

# FLAGLER SPORTFISHING CLUB

# THE CHUM LINE



## FROM THE HELM - BY CAPTAIN MIKE VICKERS JR.

Dear Flagler Sportfishing Club Members,

I hope that everyone survived the hurricane safely with little to no damage. This month I have chosen to offer a word of caution about our local waterways and shoreline.

I had the opportunity to spend time on the water shortly after the storm and noticed a lot of debris/trash in the water. This is where my word of caution comes into play. With this debris in the water some is floating and visible others sunken and hidden. The debris may or may not be aground or fixed to a location. It may be floating in the canals, creeks, or the river. It can be trees, limbs, dock furniture or even worse vessels (boats). Sand bars have shifted, where you could safely navigate before may be feet shallower. With night-time fishing for Snook, Trout and Flounder giggering picking up it is even more of a hazard to navigation and walking the shorelines.

So that I do not leave out our shore-based anglers you need to wade and walk the shore with caution also. You need not be as worried about the trees and tree limbs, as I do not believe that we can travel as fast as a boat.

## HIGHLIGHTS

- **THURSDAY**  
**November 7th**  
**Member Meeting**  
**at: Club 51/ Social**  
**Club (next door**  
**to VFW) &**  
**DAV Food Drive**
- **Red, White &**  
**Blue**  
**Tournament**  
**November**  
**16th**
- **Christmas**  
**Party**  
**December 5th**

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However, you need to use caution when stepping over or around them as they are a trip hazard. My concern for you is more from the construction debris. When the lumber is removed from a house or dock by the storm. The storm is not nice enough to remove the nails and screw from said lumber. You also need to be aware, the depth of the area you waded prior to the storm may have had a significant change. Even the speeds of the current may have changed.

I fished with my son this past week. We went into one of the Palm Coast canals and began fishing some docks. As I approached the dock using my trolling motor, I noticed something in the water. Upon investigation, I found that a piling with a light attached had broken from the dock. It was just beneath the surface. That same day while running the river changing spots, we saw deck chairs, lumber and as expected trees and tree limbs floating. Some visible and some not so visible.

It will take a significant amount of time for this debris to beach in such a way that it is no longer a hazard to navigation. One thing that we can do to expedite the removal of this debris is to pick it up. I know that once the rods leave the house, or the boat leaves the dock/trailer, as anglers we are in the fishing mode, and this is what we are thinking about. However, on our way back to the dock/trailer or walking back to our vehicle pick up the debris that is trash and dispose of it. If you can safely move the tree or tree limbs to shore or hard aground. Our county boat ramps and parks have trash receptacles in which we can place the debris/trash we removed from our waterways and shorelines.

As an angler it is our duty to be good stewards of our resources. Which to me means leaving a place better than I found it. Not just after a storm, but each time that we enjoy our resources. As the operator of a vessel, it is your responsibility to keep a lookout and travel at a safe responsible speed.

Remember the fishing lies start here.

Capt. Mike Vickers Jr.

President

Flagler Sportfishing Club

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**TOURNAMENT CHAIRMAN REPORT BY TIM MILLER**

Tim Miller  
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The club had our second surf tournament on October 19, 2024. Although surf conditions were not good for fishing, members enjoyed a day on the beach and a great meal at the weigh-in. See Surf Tournament summary for results of the Tournament.

Our last club tournament will be on November 16 th . The Red, White and Blue Tournament will give members a chance to win prize money for these three species: Redfish, Whiting, and Bluefish. Get out and possibly win some money to help cover your 2025 dues.

The yearlong CPR tournament is in full swing. 37 members have released a total of 500+ legal fish in 11 distinct species. Remember that fish must be of legal length and in season to count for CPR Tournament. Get your club bump board and start entering your fish for a chance at great prizes at the end of the year. You only need to upload one released fish to be entered into the prize drawings. Then every five fish after that will get you more entries.

Thank you to all the volunteers that helped with club tournaments. Without this help the club would not be able to provide these magnificent events. Be sure to sign up as a helper for the next tournament.

We are in the planning process for next year's tournaments. If you have ideas to make our tournaments better, let me know.

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**SURF TOURNAMENT II RECAP BY MARK HEFFLEY**

The surf conditions were extremely bad, again, for the fall surf tournament. High winds created a rough, dirty surf and challenging casting conditions. They are the conditions Andy Block doesn't hope for, but at the same time doesn't mind, due to his many, many, many years of surf fishing experience. He was too afraid of high waves to fish the rocks, but none-the-less he weighed in some barely legal fish to show his efficiency in not wasting any additional effort when catching fish.

