

# FLAGLER SPORTFISHING CLUB THE CHUM LINE



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

Dear Flagler Sportfishing Club Members,

As we enter the second month of the year, I just want to remind our members that there are numerous opportunities to volunteer with your fishing club. Some of the events happening this year which we need volunteers for are as follows:

- Feb 28th Members Kids Clinic
- Mar 7th Palm Coast Springfest
- Mar 21st Members Clinic
- Apr 2nd Dessert Contest
- Apr 10th / 11th Spring Classic
- May 2nd Members Kids Clinic
- May 9th Public Kids Clinic
- June 6th Public Kids Tournament
- June 20th Team Tournament
- July 2nd Ice Cream Social
- July 15th Flounder Tournament
- Aug 1st Members Kids Clinic
- Aug 8th Local Brands Expo
- Aug 14th Overnight Tournament
- Sep 19th Members Fall Classic
- Oct 1st Smoked Fish & Dip Contest
- Oct 17th CPR Tournament

## HIGHLIGHTS

- **February Monthly Meeting & Nomination of Officers**  
2/5/26
- **Membership Renewals going on now!**
- **Sheepshead Tournament**  
2/21/26
- **Member Kids' Clinic**  
2/28/26  
**Volunteers Needed!**

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Nov 7th Members Kids Clinic

Nov 21st Red, White & Blue Tournament

Also, there are opportunities to be a guest speaker at our monthly meetings.

To volunteer to run or help with a tournament contact our Tournament Director at [fsfctourdir@gmail.com](mailto:fsfctourdir@gmail.com)

To volunteer to run a contest at one of our meetings contact our Sergeant at Arms at [fsfcsaa@gmail.com](mailto:fsfcsaa@gmail.com)

To volunteer to run or help with the members kids' clinic, the public kids' clinic or Public Kids Tournament contact our Vice President at [fsfcvpres@gmail.com](mailto:fsfcvpres@gmail.com)

To volunteer to help with the members clinic, Local vendors expo or Palm Coast Springfest contact our Membership Director at [fsfcmbrdir@gmail.com](mailto:fsfcmbrdir@gmail.com)

To be a guest speaker at one of our member meetings contact our President at [fsfcpres@gmail.com](mailto:fsfcpres@gmail.com)

Our club needs volunteers to help run these fun events. Please help if you can.



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**TOURNAMENT CHAIRMAN REPORT BY CLIFF WAY**

Cliff Way  
[fsfctourdir@gmail.com](mailto:fsfctourdir@gmail.com)

As many of you are aware, Tim Miller has transitioned out of the Tournament Director role and is guiding me to keep the tournaments running smoothly. Tim has dedicated many years to this role, and I appreciate his commitment and am sure club members do also. Now Tim has more time to fish and rack up the CPR count.

2026 began with the first free tournament – the Black & Red Tournament. Thank you to Mark Heffley for hosting this event along with all the helpers. It was a cold morning, but a nice afternoon for the weigh-in with members enjoying a nice lunch and socializing.

Most of the prizes were awarded, and the few that were not will have the prize money rolled into the Reel of Fortune fund. Look for the list of winners and full details in this issue of the Chum Line.

One of the prizes that was not awarded was for Junior Angler. An update for 2026 is that anyone under 16 years old fishing with a club member qualifies for this category. There is no guest fee and the junior angler does not need to be family member. Each free tournament will have a \$25 prize category for Junior anglers.

The clubs' yearlong results can be found on our website or directly from the following website <https://myweighmaster.com>

Once on the site, click Login, Click Create Account. Once you have an account, click Myclub, Click Take me to my club.

The 2026 Catch Photo and Release Tournament is off to a great start. Members have already photographed and released many 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 2025, some of the ten winners only had one entry in the drawing.

Our next tournament will be the Sheepshead Tournament on February 21, 2026. See flyer included in this issue with all the information. With \$700.00 in prize money, this is an opportunity to win money to help cover your 2026 dues.



**TOURNAMENT CHAIRMAN REPORT CONTINUED**

Use the link below to see all the events for 2026 so you can plan your year with your Fishing Club.

