



PUNTA GORDA ISLES FISHING CLUB

FROM THE HELM



President:
Jude Panetta

First, I hope everyone in the Club had a great Thanksgiving Holiday. I also want to wish everyone a Merry Christmas and a Happy Holiday season in advance. I want to remind everyone that there will not be a normal monthly meeting in December, instead we will be having our Christmas Party (details below). Our next full meeting of the club will be on January 12th which also happens to be my birthday.

The Christmas Party will be held on December 15th at the Isles Yacht Club. There still is time for interested club members and their guests to buy tickets. The time will be from 5 PM until 10 PM. Tickets will be \$50 per person for Members and \$60 per person for guests. There will be a DJ to keep us entertained. You will have a choice of three different meals (fish, chicken, or beef). You can bring a check to the tiki bar on Wednesdays or reach out to one of the members of the Social Committee led by Julie Kale. Julie's email is: squeak2002@comcast.net. Cheryl Panetta's email is: cmpehs1977@gmail.com. Either can help you with the tickets. If you bring or send a check, just make note of your dinner preference.

I wanted to remind members about a couple of other regular events. The club meets at the Tiki Bar on Wednesdays from 5 PM until at least 6 PM. We have been getting 20 to 30 members to attend each week. Also, club members meet for breakfast on Tuesdays and Fridays at Elena's. It is suggested that members that want to meet for breakfast arrive around 6:45 AM.

I wanted to take this time to thank the four board members that are "retiring" at the end of 2020. Donnie Brennan – Membership (over 20 years of service), Randy Douet – VP, Dennis Krausman – Events Director, and Wayn Nelson - Advertising. I also want to thank the four new board members that are taking their place. Donna Sullivan, Richy Kale, Mike Dougherty, and Gretchen Sunderland. The success of the fishing club is very dependent on the volunteers that keep the club working.

Keeping on this trend, one of the more successful events the club does is the new member outreach where a new member gets to fish with one of our experienced members. This is a great chance to help a new member learn the harbor and feel like a part of the club. I am asking again for volunteer captains to take a new member fishing. Please email me or call me if you want to volunteer and let me know if you have a preference for a month. I really need volunteers going into 2021.

My parting shot for the month deals with my concern over how I am going to deal with the Holiday 5ish on top of the Covid 5ish (pounds that is).

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PUNTA GORDA ISLES FISHING CLUB

CLUB LEADERSHIP

Officers:

President	Jude Panetta	(908) 229-4902	itpb2043747@gmail.com
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*** Open Position for 2021 ***			
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Our club currently has **182** 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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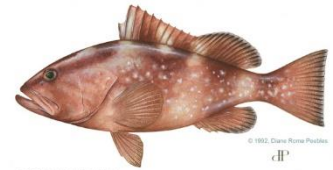
FISH OF THE MONTH CALENDAR

JANUARY: SHEEPSHEAD



SHEEPSHEAD (Archamia proles)

FEBRUARY: GROUPER



RED GROUPER (Epinephelus morio)

MARCH: SPANISH MACKEREL



SPANISH MACKEREL (Scomberomorus commerson)

APRIL: SNOOK



COMMON SNOOK (Centropomus undecimalis)

MAY: COBIA



COBIA (Rachycentron canadense)

JUNE: JACK CREVALLE



JULY: SHARK



BLACKTIP SHARK (Carcharhinus limbatus)

AUGUST: TARPON



TARPON (Megalops atlanticus)

SEPTEMBER: SEATROUT



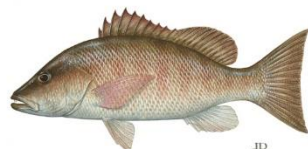
SPOTTED SEATROUT (Anchoa mitchilli)

OCTOBER: REDFISH



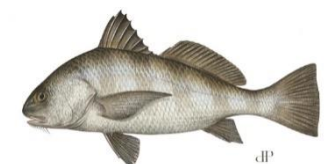
RED DRUM (Sciaenops ocellatus)

NOVEMBER: MANGROVE SNAPPER



GRAY MANGROVE SNAPPER (Lutjanus griseus)

DECEMBER: BLACK DRUM



BLACK DRUM (Sciaenops ocellatus)

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

<http://pgifishingclub.org/wordpress/wp-content/uploads/2020/02/Fish-of-the-Month-Contest-Rules-Rev-7-021220.pdf>

