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### **LOS SUEÑOS SIGNATURE TRIPLE CROWN A NUMBERS GAME – Leg 2 of the 2017 Los Sueños Signature Triple Crown achieves 1,635 billfish releases in just 3 days**

Los Sueños Resort and Marina, located at Playa Herradura on Costa Rica's Central Pacific Coast, held the second leg of the 2017 Los Sueños Signature Triple Crown billfish series, presented by Chantilly Air February 22-25. A total of 52 of the world's most competitive billfishing teams comprised of 247 individual anglers challenged each other over three days of fishing, releasing a total of 1,635 billfish, including 1,592 sails and 43 marlin.

#### **DAY 1**

The second leg of 2017 Los Sueños Signature Triple Crown started out with a good omen for team *Agitator* who released the first fish of the tournament just four minutes after lines in. At 8:07 am *Uno Mas* released the first marlin of the tournament. Would it be a repeat of Leg One during which 21% percent of all releases were marlin? It was a busy day on the water and by midday already 216 sailfish and 5 marlin were called in to tournament control. *Blue Eagle*, having released 2 marlin early on, showed an impressive lead over *Outlaw* and *Agitator*. *Smooth Move* did their name justice and made a "smooth move" into first place by 2:00 pm with 2,000 points overtaking *Blue Eagle* with 1,800 points and *Agitator* with 1,600 points. At this point 366 sailfish were released with 9 marlin in the mix. It became apparent this tournament would be a numbers game and one marlin could make or break any team's positioning. It was a tight race with several teams in close pursuit. By lines in at 4:00 pm 529 billfish were released, including 11 marlin. *Blue Eagle* ended the day in first place with 2,100 points on time, ahead of *Smooth Move*, followed by *Agitator* in third place with 1,900 points.

#### **DAY 2**

It was *Pez Collector* who got the day started at 8:06 am. *Uno Mas* released 2 marlin before 10:00 am moving them up into first place with 3,200 points. *Agitator*, in second place with 2,400 points, was a well-oiled machine, releasing a fish every 20 minutes. The clock kept on ticking and by 12:00 noon the gap between *Uno Mas* and *Agitator* was only 300 points. *Blue Eagle* released a marlin at 1:41 pm and briefly moved back to the top followed by *Uno Mas* and *Outlaw* who also had a marlin release each. Consistency however rewarded *Agitator* releasing one sailfish after the other, for a total count 18 sails for the day, putting them in first place with 3,700 points. *Blue*



*Eagle* finished second with 3,600 points and *Outlaw* third with 3,400 points. A total of 462 billfish were released on Day Two, including 16 marlin.

### DAY 3

The honor of calling in the first fish of the day went to the *Dragin Fly* at 8:03 am. It quickly became apparent that the pace would pick up on the final fishing day. In the first 2 hours alone, 174 fish were called in to tournament control. *Agitator* stayed on track, steadily releasing sail after sail. *Marlin Darlin* released 3 marlin before lunch, the most marlin releases of any boat in one day during this leg of the tournament. *Smooth Move*, who did not have a great second day, moved into third place with *Uno Mas* in second place only 100 points behind the leading *Agitator*. By 2:00 pm the top three positions had not changed but *Agitator* had broadened its lead. The race for second and third place was still tight.

*Dealers Choice* and *First Light* both had stellar performances on Day Three, especially in the last two hours of the tournament. *Dealers Choice* released a total of 24 sailfish and *First Light* released a marlin in the morning and then went on to take advantage of an amazing afternoon bite, enough to guarantee them a place on the podium. *Dealers Choice* ending up taking second place on time over *First Light* with 5,100 total points each. *Agitator* dominated this leg of Triple Crown, taking home the win with 60 sailfish releases and putting them into an excellent position going into Leg Three for the race to become the 2017 Triple Crown Champion.