[Upcoming Events – Flagler Sportfishing Club](#)

Would you like to have control of the food for a tournament and engage with more members? Sign up to run one of the club free tournaments. 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.



**FLAGLER SPORTFISHING CLUB**

**Monthly Meeting  
Thursday  
February 5th, 2026**

**Public Welcome!**

**7:00pm Quick Tips**

**7:30pm General Meeting & Nomination of Officers**

**7:45pm Break**

**8:00pm Guest Speaker  
TBA**

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



**Thank you, Sponsors!**



CONGRATS TO OUR 2025 WINNERS!



**FLAGLER SPORTFISHING CLUB**

## Congratulations TO THE 2025 YEAR-LONG SPECIES WINNERS & CPR WINNERS

2025 Yearlong Winners		CPR Yearlong	
Amberjack	Ernie Morris	<b>Tournament Winners</b>	
Black Drum	Greg Zvierko		
Bluefish	Sue McCarthy		
Flounder	Mike Vickers Sr.		
Grouper	Tim Miller		
Pompano	Danny Carter		
Redfish	Pat Laurienti		
Sheephead	Keith Waldron		
Mangrove Snapper	Mike Vickers Jr.		
Snapper-Other	Robert Banks		
Snapper-Red	David Pinette		
Snook	Gene Van Dorpe Jr.		
Spanish Mackerel	Kelvin Byrne		
<b>MALE ANGLER OF THE YEAR SHAWN BARNETT</b>			
<b>LADY ANGLER OF THE YEAR KAREN DOUGHERTY</b>			
<b>CPR ANGLER OF THE YEAR TIM MILLER</b>			

**FLAGLER SPORTFISHING CLUB**

## Congratulations to FSC's Anglers of the Year!



**Male Angler**  
Shawn Barnett





**Lady Angler**  
Karen Dougherty



**CPR Angler**  
Tim Miller

CONGRATS!

**BLACK & RED TOURNAMENT RECAP BY MARK HEFFLEY****2026 Black & Red Tournament**

The weather started out chilly but warmed up for the weigh-in.

61 anglers signed up to fish, and 42 enjoyed the subs from Sub Base in Palm Coast as well as Dave Genk's delicious chicken soup and rice. Several members asked Dave for the recipe but he said he could not provide it since it is chicken and whatever else he found in his fridge.

Thanks to all the volunteers who showed up to help. This experienced group made Cliff Way's first tournament a success. Additionally, all of us, as a group, refused to sign up to help for personal reasons at Shawn Barnett's first-ever tournament he will host in May, so we will need lots of volunteers for that one. We all wish Shawn the best of luck. (Just kidding, Shawn, thanks for volunteering.)

Volunteers: Andy Block - Assistant Tournament Chairman and Pirate, Pat Laurienti - Raffle Ticket and 50/50 sales, David Genk - Sous Chef and Bouncer, Carol Carter - Registration, Chuck Dykes - Setup Helper, Becca Price - Master Photographer, Bill Zimmer - Weighmaster, Cookie Zimmer - Co-Weighmaster and Partner in Crime, Scott Robertson - Treasurer (Speedy Check Writer).

Thanks to all who supported the raffle and 50/50.

Raffle Prizes Winners were:

Frabill Bait Station - Winner: Ryan Davis

Dexter 8" Fillet Knife - Winner: Monica Sosa

Avid Angler Hat, Micro Scissors and Baker Hookout Mini - Aby Moghanaki

50/50 Winner - \$77.50 Kelvin Byrne

Show-Up Winner of a \$25.00 Gift Card to Hammock Grill - Susan Carter

**The weigh-in winners were:**

Black Drum:

1st Place - Pat Laurienti

2nd Place - Mark Heffley (Pending results of the protest)

Redfish:

1st Place - Chuck Dykes

2nd Place - Bill Zimmer

3rd Place - David "The Miracle" Genk

4th Place - Shawn "Just Happy to Get a Check" Barnett

CPR Most Spots on a Redfish - Ryan Lukaszewski



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[FLAGLERSPORTFISHING.COM](http://FLAGLERSPORTFISHING.COM)

