



PUNTA GORDA ISLES FISHING CLUB NEWSLETTER

FAREWELL TO THE ISLAND SUN

Many of us know Jim and Margie Hoffman. Both Jim and Margie are probably two of the most safety concise members we have in the club.

Last month Jim and Margie were performing regular maintenance on their boat in preparation for a two day fishing trip 125 miles offshore. Jim had just changed all fuel filters, generator oil/filters and was getting ready to change the oil in both engines. Jim started the starboard engine and let it warm up and then asked Captain Margie to start the Port engine. When she flipped the switch there was a very loud back fire. Jim raised the hatch and went down between the engines to see what blew up and didn't see anything but when he stood back up he could see the back of the transom was listing to port and by the time he got back up on deck and looked over the back, the swim platform was even with the water. So Margie ran to the lift so they could pull the boat on it. By the time they got the 6 lines off the dock and the 2 long lines on the boat to pull it on the lift, all they could get on was the front third of the boat. The boat sunk in less then 10 min. Sad to say, the boat is a total loss but thankfully no lives lost. Had this happened 125 miles offshore, the outcome could have been devastating.

Jim and Margie have been advocates in our club for all of our members that go offshore to have all the necessary emergency gear such as VHF Radios, PLB's and EPIRBS and brief all on the boat emergency procedures before leaving the dock. As fast as their boat sank at the dock, just imagine had it been in rougher seas offshore. Thankfully all that was lost was the boat and not Jim and Margie and a few other members that were going on the trip.



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FROM THE HELM

President
Vinnie Madsen



Welcome to the August edition of the PGIFC Newsletter.

It's hard to believe we are already halfway through the year and moving into the peak Tarpon season within the harbor.

I wanted to give you an update on the positions we currently have open in the club. We currently have candidates for the President and Vice President positions. Anyone else interested please let me know as our selection committee and board will be reviewing and approving the final candidates which you will be voting on during our November meeting. Also we are still looking for a volunteer for our club editor. Let me know if you might be interested taking on this role. Our newsletter is important to our club as it provides a communications vehicle to our members and also provides a revenue stream for the club from our advertisers.

I also want to thank John Gettinger who has accepted the role as Advertising Director. I'm sure with John's leadership and keen salesmanship skills we will be overloaded with advertisers in the coming year.

Lastly, as reported during our last club meeting, our club's financials remain strong and membership continues to grow allowing us to provide better prizes and support more events for our members.

I hope you find this newsletter informative and valuable.

Until Next Month,

Happy Fishing
Vinnie

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Our club currently has 127 members on Facebook. It is exclusively for members and family. It's a great place to share your catches and experiences with other members in the club.

If you have a Facebook account and want to join, just search for "PGI Fishing Club" in Facebook and select the join button. One of our Facebook administrators will get you added.

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new club record



Joe Udwari JUST BROKE our old club record with this 47 inch (TTF) Amberjack. Based on established methods for weighing fish this Amberjack with a 35 inch girth weighed approximately 72 pounds. Congratulations Joe.

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Know Your Fish ... the how many and what size guide to local catches*

*Prior to fishing check
www.MyFWC.com/marine
for most current regulations.

Snappers

Red Snapper - and you better
check what else - is still CLOSED
... maybe forever!
10 fish aggregate of all snappers

Cubera Snapper



Min. 12 in. Max 30 in.
Included in aggregate limit
allowed 2 over 30 in. per
person or vessel per day

Gray (Mangrove) Snapper



5 per person per day
Included in aggregate
Minimum 10 in.

Lane Snapper



Minimum 8 in.

Schoolmaster



Minimum 10 in.

Mutton Snapper



Minimum 16 in.

Red Snapper



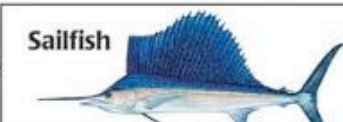
CLOSED Season in Federal
waters of the Atlantic Ocean.

Vermilion Snapper



CLOSED!!
Minimum 12 inches
5 per person per day

Sailfish

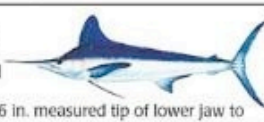


Min. 63 in. measured tip of lower jaw to fork.
1 per person per day billfish aggregate

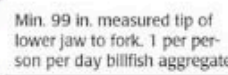
Blue Marlin



White Marlin



Min. 66 in. measured tip of lower jaw to fork.
1 per person per day billfish aggregate



Min. 99 in. measured tip of lower jaw to fork.
1 per person per day billfish aggregate.