### BACK STORIES

*Agitator*, a 51' Scarborough, participated in the Los Sueños tournaments for the first time in 2016 and became Series Champion that same year. During the first Leg of the 2017 Los Sueños Signature Triple Crown the team won second place. This family team is captained by Jon Duffie, with anglers Jonathan Duffie, Jeremy Duffie, Judith Duffie, Danny Gough and Charles Gerlach.

*Dealers Choice*, a 46' Viking captained by Dan Scotti, with anglers Jerry Imperato, Frank Bongiorno, Pat "P.K." Kelly and Mark McDeritt surprised everyone with an amazing performance on Day 3 of the tournament moving from 13<sup>th</sup> place after Day 2 all the way up for a podium finish.

*First Light*, a 38' Eastbay Boatworks captained by Corey Kennington, with anglers Jim Rodgers, Donny Moore, Gunnar Zorn, Ernie Eckelrode and Anthony Pino. This marks the first win for this team here at Los Sueños.

On behalf of the tournament committee, a heartfelt congratulations to all of the participants!



### CASH PRIZES & AWARDS

Over 700 guests came together under the stars at the Los Sueños Beach Club to enjoy a phenomenal buffet dinner and a live musical performance by Majo Leon. Immediately preceding the presentation of trophies, prizes and checks to the tournament winners, guests enjoyed the highly anticipated dock show filmed and produced by Rich Christenson and Michael Butler. The ceremony was closed out by a spectacular fireworks display by Faisa and after party with DJ Charlie Stevens was hosted for the first time at the El Galeón Restaurant. Tournament winners took to the stage to receive a total of \$174,000 in cash, as well as other prizes provided by tournament sponsors.

1 <sup>st</sup>	<b>\$87,000</b>	<b>Agitator: 6,000 points, 60 sails</b>
2 <sup>nd</sup>	<b>\$52,200</b>	<b>Dealers Choice: 5,100 points, 51 sails</b>
3 <sup>rd</sup>	<b>\$34,800</b>	<b>First Light: 5,100 points, 41 sails and 2 marlin</b>

Trophies by Gray Taxidermy

Other prizes and awards by: Tunaskin apparel; Steve Goione framed prints of the 2017 Triple Crown tournament art; Costa sunglasses for the winning anglers; Tito's Vodka; and Flor de Caña aged rum.

### TOP ANGLER

Congratulations to Thomas Jenkins of *Outlaw* for releasing 19 sails and 1 marlin over the three days for 2,400 individual points and landing the distinction of Top Angler for Leg Two.

### ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

The entire tournament organizing committee would like to take this opportunity to thank all those who came together to support this event. Our gratitude goes out to all the anglers, captains, mates, observers, technical advisors, cameramen and videographers, Los Sueños staff and of course, our sponsors (in alphabetical order): A.G. Marine Services, BLP Legal, Bristol Marine Supply/Los Sueños Resort Wear, Canvas Designers, Caterpillar/Matra, Chantilly Air, Clinica Herradura, Costa Sunglasses, Costa Rica Dreams Sport Fishing, CR Luxury, CR Marine/Gato Gordo, Cummins, Fish Track official weather provider, Flor de Caña, Galati International Yacht Sales, GMRgold, Gray Taxidermy, Gregory Poole GP Link, Grupo Mecsa, Marriott Hotel, Maverick Yachts, Natural Instinct, Los Sueños Resort and Marina, Poms & Associates, Promerica Bank, RK Creative Productions, Sevenstar Yacht Transport, Steve Goione Marine Artist, Tito's Vodka, Tunaskin Aquatic Apparel, Vanmark Inc., Viking Yachts. For more about our sponsors, please visit [www.LStournaments.com](http://www.LStournaments.com) and click on Sponsors.



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The top team from each leg of the Los Sueños Signature Triple Crown will be eligible to compete in the 2017 Offshore World Championship. For further information, please visit [www.offshorechampionship.com](http://www.offshorechampionship.com).

