

THE CHUM LINE

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DATES TO REMEMBER

June 6th: FSC Monthly Meeting, VFW, 7:00 pm. Swap & Shop.

Guest Speaker, Capt. Billy Hunsicker, of Endless Summer

Charters, St. Augustine. See page 6.

June 10th: FREE Club Guys & Gals Tournament. See page 10.

June 17th: Club Bottom Fishing Tournament - Full and has a wait list.

June 26th: Directors Meeting, Realty Exchange, 7:00 p.m.

July 11th: FSC Monthly Meeting, VFW, 7:00 p.m. Ice Cream Social.

July 15th: FSC Kids Clinic. See page 2.

The Closing of Atlantic Snook:

The season is closed in Atlantic waters from June 1st - August 31st.



Please welcome the new officers and directors as they take over their duties in our Club. Take some time out from your schedule to get to know them better. You will find them easy to get along with and they bring some new knowledge and expertise to the organization. The new additions are a great compliment to the existing team already in place, and we are fortunate that we continue to have people step up who are dedicated to working to make your Club better. We are as always looking for additional help to make this Club better so if you have some extra time and want to get involved let us know.

Make sure you look further on in the Chum Line for sign up information for the Guys N Gals Tournament and the Club Bottom Trip. Both events are a couple of our most popular fun events so make sure you sign up at the Club meeting on June 6th. If you need some fishing gear for either event, check out the Swap & Shop at the June 6th meeting for some real bargains.

Finally, as we are starting our planning for 2018, we are soliciting ideas for activities and events. Got an idea you would like us to consider? Bring it on!

See you all on the water.

Wow!!! What a month for the club! The weigh slip boxes were stuffed with lots of great catches and 2 tournaments --- Spring Classic & our first Surf Tournament added 125 catches this month!!! Congratulations C.J. Johnston for a new club record - 54 pound Kingfish, and we had an amazing run on Bluefish! The fish weights on the yearlong tournament charts are pounds and ounces. Example 2-13 is a 2 pound 13 ounce fish.

For the first time this year, we are posting the top 3 Leaders for each Species using our new point system. Thank you for your patience while we worked through these new systems. As always...any questions...please let me know! Data is as of 05/15/17. Rita Waddell, Weigh Master

Yearlong Tournament Leaders as of 5/15/2017						
Overall		Ladies		Men's		
Andrew Puskas	43	Dana Syens	82	Andrew Puskas	54	
Dana Syens	37	Mary Elliot	55	Mike Ringberg	35	
Mary Elliot	35	Ana Pagliro	55	Michael Soto	33	
Mike Ringberg	35	Lisa Moravec	28	Aby Moghanaki	33	
Shane Stover	31	Scheyenne Welch	16	Shane Stover	31	

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June Fishing Forecast by Captain Jim Britton

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Offshore anglers, willing to brave the heat, finally have several species to choose from again! Bottom fishermen will be able to target grouper, vermillion snapper, and black sea bass (which open June 1st). Reports from local wrecks and reefs look promising for these species. Nice sized flounder should also compete for baits dropped down to these same areas. Trolling lures or ballyhoo along weed lines will produce nice numbers of dolphin this month. In the absence of weed lines, try to locate flotsam or a congregation of birds.

Nearshore waters will still be holding bait pods. The usual suspects, cobia, king-fish, sharks, and tarpon, should be lurking below the bait – ready to attack anything resembling an injured pogie. Fishing from the pier or the surf, during June, will yield bluefish, flounder, pompano, and whiting.

Inshore anglers will see a continued increase in the amount of sea trout available. The best bite will be pre-dawn and early morning. On higher tides work grassy edges with your favorite topwater or subsurface plug. When the water is lower search drop-offs or under docks by drifting a live shrimp or small baitfish for these trout. If redfish is your target, fish around oyster bars during periods of high water, and try fishing the banks of the ICW when the tide drops out. With kids getting out of school, June is a good month for targeting ladyfish and jacks also. While these fish are not good table fare, they can be a lot of fun, and can be caught from shore or in a boat.



