

FROM THE HELM



President

May has certainly been a difficult month for on and off-shore fishing. High winds kept many people from going off-shore; some that ventured out on the good days had great success, while others had moderate success. There were a few reports of people catching their limit of Grouper and Snapper within a few hours. The winds also stirred up the harbor, reducing the number of good fishing days. With that said, it's great to see people in our club out there fishing and catching in these types of conditions!

The Tarpon season is off to a different start this year. The season didn't start with the Tarpon schooling near Burnt Store; they are much more scattered. They headed off-shore for several days earlier in the month due to high winds and storms; only to return to the Boca Pass in scattered schools. They are scattered on the beaches, 5 - 10 miles off-shore, and in the Boca Pass. The Tarpon are biting, people are hooking up and landing many of them. Who knows what tomorrow will bring.

Last month Jim Hoffman provided insights to catching Pass Crabs for Tarpon bait. Your advice was followed by many with great success. Thanks Jim!

May 20th - 26th was National Safe Boating Week. Joe Udwari has written an article for safety on the water that is specific to our area. Please see the link: http://pgifishingclub.org/wordpress/wp-content/uploads/2012/11/Boating-Safety-by-Joe-Udwari.pdf

Fish of the month for June is Flounder. Flounder are born with eyes on each side of their body, as they mature their eyes move to the top of the fish. They hide themselves in the sand and have great camouflage. The key to catching them is to have your bait just off the bottom as their eyes are on top and they can't see below them. Keep bait a few inches off the bottom. Squid, Octopus, or shrimp will work well on a Snapper rig. The "bite" of a Flounder is subtle, they take the bait and settle back into the sand; so there is no "grab and go". Look for your rod to bend, then no (or little) movement, as they have then settled back into the sand. If you have a Flounder, it may feel like you are reeling up some weeds or something else; don't expect a fight, but reel up to check it out.



FROM THE HELM



President

Our fishing club is run by volunteers. We have several positions open for 2018 that need to be filled to keep our club active. Open positions: President, Vice President, Social Director, Ladies Liaison, Events Director, Advertising, and Editor. There are also members willing to help support these positions with computer skills and other support. Let me know if you are interested. It's imperative these positions be filled for 2018. The club has been lucky we have had Pat, Donnie, Rich, and others in their positions for a few years. I can't express my appreciation enough for those that have volunteered.

In June, we'll be creating a "care package" for Steve Bukowski (son of Joe and Diane) who is serving in the military in Iraq. We want to show our appreciation for his service. We're looking for people to provide donations of items that could include: snack cakes, salted nuts, powdered drink mix, beef jerky, "icy hot", hard candy, cookies, foot powder or "gold bond", books, magazines, decks of cards, games, movies, puzzle books, hot sauce, BBQ sauce, batteries, and more..... Any home baked goods should be able to be in transit for 3+ weeks in hot weather conditions and in a crush proof container. Details on timing will be discussed at the June meeting.

Our club member, Elaine Bretts, was featured on the front page of Waterline June 1st edition with a Bonita caught off-shore with Jim Hoffman. She now has GMA status.....

Tight lines and stay safe out there.

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Our club currently has **127** members on Facebook. It is exclusively for members. 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.

PUNTA GORDA ISLES FISHING CLUB MAY CLUB MEETING

CERTIFICATE OF RECOGNITION / SMART TIPS



Randy Douet spoke to us about Solunar Tables for fishing in conjunction with tidal movement and weather. Jim Hoffman provided us with information for catching Pass Crabs. Thanks guys, much appreciated!

MAY CLUB MEETING

DOOR PRIZE WINNERS



Starting at the top, from left to right are Aaron Wagner (last month started with Aaron, as well), Buddy Krauss, Mark Dillman, CCA Shirt winners: Jim Crawley, Don Markowski, Rick Sarkisian. Fish of the Month winner: Bobby Bretts.

50/50 WINNERS



From left to right are Joe Longo, Pat Diver, and Margie Hoffman.





From left to right are Elaine Bretts and Dianne Bukowski. Not pictured are Lynn Reeves, Bob Bretts, William Muir, and Jonathon Landon.

