

FRIENDS FOR HOPE  
**8<sup>th</sup>**

**ANNUAL BAY FISHING TOURNAMENT**

**BATTLE ON THE BAY**

Saturday, June 2nd, 2018

**LOUIE'S backyard - South Padre Island, Texas**

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*Proceeds Benefit Vannie E. Cook Jr. Children's Cancer and Hematology Clinic*

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**\$400/Boat Early Registration**

Friday, May 18, 2018

**\$500/Boat Late Registration**

Any date after Friday, May 18, 2018



**5 Person Boat** 1 Captain  
& 4 Anglers

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**Schedule of Events**

Friday, June 1st Registration 6-9PM, Captain's Meeting 7:30PM

Saturday, June 2nd: Fishing Hours 6AM-4PM, Weigh-In 2-4PM, Dinner and Awards 7PM



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Boat Registration Form  
4 Anglers per Boat plus 1 Captain/Guide

June 2nd, 2018 • 6am-4pm • Louie's Backyard, South Padre Island, Texas

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| <b>TEAM NAME:</b> |             |                   |
|                   | <b>NAME</b> | <b>EMAIL</b>      |
|                   | Captain:    |                   |
|                   | Angler1:    |                   |
|                   | Angler2:    |                   |
|                   | Angler3:    |                   |
|                   |             | <b>SHIRT SIZE</b> |
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Contact Person: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone 1 (     )     -     Phone 2 (     )     -

E-Mail: \_\_\_\_\_

**Please mail completed Registration Form and Payment to:** Friends for Hope -Attention: Fishing  
P.O. Box 720721 McAllen, Texas 78504

**Make Checks Payable to:** Friends for Hope - **For Credit Card Payments Please Contact Us**



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Thank you for your interest in the *Friends for Hope 8th Annual Bay Fishing Tournament*. 2011 was the culminating year. Since its inception, this fishing tournament has raised over \$100,000 for the Vannie E. Cook Jr. Children's Cancer & Hematology Clinic. Each year this tournament continues to grow and it doesn't grow on its own. Its growth has come with the help of everyone in the community who supported through participation, sponsorship, donation, and volunteerism.

At the end of our 11th fiscal year, we were fortunate enough to have given \$1 Million in 11 short years to the Vannie E. Cook Jr. Children's Cancer and Hematology Clinic. This dedication is shown through the annual patient and family Christmas Party and the adoption of some families to provide necessities.

*Friends for Hope* is an organization of adults in the upper Rio Grande Valley dedicated to helping the needs of children suffering from cancer. *Friends for Hope* hosts various social events in an effort to give back to our community such as the *Friends for Hope* Annual Benefit in the fall, various mixers, and fundraisers to promote community awareness.

On Saturday, June 2, 2018 the organization will be hosting the 8th Annual Bay Fishing Tournament at Louie's Backyard on South Padre Island. There will be cash prizes, awards, food, and fun!

Net proceeds from this event will be donated to the Vannie E. Cook Jr. Children's Cancer and Hematology Clinic. If you are interested in participating in our tournament or learning about sponsorship opportunities, please contact us by email or phone at [info@friendsforhope.com](mailto:info@friendsforhope.com), (956) 605-4455, (956) 821-3186, or [www.friendsforhope.com](http://www.friendsforhope.com)

Please join *Friends for Hope* in supporting the Clinic's efforts to provide the best care and treatment available to our local children who suffer from cancer and blood disease.