Greater Amberjack



Min. 28 in. measured to fork
1 per person per day

Lesser Amberjack



Min. 14 in. max 22 in. measured to fork / 5 aggregate with banded rudderfish

Black Drum



Min. 14 in. max 24 in.
5 per person per day
may possess one over 24 in.

Bluefish



Min. 12 in. measured to fork
10 per person per day

Cobia



Min. 33 in. measured to fork
lessor of 1 per person or 6 per vessel per day

Dolphin



10 per person per day
20 in. minimum
No more than 60 per vessel

Flounder



Min. 12 in.
10 per person per day

Hogfish



Min. 12 in. measured to fork
5 per person per day

King Mackerel



Min. 24 in. measured to fork
2 per person per day

Spanish Mackerel



Min. 12 in. measured to fork
15 per person per day

Mullet-striped or silver



50 per person or
per vessel per day

Florida Pompano



Min. 11 in. max 20 in.
measured to fork
6 per person per day

Red Drum



Min. 18 in. max 27 in.
2 per person per day

Sea Bass (Black)



CLOSED!!
Min. 12 in. 15 per person per day

Sheepshead



Min. 12 in. total length
15 per person per day

Snook



Min. 28 in. max 32 in. stamp req.
1 pp per day. (check your county for
special regs and closed seasons)

Spotted Sea Trout



Min. 15 in. Max 20 in.
One per person over 20 in.
Six per person per day.

Tarpon



2 fish limit
requires \$50 tarpon tag

Tripletail



Min. 15 in. Hook & Line only
2 per person per day

Wahoo



If you can catch one,
you can keep it!
2 per person per day

Weakfish



Inside Mgmt area Min. 12 in.
1 per person per day
Outside Mgmt area - 100 lb.
per person - no size limit

Groupers

*Prior to fishing check
www.MyFWC.com/marine
for most current
regulations. Season
closed Jan 1-April 30

Black Grouper



1 per person per day
24 in. minimum
Included in 3 aggregate

Gag Grouper



1 per person per day
24 in. minimum
Included in 3 aggregate
Only one of EITHER Black or
Gag Grouper allowed, not both

Red Grouper



3 per person per day
20 in. minimum

Scamp Grouper



Included in 3 per person
aggregate 20 in. minimum

Warsaw Grouper



1 per vessel per day
20 in. minimum

Yellowfin Grouper



Included in 3 per person per
day aggregate 20 in. min.

Yellowmouth Grouper



Included in 3 per person per
day aggregate - 20 in. min.

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www.MyFWC.com/marine
for most current regulations.

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JULY CLUB MEETING

Last month during the July meeting the following lucky members received awards for Fish of the Month, Door Prizes, 50/50 cash awards and Name this Fish. Congratulations to all.

JULY FOM WINNERS



Above from left to right is Bob Bretts, Jim Crawley and Tom Parson. Jim also won the name this fish award.

DOOR PRIZE WINNERS



Above from left to right is Ed Stevenson, Ron Baxter and Trudy Baxter.

50/50 WINNERS



Above from left to right is John Steciw, Randy Hall and Ron Baxter

GUEST SPEAKER



Capt Mike Myers spoke to the group about techniques he uses to catch the July Fish of the Month, Shark

Congratulations to all. Hope to see everyone at the next meeting on August 9th.

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JIM'S FISHING REPORT

Vice President
Jim Crawley



August's Fish of the Month is Tarpon. We are fortunate to live in the premier fishing habitat for the Silver King. People travel great distances and pay a lot of money to get a chance to catch one. We're best known for the late spring/early summer fishing at Boca Grande Pass. This is when the tarpon migration comes to Charlotte Harbor. However, we have a large population of resident tarpon that move up into the upper harbor to feed after spawning. For many club members, late summer is the best time to hook up with big tarpon in the 20 foot holes. There is lots of bait in the harbor and this month should be a banner fishing month for catching 80 to 150 lb. tarpon.

There are also a lot of sharks in the harbor and they tend to follow the tarpon. More than likely, you will tie into some good size sharks, primarily, bull sharks, when tarpon fishing.

