

FLAGLER SPORTFISHING CLUB THE CHUM LINE



FROM THE HELM - BY CAPTAIN MIKE VICKERS JR.

Dear Flagler Sportfishing Club Members,

We have been heard, on September 11th 2025 a small group of us (anglers) stood before the Flagler Beach City Commissioners in protest of the impending city ordinance 2025-13 Surf Fishing Restrictions.

A number of us from the club stood up and spoke to them about wanting to take part in the drafting of this ordinance. We know that it is coming, they are going to restrict surf fishing in Flagler Beach, however we have the chance to affect this ordinance. As some of you are aware we started a petition opposing (to reject) this ordinance. As of now we have a total of 492 responses, 476 to reject the ordinance, 15 in support of the ordinance, 1 prefer not to answer. I am going to allow the petition to continue until we have an approved ordinance.

I received an email from Mr. Dale Martin (Flagler Beach City Manager) thanking us for wanting to be part of the solution and wanting to assist in developing this ordinance. At this upcoming meeting I will be asking for volunteers (there will be a sign-up sheet) that will be available on a Monday or Friday (Date TBD) to sit with myself and Mr. Martin to draft an ordinance to present to Flagler Beach City Commissioners. We may also want to have a meeting prior to meeting with Mr. Martin so that we may present a draft ordinance. This is your opportunity to stand-up and have your voice heard.

HIGHLIGHTS

- **October Member Meeting & Smoked Fish Dip Contest October 2nd**
- **Club Picnic October 18th Volunteers Needed!**
- **CPR Tournament October 25th**

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SMOKED FISH & FISH DIP CONTEST OCTOBER 2ND!

**October 2nd, 2025****SMOKED FISH
& FISH DIP CONTEST****BEST FISH: 1st- \$50****BEST FISH DIP: 1st- \$50**

**Please arrive by 7pm to set up your fish.
Bring your fish to Chuck at the back of
the room.**

RULES:

Members can have more than one entry in the 2 categories.

Judged by a panel of member judges.

One payout per member.

MUST use local fish - no salmon or pike.

Contestants are encouraged to make extra fish & dip for all to share.

Club provides plates & utensils for tasting.

**To Sign Up for
Contest:
call Chuck Radloff
386-569-1584**

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TOURNAMENT CHAIRMAN REPORT BY TIM MILLER

Tim Miller
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September provided members a chance to win money by fishing the Member Classic on September 20, 2025. This tournament paid \$2000.00 in prize money. Since members could win more than one cash prize, we had some happy members that won more than one place. Members enjoyed sandwiches, chips and cookies at the weigh-in. Thanks to Cliff Way for running this event. Thanks to the many other members that also helped make this event a great success.

October will see our Catch Photo and Release Tournament on October 25, 2025. Prizes will be awarded for the longest fish in seven species. Take photo of your fish on club approved bump board and show photo to weigh master at the weigh-in. See flyer in this issue for more information.

November will bring our final free club tournament of 2025, the Red, White and Blue Tournament. Winning fish will be Red Drum, Whiting, and Blue Fish.

The yearlong Catch Photo and Release tournament is in full swing. 33 members have released over 575 legal fish in 12 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. There will be eleven winners, therefore 1/3 of the 33 members in the drawing will win.

Be sure to check out your access to Myweighmaster web site. Use you club email to register. Once registered, go to My Club. You will be able to:

See All fishing reports for fish entered into the Clubs Yearlong Tournament.

Ask fishing questions

Ask fish cooking questions

Get a funny fish tale

Get weather data

See yearlong entries and search on fish to see best times of year to fish for this species.

<https://myweighmaster.com/>

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 tournaments. If you have ideas to make our tournaments better, let me know.