MAY CLUB MEETING

LADDER OF ACHIEVEMENT AWARDS



From left to right are Dennis Krausman (Gold, Snook, and Redfish Pins), Ken Hardesty (Snook Pin), Randy Douet (Redfish Pin), and Mark Dillman (Redfish Pin).



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Rich Brennan (GMA Star)

JOHN'S FISHING REPORT



Just about every time a Powerball jackpot winner is announced, so too are the average person's odds of winning it. Usually the odds mentioned is equivalent to the average person's chances of being struck by lightning, 1in-one-million.

If you are headed out on the water today that lightning strike statistic sounds rather comforting. However, that stat is fake news- it's only a theoretical number... not anyone's actual odds of being struck by lightning. It assumes the *average person* in the US being struck by lightning at *any one time*. It also assumes an *even distribution* of lightning strikes across the country.

The real odds of a person being struck by lightning *over the course of his/her life is 1 in 15,000.* If you spend a lot of time on the water in Florida, as many of us do, your odds are even worse. That's because Florida has far more lightning strikes and lightening deaths than any other state.

The likelihood of your boat being struck by lightning is 1-in-1,000. And that's not a lifetime risk that's an *anytime risk*. It's comforting to know your boat is exposed to the elements far more frequently than you (except in the case of Richie Kale who is on his boat 300 days a year!).

You can't change the fact that your boat is the tallest thing around but you can make things safer through technology. NOAA has made real-time lightning strike data available to App developers. This information is integrated into high-definition weather radar apps. In addition to keeping you informed of storm activity these apps can give you a heads-up when lightning is in your area and allow you to see if it is moving toward you. Google "lightning app NOAA".

FISHING EVENTS



Events Director Joe Bukowski

May has been another abnormal month for fishing. Tarpon are not acting normal or showing up where they should. This unusual behavior has definitely been a result of the weather. Daily high winds have kept most members off of the water except for the last week with some nice fish being caught by members able to get out. Dennis Krausman, got a nice Permit, Ron Topper and Joe Udwari got some beautiful Red Grouper earning both of them GMA Stars. Both Elaine and Bobby Bretts also caught some nice Redfish and Snook in May. In total there were 58 fish submitted in May and 4300 points earned by our members. There were only three FOM winners this month, meaning only three keeper Cobia were caught after so many Cobia being caught last month. What a difference a month made. Congratulations to all of our successful fishermen and Ladies.

We also had three boats participate in a Tarpon Tagging program supporting Mote Marine Research Laboratories captained by Jim McCarty, Rick Sarkisian, and Gary Reeves. Great effort was put out by all participants, but only one juvenile Tarpon was implanted with an acoustic tag, or transmitter. This fish will be providing location and activity data for the next 10 years or until it disappears. I am sure we will be supporting Mote and Dr. James Locascio in the future to get more of these juvenile Tarpon tagged.

May– Ladder of Achievement

May has given us a new Club Hat winner, Tom Youngblood. We will be looking for big things from you in the future Tom.

Gold Pin winner, Larry Benz is definitely moving up the ladder, keep it going Larry. Larry also caught a nice 29 inch Red Snapper. What time should we come over for dinner Larry?

FISHING EVENTS



Events Director Joe Bukowski

A lot of time on the water, study, hard work, and support from your family and friends is required to earn your Grand Master Angler (GMA) shirt and Elaine Bretts has achieved her GMA goal in May. Congratulations Elaine, well done.

One of the more difficult, and also one of the most honored accomplishments are the GMA Stars. Ron Topper and Joe Udwari have both won another GMA Star this month, which is for 2,000 points earned per year after you have achieved your GMA. These are two of the most dedicated and accomplished anglers in our club, continually exceeding in every challenge taken on. Our Congratulations and respect is extended to both Ron Topper and Joe Udwari. Now gentlemen, what's next?

Fish of the Month – Cobia

Our May Fish of the Month was Cobia and Darlene Madsen has taken first place with her 28.0 inch fish for the Ladies. There were no other Cobia entries for the ladies in May, so Darlene took the whole shooting match. Well done Darlene!

