

Destin Cobia Tournament is ready to start

The HarborWalk Marina Destin Cobia Tournament, which has seen more than 75 boats competing in recent years, is scheduled to begin with the first cobia caught and weighed-in by a boat officially registered in the tournament. The past few years have seen the first fish caught in early to mid-March, so anglers are beginning to prepare now for the big catch.

Entry fee for the tournament is \$425 up to March 14 and \$450 thereafter.

Proceeds from the event will go toward the Miss Destin Scholarship Fund.

Excitement has begun for the first catch as entry forms continue to come in. Fishermen, both novice and professional, interested in competing can find entry forms at HarborWalk Marina, online at www.destincobiatournament.com or by attending the captain's party at 6:30 p.m. Friday at the Emerald Grande resort in HarborWalk Village.

This year, the tournament divisions include: Overall, first place prize of \$10,000; second, \$7,000; third, \$5,000; and fourth, \$3,000.

The 30-feet-and-under division first place is \$3,000; second, \$2,000; third, \$1,000; and fourth, \$500.

The Martha Glawson Ladies Division will award first place of \$1,000; second, \$750; and third, \$500.

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The Senior Division will award \$500 to the first place winner. The Junior Division will

award first place of \$300; second, \$200; third, \$100; and a Pee Wee Division first place winner will receive \$300.

There is more than \$37,000 in guaranteed cash and prizes being awarded during this year's May 9 tournament

awards party at Emerald Grande.

The HarborWalk Destin Cobia Tournament weigh-in stations will include two locations: HarborWalk Marina in Destin and Outcast Bait & Tackle in Pensacola.

For more information

on the 2008 Destin Cobia Tournament or to register a boat contact HarborWalk Marina at (850) 337-8250 or visit www.destincobiatournament.com.

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