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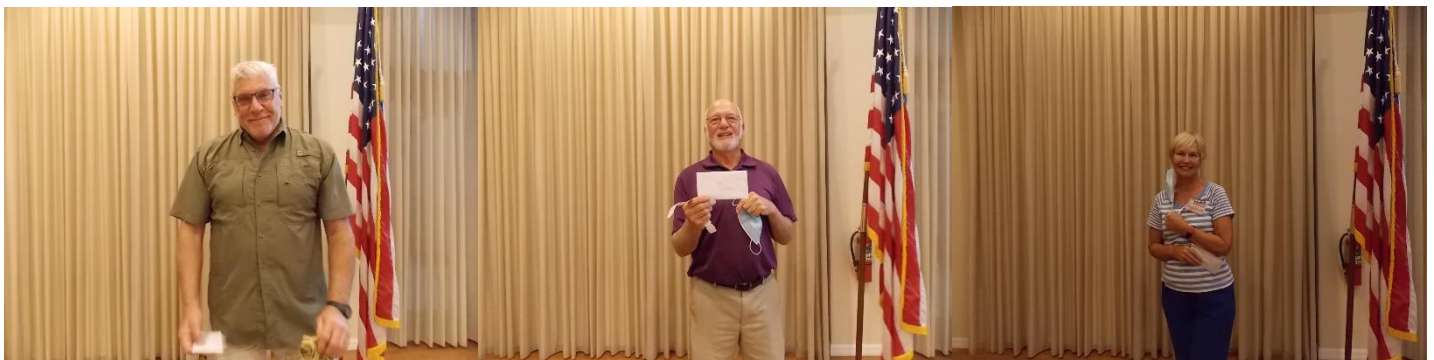
NOVEMBER CLUB MEETING

DOOR PRIZE WINNERS



From left to right are Mike Nalipi and Gary Frost.

50/50 WINNERS



From left to right are Chuck Pearson, Bill Lemmink, and Gretchen Sunderland.

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NOVEMBER CLUB MEETING

LADDER OF ACHIEVEMENT AWARDS



Grand Master Angler Star: Fred DeMella.

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RANDY'S FISHING REPORT

Vice President:
Randy Douet



We've had our third significant cold front on Monday (November 30th); setting us up for a good December. King Mackerel are being caught in good numbers near-shore in only 40'. Trolling for Kings will also produce a variety of "by-catch" like Bonita, Blackfin, and Jack Crevalle.

Don't overlook flounder now. It's the only time of year that our members target them. Try 2-6' of moving water on the harbor side of Cayo Costa and Gasparilla Islands. Bounce a half shrimp on a sandy bottom (I want to stress SANDY and not grassy) with a small jig head hook.

Trout have continued to impress. Club members have turned in dozens over 20", marking a successful FWC species season closure strategy. Remember, the FWC reviews whether or not to continue the closure directive in May of 2021. I'm doing well fishing trout in Pine Island Sound but they're being caught near the 41 bridge and all along the East wall...but check for grass...the storm in November messed some grass flats up. With the three cold fronts, look for trout in big numbers to return to Turtle Bay...especially in the "back" (North end).

December is Black Drum month. They are gathering in large numbers along with Sheepshead. A great outing for super windy days is to target them in the canals along heavily oystered sea walls and pilings. Those of you who are new to the area should try an old technique of scraping oysters off your sea wall and waiting an hour; then fishing for the drum with a large chunk of dead shrimp. You'll need 20-40 pound line since they take after the snook and like to rub your fishing line on oyster knife-edges. Even though they are edible, the large ones don't taste very good (and you need a chainsaw to clean them!!)

It's great to see so many of our members working hard on their Ladder of Achievement (LOA) species. Keep it up! Remember that it's allowable to utilize a Guide for LOA catches. A thumb rule to remember is that if "money" is involved (tournaments, Fish-of-the-Month, Master Angler Tournament, etc.) then paid guides are NOT allowed.

Hope to see you at our Christmas Party!

Tight lines
Randy

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FISHING EVENTS



Events Director:
Dennis Krausman

Fishing Events

This was somewhat of a strange year in the Fishing Club. We had a great start for the first several months but as the year continued the participation gradually tapered down. But overall, we had excellent involvement, ending with a near-normal participation for the November Tournament.

