



PUNTA GORDA ISLES FISHING CLUB

FROM THE HELM



President:
Gary Skillicorn

After a week of rain I guess it means summer is here. After all, we only have two seasons. Dry and wet.

Here are some items of interest in easy reading format

1. Margie Hoffman has been diagnosed with pancreatic cancer and is in the fight of her life which she knows she will win. She would appreciate your prayers. No calls please!
2. News from FWC: Amberjack and Triggerfish closed 6/1 in state waters. Gag grouper opens 6/1 in Federal and State waters. Check the official announcements.
3. Looking for a couple more members to join the 2019 officer & board nominating committee. Be proactive. This way no one will be asking you to accept a position!
4. Of course it's not too early to think about a position on the board for 2019. If you accepted #3 above you wouldn't have to consider. Snowbirds, we've learned that we can backfill positions around or for snowbirds. No need to be full time. Getting involved is a great way to meet other members. The board has discussed cutting back on meetings and programs if we can't secure adequate volunteers. Help keep the club what you want it to be.
5. I hate to keep asking for volunteers but we need several more folks to serve as sponsors for taking new club members out on the water, either for fishing or harbor orientation. The months of June, July, September, November, and December are open. Pick a month please? Thanks to John Gettinger, Rich Brennan, and Randy Douet for volunteering previously.

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6. It looks like Chris Pflaum is set for another fishing outing with the Crossroads Hope Academy kids for June 23 or 24. There may be a need for crew. Contact Chris at ccpflaum@hotmail.com. Hope you saw the pictures in the Commentator,

7. The Wednesday 5 pm Happy Hour at the Sheraton Tiki Hut is a good way to meet fellow members and swap stories and/or lies. The women enjoy the sharing too but only stories – no lies. Come on out and join us!

8. With tropical storm Alberto giving us an early season reminder, think about managing your boat, especially if leaving town. Tying down is obvious but an item easily missed is the buildup of rain in the bilge. It's amazing how much water and weight accumulates. I have no idea how mine even gets in. Yes, the bilge pump should handle it, at least until the battery dies. Consider removing the drain plug if accessible (and it's out of the water).

9. My last thought on weather, watch those afternoon pop up thunderstorms. Having a good radar app on your phone is great way to keep clear.

10. I'd like to encourage members to join and use the club Facebook site. This is only for club members.

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/238181049606050/>

Fair Winds and Following Seas to All,

Gary Skillicorn

PUNTA GORDA ISLES FISHING CLUB

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Our club currently has **147** 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.

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FISH OF THE MONTH CALENDAR

JANUARY: SHEEPSHEAD



FEBRUARY: GROUPER



MARCH: SPANISH MACKEREL



APRIL: SNOOK



MAY: COBIA



JUNE: FLOUNDER



JULY: SHARK



AUGUST: TARPON



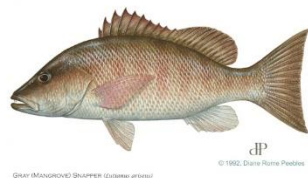
SEPTEMBER: SPOTTED SEATROUT



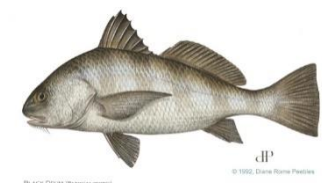
OCTOBER: REDFISH



NOVEMBER: MANGROVE SNAPPER



DECEMBER: BLACK DRUM



Fine Print: See "Fish of the Month Contest Rules" here:

<http://pgifishingclub.org/wordpress/wp-content/uploads/2012/10/2016-Fish-of-the-Month-Contest-Rules-Rev-5-Mar-2016.pdf>

PUNTA GORDA ISLES FISHING CLUB

MAY CLUB MEETING

DOOR PRIZE WINNERS



From left to right are Ron Baxter, Rich Willingmyre, and Larry Benz.

