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THE CHUM LINE



SAVE THE DATES

November 14th - Monthly Meeting, VFW, 7:00 PM. War of the Wings, see page 6. Quick Tips, "Tying a Cleat Hitch to Secure your Boat" and Guest Speaker on "Boating: Hurricane Update and Safety Experience on the Water" by Norm Manley, see page 2.

November 18th - FREE Club Flounder & Redfish Tournament, see page 7.

November 27th - Board of Directors Meeting, 7:00 PM, Realty Exchange

December - No Monthly Meeting

December 02nd - *Annual Holiday Party*, see page 11.



FROM THE HELM

November 2017

Even though 2017 is winding down there are some club great activities ahead. The Flounder, Redfish Tournament is one of our most popular events and closes out our fishing events for the year. On the social scene don't forget our Holiday Party in December that is second to none. Check further on in the Chum Line for more information.

Competition within the Yearlong Tournaments also heats up as the year closes and the fishing improves. There is always a surprise finish and the standings get a major shake up in November and December, so stay tuned on that front. No one has a lock on a jacket or trophy as yet so keep fishing. Rumor has it that we will have a red snapper season this year on the east coast, and I hope the information will be out there by the time you read this. Offshore anglers keep an eye on this one! Finally, our 2018 planning and budgeting is almost complete. We have some new events planned and expect to offer a packed agenda of events and activities next year. There is still time to tweak 2018, so now is the time to let anyone on the board know of any new ideas or wants for next year. The water is still high and there is still debris in the water, so please be safe out there!

Tight Lines. Chuck

Saturday, October 14, 2017 brought us beautiful clear, blue skies for our Annual 'Gone Fishing' Club Picnic. After a big threat of rain, the weatherman smiled on us and not a drop spoiled our day! We had 126 members and guests in attendance who provided great appetizers, side dishes & desserts to compliment the BBQ Chicken, Ribs & Sausage. The Casting, Horse Shoe & Corn Hole contests were lots of fun with prizes like a Manley rod, Bait Buckets and a Popcorn Bucket. Thank you to all the members for their support of the raffle items --- we gave away a Manley rod, 2 Engel soft-sided Coolers, Engel Mugs, Gift Cards from our sponsors & local vendors, Club Bait towels & lots of fishing tools! We also supported Gratitude America with a Silent Auction and Cooler of Joy! I cannot thank enough everyone on the board who pitched in to help, whether it was to carry tables, set up or tear down, serve food, sell raffle and 50/50 tickets or run a contest. You really helped make this a special day. Thank you...Thank you...Thank you!!! Hope everyone had as great a day as I did....Rita

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November Fishing Forecast

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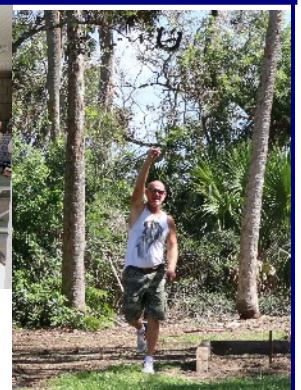
I want to start this forecast by hoping that everyone has recovered from the recent visit from Irma and her friends. This being said, I would also like to caution all anglers about the amount of floating and submerged debris. This debris will be a potential hazard for all anglers whether from shore or a boat. If you are a boat angler please remain cognizant of your wake and the potential to create further damage while our tides are still high. Some of this debris may create new habitat for the fish, as well. On to the forecast!

Offshore anglers will find plenty of hungry bottom fish this month. Dropping squid or frozen sardines down to the wrecks and reefs, in less than 80 feet of water should yield some nice grouper and sea bass. For larger bottom fish – beef up the tackle and drop down live bait, such as pinfish or mullet. Red grouper should start to stack up in areas with patchy hard bottom in more than 100 feet of water, also. On nice days between the windy fronts, a trip to the ledge may prove to be well worth the time. Trolling in November should be hot for yellowfin tuna and large wahoo!

