

Dear Friends and Anglers,

Greetings from Hook, Line & Paddle! Preparations have begun for the 10th Annual TJM Charity Kayak & Paddleboard Fishing Tournament. Partial proceeds from this year's event will be donated to New Hanover Humane Society. The TJM Charity Kayak & Paddleboard Fishing Tournament will be held on Saturday, July 28, 2018 on the Cape Fear Coast in Wilmington, NC and Wrightsville Beach, NC. We are hoping to make this annual event fun for the entire family. Considering the explosive popularity of coastal inshore kayak & paddleboard fishing, we're expecting a great turnout from the local, regional, and out of state kayak & paddleboard fishing communities.

In addition to the tournament, there will be a captain's meeting the night before at Hook, Line & Paddle starting at 6:30pm, free food from Buffalo Wild Wings Porter's Neck, and lots of fun. Each participant will receive a captain's bag (100 total captain's bags & first 20 to register will receive an upgraded captain's bag) and event t-shirt. This year the tournament shirts will be a Cool-Dri 50+UPF Fishing Shirt. There will also be great raffle prizes. With the help of our sponsors, supporters, and volunteers, we can all help the New Hanover Humane Society. Enclosed is sponsorship information to become a sponsor for this great cause. We also need volunteers and prize donations for one or more of the following: tournament winners, raffles, and captain's bags. If you can help with any of these, it will be greatly appreciated. If you have any questions about the event, please feel free to email hooklineandpaddle@yahoo.com or call us at (910) 792-6945. We appreciate your time and consideration in helping us raise money for New Hanover Humane Society.

Sincerely,

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TJM Charity Kayak & Paddleboard Fishing Tournament Sponsorship Information

Gold Sponsor– \$500 or \$1000 Trade/Kayak/Sup Donation

Includes:

- Gold Sponsor Listings on all event t-shirts and printed materials
- Promotion on HLP's website on the tournament page with your company listing and link to your website
- Sponsor is encouraged to display their corporate banner at the tournament
- Sponsor is encouraged to display promotional materials at the event. We are expecting a big turnout.
- Sponsor is encouraged to provide promotional items for the participants' captain's bag. A total of 100 bags will be provided.
- Acknowledgement of sponsorship with a plaque of recognition for your business.
- One person entry in the Fishing Tournament
- 1 event t-shirt

Silver Sponsor– \$250 or \$500 Gear Trade

Includes:

- Silver Sponsor Listings on all event t-shirts and printed materials
- Promotion on HLP's website on the tournament page with your company listing and link to your website
- Sponsor is encouraged to display their corporate banner at the tournament
- Sponsor is encouraged to display promotional materials at the event. We are expecting a big turnout.
- Sponsor is encouraged to provide promotional items for the participants' captain's bag. A total of 100 bags will be provided.
- Acknowledgement of sponsorship with a framed certificate of recognition for your business

Bronze Sponsor– Charitable Donation

Includes:

- Bronze sponsor listings on all event t-shirts and printed materials
- Promotion on HLP's website on the tournament page with your company listing and link to your website
- Sponsor is encouraged to display their corporate banner at the tournament
- Sponsor is encouraged to display promotional materials at the event. We are expecting a big turnout.
- Sponsor is encouraged to provide promotional items for the participants' captain's bag. A total of 100 bags will be provided.
- Acknowledgement of sponsorship of recognition for your business

TJM Charity Kayak & Paddleboard Fishing Tournament

Rules and Regulations

1. **Participation and Eligibility**– Participation is open to anyone 18 years of age or older. Minors are eligible to participate with a parent or guardian signature on the release form. A completed participant packet and entry fee must be received no later than published deadline. You will need to have a valid North Carolina Saltwater Fishing License to participate. Please read all rules and regulations and remember to sign and initial your Waiver and Release of Liability.
2. **Registration and Captain's Meeting**– Each participant must register and pay by July 27, 2018. Participants' registration will be open through the captain's meeting at 6:30 pm Friday, July 27, 2018 at Hook, Line & Paddle in Wilmington, NC (Additional parking across the street from HLP next to the Scotchman Gas Station). Attendance at the captain's meeting is mandatory for each participant unless authorized by tournament director.
3. **Safety**– Safe boating must be observed at all times. Participants are required to comply with US Coast Guard regulations including the possession of US Coast Guard approved personal floatation device (PFD) and a whistle.
4. **Sportsmanship**– All participants are required to follow high standards of sportsmanship, courtesy, and conservation. No alcoholic beverages or use of illegal drugs are permitted. Non-compliance with tournament rules and regulations are grounds for immediate disqualification and any prizes awarded must be returned.
5. **Permitted Fishing Methods**– All fish must be caught with a hook and line only. Artificial bait and live baits are allowed; however, if the participant is going to use live bait, it has to be caught during tournament fishing hours only. Participants cannot get live bait before the tournament starts. No motorized kayaks or paddleboards are allowed and all crafts must be paddled or pedaled unless authorized by tournament director. All fish must be caught from the kayak or paddleboard. No wade fishing or shore fishing is allowed. Fish finders are welcome, but no chumming!
6. **Permitted Fishing Locations**– Participants can launch their kayaks or paddleboards starting at 6 am. Participants can then fish any area they can paddle to and may not receive assistance including but not limited to following a non-participant boat, the placing of markers by a non-participant, being towed or riding motored vessels, or receiving electronic, voice, or data communication from non-participants. All fishing locations must be in waters accessible according to the law and