We appreciate all the participation since that is a measure of how we are structuring events that interest the membership. We are always open to ideas for different events.

Thank you all and wishing everyone a great 2021 fishing experience.

Here are the results of the November Tournament:

4 Day, 4 Species Fishing Event

Highlights:

- 55+ Participants
- Mark Lee with seven trout 18-20 inches
- Rick Brown reported all four species
- Jen and Art Goodell each reported 3 species
- Theresa and John FitzGerald each reported 3 species
- Dennis McKenna reported 3 species

Grouper Winners

- Theresa FitzGerald 10" Gag Grouper also 19" Snook, 16" Trout
- Donna Sullivan 10.5" Gag Grouper plus 30" Snook
- John FitzGerald 19" Gag Grouper plus 23" Snook and 18", 17" Trout
- Fred DeMella 18" Red Grouper

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Events Director:
Dennis Krausman

Redfish Winners

- Jen Goodell 26" plus 22" Snook and 20" Trout
- Dick Doster 27.5" plus 24"
- Pete McGregor 26" plus 24"

Snook Winners

- Cathy Hunt 34"
- Julie Kale 31" plus 28"
- Jack Hinnenthal 33"
- Rick Brown 25" plus 10" Grouper, 20" Redfish, 17" 16" Trout

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Events Director:
Dennis Krausman

Spotted Seatrout Winners

- Teresa Moeller 21" plus 22" Snook
- Elaine Bretts 18"
- Mike Dougherty 22" plus 19" and 17"
- Gary Frost 21" plus another 21"

TFO Rod Drawing

Jack Hinnenthal

Mark Lee

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Events Director:
Dennis Krausman

Fish of the Month –



Jan Holm 1st Place 13.5 inch



Donna Sullivan 2nd Place 12 inch

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Gretchen Sunderland 3rd Place 11 inch



John FitzGerald 1st Place 13 inch

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Dennis McKenna 2nd Place 12 Inch



Tony Destefano 3rd Place 10 inch

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Events Director:
Dennis Krausman

Club Hat



Debi Dougherty

Wendy Lee



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Director:
Krausman

Club Hat



Carol Schreur

Club Hat and Bronze Award



Mark Schreur

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Events Director:
Dennis Krausman

Bronze Award



Greg Widney

Silver Award



Christine White

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Events Director:
Ian

Silver Award



Gary Frost



Art Goodell

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Events Director:
Dennis Krausman

Snook Award



Mike Dougherty

Redfish Award



Diana McKenna

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Events Director:
Dennis Krausman

Tarpon Award



Dick Conant

This stacked bar chart displays the monthly catch in pounds for 12 species from October 2019 to November 2020. The y-axis represents the weight in pounds, ranging from 0 to 250. The x-axis lists the months. The legend identifies the species by color: Amberjack (light green), Cobia (red), Grouper (blue), King Mac (yellow), Sp Mac (green), Redfish (purple), Seatrout (orange), Shark (black), Sheepshead (tan), Snook (pink), and Tarpon (teal). The chart shows a significant peak in March 2020, with a total catch of approximately 195 pounds, primarily driven by a large catch of Seatrout. Other notable peaks occur in January 2020 and April 2020. The catch generally declines from May 2020 through October 2020, with a slight increase in November 2020.

Month	Amberjack	Cobia	Grouper	King Mac	Sp Mac	Redfish	Seatrout	Shark	Sheepshead	Snook	Tarpon	Total
Oct-19	5	2	10	0	5	5	15	5	0	15	10	62
Nov-19	0	10	20	0	0	5	25	5	5	10	5	65
Dec-19	0	0	10	0	0	0	0	0	0	5	5	25
Jan-20	5	0	50	0	0	5	20	10	40	15	5	145
Feb-20	10	0	50	0	5	5	5	5	10	10	10	100
Mar-20	15	0	35	0	45	5	65	15	10	10	5	195
Apr-20	5	5	45	0	10	5	25	10	10	15	10	135
May-20	10	10	20	0	15	15	20	15	0	15	5	105
Jun-20	0	0	10	0	0	25	15	10	0	0	0	50
Jul-20	0	0	5	0	0	10	10	5	0	5	5	40
Aug-20	0	0	5	0	0	10	5	5	0	0	10	35
Sep-20	5	5	5	0	5	10	20	5	0	10	5	50
Oct-20	0	0	0	0	0	15	5	5	0	5	5	30
Nov-20	0	0	20	5	10	15	45	0	0	15	10	100