50/50 WINNERS



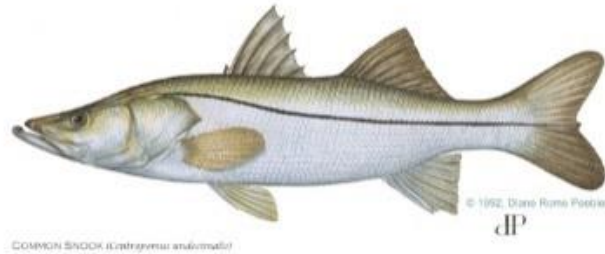
From left to right are Randy Douet, Tom Lodge, and Larry Benz (again...).

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MAY CLUB MEETING

FISH OF THE MONTH WINNERS

APRIL: SNOOK



Starting from the top from left to right are Elaine Bretts, Lynn Reeves, Darlene Madsen, Bob Bretts, Rich Brennan, Gary Reeves, and Bill Hess. Congratulations to all!

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MAY CLUB MEETING

GUEST SPEAKER



Zach Maloch from WINK News provided us with some great information about weather and a little insight into how they do things with regard to marine forecasts. Thanks Zach!

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MAY CLUB MEETING

LADDER OF ACHIEVEMENT AWARDS



Hat Winners: From left to right are Dotti Balon-Frost, Jess Searle, Nancy Searle, and Joanne Sullivan.



From left to right are Bill Hess (Bronze & Silver Pins) and Lynn Reeves (Lifetime – Tarpon Pin).



Grand Master Angler Star (GMA Star):
Richy Kale & Joe Udvari

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MAY CLUB MEETING

LADDER OF ACHIEVEMENT AWARDS



Grand Master Angler:
Bob Gariepy

Grand Master Angler:
Gary Reeves



PUNTA GORDA ISLES FISHING CLUB

JOHN'S FISHING REPORT



Vice President:
John McFarland



FWC in collaboration with NOAA Fisheries have announced a recreational red snapper season for Gulf state waters and Federal waters. A 40-day recreational red snapper season has been set for 2018 beginning June 11 and close July 21.

Gulf States (Texas, Louisiana, Mississippi, Alabama, and Florida) and NOAA have approved a pilot program, the Exempted Fishing Permit (EFP), to manage recreational red snapper fishing in state and federal waters. The pilot permit program will allow each state to manage the recreational red snapper fishing season. Under the EFP program each of the Gulf States will be setting the red grouper season through 2018 and 2019 for state and federal waters. States will be responsible for data collection and quota monitoring methodologies. While the overall Gulf quota for red snapper is 3.8 million pounds, each state will be managing to an agreed upon portion of the overall quota for their state and must close the season when their portion is reached, or if the overall Gulf quota is exceeded by another state or combination of states.

Requirements?

To participate in the recreational red snapper season each recreational angler is required to sign up for a Gulf Reef Fishing Survey (GRFS). All anglers must follow the 16-inch total length minimum size limit and two fish bag limit and are encouraged to use descending devices or venting tools when releasing discards.

How do I sign up?

Retailers, stores, tackle shops, and tax collector offices or by calling or by calling 888-FISH-FLORIDA (347-4356). When purchasing or renewing any license at one of the above locations, please indicate to the clerk that you are a Gulf Reef Fish Angler and need to be marked as such.

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Online

- Visit gooutdoorsflorida.com.
- Enter your Date of Birth and at least one of the other required “Lookup Method” identifiers (social security #, FWC customer ID, or Driver’s license number). Note: You may have to create an account if this is your first time accessing the system.
- Click “Purchase a License.”
- Scroll down to Saltwater Fishing and click the Add to Cart button next to “Gulf Reef Fish Angler.”
- Make sure to print a copy.

Are you a Florida resident **65 or older** and exempt from needing a recreational saltwater fishing license? No worries! Though you are still required to click “Purchase a License,” signing up as a “Gulf Reef Fish Angler” is no-cost. You are not required to purchase any other license, such as a recreational saltwater fishing license, or pay any other fees to participate.

What happens after you sign up?