**BLACK & RED TOURNAMENT WINNERS**

**MORE PICTURES  
ON FACEBOOK!**

Black & Red Tournament		Jan. 17, 2026
	NAME	WEIGHT
<b>BLACK DRUM</b>		
1st. Place	Pat Laurienti	2lb. 12oz.
2nd. Place	Mark Heffley	2lb. 10 oz.
<b>REDFISH</b>		
1st. Place	Chuck Dykes	6lb. 9oz.
2nd. Place	Bill Zimmer	5lb. 15oz.
3rd. Place	Dave Genk	4lb. 9oz.
4th. Place	Shawn Barnett	4lb. 3oz.
CPR - Most Spots	Ryan Lukaszewski	1 Spot



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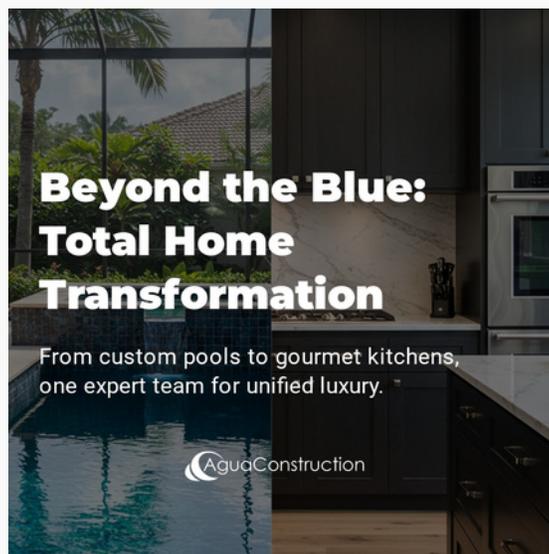
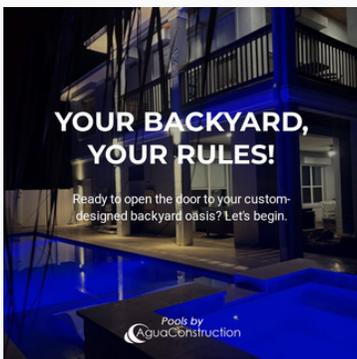
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**FISHING REPORT BY CHRIS CREGO****Palm Coast Inshore Fishing Report – January Edition  
Brought to you by Chris Crego of Skinny Water Lures**

January in the Palm Coast and greater Flagler County area is a month that separates casual anglers from those willing to adjust, slow down, and truly fish the conditions. Winter inshore fishing isn't about fast limits or covering miles of water – it's about understanding how cold fronts, tides, and water temperature influence fish movement on a daily basis.



This January has brought a steady rotation of cold fronts, dropping overnight temperatures into the 30s and 40s, which has pushed water temperatures into the low to mid-50s. These conditions force redfish, trout, and black drum to conserve energy, making them far less aggressive but still very catchable for anglers who commit to a slower, more methodical approach.

**Understanding the Winter Pattern**

After a strong cold front, fish in the Palm Coast area retreat into deeper water. Creeks, canals, channel edges, and areas with darker bottom become prime holding zones. Once the sun has been up for several hours, fish will slide shallow to feed before pulling back into depth again as temperatures drop later in the day.

The best bite window this month has consistently been late morning through mid-afternoon, especially on sunny days with light wind. These small temperature increases are often all it takes to turn a slow day into a productive one.

**Bing's Landing**

Bing's Landing has continued to shine throughout January thanks to its access to deeper Intracoastal water and nearby feeder creeks. Redfish have been schooling up along drop-offs, oyster edges, and bends in the ICW, often sitting tight to the bottom.

The most productive approach here has been fishing Skinny Water Lures 2.5" paddle tails slowly along the bottom, keeping the bait in contact with the structure as much as possible. Short drags followed by long pauses have been key. Many bites are subtle – just a slight "tick" or added weight – so staying focused and fishing light tackle makes a big difference. On outgoing tides, fish have been staging at creek mouths waiting for bait to wash out, making these transition areas high-percentage spots worth spending time on.