## Many thanks from the Board of Directors:

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## ***FRIENDS FOR HOPE***

### *8th ANNUAL BATTLE on the BAY FISHING TOURNAMENT*

# **OFFICIAL RULES 2018**

- All entrants must have registration form on file by 9pm Friday, June 1st, 2018 at the Captain's Meeting. Anglers will receive their boat number and an overview of the rules. No registration on day of tournament.
- All live and artificial bait is allowed. All fish must be taken by rod and reel.
- Entrants must have a valid 2018 Texas Fishing License and Saltwater Stamp.
- Each person in the boat **MUST BE** entered in the tournament, (Max 5 people per boat) 1 Captain 4 Anglers.
- One pole per angler. You can have more than one rod and reel on the boat, but you cannot fish with more than one at a time.
- No fish pooling is permitted between teams. Only fish caught by team members on the weigh in date are eligible for official weigh in. Pooling of fish will result in disqualification.
- Wading is permitted but within sight of the boat.
- Fishing hours are from 6:00am – 4:00pm Saturday, June 2nd, 2018. Boats can leave the docks at 5:30AM. No check in on day of tournament required to start fishing.
- Weigh in will be at Louie's Backyard from 2pm – 4:00pm. You must be in line ready to weigh in by 4:00pm. **NO EXCEPTIONS.**
- Fish must be fresh and in edible condition. No mutilated fish will be accepted.
- Our scales and ruler will be the only official measuring device.
- Winning fish will be determined by weight. Ties will be broken by length, (lengths will be measured according to the current Texas Parks and Wildlife Department regulations and procedures).
- Anglers will weigh in one species of each redfish and trout. The fish brought in to weigh is final. No substitutions of fish other than the one brought in.
- Oversized Redfish will **DISQUALIFY** entrant from that species (Over 28 inches) as per The State of Texas requirements.
- Trout must not be over 25 inches. **NO TROUT OVER 25 INCHES WILL BE ACCEPTED.** Any trout over 25 inches will be **DISQUALIFY** entrant from that species.
- All anglers weighing in fish will need to sign weigh cards. Anglers assume the responsibility of meeting rules and requirements.
- All weighed fish will be marked by removing a pectoral fin.
- Only one fish per species will be weighed in per angler.
- Tournament Director's watch will be used for Official Time. There will be an announcement made at the Captain's Meeting at 7:30pm, Friday June 1st, 2018.
- All anglers, including minors agree to take a polygraph test if required by a Friends for Hope member or the Friends for Hope weigh master. Failure to take or pass a polygraph test will result in disqualification from this tournament and all future tournaments. If the angler is a minor, a parent or legal guardian shall agree for the minor to submit to such polygraph testing.
- Any protest must be brought to the attention of the tournament director prior to 5:00 PM on June 2, 2018. All decisions of The Weight Master and Friends for Hope board are final.



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PARTICIPANT/PARENT PRINT NAME

### INDEMNIFICATION AND HOLD HARMLESS AGREEMENT

EACH PARTICIPANT IN THE FRIENDS FOR HOPE FISHING TOURNAMENT HEREBY AGREES TO BE BOUND BY THE FOLLOWING CONDITIONS:

I AGREE TO RELEASE AND HOLD HARMLESS FRIENDS FOR HOPE, ITS OFFICERS, DIRECTORS, BOARD MEMBERS, AGENTS, REPRESENTATIVES, TOURNAMENT DIRECTOR, COMMITTEE PERSONS, TOURNAMENT SPONSORS, AND ANY OTHER INDIVIDUAL OR ENTITY AFFILIATED, TANGENTIALLY OR OTHERWISE, WITH FRIENDS FOR HOPE OR THE TOURNAMENT (HEREINAFTER REFERRED TO AS "RELEASED PARTIES"), FROM ANY AND ALL LIABILITY, CLAIMS OR DAMAGES ARISING OUT OF OR CONNECTED WITH THE TOURNAMENT, INCLUDING ITS PLANNING, OPERATION OR CONDUCT AND INCLUDING BUT NOT LIMITED TO CLAIMS FOR PERSONAL INJURY, WRONGFUL DEATH, SURVIVAL DAMAGES, ECONOMIC LOSS, PROPERTY DAMAGES OR CLAIMS RELATING IN ANY WAY TO THE AWARDING OF PRIZES IN THE TOURNAMENT.

**IT IS THE EXPRESS INTENTION OF THIS AGREEMENT THAT EACH TOURNAMENT PARTICIPANT IS INDEMNIFYING THE RELEASED PARTIES FROM THE CONSEQUENCES OF THEIR OWN NEGLIGENT CONDUCT, WHETHER SOLE NEGLIGENCE OR CONTRIBUTING NEGLIGENCE, GROSS NEGLIGENCE, OUTRAGEOUS MISCONDUCT, STRICT LIABILITY, COMMISSION OF TORT, BREACH OF CONTRACT, AND BREACH OF WARRANTY.**

#### PARTICIPATION OF MINORS

I AM THE PARENT/GUARDIAN OF \_\_\_\_\_ . I UNDERSTAND AND AGREE THAT THE FOREGOING CONDITIONS AND OBLIGATIONS SHALL LIKEWISE APPLY TO HIS/HER PARTICIPATION IN THE TOURNAMENT.

ANY CONTROVERSY OR CLAIM ARISING OUT OF OR RELATING TO THE TOURNAMENT SHALL BE SETTLED BY BINDING ARBITRATION CONDUCTED IN MCALLEN, HIDALGO COUNTY, TEXAS. THE PREVAILING PARTY IN ANY ACTION ARISING OUT OF THE TOURNAMENT SHALL BE ENTITLED TO RECOVER ATTORNEY'S FEES AND ALL COSTS OF COURT.

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PARTICIPANT/PARENT SIGNATURE

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