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### **SECOND LEG OF THE 2009 LOS SUEÑOS SIGNATURE BILLFISH SERIES LITERALLY BLOWS THE MARLIN OUT OF THE WATER**

If the number of releases in Leg I (January 21-24, 2009) was impressive, then the action during Leg II (February 25-28, 2009) was out of this world. Forty-four teams released an outrageous 172 sails and get this...391 marlin! Nearly twice as many marlin as sailfish were caught and released. A fact that astounding nearly every angler, mate, captain, sponsor and bystander watching the competition unfold and listening to the tournament channel while marlin after marlin was called in.

#### **DAY 1**

Again, the weather could not have been more beautiful as anglers returned to continue the battle for top honors during the second and final leg of the 2009 Los Sueños Signature Billfish Series, presented by Viking Yachts. Going into DAY 1, *Clean Sweep* was the surefire favorite, after having leaped ahead of the pack back in January with 5500 points, 1400 points ahead of the runners up, *Da Bait* and *Super Fly* who ended leg I tied with 4100 points each. Going into the series championship, it was still anyone's game. Or so we thought. Right out of the gates, *Let it Ride* landed 5000 points by 10 am on DAY 1! By the end of the day, there wasn't one person participating in or watching the tournament that wasn't ready to bow down and worship the marlin gods aboard *Let it Ride*. In one day they released 18 marlin and shot to the top with 9000 points! *D Flawless* came in second with an impressive 6500 points after releasing 5 sails and 12 marlin. Finally, *Cerveza* and *Game On* tied for third, each with 4300 points. Was this a telltale sign of how the leader board would look come DAY 3?

#### **DAY 2**

It seemed that the dynamics might be changing during DAY 3. By noon, *D Flawless* had fought their way to 8500 points, with a two-day combined total of 5 sails and 16 marlin. *Let it Ride*, although still in first place at the time with 9500 points for the 19 marlin they released, was starting to feel the pressure. *Spanish Fly*, no stranger to center stage during previous Signature Series tournaments, had moved into third place with 5800 points. At the end of DAY 2 though, *Let it Ride* remained in first with 9600 points after adding a sailfish release to their scorecard. *D Flawless*



secured a commendable second place with 5 sails and 17 marlin for 9000 points. *Spanish Fly* and *Clean Sweep* were the runners up going into the third and final day of leg II, tied with 6300 points each.

### DAY 3

The atmosphere was tense going into DAY 3. *Let it Ride* was in the running not only for first place in Leg II, but also for the esteemed title of Series Champion. But the pressure was on. *Clean Sweep's* consistent fishing was endangering their series title and *D Flawless* was battling hard to snatch away the top spot for Leg II. By 2 pm though, it seemed that fate had taken over. *Let it Ride* found yet another field of marlin and soared to 10,600 points, and by 4 pm they had secured their place at the top of the leader board for Leg II with 11,100 points after releasing 1 sail and an incredible 22 marlin. Unfortunately for *Let it Ride*, but very fortunately for *Clean Sweep*, they came in just 400 points under *Clean Sweep* in the Series Championship. *D Flawless* ended Leg II with 5 sail and 18 marlin releases for 9500 points, followed by *Game On* with 8 sails and 17 marlin for 9300 points.

### AWARDS

Over 500 people gathered at the Los Sueños Beach Club Saturday evening to celebrate the remarkable accomplishment of the winning teams and see them receive a combined cash total of \$166,000.

1 <sup>st</sup> -	Let it Ride: <b>\$58,000</b>
2 <sup>nd</sup> -	D Flawless: <b>\$34,800</b>
3 <sup>rd</sup> -	Game On: <b>\$23,200</b>

Series Champion- Clean Sweep: **\$50,000**, sponsored by Los Sueños Resort and Marina

Trophies by Gray Taxidermy

Other prizes and awards by:

Rick Bogert- framed prints of this year's tournament art

Vanmark, Inc.- gold pendants

Costa del Mar- sunglasses for winning anglers

La Casa del Habano- humidors and Cuban cigars

Interational Yacht Service- \$1500 gift certificate towards service and maintenance

Caterpillar- \$2000 gift certificate towards service and maintenance through Matra

Dockwise Yacht Transport- \$8500 gift certificate towards trip on Dockwise

Flor de Caña- aged Rum



#### TOP ANGLER

For the first time ever in the history of the Signature Series, the Top Angler was decided on by time. James Kontos aboard the Let it Ride released his last fish just minutes before Richard Lebo, aboard Spanish Fly. Both anglers attained remarkable personal totals of 5100 points, after releasing 10 marlin and 1 sail each. Congratulations James!