The October mullet run should have lasted well into November on the beach. Unfortunate weather has changed this pattern, however. Even still, as the weather starts to turn cold, surf (and pier) fishing should heat up. Black drum, bluefish, flounder, and redfish will all be available this month. Large sheepshead will also be moving into areas that have barnacles and oysters attached to structure. Pompano, whiting and large croakers should also make a nice showing this month.

Inshore fishermen should start scouting out their favorite trout holes this month. As the water temperature drops, larger trout will get more active as they recover from their breeding season. Topwater plugs or live bait under a float will help bag your limit of trout. Redfish and flounder should return to some normal patterns as the salinity rises in the river and back water. Using a live mullet on a fishfinder rig or artificial soft plastics should work well to entice these fish to bite. Also inshore, black drum and sheepshead will be thick on structure in water more than 8 feet deep. I like fishing a ¼ ounce jighead tipped with a small piece of shrimp for these notorious bait thieves. Good luck on the water, and remember to submit pictures of your catch!

Guest Speaker Norm Manley has been a member of Flagler Sportfishing Club since 2006 and is an avid fisherman. He is a United States Coast Guard licensed Captain (50 ton Master) with Towing endorsement. Norm has been employed by Towboat US since 2007. Let's learn how to stay safe on the water!

***2017 Annual Picnic***

**Thank you, Rita Waddell who chaired this event
 and to all who helped make it great.**



The Casting Contest was chaired by Captain Jeff Rafter (L). Many anglers tried their luck at casting through hoops. The finals came down to Captain Chuck Gleichmann and Bill Moore. Bill took it and won a beautiful Manley Rod. Pictured on right is Andy Block who ran the Swap & Shop and winner of the Casting Contest Bill Moore



The Horseshoe Contest was chaired by Walt Huresky and as you can see, contestants were jumping for joy at a great toss. Jim Ilardo was amazed at the unusual toss shown above. But the "lucky" horseshoe winner was Andrew Puskas who was awarded the bait bucket from Walt Huresky.



Club Member Tom Moravec ran the ever-popular Corn Hole Contest. It came down to Peter Bessette vs. Roney Reyes. It was close but Roney pulled ahead with three corn bags in the hole to score 21.



There were many raffle winners and great prizes. The Cooler of Cheer raffle benefited Gratitude America. Mark Juliano was the winner of the Cooler of Cheer and Walt Huresky was the lucky winner of the 50/50.



Chuck Zinzow sold this great kayak to Denny Mondrach at the Swap & Shop



Thanks to Kevin Quinn we had endless entertainment from start to finish.



Scheyenne Welsh covered the Silent Auction that benefited Gratitude America.

Hello Anglers...Another slow month at the Weigh Stations...I'm sure due to all this crazy weather. Hurricane season is over in just a couple weeks so let's hope things settle down & we can get back out on the water.

We had some nice entries for the second Surf Tournament this year. The upcoming Flounder & Red Tournament will be our last Club Tournament of the year & I'm looking forward to the catch on November 18th. If you have any questions about results, please let me know. See you on the water...Rita - weighmaster@fcsportfishing.com or 386.585.0148

YEARLONG TOURNAMENT LEADERS AS OF 10-17-2017

Mixed		Ladies		Men's	
Shane Stover	75	Dana Syens	95	Shane Stover	76
Aby Moghanaki	62	Mary Elliot	64	Aby Moghanaki	68
Mike Ringberg	58	Ana Pagliro	43	Mike Ringberg	62
CJ Johnston	35	Claire McIntire	28	Andrew Puskas	45
Dana Syens	34	Maria Lopez	26	CJ Johnston	36

