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South Padre Island Hosts 42nd Anniversary of Ladies Kingfish Tournament

SOUTH PADRE ISLAND, Texas, August 7, 2023 – South Padre Island is gearing up to host the 42nd Annual Ladies Kingfish Tournament on August 11-13, 2023. This beloved event is the first all-ladies tournament in Texas and has become a cherished Island tradition over the years.

“We are thrilled to continue the legacy of the Ladies Kingfish Tournament and mark its 42nd year,” said Blake Henry, South Padre Island CVB Executive Director. “This event not only brings female anglers together but also encourages fishing enthusiasts of all ages to participate, making it a fantastic opportunity for mothers, daughters, and granddaughters to create unforgettable memories.”

The Ladies Kingfish Tournament, held in the breathtaking backdrop of South Padre Island, celebrates women's angling prowess and is a testament to the island's vibrant fishing community. The tournament is divided into two exciting divisions - bay and offshore - allowing participants to showcase their fishing skills while competing for impressive awards and prizes. Trophies will be awarded to the first three places in each category, and Grand Champion Bay and Grand Champion Offshore winners will also receive trophies.

The tournament kicks off on Friday, August 11, with check-in and on-site registration from 4:00 p.m.- 7:00 p.m. at the South Padre Island Convention Center. Fishing begins Saturday at 6:30 a.m. at the Sea Ranch Marina, where all the action will be with bay division weigh-in from 2:00 p.m.- 4:00 p.m. and offshore weigh-in from 4:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m. The Sunday Awards Ceremony will be held at 11:00 a.m. at the South Padre Island Convention Center, and all participants are invited to attend.

Registration fees are \$100 per angler. Registration for captains, boat operators, deckhands, and guests is \$30.00. Those who are not registered on a boat may also purchase tickets at the Merchandise Booth. Prices include \$30 for Friday and \$15 per person for Sunday.

To learn more or register, please visit www.spichamber.com/ladies-kingfish-tournament/ or contact the South Padre Island Chamber of Commerce at 956.761.4412 or info@spichamber.com.

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About South Padre Island

With miles of pristine shoreline and clear emerald water, South Padre Island is Texas' only tropical island paradise. Calm weather and more than 300 days of sunshine make South Padre Island a year-round destination offering a variety of nature tourism attractions, water sports, and activities for the entire family. For more information, visit www.sopadre.com.

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