For the Men's FOM Joe Bukowski and Larry Benz tied for first place with twin 38 inch Cobia. Again, there were no other Cobia entries for the Men in May. Gentlemen, it is time to step up your game.

Events Director – Joe Bukowski

FISHING EVENTS



Events Director Joe Bukowski



May FOM-Cobia



Darlene Madsen – 28.0" 1st Place - \$35 GC to Fishin'Frank's

FISHING EVENTS



Joe Bukowski



May FOM-Cobia Men's



Joe Bukowski - 38.0" 1st Place Tie - \$35 GC to Fishin' Frank's

Larry Benz - 38.0" 1st Place Tie - \$35 GC to Fishin' Frank's

Events Director Joe Bukowski

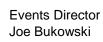




Ladder of Achievement May



Tom Youngblood









Gold Pin



Larry Benz



Events Director Joe Bukowski





Grand Master Angler





Events Director Joe Bukowski





Events Director Joe Bukowski



PGIFC Fishing Tournament July 8, 2017 Midnight to 4:00 PM



Prizes will be awarded at HARPOON HARRY'S at 4:30 PM, all entries must be submitted to Joe Bukowski at Harpoon Harry's before 4:00 PM.

\$35 Fishin' Franks Gift Certificates will be awarded for:

- Shark (Most Points, 1 point under 5', 2 over 5')
- Tarpon (Most Points, 1 point under 5', 2 over 5')
- Largest Sea Trout
- Largest Redfish
- Largest Snook

Note: Shark is FOM for July

Largest fish is determined by total length only, all entries must be accompanied by a photo of you with the fish being entered. Shark and Tarpon are best estimated lengths, Honor System.





Events Director Joe Bukowski



PAST AWARDS

Congratulations, and please see me after the meeting if your name is listed below:

Max Achtau – June (Bronze Pin) Catherine Nichols – (Bronze Pin) William Muir – Bronze Pin, FOM 2nd William Muir – Club Hat Mary Heins – Snook Pin Lynn Reeves – Snook Pin, FOM 1st Jonathan Landon – Silver Pin, FOM 3rd Bud Johnston – Redfish and Tarpon Pins Mark Storm – Tarpon Pin

If you know someone listed above that is not here you may pick up their award for them tonight or tell them to call me at 973-769-2310. Thank you!

PUNTA GORDA ISLES FISHING CLUB STATISTICS & REPORTS

Record Keeper Gary Reeves

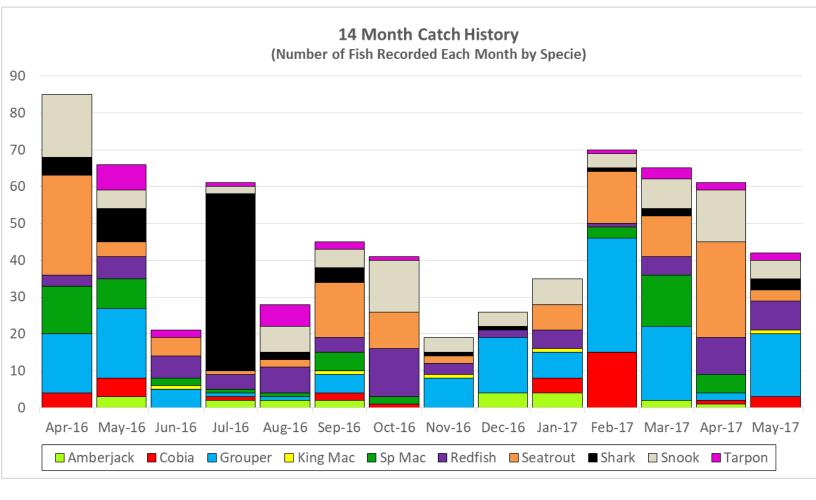


The Month in Review (May)

May was a fairly slow month to start but finished much stronger. The challenging weather combined with many members having already headed north for the summer kept our overall number lower than previous months. Let's plan for some great June weather! Recorder's Data

Monthly Performance

	March	April	May	
Anglers	33	27	17	\mathbf{V}
LOA Awards	14	12	5	\mathbf{V}
Fish Recorded	77	69	58	\mathbf{V}
Points Recorded	4000	6100	4300	$\mathbf{\Lambda}$