58 anglers signed up to fish, and 35 enjoyed the Marco's pizza lunch. Ron Gorney, as usual, had all of the bases covered (including ordering me a specialty pizza) and the weigh-in was a good opportunity for club members to reconnect. It was also a good opportunity for Ron to stock his cupboard with leftover food. He was polite enough to ask if anyone wanted two dozen cookies before hauling them away with a big smile on his face.

Thanks to all the volunteers who showed up to help! We couldn't do it without you!

Rick Chapman won a very nice surf rod in the raffle, but expect to see it on Ebay soon since there are questions about his fishing ability. Hopefully, his son Lucius can teach him how to fish.

Since only 4 anglers weighed in fish, several checks were delivered to anglers not catching fish.

Deb Marinco, the "Treasurer Extraordinaire", doing her best Dave Genk impression, got to write herself a check to fill a non-fish slot and even took home redfish fillets!

**Raffle Prize winners were:**

Sand Spike Red - Boyd Zavalney  
Surf Rod - Rick Chapman  
Okuma Surf 8K Reel - Boyd Zavalney  
Fish Scale - Bill Pleskach  
Sinker Guy Coozie w/rigs - Bill Pleskach  
St. Augustine Sandman Float Rigs - Tim Thornton  
2 Spudnik Sinkers - Sue McCarthy

50/50 prize won by Ron Gorney - \$110.00

Show-up Ticket for a \$25.00 gift card to Beach Front Grille - Tim Beebe

CLUB SURF TOURNAMENT II WINNERS

More pictures on FB

Club Surf Tournament II 10/19/2024			
Place	Angler	Weight	Species
<b>Heaviest Fish</b>			
1st - \$100	Mark Heffley	5 lbs 6 ozs	Redfish
2nd - \$80	Tom Wood	2 lbs 6 ozs	Redfish
3rd - \$70	Lucias Rogers	Draw	
4th - \$50	Tim Miller	Draw	
<b>Most Eligible Species</b>		<b>Number of Species</b>	<b>**Tie goes to heaviest total weight</b>
1st - \$100	Andy Block	3	Black Drum, Redfish, Whiting
2nd - \$80	Cliff Way	1	Whiting
3rd - \$70	Tom Juliano	Draw	
4th - \$50	Deb Marinco	Draw	
<b>Most CPR Photos</b>		<b>Number of Photos</b>	
1st - \$100	Karen Dougherty	Draw	



**ANNUAL PICNIC RECAP BY CHUCK RADLOFF**

The 2024 Annual Picnic was a great success with 90 people attending and it was a perfect day for a picnic at the Herschel King Park.

The BBQ pork and chicken was from Smokey D's BBQ and really well liked with the small amount of leftovers quickly grabbed up by the attendees to be taken home. There was also a varied amount of appetizers, salads and side dishes provided by the people attending.

The club also provided a chocolate and a lemon cake with our club logo on top of the cakes. They were both very delicious but of course the chocolate cake was the most popular with most of it being eaten. I was only able to take home the last 3 pieces myself. The cakes were from Kneading More Sweets Cake Co in Ormond Beach.

**Raffle Winners**

Pliers - Kylee Burns ,

Filet Knife - Gail Petras,

Cast Net - Pretty young lady, Kelly Geissler with the little granddaughter that won the pliers and also the same family that brought the delicious sliders.

Okuma Rod & Reel - Ian McDonald,

Bass Pro Cooler bag - Mike Vickers, Jr.,

Penn Rod & Reel - Don Richter,

Sunglasses - Sheila Sinotte,

Fish holder pliers - Tim Mott.

Cornhole Winners - Sheila & Nick Sinotte - each received \$25.00 gift card to Beach Front Grille.

The 50/50 Raffle earned \$135 with the winner, Tim Mott, donating \$30 of it back to the club bringing total to \$165.

The Item Raffle earned \$305 which covered the cost of the items purchased. I believe everyone was happy with their winnings. I was even approached by the cast net winner requesting private lessons before our next club meeting because she was tired of putting her old cast net in her mouth.

We also received a \$40 donation from Mike Vickers Jr. for some fishing equipment that was sold.

Then \$70 more was collected for guest fees.

**ANNUAL PICNIC RECAP CONTINUED**

Overall it was a great picnic and I want to thank all the people that volunteered by contacting me directly or by signing up as a volunteer and also those that just showed up and stepped up to help out. All of these people are too many to mention here and are the kind of people that make this club what it is and keep it running.

However, a special mention to Kriss Richter and my wife, Wanda Polatty, who ended up running the food table as people came through and then switched over to handle the dessert table also.

So thanks so much to all of you that stepped up to help me and the club at the picnic!!!!!!

More pictures on Facebook!



**WEIGH MASTER REPORT BY SCOTT ROBERTSON**



**Captain Scott Robertson**  
**Weigh Master**  
**(407) 373-5994**

October's fish of the month was Bluefish. The winner will be announced at the November 2024 meeting.