## FISHING REPORT CONTINUED

### High Bridge (Palm Coast)

The High Bridge area has been a wintertime staple, and January has been no exception. The deeper water, bridge pilings, and current flow make this a natural refuge for fish during colder weather. Trout have been especially consistent here, holding along the deeper edges and channel transitions.

This is an area where patience truly pays off. Fishing Skinny Water Lures curly tail grubs on light jig heads and allowing the bait to sit nearly motionless on the bottom has produced some of the best trout bites of the month. Long pauses are critical – often the bite comes just as you begin to move the lure again.

Black drum have also been mixed in around the bridge structure, especially during slower current periods. Keeping presentations tight to the bottom and fishing methodically around structure has been the most productive approach.

### Matanzas Inlet

Matanzas Inlet remains one of the most consistent winter fisheries in the region, particularly when water is moving. The inlet offers everything winter fish need: depth, current breaks, and a steady flow of bait.

Redfish have been staging along inlet edges, sand transitions, and current seams, while black drum have been holding closer to the bottom in slower water. Trout have been found slightly off the main current, often in deeper pockets and eddies.

Because of the stronger current, slightly heavier jig heads have been necessary to maintain bottom contact. Even so, Skinny Water Lures paddle tails and curly tail grubs continue to excel here, providing subtle action without requiring fast retrieves. Fishing the slower seams rather than the main flow has resulted in more consistent bites and fewer missed opportunities.

### Lure Size & Presentation Matter

January is not the time for oversized baits or aggressive retrieves. Downsizing has been critical. Smaller profiles look natural, stay in the strike zone longer, and don't require fish to expend extra energy to eat.

Skinny Water Lures are built for these exact conditions – allowing anglers to fish slow while still getting lifelike movement. Whether it's a paddle tail creeping along the bottom or a curly tail barely moving in the current, these baits continue to trigger bites when other lures fail.

## FISHING REPORT CONTINUED

**Key January Takeaways**

- **Fish deeper water with access to shallow feeding areas**
- **Focus on late morning to afternoon**
- **Slow down — then slow down even more**
- **Downsize your lure profiles**
- **Target drop-offs, creek mouths, and channel edges**

Winter fishing in Palm Coast isn't about numbers — it's about quality fish, clean presentations, and confidence in your approach. January rewards anglers who trust the process and stick with it, even on cold mornings that start slow. If you're willing to adjust your mindset, embrace finesse tactics, and keep Skinny Water Lures tied on, January can easily produce some of the most memorable inshore fishing of the year.



*Skinny Water Lures*

**Do you down size lure size  
in the winter?**

**Down size to the Skinny Water Lures 2.5inch  
and watch your catch ratio increase!!**

The advertisement features a central image of a fisherman in winter gear holding a large fish. Surrounding him are several different models of Skinny Water Lures in various colors and sizes. The background is a clear blue sky.

WEIGH MASTER REPORT BY BILL ZIMMER

The December 2025 Fish of the Month was Whiting and Tim Miller was our winner. Please remember that Whiting have been added back in 2026 but they must be 14 inches long for both Year Long and CPR entries. The January Fish of the Month was Black Drum and the winner will be announced at the February meeting.

Tournament Check-In Procedures: Everything went smoothly at our Black and Red Tournament on January 17 but I want to remind everyone that 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 check in with the Weighmaster at that time. 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.



**Bill Zimmer**  
**[bzgold@pga.com](mailto:bzgold@pga.com)**  
**(850) 728-1937**

February's Fish of the Month is Sheepshead

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.

**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 the club website:  
[flaglersportfishing.com](http://flaglersportfishing.com)  
 Then under Fishing click on YearLong Club Standings.

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.

Official bump boards available to buy for \$20 at any of our club meetings. They are also available (cash only) at Hammock Bait & Tackle. If you have different brand of bump board, please see me to approve the accuracy and obtain a Flagler Sportfishing Club sticker to place on your bump board.



**WEIGH MASTER REPORT CONTINUED**

For our CPR Competition, all Year Long fish species (including Whiting in 2026) 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.

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.