Snook will be wrapping up their summer spawn on the beaches and will be moving back up into the harbor. Hunt for redfish by chunking baits under the mangroves at high tide and into potholes on lower tides. Trout fishing will be better down the harbor with cleaner water. Fish on grass flats in 3 to 5 feet that drop into deeper water. It's also a good time to fish Alligator Creek Reef for snapper.

From the pass out to offshore reefs, snapper fishing remains good. You can also pick up barracudas, Spanish mackerel, and jacks. For Red grouper, you'll need to get out to 110 feet of water, or about 40 miles over hard bottom. Gags can be found in a wider range of depths. Look for them around structure and ledges. The stable summer weather makes it a good time to go offshore.

Fishing the harbor is going to be best early in the morning. Keep an eye out for afternoon thunderstorms and stay hydrated.

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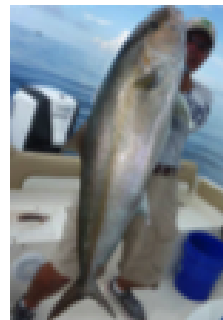
Events Director
Frank Barrett



This is the time of year that the heat index floats around 100 degrees everyday. If you're on the water in the daytime, it's even hotter. Then we have the unpredictable afternoon storms that can appear with little warning. However, some of our club members have managed to work around the storms and have reported some nice catches. Some of the highlights for July were: Tom Hickey, who, with this nice 33" redfish, became the third Grand Master Angler in 2016 to earn a star, joining Joe Udwari and Rich Brennan. Joe also set a new Club record when he caught a 47" amberjack. He also became the new leader in the race for the men's Isles Trophy.



Tom Hicks 33" redfish
Earn his 2016 GMA Star



Joe Udwari 47" amberjack
new club record & Isle trophy leader

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As for the FOM Shark, the reports are: that we have a lot of them in our waters. The weather most likely kept many of our anglers from going out. However, our two first place winners Darlene Madsen and Joe Udvari combined for a total of 40 sharks and 46 points. Needless to say, Darlene and Joe ran away with this month's 1st place awards. Ladies 2nd Place went to Mary Hines. Men's second was Mike Gilger and Vinnie Madsen was 3rd. The largest shark was a 7 ft bull Shark caught by Vinnie Madsen.



Ladies 1st
Darlene Madsen (12pts)
Bait Boy Alex (4yrs)



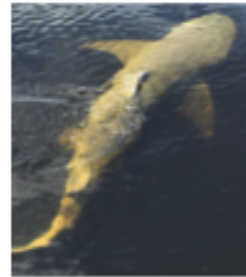
Ladies 2nd
Mary Hines (1pt)



Men's 1st
Joe Udvari (34 pts)



Men's 2nd
Mike Gilger(5 pts)



Men's 3
Vinnie Madsen (3 pts)

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Rick Sarkisian the Tarpon man

- August FOM contest is for Tarpon
- Did you know; that fisherman from all over the world come to our waters this time of year to fish for Tarpon? All you have to do is take a boat ride out to Boca Grande Pass and see for yourself. As a new club member, you might ask, why such fuss over a fish that you can't even eat? Well, a Tarpon fisherman will tell you, that once you are hooked into a big Tarpon, it will be a fishing adventure like no other and you will be hooked on tarpon fishing forever. Rick Sarkisian, is the our PGIFC Tarpon expert. with many years of experience and has shared his knowledge, with many of our members. Rick is spearheading our clubs effort to reduce the mortality of the Tarpon we catch. With this in mind, if your going to fish for Tarpon, use heavy enough gear, so you don't overly stress the fish, by fighting them for too long. Consider the fish landed, when you or a crew member can touch the leader and be ready to take a quick picture of the fish along side the boat. You no longer need to be in the picture with the fish but we would like a separate picture of you, so we can include it when we post our fish catches. It's important to know, that this time of year, with all the warm water, there come lots of sharks. So, the quicker you can get the Tarpon landed and released, the better it's chance's are for survival. Just for clarification, we don't want you to bring the Tarpon on board for measurement, as that will substantially reduce its chances for survival. Just do the best you can using your rod length or leader to estimate its length. You get 1 point for a Tarpon 'landed' that has a length under 5 feet, and 3 points for a Tarpon over 5 feet. Remember, fish caught with a guide don't count in the FOM contest. Be sure to submit your FOM pictures prior to month end, to: fishphotos@pgifishingclub.org