**November's Fish of the Month is Snook.** FWC rules for Snook are 28" minimum and 32" maximum. Measured the tail pinched. The bag limit is 1.

September's FOM was Redfish. The winner was Errold Randall with a 6 lb 11 oz Redfish. **Congratulations Errold!**

The 2024 Yearlong Species tournament has approximately 292 entries weighed in and the CPR tournament has approximately 530 photos submitted through October. Remember, just one CPR submission gets you into the CPR drawing at the end of the year and the more photos you submit, the better your chances of winning a great prize are.

**November's Fish of the Month is Snook**

CPR photos must be caught in State of Florida waters and meet FWC requirements including in season, length, and proper measuring method. Please check FWC rules to make sure you are measuring properly (i.e. nose to tail, pinch the tail, nose to fork etc). Photos not meeting FWC requirements will be deleted.



Please note that for the species yearlong tournament, if your fish is not heavier than the 6th place fish for that particular species in the Men's or Ladies' standings, there is no need to weigh-in the fish. Points are only given for places 1 through 6.

**\*\*NOTICE** - The overall species Leaders and Full Point Standings are updated at the end of each month on the club website:  
[flagersportfishing.com](http://flagersportfishing.com)  
 Then under Fishing click on YearLong Club Standings.

You can see the standings for both the Yearlong Species and Year Long CPR tournaments by going to the club web page and clicking on Fishing then Yearlong Club Standings.

There has been some confusion with the way the weight of fish is calculated in the yearlong species tournament standings. The weight is calculated in pounds carried out two decimal places. I have provided a table that you can use to convert the decimal places back to ounces below. Simply replace the two decimals in the standings with the corresponding ounces in the table.

Example: 1.31 lbs = 1 lb 5 ozs.



<b>0.06 lbs</b>	<b>=</b>	<b>1 oz</b>	<b>0.56 lbs</b>	<b>=</b>	<b>9 ozs</b>
<b>0.13 lbs</b>	<b>=</b>	<b>2 ozs</b>	<b>0.63 lbs</b>	<b>=</b>	<b>10 ozs</b>
<b>0.19 lbs</b>	<b>=</b>	<b>3 ozs</b>	<b>0.69 lbs</b>	<b>=</b>	<b>11 ozs</b>
<b>0.25 lbs</b>	<b>=</b>	<b>4 ozs</b>	<b>0.75 lbs</b>	<b>=</b>	<b>12 ozs</b>
<b>0.31 lbs</b>	<b>=</b>	<b>5 ozs</b>	<b>0.81 lbs</b>	<b>=</b>	<b>13 ozs</b>
<b>0.38 lbs</b>	<b>=</b>	<b>6 ozs</b>	<b>0.88 lbs</b>	<b>=</b>	<b>14 ozs</b>
<b>0.44 lbs</b>	<b>=</b>	<b>7 ozs</b>	<b>0.94 lbs</b>	<b>=</b>	<b>15 ozs</b>
<b>0.5 lbs</b>	<b>=</b>	<b>8 ozs</b>	<b>1 lb</b>	<b>=</b>	<b>16 ozs</b>

We have a new supply of our official bump boards available to buy for \$20. If you wish to use your own bump board, it needs to be approved by the club and a sticker attached to be legal.

A reminder for everyone fishing in our tournaments. All fish must comply with FWC rules. New for 2024, fish weighed in for our club tournaments must be caught in St. Johns, Flagler, and Volusia counties. Fish being photographed and released for CPR entry must be caught in state of Florida waters.

Fish brought to the weigh-in are required to be measured on the official club bump board before being weighed. Please take your fish to the bump board at the weigh table before putting it on the scale. If you weigh in a fish at a club tournament, I will enter the data in the Yearlong Tournament. There is no need to take the fish to a weigh station.

CPR photos for tournaments must be shown to the weighmaster at the tournament and must include a timestamp on the photo to be eligible to win a prize as noted on the tournament flyers.

**Important reminder:**

The rules for each tournament are clearly stated on the flyer published for that tournament. PLEASE READ THE RULES. There will be no exceptions to the rules.

NOTICE - The overall species Leaders and Full Point Standings are updated at the end of each month on our website: <https://flaglersportfishing.com/> Then under Fishing click on YearLong Club Standings.

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

Capt. Scott Robertson - Weighmaster - (407) 373-5994



## FISHING REPORT BY CHRIS CREGO

### Flagler County Fishing Report

#### Fishing Report brought to you by Christopher with Skinny Water Lures

This month has been nothing short of extraordinary for anglers along the east coast of Florida. October kicked off with a hurricane sweeping across the state, creating a dynamic fishing environment. In the days leading up to the storm, the bite was exceptional as fish became more active due to changes in barometric pressure, prompting them to feed aggressively.



