



## SPORTS/TOURISM

### **The First Tournament Game Fishing Marina San Miguel-Bertram ends with very good catches of marlin off the coast of Tenerife**

**The competition had 19 participants from all islands**

**Santa Cruz de Tenerife, July 23, 2011.-** The first Deep Sea Fishing Tournament Marina San Miguel, Bertram ended yesterday, Saturday July 23, with a more than satisfactory for the participating vessels for the two days (22 and July 23) carried out several catch and release of blue marlin in the waters of Tenerife, showing the marine wealth of the area.

According to the representative of Bertram and promoter of this competition which has been timed to coincide with the 50th anniversary of this great brand boats, Carlos Martinez, the performance of the boats was very sporty and has been shown that the waters around Tenerife are very suitable for fishing.

Martinez said that "some boats that did not enter the tournament, they joined the second day out of competition since they regretted not taking part because of all the good catches," but added that "we know that they will join the second edition that will take place next year and we hope to have about 40 boats "

This time, the number of participants was nineteen ships, which showed a great capacity for great competition and even greater sportsmanship, and their expectations were more than met for the number of blue marlin that they managed to catch.

The development of Friday's session began July 22 at 09.00 and 10.15 Quiet boat informed the base that first contact was made with a breastplate, which embarked at 10.25. However, it did not reach the minimum weight and not counted in the standings. Meanwhile, the boat Arrantxale informs at 12.47 hours that they are glued to a blue marlin which they photograph and release at 13.05 hours, topping the standings.

The boat Opa Locka radioed that Friday at 15.44 pm that they were attached to a blue marlin that they released at 16.25 and at 17.20 hours to report back to the base that they are stuck to another blue marlin which they photograph and free at 17.55 hours.

The first day, ending at 18.00 hours, resulted in good catches and Opa Locka in first place.

On Saturday 23 July, the day of competition starts again at 0900 hours, and Opa Locka radios at 0925 hours to say it is attached to a blue marlin and release it again at 09.42 hours. Then the boat Dotsy Too communicated at



10.35 hours they are stuck with two blue marlin simultaneously and after several minutes of effort the first line of 130 pounds breaks by crossing the bow of the boat and finally the thin line of 50 pound that also binds the marlin and lose the two fish .

At 10.45 hours, the ship May Nieves reports that it is attached to a blue marlin which he loses immediately. At 11.20 am, the boat Marlin communicates by radio a marlin bite but loses it right away. At 12.04 hours, the Arrantxale communicates that they have bites of two blue marlins at the same time, one they immediately lose and the second after ten minutes of combat gets released at 12.15 hours.

The ship Lagonda radioed at 12.25 informing a bite of a blue marlin but within minutes the fish unhooks. At 14.30 hours, a dive boat Hedonist communicates with a blue marlin that gets captured and released at 14.50 hours. The second and final day of the tournament ends at 18.00 pm on Saturday.

## Results

Thus, the classification of I Deep Sea Fishing Tournament Marina San Miguel-Bertram is as follows: first-placed boat Opa Locka, with the capture of three Marlins, winning the world championship participation in fishing height IGFA Offshore World Championship to be held in Cabo San Lucas (Mexico) in May 2012.

Second place is the boat Arrantxale with the capture of two marlins and third placed boat was the Hedonist, who caught one marlin.

In the Interprovincial Challenge, the winning province is Las Palmas in front of Santa Cruz de Tenerife, and in the Bertram Challenge (Bertram boats compared to other brands) the winning boats were Bertram.

The end result of this tournament has made us realize that the waters of Tenerife has a great potential for fishing and Marina San Miguel offers a port with the right skills to take this level of competitions, which requires some adjustments in very specific infrastructure.

This first tournament was organized by the Marina San Miguel and Bertram; has enjoyed the patronage of Cicar, San Miguel de Abona, Turismo de Tenerife, Hotel Gema Aguamarina Golf, Igfa Offshore, Bertram , San Miguel La Marina: and with the collaboration of Royal Garden Villas, Ashotel, Alegranza Hotel, France Frost, Distrimar (captain canary fishing), Air Europa, Pesquera and Navales Tenerife, Yanmar (Canarias Multinaútica), Elyman, Axa, Lowrance, Frucape (ice factory), Deportes Pineda, Coca Cola and Hotspot.

**Note: attached fotos of the tournament.**

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