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## The Tackle Box OPENING DAY WEEKEND TROUT TOURNAMENT

The Tackle Box will be holding its first Trout Tournament on the weekend of April 8 and 9.

“There will be over \$200 in prizes,” said **Tom Giddings**, Tackle Box owner.

For adults there will be 1st and 2nd prize winners.

1st place is a \$50 gift certificate and hard cover trout book.

2nd place is a \$25 gift certificate and box of lures.

In the kids division (under 14), the first place winner will receive a graphic fishing rod and a \$10 gift certificate, and the second place winner will get an all-in-one compact fishing rod and tackle box (with some tackle).

The entry fee is \$10 for adults and kids 14 and over. Children under 14 are free.

Registration runs from April 1 through April 7.

Fish must be weighed in at The Tackle Box no later than 6:00 PM on Sunday, April 8.

To register, or to get more information, contact Tom at The Tackle Box, 443 West Shore Road, Warwick, RI or give him a call at 401-736-0605

## Best products for 2017 selected at Sports Show

Fishing tackle retailers from across the country voted for their favorite new outdoor products at the Big Rock Sports Show in Raleigh, NC recently. The New Product Showcase, sponsored by Fishing Tackle Retainer magazine featured 227 products in 19 categories.

The **Slammer III Spinning Reel** by Penn took home top prize of best fishing/camping/marine product.



**Penn Slammer III**

Other selected winners were:

- Best Freshwater Reel: Shimano Sahara Spinnig
- Best Saltwater Reel: Penn Slammer III Spinning
- Best Fishing Rod: Lew's MACH Speed Stick 1M6
- Best Terminal Tackle: Gamakatsu Big Cat Circle Hook
- Best Freshwater Lure: Lunkerhunt Link
- Best Saltwater Lure: Westin Coco the Crab
- Best Line: Daiwa J-Braid4 Carrier
- Best Fishing Accessory: Cobra Garage Door Storage Rack
- Best Combo: Lew's MACH II Baitcast Combo
- Best Marine Product: Humminbird Helix 10 CHIRP MEGA SI GPS
- Best Beach/Camping/Outdoor: Calcutta Renegade Cooler

## IGFA Announces Observer Training Course in Connecticut

**Fish with the best crews in the world at top-notch resorts in Florida, the Caribbean, and Central America.**

**FREE  
Continental  
Breakfast  
8:30 - 9:00**

**When: June 17, 2017  
9:00 am to 1:00 pm**

**Where: Westbrook Elks Club  
142 Seaside Ave., Westbrook, CT 06498**

### Hosted By:

**New England Salt Water Fishing Club and the International Game Fish Tournament Observers ([www.igfto.org](http://www.igfto.org))**

### Program Conducted By:

**International Game Fish Association ([www.igfa.org](http://www.igfa.org))**

**Cost: \$150 per participant (includes 1-year membership in the IGFA)**

### Applications and More Information:

**[www.igfa.org/Educate/Observer-Training.aspx](http://www.igfa.org/Educate/Observer-Training.aspx)**

**Email [jvitek@igfa.org](mailto:jvitek@igfa.org)**

**Phone 954-924-4246**



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