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**IFA 2006 Redfish Tour Off to a Great Start**

CHARLESTON, S.C. – An exciting new season is underway for the Inshore Fishing Association (IFA) Redfish Tournament. This year's opener was held in Charleston, S.C., on March 11, 2006. There were 50 boats on the water competing for great prizes, cash and Championship Points.

Darrell Crabtree and partner Bobby Burnette were the big winners in this first go 'round. They took first place and went home with the Ranger Banshee rigged with a 40 HP, 4-stroke Yamaha outboard, Power-Pole, MinnKota trolling motor and Humminbird electronics. The team also walked away with \$250 for biggest fish, weighing in at 5.73 pounds. Their two-fish total weight was 11.14 pounds. The duo qualified for the Ranger Cup \$1,000 and Yamaha \$500 bonuses, as well.

It was a close competition with Paul Gunter and Blair Googer taking second place with a two-fish total weight just over a half pound less than the first place team. Third place had a 10.25 pound total weight, giving the team of Howie Green and Glenn Langston 198 points toward the Championship event that will be held in November.

This year's IFA Redfish Tour is a series of one-day, catch and release, close-to-home events, with two-angler teams using artificial lures only. The tour consists of six divisions with three single-day local events each. The next event will be in Galveston, TX, on March 25, 2006, and all divisions are filling up fast. Register online today at [www.redfishtour.com](http://www.redfishtour.com).

IFA sponsors include Ranger Boats, Yamaha Outboards, Cabela's, MinnKota, Humminbird, Image Graphics, Loadmaster, Power-Pole, Solar Bat, Shimano, Powertex Group, *Florida Fishing Weekly* and Careco Multimedia.

Now the strongest grass roots inshore tournament series dedicated to catch and release in competitive fishing, the IFA's focus is centered on competition, recognition and education. For more information, please contact Bart Schad with Palmer Conrad Consulting by calling 870-431-8495, e-mailing [info@palmerconrad.com](mailto:info@palmerconrad.com) or visiting [www.palmerconrad.com](http://www.palmerconrad.com).

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