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Grand Isle Blew in Some Nice Redfish



GRAND ISLE, LA – The IFA Redfish Tour presented by Cabela’s stopped in Grand Isle this past weekend. The winds blew in one hundred, forty-six (146) anglers to Bridgeside Marina ready to take home the first place prize of a Ranger Banshee rigged with a 40 HP, 4-stroke Yamaha outboard, Power Pole shallow water anchor, Minn Kota trolling motor and Humminbird electronics.

Captain Eddie Adams and partner Frank Kinler came to the Grand Isle event with a brand new 2200 Bay Ranger in tow. When Mike Lott, IFA Webmaster, asked the team how their gas mileage was at take off Saturday morning, they responded by saying, “It’s brand new and isn’t broken in yet. This boat isn’t even a week old, so we can’t be sure yet.” No matter how good of gas mileage they got during the day, it all paid off when they weighed in the 8.43 and 8.72-pound redfish, giving them a total weight of 17.15-pounds and a first place win. The 8.72-pound redfish was also big enough for them to take home \$500 for Big Fish of the tournament. Eddie and Frank started the tournament with some really great luck, pulling boat #1, and ended it on the same great note.

Finishing in second place, with a total weight of 16.07-pounds, was the team of Captain Brig Booth and Rick Leoni. Friday night at the Captain’s Meeting Brig predicted he would be taking the cash home, by exclaiming, “We are going to finish second tomorrow and get that check!” and they did just that.

With a total weight of 16.04-pounds, Captain Dwayne Eschete and partner Terry Simmons also walked away with some nice cash. Not only did this team take home \$2,172 for their third place finish, they also won the tournament with-in tournament (TWT) monies and the Ranger Cup Powered by Yamaha check, in the amount of \$750.

The 2006 Bassmaster Classic Champion, Luke Clausen, tried his hand at salt-water tournament fishing at this event, with partner Wade Middleton. Although they did not fare very well in the standings, it was great to have Luke fishing in Grand Isle with the IFA.

This year’s IFA Redfish Tour presented by Cabela’s 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 take place in Hilton Head, SC, September 9th. Register online today at www.redfishtour.com.

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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 or e-mailing info@palmerconrad.com.