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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



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## 'kids4reel' IN THE COMMUNITY

### **kids4reel: A Look Back and a Look Forward**

The Flagler Sportfishing Club's kids4reel program continued to make a meaningful impact in 2025, both for our Club and the Flagler County community. Over the past year, more than 1,000 students participated in our events, learning not just how to fish, but also about conservation, safety, and the joys of time spent outdoors.

In 2025, we expanded our reach by partnering with two new organizations—Old Kings Elementary School and the Seawolf Privateers foster children organization—bringing the total number of schools and groups we support in Flagler County to nine. Our events now include enhanced educational elements, like 'Hooked on Lunch & Learn', giving students a richer, more hands-on experience with fishing, marine life, and environmental stewardship.

We also welcomed four new sponsors—Portugal Wine Bar & Grill, Thrivent Financial, the Flagler County Education Foundation, and Shady Rays—bringing our total sponsor partnerships to nine. These relationships help us provide quality programming while strengthening the bond between our Club and the community.

Behind the scenes, our 30 dedicated volunteers worked tirelessly to support events throughout the year. Their commitment benefits both our members and the students we serve, helping kids develop confidence, skills, and a love for the outdoors. Looking ahead to 2026, kids4reel is excited to:

- Grow FSC membership through continued engagement with our partner organizations
- Ensure each volunteer is approved by Flagler County to maintain a safe and supportive environment
- Enhance educational programming for our partner schools
- Create friendly competition and collaboration between partner schools to make learning and fishing even more engaging

With these plans in place, kids4reel is poised for another year of growth, learning, and community impact. Together, we're helping shape the next generation of anglers, conservationists, and leaders in Flagler County.



'kids4reel' IN THE COMMUNITY CONTINUED



**JANUARY MEETING MINUTES BY CAROL CARTER, SECRETARY****Club Meeting Minutes 01-08-2026**

**Meeting held at Social Club 51 Pledge of Allegiance-Pat Laurienti  
Meeting called to order by President, Mike Vickers, Jr. at 7:30 PM**



**First Responders/Veterans/Active Duty Recognized  
Welcome New Members/Visitors/Welcome Annual Sponsors - There were 7 guests  
in attendance tonight.**

**Sponsors present were Mike Vickers, Jr.-Hammock Bait & Tackle and the Riano  
Family - PC Boat Rental**

**Approval of 11-06-2025 Minutes** – Motion was made by Tim Beebe and seconded by Peter Bessette. Minutes were accepted and approved.

**Membership Director** – Becca Price said we have 100 members right now. Renewals are in process right now, she received 3 renewals tonight. Sign up here or online for renewals. Renewals are \$90.00 right now.

**Treasurer Report** – Scott Peterson gave his year end report as of 12/31/25 Assets - \$24,228.00, Year-to-Date \$69,108.00, YTD Expenses \$69,280.00, Net Income -minus - \$172.00.

**Marketing Director** – Eric Belove was absent tonight – no report given.

**Youth Programs Director** – Report was given by Dave Shank, VP, he said that in 2026, there are a lot of initiatives. The K4Reel program will expand to members kids and grandkids. They have 9 or 10 schools now, including a home school program that has joined them. And maybe, will have yearly events hosted by the FSFC. To watch kids catch their first fish is thrilling. The kids have caught many varieties of fish on their outings.

**Weighmaster Report** – Bill Zimmer said the FOM for Dec. was Whiting – winner was Tim Miller. January FOM will be Black Drum. Whiting is back in our tournaments, must be 14" long for Year Long and the CPR trnmts. At the tournaments, be there on time, check in early, put fish bag in line and Bill will call your names in order. If you have live fish to check in, you can weigh the fish first.

**JANUARY MEETING MINUTES CONTINUED**

**Tournament Director** – Cliff Way thanked Tim Miller for his service to this club. Highlights from last year were 9 free trnmts. at no cost to the members, \$700.00 in payouts at each trnmt. For the Member Classic, the entry fee is only \$25.00 per member with a \$2,000.00 payout. The Red Snapper trnmt. is free, In the Spring Classic, donations are made to different causes. Cliff mentioned that the Black & Red Trnmt. will be held on 01-17-2026 at Bings North, weigh-in from 2-3 PM, Chairman will be Mark Heffley. You can sign up at the back table tonight or go online. We need volunteer chairpersons to run the 2026 trnmts. So, far he has Mark Juliano for one and Cpt. Amy Krisanda will do two – thank you so much for stepping up and filling in for these jobs.

