

# FLAGLER SPORTFISHING CLUB

# THE CHUM LINE



## FROM THE HELM – FEBRUARY 2023

### BY CAPT. ADAM MORLEY

If you've been reading my bit, 'From the Helm,' over the last couple of months, you know I've been down in southwest Florida working the waterway recovery efforts after Hurricane Ian. The damage to the communities was, and still is, enormous.

However, the sad reality is that the disaster recovery industry is just as disheartening as the disaster itself. The recovery efforts are greatly impeded by corruption and collusion between the debris haulers, cleanup crews, and monitoring companies. I personally witnessed destruction to the fisheries beyond what the storms could ever do.

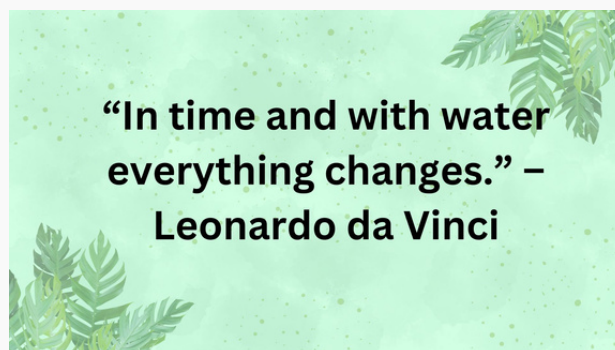
The contractors get paid by volume, not material. To increase profits, they were using small river barges with mechanical grapple claws to rip out mangroves and other organics while passing by actual storm related debris. After talking to others that have been in the disaster recovery industry for years this is apparently standard operating procedure. When I tried to report the violations I was witnessing I was "let go".

So now I'm back here in Northeast Florida and ready to re-engage with the Club and its activities. I have found a renewed passion for waterway conservation and hope to bring this fresh energy into our community, inspiring members, friends and our youth anglers to protect the natural world around us.

## HIGHLIGHTS

- **2/7 Monthly Member Meeting**
- **2/18 Black & Red Tournament**

Follow us on social media for more updates & tips!



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**TOURNAMENT CHAIRMAN REPORT BY TIM MILLER**

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The year, 2023, started out with the Club's first free member tournament, held at Bing's Landing. Despite the poor fishing, the Sheepshead Tournament had a strong turnout of members to enjoy tasty food and fellowship.

Thank you to Bill & Cookie Zimmer for hosting this event, along with all their helpers! Look for the list of winners and full details in this issue of the Chum Line.

The 2023 Catch Photo and Release Tournament is off to a great start! Members have already photographed and released some fish. Get your club bump board and start entering your fish for a chance at great prizes at the end of the year. It only takes one fish to be entered in the Tournament. For 2022, four of the those winners only had one fish entered.

Our next tournament will be the Black & Red Tournament on February 18, 2023. See flyer included in this issue with all the information. With \$700.00 in prize money, this is an opportunity to win money to cover your 2023 dues. Use the link below to see all the events for 2023 so you can plan your year with your fishing club.

**Upcoming Events – Flagler Sportfishing Club**

Would you like to control the food and payouts for a tournament? Sign up to run one of the club free tournaments and you will be in control. Running a tournament is easy and a fantastic way to meet members. Send me an email or talk to me at the next club meeting and I will give you all the details.

Thank you!

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## SHEEPSHEAD TOURNAMENT RECAP BY BILL ZIMMER



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On January 21st, we had a blustery day of fishing and a little bit of rain, but the Sheepshead fishermen and women were up to the task and a good number were weighed in. The Black Drum bite was slow but Christine Ford was able to land a nice one to claim the first place prize. The Sheepshead Division was very competitive with Ken Bryan coming out the winner with a beautiful 7 lb. 0 oz. beauty. Jermodris Dunlap was close behind with his Sheepshead weighing 6 lb. 6 oz.

We had a large crowd of 78 members attend the luncheon, which included Hamburgers, Hotdogs, Beans, Cole Slaw, Asst. Chips and Cookies.