PUNTA GORDA ISLES FISHING CLUB **STATISTICS & REPORTS**

LADDER OF ACHIEVEMENT AWARDS

SUMMARY (MAY 2017)

Record Keeper	
Gary Reeves	

BRONZE	SILVER	GOLD	LIFETIME LEVEL		. II LIFETIME LEVEL I	GRAND MA	-
DIVUNE	JLVER	GOLD	SNOOK	REDFISH	TARPON	GMA	TOTAL STARS
Max Achtau	Frank Barrett	Gary Adams	Ray Brunner	Missy Becker	Fred Benson	Ron Baxter	
Janice Anderson	Anne Careau	Roger Davis	Matti D'Ambrosio	Mark Dillman	Marv Dyrstad	Bill Bonham	
Paula Arnold	Marie D'Ambrosio	Larry Benz	Dave Dyke	Randy Douet	Bob Gariepy	Rich Brennan	****
Trudi Baxter	Kathy des Enfants	Karen Lodge	Ken Hardesty	Bill Guenther	Bud Johnston	Donnie Brennan	
Barbara Brunner	Tamara Dillman	Joe Longo	Mary Heins	Dennis Krausman	Carl Leicher	Bob Bretts	*
Randy Burchacki	Joanell Dyrstad	Don Ross	Tom Hunt	Bob Mays	John MacLeman	Elaine Bretts	
Dick Conant	Hobbs Goodwin	Sheree Wolfinger	Jim LaRocca	Marty McCaffrey	Bob Rand	Dianne Bukowski	
Bill Damour	Lou Graham		Marie LaRocca	Rose Anne McCaffre	y Gary Reeves	Joe Bukowski	
Bebe Davis	Mike Gulvezan		Tom Lodge	Gary Moerke	George Remick	Bob Busler	
Tom desEnfants	Randy Hall		Sherry Moerke		Jack Spies	Jim Crawley	
Sharon Dyke	Roz Hickey		Lynn Reeves		Mark Storm	Dick Doster	
Ken Garden	Christine Jordan		John Simonieg		Karen Udwari	John Gettinger	**
Wayne Goode	Denys LaChance		Ed Verminski	7		Mike Gilger	*
Sheryl Hatch	Jonathan Landon					Tom Hickey	*
David Hatch	John McFarland					Jim Hoffman	*
Chuck Henry	Tom Murray					Margie Hoffman	
Duane Hilgendorf	Mike Nalipi					Rich Kale	
Cathy Hunt	Larry Okray	_				Kel Krotzer	***
Cindi Johnston	Ted Perrin		RED = Awards This Mon	h		Joanne Landaker	
Mark Kline	Bob Pierro					Steve Landaker	
Fran Krausman	Hezzie Samons					Darlene Madsen	
Buddy Krauss	Mike Sandling		Hats			Vinnie Madsen	
Fred Lamon	Deb Sarkisian	_	Tom Youngblood			Joe Maillet	
Paul Land	Ron Stenberg					Pete McGregor	**
Tom Lengauer	Jane Stenberg					Tom Parsons	
Peter Meier	Ed Stevenson					Jim Qurollo	
John Morehouse	Lynne Stockinger					Rick Sarkisian	
Jerry Morningstar	Gretchen Sunderland	1				John Solinger	
William Muir	Mike Wagner					Pam Solinger	
Catherine Nichols	Stella Wagner					John Stockinger	*
Dick Nieberline	T. Wierzbanowski	7				Ron Topper	**
Andy Nikitich	Jeff Wilson	7				Joe Udwari	****
Sandy Nikitich	Janice Wiscombe	7				Aaron Wagner	1
Mike Peters						John Wolfinger	
Mike Petkus							4
Jessica Poe	PGI F	ISHNG CLU	B LADDER (OF ANGLING	G ACHIEVEME	NT	
Darryl Pricco							
Alan Schulman			NUMBER OF	PO			
Gary Skillicorn		LEVEL	SPECIES		EDED AWARD		
Ron Stafford		Initial Entry					
Bill Stevens		Initial Entry	1		one Club Hat		
Jan Stevens		Bronze	5		one Pin		
Kathleen Stevenson		Silver	5	Eligible Size	300 Pin		
		Gold	7	Eligible Size	700 Pin		
Don Taylor		0010	•	Eligible dize	1 111		