FLAGLER SPORTFISHING CLUB

Is Sponsoring the 8th Annual Free KIDS CLINIC

July 15, 2017 From 9:00 am to 12 Noon At Bings Landing



All children ages 5 through 15, along with a parent, are invited to attend.



FREE Rods and Reels To The First 200 Kids



The Flagler Sportfishing Club along with the Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission, Fish Florida and volunteers will be conducting a program of six skill stations which will teach the participant about

•Knot Tying •Casting •Conservation •Habitat •Proper Fish Handling •How to Throw a Cast Net

After attending all six stations, each participant will receive a Good Angler award.

The Flagler County Fire Department will be conducting a Kid's Safety Seminar.

The Flagler Sportfishing Club will be giving away rods and reels to the first 200 kids completing all skills.

Each participant is asked to donate a nonperishable food item that will go to the Food Pantry in Bunnell.



For more information or to volunteer to help, call Capt. Mike Vickers at 386-569-9674 or email him at captainmikesfishing@vahoo.com

Flagler Sportfishing Club's 21st Annuial Spring Classic Tournament Held April 22, 2017

The 21st Annual Spring Classic tournament was a huge success again this year. Part of the proceeds will be going to The Family Life Center a private not-for-profit social service organization located in Flagler County providing no-cost services to families experiencing Domestic Violence.

There were 106 anglers competing for over \$8,000 in Cash Prizes and Merchandise. The winners in each species were as follows:

<u>Flounder</u>		<u>Red Fish</u>		<u>Trout</u>	
1st - Scott Knudson	1.55 lbs.	Nolan Cauley	6.50 lbs.	Dallas Moore	2.70 lbs.
2 nd - Nolan Cauley	1.45 lbs.	Michael Vassallo	6.30 lbs.	Dallas Moore	2.55 lbs.
3 rd - Dusty Banks	1.35 lbs.	Jason Phillips	5.85 lbs.	Dallas Moore	2.30 lbs.
4th - Kara Dorsten	1.30 lbs.	Norm Manley	5.75 lbs.	Wyatt Moore	2.20 lbs.

Flagler Slam (4 species total weight - flounder, trout, red fish & a black drum) - Not Won

Boat # drawing replaced Flagler Slam - Walt & Ellen Huresky

Member Spots Contest - Jeffrey Lademann - 4 Spots

Winner in the Junior Angler Division: Nicholas Pandich – 3.85 lbs. Red Fish

A silent auction, raffles and 50/50 also contributed to the money raised for The Family Life Center.

We appreciated the helpers from The Family Life Center at both the Captains Meeting and the weigh-in.

We would like to thank all of the people on our tournament committee, all of the board members and club members that stepped up to help in all aspects of the tournament from getting sponsors, distributing posters, helping out at the Captain's Meeting and of course on tournament day.

It takes a lot of people to accomplish this each year and without our volunteers we could not have pulled it off.

A very sincere thank you to all that participated in this our 21st Annual Spring Classic Tournament and to the sponsors that continue to donate.

Chuck Radloff & Mike Crotts - Chairman

Spring Classic Captain's Meeting - April 21st



Tournament Chairs, Chuck Radloff and Mike Crotts, with Family Life reps. Mel and Nicole.



The 21st Spring Classic Tournament Captains Meeting, Tortugas, Flagler Beach



Walt Huresky with new member David Cribb at Captains Meeting



Carol Carter displays the 21st Spring Classic Tournament Shirt



Weigh Master Rita Waddell goes over rules at the Captains Meeting



Joey Cortese was the lucky winner of the 50/50 at the Captains Meeting



FLOUNDER WINNERS (L to R): Scott Knudson 1st, Nolan Cauley 2nd, Dusty Banks 3rd, Kara Dorsten 4th



TROUT WINNERS - Dallas Moore, 1st, 2nd, and 3rd; Wyatt Moore, 4th.



6.50 lb., 2nd Michael Vassallo 6.30 lb., 3rd Jason Phillips 5.85 lb., Andy Block for 4th Place Norm Manley 5.75 lb.

Our sincere thanks to **Chuck Radloff** and Mike Crotts for Chairing this important Tournament.



