BoMB: ACFA too Strong for Weeks Bay!

In the 2008 Speckled Trout Challenge the ACFA overcame the weather and a determined group of Weeks Bay Fishing Club members to clinch the Battle of Mobile Bay for 2008.

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WBFC President Rick Parsons (Left) congratulates ACFA President Doug Smith (Right) on the results of the 2008 Speckled Trout Challenge which saw the ACFA prevail 48-7.

President's Message:

What a great turnout for the BoMB after the bad weather early in the day.

Thanks to all who fished, cooked and helped clean up afterwards!

Doug

JR Angler Speckled Trout 1st - Frank Parker III (ACFA) - 1.60*

2nd - Theo Koulianos (ACFA) - 1.60

* tie and first to weigh in

OFFICIAL RESULTS:

1st - Rick Tourne' (ACFA) - 5.85

2nd - Tommy Pond (ACFA) - 4.15

3rd - Phillip Guy (ACFA) - 4.10

4th - Billy Michalopoulos (WBFC) - 3.35*

5th - Justin Peacock (N)(ACFA) - 3.35

6th - Jimbo Miller (ACFA) - 3.20

7th - Adam Barker (ACFA) - 3.15

8th - Billy Hurd (ACFA) - 2.95

9th - Chris Massey (ACFA) - 2.90

10th - Bill Duke (ACFA) - 2.65

* tie and first to weigh in

May Tournament Recap:

Thunderstorms and strong winds greeted those who fished early in The Speckled Trout Challenge Tournament Saturday May 3rd, 2008. None of our tournaments have had good weather this year and this may have been the worst so far. Still ACFA members did what they could to fish when and where the weather allowed and gained an overwhelming victory at the end of the day. The 36 or so participants were joined by many members who 'opted out' from trying the weather and enjoyed a great feast of fried grouper filets, baked beans and coleslaw prepared by **Randy Wiscaver** and a complement of volunteers who pitched in to cook and clean up. I heard the celebration lasted into the evening and even included a Causeway wandering minstrel. What a day!

The 1st Annual UCP Tournament (United Cerebral Palsy) was held the same day and there too the ACFA dominated the final board. Rick Tourne's 5.86# speckled trout was again 'the star of the day, taking first place in that tournament also. I heard it was the only trout he caught all day. And ACFA members swept the other two divisions in the tournament. Way to go ACFA'rs!! Flounder: 1st Tim Pierce 3.12#, 2nd Chip Drago (N) 2.56#, 3rd Dwain Mangold (N) 2.47# And in white trout: 1st Theo Koulianos (J) .93#, 2nd Alvin Bell .74#, and 3rd Patric Garmeson .63# Congratulations to the winners and to UCP for a successful tournament. For more info see http://www.ucpmobile.org