TOURNAMENT CHAIRMAN REPORT BY TIM MILLER**Pompano vs. Permit – Know the Difference!**

While Permit aren't often caught in our area, they can sometimes be confused with Pompano at weigh-ins. Here are a couple of quick tips:

- Permit have a deeper, rounder body with a blunter head, and their tail is large and sickle-shaped.
 - Pompano are slimmer with a more streamlined body and a less pronounced tail fork.
- Knowing the difference ensures accurate weigh-ins and keeps our tournaments fair!



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MEMBER CLASSIC TOURNAMENT RECAP BY CLIFF WAY

The weather was very good, but fishing was somewhat challenging for many during this event on September 20th. There were 46 people who signed up to fish and 52 people that showed up for the weigh-in at Herschel King Park.

I would like to thank my many helpers, including Brenda Velazco for serving food, Carol Carter for handling sign-in and show-up tickets, Tom Woods for bringing and returning tables and banners from storage and helping with setup and teardown, Tom Juliano and Chuck Radloff for selling raffle and 50/50 tickets, Becca Price for taking photos, Cookie Zimmer helped her husband, Bill with reporting the weights of the fish coming in, and David Genk and Tim Miller helped with tearing down. The event needs volunteers to run smoothly and their help is greatly appreciated.

We collected \$180 for the raffles and another \$200 for the 50/50 raffles which is split with the club.

We did have to draw names to fill the 3 trout slots as no one was able to catch a legal trout. Not having any trout weighed in was consistent with this event in September 2024.

Below are the winners in each category listed as 1st, 2nd & 3rd:

Black Drum – Mike Vickers Sr., Mike Vickers Jr., Karen Dougherty

Flounder – Shawn Barnett, Mike Palazzo, Connor Liebal

Redfish – Bill Zimmer, Tim Miller, Shawn Barnett

Trout (Winners by Drawing) – Tim Jarvis, Mike Vickers Jr., Monica Sosa

Redfish Spots – Tim Miller

Raffle Prize Winners:

1 Bait Bubbler with insert – Tony Lombardo

Bump Board w/Gulp bait – Mark Juliano

Penn Battle Combo Rod & Reel – George Riano

50/50 Winner of \$100.00 – Dena Laurienti

Show-up prize for \$25.00 gift certificate for The Anchor in Flagler Beach – Euclides Velazco



Congratulations to all winners!

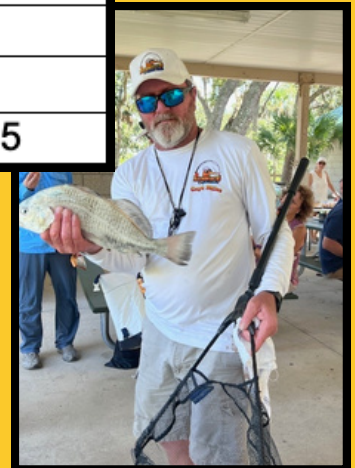
Cliff Way

September Member Classic Tournament Chairman

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MEMBER CLASSIC TOURNAMENT WINNERS

Member Classic	9/20/2025	
	NAME	WEIGHT
BLACK DRUM		
1st. Place	Mike Vickers Sr.	2lb. 5oz.
2nd. Place	Mike Vickers Jr.	2lb. 4oz.
3rd. Place	Karen Dougherty	2lb. 3oz.
FLOUNDER		
1st. Place	Shawn Barnett	7lb. 13oz.
2nd. Place	Mike Palazzo	1lb. 15oz.
3rd. Place	Conner Liebal	1lb. 15oz.
REDFISH		
1st. Place	Bill Zimmer	6lb. 7oz.
2nd. Place	Tim Miller	5lb. 0oz.
3rd. Place	Shawn Barnett	4lb. 11oz.
SEATROUT		
1st. Place	Tim Jarvis	Draw
2nd. Place	Mike Vickers Jr	Draw
3rd. Place	Monica Sosa	Draw
MOST SPOTS		
1st. Place	Tim Miller	5



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Shady Rays is “making an impact together” with FSC ‘kids4reel’ Junior Angler Program!