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FOM FOR THE REMAINDER OF 2016

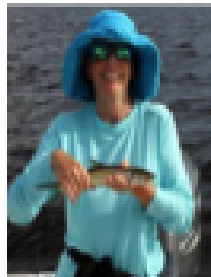
SEPTEMBER: SPOTTED SEA TROUT
OCTOBER: REDFISH
NOVEMBER: MANGROVE SNAPPER
DECEMBER: BLACK DRUM

Ladder Of Achievement

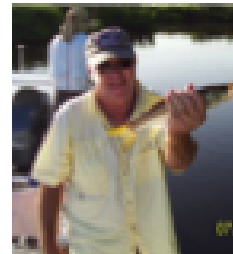
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Dan Oliphant

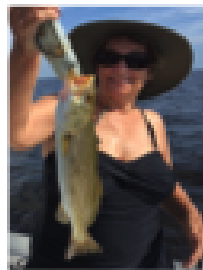


Lauren Wolley



Dan Foland

BRONZE PINS



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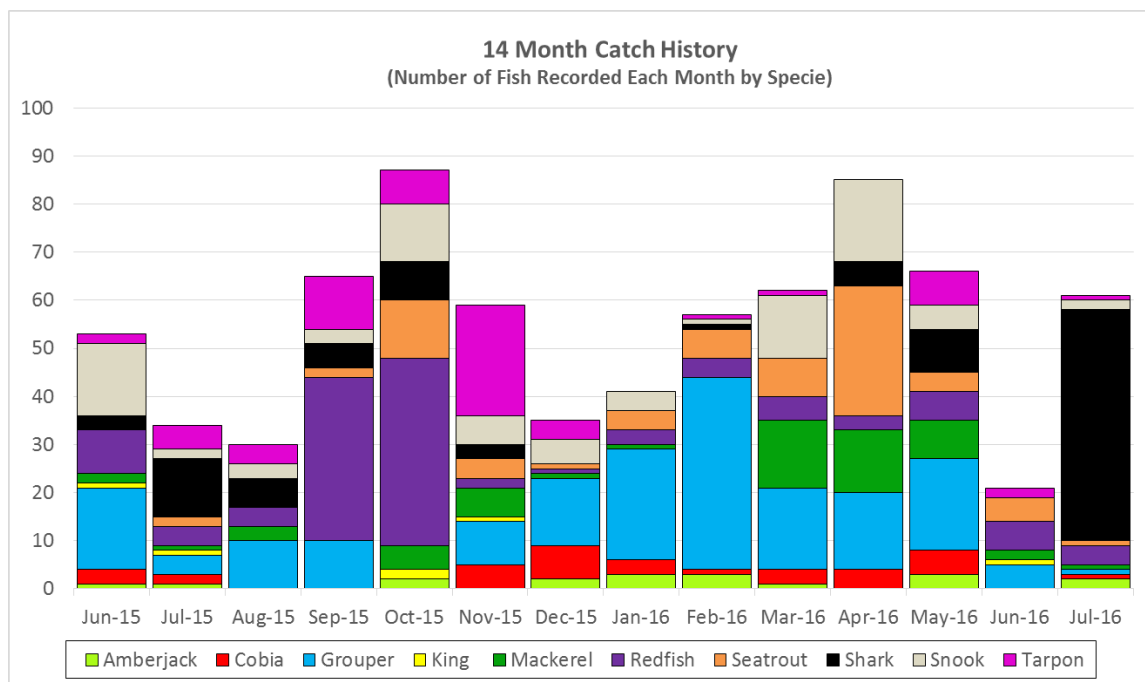
The Month in Review

"Sharks, sharks and more sharks!!! Darlene Madsen and Joe Udwari piled up a grand total of 40 sharks just between the two of them."