US Coast Guard regulations. Participants can fish anywhere they desire as long as they launch from a ramp accessible to the public.

7. **Scoring**– We will use a photo release scoring system determined by the length of each fish (measured nose to tail). Each participant will be required to have their own “Hawg Trough” measuring device for this tournament with all lines painted for photos and we will issue a unique marker to include in the photo. We will have “Hawg Troughs” for sale at the Captain’s Meeting if you do not have one. Bring your measuring device to Captain’s meeting for approval if you are not sure it will qualify. Photos will have to be taken with fish on the tournament approved measuring device only. No bringing fish to weigh-in to measure; it has to be done from your kayak or paddleboard using a camera. Each participant will fill out their score card and turn in to tournament officials by 4:00 pm or will be subject to disqualification. Scoring photos remain the sole ownership of Hook, Line & Paddle to be used at their discretion.
8. **Check In**– Check in will begin at 2:00 pm at Grace United Methodist Church Gymnasium located at 401 Grace Street, Wilmington, NC 28401. All participants must check in no earlier than 2:00 pm and no later than 4:00 pm with their scorecards. Food will not be served until 4:00 pm.
9. **Post Check In Party**– Starting at 4:00 pm will be the post tournament party including food, beverages, sponsor and vendor booths, raffles, and tournament winner’s prize ceremony and sponsor recognition.
10. **Protest**– All protests must be in writing and delivered to a tournament official within 30 minutes of check in. The tournament director has the final say in all decisions.
11. **Rule Changes**– Rules interpretation will be presented to the tournament director. The decisions of the tournament director are final and are not subject to appeal.
12. **Release of Liability**– A waiver and release of liability form is part of the registration pack and every participant is required to read, initial, sign, and date the waiver and release of liability form or they will not be eligible to participate.
13. **Prize Structure**– Prizes are kayaks, paddleboards, accessories, gear, jewelry, adventures, art, trophy, and much more. Each participant can only place one time in each category. Participants are eligible for only one first place species prize, one second place species prize, and one third place species prize. Prize information will be updated on our website at www.hooklineandpaddle.com
14. **Raffle**– Each contestant will receive one raffle ticket in their captain’s bag. Additional raffle tickets can be purchased during event. You must be present to win any raffle prizes except for the wrapped kayak.

2018 REGISTRATION FORM

Name: _____ Phone: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Email: _____ Age: _____ Sex: M ___ F ___

Emergency Contact & Phone: _____

- All registration forms must be completed as well as a initialed and signed Waiver and Release of Liability. The first 20 to sign up receive a premium Captain Bag!
- Mandatory Captain's meeting at Hook, Line & Paddle on July 27, 2018; 6:30 pm (Unless authorized by tournament director)
- For additional information, rules, sponsorships, and media opportunities please email hooklineandpaddle@yahoo.com or call 910-792-6945 and visit www.hooklineandpaddle.com

· Tournament Registration Cost \$60.00 _____

Includes Captains Bag & Cool Dry T-shirt (List Size S-XXL) _____

· Additional Tournament T-shirt (Size S-XXL) _____ \$20.00 _____

· Additional Middle of the Island Dinner Ticket _____ \$10.00 _____

· Please mail registration form, signed Waiver and Release of Liability, & payment to:

· Hook, Line & Paddle, Attn: TJM Tournament, 435 Eastwood Rd., Wilmington, NC 28403

of myself, my heirs, assigns, personal representatives and estate, and any minors accompanying me as follows:

