



## TEAMMARLAGO.COM ENJOYS SPRING TOURNAMENT SUCCESS

John Smith of TeamMarlago.com capitalized on his 2007 Marlago's speed and maneuverability to earn third place in the prestigious Boater's World Southern Kingfish Association (SKA) tournament held recently in John's Pass near Treasure Island.

Smith, a professional angler and owner of Treasure Island Marine (TIM) in St. Petersburg, Flor., credits his 35-foot Marlago Center Console and his fishing partner and TIM service employee, Riley Turner, with help nailing the 35.5 lbs. king mackerel. The prize in combination with two, third place Calcuttas landed the pair a weekend total of \$5,800.

"We charged in close to the beach off the Tampa Bay Shipping Channel before most of the other 40 go-fast boats that were all fishing the same .5 square mile spot," recalls Smith of the April 28 – 29 tournament. "Riley maneuvered the Marlago and cleared the lines while I fought the fish. It's hard to chase down a fish that's running at 50 mph with 40 boats in the way, but we did it!"

One week later, the aggressive Marlago dealer participated in The King of the Beach tournament held at Madeira Beach, Florida. At the one-day event held May 5, Smith again scored big; only this time he hit the jackpot with a 24.74 lbs. king mackerel that secured 25<sup>th</sup> place. With 330 boats vying for a top prize of \$18,000, the fun of winning the lucky "last" position is that it is *really* second prize.

Smith reports with a laugh, "Not only did we load up the Marlago's fish boxes with the mackerel, eight grouper and a bluefin tuna, we won a 14-foot Twin Vee Catamaran with a 40 H Mercury engine and trailer worth about \$14,000!"

As a professional angler in combination with Smith's commitment to Marlago, he has developed a fishing organization called Team Marlago. Marlago owners are invited to join the group to hone their fishing expertise.

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