Recorder's Data

Monthly Performance

	May	June	July	
Anglers	44	19	17	↓
LOA Awards	15	5	2	↓
Fish Recorded	108	37	72	↑
Points Recorded	7200	2200	3400	↑



What's Bite'n Chart

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2016 MASTER ANGLER STANDINGS - JULY 2016

	AMBERJACK	COBIA	GROUPE	KING MACKEREL	REDFISH	SNOOK	SPANISH MACKEREL	SPOTTED SEATROUT
1st Place	Joe Udvari :47.0	Bob Busler :37.0	Jim Crawley :33.0 Bob Gariepy :33.0	Mike Nalipi :33.0	Bob Busler :33.5	Bob Bretts :36.0	Marv Dyrstad :26.5 Joe Udvari :26.5	Dave Dyke :24.0
2nd Place	Jim Crawley :45.0	Joe Udvari :36.5	RoseAnn McCaffrey :32.5		Steve Landaker :33.0 Tom Hickey :33.0	Jim Crawley :35.0	Tom Hickey :26.0	Bob Bretts :23.0 Ron Topper :23.0 Mike Wagner :23.0
3rd Place	Jerry Peal :43.5	Mark Dillman :36.0 Paul Buchanan :36.0 Ken Hardesty :36.0 Darlene Madsen :36.0 John Stockinger :36.0	Rich Brennan :32.0 Jim Qurollo :32.0		Rich Brennan :32.0	Tom Hickey :33.5	Fred Benson :24.5	Rich Brennan :22.0 Elaine Bretts :22.0

New this month are shown in Red

2016 PGI FISHING CLUB - ISLES TROPHY - JULY 2016

MEN'S DIVISION

OVERALL CLUB RECORD	SPECIES NAME	MEMBER NAME	RECORD LENGTH IN INCHES	DATE CAUGHT	MEMBER NAME	2016 LENGTH IN INCHES	DATE CAUGHT	% OF RECORD
X	Amberjack	John MacLeman	45.5	2012	Joe Udvari	47.0	07/30/16	103.3%
X	Cobia	Bob Busler	54.0	2007	Bob Busler	37.0	05/26/16	68.5%
X	Grouper	Tom Hamilton	39.0	2003	Jim Crawley	33.0	04/13/16	84.6%
					Bob Gariepy	33.0	04/13/16	
X	King Mackerel	John MacLeman	52.0	2012	Mike Nalipi	33.0	06/02/16	63.5%
X	Redfish	Bob Busler	42.0	2005	Bob Bustler	33.5	03/15/16	79.8%
X	Seatrout	Rich Brennan	29.0	2009	Dave Dyke	24.0	04/20/16	82.8%
		Aaron Wagner	29.0	2012				
X	Snook	Vinnie Madsen	45.0	2014	Bob Bretts	36.0	05/10/16	80.0%
X	Spanish Mackerel	Carl Leicher	30.0	2012	Marv Dyrstad	26.5	04/26/16	88.3%
					Joe Udvari	26.5	07/27/16	

WOMEN'S DIVISION

OVERALL CLUB RECORD	SPECIES NAME	MEMBER NAME	RECORD LENGTH IN INCHES	DATE CAUGHT	MEMBER NAME	2016 LENGTH IN INCHES	DATE CAUGHT	% OF RECORD
	Amberjack	Karen Lodge	38.0	2015				
	Cobia	Joanne Landaker	50.0	2008	Darlene Madsen	36.0	05/13/16	72.0%
		Marilyn McGregor	50.0	2013				
	Grouper	Margie Hoffman	34.0	2014	RoseAnn McCaffrey	32.5	01/01/16	95.6%
	King Mackerel	Karen Lodge	38.0	2014				
	Redfish	Donnie Brennan	38.0	2008	Donnie Brennan	31.0	4/26/16	81.6%
		Missy Becker	38.0	2008				
	Seatrout	Joanne Landaker	26.5	2011	Elaine Bretts	22.0	04/13/16	83.0%
	Snook	Missy Becker	42.0	2013	Elaine Bretts	31.0	04/27/16	73.8%
	Spanish Mackerel	Missy Becker	28.0	2007	Lynne Stockinger	23.0	03/15/16	82.1%
					Stella Wagner	23.0	04/15/16	

This Year's Leaders are in BLUE

New 2014 Records this Month are in RED

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LADDER OF ACHIEVEMENT AWARD SUMMARY - JULY 2016