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STATISTICS & REPORTS

LADDER OF ACHIEVEMENT AWARDS

2020 STANDINGS (NOVEMBER)

Record Keeper:
Paul Whiting



BRONZE	SILVER	GOLD	LIFETIME LEVEL I SNOOK	LIFETIME LEVEL II REDFISH	LIFETIME LEVEL III TARPON	GRAND MASTER ANGLER	
						GMA	TOTAL STARS
Sherry Barrett	Paula Arnold	Gary Adams	Doug Arnold	Bill Guenther	Frank Barrett	Jeff Barnhart	
Trudi Baxter	Jeff Bellairs	Doug Arnold	Rick Brown	Ken Hardesty	Fred Benson	Ron Baxter	
Joanna Boeckl	Todd Brooks	Doug De Fresne	Mike Dougherty	Julie Kale	Dick Conant	Larry Benz	★
Marc Boeckl	Anne Careau	Theresa FitzGerald	Jenny Goodell	Marty McCaffrey	Dave Dyke	Rich Brennan	★★★★★
Tori Brown	Yvette Du Fresne	Ken Garden	Mary Heins	Rose Anne McCaffrey	Marv Dyrstad	Donnie Brennan	★
Colleen De Mella	Kathy desEnfants	Bill Hess	Chuck Henry	Dennis McKenna	John Fitzgerald	Bob Bretts	★★★★★
Tom desEnfants	Tamara Dillman	Karen Lodge	Tom Hunt	Diana McKenna	Carl Leicher	Elaine Bretts	★★★★★
Sharon Dyke	Joanell Dyrstad	Steve Trego	Jim LaRocca	Gary Moerke	Bob Mays	Dianne Bukowski	★
Mike Endres	Richard Embury	Allen Wade	Marie LaRocca	John Saitta	Bill Muir	Joe Bukowski	★★
Richard Farmer	Christine Fontaine	Paul Whiting	Mark Lee	Rich Willingmyre	Lynn Reeves	Jim Crawley	
Chris Gibbons	Gary Frost	Sheree Wolfinger	Tom Lodge		Jack Spies	Fred De Mella	★
Frank Grazer	Art Goodell		Sherry Moerke		Mark Storm	Mark Dillman	
Renee Gibbons	Randy Hall		John Simonieg		Gretchen Sunderland	Dick Doster	
Tim Gibbons	Roz Hickey		Ed Verminski		Jeff Wilson	Randy Douet	★★
Bob Giffin	Larry Hofmeister		Ted Wierzbanski		Karen Udvari	Bob Gariepy	★★
Sheryl Hatch	Jan Holm					John Gettinger	★★★
David Hatch	Lisa Kellythorne					Mike Gilger	★
Tom Hay	Larry Kissner					Tom Hickey	★
Jack Hinnenthal	Denys LaChance					Jim Hoffman	★
Jack Howarth	Jonathan Landon					Margie Hoffman	
Dennis Jones	John McFarland					Cathy Hunt	★
Fran Krausman	Mike Nalipi					Bud Johnston	
Buddy Krauss	William Neff					Cindi Johnston	
Richard Larson	Sonia Nelson					Rich Kale	★★
Patricia Nalipi	Wayn Nelson					Dennis Krausman	★★★
Chuck Pearson	Cheryl Panetta					Kel Krotzer	★★★
Chris Pflaum	Nancy Pearson					Joe Maillet	
Mark Schruer	Kim Pflaum					Pete McGregor	★★
Alan Schulman	Hezzie Samons					Jude Panetta	★★
Jess Searle	Mike Sandling					Tom Parsons	★★
Miriam Taylor	Deb Sarkisian					Gary Reeves	
Patti Topper	Gary Skillicom					Rick Sarkisian	★★★★★
Greg Widney	Lynne Stockinger					John Stockinger	★
Tom Youngblood	Don Taylor					Donna Sullivan	
	Mike Wagner					Ron Topper	★★★★★
	Stella Wagner					Joe Udvari	★★★★★
	Sandy Wierzbanski					Aaron Wagner	
						Mike White	★★
						John Wolfinger	