Count the Spots Winner, new Club member Jeffrey Lademann with 4 Spots.



Michael Vassallo 2nd Place, 6.30 lb. Redfish



Norm Manley, 4th Place 5.75 lb. Redfish



Scott Knudson, 1st Place 1.55 lb. Founder



Josh Breeding - 1.95 lb. Trout and 5.20 lb. Red and Kicen Gardner - 4.25 lb. Red



Ryan Dorsten and Kara Dorsten with her 1.30 lb. 4th Place Flounder



Raffle winner, Chuck Zinzow, with



Thanks Lisa Moravec for selling raffle coupons for the Engel Cooler of Joy!



Joey Cortese won the 50/50 at the Weigh In AND the Capts. Meeting!!!



Nice turnout and great Tournament.



Hank Waddell was happy to win



a gift certificate to Palm Coast Marina. son Nicholas for his catch in their kayak.



Scott Cornelius won this rod and reel donated by the Fishin' Shack

Sherwin Williams provided these blue buckets to anglers for the Tournament.

Flagler Sportfishing Club Year Long Species Leaders						
	Species 1st Place		3rd Place			
Amberjack	Shane Stover - 10	Lisa Moravec - 9	Tom Moravec - 5			
Black Drum	Brad Kayholm - 15	Rick Kayholm - 10	Aby Moghanaki- 3			
Bluefish	Ron Gorney - 11	Michael Goodman - 10	Donald Lampton - 9			
Cobia	Mike Ringberg - 10					
Croaker						
Dolphin	Bruce Bachman Jr - 14	Shane Stover - 6	Tom Moravec - 5			
Flounder	Aby Moghanaki - 10	Ana Pagliro - 10	Mike Crotts - 5			
Grouper						
King Mackerel	CJ Johnston - 10					
Mangrove Snapper	Mary Elliot - 25	Michael Soto - 5				
Pompano (Am)	Mike Ringberg - 17	Andrew Block - 7	Aby Moghanaki - 6			
Porgy	Andrew Puskas - 12	Dana Syens - 10	Lisa Moravec - 5			
Redfish	Ron Gorney - 10	Aby Moghanaki - 6	Andrew Puskas - 5			
Sea Bass	Dana Syens - 10	Joaquinn Ruela - 6				
Sheepshead	Tim Miller - 24	Joaquinn Ruela - 6				
Snapper (Other)	Mary Elliot - 10					
Snook						
Spanish Mackerel						
Triggerfish	Andrew Puskas - 17	Dana Syens - 13				
Trout	Brad Kayholm - 10	Johathan Shulas - 6	Daniel St. Hilaire - 5			
Tuna/Bonita	Gene Morrow - 10	Shane Stover - 9	William Bachman - 5			
Wahoo	CJ Johnston - 15	Shane Stover - 6				
Whiting	Ron Stark - 18	Mike Ringberg - 8	Aby Moghanaki - 4			
Final as of date	Web Site: www.fcsportfishing.com					
5/15/2017						

LADIES YEARLONG STANDINGS

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Species	First Place 10 Pts	Second Place 6 Pts	Third Place 5 Pts	Fourth Place 4 Pt	Fifth Place 3 Pts	Sixth Place 2 Pts
Amberjack	Lisa Moravec 32-4	Lisa Moravec 20-9				
Black Drum	Scheyenne Welch 6-0	Mary Elliot 3-4	Mary Elliot 2-14	Mary Elliot 2-13	Mary Elliot 2-11	Mary Elliot 2-6
Bluefish	Ana Pagliro 1-15	Sue McCarthy 1-8	Ana Pagliro 1-4			
Cobia						
Croaker						
Dolphin						
Flounder	Ana Pagliro 2-6	Ana Pagliro 2-0	Carol Webb 1-11	Ana Pagliro 1-5	Kara Dorsten 1-5	Ana Pagliro 1-2
Grouper						
King Mackerel						
Pompano(Florida)	Ellen Scheurer 1-7					
Porgy	Dana Syens 3-12	Lisa Moravec 2-15	Dana Syens 2-13	Dana Syens 2-5	Dana Syens 1-13	
Redfish	Maria Lopez 7-4	Maria Lopez 6-12	Dana Syens 6-2	Maria Lopez 6-2	Lisa Moravec 6-1	Pat Gleichmann 6-1
Sea Bass	Dana Syens 1-8					
Sheepshead						
Snapper, Mangrove	Mary Elliot 2-15	Mary Elliot 2-4	Mary Elliot 1-15	Mary Elliot 1-8		
Snapper, Other	Mary Elliot 1-7					
Snapper, Red						
Snook						
Spanish Mackerel						
Spotted Seatrout	Ana Pagliro 3-1	Scheyenne Welch 1-4				
Trigger	Dana Syens 5-2	Dana Syens 4-1	Dana Syens 3-11	Dana Syens 3-8	Dana Syens 2-10	Dana Syens 2-9
Tuna/Bonita	Dana Syens 6-2					
Wahoo						
Whiting	Claire McIntire 1-1					