POINTS LEADERS BY SPECIES AS OF 10-17-2017

Species	First	Second	Third	Fourth	Fifth	Sixth
Amberjack	Mark Goodman 10	Mike Ringberg 6	Shane Stover 5	Lisa Moravec 4	Thomas Moravec 3	C.J. Johnston 2
Black Drum	Brad Kayholm 15	Rick Kayholm 10	Abdollah Moghanaki 3	Scheyenne Welch 2		
Bluefish	Ronald Gorney 11	Michael Goodman 10	Donald Lampton 9			
Cobia	Shane Stover 13	Mike Ringberg 6	Dana Syens 5	Wayne Elliot Jr. 4	Mary Elliot 2	
Croaker	Abdollah Moghanaki 16	Mike Ringberg 7	Tim Miller 7			
Dolphin	Bruce Bachman Jr. 10	C.J. Johnston 8	Shane Stover 5	Thomas Moravec 4	Wayne Elliot Jr. 3	
Flounder	Diana MacDonald 10	Abdollah Moghanaki 9	Roy Lawson 5	Danny Carter 4	Greg Zvierko 2	
Grouper	Daniel St.Hilaire 10					
King Mackerel	C.J. Johnston 15	Bruce Bachman Jr. 6	Joaquinn Ruela 4			
Pompano(Florida)	Mike Ringberg 17	Andrew Block 7	Abdollah Moghanaki 6			
Porgy	Andrew Puskas 12	Dana Syens 10	Lisa Moravec 5	Thomas Moravec 3		
Redfish	Ronald Gorney 10	Maria Lopez 7	Mark Goodman 6	Abdollah Moghanaki 4	Tom Juliano 3	
Sea Bass	Brett Strom 10	Dana Syens 6	Derris Ledin 5	Gary Fisher 4	Joaquinn Ruela 3	Paul Bergeron 2
Sheepshead	Tim Miller 24	Joaquinn Ruela 6				
Snapper, Mangrove	Shane Stover 21	Wayne Elliot Jr. 9				
Snapper, Other	Mike Ringberg 16	Dusty Banks 10	Mary Elliot 4			
Snapper, Red						
Snook						
Spanish Mackerel	Abdollah Moghanaki 16					
Spotted Seatrout	Shane Stover 10	Brad Kayholm 6	Fe Roster 5	Ana Pagliro 4	Jonathan Shulas 3	Daniel St.Hilaire 2
Trigger	Andrew Puskas 17	Dana Syens 13				
Tuna/Bonita	Gene Morrow 10	Shane Stover 6	Bruce Bachman Jr. 5	Wayne Elliot Jr. 4	William Bachman 3	Andrew Puskas 2
Wahoo	Shane Stover 15	C.J. Johnston 10				
Whiting	Ronald Stark 16	Abdollah Moghanaki 8	Mike Ringberg 6			

LADIES YEARLONG STANDINGS AS OF 10-17-2017

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	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	Maria Lopez 2-8
Bluefish	Sue McCarthy 1-8	Ana Pagliro 1-5	Ana Pagliro 1-4			
Cobia	Dana Syens 22-1	Mary Elliot 15-10				
Croaker						
Dolphin	Dana Syens 7-7					
Flounder	Diana MacDonald 6-6	Ana Pagliro 2-6	Ana Pagliro 2-0	Carol Webb 1-11	Claire McIntire 1-11	Claire McIntire 1-8
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	Scheyenne Welch 1-14	Dana Syens 1-13
Redfish	Maria Lopez 7-4	Maria Lopez 6-13	Maria Lopez 6-12	Dana Syens 6-2	Maria Lopez 6-2	Lisa Moravec 6-1
Sea Bass	Dana Syens 1-8					
Sheepshead						
Snapper, Mangrove	Mary Elliot 2-15	Mary Elliot 2-4	Mary Elliot 1-15	Claire McIntire 1-14	Mary Elliot 1-8	
Snapper, Other	Mary Elliot 2-4	Mary Elliot 1-7				
Snapper, Red						
Snook						
Spanish Mackerel						
Spotted Seatrout	Ana Pagliro 6-8	Ana Pagliro 3-1	Ana Pagliro 3-1	Carol Webb 1-6	Claire McIntire 1-5	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 1-4	Claire McIntire 1-1	Dorian Gorney 0-6			

