# Welcome to the MSBA Annual Derby The Derby is open to all current MSBA members. Please read below for specifics rules, details and dates for the derby as well as for "special tournaments" held throughout the year in addition to the derby.

### A note from the Derby Chairman

## The derby is run from May 1st through Nov. 30th

(Please note the "Special Tournament" categories for selected species and effective dates below)

The fish must be weighed on a certified scale at any of a number of local tackle shops and an official weigh slip, provided by the Derby Chairperson at the monthly meetings or downloaded from this website must be filled out by the weigh station and must be postmarked and mailed to the chair **within 7 days** from date of catch. Emailed entries must be within 7 days from date of catch as well.

Striped Bass is CPR only & must be 35+ inches long to be counted, except fly rod Striped Bass, which is the current state legal length.

Catch-Photograph-Release "CPR" category: Fish must be measured from the tip of the lower jaw to the furthest tip of the fish. The picture must be clear and display the entire fish, plus the legible measuring device lying **flat** next to the fish. No more than 4 inches of any part of the ruler can be covered by fins. No girth measurement is required. Round up the overall length to the nearest ½ inch. In the event of a tie, weigh slip submission will determine the overall placement of a fish in the standings.

The categories for the tournament are as follows: Men's, women's and juniors, longest striper surf, longest striper boat, bluefish surf, bluefish boat. Longest Bluefish. There is also Kayak division with the same categories.

Longest combined bluefish and bass(Woll award), CPR longest bass (Bob Pond Award), CPR longest 3 bass combined(your longest entry per month)(Stetzko Award), Longest Bass caught by senior (Cherico award), Largest combined bluefish and striper fly rod( Stoloff award), longest CPR Fly Rod Bass, longest CPR Fly Rod Bluefish will all be recognized.

Recognition given out each month for the largest of each species, at the meeting.

Beautiful plaques and trophies are awarded at the end of the season at our annual awards banquet.

# **Special Tournament Dates**

May 1 - 31	Flounder	current state legal length
June 1 - 30	Flounder	current state legal length
August 1 - 31	Bluefish	current state legal length

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please be sure to fill out your weight slips **COMPLETELY** before sending them in. If any information is missing, like the type of fish, boat or surf caught etc, it could change the final standings and may result in you not getting the full credit you deserve...

\*\*CPR entries – check your Pictures, if you can't read the length clearly, ruler is not flat next to fish, or a given area of the ruler has more than 4 inches covered by fins the entry will be disqualified.\*\*

## CHECK YOUR WEIGH SLIPS & PICTURES BEFORE SUBMITTING THEM

## Acceptable Entry



Not Acceptable



Good luck and tight lines this derby season from the derby committee.