- You will receive a printed license or need to print one from your computer if you purchase online with Gulf Reef Fish Angler printed on it. Carry this with you as proof that you signed up to participate in the Gulf Reef Fish Survey.
- In a year, make sure you renew. Renewal will be on an annual basis, just like a one-year fishing license.
- Many who sign up will be contacted by the FWC and asked if they would be willing to provide information about their Gulf reef fish fishing activities

PUNTA GORDA ISLES FISHING CLUB

FISHING EVENTS



Events Director
Dick Conant

May Fishing Report

OMG! The big news for May, FOM Cobia Ladies 3, Men 0.

Guys, what's up? For the first 4 months of the year Cobia were the hot ticket. When Cobia are FOM and the pressure is on, stones.

Well, ok I'll cut you some slack I guess your weather has been just barely better than ours up here. Overall it sounds like the fishing was off due to the wind and rain. Only 50 or so fish were entered this month, down from the 100 of the last two months.

But, we have another GMA. His entries were too late for the June meeting, but congratulations go out to Dennis Krausman. His Whiting and a Stingray put him over the top.

The awards didn't stop there, this month only one hat goes out, but four (4) bronze pins will be finding new homes. Chalk up a silver and a gold to go along with that and --- wait for it. The drum roll goes out to John Gettinger for his GMA Star. Congratulations to all.

Hat –	Bob Critchfield	
Bronze Pins -	Jenny Goodell	Chris Pflaum
	Kim Pflaum	Rich Willingmyre
Silver Pin -	Rich Willingmyre	
Gold Pin -	Jeff Wilson	
GMA Star-	John Gettinger	

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May FOM – Cobia Ladies



Cathy Hunt – 29.0"
1st Place



Gretchen Sunderland – 24.0"
2nd Place



Darlene Madsen – 23.0"
3rd Place

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May FOM – Cobia Men

No Entries

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Ladder of Achievement May

Club Hat



Bob Critchfield

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Ladder of Achievement May



Jenny Goodell
Bronze



Kim Pflaum
Bronze



Chris Pflaum
Bronze

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Ladder of Achievement May



Rich Willingmyre
Silver & Bronze



Jeff Wilson
Gold

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Ladder of Achievement May



John Gettinger
GMA Star



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STATISTICS & REPORTS



Record Keeper:
Gary Reeves

The Month in Review (MAY)