	MI	ENS STANDIN	GS - YEAR LO	NG TOURNA	MENT	
Species	First Place 10 Pts	Second Place 6 Pts	Third Place 5 Pts	Fourth Place 4 Pts	Fifth Place 3 Pts	Sixth Place 2 Pts
Amberjack	Shane Stover 36-2	Thomas Moravec 28-9	C.J. Johnston 23-1			
Black Drum	Rick Kayholm 42-0	Brad Kayholm 40-6	Brad Kayholm 39-12	Brad Kayholm 38-10	Abdollah Moghanaki 9-10	Bill Moore 5-15
Bluefish	Michael Goodman 14-8	Ronald Gorney 12-8	Donald Lampton 12-0	Donald Lampton 11-3	Ronald Gorney 11-3	Ronald Gorney 10-14
Cobia	Mike Ringberg 33-12					
Croaker						
Dolphin	Bruce Bachman Jr. 36-14	Shane Stover 21-2	Thomas Moravec 17-8	Wayne Elliot Jr 17-5	Bruce Bachman Jr. 14-10	Wayne Elliot Jr 13-7
Flounder	Abdollah Moghanaki 4-2	Mike Crotts 2-4	Scott Knudsen 1-9	Jim Sheehan 1-8	Dusty Banks 1-6	Bill Moore 1-1
Grouper						
King Mackerel	C.J. Johnston 54-0					
Pompano(Florida)	Mike Ringberg 3-8	Abdollah Moghanaki 3-3	Mike Ringberg 3-1	Andrew Block 2-13	Andrew Block 2-6	Mike Ringberg 2-6
Porgy	Andrew Puskas 4-2	Thomas Moravec 2-11	Andrew Puskas 2-10	Andrew Puskas 2-5		
Redfish	Ronald Gorney 9-0	Andy Shultz 7-4	Abdollah Moghanaki 7-2	Andrew Puskas 6-6	Abdollah Moghanaki 6-0	Chuck Gleichmann 5-13
Sea Bass	Joaquinn Ruela 1-2					
Sheepshead	Tim Miller 9-1	Joaquinn Ruela 6-13	Tim Miller 5-13	Tim Miller 5-11	Tim Miller 5-4	Tim Miller 5-3
Snapper, Mangrove	Wayne Elliot Jr 4-11	Wayne Elliot Jr 3-12	Wayne Elliot Jr 3-8	Wayne Elliot Jr 3-6	Wayne Elliot Jr 2-15	Wayne Elliot Jr 2-3
Snapper, Other	Wayne Elliot Jr 0-14					
Snapper, Red						
Snook						
Spanish Mackerel						
Spotted Seatrout	Brad Kayholm 7-8	Jonathan Shulas 6-1	Daniel St. Hilaire 4-10	Brian Genk 4-0	Michael Soto 3-8	Bill Moore 2-14
Trigger	Andrew Puskas 7-15	Andrew Puskas 3-14	Andrew Puskas 3-13			
Tuna/Bonita	Gene Morrow 34-13	Shane Stover 32-6	William Bachman 14-10	Andrew Puskas 14-5	Shane Stover 14-2	Bruce Bachman 14-1
Wahoo	C.J. Johnston 38-14	Shane Stover 35-4	C.J. Johnston 22-4			
Whiting	Ronald Stark 2-6	Ronald Stark 2-2	Mike Ringberg 1-12	Abdollah Moghanaki 1-9	Mike Ringberg 1-9	Ronald Stark 1-8