BRONZE	SILVER	GOLD	LIFETIME LEVEL I SNOOK	LIFETIME LEVEL II REDFISH	LIFETIME LEVEL III TARPON	GRAND MASTER ANGLER GMA	TOTAL STARS
Janice Anderson	Frank Barrett	Gary Adams	Ray Brunner	Ron Baxter	Fred Benson	Bill Bonham	
Max Achtau	Marie D'Ambrosio	Roger Davis	Matti D'Ambrosio	Missy Becker	Elaine Bretts	Rich Brennan	***
Trudi Baxter	Kathy desEnfants	Ken Hardesty	Mark Dillman	Dianne Bukowski	Joe Bukowski	Donnie Brennan	
Barbara Brunner	Tamara Dillman	Mary Heins	Randy Douet	Bob Gariepy	Mary Dyrstad	Bob Bretts	
Randy Burchacki	Joanell Dyrstad	Tom Hunt	Dave Dyke	Bill Guenther	Carl Leicher	Bob Busler	
Anne Careau	Hobbs Goodwin	Karen Lodge	Bud Johnston	Bob Mays	John MacLeman	Jim Crawley	
Bill Damour	Lou Graham	Joe Longo	Jim LaRocca	Marty McCaffrey	Bob Rand	Dick Doster	
Bebe Davis	Mike Gulvezan	Lynn Reeves	Marie LaRocca	Rose McCaffrey	George Remick	John Gettinger	**
Tom desEnfants	Randy Hall	Don Ross	Tom Lodge	Gary Moerke	Rick Sarkisian	Mike Gilger	*
Sharon Dyke	Roz Hickey	Sheree Wolfinger	Sherry Moerke	Gary Reeves	Jack Spies	Tom Hickey	*
David Hatch	Christine Jordan		John Simonieg	Mark Storm	Karen Udvari	Jim Hoffman	*
Chuck Henry	Dennis Krausman		Ed Verminski			Margie Hoffman	
Duane Hilgendorf	Tom Murray					Kel Krotzer	**
Cindi Johnston	Mike Nalipi					Joanne Landaker	
Mark Kline	Larry Okray					Steve Landaker	
Fran Krausman	Ted Perrin					Darlene Madsen	
Buddy Krauss	Hezzie Samons					Vinnie Madsen	
Denys LaChance	Mike Sandling					Joe Maillet	
Fred Lamon	Deb Sarkisian					Pete McGregor	**
Paul Land	Ron Stenberg					Tom Parsons	
Tom Lengauer	Jane Stenberg					Jim Qurollo	
John McFarland	Ed Stevenson					John Solinger	
Peter Meier	Lynne Stockinger					Pam Solinger	
John Morehouse	Mike Wagner					John Stockinger	*
Jerry Morningstar	Stella Wagner					Ron Topper	*
Dick Nieberline	T. Wierzbowski					Joe Udvari	***
Andy Nikitich	Janice Wiscombe					Aaron Wagner	
Sandy Nikitich						John Wolfinger	
Mike Peters							
Mike Petkus							
Jessica Poe							
Darryl Prizzo							
Alan Schulman							
Gary Skillicorn							
Ron Stafford							
Bill Stevens							
Jan Stevens							
Kathleen Stevenson							
Gretchen Sunderland							
Don Taylor							
Miriam Taylor							
Patti Topper							
Sandy Wierzbowski							
Rodger Will							
Frank Wyatt							
Walt Zink							

RED = Award This Month

Hats

Dan Foland

Dan Olthant

Lauren Wolley

PGI FISHING CLUB LADDER OF ANGLING ACHIEVEMENT

	LEVEL	NUMBER OF SPECIES	SIZE LIMITS	POINTS NEEDED	AWARD
	Initial Entry	1	None	None	Club Hat
	Bronze	5	None	None	Pin
	Silver	5	Eligible Size	300	Pin
	Gold	7	Eligible Size	700	Pin
	LifeTime Level I	9	Eligible Size	1000	Snook Pin
	LifeTime Level II	13	Eligible Size	1400	Redfish Pin
	LifeTime Level III	18	Eligible Size	1700	Tarpon Pin
	Grand Master	23	Eligible Size	2000	Club Shirt
	Grand Master Star	-	-	2000	Star

For complete Ladder of Angling Achievement Program rules, detailed information on eligible angler achievement species, and point earned based on length, please see the PGI Fishing Club Website (www.pgifishingclub.org) Ladder of angling achievement page.

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MEMBERSHIP



Membership Director
Donnie Brennan

Membership Stats

Total Households	Active Members
280	536

Hey Everyone!

How about these summer storms? The lightening is vicious so be careful out there. The storms always appear as though they'll just blow over but they've been very sneaky and have started to hit us without much warning.