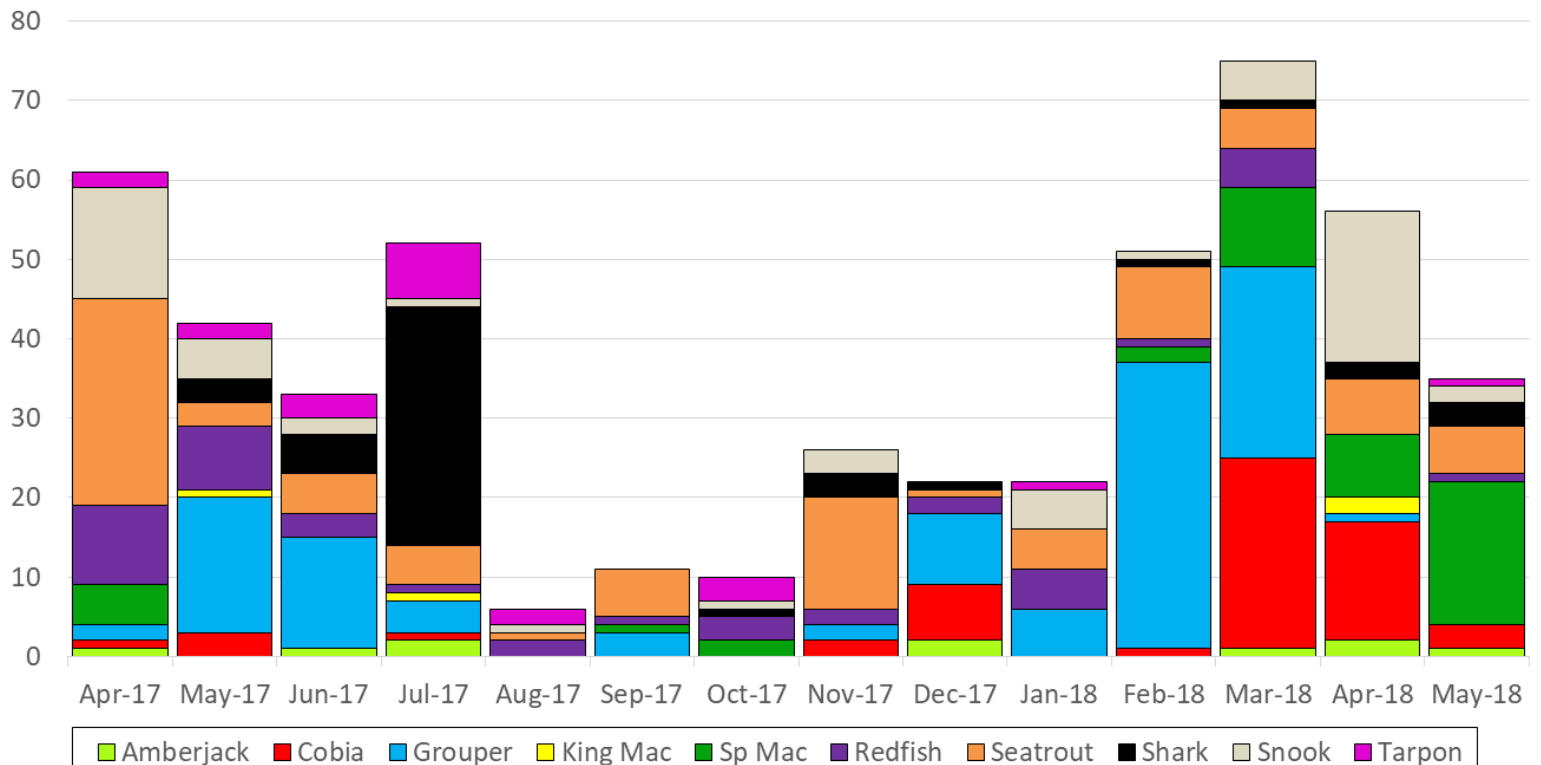
As expected, things slowed down a bit in May with fewer anglers combined with fewer good days on the water.

Recorder's Data

Monthly Performance

	March	April	MAY	
Anglers	38	38	24	↓
LOA Awards	11	15	8	↓
Fish Recorded	103	99	53	↓
Points Recorded	5400	5400	2500	↓

14 Month Catch History
(Number of Fish Recorded Each Month by Specie)



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LADDER OF ACHIEVEMENT AWARDS

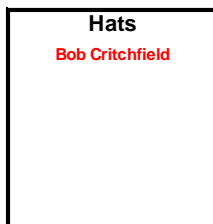
2018 STANDINGS (MAY)

Record Keeper:
Gary Reeves



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

RED = Awards This Month



(BOLD star = earned this year)

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	

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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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ISLES TROPHY RACE 2018 STANDINGS (MAY)

Record Keeper:
Gary Reeves



OVERALL CLUB RECORD	SPECIES NAME	MEMBER NAME	RECORD LENGTH in INCHES	DATE CAUGHT	MEMBER NAME	2018 LENGTH in INCHES	DATE CAUGHT	% OF RECORD
X	Amberjack	Gary Reeves	48.0	2016	Carl Leicher	36.0	04/02/18	75.0%
X	Cobia	Bob Busler	54.0	2007	Rich Kale	45.0	03/26/18	83.3%
X	Grouper	Tom Hamilton	39.0	2003	Joe Bukowski	36.0	02/17/18	92.3%
X	King Mackerel	John MacLeman	52.0	2012	Joe Udvari	40.5	04/30/18	77.9%
X	Redfish	Bob Busler	42.0	2005	Rich Brennan	36.0	03/18/18	85.7%
X	Seatrout	Rich Brennan Aaron Wagner	29.0 29.0	2009 2012	Rich Brennan	23.0	02/27/18	79.3%
X	Snook	Vinnie Madsen	45.0	2014	Richy Kale	42.0	01/29/18	93.3%
X	Spanish Mackerel	Carl Leicher	30.0	2012	John Gettinger	24.0	04/18/18	80.0%