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	PAGE
Grand Master Star	-	-	2000	Star	I AGE E

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

Patti Topper Sandy Wierzbanowski Rodger Will

> Frank Wyatt Walt Zink

STATISTICS & REPORTS ISLES TROPHY RACE Record Keeper

2017 STANDINGS (MAY)



Gary Reeves

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	Gary Reeves	48.0	2016	Dave Dyke Tom Hickey	41.0 41.0	01/16/17 01/18/17	85.4% 85.4%
X	Cobia	Bob Busler	54.0	2007	Rich Kale	51.0	02/05/17	94.4%
Х	Grouper	Tom Hamilton	39.0	2003	Ron Shand	33.0	04/18/17	84.6%
X	King Mackerel	John MacLeman	52.0	2012	Tom Lodge	34.0	01/05/17	65.4%
Х	Redfish	Bob Busler	42.0	2005	Rich Brennan	33.0	03/28/17	78.6%
x	Seatrout	Rich Brennan Aaron Wagner	29.0 29.0	2009 2012	Jack Spies	25.0	04/18/17	86.2%
X	Snook	Vinnie Madsen	45.0	2014	Rich Brennan	42.0	03/10/17	93.3%
X	Spanish Mackerel	Carl Leicher	30.0	2012	Denys LaChance	26.0	02/21/17	86.7%

WOMEN'S DIVISION

OVERALL CLUB	SPECIES NAME	MEMBER NAME	RECORD LENGTH	DATE		2016 LENGTH	DATE	% OF
RECORD	0. 20.20		in	CAUGHT		in	CAUGHT	RECORD
RECORD			INCHES			INCHES		
	Amberjack	Karen Lodge	38.0	2015				
	Cobia	Joanne Landaker	50.0	2008	Darlene Madsen	29.0	02/25/17	58.0%
		Marilyn McGregor	50.0	2013				
	Grouper	Margie Hoffman	34.0	2014	Sherry Moerke	26.0	03/13/17	76.5%
	King Mackerel	Karen Lodge	38.0	2014				
	Redfish	Donnie Brennan	38.0	2008	Joanne Landaker	29.0	4/27/17	76.3%
		Missy Becker	38.0	2008				
	Seatrout	Joanne Landaker	26.5	2011	Diane Bukowski	22.0	02/18/17	83.0%
	Snook	Missy Becker	42.0	2013	Lynn Reeves	31.5	03/30/17	75.0%
	Spanish Mackerel	Missy Becker	28.0	2007	Lynn Reeves	20.0	03/27/17	71.4%

This Year's Leaders are in BLUE ★★ denotes New Club Record New Entries This Month are in RED

MASTER ANGLER TOURNAMENT 2017 STANDINGS (MAY)

	AMBERJACK	COBIA		GROUPER		KING MACKER	EL	REDFISH		SNOOK		SPANISH MACKEREL		SPOTTED SEATROUT	
1st Place	Dave Dyke 41.0	Rich Kale	51.0	Ron Shand	33.0	Tom Lodge	34.0	Rich Brennan	33.0	Rich Brennan	42.0	Denys LaChance	26.0	Jack Spies	25.0
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2nd Place	Ron Baxter 35.5	Joe Bukowski	38.0	Bob Gariepy	32.0	Dennis Krausman	29.0	Steve Landaker	32.0	Rich Kale	37.0	Rich Kale	24.0	Carl Leicher	24.0
Zhu Place		Larry Benz	38.0	Joe Udwari	32.0										
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	Bud Johnston 34.5	Bob Pierro	36.5	Larry Benz	31.0			Mark Storm	30.0	Bob Bretts	34.0	John Gettinger		Bukowski	22.0
3rd Place				Bud Johnston	31.0									Randy Douet	22.0
				Ron Topper	31.0									Dennis Krausman	22.0
				Joe Udwari	31.0		1								

Membership Stats						
Total	Active					
Households	Members					
234	449					

Membership Director Donnie Brennan



Good morning, everyone ...