**Quartermaster Report** – Ray McCall was absent – no report was given.

**Old Business****Kids Fishing Tournament – Place Holder**

**Flagler Beach Restricted Surf Fishing Ord. 2025-13 – Place Holder**-Mike Vickers, Jr. said that he and 4-5 others met with the city manager to write and improve this Ordinance that goes from 10th St. north to 10th St. south. No fishing when lifeguard stations are manned. A1A to the pier – Handicapped access around 2nd St. . 1st St. north to A1A to allow access to fishing. They will be meeting with the council tomorrow at 10 AM to present this Ordinance and toward the end of Jan. the council will meet again to vote on it.

**FWC Sea Trout Meeting** – Mike Vickers, Jr. – he attended the public hearing and the input on it is that it has not been approved yet. They have 5 management regions and want to go to 9, from Volusia Co. to ST. 100. In NE region 5 fish per person, limit is 15-19". Proposed 3 fish, no overage only 15-19", no closed season, Commercial guys have a closed season. Feb FWC meeting with the commission, open to the public, Erin will put the notice and date on Facebook.

**Red, White, Blue Tournament** – Cliff Way said there were 55 anglers signed up, we had 46 at the weigh-in, lots of volunteer help, Becca took pictures, Kelvin Byrne helped with registration, Cliff & Mary Way handled the weighing of the fish. Cliff asked people to volunteer for the upcoming Black & Red trnmt.

**Upcoming/New Business**

**JANUARY MEETING MINUTES CONTINUED**

**Black & Red Tournament** – Cliff Way said this trnmt. weigh-in will be at Bings No. from 2-3 PM. We will need volunteers, so please sign up at the back table for the tournament and to help with it. This trnmt. has \$700.00 in prize money, with 4 places for both species. CPR will be the most spots on one side of the redfish. Make sure to pinch the tail if over 27". Raffle items are at the back table, you can buy tickets tonight for them, drawing will be at the trnmt. 01/17/2026.

**Year Long & CPR Tournament Winners** – Weigh Master, Bill Zimmer read off the winners for the Year Long Tournament and those names will be printed out in his report in the Feb. Chum Line, so check it out to see the names of the winners you have to compete against this year. **Congrats to all our winners!**

**CPR Winner Drawing** – We had the exciting drawing, designed by Peter Bessette, for the CPR winners. This is done by putting the names of anyone who submitted 1 fish or many fish on a wheel and it is the pick of the draw as to where the arrow stops, as to who wins, they draw for 10 anglers. You just have to photograph the legal fish you caught on the club's official bump board, and submit it online and then you get to release your fish. I have seen many winners that only submitted one fish and they won a very nice prize for it. So, get your cameras out, save some fish and win a great prize.

**Winners were: Dave Shank, Cliff Way, Shawn Barnett, Chuck Dykes, Mark Dwyer, Pat Laurienti, Kevin Duckworth, Errold Randall, Bill Pleskach and Sheila Sinotte. Congrats to all our winners!**

**Chili Contest Winners** – Only 3 entries this year and 3 winners! Winners were: 1st Place – Cookie Zimmer - \$75.00, 2nd Place – Myrna Shank - \$50.00, 3rd Place – Tim Miller – \$25.00. **Congrats to all our winners!**

**BREAK – Time to check out those bowls of chili!**

**By-Laws Amendment** – Mike Vickers, Jr. went over all the changes in our by-laws on the projector screen, so the members could see what the by-law committee suggested that we should add on or omit. Lawyer reviewed them and suggested they needed to be reworded to flow more. Vote was put out to the members at the meeting and By-Laws for 2026 have been approved, one vote was opposed. By-Laws have been approved and accepted.