#### **ABOUT THE LOS SUEÑOS SIGNATURE TRIPLE CROWN**

2017 marks the 4<sup>th</sup> Annual Los Sueños Signature Triple Crown billfish tournament series. The Triple Crown consists of three annual tournaments, in January, February and March each year, and is fished out of the world class Los Sueños Resort and Marina in Costa Rica. The dates for Leg III is March 22-25.

The dates for the 5<sup>th</sup> Annual Los Sueños Signature Triple Crown billfish tournament series in 2018 are January 17-20, February 28-March 3, and March 21-24.

#### **ABOUT LOS SUEÑOS RESORT AND MARINA**

Los Sueños Resort and Marina is the premier luxury real estate resort in Costa Rica. Nestled on the Central Pacific Coast, Los Sueños is an 1,100-acre oasis offering incredible ocean, rainforest and golf course view properties; a gorgeous waterfront Marina Village commercial area with restaurants, shops and lively entertainment; a large private beach club for residents; an 18-hole championship golf course; a superb 201-room Marriott Hotel; and much more - all within close proximity to world record-setting sport fishing waters. Information on Los Sueños Resort and Marina is available online at [www.lossuenos.com](http://www.lossuenos.com).

#### **ABOUT LOS SUEÑOS PROPERTIES**

There is no other team of real estate representatives that know the properties in Los Sueños better than the in-house Sales Team, comprised of Sandra Gutierrez, Alfredo Gutierrez and Todd Owens. If you are interested in looking at properties within the resort, we invite you to contact the Sales Team to ask about our current portfolio of inventory and previously owned properties. In the meantime, information on Los Sueños real estate properties is available online at [www.lossuenosproperties.com](http://www.lossuenosproperties.com). Call 2630-4020 to book your resort tour while at the resort.

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## 1<sup>st</sup> Place:

Boat Name:	<b>AGITATOR</b>
Make:	Scarborough
Model:	51
Captain:	Jon Duffie
Anglers:	Jonathan Duffie
	Judith Duffie
	Danny Gough
	Charles Gerlach





## 2<sup>nd</sup> Place:

Boat Name:	DEALERS CHOICE
Make:	VIKING
Model:	46
Captain:	Dan Scotti
Anglers:	Jerry Imperato
	Frank Bongiorno
	Pat "P.K." Kelly
	Mark McDeritt







### 3<sup>rd</sup> Place:

Boat Name:	<b>FIRST LIGHT</b>
Make:	<b>Eastbay Boatworks</b>
Model:	<b>38</b>
Captain:	<b>Corey Kennington</b>
Anglers:	<b>Jim Rodgers</b>
	<b>Donny Moore</b>
	<b>Gunnar Zorn</b>
	<b>Ernie Eckelrode</b>
	<b>Anthony Pino</b>