RED = Awards This Month

Club Hats	
Debi Dougherty	
Wendy Lee	
Carol Schreur	
Mark Schruer	

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 points 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 2020 STANDINGS (NOVEMBER)

Record Keeper:
Paul Whiting



MEN'S DIVISION

OVERALL CLUB RECORD	SPECIES NAME	MEMBER NAME	RECORD LENGTH in INCHES	DATE CAUGHT	MEMBER NAME	2020 LENGTH in INCHES	DATE CAUGHT	% OF RECORD
X	Amberjack	Joe Udvari	53.5	2019	Ron Topper	41.0	5/31/20	76.6%
X	Cobia	John Gettinger	55.5	2019	Rich Kale **	56.0	3/13/20	100.9%
X	Grouper	Tom Hamilton	39.0	2003	Joe Udvari	34.5	4/18/20	88.5%
X	King Mackerel	John MacLeman	52.0	2012	Fred De Mella	44.0	11/23/20	84.6%
X	Redfish	Bob Busler	42.0	2005	Mike White**	44.0	11/23/20	84.6%
X	Seatrout	Rich Brennan	29.0	2009	Mike White**	47.0	6/28/20	111.9%
X	Sheepshead	Aaron Wagner	29.0	2012	Bobby Bretts	23.0	6/20/20	79.3%
X	Sheepshead	Vinnie Madsen	24.0	2016	Randy Douet	21.5	5/23/20	89.6%
X	Snook	Vinnie Madsen	45.0	2014	Fred De Mella	21.5	2/11/20	89.6%
X	Spanish Mackerel	Carl Leicher	30.0	2012	Gary Selzer	43.0	10/13/20	95.6%
X	Spanish Mackerel	Carl Leicher	30.0	2012	Jeff Barnhart	26.0	5/5/20	86.7%

WOMEN'S DIVISION

OVERALL	SPECIES NAME	MEMBER NAME	RECORD	DATE CAUGHT	MEMBER NAME	2020	DATE	% OF
	Amberjack	Darlene Madsen	40.0	2017	Cathy Hunt	37.0	5/17/20	92.5%
	Cobia	Joanne Landaker	50.0	2008	Gretchen Sunderland	25.0	5/19/20	50.0%
	Cobia	Marilyn McGregor	50.0	2013				
	Grouper	Dianne Bukowski	37.0	2018	Dianne Bukowski	36.0	2/17/20	97.3%
	King Mackerel	Karen Lodge	38.0	2014	Christine Fontaine	35.0	11/22/20	92.1%
	Redfish	Donnie Brennan	38.0	2008	Cathy Hunt	35.0	8/3/20	92.1%
	Redfish	Missy Becker	38.0	2008				
	Seatrout	Joanne Landaker	26.5	2011	Elaine Bretts	23.0	3/19/20	86.8%
	Sheepshead	Darlene Madsen	22.0	2018	Julie Kale	21.0	3/13/20	95.5%
	Snook	Missy Becker	42.0	2013	Donna Sullivan	38.0	4/12/20	90.5%
	Spanish Mackerel	Missy Becker	28.0	2007	Elaine Bretts	26.0	9/8/20	92.9%
	Spanish Mackerel	Lynn Reeves	28.0	2019				

This Year's LEADERS are in BLUE

★ ★ Denotes New Club Record

New Entries This Month are in RED

Past Winners:

2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
Rich Brennan	Kel Krotzer	Greg Chestnut	Jim Qurollo	Steve Landaker	Vinnie Madsen	Bob Mays	Gary Reeves	Rich Kale	Joe Udvari	Joe Udvari
Christine Jordan	Margie Hofman	Joanne Landaker	Rose Anne McCaffrey	Missy Becker	Margie Hoffman	Karen Lodge	Rose Anne	Darlene	Dianne	Lynn Reeves