MEN'S YEARLONG STANDINGS AS OF 10-17-2017

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	Mark Goodman 64-9	Mike Ringberg 36-8	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	Shane Stover 40-11	Mike Ringberg 33-12	Wayne Elliot Jr. 19-13	Shane Stover 17-6	Joaquinn Ruela 11-8	
Croaker	Abdollah Moghanaki 0-11	Abdollah Moghanaki 0-10	Mike Ringberg 0-8	Tim Miller 0-6	Tim Miller 0-6	Mike Ringberg 0-6
Dolphin	Bruce Bachman Jr. 36-14	C.J. Johnston 25-8	Shane Stover 21-2	Thomas Moravec 17-8	Wayne Elliot Jr. 17-5	C.J. Johnston 15-2
Flounder	Abdollah Moghanaki 6-2	Roy Lawson 6-2	Danny Carter 4-7	Abdollah Moghanaki 4-2	Greg Zvierko 3-9	Michael Soto 3-7
Grouper	Daniel St.Hilaire 4-6					
King Mackerel	C.J. Johnston 54-0	Bruce Bachman Jr. 50-15	C.J. Johnston 39-14	Joaquinn Ruela 5-9		
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	Mark Goodman 7-15	Abdollah Moghanaki 7-2	Tom Juliano 7-2	Andrew Puskas 6-6	Wayne Elliot Jr. 6-0
Sea Bass	Brett Strom 1-13	Derris Ledin 1-7	Gary Fisher 1-3	Joaquinn Ruela 1-2	Paul Bergeron 1-2	Joaquinn Ruela 1-0
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	Shane Stover 8-5	Shane Stover 7-13	Shane Stover 7-12	Wayne Elliot Jr. 4-11	Wayne Elliot Jr. 3-12	Wayne Elliot Jr. 3-8
Snapper, Other	Dusty Banks 3-0	Mike Ringberg 2-15	Mike Ringberg 2-9	Mike Ringberg 2-3	Mike Ringberg 1-14	Mike Ringberg 1-9
Snapper, Red						
Snook						
Spanish Mackerel	Abdollah Moghanaki 1-6	Abdollah Moghanaki 1-3				
Spotted Seatrout	Shane Stover 8-15	Brad Kayholm 7-8	Fe Roster 7-8	Jonathan Shulas 6-1	Daniel St.Hilaire 4-10	Brian Genk 4-7
Trigger	Andrew Puskas 7-15	Andrew Puskas 3-14	Andrew Puskas 3-13			
Tuna/Bonita	Gene Morrow 34-13	Shane Stover 32-6	Bruce Bachman Jr. 19-1	Wayne Elliot Jr. 15-14	William Bachman 14-10	Andrew Puskas 14-5
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Whiting	Ronald Stark 2-6	Ronald Stark 2-2	Abdollah Moghanaki 1-14	Mike Ringberg 1-12	Abdollah Moghanaki 1-9	Mike Ringberg 1-9



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FLAGLER SPORTFISHING CLUB WAR OF THE WINGS

NOVEMBER 14

7:00 PM

Members are asked to bring a tray of their Best wings to the November 14 Meeting, where attendees will get to taste some of the best wings Prepared by our own club Members.



**1st Place- \$30.00 Gift Card
2nd Place- \$20.00 Gift Card
3rd Place- \$15.00 Gift Card**



Rules:

1. Wings **MUST** be made by entrant (i.e. No prepared wings from stores or restaurants, etc)
2. Nobody within same household as entrant may be a judge
3. All entries must arrive between 7:00-7:15pm prior to meeting
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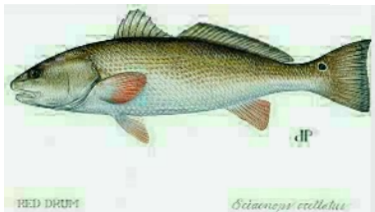
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SO ENOUGH FOOD CAN BE ORDERED. FOOD ONLY FOR A GUEST IS \$5.00.**

Club Meeting Minutes 10-03-17 by Carol Carter, Secretary
5:30 – 7:00 Surf Fishing Seminar by Captain Jeff Rafter
Meeting Called to order at 7:30 PM by Vice President, Dana Syens

Pledge of Allegiance: presented by Bill May

Passing of September's Minutes: Minutes of Sept. 05, 2017 meeting were passed, motion made by Dean Roberts and seconded by Bill May.