## Top Angler

Name	Thomas Jenkins
Boat	Outlaw
Sail	19
Marlin	1
Total	20







Scores Last Updated At Saturday, Feb 25, 2017 06:52 PM

#	Boat Name	S	M	Last Time	Day 1 Results	S	M	Last Time	Day 2 Results	S	M	Last Time	Day 3 Results	S	M	LEG II	LEG I	TOTAL
1	Agitator	19	0	3:06 PM	1900	18	0	3:48 PM	1800	23	0	3:31 PM	2300	60	0	6000	6500	12500
2	Dealers Choice	11	0	3:20 PM	1100	16	0	3:48 PM	1600	24	0	3:14 PM	2400	51	0	5100	5000	10100
3	First Light	14	0	4:03 PM	1400	12	1	3:24 PM	1700	15	1	3:47 PM	2000	41	2	5100	1300	6400
4	Big Oh	19	0	3:41 PM	1900	10	0	3:54 PM	1000	21	0	3:48 PM	2100	50	0	5000	6300	11300
5	Southern Pride	10	0	3:56 PM	1000	15	0	2:08 PM	1500	19	1	3:51 PM	2400	44	1	4900	3000	7900
6	Smooth Move	16	1	3:21 PM	2100	10	0	3:50 PM	1000	18	0	4:01 PM	1800	44	1	4900	3700	8600
7	Outlaw	16	0	3:42 PM	1600	13	1	3:55 PM	1800	13	0	3:34 PM	1300	42	1	4700	3000	7700
8	Singularis	13	1	3:57 PM	1800	6	1	4:03 PM	1100	17	0	3:57 PM	1700	36	2	4600	2300	6900
9	Dragin Fly	18	0	3:48 PM	1800	7	0	2:40 PM	700	21	0	3:59 PM	2100	46	0	4600	2300	6900
10	On Location	10	0	4:01 PM	1000	18	0	3:11 PM	1800	17	0	3:22 PM	1700	45	0	4500	6200	10700
11	Shoe	10	1	4:03 PM	1500	7	2	3:22 PM	1700	13	0	3:25 PM	1300	30	3	4500	3500	8000
12	Uno Mas	7	2	4:01 PM	1700	6	2	2:08 PM	1600	12	0	3:42 PM	1200	25	4	4500	1900	6400
13	Blue Eagle	11	2	2:53 PM	2100	10	1	3:57 PM	1500	8	0	2:32 PM	800	29	3	4400	4800	9200
14	Pescadora	11	0	3:38 PM	1100	14	0	3:31 PM	1400	14	1	3:24 PM	1900	39	1	4400	4900	9300
15	Rum Runner	10	0	3:21 PM	1000	4	2	2:55 PM	1400	20	0	3:50 PM	2000	34	2	4400	0	4400
16	Tarheel	16	0	3:00 PM	1600	12	0	3:38 PM	1200	11	1	4:01 PM	1600	39	1	4400	5300	9700
17	Jaruco	13	0	3:51 PM	1300	11	0	4:01 PM	1100	19	0	3:37 PM	1900	43	0	4300	3100	7400
18	Just B	11	0	3:13 PM	1100	13	0	3:17 PM	1300	18	0	3:55 PM	1800	42	0	4200	1200	5400
19	No Agenda	11	0	1:39 PM	1100	9	0	3:01 PM	900	22	0	3:56 PM	2200	42	0	4200	3600	7800
20	Team Galati	10	0	3:57 PM	1000	12	0	3:42 PM	1200	13	1	3:15 PM	1800	35	1	4000	2300	6300
21	Fish Tank	15	0	3:49 PM	1500	14	0	2:31 PM	1400	11	0	3:57 PM	1100	40	0	4000	5900	9900
22	Hooray	13	0	4:02 PM	1300	9	0	2:30 PM	900	6	2	1:35 PM	1600	28	2	3800	4000	7800
23	Reel Screamer	5	0	1:14 PM	500	9	2	12:41 PM	1900	7	1	3:46 PM	1200	21	3	3600	5900	9500
24	Marlin Darlin	6	0	3:21 PM	600	9	0	3:45 PM	900	5	3	2:15 PM	2000	20	3	3500	3300	6800
25	Fuujin	10	0	3:55 PM	1000	6	0	3:30 PM	600	18	0	3:56 PM	1800	34	0	3400	0	3400
26	Family and Friends	6	1	4:01 PM	1100	1	1	2:22 PM	600	15	0	3:48 PM	1500	22	2	3200	4500	7700
27	Pelese	10	0	3:43 PM	1000	7	0	3:58 PM	700	14	0	3:31 PM	1400	31	0	3100	4600	7700
28	Alpha Bravo	7	0	4:04 PM	700	6	0	2:24 PM	600	8	2	3:35 PM	1800	21	2	3100	6200	9300
29	Enjoy	13	0	2:46 PM	1300	6	0	3:52 PM	600	12	0	3:45 PM	1200	31	0	3100	6300	9400
30	Perfeita	11	0	3:04 PM	1100	9	0	3:52 PM	900	10	0	3:02 PM	1000	30	0	3000	1900	4900
31	Sea Fix	10	0	3:55 PM	1000	7	0	1:38 PM	700	13	0	3:40 PM	1300	30	0	3000	4200	7200
32	Xta Sea (on Reel Doc)	4	2	4:00 PM	1400	8	0	3:33 PM	800	7	0	2:48 PM	700	19	2	2900	6600	9500
33	Wire We Here	8	0	3:58 PM	800	11	0	2:17 PM	1100	10	0	3:58 PM	1000	29	0	2900	2500	5400
34	Caramba	13	0	2:24 PM	1300	8	0	3:31 PM	800	7	0	3:15 PM	700	28	0	2800	1900	4700
35	Sueltalo (on Angeles)	12	0	3:50 PM	1200	4	0	2:52 PM	400	7	1	3:42 PM	1200	23	1	2800	2100	4900
36	Tranquilo	10	0	3:34 PM	1000	8	0	3:20 PM	800	9	0	2:17 PM	900	27	0	2700	6200	8900
37	Off Duty	7	1	3:27 PM	1200	11	0	3:32 PM	1100	4	0	2:22 PM	400	22	1	2700	6100	8800
38	Pez Collector	5	0	2:09 PM	500	12	0	3:33 PM	1200	10	0	2:53 PM	1000	27	0	2700	3600	6300
39	Good Times	7	0	3:02 PM	700	9	0	2:49 PM	900	10	0	2:49 PM	1000	26	0	2600	1400	4000
40	Sea Fly	6	0	1:03 PM	600	9	1	3:34 PM	1400	5	0	12:29 PM	500	20	1	2500	0	2500
41	Plan B	11	0	3:10 PM	1100	5	0	3:02 PM	500	9	0	3:30 PM	900	25	0	2500	3300	5800
42	Morgasm	6	0	3:47 PM	600	8	0	4:00 PM	800	11	0	3:37 PM	1100	25	0	2500	3900	6400
43	Fionna	4	0	2:00 PM	400	4	0	3:46 PM	400	11	1	3:05 PM	1600	19	1	2400	1200	3600
44	Mjoliner	4	0	3:17 PM	400	4	0	3:10 PM	400	16	0	4:04 PM	1600	24	0	2400	4100	6500
45	Spanish Fly	12	0	4:02 PM	1200	4	0	3:42 PM	400	8	0	2:56 PM	800	24	0	2400	2300	4700