#### Pre-Storm Insights

**Barometric Pressure:** Fish can sense shifts in pressure, leading them to feed heavily in anticipation of the storm.

**Sunlight Changes:** Variations in sunlight can provide fish with an advantage, making them more likely to strike.

#### Effective Techniques:

- **Topwater Lures:** Use loud, attention-grabbing topwater baits to entice fish from their hiding spots.
- **Runoff Areas:** Focus on areas where freshwater runoff meets saltwater; these are often fish congregating zones.
- **Shallow Flats:** Target these hotspots, which are particularly productive before a storm.

As the storm approached, fishing slowed significantly. Fish hunkered down, seeking shelter, a common behavior during severe weather. However, once the storm passed, the feeding frenzy resumed as fish emerged from cover, eager to eat after days of inactivity.

#### Post-Storm Challenges

Mid to late October brought flood-like tides in the storm's aftermath, along with the effects of a full moon. While these conditions made fishing tricky, they also presented opportunities for anglers willing to adapt.

#### Full Moon Effects:

- **Stronger Tides:** The moon's gravitational pull results in heightened tidal movements that stir up bait and attract predators.
- **Increased Bait Movement:** Strong currents enhance bait activity, enticing fish to feed.
- **Larger Fish:** Full moons often see bigger species venturing closer to shore, increasing your chances of landing a trophy catch.

## FISHING REPORT BY CONTINUED

### Best Fishing Practices During the Full Moon

1. Timing: Early morning and late evening are prime times, especially around moonrise and moonset.
2. Bait Choices: Live bait like shrimp and mullet work well, while jerkbaits and soft plastics are effective alternatives.
3. Technique Adjustments: Use a slower retrieve and focus on bottom fishing for flounder; for redfish and snook, mix surface and mid-depth presentations.

### Tips for Success

- Scout Areas: Look for structures like oyster bars and submerged rocks where fish like to hide.
- Watch for Signs: Keep an eye out for jumping fish and bird activity, which indicate feeding frenzies.
- Adapt Tactics: Be flexible and adjust your fishing methods based on water clarity and conditions.

During these flood conditions, consider using lures that entice fish from the flooded grass. We recommend the Skinny Water Lures wake bait, a topwater/subsurface lure known for its tremendous action, vibration, and rattling sound. This lure is designed to draw fish from deep within flooded areas. Additionally, try a spinnerbait with a Colorado-style blade; the vibration from the blade can also attract fish.

### Conclusion

October has proven that fishing during transitional weather and lunar phases can be incredibly rewarding. By targeting the right species and adapting to changing conditions, anglers can maximize their time on the water. So gear up, take advantage of prime fishing times, and enjoy the thrill of chasing fish under the full moon.

Happy fishing!





**'kids4reel' IN THE COMMUNITY**

**🎣 The Fishing Adventures Continue 🎣**

**On Friday, October 18, 2024, Indian Trails Middle School coaches Thad Busby and Andy Hobbs led a group of eager 7th and 8th graders on a fishing adventure at Bing’s Landing.** The students enjoyed perfect weather and an exciting day of fishing, successfully catching and releasing flounder, mangrove snapper, and sheepshead from the docks and rocks.

Flagler Sportfishing Club’s ‘Kids4Reel’ volunteer team was on deck, guiding students in fishing techniques, conservation, and safety with an incredible 1:1 volunteer-to-student ratio. Special thanks to Deb Marinco, Danny Carter, Fishbites’ Brett Burford, Melinda and Wayne Hug, Mike Crofts, Jeff Murphy, and Dave Genk for their amazing support!



But the fishing fun didn’t stop there! **On Friday, October 25, 2024, junior anglers from Bunnell & Belle Terre Elementary Schools got hands-on with fishing, conservation, safety, and teamwork!** Led by school coaches Rob Kendall, Tom Westly, and Jill Espinosa, the students had a blast at Herschel King Park, catching and releasing redfish, flounder, mangrove snapper, and even some crabs. For a few of these kids, it was their very first catch!

A huge thank you to Kids4Reel volunteers Ray & Braylynn McCall, Jimmy Walker, Mike Crofts, Tim Bebee, Sue McCarthy, Dave Genk, and Jeff Murphy for expert guidance, a tasty lunch, and those famous chocolate chip cookies!





## 'kids4reel' IN THE COMMUNITY

### 🎄 Give Back to Our Community This Holiday Season! 🎄

This Christmas and holiday season, let's come together to support families in need right here in Flagler County. We're inviting Flagler Sportfishing Club members to donate gift cards to provide essential support for food and gifts to local families, especially those in our partner schools, many of whom fall below the poverty line.