Keep your eyes on the skies and always pay attention to the thunder. As the meteorologists say: "If you can hear the thunder, you within the striking range of the lightening that comes with it."

I've seen so many new houses going up around the Isles. We're really getting popular. So, that's where you come in ... when you meet your new neighbors, tell them about the PGI Fishing Club. Invite them to a meeting OR you can just give me their address and I'll do the foot work. We're a great and growing club.

Speaking of growing:::::: Here are our newest members:

DAVE HARRISON & KASSIE TANNER
PATRICE MERRITT
OLLIE & KIM OLIPHANT

Remember, each new member's badge will have a star so they'll be easily recognized. Please make sure you go out of your way to say hello and make them feel a part of this great club.

Never forget my motto::::

"The new friend you meet just might turn out to be the best friend you have."

IMPORTANT NOTE::::::This is August and I still have way too many badges that were never picked up. You need to send me a self-addressed, STAMPED envelope so I can mail you yours.

Thanks!!

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SOCIAL EVENTS

Social Events Director
Ellen Wagner



Wow!, Its already August and summer is half over with. It's been a really hot summer this year but thankfully Happy Hour at the Tiki Hut behind the Four Points Hotel is usually pretty breezy by the water and comfortable enough to continue to meet there for drinks before dinner.

We start around 5:00 for drinks, from there we go to a selected restaurant for dinner at 6:30. If you are interested in joining us for dinner please email me at ew1536@hotmail.com to find out where we will be going and if you are joining us for dinner I will also add you to our weekly emails that I send to everyone.

We are usually a large group and require a reservation so that we can all have dinner together.

So please come and join us.

Also for our monthly meetings we have been making homemade baked goods to enjoy after the meeting. If you would like to contribute please let me know at 941-916-9470 or just drop your dessert off at the kitchen before the meeting.

Calendar

Every Wednesday at 5:00 at the Tiki Hut. Those interested meet for dinner following Tiki Hut at 6:30.

Mens Breakfast every Friday morning.
7am at Elena's Cafe

Club meeting at PGICA every 2nd Tuesday of the month at 7pm.

Christmas Party on 13 Dec 2016

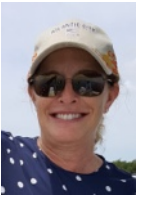
Ladies Lunch Scheduled by Diane Bukowski. See details in Diane's section

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LADIES LIAISON

Dianne Bukowski
Ladies Liaison



I want to thank Darlene Madsen for helping out coordinating July's Ladies' Lunch at Pioneer Pizza and Ladies' Night Out at Prime while I was out of town for a few weeks. I heard everyone had a great time.

For August, the Ladies' Lunch is planned for the buffet at Curry and Kabab at noon on Thursday, August 11th. For Ladies' Night Out, we will be going to Carmelo's Italian Ristorante on August 25th at 6 PM.

Joe and I were recently on cruises in both the Aegean and Ionian Seas in Greece. For a country that is known for their fish dishes, we were amazed at the lack of marine life in the crystal clear blue waters of both of these seas. They do have transient tuna and sword fish coming through at certain times of the year. However, they have managed their fishery poorly and have resorted to extensive fish farming. Local fishermen do not know size limits. They keep whatever they catch no matter what the size.

Here is one of my favorite Greek inspired fish dishes.

2 lbs fresh grouper fillets, cut into approximately 1 ½ inch pieces
2 (16 oz) cans crushed tomatoes, juices drained
1 large onion, coarsely chopped
1 cup kalamata olives, pitted and halved
½ cup fresh parsley, minced
1 ½ tablespoons small capers, drained
4 cloves garlic, minced
1 red bell pepper, seeded and diced
1 yellow bell pepper, seeded and diced
1 cup crumbled feta cheese
½ cups white wine
½ - ¾ cup olive oil

Preheat oven to 375°F. Place fish pieces in a metal baking pan. Season lightly with salt. Combine all the remaining ingredients, except the wine and olive oil, season, and distribute on top of fish. Pour the wine and olive oil over and bake for about 35-40 minutes, or until the fish flakes. Serve with a good white wine, Greek salad and lots of crusty bread.

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LADIES LUNCH



Above are some of the ladies from the fishing club at their July Ladies Lunch at Pioneer Pizza. They meet for lunch on the 2nd Thursday of every month and the 4th Thursday for dinner at a different restaurant around town.