MASTER ANGLER TOURNAMENT

2020 STANDINGS (NOVEMBER)

	AMBERJACK	COBIA	GROUPE	KING MACKEREL	REDFISH	SEATRUT	SHEEPSHEAD	SNOOK	SPANISH MACKEREL
1st Place	Ron Topper 41.0	Rich Kale 56.0	Dianne Bukowski 36.0	Fred De Mella 44.0	Mike White 47.0	Bobby Bretts 23.0	Fred De Mella 21.5	Gary Selzer 43.0	Jeff Barnhart 26.0
				Mike White 44.0		Elaine Bretts 23.0			Elaine Bretts 26.0
						Randy Douet 23.0			
2nd Place	Mike Newman 39.0	Tim Gibbons 38.5	Joe Udvari 34.5	Christine Fontaine White 35.0	Cathy Hunt 35.0	Rich Brennan 22.5	Julie Kale 21.0	Rich Kale 42.0	Donnie Brennan 25.5
					Bill Muir 35.0				
3rd Place	Cathy Hunt 37.0	Bob Dolar 36.0	Marty McCaffrey 34.0	Chris Gibbons 30.0	John Fitzgerald 34.0	Mike Dougherty 22.0	Larry Kissner 19.5	Bill Muir 39.5	Tony Destefano 24.5
	Ron Topper 37.0					Jude Panetta 22.0			
	Joe Udvari 37.0					Paul Whiting 22.0			

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New this month are shown in Red

PUNTA GORDA ISLES FISHING CLUB

Membership Stats	
Total Households	Active Members
234	443

MEMBERSHIP

Membership Director:
Donnie Brennan



Good day, Everyone.

This is my final article as Membership Director for our wonderful PGI Fishing Club. It's been a wonderful, fun, sometimes aggravating, but always interesting 20 years on your board.

Many people have asked me why I stayed on so long. I enjoyed what I did and had fun doing it. But now, it's really time to pass the proverbial torch to someone else.

That someone is Donna Sullivan. From now on, please send your renewal dues to:
Donna Sullivan, Membership
1323 Mediterranean Dr, Unit 123
Punta Gorda, FL 33950

If you need to contact her, please do so at: donnaosully@gmail.com or call her at 603-973-9927.

Now, let's welcome our new members:

DAVE & BARB DEMPSEY

DAVID & DAWN GREENKORN

While there are many of us still doing our best to self-isolate because of the sudden spikes in COVID, please try to stay safe and healthy.

Don't forget, the PGIFC is always looking to increase our membership, so please keep your eyes out for new neighbors. Let Donna know if someone moves into your area. She'll take care of the rest.

Donnie — membership@pgifishingclub.org

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SOCIAL EVENTS

Social Events Directors: Julie Kale, Stella Wagner,
Cheryl Panetta, and Rose Anne McCaffrey



Hope everyone enjoyed their Thanksgiving holiday. I know I did! So, the “big news” this month is the Christmas party. December 15th will be so much fun with great music, delicious food, beautiful facility and great people to hang out with. So, looking forward to seeing you all there.

No meeting this month but don't forget to join us at Tiki every Wednesday evening at 5.

For those of you who I won't see this month I'm wishing you a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year. Stay healthy and see you next year!

My very best to all of you,

Julie

Julie Kale 908-202-3959

Cheryl Panetta 908-295-5844

Stella Wagner 303-594-1999

Rose Ann McCaffrey 941-268-1839

CLUB CALENDAR

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

Breakfast: Tuesday and Friday mornings, 6:45am at Elena's.

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

Christmas Party: December 15th at the Isles Yacht Club at 5pm.

PUNTA GORDA ISLES FISHING CLUB

SUNSHINE LADY



Sunshine Lady:
Paula Arnold



Hey everyone, I am the new "Sunshine Lady." Donnie Brennan has relinquished her duties to me.

If you or someone you are aware of in the club needs a card for any reason (birthday, sympathy, encouragement, congratulations, etc.) please let me know.

I can also provide a meal or a visit if someone is in need. Please call or email me.

Paula Arnold
724-504-5347
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CELEBRATION

Membership Director:
Donnie Brennan



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.*

Hope everyone is keeping safe during these trying times.

As you know by now, this is my last Celebration article. From now on, Donna Sullivan will take the reins and bring good wish to all.

All that said, here are our DECEMBER celebrants:

JOHN SIMONIEG

JIM HOFFMAN

DON BERGMAN

NANCY VRABEL

KAREN WEEDEN

LOUMAE DeSTEFANO

HOWARD MEANS

GAIL DOSTER

JOHN McFARLAND

RUTH PEAL

TONY DeSTEFANO

Happy
Birthday



Should you wish to send them your best wishes and don't know how to get in touch with them, just email your message to Donna, and she'll be more than happy to forward it. (Her email is donnaosully@gmail.com)

Until then, stay safe, healthy, and alive.