Our kids4reel program now partners with 7 Flagler County schools to foster youth fishing clubs. This year, we aim to brighten the holidays for these students and their families with your generous support.

Here's how you can help:

- Purchase gift cards in \$25 increments from Walmart or Target (e.g., if you'd like to contribute \$100, please purchase four \$25 gift cards).
- Place the gift card(s) in an envelope with your name on it.
- Drop-off Options:
  - Bring the envelope to the donation box at our FSC Christmas party on December 7, 2024.
  - Or, reach out to kids4reel coordinators Jeff Murphy (jeff.murphy.tmg@gmail.com) or Ray McCall (luckycharm264@gmail.com) to arrange a pick-up.
- Donate Cash On-Line for Gift Cards to be Purchased:  
<https://flaglersportfishing.com/product/kids4reel/>

All donations will be registered by our Treasurer, Deb Marinco, who will also provide thank-you receipts for your contributions.

Our partner schools will ensure these donations reach the families most in need, bringing relief and holiday cheer to parents and children alike. Please consider this opportunity to make a meaningful impact in our community this holiday season!

**Gift Card Drive**  
for local Flagler  
County families

kids4reel & Flagler Sportfishing Club  
needs your help to spread joy to local  
families this holiday season!

**OCTOBER MEETING MINUTES BY CAROL CARTER, SECRETARY****Club Meeting Minutes 10-03-24**

**Meeting held at Social Club 51**

**Meeting called to order by President, Mike Vickers, Jr. at 7:30 PM**

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

**First Responders/Veterans/Active Duty Recognized**

**Welcome New Members/Visitors/Welcome Annual Sponsors – There were 7 new members in attendance tonight. Sponsors present were Mike & Erica Vickers from Hammock Bait & Tackle, Jorge Riano from Boat Rental.**

**Approval of 09-05-2024 Minutes – Motion was made by Tim Bebee and seconded by Dean Roberts. Minutes were accepted.**

**Announcements:**

**Quick Tips Presenter – Speakers were Peter Bessette & Tim Miller. Mike Vickers Jr. expressed thanks to Peter & Tim for presenting the Quick Tips, Subject: How to tie Uni Knots**

**Reports:**

**Treasurer Report:** Deb Marinco said that as of September 24, 2024 Income was \$4,755.00, Expenses were \$3,739.33, Year-to-Date Net Income was \$7,250.79. The CD for \$10,000.00 was rolled over for another 7 months. Deb mentioned that the kids4reel volunteer group supported an outing on Sept. 20th at Herschel King Park, volunteers were: Tim Beebe, Deb Marinco, Mike Crofts, Danny Carter, Luke & Deb Thomas, Dave Shank, Cliff Germano, Greg Kucharewski, Sue McCarthy and Jeff Murphy. Thank you to Cpt. Dru Williams of Crescent Watersports for using his boat to make three trips, so all the kids could enjoy a boat experience. There are two new volunteers on the team now – Greg Kucharewski and Cliff Germano. Thanks also to Rachel Ord, FSFC member for leading the “Flagler Homeschooler’s” into this event. Deb said one little boy was so excited to have caught the only fish, his first time fishing and his whole face lit up! Deb & Luke Thomas gave instructions on equipment/lures and knots. Dave Shank led the knot tying demo. Genung’s Fish Camp held a fishing clinic, just for high school kids on Sept. 14th , 41 kids signed up.

**Marketing Director:** Dick Hoover was not at tonight’s meeting, he submitted a report that Mike Vickers, Jr. read to the members. “We picked up one sponsor last month, Big Al’s Bait and Tackle. Currently working to bring other sponsors on board. Reached out to Bass Pro Shops manager in Daytona Beach, asking corporate to help support our club. Again, if you frequent a business and think they may be interested, please call or email me, so that I can follow-up.”

**OCTOBER MEETING MINUTES CONTINUED**

**Weigh Master Report:** Scott Robertson said the CPR Trnmt. as of 10/01 has 508 photos from 32 people, 243 of those are from Tim Miller! But Tim can only win one prize! In the Year Long Trnmt 179 entries have been submitted. Go online to the website to see who is in the lead. Stone crab season will open up on Oct. 15th. You can only have 5 traps per person and traps must be registered with the FWC. Crabs have to be 2 7/8 inches at claw, elbow to tip, you can only harvest 1 gallon per person. You should only take one claw and then return the crab to the water. The FOM for October is Bluefish – 12" minimum, 3 per angler. September's FOM was Redfish, prize was won by Errold Randall who got a \$50.00 gift card from Hammock Bait & Tackle. Mike Vickers, Jr. mentioned that Flounder season closes on Oct. 1st until Nov. 30th. You can fish again for Flounder on Dec. 1, 2024.