MENS AND LADIES STANDINGS YEAR LONG TOURNAMENT

Species	First Place 10 Pts	Second Place 6 Pts	Third Place 5 Pts	Fourth Place 4 Pts	Fifth Place 3 Pts	Sixth Place 2 Pts
Amberjack	Shane Stover 36-2	Lisa Moravec 32-4	Thomas Moravec 28-9	C.J. Johnston 23-1	Lisa Moravec 20-9	
Black Drum	Rick Kayholm 42-0	Brad Kayholm 40-6	Brad Kayholm 39-12	Brad Kayholm 38-10	Abdollah Moghanaki 9-10	Scheyenne Welch 6-0
Bluefish	Michael Goodman 14-8	Ronald Gorney 12-8	Donald Lampton 12-0	Donald Lampton 11-3	Ronald Gorney 11-3	Ronald Gorney 10-14
Cobia	Mike Ringberg 33-12					
Croaker						
Dolphin	Bruce Bachman Jr. 36-14	Shane Stover 21-2	Thomas Moravec 17-8	Wayne Elliot Jr. 17-5	Bruce Bachman Jr. 14-10	Wayne Elliot Jr. 13-7
Flounder	Abdollah Moghanaki 4-2	Ana Pagliro 2-6	Mike Crotts 2-4	Ana Pagliro 2-0	Carol Webb 1-11	Scott Knudsen 1-9
Grouper						
King Mackerel	C.J. Johnston 54-0					
Pompano(Florida)	Mike Ringberg 3-8	Abdollah Moghanaki 3-3	Mike Ringberg 3-1	Andrew Block 2-13	Andrew Block 2-6	Mike Ringberg 2-6
Porgy	Andrew Puskas 4-2	Dana Syens 3-12	Lisa Moravec 2-15	Dana Syens 2-13	Thomas Moravec 2-11	Andrew Puskas 2-10
Redfish	Ronald Gorney 9-0	Andy Shultz 7-4	Maria Lopez 7-4	Abdollah Moghanaki 7-2	Maria Lopez 6-12	Andrew Puskas 6-6
Sea Bass	Dana Syens 1-8	Joaquinn Ruela 1-2				
Sheepshead	Tim Miller 9-1	Joaquinn Ruela 6-13	Tim Miller 5-13	Tim Miller 5-11	Tim Miller 5-4	Tim Miller 5-3
Snapper, Mangrove	Wayne Elliot Jr. 4-11	Wayne Elliot Jr. 3-12	Wayne Elliot Jr. 3-8	Wayne Elliot Jr. 3-6	Mary Elliot 2-15	Wayne Elliot Jr. 2-15
Snapper, Other	Mary Elliot 1-7	Wayne Elliot Jr. 0-14				
Snapper, Red						
Snook						
Spanish Mackerel						
Spotted Seatrout	Brad Kayholm 7-8	Jonathan Shulas 6-1	Daniel St.Hilaire 4-10	Brian Genk 4-0	Michael Soto 3-8	Ana Pagliro 3-1
Trigger	Andrew Puskas 7-15	Dana Syens 5-2	Dana Syens 4-1	Andrew Puskas 3-14	Andrew Puskas 3-13	Dana Syens 3-11
Tuna/Bonita	Gene Morrow 34-13	Shane Stover 32-6	William Bachman 14-10	Andrew Puskas 14-5	Shane Stover 14-2	Bruce Bachman 14-1
Wahoo	C.J. Johnston 38-14	Shane Stover 35-4	C.J. Johnston 22-4			
Whiting	Ronald Stark 2-6	Ronald Stark 2-2	Mike Ringberg 1-12	Abdollah Moghanaki 1-9	Mike Ringberg 1-9	Ronald Stark 1-8

June 6th Guest Speaker is Captain "Billy" Hunsicker. Billy is one of the captains with **Endless Summer Charters** based in St. Augustine that has been in business for twenty years with two generations of captains still fishing, including Captain Billy. Captain Billy is thirty-five years old and has had is captains licence since he was seventeen. He is currently starting his eighteenth year of running a charter boat and loves every day at work. Captain Billy has broken thirteen world records and is on the Sunshine Network's Florida Fishing Report.