... What a month! Can you believe that May is gone? How did it go so fast?

I'll get right down to business and introduce our newest members: GEORGE & CAROL DUNCAN GARY & SHARON BROWN

You know the rule: each new member's badge displays a star indicating their new membership. Let's give them all a GREAT BIG welcome.

Go introduce yourselves.

Take a new guy or gal fishing.

Make a new friend. Remember my motto: "any new friend you make just might turn out to be your new friend."

PUNTA GORDA ISLES FISHING CLUB SOCIAL EVENTS

Social Events Director Ellen Wagner



Things are warming up quickly here and a lot of us are

Safe travels to all that travel and for those that are here stay cool enjoying all the wonderful activities that the summer season brings to Punta Gorda.

Don't forget to stop by the kitchen after our monthly meeting and enjoy a snack and a visit with our club members. The kitchen brings out some really good conversations amongst our members, so please join us.

As always any dessert donations are welcome.

traveling during this season.

Please remember that I will be retiring from being the Social Director at the end of the year and would love to be able to help our new Social Director volunteer get up and running for next year. If you are interested please see me or call me, it's a great job and easy to do'

CLUB CALENDAR

Tiki Hut: Every Wednesday at 5pm followed by dinner around 6pm, for those wanting to join.

Men's Breakfast: Tuesday and Friday mornings, 7am at Elena's.

Club Meeting: At PGICA every 2nd Tuesday of the month at 7pm.

Ladies Lunch and Dinner: Scheduled by Dianne Bukowski. See details in Diane's section.





Ladies Liaison Diane Bukowski

We turned Ladies' Night Out for May into Date Night. We had a great time at JD's Bistro with excellent food, company and live Jazz music.



This month we are going to Laishley Crab House for Ladies' Lunch on Thursday, June 8th at Noon. For Ladies' Night Out on Thursday, June 22nd, we are planning to go to Prime Steak House in Port Charlotte to take advantage of their special summer menu.

June's Fish of the Month is Flounder. Here is one of my favorite ways to cook flounder.

Flounder Francese with Toasted Almonds, Lemon and Capers

2 oz. (1/4 c) Sliced Almonds 4 Flounder Fillets, 6 to 8 oz. each Salt and Pepper 3 Large Eggs A splash of Heavy Cream 4 Tbsp. Olive Oil, divided 3 Tbsp. Butter divided ½ cup Dry White Wine
2 Tbsp. flat leaf parsley, finely chopped
1 Lemon, Zested and Juiced
3 Tbsp. Capers, drained
2 Cloves Garlic, finely chopped
1 Bag Baby Spinach, coarsely chopped
¼ tsp. ground Nutmeg

- 1. Toast almonds over moderate heat and reserve.
- 2. Preheat a large skillet over medium to medium high heat. Season the fish with salt and pepper. Beat eggs with cream. Add 2 Tbsp. extra-virgin Olive Oil to the skillet, w turns of the pan then add 2 Tbsp. of butter, cut into small pieces. Dip the fish into the eggs and cook on both sides until just golden, 5 to 6 minutes total. Transfer fish to a plate and cover with a loose foil tent to retain heat.
- 3. Add wine to the pan and reduce by half, 1 minute, then add 1 Tbsp butter and parsley to the pan. Stir lemon juice and zest and the capers. Turn off heat. Pour sauce over fish and top with sliced almonds.
- 4. Return skillet to heat. Add remaining 2 Tbsp extra-virgin olive oil, 2 more turns of the pan. Add chopped garlic and let it speak by coming to a sizzle. Wilt in spinach, turning to coat in extra-virgin olive oil ar Res 24 with salt, pepper and nutmeg. Serve spinach alongside flounder. Rachael Ray recipe.

PUNTA GORDA ISLES FISHING CLUB SUNSHINE LADY



Donnie Brennan Sunshine Lady



I'm glad to see so many people finally getting over whatever bug they had and are finally feeling better.

