



PUNTA GORDA ISLES FISHING CLUB

FROM THE HELM



President:
Jude Panetta

I hope everyone in the Club had a great Christmas Holiday and a fun New Year. I know we are all happy that 2020 is over and looking forward to a better 2021. We have a full slate of activities planned for 2021 including 5 fishing tournaments/challenges and two picnic type events. Let's hope we can start conducting COVID free events by late spring or early summer. In the way of a reminder, the next full meeting of the club will be on January 12th in the PGICA auditorium. We will follow the COVID procedures we created in October and November and continue into 2021 until instructed otherwise.

We held the Christmas Party at the Isles Yacht Club on December 15th. With the exception of minor issue with the DJ, the party was excellent. I want to thank Julie Kale for dealing with all the issues of making the party a success in spite of the COVID restrictions. We had 78 club members in attendance and I believe everyone who attended had a great time.

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 (men and women) meet for breakfast on Tuesday and Friday at Elena's. It is suggested that members that want to meet for breakfast arrive around 6:45 AM.

For this next topic, everyone reading this needs to imagine that I am on my knees begging as I write this. I need volunteer captains for the new member outreach. This is where each month 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. 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.

Now for a sad note. It is with great sorrow that I want to let everyone know about the passing of Mike Wagner. Mike is survived by Stella who has been a great supporter of the club and the social team. Please reach out to Stella to offer your condolences and support.

My parting shot for the month deals with cuts on my hands and fingers. I am trying to figure out if there is an unwritten rule that all fishermen have to have cuts on their hands in order to catch fish.

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Our club currently has **186** 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 proleptocentrus)

FEBRUARY: GROUPER



RED GROUPER (Epinephelus morio)

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MARCH: SPANISH MACKEREL



SPANISH MACKEREL (Scomberomorus commerson)

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APRIL: SNOOK



COMMON SNOOK (Centropomus undecimalis)

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MAY: COBIA



COBIA (Rachycentron canadense)

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JUNE: JACK CREVALLE



JULY: SHARK



BLACKTIP SHARK (Carcharhinus limbatus)

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AUGUST: TARPON



TARPON (Megalops atlanticus)

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SEPTEMBER: SEATROUT



SPOTTED SEATROUT (Anchoa mitchilli)

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OCTOBER: REDFISH



WEAKFISH (Cynoscion regalis)

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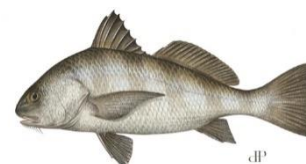
NOVEMBER: MANGROVE SNAPPER



GRAY MANGROVE SNAPPER (Lutjanus griseus)

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DECEMBER: BLACK DRUM



BLACK DRUM (Pogonias cromis)

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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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**NO DECEMBER CLUB
MEETING**

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RICHY'S FISHING REPORT



Vice President:
Richy Kale

Hello My Friends,

My name is Richy Kale. I'll be taking the reins of VP over from Randy (WOW what big shoes I have to fill). My one and only promise is I'll try my hardest and do my best for all.

Now a little bit about myself, I'm 62 years old, my first love is my wife, Julie, and second my dog Brandy. I was a union electrician for 30+ years for Local 675 Elizabeth, NJ. I owned and operated Kale's Landscaping of Hunterdon County for several years and was a tournament bass fisherman for 24 years. My hobbies are fishing and bow hunting. Also, researching and learning about the ecosystem that I fish. I try to fish at least 355 days a year and for the last 5 years I've reached my mark. I guess I'm just a fishing bum with a beautiful wife, a great dog, and a nice house.

Now the fishing report! 2020 opened up with a bang. The full-size tarpon stayed in the pass. Our local pros Rick and Jude put on a show to say the least. Being privy to the texts and pics just brought me so much joy knowing my buddies were catching good fish. For myself, I stayed on a big school of jovies from Jan-Mar. What a blast. We had great redfish and sheepshead fishing all around Boca. The ICW, Turtle, and Bull bays, the bars and mangrove points close to home never fished so good. We all know the trout fishing is good. Just ask the trout king Randy.

Cobia fishing was lights out in the upper harbor for April and May. The big markers all had cobia and the Myakka bridge was dependable as always. The 41 bridge was a little disappointing, only small fish for me but the night bite had bigger fish. As for the snook, the closed season has helped this fish the most. They are literally everywhere. The color difference from golden in color to the bright white belly fish told me the fish were using the whole harbor, bridges, docks, passes, outer bars, and even alligator reef. All these places are loaded. Four of my friends and myself have caught over slot snook on my boat in the last month. All on artificials and nice big healthy fish. Love to see the smiles!

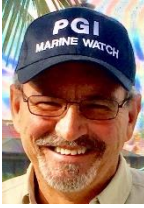
So now comes the silver king. April and May started out as usual, lots of big hungry fish and once again Rick and Jude shined. I watched them catch so many fish, it was like watching TV. Great job guys, then they left to spawn. When they returned they played hide and seek awhile. (Actually we thought that they didn't come back and just got lucky to find them). We found them in a place that they hardly go, the upper harbor on the Charlotte beach side. After that it was epic, to say the least. We had 4 months of tarpon, 1 mile from home. Mainly mornings with 100+ pound fish blowing out of the water, (National Geographic moment).

I am more optimistic that 2021 will stack up to be one of the best years the harbor ever had. Well, I think I took up too much space already. Therefore, let me end with I personally think we live in one of the best fishing areas in the world. So please, go out and enjoy your harbor and fish outside the box. Pull right when they pull left, it's easy LOL.

