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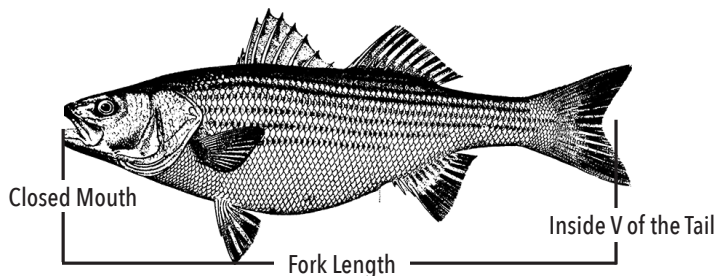
You must be a CURRENT NCGASA MEMBER in order to PARTICIPATE in this Derby. This event is for NCGASA MEMBERS ONLY. Contact [aferguson@ncgasa.org](mailto:aferguson@ncgasa.org) to check membership. Payout amounts are based on 150 minimum Adult Entrants.

**FISHING HOURS:** APRIL 18 & 19 from 5am to 4pm • **WEIGH-INS:** from 2:30pm to 4pm  
**RAFFLE PRIZES and AWARDS START** after the weigh-ins

**WHERE:** Colusa-Sacramento River State Recreation at 50 Tenth St. Colusa, CA 95932

**ENTRIES include:** BBQ Lunch from Cool Hand Luke's Steakhouse, Water, and \$20 in Raffle Tickets

**Fishing boundaries: Discovery Park Ramp to Ord Bend Ramp on Sacramento River and from Discovery Park ramp to Live Oak Rock Dam on the Feather River.**