WOMEN'S DIVISION

OVERALL CLUB RECORD	SPECIES NAME	MEMBER NAME	RECORD LENGTH in INCHES	DATE CAUGHT	MEMBER NAME	2018 LENGTH in INCHES	DATE CAUGHT	% OF RECORD
	Amberjack	Darlene Madsen	40.0	2017				0.0%
	Cobia	Joanne Landaker Marilyn McGregor	50.0 50.0	2008 2013	Cindi Johnston	42.0	04/10/18	84.0%
	Grouper	Margie Hoffman	34.0	2014	Dianne Bukowski	37.0	02/17/18	108.8% ★★
	King Mackerel	Karen Lodge	38.0	2014				
	Redfish	Donnie Brennan Missy Becker	38.0 38.0	2008 2008	Darlene Madsen	15.5	1/21/18	40.8%
	Seatrout	Joanne Landaker	26.5	2011	Elaine Bretts	23.0	04/10/18	86.8%
	Snook	Missy Becker	42.0	2013	Elaine Bretts Gretchen Sunderland	28.0 28.0	04/26/18 05/11/18	66.7% 66.7%
	Spanish Mackerel	Missy Becker	28.0	2007	Elaine Bretts	23.0	05/10/18	82.1%

This Year's Leaders are in BLUE

★★ Denotes New Club Record

New Entries This Month are in RED

MASTER ANGLER TOURNAMENT 2018 STANDINGS (MAY)

	AMBERJACK	COBIA	GROUPE	KING MACKEREL	REDFISH	SNOOK	SPANISH MACKEREL	SPOTTED SEATRUT
1st Place	NONE	Rich Kale 45.0	Dianne Bukowski 37.0	Joe Udvari 40.5	Rich Brennan 36.0	Rich Kale 42.0	John Gettinger 24.0	Rich Brennan 23.0
	Carl Leicher 36.0							
2nd Place	Bob Garipey 35.0	Rick Sarkisian 43.0	Joe Bukowski 36.0	Gary Reeves 36.5	Bob Critchfield 27.0	Rich Brennan 32.0	Frank Barrett 23.0	Mark Storm 22.0
					Bill Hess 27.0	Bob Bretts 32.0	Rich Brennan 23.0	
					Tom Lemmink 27.0	Bud Johnston 32.0	Elaine Bretts 23.0	
3rd Place	Joe Udvari 34.5	Cindi Johnston 42.0	Rich Willingmyre 33.5		Jeff Barnhart 25.0	Gary Reeves 29.5	Marv Dyrstad 22.0	Steve Lamdaker 21.0

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New this month are shown in Red

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MEMBERSHIP

Membership Stats	
Total Households	Active Members
213	404

Membership Director:
Donnie Brennan



Good day, everyone ...

June came early this year . . . I should say our “rainy season” came early. In the past, rainy season began June 1. Seems like we’ve had little else but on-and-off again rain for the past two weeks. And to make things worse . . . a hit of a small tropical storm!! Is this an omen of things to come? We’ll see!

I know I’ve said this in the past, but please read our President’s message about recruiting board members for 2019. This is a fantastic club and even better when you join the board and become part of what it takes to keep us as great as we are. You can always ask to sit in a board meeting to see what we do to help convince you that this is where you should be! Let’s hear from you.

All that said, it’s time now, to introduce our new members:

ALAN & SHIRLEY LAM

RICK & ANN BROWN

With so many new houses being built in the area, please keep a keen eye out for your new neighbors. Tell them about us. Invite them to a meeting. I know they’ll really enjoy it.