There might be a few people who are still sort of under the weather and I'm hoping you'll get well soon.

Don't forget, if you know of someone that is not feeling well, whether it's surgery, a cold, the flu, or just general aches and pains, I would like to know so I can send a card of cheer.

If you prefer not to divulge the reason (since some people like to keep their illnesses private), that's fine; I don't need to know the reason just that someone needs a card.

The only thing I ask of you is to let me know who that person is. Once I get the name, a card will go out. However, if you wish to tell me the reason the card is needed, a card appropriate to the situation will be sent. That of course is your choice.

You see, that's the job of your sunshine lady – to send out cards of cheer to those who may need a little pick-me-up - no matter what the reason.

So, again, should you know of someone who is a little under the weather, down in the dumps, or is facing any of issues that dampens a person's day, I will gladly send out a card of cheer to try to make them feel a little better.

That's all there is to it.

You can notify me by phone (941-626-4903) but email is the best way.

Thank you and have a great June.

My email address is: <u>sunshine@pgifishingclub.org</u>

CELEBRATION

CELEBRATION TIME, COME ON!

There's a party goin' on right here. A dedication to last throughout the year. So bring your good times and your laughter too We're gonna celebrate and party with you.

So, are we having fun yet????

Here are June's celebrants: BOB GARIEPY JUDY MARKOWSKI DIANNE BUKOWSKI

When you see these people at our next meeting, I think it would be a great idea to wish them each a very happy birthday.

Hope you all have the time to party, party, party!

Let's all wish a very happy anniversary to: PATTY & MIKE NALIPI

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









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.

Below are members willing to take you out on their boats.

Jim Hoffman (Offshore) jimhoffman59@embarqmail.com

Chris Pflaum (Inshore/Offshore) <u>ccpflaum@hotmail.com</u>

Gary Burgress (Harbor Only) <u>g2873477@hotmail.com</u>

Wayne Goode (Harbor Only, Learning the Harbor) goode_wayne@yahoo.com

CONTACT THEM THROUGH EMAIL TO ARRANGE A TRIP

If you want to take another member out on your boat, please send your contact information to <u>editor@pgifishingclub.org</u>

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CLUB LINKS

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MEETING MINUTES FEBRUARY 14, 2017

The meeting was called to order by President Jim McCarty at 7:00 PM.

The minutes of the April meeting were approved following the Pledge of Allegiance.

President Jim remarked about fishing with the Wounded Warriors.

New members and guests were introduced.

The meeting attendance was 59 members.

Treasurer Pat Diver reported a bank balance of \$15,168.46.

Diane Bukowski reported that the Ladies Luncheon will be at Tulips Restaurant on May 11 and the Girl's Nite out will be at JD's Bistro on May 25.

The first door prize was won by Aaron Wagner.

The Name the Fish contest was Permit. Bobby Bretts correctly identified Permit.

Flounder is the Fish if the Month for June.

Jim Hoffman spoke about catching pass crabs in the pass.

Randy Douet spoke about Solunar Tables for fishing in conjunction with tidal movement and weather.

Rick Sarkisian spoke of tagging Tarpon near the 41 bridges. He is looking for volunteers to help with the program. He also spoke on eliminating commercial shrimping in the harbor. Rick advocating having a letter sent by the Civic Association Board of Directors to the Florida Wildlife Commission and others supporting a ban on commercial shrimping in Charlotte Harbor. The membership approved sending the letter.

The second door prize was won by Buddy Krauss.

Jim Crawley, Rick Sarkisian, and Don Markowski each won a CCA shirt.

The April Fish of the Month was Snook. The winners were:

1 st	Lynn Reeves	31.5"	Bob Bretts	34"
2 nd	Elaine Bretts	31"	William Muir	30"
3 rd	Diane Bukowski	29"	Jonathon Landon	29"

The third door prize was won by Mark Dillman.

MAY 9, 2017

The 50/50 winners were:

- 1st Joe Longo
- 2nd Pat Diver
- 3rd Margie Hoffman

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted, Randy Hall, Secretary

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Bill Guenther

Group Coordinator



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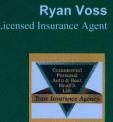
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