#### 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, committee members, Los Sueños staff and of course, our sponsors (in alphabetical order): Aero Bell, BLP Abogados, Blue Water Chairs, Caterpillar/ Ransome Engine/ Johnson Power Systems/ Gregory Poole, Costa del Mar, Costa Rica Dreams, Costa Rica Luxury, Dockwise, Durman, Eco Voom, Flor de Caña, Gray Taxidermy, Inc., HMY, IGFA, IK Yacht Design, International Yacht Service, La Casa del Habano, Landon Marine, Marriott, Motores Britanicos, MTU/Tractomotriz, Northern Lights/Luggar, Patron Tequila, Rick Bogert, Scotiabank, Stewart Title, Tropical Clothing/Global Energy, Vanmark, Inc., Viking Yachts, WBS. For more on our sponsors, please visit [www.LStournaments.com](http://www.LStournaments.com).

#### WBS SANCTIONED EVENT

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#### IGFA SANCTIONED EVENT

The winners from the January and February Los Sueños tournaments will be eligible to compete in the 2009 IGFA Grand Championship to be held in Cabo San Lucas, Mexico May 10-15, 2009. For further information, please visit [www.igfaoffshorechampionship.com](http://www.igfaoffshorechampionship.com).

#### LOS SUEÑOS SIGNATURE BILLFISH SERIES

Entries for the second leg of the 2009 Signature Series, February 25-28, are now being accepted via the official series website, [www.LStournaments.com](http://www.LStournaments.com).

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Information on Los Sueños Resort and Marina is available online at [www.lsr.com](http://www.lsr.com).

FINAL RESULTS, DAILY FISH TOTALS AND DETAILED INFORMATION FOR THE WINNING TEAMS ATTACHED.



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

Boat Name:	<b>LET IT RIDE</b>	Home Port:	Fair Haven, NJ
Make:	Viking		
Model:	68	Engines:	Detroit
Year:	2006		

<b>FEBRUARY</b>	<b>First Name</b>	<b>Last Name</b>	<b>State / Province</b>
<b>Captain:</b>	Tom	McConloughe	NJ
<b>Angler 1:</b>	Arthur	Kontos	NJ
<b>Angler 2:</b>	Jeremy	Warren	CA
<b>Angler 3:</b>	James	Kontos	NJ





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

Boat Name:	<b>D FLAWLESS</b>	Home Port:	Los Sueños
Make:	Contender		
Model:	33	Engines:	
Year:	2007		

<b>FEBRUARY</b>	<b>First Name</b>	<b>Last Name</b>	<b>State / Province</b>
<b>Captain:</b>	Jeff	Dry	Puntarenas
<b>Angler 1:</b>	Paul	Vartanian	NY
<b>Angler 2:</b>	Nichan	Vartanian	NY
<b>Angler 3:</b>	Pat	Pendergast	FL
<b>Angler 4:</b>	James	Quinn	NY





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

Boat Name:	<b>GAME ON</b>	Home Port:	George Town, Cayman Islands
Make:	Viking		
Model:	61	Engines:	2x 12V2000 / 1485 MTU
Year:	2004		

<b>FEBRUARY</b>	First Name	Last Name	State / Province
<b>Captain:</b>	Tony	Carrizosa	FL
<b>Angler 1:</b>	Bob	Hixson	TX
<b>Angler 2:</b>	Pat	Healey	NJ
<b>Angler 3:</b>	Don	Gemmel	FL
<b>Angler 4:</b>	Drew	McDowell	FL
<b>Angler 5:</b>	Carmine	Galati	FL





### Series Champion

Boat Name:	<b>CLEAN SWEEP</b>	Home Port:	Los Sueños
Make:	Jersey Cape		
Model:	36	Engines:	CAT
Year:	2005		

<b>FEBRUARY</b>	<b>First Name</b>	<b>Last Name</b>	<b>State / Province</b>
<b>Captain:</b>	Christian		Puntarenas
<b>Angler 1:</b>	Andrew	Shapiro	NJ
<b>Angler 2:</b>	Mark	Christopher	NJ
<b>Angler 3:</b>	Jordon	Hammell	NJ
<b>Angler 4:</b>	Jim	Wallace	NJ



