

APRIL 16 TO MAY 15, 2022

The HRFA's annual 'Catch & Release' and 'Catch, Tag & then Release' Striper Derby returns to the Hudson River. The boundaries for the derby range from the Verrazano Bridge north, all the way up to the dam in Troy, NY and all the tributaries in between. Major tributaries include the East River, the Hackensack River, the Passaic River, Newark Bay and the Meadowlands.

> Starts: 7:00 am Saturday April 16th Ends: 12:00 pm Sunday May 15th

ENTRY FEES

Registration ends midnight Wednesday April 13th.

- HRFÅ Member: \$40.00
- New or Renewing Member: \$65.00 (Includes \$40.00 entry fee plus tax deductible \$25.00 for one-year membership in the HRFA a 501c3 nonprofit organization)
- Non-Member: \$80.00
- CALCUTTA: \$25.00 extra
- 50:50 Raffle: \$10.00 extra
- Amer. Lit. Soc. 10-tag Tagging kit: \$15.00

HOW TO ENTER YOUR CATCH

Must submit photographs by email the day of capture to **2022striperderby@thehrfa.org.** Only one email with a single photo per fish will be judged. So, submit your best shot! No re-dos. Photo must declare if striper was caught fishing from shore or boat.

A proper photograph must have the ruler below the striper with no portion of the ruler covered by the fish or anything else and must include the angler's unique 3-digit derby number.



Acceptable Photo

RULES SUMMARY

Only stripers captured from shore or boat in the Hudson River or any of its tributaries that lie between the Troy dam and the Verrazano Bridge will be accepted. Fish must be photographed and released as quickly as possible to prevent mortality.

The photo must show your own unique 3-digit derby number clearly visible. Numbers will be emailed the eve of the derby start (April 15th).

If the striper is tagged before release, then the American Littoral Society tag must also be clearly visible in the photograph. A photo of the completed postcard must be included.

An impartial panel of 3-judges will make the final determinations as to eligibility and size. Time of entry will break any ties.

Complete Official 2022 HRFA Striper Derby Rules are available on-line at http://thehrfa.org. Photographs must comply with all HRFA Striper Derby guidelines or entry will not be accepted. Don't be disappointed.

PRIZES

- Largest stripers caught & released from boat or shore. For winning anglers who tagged 10 or more bass during the Derby: 1st \$1,000, 2nd \$500, 3rd \$250, 4th \$125 & 5th \$75. For all others: 1st \$600, 2nd \$300, 3rd \$150, 4th \$75 & 5th \$50.
- Largest stripers caught & released from shore.
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- Most stripers caught, tagged and then released \$300.
- Largest striper caught, tagged and then released \$150 (winner must tag a minimum of 10 stripers in the derby).
- Weekly (4) prizes for biggest striper and best photo posted to Instagram.
- The largest striper entered in the CALCUTTA wins \$300 (10 or more tagged bass) or \$150 (fewer than 10 tagged bass) plus additional prizes.

Your participation in the derby supports the HRFA and scientific studies on stripers by:

- 1. Monmouth University (acoustic tags),
- 2. The Fisherman magazine's collaboration with Gray FishTag Research (satellite tags),
- 3. The Save a Million Bass project and
- **4.** The American Littoral Society whose data is shared with scientists around the world.

TAGGING KITS may also be purchased for \$10.00 on-line at: https://www.littoralsociety.org



All NJ & NY fishing regulations in place at the time of the Derby will apply. That includes the use of circle hooks when fishing for stripers with bait.



REGISTRATION FORM

All mailed entries must be postmarked no later than April 13th. Make checks payable to "HRFA 2022 Striper Derby". Starting February 15th, up until the April 13th deadline, you may also register on-line at **https://thehrfa.org/derby**/. NAME: ______

ADDRESS:

EMAIL:

PHONE:

DISCLAIMER: All participants in this event assume responsibility for themselves and agree that the HRFA is exempt from any and all liability.

Applicant's Signature

SELECT ALL THAT APPLYTO YOU

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Mail your check payable for the total amount to "The HRFA 2022 Striper Derby" to: H.R.F.A. P.O. Box 421 Cresskill, NJ 07626

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Date