Also, don’t forget to keep an eye out for the newbies in the club. Let’s make them feel welcome. Remember, you were new once, too. 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 best friend.”

PUNTA GORDA ISLES FISHING CLUB

SOCIAL EVENTS

Social Events Directors:
Patti Topper & Paula Arnold



HAPPY RAINY SEASON TO ALL! OUR GRASS IS
SAYING A BIG THANK YOU!!!

Please join us at the Tiki Hut (behind the Sheraton) on Wednesday's at 5 pm. We all enjoy a cold beverage and some great conversation. Several folks then go out to dinner at a local restaurant. It is easier getting into restaurants now that the snowbirds have vacated. It is a great way to become acquainted with other club members.

Don't exit the monthly meetings without stopping by the kitchen for a sweet treat and beverage. Again, it is a great way to meet other member's. There is usually a lot of fish talk going on. Any donated homemade goodies are always welcome. Thank you to everyone who has donated in the past and thanks in advance for future donations.

No extra gatherings are planned at this time. We will keep everyone posted. Everyone should get out on the water between raindrops and catch some fish.

Happy Fishing,

Paula and Patti

CLUB CALENDAR

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

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 Sherry Barrett. See details in the 'Ladies Liaison' section.

PUNTA GORDA ISLES FISHING CLUB

LADIES LIAISON



Ladies Liaison
Sherry Barrett

Hi Ladies,

The month of June, so far, has brought a little more sunshine than rain, and hopefully this pattern will continue.

Many people are traveling this summer, as am I, this June and July, so my thought is that this month we will do just one outing. We went fishing yesterday, and as a novice fisher, I caught my first Crevalle Jack.

I am thinking that we can do appetizers and drinks at my house on Thursday, the 21st. My address and the time will follow in an email. If you are traveling or visiting family, I hope you are enjoying yourselves, and getting out of the heat.

Sherry Barrett

Ladies Liaison

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SUNSHINE LADY



Donnie Brennan
Sunshine Lady



One get well card was sent to Wayn Nelson who hurt his leg while on vacation.

Wayn, hope you're feeling better really soon.

Please remember, whether or not names are announced, the purpose of the "Sunshine Lady" is to bring a bit of sunshine to those who are feeling a bit "under the weather".

Each person gets a personalized, hand-crafted card to brighten their day.

However, there's only so much I can do. Here's how you can help me.

I need you to call or email me and let me know if there is someone who needs a card. The reason doesn't matter, it could be get well, sympathy, or a funny birthday card ... whatever it is, it can't be sent unless I know about it so, that said

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

Thank you and have a great June.

My email address is: sunshine@pgifishingclub.org

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CELEBRATION

Donnie Brennan
Sunshine Lady



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.*

I'd ask if you're ready for our rainy season to begin but it seems to have started early this year. It isn't really much fun to fish in the rain but some fish bite better while the clouds open up. Try to stay dry but most of all, have fun fishing.

We breezed through TS Alberto. Can't help but hope that he's the wildest storm we'll get all year.

Ok, so belated MAY birthday wishes are sent to Art Rosen, Marv Dyrstad, and Doug Arnold. Sorry I missed your special day.

Being born in June means

They are caring folks, who are sensitive, inquisitive yet practical. They love to daydream, have ideas ranging from the normal to the absurd, love collecting new information and are very protective of their loved ones. Everyone wants to be their friend. They usually have a head filled with ideas. They're very self-conscious and guard their emotions. They are also prone to colds and allergies.

While we take in a few points of the June born, let's take a moment to wish them all best wishes for their special day.

Our June celebrants are:
BOB GARIEPY
DIANNE BUKOWSKI
DEBBI MCCARTY



When you see us 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!

Should you wish to have your or your spouse's birthday celebrated in this article, just email me and it'll be mentioned. I don't need the date, just the name of the celebrant and the month. It's that simple.

