# Whopper Board Tournament and Angler of the Year (revised 4/1/23)

## **Tournament Rules and Regulations**

Our Tournaments will be annual events running concurrently for a 12-month period. For Both Whopper Board and Angler of the year the year starts November 1<sup>st</sup> and ends October 31<sup>st</sup>. Both Tournaments give club members the opportunity to be recognized for their catches. A point system has been developed which will enable all of the species caught to be weighted equally. Point totals will be maintained by the Whopper Board Chairman during the year and published in the monthly newsletter. Angler of the Year standings will only be published in the newsletter through the August newsletter. After August there will not be any updated standings to Angler of the Year in the newsletter until the December banquet. The rules for both tournaments are similar, with explanations to follow.

# **General Rules**

- Only current Turner's Rod & Reel Club members will be eligible to enter into the tournaments. You will need to have your membership renewed by the January meeting to be considered a current member.
- Every family member will have their own individual point count.
- All fish must be weighed on a digital scale with a picture taken of it with as much of the fish as possible. The weight must be clear on the photo.
- You will need to supply the Whopper Board Chair with the following information:
  - Your name and membership number
  - The specific species of fish
  - The date on which you caught the fish
  - The weight of the fish from a digital scale
  - The specific location you caught the fish
  - $\circ$   $\;$  The bait you were using to catch the fish
  - A picture of yourself with the majority of the fish showing on the digital scale with the numbers showing
  - If the fish was caught at a Club event
  - All fish must be weighed and photographed on a digital scale. This includes large gamefish.
- A member will be allowed to enter as many times as he or she likes in any of the categories, but only his or her largest fish from each category will be used to determine the point total.
- Size and possession limit must be observed for all fish. All fish must be legally caught per the California Department of Fish and Wildlife Regulations.
- To be eligible to participate in the Tournaments, a club member must support the club by participating in one Club sponsored fishing event during the eligibility period. Any member not participating will have all of their entries removed from the records for that year.

• We have a Long-Range designation for some of the categories. Long-Range is defined as being 100 miles from the California shoreline. This distance is to allow for equal weighting of fish caught in different parts of the world.

## Whopper Board Specific Rules

1. We will award 3 places for each category based on the calculated points for the three largest fish each season. The prizes will be Turner's Outdoorsman gift certificates: \$50.00 for First, \$25.00 for Second, \$10.00 for Third.

2. Each member will only be allowed to win one prize from any category. Every family member will have their own individual point count.

- 3. All prizes will be awarded at the December Banquet
- 4. The decision of the Board of Directors will be final.

5. Double points will be given for fish caught at Club Freshwater events and Club Saltwater Charters. It must be designated in the information provided by the angler that the fish was caught at a Club event.

#### **Angler of the Year Specific Rules**

- This tournament will allow all club members the opportunity to enter fish that might not qualify for the top three places in the Whopper Board Tournament. A member will accumulate points for fish caught. The member with the most points at the end of the year will be declared "Angler of the Year".
- 2. Double points will be given for fish caught at Club Freshwater events and Club Saltwater Charters. It must be designated in the information provided by the angler that the fish was caught at a Club event.
- 3. A perpetual trophy will be awarded at the December Banquet. The trophy is to be returned to the Club at the October meeting before the next banquet.
- 4. The decision of the Board of Directors will be final.
- 5. Saltwater Angler of the Year must be on at least 1 Club Saltwater Charter. (added 4/1/23)

# CATEGORIES

#### Freshwater

- Trout 20 points per pound Trout at PAY to fish lakes 10 points per pound
- Freshwater Pan Fish: Crappie, Bluegill, Sunfish and Perch 40 points per pound
- Large Mouth Bass / Small Mouth Bass 20 points per pound
- Striped Bass 10 points per pound
- Catfish 10 points per pound

# Saltwater

Calico Bass / Sand Bass 20 points per pound	
Bonito / Barracuda 20 points per pound	
Yellowtail / Do	orado Long Range Yellowtail/Dorado 4 points per pound Local Yellowtail/Dorado 6 points per pound
White Sea Bass All White Sea Bass 4 points per pound	
Tuna	Long Range Tuna 1 points per pound Local Tuna 2 points per pound
Bottom Fish	Long Range Bottom Fish 2 points per pound Local Bottom Fish 8 points per pound
Halibut	Halibut 4 points per pound Alaskan Halibut 1 points per pound
Ling Cod	Long Range Ling Cod 2 points per pound Ling Cod 8 points per pound
Surf fish	Surf Perch varieties, Corbina, Croaker, Corvina only. 40 points per pound