Check with Dianne Bukowski at dbuko6331@gmail.com to get added to the ladies email distribution for the gatherings.

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SUNSHINE LADY

Donnie Brennan
Sunshine Lady



*You just call out my name, and you know where ever I am
I'll come running to see you again.
Winter, spring, summer, or fall, all you have to do is call and I'll be there,
yeah, yeah,
you've got a friend.*

I know many of us have a problem knowing what to say and how to say it when a friend becomes ill or if that some unexpected tragedy attacks the peace and calm of a friend's life. You want to show comfort and support but often find yourself speechless.

That's where I come in.

As the PGIFC's Sunshine Lady, I'll send the appropriate card to anyone in our club. All you need to do is send me the notification. I need the name and reason. (I already have the addresses of everyone in the club.)

Due to the wishes of many members, I will no longer list the names of the recipients of the cards I send – however, I will continue to send out cards as needed. Just let me know who you think needs one.

It's that simple. Notify me and I'll get it done.

My email address is: sunshine@pgifishingclub.org

Donnie

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SUNSHINE LADY

Donnie Brennan
Sunshine Lady



I could make a joke about summer babies but having a son who was born in August, let's just say, "I'll pass on the jokes" ... for now.

Our awesome August celebrants are:

SHERRY MOERKE
LYNNE STOCKINGER
MARK HESS
BOB MAYES
JOHN WOLFINGER
JOE COMEAUX
RON TOPPER
TAMARA DILLMAN

Let's all wish them a very happy birthday.

Now, let's not forget those who tied the knot in August:

Our lovebirds are:

MARV & JOANELL DYRSTAD
LYNNE & JOHN STOCKINGER
(and..... Ta da!!!!) RICH & DONNIE BRENNAN

Remember - if you want to send a birthday or anniversary wish to someone, just email me (sunshine@pgifishingclub.org) and I'll be sure to get it. All I need is the name and birth month.

Please let me know if you want yours or someone else's birthday announced. Just notify me and I'll get the job done!

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MEMBERS HELPING MEMBERS

One of the great things about our club are the members we have willing to take new members out for a day of fishing to help them learn our waters.

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Wayne Goode (Harbor Only, Learning the Harbor)

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Contact them through email to arrange a trip.

If you are willing to take another member out on your boat, please send your contact information to editor@pgifishingclub.org

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MEMBER CATCHES FOR JULY



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If you have any items you would like to sell, send your add to editor@pgifishingclub.org and we will get it in the next newsletter.

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PGI MARINE WATCH

Bill Guenther
Group Coordinator



If you can volunteer no more than 2-hours each month and have a boat , then you may want to consider becoming a member of one of the most unique community volunteer groups in Southwest Florida. Each day of the month PGI NMW members rise up in the night and early morning hours, launch their personal boats and go “On Patrol” to observe and report all suspicious boating or land activity to the Punta Gorda Police Department night dispatcher.

We prefer all members have a boat that they can use for their monthly patrol. However, you do not have to own a boat to become a member. You can act as “crew” during any other members patrol or, in the event of inclement weather or other unsafe “on-the-water” conditions, perform your 2-hour patrol at pre-designated land locations in your vehicle.

The preferred boat size is 17 to 23 feet, with either a T-top or bow rail to display “Patrol Boat” signage that identifies your vessel as a PGI Neighborhood Marine Watch Patrol Boat.

For additional information and to become a member of the PGI Neighborhood Marine Watch program, contact: Bill Guenther, Group Coordinator, (radioman3029@comast.net) for additional information.

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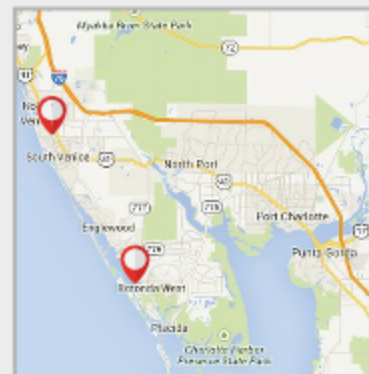
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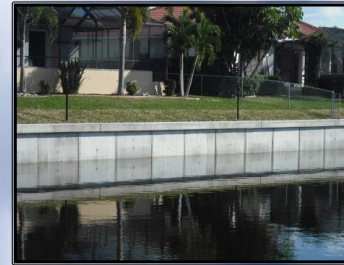
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