**Tournament Report:** Tim Miller said a lot of members fished the Member Classic Trnmt., winner of the biggest red got paid twice. It was a great day, good food but the trout didn't show up. Total of 58 anglers and we had many volunteers, which is a great help at these events. Volunteering to help is a great way to connect with other people. Oct. 19th is the Surf II Trnmt. weigh-in will be from 2-3 PM at Betty Steflik Pavilion, payout for the most CPR photos will be \$100.00 prize. You can buy the raffle tickets tonight and the sign-up sheet is in the back.

**Membership Director:** Becca Price said we now have 300 members. Only 32 people so far have signed in for tonight's meeting and you need to sign in so we have a record of the attendance at different events like tonight's Smoked Fish & Dip Contest, so next year we can plan accordingly.

**Quartermaster:** Linda Vickers was not at tonight's meeting.

**Old Business**

**Club Picnic:** Chuck Radloff and Becca Price will be the co-chairs for this event that will be held on Oct. 26th at Herschel King Park. They will need a lot of volunteers for this event. Opens at 11 AM, food will be served at noon. Dessert will be a big cake. Members are asked to bring a salad, appetizer or side dish. The club will provide the meats and there will be a Swap Shop and a cornhole contest. Sign up sheet is in the back and sign up is by Oct. 22nd and the cost for guests will be \$10.00. Becca said that if you go on Flagler Sportfishing Club (not the Member site), we need feedback on Instagram and Facebook about the club, when items are posted on there. Mike Jr. also said on Social Media we need likes for things posted on there for our potential sponsors. We have 300 members which can be 500 being it is a family membership. If you are selling merchandise at the Swap Shop, bring a table and chair to set up with.

**You Tube**

**OCTOBER MEETING MINUTES CONTINUED**

**Christmas Party:** Mike Jr. said the party will be held on Dec. 5th. Cost has increased this year to \$55.00 per member, and \$90.00 per guest as an early reduced pricing before the deadline of Nov. 11th, after the 11th it will be \$60.00 per member and \$95.00 per guest. Flyer & invitation are in your Oct. Chum Line, can be found on our website & you can sign up at tonight's meeting or at the Nov. 7th Member Meeting at Club 51.

**Budget Workshop Volunteers:** Mike Jr. gave a big thanks to volunteers Mary Phillips, Adam Powers and Rob Geissler for participating with the 2025 Budget Workshop.

**Online/in-person Purchase of Club Apparel/Items:** Mike Jr. mentioned that Linda should be selling the online club apparel at the Nov. 7th meeting.

**DAV Thanksgiving and Christmas Food Drive:** Ernie Morris gave a presentation to us that the Disabled American Veterans will be having a food drive for the holidays for Veterans in need. Please bring your donations of Non-Perishable items to the Nov. 7th meeting. Items requested were: Turkey Gravy, Mashed Potatoes (Boxes & Packets), Breakfast Cereals, Pancake Mix & Syrup, Cans of Soup, Cans of Fruit, Cranberry Sauce, Canned Macaroni, Rice, Pudding & Jello Cups. And if you wish, Cash to buy Christmas gifts for the children.

**Reconciling the Books:** Lisa Annaheim will be doing the accounting of our 2023 financial records.

**Smoked Fish Contest:** Andy Block announced the winners of the Smoked Fish Cook Off and Fish Dip Contest. Judges were: Mike Vickers Jr., Melinda Hug & Jason Petrosky -thank you for participating. Winners for the Smoked Fish were 3rd place - David Genk - prize won - Bag of Smoking Chips, 2nd place Andy Block, prize - towel, 1st place Tim Miller - prize, apron. Winners of the Fish Dip 3rd place Dawn Miller, prize -Bag of Smoking Chips, 2nd place, David Genk prize - towel, 1st place Andy Block prize - apron. Three people entered fish and 4 people entered dips.

**Upcoming/New Business**

**Membership Fees:** Raised to \$90.00 Annually - Prices are going up! It will be \$90.00 for a family membership for the member, a spouse or significant other and all children under the age of 18. You get 10 free tournaments a year, a free picnic, reduced price Christmas Party (we absorb part of the cost). The budget is at a deficit for this year. Renewal notices will be sent out by email shortly.

**By-Laws committee Volunteers:** Mike Jr. is looking for any members who might be interested in being on the committee to work on the By-Laws for our 2025 season.