Thank you so much to our volunteers! Without you, we couldn't host such successful events!

### Volunteers:

Weigh In – Scott Robertson

Food and Set-up – Cookie Zimmer, Bill and Marilyn Helman, Tessa Steendyk

Registration – Carol Carter

Door Prize & 50/50 – Tom Juliano and Bill Zimmer

Set Up and Tear Down – David Genk

Pictures – Cookie Zimmer



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## SHEEPSHEAD TOURNAMENT WINNERS

Sheepshead Tournament 01/21/2023		
	Angler	Weight
1st - \$100	Ken Bryan	7 lb 0 oz
2nd - \$95	Jermodris Dunlap	6 lb 6 oz
3rd - \$90	Erica Vickers	2 lb 15 oz
4th - \$85	Mike Vickers	2 lb 12 oz
5th - \$80	Dennis Tooney	2 lb 1 oz
6th - \$70	Tim Miller	1 lb 6 oz
7th - \$60	Mike Vickers Sr.	1 lb 2 oz
8th - \$50	Christian Vickers	Draw
Heaviest Black Drum \$70	Christine Ford	1 lb 11 oz
Show-up Bonus \$25 Gift Card	Jean Ward	



**Raffle Winners:**  
Pier Net – Danny Carter  
Folding Net – Cookie Zimmer  
Frabil Bubbler – John Glatfelter  
Fishing Chair – Fred Manzolillo

50/50 Winner  
 Bill Pleskach (\$103)



**FEBRUARY WEIGH MASTER REPORT BY CHUCK RADLOFF**

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**February's Fish of  
the Month is  
Sheepshead!**

January's Fish of The Month was Black Drum. The winner will be announced at the February meeting.

**February's Fish of the month is Sheepshead.** We have already had some really nice sheepshead weighed in at the tournament in January. The awards for the winners of the Year Long Tournament and the CPR Tournament have been ordered and should be available for presentation at the March meeting, so please plan to attend.

The CPR (catch, photo, release) tournament is going again with the same rules as this last year. Remember just one entry gets you into the drawing at the end of the year. We have a good supply of our official bump boards available to buy for \$20. Now you also have the option to use your own bump board once it has been approved by the Club.

If you ever have a problem weighing in at one of our weigh stations, you can call me and come by my home, if I am available.

NOTICE - The overall species Leaders and Full Point Standings are updated at the end of each month on our website: <https://flaglersportfishing.com/> by clicking on Quick Look At Year Long, and in the latest Chum Line publication delivered by Email.

Thanks for everyone's support, and if you have any questions, please let me know.

## **Renewal Information**

This year, FSC changed our membership year to be calendar (Jan-Dec) and therefore the renewal amount this cycle will be discounted to \$55. We will start the new year for 2024 in November.

You will receive an email with a link to renew or you may mail your payment in. Of course, you can also bring your form to the upcoming member meeting.

For additional information on this change, please refer to the January Meeting Minutes, located on page 7 of this issue.

## NOVEMBER FISHING REPORT BY CAPTAIN TIM JARVIS

**Inshore:**

Inshore fishing should stay pretty good for the month of February especially for sight fishing for redfish on the shallow flats and creeks. I like the last three hours of outgoing and the first three of incoming tides. Try smaller baits like shrimp and jigs with 15-20lb fluorocarbon leader and be very quiet when you target these fish! For black drum I would fish docks, bridges, deep creek holes and the inlet with live shrimp, fiddler crabs or clams. Flounder bite should stay pretty good this month, fish the creek holes and the mouth of the creek. Use 1/8 oz jig head with a live mullet or mud minnow and drag across the bottom.



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**Surf & Inlet:**

Use shrimp, fiddler crabs and clams for black drum and live or dead mullet for redfish. Pompano, sheepshead, trout and bluefish can also be targeted with pompano rigs, spoons and gotcha plugs. Use a knocker rig with live mullet or mud minnow for flounder. Make sure you have enough weight to keep the bait at the bottom.

