1K JACKPOT</b>	<b>\$1,000</b> - Optional	<b>\$1,000</b> - Optional
<b>TUNA JACKPOT</b>	<b>\$1,000</b> - Optional	<b>\$1,000</b> - Optional
<b>DORADO JACKPOT</b>	<b>\$1,000</b> - Optional	<b>\$1,000</b> - Optional
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$13,000 (ALL-IN)</b>	<b>\$13,500 (ALL-IN)</b>

*General Entry Breakdown:*

Billfish Release Division 50% Net General Entry	Tuna Division 25% Net General Entry	Dorado Division 25% Net General Entry
<b>1<sup>st</sup> Place Pays</b> – 65% of Net Division Entry	<b>1<sup>st</sup> Place Pays</b> – 65% of Net Division Entry	<b>1<sup>st</sup> Place Pays</b> – 65% of Net Division Entry
<b>2<sup>nd</sup> Place Pays</b> – 25% of Net Division Entry	<b>2<sup>nd</sup> Place Pays</b> – 25% of Net Division Entry	<b>2<sup>nd</sup> Place Pays</b> – 25% of Net Division Entry
<b>3<sup>rd</sup> Place Pays</b> – 10% of Net Division Entry	<b>3<sup>rd</sup> Place Pays</b> – 10% of Net Division Entry	<b>3<sup>rd</sup> Place Pays</b> – 10% of Net Division Entry

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**Optional Daily Jackpots:** Teams have the option of raising the stakes by placing bets in optional daily jackpots for all three (3) divisional categories. Daily Jackpot winners will be determined by *single-heaviest qualifying fish* in the Tuna & Dorado jackpot categories; and by the *most daily release points* in the Billfish Release categories. The purchase of a daily jackpot is split evenly over the two-day tournament, and teams must purchase both days per jackpot category. *The Rockstar! Offshore Tournament presented by PELAGIC offers an 80% total (net) payout on jackpot entries.*

**TIE BREAKERS:** In the event of a tie in any of the *gamefish* daily jackpots, money will be split evenly between the teams that are tied; tied teams may also agree to flip a coin to determine winner. In the event of a tie in any of the *billfish release* daily jackpots, the jackpot winner will be determined based on time; therefore, the team who first reached their daily total by time will win the daily jackpot – make sure your video time/date profiles are accurate to Costa Rica!

If no qualifying fish are scored in a jackpot category on day 1 of the tournament, the money for that jackpot will roll over to day 2; if no qualifying fish are scored in a jackpot category on day 2 of the tournament, the money for that jackpot will roll back to the day 1 winner in that jackpot category; in the unlikely event that no qualifying fish

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are scored in a respective jackpot category during the two-day tournament, that jackpot money will be split evenly amongst the other jackpot winners in the closest related category (i.e. tuna goes to dorado; \$1K billfish goes to \$2K billfish; etc.).

**High Rollers \$5K Billfish Release Jackpot:** By popular demand, the \$5,000 “High Rollers” Billfish Release jackpot offers tournament teams the opportunity to bet the big bucks against your fellow competitors. Reserved for billfish species only (sailfish, blue marlin, black marlin, and striped marlin), the team in this category that gains the most release points each day will win the daily high rollers jackpot. Same rules, scoring, and tie-breaker procedures format apply as listed under the “General Tournament Rules” and “Billfish Release Division”. *The Rockstar! Offshore Tournament presented by PELAGIC offers an 80% total (net) payout on high roller jackpot entries.*

**Small Boat Category:** Reserved for vessels 34’ and under.

Same rules and divisions apply as listed under “General Tournament Rules”. 1<sup>st</sup> place awarded *only* in each division. Winners of the 2019 Rockstar! Offshore Tournament “Small Boat Category” must enter the General Tournament in future years.

*Small Boat Entry/Jackpot Breakdown:*

<b>GENERAL ENTRY</b>	\$2000*
<b>BILLFISH RELEASE JACKPOT [Optional]</b>	\$500
<b>TUNA JACKPOT [Optional]</b>	\$500
<b>DORADO JACKPOT [Optional]</b>	\$500
<b>TOTAL (ALL-IN)</b>	<b>= \$3500*</b>

*The Rockstar! Offshore Tournament presented by PELAGIC offers an 80% total (net) payout on general entries and jackpot entries | Entry received prior to December 1<sup>st</sup>, 2018 will receive a \$500 general entry “Early Bird” discount.*

**1099:** Please note, that all monies won in the 2019 Rockstar! Offshore Tournament presented by PELAGIC are subject to taxing and you will receive a 1099 form from Ocean Lifestyles, LLC.

**Registration:** All teams wishing to enter The Rockstar! Offshore Tournament presented by PELAGIC *must* complete and return registration form(s) by email, fax, or postage [info listed on registration form]; *or* during Team Check-In/Registration on Friday, January 11<sup>th</sup>, 2019 (3:00-6:00pm) at Tournament HQ in Marina Pez Vela. Tournament entry fees and optional jackpots (if applicable) must be determined, listed, and payment received at the time of final registration. REMEMBER – To receive the EARLY BIRD ENTRY SPECIAL \$500 DISCOUNT, general entry payment and registration form must be received by December 1<sup>st</sup>, 2018.

**Check-In/Captain’s Meeting:** Check-in/late registration will be held from 3:00-6:00pm on Friday, January 11<sup>th</sup>, 2019 at Tournament HQ in Marina Pez Vela. Captain’s Meeting will immediately follow registration at promptly 6:00pm. At least one representative from each team *must* be present for registration/captain’s meeting, as you will be receiving some important rule announcements and documents.

**Kick-Off Party Extravaganza:** Stick around for a rockin’ night following check-in/captain’s meeting on Friday, January 11<sup>th</sup> in Marina Pez Vela. Appetizers and complimentary beer/rum drinks will be provided, and a live rock ‘n roll band will be amping up the house! Party tickets will be provided to each individual team upon completion of tournament check-in.

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**Docktail Party:** End day one of the 2019 Rockstar! Offshore Tournament presented by PELAGIC by sharing stories of the day's fishing over complimentary cocktails and live music, dock-side in Marina Pez Vela – Saturday, January 12<sup>th</sup>, from 4:30-6:30pm.

**Awards Presentation/Farewell Bash + Concert:** An awards presentation and trophy ceremony will be held following final weigh-in and documentation on Sunday, January 13<sup>th</sup>, in Marina Pez Vela. All tournament teams are encouraged to join, regardless of overall placing in the tournament. It will be an evening of celebration, where anglers and crew can recount memories of the week in a beautiful waterfront setting and cheers to the Pura Vida lifestyle. Not to mention a live rock band will be performing and please stick around for the fireworks!!!

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**Charter/Lodging Information:** *Need an all-star vessel for your friends or family to fish the tournament? Click the link below to view all the various charter operations Marina Pez Vela offers and find the right boat for you. Remember, each team must bring their own boat or reserve a vessel for charter. The PELAGIC Rockstar! Offshore Tournament will not provide a boat for you. There are plenty of great lodging options available for rental very close to the marina as well | [www.ifishquepos.com](http://www.ifishquepos.com)*

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*Have further questions? Please send an email [re: 2019 Rockstar! Offshore Tournament] and one of our Tournament Officials will contact you shortly.*

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