**JANUARY MEETING MINUTES CONTINUED**

**Speaker - REEL OF FORTUNE Game - Mike Vickers, Jr.** - This is a new fun game of chance that we are having for the members. Names are put on a wheel like the CPR winners and at random the wheel spins and 1 person per membership gets to win the cash prize. Drawing tonight was for \$230.00. Winner gets 80% of the prize and the remaining 20% goes back into the pot for next month's meeting. Name pulled was Jeff James, you have to be **PRESENT TO WIN**, so it was a good thing for him, he stayed until the end of the meeting! He collected his winnings of \$184.00 and if my math is correct - he can renew his membership for 2 years and still have \$4.00 to go home with!! Congrats, Jeff!

**50/50 Drawing** - Prize amount was \$95.00, winner was Dave Dyal, he donated his winnings back to the club and it will be added to the Reel of Fortune Game for our Feb. 5th Member Meeting. Thank you, Dave, for your donation to the club!

MOTION WAS MADE TO ADJOURN BY Dean Roberts and seconded by Andy Petersen.  
MOTION WAS APPROVED.

**Meeting adjourned at 9:00 PM Minutes submitted by Carol Carter, Secretary, Flagler Sportfishing Club**

SHEEPSHEAD TOURNAMENT FLYER



# SHEEPSHEAD TOURNAMENT



Saturday, February 21st, 2026

Species: Sheepshead, Black Drum  
Weigh-in 2-3 Herschel King Park

50/50 & Raffles

**BONUS**  
Show Up Drawing \$25 gift card

**Click Here to Sign Up Now**

## HEAVIEST SHEEPSHEAD

1	\$100
2	\$85
3	\$80
4	\$75
5	\$70
6	\$65
7	\$60

**Junior Angler:** \$25 for Heaviest Sheepshead or Black Drum

**CPR:**  
Longest Black Drum: \$70  
Longest Redfish: \$70

**CPR RULES:** Show photo of released legal fish on club approved bump board to Weighmaster at weigh-in. CPR tie-breaker is first photo shown to Weighmaster. **CPR fish must be legal.**

## EVENT RULES

Fishing Starts 6:30AM - FWC Rules Apply—fish from anywhere in Flagler, Volusia and St. Johns Counties. No Boat Required.

One cash prize per person including bonus.

Tie Breaker—1st fish weighed in.

Junior Anglers (under 16) fish free with a Member.

Lunch served at 2pm - Free for members & one guest. Additional guests: \$10 donation.

Tournament is Free for members, non member guests are welcome with a donation of \$20 & must fish with a member.

**Sign-up:** Members may attend the weigh-in whether or not they plan to fish. Total count needed for food. Deadline is 2/19

Sign up at the February Member Meeting or visit:  
<https://flaglersportfishing.com/event/sheepshead-tournament/>

For more information, please contact Amy Beth Krisanda at 914 755-5612 or [stageyourboatforsale@aol.com](mailto:stageyourboatforsale@aol.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-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 2026 **HERE**

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UPCOMING EVENTS

FLAGLER SPORTFISHING CLUB SCHEDULE OF EVENTS FEBRUARY 2026 - APRIL 2026

**FEBRUARY**  
**SHEEPSHEAD**

**05-** Member Meeting, Nomination of Officers Club 51 / Social Club of Palm Coast,

**21-**Sheepshead Tournament, Herschel King

**26-** Directors Meeting, DAV 7:00pm

**28-**Member Kids' Clinic, Herschel King

**MARCH**  
**BLUE FISH**

**05-** Member Meeting , Nomination of Officers, Swap & Shop Club 51 / Social Club of Palm Coast

**18-**Count the Spots Tournament, Bing's North

**21 -** Member Clinic Club 51 / Social Club of Palm Coast

**26 -** Directors Meeting, DAV 7:00pm

**APRIL**  
**Florida Pompano**

**02-** Member Meeting, Nomination of Officers, Dessert Contest Club 51 / Social Club of Palm Coast,

**07 -** Spring Classic Directors Meeting, DAV 7:00pm

**10 -** Spring Classic Capt. Meeting Club 51 / Social Club of Palm Coast

**11-**Spring Classic Tournament, Herschel King

**30 -** Directors Meeting, DAV 7:00pm