Shady Rays has made a generous donation of their polarized sunglasses to Flagler Sportfishing Club ‘kids4reel’ Junior Angler Program. Together, we are now ‘practicing what we preach’ by offering our partner organization students with the opportunity to wear these sunglasses during our monthly fishing adventures.

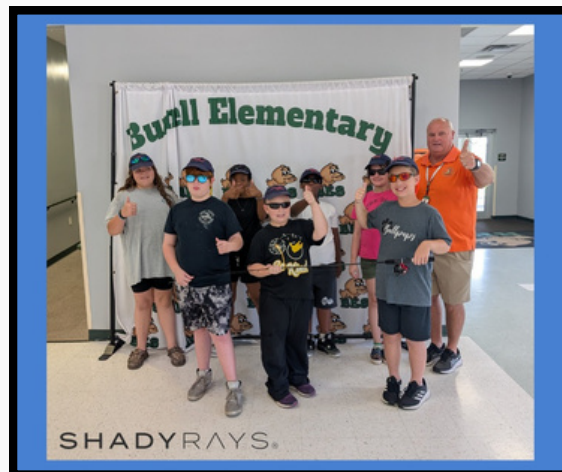
Shady Rays is “supporting causes that give purpose to their work!”

Shady Ray believes in supporting the communities in which their employees work and live. Shady Rays and FSC ‘kids4reel’ are creating a safer platform for our children to connect with the outdoors, build confidence and find meaning in the simple act of casting a line. Together, we are making a lasting impact – giving back to the community while inspiring the next generation of responsible stewards of our waters.

Shady Rays and FSC ‘kids4reel’ have a shared commitment to safety, community and purpose...and as one of our partner organization leaders exclaimed, “Shady Rays will help our children see and catch the ‘Big One!’”

Check out Shady Rays sunglasses for yourself and show support for the businesses that support our club! 😊 Shop online at www.shadyrays.com

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FISHING REPORT BY CAPTAIN MIKE VICKERS JR.

Well the calendar says that Summer is over and Fall begins, however here in North-East Florida that is not the case. While we will have some slightly cooler temperatures, there is no real change for us.

Unlike our temperatures going down slightly, our bite will start heating up. As the northern waters start cooling down the fish will once again be migrating to warmer water. We can start looking for the Pompano to start their run south, trout should become more active and the fall flounder and sheepshead bite is just around the corner.

The Redfish (Red Drum) have been the target fish of many anglers as the fall mullet run has been sporadic. This week I learned a few things about mullet.

Since I was a child, I have always thought that mullet jumped from the water to escape a nearby predator. That is not the case, they are trying to get more oxygen and to flush irritants (sand/algae) from their gills as stated by H. Dickson Hoese Department of Biology, University of Southwestern Louisiana in his paper "Jumping mullet - the internal diving bell hypothesis," Environmental Biology of Fishes Vol. 13, No. 4, pp. 309-314, 1985.

Redfish are being caught in Matanzas Inlet. There are multiple ways to fish for them from the bridge or the shoreline. From the bridge I like using a 5oz-6oz egg weight with a 12"-18" leader using a 4/0 circle hook. Using this rig, I will use live or whole dead finger mullet, hooking the live mullet through the upper lip and slightly in to the boney structure of the nose. With a dead finger mullet, fillet from the tail up about mid-way through the bait on both sides of the back bone and then hooking them through the chin and out the boney structure of the nose. Doing this allows the fillets to remain attached and flutter in the current like a struggling live bait or cut it into chunks. From the shore you can use the same rig as above with the exception of a weight change. From the shore I will replace the egg sinker with a pyramid sinker if fishing from the north bank. On the south bank where there are rocks, I would use a bank style sinker as it has a rounder shape and less (not guaranteed) likely to get hung up in the rocks. The first of the outgoing tide seems to be the key to the bite; however, the turn of any tide should provide nice fish. If you are fishing the bridge I would recommend getting there early as the spots fill up fast.