**BREAK**

**OCTOBER MEETING MINUTES CONTINUED****Speaker: Chip Brundage (The Sinker Guy) Subject: Surf Fishing**

Question was asked about catching Pompano. Chip said that Pompano mark where the food is, the 1st group marks and the 2nd bunch will not stay if the 1st group hasn't marked in that area. If you can find bait, sand Fleas are at Varn Park, so there is great fishing there. Marineland is not back to good fishing yet after the beach was replenished. Crescent Beach has sand fleas and ghost shrimp, blue crabs and sand crabs to use for baits. For artificials, if the water is over 68 degrees, use yellow bait, if 64 degrees or under use pinks and orange, but you can also catch on green and white. When using light blue and orange on the beach it looks like a bead. Brownish black bead matches a lobster egg. For Pompano, he uses 20 lb.mono and 30 lb braid with Vanish for a leader. Fluro-carbon will stretch and can break. Mono-blend Brewer rig is a mix of mono & fluorocarbon. He uses a Bruno rig in yellow and orange and keeps his line off of the bottom. He likes a Mortician rig with a fish bite or a bead. Snoods are mono-carbon and they save your sinker, he uses a 7lb snood. A lighter line helps you catch Pompano. He uses a Saltwater Brine that will toughen the shrimp when it gets black. He uses blue crab and sand fleas to catch Pompano. Out of one blue crab, you can get three cut up pieces, the shoulder, knuckle and the appendage. Hide the hook in the knuckle. He uses a 2 oout Circle Hook all the time and also uses mullet for bait. Pompano are out at Villano in St. Augustine. The Pompano haven't started to migrate to this area yet. Within 2 weeks they should be here. You can catch them in dirty or clean water. Ghost Shrimp are like crack cocaine to the Pompano, Fish Bites makes a Ghost Shrimp flavor. They make many flavors of Fish Bites and colors to attract the fish. He uses the fish bites with live bait together. If you have a bait like crab or something that might fall off the hook, tie it on the hook with bait thread.

**50/50 Winner Melinda Hug of \$120.00 – Congrats! Melinda graciously donated her winnings to the DAV.**

**There was an attendance of 50 people at tonight's meeting.**

**MOTION WAS MADE TO ADJOURN BY Tim Thornton, 2ND BY Dean Roberts**

**MOTION WAS APPROVED.**

**Meeting adjourned at 9:20 PM**

**Minutes submitted by Carol Carter, Club Secretary**

NOVEMBER MEMBER MEETING



FLAGLER SPORTFISHING CLUB

Monthly Meeting  
Thursday,  
November 7th, 2024



7:00pm Quick Tips

7:30pm General Meeting

7:45pm Break

8:00pm Guest Speaker:  
Capt. Lehman Norman from Local  
Knowledge Fishing Charters

Topic: Snook & Redfishing

New Meeting Location!  
Club 51/Social Club  
51 Old Kings Rd. N  
Palm Coast, FL 32137



Captain Lehman Norman

[localknowledgefishingcharters@yahoo.com](mailto:localknowledgefishingcharters@yahoo.com)

[904-826-7838](tel:904-826-7838)

NOVEMBER MEMBER  
MEETING GUEST  
SPEAKER

**CAPTAIN  
LEHMAN  
NORMAN**

There's no substitute for local expertise when it comes to fishing. Join us as Captain Norman, a seasoned local angler, shares invaluable insights on Snook and Redfishing—just in time to prep for our upcoming November Red, White & Blue Fishing Tournament!



November 7th, 2024  
Meeting starts at 7.00 pm



[www.localknowledgefishingcharters.com](http://www.localknowledgefishingcharters.com)



## NOVEMBER MEMBER MEETING

JOIN US IN SUPPORTING THE DAV

# THANKSGIVING FOOD DRIVE

Please bring donations to the  
Nov. 7th Club Meeting

## Requested Items:

- Turkey Gravy
- Mashed Potato Packets
- Breakfast Cereal
- Pancake Mix & Syrup
- Canned Soups, Pastas & Fruit
- Canned Meats
- Cranberry Sauce
- Rice
- Pudding or Jello Cups
- Cash - to be used for additional foods, with surplus to help buy Christmas Gifts for local Veterans' Children



YouTube



# RED, WHITE, & BLUE TOURNAMENT & COOKOUT

*Flagler Sportfishing Club*  
*Saturday November 16th, 2024*  
*Bing's Landing North Pavillion*  
*5900 N Ocean Shore Blvd, Palm Coast, FL 32137*

## \$700 Payout

Heaviest Redfish	Heaviest Bluefish	Heaviest Whiting (11in min)
1st - \$100	1st - \$100	1st - \$80
2nd - \$75	2nd - \$75	2nd - \$70
3rd - \$50	3rd - \$50	3rd - \$50

CPR: longest Bluefish - \$50

CPR photos must be shown on phone with date & time at weigh in.