**2009 Los Sueños Signature Billfish Series: Tournament Scores**

**Tournament II - February 25-28, 2009**

**DAY 3, Official Scores Report**

	Boat Name	S	M	Last Time	DAY 1 Results	S	M	Last Time	DAY 2 Results	S	M	Last Time	2nd Last Time	DAY 3 Results	S	M	TOTAL
1	Let it Ride		18	3:45 PM	9000	1	1	3:57 PM	600		3	2:37 PM		1500	1	22	11100
2	D Flawless	5	12	3:54 PM	6500		5	12:20 PM	2500		1	1:20 PM		500	5	18	9500
3	Game On	3	8	3:40 PM	4300	1	3	3:32 PM	1600	4	6	3:36 PM		3400	8	17	9300
4	Clean Sweep	5	4	3:44 PM	2500	3	7	3:23 PM	3800		5	2:58 PM		2500	8	16	8800
5	High Hook	5	1	2:18 PM	1000	1	5	3:18 PM	2600		10	2:59 PM		5000	6	16	8600
6	Penguin	4	4	3:55 PM	2400	2	4	1:47 PM	2200	3	7	2:43 PM		3800	9	15	8400
7	Spanish Fly	3	7	3:30 PM	3800		5	12:34 PM	2500	1	4	2:59 PM		2100	4	16	8400
8	Corveza	3	8	3:05 PM	4300	2	2	11:03 AM	1200	1	3	12:51 PM		1600	6	13	7100
9	Lady Columbo	2	4	3:11 PM	2200	2	5	3:07 PM	2700		2	1:46 PM		1000	4	11	5900
10	Dragin Fly	5	6	2:00 PM	3500	1	2	10:01 AM	1100	4	1	12:41 PM		900	10	9	5500
11	The Bite	2	3	2:14 PM	1700		3	2:42 PM	1500	8	3	2:10 PM		2300	10	9	5500
12	Prime Time	4	4	1:40 PM	2400	2		11:14 AM	200	4	5	4:06 PM		2900	10	9	5500
13	Super Fly	1	3	3:45 PM	1600	1	5	3:28 PM	2600		2	1:31 PM		1000	2	10	5200
14	Drum Roll	1	6	4:22 PM	3100	2	3	1:56 PM	1700	2		12:53 PM		200	5	9	5000
15	Sweet Dreams	3		11:22 AM	300	2	5	3:27 PM	2700		4	3:19 PM		2000	5	9	5000
16	Run Runner	2	4	1:49 PM	2200	1	5	2:07 PM	2600					0	3	9	4800
17	Family and Friends	3	3	3:09 PM	1800	2	2	2:27 PM	1000		4	3:16 PM		2000	3	9	4800
18	Tico Time Dos	3	3	4:01 PM	1800		3	9:46 AM	1500		3	3:29 PM		1500	3	9	4800
19	Fish Whistle	2	3	1:58 PM	1700		5	2:25 PM	2500		1	8:57 AM		500	2	9	4700
20	Reel Retirement	1	8	1:48 PM	4100		1	1:58 PM	500					0	1	9	4600
21	Gringo Honeymoon		5	4:12 PM	2500		2	2:44 PM	1000	1	2	11:21 AM		1100	1	9	4600
22	Penny Perfect	3	1	3:40 PM	800	1	2	11:16 AM	1100	2	5	3:15 PM		2700	6	8	4600
23	Gotcha	2	3	2:25 PM	1700	1	4	2:31 PM	2100	3	1	3:29 PM		800	6	8	4600
24	Hattaboy	3	3	1:35 PM	1800	1	2	12:50 PM	1100		3	1:15 PM		1500	4	8	4400
25	Hook	2	5	3:38 PM	2700		2	2:59 PM	1000		1	1:49 PM		500	2	8	4200
26	Emotional Rescue	1	4	3:11 PM	2100		3	2:10 PM	1500	1	1	2:34 PM		600	2	8	4200
27	Uno Mas	1	2	1:41 PM	1100		1	1:57 PM	500		5	3:28 PM		2500	1	8	4100
28	Da Bait	2	3	2:51 PM	1700	2	3	4:02 PM	1700		1	2:52 PM		500	4	7	3900
29	After You	1	4	3:32 PM	2100		2	10:27 AM	1000	1	1	3:45 PM		600	2	7	3700
30	Team Bayliss	1	3	3:28 PM	1600		3	2:44 PM	1500		1	2:57 PM		500	1	7	3600
31	Miss Behavin				0		5	2:27 PM	2500		2	3:20 PM		1000	0	7	3500
32	R & J	3	1	4:06 PM	800		3	3:00 PM	1500	1	2	2:16 PM		1100	4	6	3400
33	Ashley Nicole	4	1	12:47 PM	900		1	3:47 PM	500		4	3:40 PM		2000	4	6	3400
34	Dealer's Choice	2	4	3:50 PM	2200	1	1	11:10 AM	600		1	1:20 PM		500	3	6	3300
35	Mainline		1	2:37 PM	500	2	1	3:45 PM	700	2	3	3:58 PM		1700	4	5	2900
36	Sea Angel	2	3	3:57 PM	1700	1	1	11:51 AM	600		1	9:34 AM		500	3	5	2800
37	Predator	2	2	3:40 PM	1200	1	1	3:42 PM	600		2	3:34 PM		1000	3	5	2800
38	Desperado	1	2	3:36 PM	1100		2	8:27 AM	1000	1	1	11:30 AM		600	2	5	2700
39	Big Daddy's Hat		3	4:55 PM	1500	1		10:04 AM	100		2	1:07 PM		1000	1	5	2600
40	Miss Judy	5	1	2:30 PM	1000		3	3:17 PM	1500					0	5	4	2500
41	Xta Sea III	1	1	1:35 PM	600	1	2	12:06 PM	1100		1	9:56 AM		500	2	4	2200
42	Carolina Magic	2		9:20 AM	200		3	1:45 PM	1500		1	1:05 PM		500	2	4	2200
43	Hot Rod		1	1:20 PM	500	2	2	4:03 PM	1200		1	2:00 PM		500	2	4	2200
44	Tuna Bite	1	3	1:56 PM	1600	1		8:14 AM	100		1	10:06 AM		100	3	3	1800
		<b>96</b>	<b>165</b>			<b>36</b>	<b>120</b>			<b>40</b>	<b>106</b>			<b>172</b>	<b>391</b>		
		<b>261</b>				<b>156</b>				<b>146</b>				<b>563</b>			