In the back or mud flats our local captains are reporting Flounder, Trout, small Snook and Redfish. The docks have been holding some nice Mangrove (grey) snapper. For those of you looking for that slot snook the intracoastal bridges from Palm Coast to High bridge have been reported with slot snook using Live croaker, mullet or a suspending bait early mornings or at night under the lights.

As always, stay safe, keep the rod tip up and the lines tight and remember that the "Fishing Lies Start Here."

WEIGH MASTER REPORT BY BILL ZIMMER



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Congratulations to our recent Fish of the Month Winner, Mark Hefley. Mark's Spotted Seatrout weighed in at 2lbs.

The September Fish of the Month was Redfish and the winner will be announced at the October meeting. In October we will have Black Drum as the fish of the month.

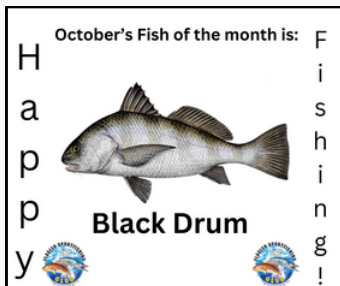
Don't forget to pinch the tail for all of your entries in all of our competitions, Fish of the Month, Yearlong, and CPR so don't forget to bring your approved Flagler Fishing Club Bump Board with you when you are out fishing. Official bump boards available to buy for \$20 at any of our club meetings. They are also available (cash only) at Hammock Bait and Tackle. If you have another brand of bump board, please see me to approve the accuracy and obtain a Flagler Sportfishing Club sticker to place on your bump board.

At our monthly tournaments or any other tournaments that we host, please be sure to check in with the Weighmaster by the end of the check-in time. If you come early to the weigh-in, you can place your fish bag at the weigh-in area and be sure to check in with the Weighmaster. If you have a live fish in the live well, check in as soon as you arrive so you will be placed in line for your weigh-in. You will need to stay in the area close enough to hear your name called when it is time to weigh your fish. If not, you will be moved to the end of the line. Do not go to the registration first if you have a fish to weigh-in! Go to the weighmaster first and then register your attendance. This will be discussed further at the October meeting.

For our CPR Competition, all Year Long fish species are eligible and just one CPR submission gets you into the CPR drawing at the end of the year. One additional ticket into the drawing is obtained for each 5 additional submissions so the more photos you submit, the better your chances of winning a great prize.

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.

October's Fish of the Month is Black Drum



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



WEIGH MASTER REPORT CONTINUED

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.

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

This is a table to show how the weight of your fish is calculated in the yearlong species tournament standings. The weight is calculated in pounds carried out two decimal places. Simply replace the two decimals in the standings with the corresponding ounces in the table.

A reminder for everyone fishing in our tournaments. All fish must comply with FWC rules. 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 tournament weigh-ins 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.



WEIGH MASTER REPORT CONTINUED

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.

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Then under 'Fishing' click on 'YearLong Club Standings'.

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

Bill Zimmer - Weighmaster - (850) 728-1937



FLAGLER SPORTFISHING CLUB

Monthly Meeting Thursday October 2nd, 2025

**7:00pm Smoked Fish
Contest & Quick Tips:**

**Knot Tying with Bill
Zimmer and Dave Shank**

7:30pm General Meeting

7:45pm Break

8:00pm Guest Speaker:

**Capt Mike Vickers Jr.
CPR Tournament & How
to Properly Measure Fish**

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

**Public
Welcome!**



Thank you, Sponsors!





'kids4reel' IN THE COMMUNITY

Flagler Sportfishing Club kids4reel Adventures – Inspiring the Next Generation of Anglers

The Flagler Sportfishing Club's kids4reel program continues to make waves with two exciting Junior Angler school adventures this September!