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CELEBRATION

Membership Director:
Donnie Brennan



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There is one anniversaries listed for DECEMBER:

CATHY & FRED ENGIMANN



If I missed any birthdays or anniversaries, my apologies. Please let Donna know and she'll get your name in the next newsletter.

You can reach Donna by email (donnaosully@gmail.com) or phone (603-973-9927).

If you want to send a birthday or anniversary wish to someone, just email Donna and she'll be sure to get it in the next newsletter. All she needs is the name and month of birth you want to provide the date and year for a special shout out.

Please remember, I am no longer writing these articles.

Thank you for all the good wishes I've received since my announcement to retire. I really have had a marvelous time.

Signing off,

Donnie Brennan

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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.

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

Chris Pflaum (Inshore/Offshore)

ccpflaum@hotmail.com

Gary Burgess (Harbor Only)

g2873477@hotmail.com

Gretchen Sunderland (Harbor Only; Especially, Beginner Women)

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Fred De Mella (Inshore/Offshore)

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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 editor@pgifishingclub.org

CLUB LINKS

Club Website:

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<http://facebook.com> Search for "pgi fishing club"

Contest Rules:

http://pgifishingclub.org/wordpress/?page_id=30

General Information:

http://pgifishingclub.org/wordpress/?page_id=101

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MEETING MINUTES

NOVEMBER 17, 2020

Meeting start time: 6:59 pm

October Meeting Minutes approved

56 Members in attendance

2021 Proposed Board Members:

President – Jude Panetta, VP – Richy Kale, Secretary – Cathy Hunt, Treasurer – Pat Diver, Events Director – Mike Dougherty, Social Director – Julie Kale, Records Keeper – Paul Whiting, Membership Director – Donna Sullivan, Advertising Director – Gretchen Sunderland, Editor – Jeff Wilson, Web Master – Richard Embury, CCA/CMAC – Bob Mayes

- Approved by General Membership, no objections

Treasurer Report: \$9,132.26 in the bank; 2021 dues and advertising not included

Social Update: Holiday Party Dec 15th, \$50 for members and \$60 for non-members

Special Announcement/Fishin Franks Update – Fishin Frank is not rebuilding, Robert and Christine are opening a bait shop. Location TBD

New Member Outreach Winner – Jim Scoledes

1st Door Prize - \$50 GC for Bass Pro – Mike Nalipi

Fishing Report – Harbor changing with 2nd cold front; King Mackerel .5 – 12 miles off-shore, flounder moving in, trout moving deeper

Guest Speaker – Fred DeMella and Jude Panetta - Fish Barotrauma – reviewed signs of barotrauma and various descending devices

2nd Door Prize - \$25 GC for Bass Pro – Gary Frost

November Fishing Tournament Awards:

- Grouper: Theresa FitzGerald, Donna Sullivan, John FitzGerald, and Fred DeMella
- Redfish – Jen Goodell, Dick Doster, and Pete McGregor
- Snook – Cathy Hunt, Julie Kale, Jack Hinnenthal, and Rick Brown
- Trout – Terry Moeller, Elaine Bretts, Mike Dougherty, and Gary Frost
- IFO Rod Drawing Winners: Jack Hinnenthal and Mark Lee

Fishing Events:

FOM Winners (Redfish): Women - 1st – Elaine Bretts, 2nd – Diana McKenna, 3rd – Jenny Goodell

FOM Winners (Redfish): Men - 1st – Bill Muir, 2nd – Dennis McKenna - 3rd – Jack Howarth

LOA Awards: Club Hat: Gary Selzer and Linda Webb, Bronze Pin: William Neff, Silver Pin: William Neff, GMA Star #1: Fred DeMella

50/50 Winners: 1st - \$42 – Chuck Pearson, 2nd - \$30 – Bill Lemmink, 3rd - \$25 – Gretchen Sunderland

Meeting Adjourned: 7:55 pm

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PUNTA GORDA ISLES MARINE WATCH

HELP US TO HELP YOU



What is Punta Gorda Isles Marine Watch ("PGI Marine Watch")?