PUNTA GORDA ISLES FISHING CLUB

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)

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PUNTA GORDA ISLES FISHING CLUB

MEETING MINUTES

MAY 8, 2018

Meeting Called to Order: 7:02 pm

Pledge of Allegiance

President's Remarks:

1. Asked club members if the change to giving gift cards or rods/reels were preferred by door prizes. The club has been using gift cards the last few months.
 - Vast majority of club members prefer gift cards.
2. Encouraged club members to wear name tag to monthly meetings. This helps encourage social interactions, especially with newer members (star on the name tag), new acquaintances, and ability to identify members that paid the yearly dues.
3. Randy Douet will be the club member to take a new member out during the drawing.
4. Notice given to club members that in June's meeting the nominating committee will be formed to identify potential board positions for 2019.
5. A Cross Roads fishing activity may be planned for June.

Door Prize #1: Ron Baxter

Treasurer Report: \$13.5K

Social: No Ladies Lunch in May

Drawing for new club member to fish with existing club member: Nancy Searle

Fishing Report given by Jim McCarty:

- Lots of bait at marker 2, lady fish outside BSI, and tarpon on the hill.

Name That Fish: Blue Fish: Tom Lodge won the drawing

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MEETING MINUTES

MAY 8, 2018

FOM: Cobia

- Richy Kale gave a brief update that they seem to be following the line from Boca Pass to Alligator Reef; the river bed area. When they are hungry they will take almost anything.

2nd Door Prize: Rich Willingmyre

Awards

FOM Snook:

Women: 1st Elaine Bretts (28"), 2nd Lynn Reeves (25"), 3rd Darlene Madsen (24")

Men: Tied for 1st Bob Bretts (32") and Rich Brennen (32"), 2nd Gary Reeves (29.5"), 3rd Bill Hess

Club Hats: Dotti Balon-Frost, Jen Goodell, Sonia Nelson, Jess Searle, Nancy Searle, and Joanne Sullivan

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Tarpon Pin: Lynn Reeves

GMA: Bob Gariepy and Gary Reeves

GMA Star: Richy Kale and Joe Udwari

Guest Speaker: Zach Maloch from WINK Weather

Door Prize 3: Larry Benz

50/50 Winners: 1st Randy Douet, 2nd Tom Lodge, 3rd Larry Benz

Meeting Adjourned at 8:19 pm

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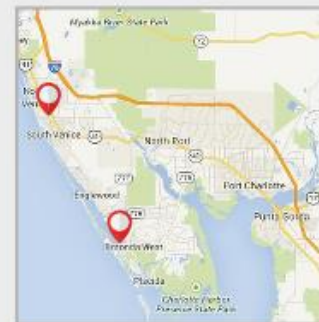
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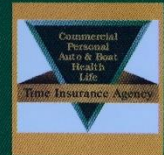
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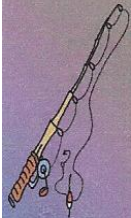
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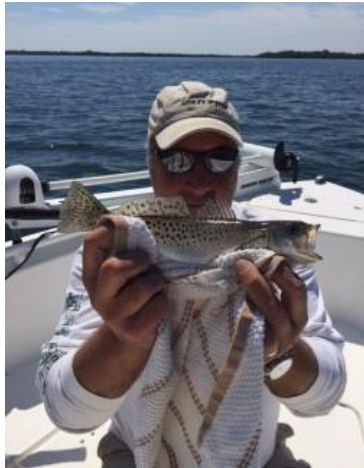
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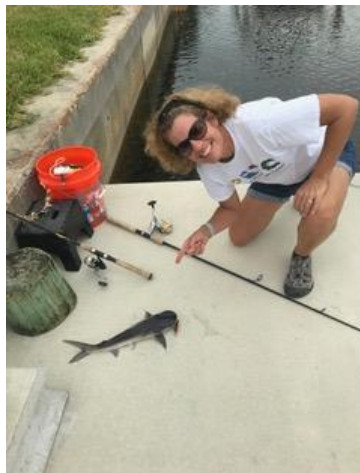
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