Congratulations to Captain Billy Hunsicker and his mate Captain Brian Holloway aboard the **Endless Summer II.** They are this year's winners of the Conch House Marina's 6th Annual Mahi Madness Tournament. Their two fish aggregate of 65.56 lbs was plenty to put them on top of the leader board. They also placed second in the Biggest Tuna Calcutta, losing first by only about 2 lbs, and second in the Biggest Mahi Calcutta, losing first by a mere 6 oz.'s. You don't want to miss this meeting!!!

Club Meeting Minutes 05-02-17

7:00 – 7:30 PM: Captain CJ Johnston – Quick Tips on Catching Kingfish

Pledge of Allegiance: Led by Dean Roberts

Treasurer's Report: Gary Fisher said we had an incredible Spring Tournament and that Chuck Radloff and Mike Crotts did a great job in running it. The benefactor of this tournament will be The Family Life Center in Bunnell. Our budget is on track, memberships are coming along and at this time we have between 215-220 members. Gary apologized to the people who received second dues notices, when they had paid their dues already, that is the way the system works. He said income is lagging on the 50/50 drawings, the club tournaments are free to the members and if you don't fish them, you won't get any of the prize monies they pay out. He said expenses should be at \$10,873.00 and right now they are at \$10,288.16. Chris Davy added that the club brings in money but we spend a lot on expenses for our various activities. Weigh Master Report: Rita Waddell, said it has been a great month, last month, and it should also be good this month for our Year Long Tournaments. The weigh slips were picked up on the 11th of the month for April and they are usually picked up by the 14th or the 15th. Ellen & Rita will be getting together to formulate the points and how to show them on the standings in the Chum Line. The latest update of the Year Long Tournaments will be in the May edition of the Chum Line and you can also check results on the members only website, if you have registered on there. If you don't see your name in the results, let Rita know and always hold onto your yellow weigh in tickets.

Welcome visitors and new members: We had 9 visitors or new members in attendance.

Elections: Bill May told everyone to make sure that they vote. Chris told everyone that your dues must be paid up to date for your vote to be counted. The ballots were qualified and counted at the break and the results were: Weighmaster-Rita Waddell, Sergeant At Arms - Pat Gleichmann, Vice President- Dana Syens, President- Chuck Gleichmann. Congratulations to all our newly elected officers and much appreciation and thanks to the outgoing officers for their service to the club.

Surf Tournament: Jeff Rafter said the tournament will be held on May 13th, fishing will start at 6 AM-2 PM, weigh in at Bings Landing from 1-2 PM. Species and prize amounts along with other info is on the flyer in the May issue of the Chum Line.

Bottom Trip: Tim Miller told us that this trip will be on the Sea Spirit out of Ponce Inlet on Saturday, June 17th, drawing for places at the back of the boat will be at 6:30 AM; boat leaves at 7 AM returning at 4:30 PM, there will be a Calcutta for this tournament. More info on jackpots, species of fish eligible and directions can be found on the flyer in the May issue of the Chum Line. Braided line cannot be used.

Spring Tournament Wrap Up: Chuck Radloff said there were 106 anglers fishing this event, we made money for The Family Life Center, they had 2 people there to help us out also. We will determine the amount that The Family Life Center gets at the May Director's meeting. Chuck appreci-

ates all the people who volunteered to help with this tournament and if anyone wants to step up to run this tournament next year, please do so.