46	Sea Angel	8	0	2:57 PM	800	6	0	3:51 PM	600	10	0	3:57 PM	1000	24	0	<b>2400</b>	<b>3800</b>	<b>6200</b>
47	Reinas de Costa (on Geaux Fly)	9	0	3:16 PM	900	7	0	4:02 PM	700	2	1	1:11 PM	700	18	1	<b>2300</b>	<b>1200</b>	<b>3500</b>
48	Gunsmoke	5	0	3:56 PM	500	3	2	3:08 PM	1300	5	0	3:30 PM	500	13	2	<b>2300</b>	<b>2100</b>	<b>4400</b>
49	Bob Along	3	0	3:08 PM	300	10	0	3:26 PM	1000	9	0	3:37 PM	900	22	0	<b>2200</b>	<b>1500</b>	<b>3700</b>
50	Numero Uno	5	0	3:53 PM	500	3	0	1:56 PM	300	12	0	2:51 PM	1200	20	0	<b>2000</b>	<b>2300</b>	<b>4300</b>
51	Da Sea	8	0	3:14 PM	800	4	0	1:48 PM	400	8	0	3:17 PM	800	20	0	<b>2000</b>	<b>3300</b>	<b>5300</b>
52	Big Deal	9	0	3:34 PM	900	2	0	3:27 PM	200	1	0	9:19 AM	100	12	0	<b>1200</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1200</b>
		<b>518</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>529</b>		<b>446</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>462</b>		<b>628</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>644</b>		<b>1592</b>	<b>43</b>	<b>1635</b>		