

2010 RESULTS
FLORIDA BILLFISH MASTERS TOURNAMENT

UPTIGHT WINS TIGHT RACE
13 boats chase \$78,000 in prize money

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Captain **Neil Orange Sr.**, skippered his 65 ft. Viking, "**Uptight**", to a solid finish winning the 10th edition of the Florida Billfish Masters Tournament. Saturday morning 13 of south Florida's premier sailfishers spread out, as far as Port Everglades to the north and Ocean Reef to the south, facing stiff west winds pushing dirty green water miles offshore. Under these tough conditions, "**High Standards**" released the first sail at 8:04 am. It took over an hour to record the next release for the "Fish Tales" on what would prove to be the slowest sailfish bite ever experienced by a Miami tournament fleet with just 16 releases on the day.

The fleet was swarmed with little tunny bites further complicating the quest for billfish. "**Wound Up**" captained by **John Louie Dudas** managed to catch two fish for his angler **Janice Sands** just 10 minutes apart to take the lead. High Standard tied it up 30 minutes later followed by releases from "**Tagline**", "**Uptight**", "**Freedom-Team American**", and "**Weez In The Keys**". The 4 pm call for lines out found "**Sandman**" with captain **Neil Orange Jr.** at the helm releasing the final fish of the day. In all six boats were tied on time with two releases apiece and "High Standards" ending a grueling day on the water with three fish.



Day two dawned as blustery as the first day with pea green water still reaching far offshore. The bite started as slow as it had ended with the first fish coming 38 minutes after the 8am start. Amazingly, it was "**Sandman**" who ended with the last fish of day one starting day two with a double followed by "**Wound Up**" with a single an hour later, tying them both with "**High Standard**" for the lead. But at 11am "**Uptight**" broke to the front releasing four fish, enough to keep them ahead of a triple by "**Wound Up**", and three more by "**Team American**" and "**Sandman**". A total of 27 billfish were released on the day.

"**Uptight**" was top daily boat (\$12960) with 6 releases, Team American added four more to end up with 5, perennial top seeded "**Wound Up**" got three for a total of 4 and "**Advanced Roofing**" added four to the day.

"**Uptight**" was presented a check for \$25,960 at the awards bar-b-que at Monty's restaurant; with second place team "**Wound Up**" taking home \$21,973 and third place "**Sandman**" custom cast sailfish trophies. In all 42 sailfish were released and "**Wound Up**" remains in first place in the **Contender Libertad Challenge** with 28 releases and one tournament to go, the **Yamaha Miami Billfish Tournament**.

Grand Champion	Uptight	7 Rel.	\$25960
2nd Place	Wound Up	6 Rel.	\$21973
3rd	Sandman	6 Rel.	
4th	Team American	6 Rel.	\$11240
5th	High Standards	5 Rel.	\$17293
MASTER ANGLER	5 Rel	Janice Sands	
TOP LADY ANGLER	5 Rel	Janice Sands	