**Offshore:**

The wahoo and sailfish bite should be good at the ledge if the weather allows it, high speed troll your favorite lures with darker color patterns for these fish or a rigged ballyhoo. For bottom anglers the trigger fish bite could be good with occasional cobia on the reefs and wrecks.

Snook Season opens February 1st. Slot is not less 28" or more than 32" total length. Daily bag limit is 1 per harvester per day; zero captain and crew for-hire limit.

**Tight lines & be safe out there!**

**This is also a Membership Drive, so bring a friend to discover the fishing club!**

FLAGLER SPORTFISHING CLUB  
Monthly Meeting  
**FEBRUARY 7TH, 2023**  
Featured Speaker: Robert Craun with Skinny Water Lures  
Quick Tips at 7:00PM  
Capt. Chuck Gleichmann is taking subject requests!  
Public Welcome!  
Please support our sponsors!  
Meeting Place: VFW 47 Old Kings Rd N Palm Coast, 32137  
7:00 Quick Tips  
7:30pm General Meeting  
7:45pm Break  
8pm Featured Speaker  
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**JANUARY MEETING MINUTES BY CAROL CARTER, SECRETARY****Club Meeting Minutes 01-03-23**

**Quick Tips** – Tonight's speaker was Chuck Gleichmann. Topic: Rods & reels for Inshore fishing.

**Meeting called to order by Chuck Radloff, as President Adam Morely was absent.**

**Pledge of Allegiance – Presented by Ron Gorney**

**Passing of October 4, 2022 Minutes, Motion made by Tim Beebe and seconded by Dean Roberts. Minutes accepted.**

**Welcome New Members/Visitors/First Responders/Veterans/Active Duty – 8 guests tonight**

**Welcome Annual Sponsors** – No sponsors were in attendance tonight. We would like to thank all our sponsors, you help us to continue to reach our goals.

**Announcements:**

Chuck Radloff said that we are very sad to announce that our long-time member, William (Bill) Moore has passed away. He was a big part of this club and participated in being a guest speaker at the meetings, at the New Member Clinic and many of us would see him come to the tournament weigh-ins with his team mate, daughter, Carol (Webb) Tilley with winning fish to enter. He also participated in our kids4reel program. Bill will be sorely missed by all.

Chili Cook-Off is tonight, the winners will be announced before the break and you can all participate in tasting the dishes that were entered.

**Reports:**

**Explanation of Renewal Fees for 2023:**

The membership year is changing from April 01 thru March 31 to January 01, 2023 thru December 31, 2023, effective as of January 01, 2023.

**New Memberships:**

Effective January 01, 2023, a New Membership will be \$70.00 for the period of January 01, 2023 thru December 31, 2023. April thru June \$60.00 July thru September \$50.00 October thru December \$40.00.

If you have any old applications for membership, get rid of them and you can find the new applications online.



**JANUARY MEETING MINUTES CONTINUED****Renewals:**

Memberships as of December 31, 2022 expire on March 31, 2023. Renewals will be \$55.00 for period of April 1, 2023 thru December 31, 2023. Members will be billed again in November/December 2023, \$70.00 for period of January 01, 2024 thru December 31, 2024. If no renewal by April – no discount. If you have fish in the Year Long Trnmt in 2023, renew by May 1st or the fish will be removed from this trnmt and the CPR trnmt. If you renew in Feb., it's \$55.00 till the end of the year. Mid February renewal emails will come out for existing members. If you didn't renew, any fish in the Year Long and the CPR tournaments are gone and they won't be back.

**Finance Report:**

Deb Marinco said we are now officially a non-profit club, have to change banks at the beginning of January 2023. So, if you have any checks from the club, cash them now because the old bank account is being closed out. At the Feb. 7th meeting, Frank Meekins will start serving coffee and donuts or pastries.

**Christmas Party Review** – The Christmas Party was enjoyed by the members. The kids4reel program is taking off, there are 4-5 schools interested in getting involved with it. The Christmas Party raffles, auctions and cooler of cheer helped raise our donation of \$2,500.00 to the kids4reel program to buy equipment and supplies for the kids.