Homeschool Anglers Take the Lead

On Friday, September 19, 2025, FSC proudly hosted our partner group, the Flagler Homeschoolers, for a hands-on Junior Angler event led by FSC member, Rachel Ord. About 20 students and a dozen parents/guardians joined us for a morning filled with learning, fun, and fishing.

Our talented volunteer team kicked things off with interactive Learning Stations:

- Fish & Habitat – taught by Greg Kucharewski and Danny Carter, who shared their knowledge about local species and where they thrive.
- Ethical Angler – guided by Dave Shank and Ray McCall, focusing on conservation, respect for wildlife, and responsible fishing practices.

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Supporting both stations was middle school student and Kids4Reel trainer Luke Thomas, with his mom and FSC member Deb lending her steady hand. After 30 minutes of learning, the young anglers grabbed their rods for a couple of hours of fishing—and yes, there was some catching, too! 🐟

No Kids4Reel event would be complete without the legendary Dave “Cookie Monster” Genk, who once again spoiled everyone with his homemade treats.

Behind the scenes, FSC volunteers kept the day running smoothly. Deb Marinco captured video highlights, Murph snapped photos, and coaches Tim Beebe and Cliff Germano helped guide the kids along the way.





'kids4reel' IN THE COMMUNITY CONTINUED

Bunnell Elementary Joins the Fun

Just one week later, on Friday, September 26, 2025, Kids4Reel partnered with Bunnell Elementary School for another awesome Junior Angler event, led by BES Dean Rob Kendall and Coach Tom Westly.

Our volunteer team, spearheaded by Greg Kucharewski and Danny Carter, brought their enthusiasm once again, providing informative and fun instruction during the lunch break for the lucky student participants.

Despite the hot weather, our coaches worked side by side with the students to ensure a successful day of fishing. Many kids landed their first catches, creating memories that will last a lifetime. A special thanks goes to Shady Rays for donating beautiful polarized sunglasses to our partner schools—helping keep our junior anglers safe while on the water!

Looking Ahead

kids4reel thrives because of the dedication of our volunteers, who share their knowledge, encouragement, and passion for fishing at every event. Each outing is about more than just fishing—it's about teaching conservation, building confidence, and passing on the joy of angling to the next generation.

We are grateful to all who made these September adventures a success, and we can't wait to see what the next kids4reel event brings!



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Interested in becoming part of our kids4reel Crew?

We're always looking for passionate volunteers to help guide and inspire the next generation of anglers.

✉ Reach out to Deb Marinco or Jeff Murphy to learn how you can get involved.

Deb: debmarinco@gmail.com

Jeff: jeff.murphy@thinktmg.com

SEPTEMBER MEETING MINUTES BY CAROL CARTER, SECRETARY**Meeting Minutes 09-04-2025**

Meeting held at Social Club 51

Quick Tips: None

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

Pledge of Allegiance – Presented by Pat Laurienti

First Responders/Veterans/Active Duty Recognized

Welcome New Members/Visitors/Welcome Annual Sponsors – There were 8 guests in attendance tonight. Sponsors present were Mike Vickers, Jr.-Hammock Bait & Tackle, PC Fishing & Boat Rental- Andy Peterson, Dick Hoover from Kerouac/Hoover Team and our newest sponsor – Greg Kucharewski with Play HOOK-e from PTSD.

Approval of 08-07-2025 Minutes – Motion was made by Tim Beebe and seconded by Chuck Radloff. Minutes were accepted and approved.

Reports:

Membership Report – Becca Price said we have 217 members, 3 more tonight.

Announcement – Mike Vickers, Jr. mentioned that former member of the club, Kenneth Stone passed away on Sept. 03, 2025. No information on any arrangements is available at this time.

Treasurer Report – Scott Robertson said the figures through August are: \$19,459.00 in the checking account, 5 month CD is at \$10,658.00, YTD income is \$57,051.00, YTD Expenses were \$52,526.00, Income year-to- date \$4,525.00.