PGI Marine Watch is a volunteer on-the-water and land surveillance program like no other in Southwest Florida. The program was founded over ten years ago by Bill Guenther, a PGI resident, when he identified a need for increased security in the canals because of the increasing number of homes being built and residents moving to Punta Gorda Isles. Our group works in conjunction with the Punta Gorda Police Department, as a watch and report program. We act as a deterrent to those individuals who may be considering the theft of a boat or other marine equipment, as well as illegal netting activity. Since its inception in 2009, the PGI Marine Watch has been an active part of reducing marine crime in Punta Gorda Isles.

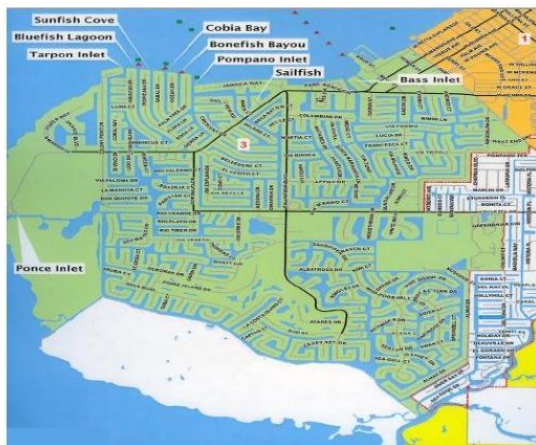


What do our members do?

The volunteer members of the PGI Marine Watch use their own boats to patrol once a month for a two hour period. Some of our members partner with another PGI Marine Watch member and complete their patrol together, alternating boats. Some of our members patrol with a friend or their spouse. The patrol dates are flexible to fit your schedule and once your patrol is complete you email your report for the program records.

What is required to volunteer with the PGI Marine Watch?

The only requirement to volunteer with the PGI Marine Watch is a desire to help your community. The PGI Marine Watch program provides you with signage for your boat and works with you to determine which patrol area works best for you based upon where you reside. The preferred boat size is at least 19 feet in length due to the occasional rough waters in Charlotte Harbor, with either a T-top or bow rail to display the "PGI Marine Watch" sign. Our PGI Marine Watch volunteers also are authorized to receive a 5% fuel discount at Fisherman's Village Marine.



How can I join?

If you can volunteer two hours each month, then you may want to consider becoming a member of one of the most unique community volunteer groups in Southwest Florida. Contact us to receive more information and an application:

**For more information about the
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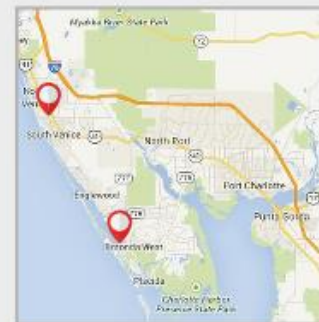
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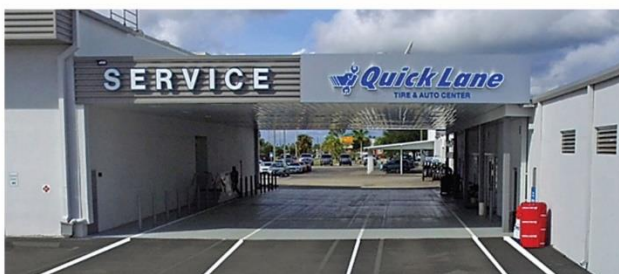
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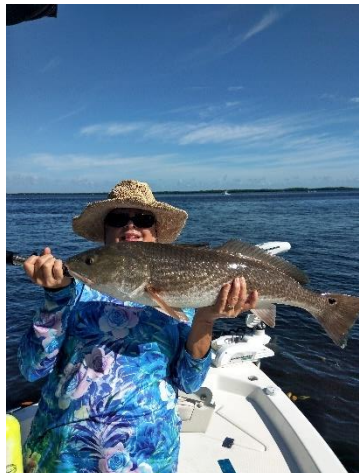
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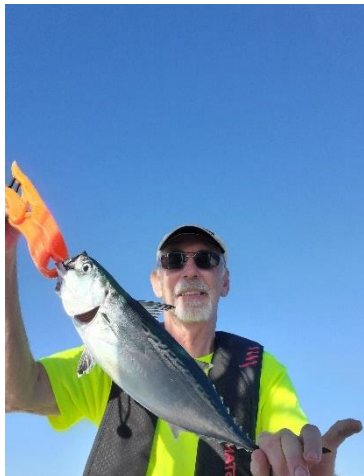
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