**2009 Los Sueños Signature Billfish Series: Series Scores**

	<b>Boat Name</b>	<b>January</b>	<b>February</b>	<b>Last Time</b>	<b>2nd Last Time</b>	<b>Total</b>
1	Clean Sweep	5500	8800	2:58 PM		<b>14300</b>
2	Let it Ride	2800	11100	2:37 PM		<b>13900</b>
3	Game On	2800	9300	3:36 PM		<b>12100</b>
4	Spanish Fly	3500	8400	2:59 PM		<b>11900</b>
5	Penguin	2200	8400	2:43 PM		<b>10600</b>
6	High Hook	1700	8600	2:59 PM		<b>10300</b>
7	Cerveza	3100	7100	12:51 PM		<b>10200</b>
8	Super Fly	4100	5200	1:31 PM		<b>9300</b>
9	The Bite	2900	5500	2:10 PM		<b>8400</b>
10	Dragin Fly	2700	5500	12:41 PM		<b>8200</b>
11	Da Bait	4100	3900	2:52 PM		<b>8000</b>
12	Rum Runner	2900	4800			<b>7700</b>
13	Lady Columbo	1600	5900	1:46 PM		<b>7500</b>
14	Prime Time	2000	5500	4:06 PM		<b>7500</b>
15	Drum Roll	2400	5000	12:53 PM		<b>7400</b>
16	Hook	3100	4200	1:49 PM		<b>7300</b>
17	Family and Friends	2500	4800	3:16 PM		<b>7300</b>
18	Dealer's Choice	3800	3300	1:20 PM		<b>7100</b>
19	Hattaboy	2600	4400	1:15 PM		<b>7000</b>
20	Gringo Honeymoon	2300	4600	11:21 PM		<b>6900</b>
21	Penny Perfect	2200	4600	3:15 PM		<b>6800</b>
22	Reel Retirement	1900	4600			<b>6500</b>
23	Uno Mas	2300	4100	3:28 PM		<b>6400</b>
24	Emotional Rescue	1600	4200	2:34 PM		<b>5800</b>
25	Sweet Dreams	800	5000	3:19 PM		<b>5800</b>
26	Miss Behavin	2300	3500	3:20 PM		<b>5800</b>
27	Tico Time Dos	900	4800	3:29 PM	10:48 AM	<b>5700</b>
28	Gotcha	1100	4600	3:29 PM	1:26 PM	<b>5700</b>
29	Fish Whistle	900	4700	8:57PM		<b>5600</b>
30	Team Bayliss	1700	3600	2:57 PM		<b>5300</b>
31	Desperado	2500	2700	11:30 PM		<b>5200</b>
32	Ashley Nicole	1500	3400	3:40 PM		<b>4900</b>
33	Mainline	2000	2900	3:58 PM		<b>4900</b>
34	Xta Sea III	2500	2200	9:56 AM		<b>4700</b>
35	Sea Angel	1800	2800	9:34 AM		<b>4600</b>
36	R & J	800	3400	2:16 PM		<b>4200</b>
37	Miss Judy	1400	2500			<b>3900</b>
38	Tuna Bite	2100	1800	10:06 AM		<b>3900</b>
39	Big Daddy's Hat	1300	2600	1:07 PM		<b>3900</b>
40	After You	200	3700	3:45 PM		<b>3900</b>
41	Predator	1000	2800	3:34 PM		<b>3800</b>
42	Carolina Magic	1300	2200	1:05 PM		<b>3500</b>