Marketing Director – Dick Hoover said it is time for the sponsor's renewals. If you know of any business that wants to sponsor the club, let him know and he will go there and speak to them.

Weighmaster Report – FOM for August was Spotted Sea Trout, winner was Mark Heffley with a 2 lb one, he received a \$50.00 gift card. FOM for Sept. will be Redfish, 18-27 “. When measuring, pinch the tail and measure it properly. Noel Kuhn will be holding Surf Fishing Clinics on Oct. 26th & Nov. 11th for 10 people, sign-ups in the back for a cost of \$37.50 for each person, for 4 hours to learn about surf fishing.

SEPTEMBER MEETING MINUTES CONTINUED

Tournament Director - Tim said soon we will be working on the tournaments for next year. We want your ideas for tournaments and raffle prizes. Tim also said that there are several spots that are still open in the Year Long Tournament for prizes. Weigh all your fish in. Sixty-four members weighed in 194 fish, CPR – 34 anglers entered. 522 legal fish were released in the CPR category, get your bump board and start practicing entering and get used to using the APP on your phone, because the CPR only tournament will be coming up on October 25th.

Quartermaster Report – Ray McCall said he has bump boards for sale, \$20.00 each – come and get one, you will need it for the CPR fish. Ray also said you can order club shirts from him, it is good advertising for the club if you wear our shirts.

Old Business

Overnight Tournament Recap - Pat Laurienti chaired this trnmt. on 08-15-2025 at High Bridge. He said it went well, 52 anglers signed up and 40 people showed up. He had many volunteers, Cliff Way substituted as Weighmaster for Bill Zimmer, Becca was photographer, Tom Juliano sold raffle tickets, Carol Carter handled registration, Pat Laurienti served the food. Even Jamie Trappas (owner of Yellow Dawg Bait Shop at Highbridge in Ormond Beach) pitched in and helped by setting up some tables and tents for us and putting our club sign at the end of his driveway on the road on his way out to an appointment. Thanks for all the help we have been getting for these events, we do appreciate you all! Thanks for staying until the end, Mike Palazzo, Pat & Dena Laurienti, Dave Shank and for tearing down the tables and tents.

Club Survey – Dick Hoover said he received 52 responses, 25% responses, 50% club kid's function, 50% didn't care, some wanted to volunteer, 40 inshore, 30 wanted lessons on ID'g the fish.

Upcoming/New Business

kids4reel – Deb Marinco reported that the school year has started up again and there are events planned for the school kids. On 9/19 at Herschel King Park, the Homeschoolers will be fishing. On 9/26 at Herschel King Park, the Bunnell school kids will be fishing and on 10/18 an event is planned with the Seawolf Privateers for foster kids. Reach out to Jeff Murphy or Deb Marinco to participate. Cliff Way, Dave Genk, Dave Shank, Greg Kucharewski, Danny Carter, Sue McCarthy, Tim Beebe and Ray McCall are all club members who volunteer to participate in this school program for the kids. Deb said you can't beat watching the kids excitement at these events.

SEPTEMBER MEETING MINUTES CONTINUED

Club/Picnic/Swap Shop - Oct. 18th Herschel King Park- Mike Vickers said we still need volunteers and a chairperson for this event or we won't be able to do them.

Manatee Zones End – Zones end on Sept. 7th.

Member Classic – Cliff Way will chair this event. See the Chum Line for flyer information. Big Payout. Trout has a 19" Maximum. Weigh-in is at Herschel King Park with a 6:30 AM start, \$25.00 sign-up fee for members and \$50.00 fee for guests that fish with a member. Weigh-in will be from 2-3 PM. Raffle items are in the back, buy tickets tonight or at the weigh-in! PC Boat Rental and Crescent Watersports will give you a 10% discount on rental boats.

HBA/iFish Flagler – Mike Vickers said on 9/27 there will be a trnmt held by the Home Builders Assoc. it is like our Spring Classic Trnmt.

