



November 12, 2018 – for immediate release.

With 48 boats registered in this year's Dust'em Off Sailfish Warmup, a multi inlet tournament, kept consistent with last year's attendance and payout marks. The fleet fished out of various ports up and down the FL coast with some boats as far north as Jupiter inlet and as far south as Islamorada. Fishing was decent throughout the day with the fleet releasing a total of 107 sailfish. The team aboard the 39' SeaVee Blue Tales captained by Samy Arriaga claimed victory this past Saturday with 6 sailfish releases. In second, the Day Sea team captained by Kyle Sherman also caught and released 6 sailfish. Third place was taken this year by the team aboard One Up captained by JC Cleare with 6 sailfish. Kevin Cabrera fishing aboard the Angler Management with 3 sailfish releases claimed top angler.

This year's charter boat division consisted of 4 boats. Capt. Jimmy David on his Key Biscayne based charter boat L & H lead his crew to the victory with 5 sailfish. Capt. Nel Martinez on Top Gun II / No Limits secured second with 3 sailfish followed by the Lisa L captained by Mike Puller with 2 sailfish. The L & H also had the top junior angler, Nathan Miller, who caught one of their 5 fish. Cheyenne Considine took top Female angler with 2 sailfish who fished aboard the Miss Michelle with Capt. Shannon Kelleher. Top funfish was a 34.85 lb. wahoo caught aboard the Knot 4 Play who took home a cool \$10,500 for their fish.

New this year for 2018 was the Semi-Professional division, which saw 14 boats competing. The team aboard Bella Vita captained by Keith Staffen with 6 sailfish releases took first place semi-pro. Second place was the Outnumbered team captained by John Melton also caught and released 2 sailfish. In third, the Branch Office team captained by Nat Nason also caught and released 2 sailfish.

This year's tournament continues to show how there can still be affordable, yet lucrative tournaments held in South Florida. The continued growth over the last 5 years show that there is a competitive thirst that not only seasoned tournament teams have, but also guys that would be considered recreational anglers have as well. The Dust'em Off Sailfish Warmup will strive to continue with a fun first direction in the years to come. The goal of the tournament is to not merely be an early season option, but a tournament that all anglers consider as **THE** mandatory kickoff to their tournament season. On behalf of the tournament I would like to thank all the anglers, sponsors, and staff involved in making this tournament a success for the last 5 years!

Sincerely, Capt. Ben Sharpe - Tournament Director

## **RESULTS**

### **Overall**

- 1 Blue Tales 6 **\$16,600**
- 2 Day Sea 6 **\$10,800**
- 3 One Up 6 **\$22,450**
- 4 Native Son 6 **\$12,600**

### **Professional**

- 1 Blue Tales 6
- 2 Day Sea 6
- 3 One Up 6

### **Semi-Professional**

- 1 Bella Vita 6
- 2 Outnumbered 2
- 3 Branch Office 2

### **Charter**

- 1 L&H / Bullbuster 5 **\$800**
- 2 Top Gun II / No Limits 3 **\$200**
- 3 Lisa L 2

### **Top Angler**

Kevin Cabrera – Angler Management 3

### **Top Female**

Cheyenne Considine – Miss Michelle 2

### **Top Junior**

Nathan Miller – L&H / Bullbuster 1

### **Funfish**

Knot 4 Play - Wahoo 34.85 lbs. **\$10,500**

## PHOTOS



























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