Club of Key Largo's 24th Annual *Take Stock in Children Backcountry Challenge!*

Official Tournament Rules

- 1. This is a catch and release tournament. Eligible species are Redfish, Snook, and Trout.
- 2. IGFA International Angling Rules must be followed and can be downloaded from www.igfa.org.
- 3. The angler must cast, hook, fight, and land or boat the fish without the aid of any person unless leadering or netting is necessary.
- 4. The maximum line test is 20 lb. unless fly fishing. Any type leader is permitted.
- 5. Lines-in will immediately follow the end of Captain's meeting on Friday, October 4. Fishing is permitted day and night.
- 6. Anglers must leave from and fish anywhere within Monroe County where fishing is legally permitted with all rules and regulations adhered to.

- 7. Anglers competing in the Adult Artificial Subdivision must be fishing on a boat exclusively using artificial lures and:
 - must have been caught using an artificial lure cast by the angler using a fly or spinning rod and retrieved by the angler's manipulation of the tackle;
 - must not have been caught while chumming or trolling by boat;
 - and must not use a lure "sweetened" by the addition of any natural bait, dead or alive.



- 8. All catches must be digitally photographed. The photo must clearly show fish with a pinched tail and a commercially purchased measuring device. The tournament will not provide the measuring device as in past years.
- 9. A completed and signed 2024 Official Angler's log for each angler must be delivered to the scoring table at the Elks club or an image of such sent via text between 2:00 pm and 4:00 pm on Sunday, October 6, 2024. Logs will not be accepted after 4:00 pm. Detailed submission instructions will be provided at the mandatory Captain/Angler's meeting.
- 10. In the event of a tie, the winner will be determined by earliest recorded catch time.
- 11. Decisions by the Tournament Committee will be final.

Take Stock in Children

Take Stock in Children is a state-wide program that identifies economically disadvantaged 7th grade students who meet specific academic and behavioral criteria. We offer our students college scholarships, caring volunteer mentors and hope for a better life. Selected students receive a Florida Prepaid scholarship for two years at any of the 28 Florida Community Colleges, followed by two years at a State College or University. To be awarded their scholarships, students must stay in school, maintain good grades, exhibit good behavior, remain crime and drug free, and meet with their mentors. The volunteer mentors are a key component of the program, meeting with their student weekly for one hour on school grounds, during school hours. The Take Stock in Children program is the perfect example of a public-private partnership that truly works: All scholarship contributions raised locally are matched – dollar for dollar – by the Florida Prepaid College Foundation. Our students have a 95% graduation rate state-wide.

www.takestockinchildren.org