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STAR Tournament: Blue Skies and Blue Tags!

Twenty-three year old Ellen Stacy of San Antonio, is officially the latest winner in the CCA Texas STAR next Blue Tag Division!

Stacy: "I've been fishing with my dad in Rockport my whole life. I was in town for the day and he took me to this spot that he swears by even though the heavy rains seemed to slow the bite the last few days. He's been fishing the CCA Star Tournament for years and has both seen and heard of people not registering then catching a fish and being unable to enter it so he insisted my sister, girlfriend, and I all register before going out. We hadn't caught anything of keeping size all morning, it was hot, and we were supposed to be leaving soon, so I took a single shrimp to a corner that I had a good feeling about and threw my line in. Within two casts, I had a bite and knew it was a big Red immediately. I was excited enough to just have caught my first keeper of the day, but when I landed the fish, I saw the blue tag and started yelling "It has a tag! I got a tag!" We always make the most of even short trips out together, but this takes that to another level. So grateful my dad took me out and we got to share this experience!"



We also now have our second winner in the Texas Ford Dealers Red Tag Division! Heath Henderson of Spring Branch, caught his new Ford F-150, 23' Haynie boat, Mercury motor, and Coastline trailer while fishing in the Upper Laguna Madre with Captain Adam Doelle. Many STAR anglers try to 'call their shot' when it comes to catching a tagged red. When the rest of the group was unable to attend the second day of fishing, Heath went out on a solo trip with Captain Doelle. Telling him and the anglers unable to make it, that he was going out to catch his tagged redfish. Well, Heath did exactly that with both Captain Doelle and the other anglers with them the day before.



Don't forget, you can still register for the STAR Tournament anytime! There are still 13 boats, 3 trucks, 4 Polaris Rangers, and \$295,000 in scholarships up for grabs this summer! Adult entry is only \$25 with their \$35 CCA membership, and youth anglers' ages 6-17 fish STAR FREE with a \$10 membership. Sign up at www.startournament.org, calling 713-626-4222, or visiting any of our weigh stations!

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