- All entrants must be entered by Thursday, April 16 by midnight. Derby event dates are April 18 & 19 starting at 5am and closing at 4pm. Sign up and register at [NCGASA.org](http://NCGASA.org). Registration fees per day will cover the entry into the event including annual 2026 annual membership to NCGASA, BBQ lunch, \$20 raffle tickets, and stickers. There is a Youth division for under 13 years old on EACH DAY of the event for three winners closest to slot size. Derby fees are listed on website. Ramp Launch fees are NOT INCLUDED with registration. Fishing event hours are only on April 18 & 19 from 5am to 4pm. All entries must be in line for weigh-in before 4pm. One minute late is an automatic disqualification.
- Payouts will be as followed for STRIPED BASS ONLY. 1st place \$1,500, 2nd place \$1,000, 3rd place \$500, 4th place \$250, 5th place \$100, Big Fish payout \$250, Blind Bogey \$150 – Youth payout: 1st place \$250, 2nd place \$150, 3rd place \$100. All payments will be a written check from NCGASA. Prizes based on 150 minimum adult entrants and subject to change. Participants can pick up an official NCGASA ruler on Friday, April 17 from 5pm to 6:30pm at Colusa Ramp or before event start on Saturday, April 18 at Colusa Ramp from 4:30am to 5:15am. One ruler per boat.
- All people on a Derby vessel must be registered for the Derby. For example: If there are four people in a boat, they all must be registered in the Derby. 2-3 people CANNOT fish as a team for one person. Any cheating on this will be a forfeiture of all monies paid for entrants on that vessel. Only exception is licensed guides do not have to be entered. Any licensed guide entered in the Derby must be a current member of NCGASA to avoid paying derby entry fee.
- The boundaries of the 2026 Striper Derby are Discovery Park Ramp to Ord Bend Ramp on Sacramento River and from Discovery Park ramp to Live Oak Rock Dam on Feather River. All derby waters are off-limits at Friday, April 17 at Sunset until 4:30am when you can launch your boat on Saturday, April 18. You are not allowed to be on the water before 4:30am on Derby event days for April 18 & 19. If anyone sees you on the water before 4:30am, besides launched at the dock, you are automatically disqualified. Fishing event hours are ONLY from 5am to 4pm on event days.
- The Derby will officially draw the slot limit each day at approximately 4:45am LIVE on FACEBOOK. Entrants will be given a rank by 1/16" according to your place for each day winner and entrants fishing both days will be combined for a 2-day winner. All slot fish, blind bogey fish, Junior division fish, and any fish that must be brought to the weigh-in must be MALE FISH ONLY and will be cut open if necessary. However, one division of this derby is a catch and release big fish which the sex of the fish does not matter because it requires it to be released. All big fish must be measured on an official NCGASA ruler and display card given the morning of the derby. More information on fish measurement cutoffs prior to the derby, meaning only certain fish will score towards next day. The board will have a qualifier of 3" over and under from the slot size. All fish will be measured to the 1/16" up to 3" from target. (Example: 24.5" TARGET= qualifier 21.5" to 27.5") All fish above 3" from the target regardless of size will score 4" for the day. The closest entrant after 2 days combined shortest length will win. Big Fish will require video and pictures on rulers and evidence of release.
- Fishing hours are from 5am to 4pm and all entrants must be in line for weigh-in before 4pm. One minute late is an automatic disqualification. Weigh-in takes place at City of Colusa Public Ramp at 50 Tenth St. Colusa and weigh-in starts at 2:30pm and finishes by 4pm. All awards and raffle will start after weigh-in is complete. Lunch will be served from 1:30pm to 4:30pm. You must show up at one of three ramps to check in and get an NCGASA board if wanting to participate in Catch & Release part of Derby. BIG FISH over 30" fork will not be accepted at the weigh-in. You may use any legal technique to fish for striped bass.
- Measuring device and scale will be provided by the NCGASA Board of Directors and used for all the same fish. Upon an exact tie in length with 3 Board of Directors confirming a tie. The winner will be decided by combined weight. All fish within 3" of the target length will be weighed. Biggest weight would take 1st and losing entrant takes 2nd. Upon a 3rd, 4th, or 5th place tie we will take the same direction. All disputes will be solved by NCGASA Board of Directors present at event.
- Slot Length of a fish is measured from the tip of nose (closed mouth) to the FORK in the tail. NOTE: the winning fish WILL NOT be measured on total length. Measure your fish from the tip of nose to the inside fork of the fanned tail. The tail will be fanned opened, and it will be measured center to its longest point with the fanned tail open. We have provided a picture on this flyer.
- All derby monies and proceeds go to help fight to save our fisheries and wildlife in Northern, CA. Specifically we are working to build a Fisheries Management Plan for Striped Bass. NCGASA is a 501 (c)3 non-profit organization, and all donations are 100% tax write off. Tax ID # 680294956
- All entrants and people helping with derby understand the risks involved with fishing and boating on rivers and are required to follow all CA department of boating and waterways procedures and California Department of Fish and Wildlife rules. All entrants must carry all boating safety equipment on their own vessels. All fish must be caught in the mouth and landed legally by hand or net. All Derby fish must be taken to the Colusa Public Ramp for weigh-in and measuring location between 2:30pm to 4pm. Winners will be subject to Polygraph Test and Local Police investigation upon any form of foul play or cheating determined by the NCGASA Board of Directors. Derby participants understand and are responsible for all the risks to participate in this event.
- All entrants must follow all local, state, and federal laws in this Derby. All CDFW laws are required to be followed.
- Entrants can ONLY WEIGH ONE FISH each day for the main slot category including blind bogey category. The big fish category is catch and release only and will not be accepted at the weigh-in. Entrant can check in only one fish max per person per day. An entrant would qualify for both prizes.
- If a TOP 3 PLACE entrant is a client on a guide boat that is being guided that day, then that guide will receive a bonus of \$1,000. Again, this bonus only qualifies if that person was on a paid guided trip (receipt and confirmation required). Friends fishing together with a guide does not qualify. Guide must be in their normal river boat with logbook filled out upon request. Based on 150 paid entrants. Under 150 entrants, guides will receive a \$500 bonus. Only one guide bonus per day.
- NCGASA reserves the right to possibly have emergency rule changes if deemed necessary by the NCGASA Board of Directors. Please make sure that you check the NCGASA Facebook page before the start of the derby or any changes to the rules will be announced at that time.
- TWO DAYS / TWO EVENTS with Grand Champion from both days receives \$2,000 bonus if 150 entrants each day or \$1,000 if under 150 entrants.

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