Treasurer's Report: Gary Fisher told us that the Fall Classic Tournament had to be cancelled and that was a major fund raiser for the club. The annual sponsors and other donors said to just let it go and they did not want refunds on their monies. The budget shows we will be ok but will have a shortfall at the end of the year. The Board of Directors and Officers of the Club will be working on the 2018 budget in another month or two and will present it to the membership. The annual picnic will be held on Oct. 14th, there will be a silent auction and raffles. Monies from these events will be given to Gratitude America, who was to be our benefactor from the Fall Classic Tournament. Please support our tournaments, picnic and end of the year events to help add money to our treasury for the end of the year and this also helps support the club. Gary said the bills are paid and the cooler of cheer is in the back, please buy tickets for it.

Welcome Visitors/New Members: We had 8 guests/new members at tonight's meeting and Dana gave them all a big welcome.

Announcements: Creekside Festival date has been changed due to Hurricane Irma damage at Princess Place. It is now scheduled for November 11th & 12th. We will need volunteers to man the table and Walt will have to call the volunteers that were scheduled for the Oct. 7th & 8th prior date, to let them know the Festival date has been changed.

Weigh Master Report & member fishing reports: Rita told us that for the Yearlong Tournament the male leader is Shane Stover and the leader for the ladies is Dana Syens. Not many weigh sheets have been handed in and the results are on line and in the Chum Line. Diana MacDonald caught a nice flounder. Red Snapper is coming back but we don't have a date yet. Backwater Bait, the Flagler Pier and the beachside of Washington Oaks is still closed. Jungle Hut road is a mess, one of our members reported. Any weigh sheets that were turned into Backwater or the Pier, she may not have because of the closures, so let her know if you do not see your sheet posted on the yearlong list.

OLD BUSINESS

Fall Charity Tournament: John Falter said that he was sorry that the Fall Tournament had to be cancelled and the board had worked very hard on this. Please show up for the club picnic as the silent auction and raffle items will be raffled off at this event, so please buy lots of tickets to help out Gratitude America. It was a rough storm for all of us, so come and enjoy the picnic on Oct. 14th. Dana thanked John Falter for all the hard work he contributed to the Fall Classic also.

Surf Tournament: Gary Fisher is chairing this event. Jeff Rafter held a Surf Fishing Seminar at 5:30 PM tonight and he had 32 people in attendance. Gary attended a previous seminar that Jeff had held and Gary said if you want to learn how to surf fish, Jeff is the guy who can help you out. Check the Chum Line for the flyer on the surf tournament, there are many species of fish for this one and whiting have to be at least 11" long, there are also many great raffle prizes. A surf beach fishing cart and a \$300 surf rod are among some of the prizes. So make sure to buy

your tickets and win a prize, also this weigh in will have two show up bonus prizes, \$25.00 & \$15.00.

NEW BUSINESS:

Flounder/Redfish Tournament: Dana said we needed someone to run this and new members, Jim & Rosanne Ilardo stepped up and said they would. A big thanks to them, it is a win-win for both sides to have new members get involved in the club events. This tournament is scheduled for Nov. 18th, details will be in your Nov. issue of the Chum Line and it will also be discussed at the Nov. 14th Members meeting. **Please Make Note Of This!** That because of Election Day falling on Nov. 8th, our usual day for the meeting, we have had to bump our meeting until Nov. 14th.