**Sheepshead Tournament** – Bill & Cookie Zimmer are the chairpersons on this tournament. Bill said the date is Jan. 21, 2023, there will be payouts for 8 places, plus a bonus for the heaviest black drum of \$70.00. There will be no redfish in this tournament. Fishing starts at 6:30 AM, fish from anywhere, weigh in will be from 2:00 – 3:00 PM at Bings Landing. Bill & Cookie will be doing the food.

**We need a Spring Classic Tournament Leader for our April event. Please contact Adam Morley or any of the board members if you are interested. Step up and get involved. The charity will be the Disabled American Veterans this year.**

**Review of 2022 Club Accomplishments for the year will be conducted at the February 7th monthly members meeting.**

**The 2023 calendars are available at the back of the room. At the very back of the calendar, it shows the whole schedule of events for this coming year. Copy it and have it handy so you can refer to it when necessary.**

**Tournament Director Report and Upcoming Tournaments:** Tim Miller said you can now buy tackle and live bait at the Flagler Pier Shop. Chuck Radloff will be announcing the winners of the Year Long Tournament and the CPR Tournament. For the CPR tournament, he said there were four people that won a prize and they only entered one fish.



**JANUARY MEETING MINUTES CONTINUED**

Sign up for the Sheepshead tournament at the back table. If you have a Pier Pass, you can go to City Hall in Flagler Beach and get a check for the remainder of money for the pier pass season that could not be used because of the hurricane damage and pier being closed.

**Weigh Master Report:** Fish of the Month: Chuck Radloff said the Fish of the Month winner for Dec. was Tim Beebe, he chose a \$50.00 gift card from The Anchor Restaurant – our newest sponsor. Chuck gave us the results of the Yearlong Tournament winners, Male Angler of the Year – Tim Miller, Lady Angler of the Year – Carol (Webb) Tilley and the CPR tournament winners. Tim Miller won first prize in the CPR tournament. All the winners will be posted in the Chum Line. The awards for these two tournaments will be presented at the March 7th meeting. Two people had club records – Ryan Lukaszewski for Dolphin fish and Erica Vickers for Pompano.

**Vice President Report:** Mike Vickers was absent tonight.

**Chili Winners:** 3rd Place – Myrna Shank \$25.00, 2 nd Place – Suk Pauling, 1 st Place – Capt. James Ross. Judges were: Frank Meekins, Dwayne Martin and a new member, who left before we got his name–Thank you all for helping out.

**Break**

**Guest Speaker:** Chip Brundage – The Sinker Guy Topic: Surf Fishing Chip started out his talk by asking the audience what questions they had about surf fishing. The first question was “Do you need a long rod?” The answer was no, not in Flagler, you can use a 7’ rod to fish the inside trough, you can use an Ugly Stik. Sand fleas are returning, the water temperature is 60–65 right now. Some fish stay around here, others go on to N.C., Pompano is a great fish to catch, you have the ability to catch reds, drum and whiting here. For whiting the bait to use is squid, shrimp, clams and crab knuckles, but don’t use the squid on the beach, the fish aren’t eating them here. If you are using a pyramid sinker in heavy winds, it will get blown back up on the beach. The Spudnik sinker is best in rough water. He uses two rigs, a Bruno rig named after his father and a Mortician rig, that is a double drop rig. He has videos on You Tube about the rigs and surf fishing, check them out. Pompano fish go by the rocks at Marineland. You need fresh bait and watch for where the fish are biting. He explains on his videos how to use Diet Pepsi Shrimp, use it when the water temp. is under 58 degrees. Don’t use it in 78 degree temp. If you use Spudniks at Marineland by the rocks, they will get stuck. Fish at low tide, move to other spots, don’t just choose one place. Throw your bait in the water that is moving.