Raffle & 50/50

Click Here to RSVP Now

**RULES:**

- Fishing starts at 7:00am, 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 Bing's Landing North Pavilion  
 Lunch Provided, Free for Members & 1 guest, \$10 for additional guests, served at 2pm

**Sign Up:**

Members may attend the weigh-in even if they don't fish. Please sign up for food head count. Sign up at Nov. 7th Monthly Meeting or <https://flaglersportfishing.com/event/rwb-tournament/>

**For more information, please contact Captain Mike Vickers Sr.**  
**386-276-2613**

FLAGLER SPORTFISHING CLUB



# Christmas Party

ENTERTAINMENT BY

**SOUL FIRE**



**THURSDAY, DECEMBER 5TH  
6PM - 11PM**

Italian American Club  
45 Old Kings Road North,  
Palm Coast, FL 32137



Sign up now for reduced pricing of \$55 Member / \$90 Guest.

Reservations made after Nov. 11th will be \$60 Member/\$95 Guest.

Reservations will be accepted at the Oct. 3rd & Nov. 7th Monthly Meeting, held at the Social Club of Palm Coast / Club 51 or can be mailed to:

Flagler Sportfishing Foundation PO Box 353383, Palm Coast, FL 32135.

All money must be received by no later than November 17th.

Make checks payable to Flagler Sportfishing Club and mail with the bottom portion of the official invitation. Net proceeds from this event will be donated to help fund various programs of Flagler Sportfishing Foundation Inc.

You are Cordially Invited to Attend  
Flagler Sportfishing Club's Annual Christmas Party 2024

Thursday, December 5th, 6:00 P.M. – 11:00 P.M.  
Italian American Club  
45 Old Kings Road North, Palm Coast, FL 32137

6:00 P.M. Cash Cocktail Bar Opens  
6:00 P.M. – 7:00 P.M. Butler passed Hors D'oeuvres,  
Entertainment by "Soul Fire" for Your Dining and Dancing Pleasure  
Dress is Club Casual

Menu Choice

Jumbo Shrimp Scampi over Penne Pasta  
Slow Roasted Prime Rib of Beef (Au Jus) with Garlic Mashed Potatoes  
Chicken Francese over Penne Pasta

All Served with Salad de Maison with Ranch and Balsamic Vinaigrette Dressings,  
NY Italian Bread and Butter, and Family Style Broccoli with Lemon Butter Sauce  
Dessert – Cheesecake with Raspberry and Chocolate Drizzle,  
served with Regular & Decaf Coffee, Hot Tea

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Please Mark Your Dinner Choice Below and Return This Portion with your Check. Members will take  
priority on seating and guests will be placed on a waiting list to fill in if necessary to fill the capacity.  
(Reservations will be accepted at the Oct 3rd & Nov 7th Monthly Meetings held at the Social Club of  
Palm Coast/Club 51 or be mailed to the address below.)  
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Member Name 1 \_\_\_\_\_ Shrimp \_\_\_Prime Rib \_\_\_Chicken \_\_\_\$55.00

Member Name 2 \_\_\_\_\_ Shrimp \_\_\_Prime Rib \_\_\_Chicken \_\_\_\$55.00

Guest Name 1 \_\_\_\_\_ Shrimp \_\_\_Prime Rib \_\_\_Chicken \_\_\_\$90.00

Guest Name 2 \_\_\_\_\_ Shrimp \_\_\_Prime Rib \_\_\_Chicken \_\_\_\$90.00

I would like to be seated with: \_\_\_\_\_ TOTAL ENCLOSED: \_\_\_\_\_

Please Note: Table setups are for 8 or 10. We will try to accommodate seating preferences. Your Club  
Membership entitles you to 2 people at the reduced Member price. All others are considered "Guests"  
and are required to pay the Guest price.

Price for Reservations made after Nov 11th will be \$60 Member/\$95 Guest.

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invitation to the Flagler Sportfishing Foundation PO Box 353383, Palm Coast, FL 32135

For questions, please contact me at debmarinco@gmail.com or 904-806-5735  
Net Proceeds from this event will be donated to help fund various programs of the  
Flagler Sportfishing Foundation, Inc



## 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 **Club 51/ Social Club on the 1st Thursday** 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-fee charity event during the year as well as a Free Kid's Clinic & a Free Member'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 2024 **HERE**

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UPCOMING EVENTS

FLAGLER SPORTFISHING CLUB 2024 SCHEDULE OF EVENTS NOVEMBER - DECEMBER

NOVEMBER  
SNOOK

07- Monthly Meeting ,Club 51/  
Social Club 7:00 PM Meeting,

16 - Red, White & Blue  
Tournament  
Bing's North Pavillion

21 - Directors Meeting,  
DAV 7:00pm

DECEMBER  
Whiting (11" min)

NO Monthly Meeting

05- Christmas Party  
Italian American Social Club

19 - Directors Meeting,  
DAV 7:00pm