There is no other new business for tonight. **10 Minute Break Guest Speaker: Captain Jeff Rafter**

Tonight's theme will be how to prepare to be the winner of this surf tournament on Saturday. He started out by telling us that at the club picnic, there will be a Manley rod for the winner of the rod casting contest. The object is to get a weight through the hula hoop that will be set up down the field. Cost will be 1 cast for \$2.00 and 3 for \$5.00. He will bring his rods or you can cast using your own, he will put the leads on it. Jeff said to know your tournament rules, 7 AM fishing starts, on any beach, 2:30-3:30 PM is the weigh in at Bings Landing. Get your tackle ready to go. Jeff uses a 9 ft. rod and he fills the spinning spool all the way to the lip of it with fresh line. Check your guides and make sure they are all there with no cracks on them. If there are any cracks, get them fixed if you have the time or buy a new rod. Check your rigs and make sure you have enough, tie them ahead of time, not the day of the tournament. Have 4 oz sinkers or sputnicks, depending on how rough the current is. Check your shock leaders and the shock leader knots and if they are long enough for each rod you will be using. Have sharp hooks, if they are dull, replace them. Andy Block said the surf was nasty the last few days, so check for a weed state and the clarity of the water. You probably will not catch pompano in dirty water. The temperature should be around 75 degrees the day of the tournament and always check your tide chart, the high tide should be at 9:45 AM, fish up tide, the current will be running south. Go left, make your cast, the lead will start moving and will turn and anchor and put a curve in your line. Make a plan ahead of time as to what beaches you will be fishing, so scout those areas in the next few days, if you get a fish, come early to the weigh in, earliest fish of the same size that gets weighed in will win. Bluefish may still be around. Question was asked on how to hook bait to a circle hook. Jeff said on a 2 aught hook the bait has to match the hook, for sand fleas he hooks them through the bottom to the top of the shell. If your bait flies off your hook, you can use Ghost Line, which is elastic thread to tie it on. You can find the Ghost Line online or buy the elastic thread in the sewing area at Wal-Mart, you make a few wraps around the bait and tie it on. You can use fresh sand fleas or get them frozen at bait shops-don't use squid, use clams, a finger mullet or a small piece of shrimp. The shrimp can be fresh or frozen. Jeff told us the procedure to use to brine the sand fleas and I will include it in this area or Ellen can post it separately if she wishes.

Dana mentioned that next month's meeting will be on Nov. 14th starting at 7 AM and the War of the Wings Event will be at that meeting, so bring your wings in for judging.

50/50 - \$139.00 was won by Sue McCarthy

Meeting adjourned at 8:55 PM

Sand Flea Brining and Use Process

By Captain Jeff Rafter

As Presented at the October 3, 2017, Flagler Sportfishing Club Meeting

Fill a 2 quart saucepan half full of tap water. Bring water to boil. Keep boiling for several minutes to rid the water of chemicals that are not desirable on bait. Then turn off burner.

Add nearly a cup of salt while stirring the solution (Kosher salt or Pickling salt but NOT table salt.) Once the salt has dissolved add a few more pinches and stir. Allow to set for a while. There will be a salt crust form on top of the water – that's OK. Pour your saline solution in a jar and place in the fridge, or bait freezer.

Later when you catch fleas on Flagler Beach, bring them home in a bucket with damp sand. Have another bucket filled with clean seawater. Pour the bucket of fleas and sand into the bucket filled with seawater. The lively fleas that are swimming around are the ones you will want to brine. Discard those fleas which turn on their backs or float.

Take smaller containers such as plastic prescription drug bottles and fill with lively fleas. Then take your cold brine solution and pour in the bottle over the fleas and put the cap on. You can put these bottles containing fleas in the freezer (they will not freeze) and take them out for use up to a year later. After you take a small container to the beach, allow the fleas to dry a little before putting on hook.

Good fishing!



There were 32 attendees at Capt. Jeff Rafter's Surf Fishing Seminar on Rig Tying.