Spotted Sea Trout FWC Meeting – Mike Vickers advised us that there will be hearings on the Spotted Sea Trout on 09/05 in Jacksonville on 09/09 in St. Augustine, on 09/10 in New Smyrna or on 09/18 a Webinar about Spotted Sea Trout – haven't specified.

Surf Fishing Restricted Surf Fishing Ord. 2025-13

Mike Vickers said this is a Restricted Fishing Ordinance in the first reading right now – close access to fishing. There was a complaint to the Flagler Commission Board that swimmers have nowhere to swim, they want to make an area for swimmers only. The Board will be holding meetings on the 2nd Thursday and the 4th Thursday of Sept. The next date will be Thurs., Sept. 11th at 5 PM at the town hall in Flagler Beach. Go to this meeting to protest or give your opinions. Roy Mattson, our guest speaker tonight, plans to be there and said people should be swimming while the lifeguard tower is open and swim in front of that and that is where the swimmers should be swimming for safety. Suggestion was made for the club to put out to the members, a club petition that could be filled out online and it could be presented to the Commission. We need to take action and fill out the petition.

Information – Yellow Dawg Bait Shop at High Bridge in Ormond, will be closed until 9/19/25 for repaving of the parking lot.

Snook season is from Sept. 1st to Dec. 14th, 2025. If you are 65 or older, you are exempt from getting a fishing license, you don't need the snook stamp. Otherwise, to keep a snook you have to have a stamp for it.

BREAK

SEPTEMBER MEETING MINUTES CONTINUED

Speaker – Roy Mattson from Roy's Surf Fishing Service, www.Royssurfishing.com

Roy said he runs a Surf Fishing Challenge and asked if we would like to see something like that come to Flagler Co. for next spring. Many hands were raised. He has ads in the Hunting/Fishing magazine, that can be found at Yellow Dawg Bait Shop and Hammock Bait & Tackle. He said he will be at City Hall in Flagler to give his opinions on the Surf Anglers VS the Swimmers on Flagler Beach and suggested anyone attending the meeting to wear their club shirts. He uses a 13" Surf Caster pole and fishes 3 hours before high tide. Flounder are heavy in the inlet, use prominent fish – finger mullet for bait. Fish around the inlet and around the beach. There is good fishing with the water coming from the north – cool water. For Flounder on the bottom, use 1-1 ½ flat sinkers, 14-16" monofilament leader with Kale hook- that was the name of a hook before the circle hook came along. Go along the eyeball of the mullet to hook the bait. Use a 3 oout circle hook for reds with a 2 ft. leader and go east to the bridge. In backwaters for flounder, throw a distance and slowly bring it in. At Ft. Matanzas, left on piling, goes to the East, holes and oyster bars are there and you can get flounder. At Matanzas Creek along the docks you can get flounder. Black Drum move all along the river. Hard for boaters to fish under the Matanzas bridge. Live crab or sandfleas are good bait for Black Drum. In Matanzas River, at the 1st creek drop, there have been black drum caught that weighed near 50 lbs. West of the river in creek, there are lots of Black Drum and past Marineland in Pelicier Creek there are many Redfish, you can use sand fleas for bait. Speckled trout have moved toward the inlet because of a lot of rain. You can catch more fish with a medium to small shrimp – you don't need a huge shrimp. Board decision – he wants to hold a Fishing for Reel event. As an artificial bait, he uses Pompano Bananas. He used to run Flagler Pier. Roy brought gift bags to raffle off and everyone got a blue raffle ticket for a chance to win. Many won bags with short or long spudnik sinkers, fishbites, Pompano rigs and Cookie Zimmer & Cliff Germano won a Fishing Charter with him.

Attendance – There were 39 signed-in attendance, which included staff. Three possible new members, but they didn't turn in their applications yet.

50/50 Winner was Carol Carter, prize amount \$100.00– Congrats!