Initial after each number and sign and date

- 1) I acknowledge that many Hook, Line and Paddle activities involve strenuous exercise, and entail known and unknown risks that in rare instances could result in serious physical or emotional injury, paralysis or death. I understand that such risks simply cannot be eliminated without jeopardizing the essential qualities of the program. These activities include, but are not limited to, flat-water canoeing and kayaking, paddleboarding, whitewater canoeing and kayaking, whitewater rafting, hiking, swift water rescue practice and drills, camping, cooking, and riding in a fifteen-passenger can. There are trips on ocean, sounds, and rivers and into remote areas that do not afford prompt communications with rescue or medical facilities, and from where rescue or transport can take time. Furthermore, instructors have difficult jobs to perform. They seek safety, but are not infallible. They might misjudge a participant's fitness or abilities. They might misjudge the weather, the elements, or the terrain. They may give inadequate instructions or warnings, and the equipment being used might malfunction. I know that injuries and damages can occur by natural causes or activities of other persons, animals, trip members, trip leaders and assistants or third parties, either as a result of negligence or because of other reasons. I understand that risks of such injuries and damages are involved in adventure travel and I appreciate that I may have to exercise extra care for my own person and for others around me in the face of such hazards. I further understand that on this activity there may not be rescue or medical facilities or expertise necessary to deal with the injuries and damages to which I may be exposed. I understand that during my participation in this Hook, Line and Paddle activity, I may be exposed to a variety of hazards and risks, foreseen or unforeseen, which are inherent in each activity and cannot be eliminated without destroying the unique character of the activity. These inherent risks include, but are not limited to, the dangers of serious personal injury, property damage, and death ("Injuries and Damages") from exposure to the hazards of travel and Hook, Line and Paddle has not tried to contradict or minimize my understanding of these risks. I know that Injuries and Damages can occur by natural causes or activities of other persons, animals, trip members, trip leaders and assistants or third parties, either as a result of negligence or because of other reasons. I understand that risks of such Injuries and Damages are involved in adventure travel such as Hook, Line and Paddle activities and I appreciate that I may have to exercise extra care for my own person and for others around me in the face of such hazards. I further understand that on this Activity there may not be rescue or medical facilities or expertise necessary to deal with the Injuries and Damages to which I may be exposed.
- 2) To the fullest extent allowed by law, we the undersigned waive, release from liability, discharge and agree to indemnify and hold harmless Hook, Line and Paddle, its officers, directors, employees, agents, and leaders from all rights and claims for damages, injury or loss to any person or property which may be sustained or occur while in the care of Hook, Line and Paddle, or in any activity which is in any way connected with Hook, Line and Paddle, or any use of its equipment, including such claims which allege negligent acts or omissions by Hook, Line and Paddle or losses caused by my own negligence while a participant in the activity.
- 3) Should Hook, Line and Paddle or anyone acting on behalf of Hook, Line and Paddle be required to incur attorney's fees and costs to enforce this agreement, the undersigned agree to indemnify and hold them harmless for all such fees and costs. In consideration of the applicant, who is a minor, being permitted by Hook, Line and Paddle to participate in its activities and to use its equipment, I further agree to indemnify and hold harmless Hook, Line and Paddle from any and all claims which are brought by, or

on behalf of, the applicant, and which are in any way connected with such use or participation by the applicant.

- 4) I certify that I have adequate insurance to cover any injury or damage the applicant may cause or suffer while participating, or else I agree to bear the costs of such injury or damage to myself.
- 5) By signing this document, I acknowledge that if anyone is hurt or property is damaged during the applicant's participation in the Hook, Line and Paddle program, I may be found by a court of law to have waived my right to maintain a lawsuit against Hook, Line and Paddle on the basis of any claim from which I have released them herein.
- 6) This Agreement is intended to be as broad and inclusive as is permitted by law. If any provision of this contract is held to be invalid or unenforceable, all other provisions shall nevertheless continue in full force and effect.
- 7) The terms of this contract shall be binding upon the heirs, executioners, administrators, successors and assigns of the parties hereto and includes any minors accompanying me on the activity.
- 8) I have had sufficient opportunity to read this entire document. I have read and understood it, and agree to be bound by its terms. I have read any rules and conditions applicable to the activity made available to me; I will pay any costs and fees for the activity; and I acknowledge my participation is at the discretion of the leader.
- 9) The activity officially begins and ends at the location(s) designated by Hook, Line and Paddle. The activity does not include carpooling, transportation, or transit to and from the activity, and I am personally responsible for all risks associated with this travel. This does not apply to transportation provided by the Hook, Line and Paddle during the activity.
- 10) If I decide to leave early and not to complete the activity as planned, I assume all risks inherent in my decision to leave and waive all liability against the Hook, Line and Paddle arising from that decision. Likewise, if the leader has concluded the activity, and I decide to go forward without the leader, I assume all risks inherent in my decision to go forward and waive all liability against the Hook, Line and Paddle arising from that decision.
- 11) I hereby warrant and represent that I am over 18 years of age and have signed this Waiver and Release of Liability and covenant not to sue freely and voluntarily.

PARTICIPANTS NAME (PRINT): _____

PARENT/GUARDIAN (PRINT): _____

SIGNATURE: _____ DATE: _____