Capt. Jeff Rafter Surf Fishing Seminar on Rig Tying with Sputnik



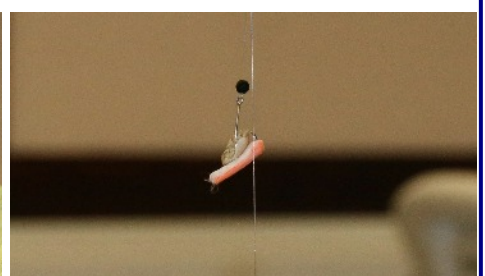
Plan ahead - check your tackle - fill reel with new line - know the rules - check guides - have rods ready - check hooks.



Capt. Jeff Rafter was also the Guest Speaker and explained how important the right beach cart is. Check out the big tires - good for steps!



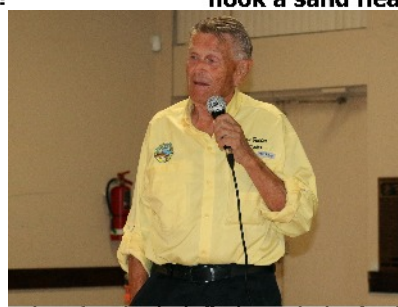
Capt. Rafter demonstrated how to hook a sand flea.



Baits: Sand Fleas, Fishbites, Finger Mulletts, and Clams are all good baits. Using elasticized thread to tie bait onto hook will help keep the bait on the hook.



Dana Syens thanked Jeff Rafter and all for attending and reminded that the War of the Winas is next month 11/14.



John Falter thanked all who worked so hard on the Fall Tournament and said that we can still support Gratitude America at the picnic.



Rita Waddell reported on the 10/14 Annual Picnic wearing her new ladies Club shirt!

**October 3rd
Monthly
Meeting
Photos**



Norm Manley 1st Heaviest



Roger Wilson 2nd Heaviest



Gail Wilson 3rd Heaviest



Tim Miller 4th Heaviest



Raffle Winner Chuck Zinzow



Ron Gorney 1st Most Species



Mike Zaragansky 2nd Most Sp.



Andy Block 3rd Most Species



Dan Carter 4th Most Species



**Oscar Best 50/50 Winner
and Surf Tournament
Photographer**



**Dan Carter, Hank Waddell and Bob Daniels are a
few of the lucky raffle winners.**

**Thank you Gary Fisher and all who helped him
run a very successful Fall Surf Tournament.**

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Menu Choice

~ Tossed Salad with Choice of Italian or Ranch Dressing

~ Assorted Rolls and Butter

~ Rib Eye Served with Herb Butter (Served Medium Temperature Only
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with Sides of

Garlic Mashed Potatoes and

Vegetable Medley of Cauliflower, Broccoli, and Julienne Red Pepper

~ Or Chicken Picatta Served with Pasta

~ Cheesecake with Raspberry Drizzle and Coffee

As always, please bring one unwrapped toy per couple for our Club's donation to "Toys For Tots"



Please Mark Your Dinner Choice Below and Return This Portion With Your Check - See Below

_____	Fish _____	Chicken _____	Beef _____	\$30.00
Membership Name One				
_____	Fish _____	Chicken _____	Beef _____	\$30.00
Membership Name Two				
_____	Fish _____	Chicken _____	Beef _____	\$45.00
Guest Name				
_____	Fish _____	Chicken _____	Beef _____	\$45.00
Guest Name				

PLEASE NOTE: Tables of **8** maximum - we will try to accommodate seating preferences. Your **Club Membership** entitles you to two people at the reduced menu price. All others are considered "guests" and are required to pay guest price. **All reservations and money must be received no later than November 22nd.** Money and reservations will be returned after November 22nd. **No Exceptions.** Make checks payable to **Flagler Sportfishing Club** and mail to Ellen Scheurer, 42 Cortes Ct., Palm Coast, FL 32137. If you need additional information, contact Ellen at 732-687-0678 or at emscheurer42@gmail.com.

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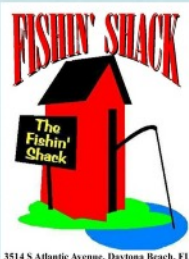
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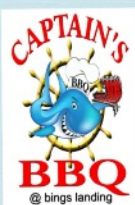
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