MOTION WAS MADE TO ADJOURN BY Cookie Zimmer and seconded by Carol Carter.

MOTION WAS APPROVED. Meeting adjourned at 9:20 PM

Minutes submitted by Carol Carter, Club Secretary

ANNUAL CLUB PICNIC FLYER



Flagler Sportfishing Club ANNUAL CLUB PICNIC

October 18th, 2025

THANK YOU CLUB MEMBERS!



We're celebrating our members the best way we know how... with food, fun, and a swap shop! Join us for the annual picnic and bring the whole family along for the good times.

Main entree, drinks & dessert will be provided.
Please bring a salad, appetizer or side dish to share, and don't forget a serving spoon too!

[CLICK HERE
TO RSVP](#)

Where: Herschel King Park, 1000 Grady Prather Jr. Cove

When: October 18th at 11am, Food Served 12:00

Bring your unwanted fishing & boating gear for our Swap Shop! There will also be a Corn Hole Tournament, so find your team and start practicing!



Signup at the October meeting or online at
<https://flaglersportfishing.com/event/picnic/>
Please RSVP by Tuesday, October 15th

We need a headcount to provide enough food.
Members are FREE, Guests welcome with a \$10 donation.
Questions? Contact

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YouTube

[FLAGLERSPORTFISHING.COM](https://www.flaglersportfishing.com)

CLUB CPR TOURNAMENT FLYER



FLAGLER SPORTFISHING CLUB

Free Club CPR Tournament (Catch, Photo, Release)

**Saturday, October 25th 2025****RAFFLE
DRAWINGS****50/50****Weigh - In: 2:00 - 3:00pm at Bing's
Landing, North Pavillion****ELIGIBLE SPECIES: BLACK DRUM,
FLOUNDER, BLUEFISH, POMPAÑO, REDFISH,
SHEEPSHEAD & WHITING (11" MIN)****SIGN UP
BY
OCTOBER
22ND****CLICK HERE
TO SIGN UP
NOW****\$100 Payout Longest Legal Fish
in Each Species*****1 Prize Per Species*****Show Up Bonus - \$25 Gift Card****Sign Up: www.flaglersportfishing.com
or call Andy Block (914) 557-6083, or at the
October 2nd meeting.****RULES: Fishing starts at 6:30am, Weigh-In 2pm - 3pm**

- Fish anywhere in Flagler, Volusia and St. Johns Counties, FWC regulations apply.
- One cash prize per member.
- Open Fish prizes will be filled from a drawing of members that fished, provided a CPR fish and did not win a cash prize.
- Tiebreaker for Longest Legal Fish category based on first fish weighed-in.
- FSC members fish FREE! Non-members welcome with advance \$20 donation and must fish with a member.
- Lunch Provided, Free for 1 non-member with a member, \$10 for additional non-members.
- FREE to junior anglers fishing with a member. Adults over 18 need membership or \$20 donation.
- Show photos of released legal fish on club approved bump board at weigh-in.
- CPR photo must include time stamp.

**You Tube****FLAGLERSPORTFISHING.COM**

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-free 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 2025 **HERE**

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UPCOMING EVENTS

FLAGLER SPORTFISHING CLUB SCHEDULE OF EVENTS OCTOBER 2025 - DECEMBER 2025

OCTOBER

Black Drum

02- Member Meeting
Club 51 / Social Club of
Palm Coast, Smoked Fish &
Dip Contest

18- Club Picnic, Swap &
Shop
Herschel King Park

23- Directors Meeting,
DAV 7:00pm

25- CPR Tournament
Bing's North

NOVEMBER

Longest Legal CPR Fish

06- Member Meeting
Club 51 / Social Club of
Palm Coast,

20- Directors Meeting,
DAV 7:00pm

22- Red, White & Blue
Tournament, Bing's North

DECEMBER

WHITING

04- NO MEMBER MEETING

06- Christmas Party

18- Directors Meeting,
DAV 7:00pm