Speakers: Being that the surf tournament is on May 13th, the speakers for tonight are Andy Block, Oscar Best and Jeff Rafter. Andy - spoke about strategy - look at your reels and fill them as high as they can go. Look at your shock leader and line and make sure there are no nicks or abrasions and use sharp hooks with no rust on them. Don't be lazy or anxious. For bluefish or redfish, use cut up bait. He makes up bluefish rigs using 80 lb test and he gets 3-4 outings with this rig. Use a double dropper - you don't have to untie the hook to replace it. For pompano, use a 40 lb test rig with a double dropper. If you can't get your bait out to the sandbar, cut off some of the hooks. For baits use fresh, use cut up mullet, spots, clams, crab, fish bites and shrimp. Don't use shrimp on the pompano rig if there are blues around. He works three rods with a 3-4 ounce sputnick, the sputnick doesn't twist your line. Jeff makes them and you can buy them from him. Bring a ton of rigs with you. Oscar – spoke about equipment - He passed around a sputnick and a double dropper rig. You need many baits for different fish. Pompano and whiting use shrimp and clam, for Redfish, they also like mullet. When using crab, use ½ or ¼ of the crab using bite size pieces, remove the claws and legs of the crab and cut it horizontally, then you just have the underside of the crab that is fist sized, cut down where the pieces are like a knuckle and it will stay on your hook longer. For equipment, he uses a 12' rod, with a 525 Penn reel, you can use a conventional or a spinner reel. The conventional gets a few more yards out of it. Fish close to inlets for trout and flounder, fish in really high surf with clam for black drum. He uses 4-5 rods, three with cut bait, cast a short distance in close for flounder and sea trout. Jeff -He uses 12-13 ft rods and enjoys both conventional and spinner reels. Use thin line for a long cast and fill the spinner up to the top with line. He mentioned that one of the raffle prizes will be a surf rod made by Florida Surf Rod Builders. Make a plan ahead of time and find out what has been caught recently. Come up with target fish for this tournament, like bluefish or redfish to win the heaviest fish category. Know what is the historical pattern, where they are running out of. Know the tide, the wind speeds, the moon phase the day you will be fishing. Jeff offered to set up a workshop to tie rigs if anyone is interested. Use a high impact reel, fish in a near shore slough, if you can't throw out a long way. Jeff explained what ghost thread is and it is used to tie clams on your hook. He said a steel hook will rust out and a stainless steel will not. Shortest rod to use is 9' and longest is 13'. Remember, you can always cast a long foot rod short but cannot cast a short foot rod long. Size the hook to the fish you are trying to catch and use circle hooks. You can find Quahog clams at a seafood store. Whomever wins the rod being raffled off, Jeff will give that person a casting lesson. When taking your rigs to the beach, secure them with a twist tie or put them in a plastic ziplock bag, and make them up to fit the size of your rod, for a long rod, 4 feet long is good. Great presentation by these surf fishermen!

50/50 Winner: There was no 50/50 raffle tonight.

Meeting adjorned at 9:12 PM



Flagler Sportfishing Club 2017 Spring Surf Tournament Results

The weather report for Saturday called for prolonged west winds with thunder storms looming for the early afternoon. Despite the lack of surf due to days of west winds we had a large angler turnout on the beach. Of the 59 folks that signed up to fish clearly most made their way to the sand and many carried coolers to the weigh in

Rita Waddell, our weigh master started the weigh in promptly at 1300 with several club members standing in line awaiting her signal. She concluded at 1400 with the last member arriving just seven minutes before the 1400 end time. An estimated twenty members weighed in fish. The results were: 1st place largest fish went to Bill May with his 2.1 lb. Black Drum (\$100), 2nd place Ron Gorney with a 1.95 lb. Bluefish (\$75), 3rd place Tim Miller with another Bluefish of 1.9 lbs. (\$50) and lastly in 4th place was Derris Ledin with a 1.75 lb. Black Drum (\$25). In the greatest number of species division 1st through 4th place each arrived with three species and each had a Bluefish and a Whiting. The placing 1st to 4th was determined by earliest time to weigh in. They were 1st David Genk who had a Pompano as well as the other two species (\$100), 2nd was Johnny Johns who weighed in the same three species as David (\$75), and 3rd was Bob Watkins who presented a Flounder plus the