**50/50 Drawing:** Winner of \$200.00 was Jeff Hunt. Congrats!

**Attendance at tonight’s meeting was 73.**

**Motion was made to adjourn the meeting by Tim Beebe, seconded by Carol Carter**

**Meeting Adjourned at 8:50 PM**





# BLACK & RED TOURNAMENT

*Flagler Sportfishing Club*  
*Saturday February 18th, 2023*  
*Herschel King Park*



50/50

**Species: Redfish, Black Drum,  
Whiting (10" min), Mangrove**

Raffle

Redfish	Whiting	Mangrove	Black Drum
1st - \$100	1st - \$75	1st - \$75	1st - \$100
2nd - \$75	2nd - \$50	2nd - \$50	2nd - \$75
3rd - \$50			3rd - \$50

**Show Up Drawing - \$25 Gift Card**

## **RULES:**

- Fishing starts at 6:30am, fish from anywhere, FWC Rules apply
- One cash prize per person, including Bonus
- Any open fish prizes will be filled from a drawing of members who fished but didn't win a cash prize
- Tie-breaker: first fish weighed in
- Junior Anglers (under 12) fish free with a member
- Free to members, guests may fish with a \$20 donation & must fish with member

## **Weigh-In:**

2pm - 3pm Herschel King Park

Lunch Provided, \$10 for non-members, served at 2pm

## **Sign Up:**

Members may attend the weigh-in even if they don't fish. Deadline is 2/15. Please sign up for food head count. Sign up at February monthly meeting or <https://flaglersportfishing.com/event/club-black-red-tournament/>

**For more information, please contact Tim Miller at 386.237.7026**  
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**\*\*Click here to Sign Up\*\***



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## Quick Tips for FSC

- **The Chum Line** newsletter is delivered to your inbox each month to inform you of all Club activities.
- Visit the **Club website** for valuable up to the minute information on all activities that the club has to offer.
- Connect to other Club Members on our **Facebook page** and **Instagram page**.
- The Club provides Quick Tips Videos on **YouTube** to help introduce our members to the various types of fishing that is available in the area.
- Electronic communications come out every month called the "Fishing Line" with the upcoming events for the Club.
- A monthly meeting is held at the **VFW on the 1st Tuesday** of every month with excellent speakers to improve your fishing knowledge and techniques.
- You can attend wonderful social events like ice cream socials, chili cook-offs, family picnics, holiday parties and so much more.
- You can participate in 10 free fishing tournaments, plus one for-free charity event during the year as well as a Free Kid's Clinic.
- FSC takes pride in community through FSC's gifting commitment to Veterans' organizations, UF's Whitney Laboratory, Coastal Conservation Association, and other diverse nonprofit organizations.
- You find the current calendar for 2023 **HERE**

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## UPCOMING EVENTS

FLAGLER SPORTFISHING CLUB 2023 SCHEDULE  
OF EVENTS FEBRUARY - APRIL**FEBRUARY**  
**SHEEPSHEAD**

**07-** Monthly Meeting, VFW  
7:00 PM Quick Tips, 7:30 PM  
Meeting and Guest Speaker

**18-** Club Black & Red  
Tournament,  
Herschel King Park

**28-** Directors Meeting,  
VFW, 7:00pm

**MARCH**  
**SPOTTED SEATROUT**

**07-** Monthly Meeting & Swap &  
Shop! VFW 7:00 PM Quick Tips,  
7:30 PM Meeting and Guest  
Speaker

**18-** Count the Spots  
Tournament,  
Bings Landing

**25-** New Members Clinic  
VFW, 7:00pm

**28-** Directors Meeting,  
VFW, 7:00pm

**APRIL**  
**FLORIDA POMPANO**

**04-** Monthly Meeting, Dessert  
Contest, Nomination of Officers  
VFW 7:00 PM Quick Tips, 7:30  
PM Meeting and Guest Speaker

**18-** Directors Meeting,  
VFW, 7:00pm

**20-** Captain's Meeting,  
Redfish Rodeo Spring  
Classic

**22-** Redfish Rodeo Classic  
Tournament, Bings Landing