Spring Surf Tournament Continued:

others (\$50) and 4th was Norm Manley who had a Black Drum to go with the aforementioned two species (\$25). Gene Van Dorpe won the \$25 bonus prize for largest Pompano, which weighed in at 1.65 lbs and was caught on Gene's special homemade yellow - skirted rig. Well done to all those who fished and to all those who attended the after party. We had about 50 members who kept a weather eye out for storm activity but were rewarded with good eats and fellowship. Lunch consisted of our FSFC favorite sandwiches from Walmart arranged for by Dean Roberts, and for desert we enjoyed ample portions of Peach Cobbler prepared and served by Jeanne Rafter.

The weather held off until the site was just vacated.

Raffle winners were: Irene Hutchinson for the \$25 participation drawing, Walt Huresky for the 50/50 with \$50 going to the club and \$55 going to Walt. The winning number for the Florida Surf Angler 12', \$300 surf rod was held by Brett Strom. Brett was not present for the drawing but when later contacted by phone was plenty excited. First consolation prize of a \$50 gift certificate from the Fishin'Shack, a club sponsor, went to Andy Block. The remaining consolation prizes of dropper rig & lead combinations, cutesy signs and a minature rose bush were claimed by Walt Huresky, Dana Syens, Chuck Zinzow (twice), Mike Crotts, Andy Block, Merie Klink, twice by Carol Carter and a couple of others I cannot recall.

The tournament was deemed a successful club outing. The next surf tournament is scheduled for 7 October,



Bill May 1st in Heaviest Fish Catagory with a 2.1 lb Black Drum



Jeff Rafter congratulates Bob Watkins on taking 3rd in Most Species category.



Awesome sign! Congrats Carol Carter on your raffle win.



David Genk 2nd and Johnny Johns 1st Most Species - both with 3 species.



Derris Ledin and Sue McCarthy - Derris took 4th in Heaviest Fish category.



Gene Van Dorpe brought in the heaviest Pompano weighing in at 1.65 lbs.



Tim Miller 3rd in Heaviest Fish category with this 1.9 Bluefish



Ron Gorney took 2nd in the Heaviest Fish category with one of these Blues weighing in at 1.95 lbs.



Thank you Jeff for running a great event and Jeanne for your Peach Cobbler

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FREE CLUB ANNUAL GUYS AND GALS FISHING TOURNAMENT

(Free to Junior Anglers 12 and Under)

Saturday, June 10th - Weigh In at Herschel King from 2:00-3:00 p.m.

† Fish From Anywhere - No Boat Required - Fishing Starts at 7:00 a.m.

† Weigh In By Team - Two Anglers Per Team - A Guy and a Gal or Kid (Either Gender)

†Same sex team must have one member in drag

† Both Team Members Weighing Fish Must Come to Weigh In

SPECIES: FLOUNDER - REDFISH - TROUT - BLUES - WHITING

\$650.00 Total Payouts

BIG FISH		TEAM MOST WEIGHTS		BONUS AWARDS	
Second Place	\$125.00 \$75.00 \$50.00	(Single Angler Ha First Place Second Place	\$125.00 \$75.00	 Red with Most Spots \$50.00 Team Award for Most Creative Outfit (Optional) 	
	\$25.00	Third Place Fourth Place	\$50.00 \$25.00	\$50.00 (You can win only one prize with the	
				Exception of Most Creative Outfit. Tie goes to first weighed in.)	



Raffles
Including \$25.00
Show Up Raffle



Music by Tim Lamb Of Flagler Beach 50/50

FOOD TO BE ANNOUNCED

Water will be provided.

Don't forget to let us know you are coming only to the weigh in so that we will have enough

FREE TO CLUB MEMBERS

- GUESTS: \$20.00 FISHING DONATION EACH, PAID IN ADVANCE, AND MUST FISH WITH A MEMBER.
- IF YOU ARE COMING TO THE WEIGH IN ONLY, YOU WILL ALSO NEED TO SIGN UP SO ENOUGH FOOD AND WATER CAN BE PURCHASED.
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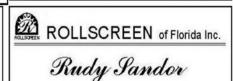
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