Tight Lines, Richy

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FISHING EVENTS



Events Director:
Mike Dougherty

JANUARY TOURNAMENT – 5 Species – 3 Days

TENTATIVE PLAN: 3 Days - January 28, 29, and 30, 2021 Watch for Updates

5 Target Species: Mangrove Snapper, Grouper, Black Drum, Redfish, and Snook

Awards for both Ladies & Men will be presented for the longest length of each of the above species.

Additionally: For this Event We will have an additional “New Member Category”. This category is for any member who joined January 1, 2019 or after. New member category is for any of the 5 target species.

Awards: \$25 gift cards for both 1st & 2nd places

All members are limited to only one award. Recognition will be given to members who would otherwise qualify for more than one category.

Additional considerations, January is also Sheepshead Fish of the Month. Do not forget to turn in your Sheepshead photos for FOM.

December was Black Drum Month. Just 1 Black Drum was turned in last month for FOM. This Tournament is your 2nd chance to submit your Black Drum Photo to earn a gift card.

February is Grouper Month; this Tournament gives you a head start to scope out your favorite Grouper spots before February FOM.

To register for this Tournament email Mike Dougherty at:

MikeFishEvents@gmail.com with your name, phone number, and email.

We plan to send out a reminder Blast prior to the Tournament Dates which will also include any updates.

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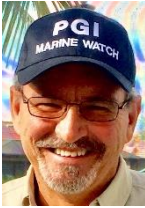
FOM
Black Drum 26 inch
Jan Holm

Jim Scoldeds
Club Hat



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Christine White
Gold Award

Rick Brown
Redfish Award



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Grand Master Angler Star #3

Rich Kale



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Master Angler Tournament



1st Place
Amberjack 41.0 inch
Ron Topper

2nd Place
Amberjack 39 inch
Mike Newman



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3rd Place Tie
Amberjack 37 inch
Cathy Hunt

3rd Place Tie
Amberjack 37 inch
Joe Udvari



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1st Place Cobia 56.0 inch Rich Kale



2nd Place Cobia 38.5-inch Tim Gibbons

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3rd Place
Cobia 36.0-inch
Bob Dolar



1st Place
Grouper 36 inch
Dianne Bukowski

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2nd Place Grouper 34.5-inch Joe Udvari



3rd Place Grouper 34-inch Marty McCafferey

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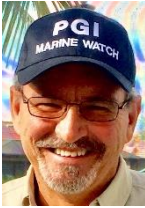
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1st Place Tie King Mackerel 44.0-inch Fred De Mella and Mike White

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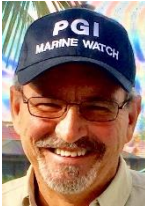
2nd Place
King Mackerel 35 inch
Christine White

3rd Place
King Mackerel 30.0 inch
Chris Gibbons



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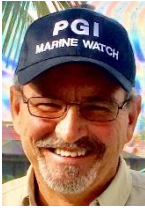
1st Place Redfish 47.0-inch Mike White



2nd Place Tie Redfish 35-inch Cathy Hunt

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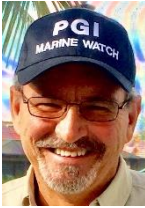
2nd Place Tie Redfish 35-inch Bill Muir



3rd Place Redfish 34.0-inch John FitzGerald

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1st Place Tie Seatrout 23.0-inch Elaine Bretts



1st Place Tie Seatrout 23.0-inch Bob Bretts

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1st Place Tie Seatrout 23.0-inch Randy Douet



2nd Place Seatrout 22.5-inch Rich Brennan

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3rd Place Tie Seatrout 22.0-inch Mike Dougherty

3rd Place Tie
Seatrout 22.0-inch
Jude Panetta



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3rd Place Tie Seatrout 22.0-inch Paul Whiting

1st Place
Sheepshead 21.5 inch
Fred DeMella



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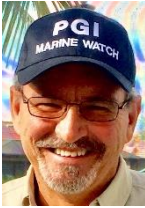
2nd Place
Sheepshead 21.0 inch
Julie Kale

3rd Place
Sheepshead 19.5-inch inch
Larry Kissner



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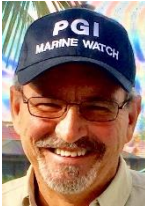
1st Place
Snook 43.0 inch
Gary Selzer



2nd Place
Snook 39.5-inch
Bill Muir

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3rd Place Snook 37.5-inch Rich Kale

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1st Place Tie Spanish Mackerel 26.0-inch Elaine Bretts

1st Place Tie
Spanish Mackerel 26.0-inch
Jeff Barnhart



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2nd Place Spanish Mackerel 25.5-inch Donnie Brennan



3rd Place Spanish Mackerel 24.5-inch Tony Destefano

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Isles Trophy Winners

Ladies Isles Trophy

Dianne Bukowski

36-inch Grouper

97.3% of Club Record



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Events Director:
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Men Isles Trophy

Mike White

47.0-inch Redfish

111.9% of Club Record



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STATISTICS & REPORTS

LADDER OF ACHIEVEMENT AWARDS

2020 STANDINGS (DECEMBER)

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

RED = Awards This Month

Club Hats
Jim Scoldeds

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 points earned based on length, please see the PGI Fishing Club Website (www.pgifishingclub.org) Ladder of angling achievement page.

(BOLD star = earned this year)

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ISLES TROPHY RACE 2020 STANDINGS (DECEMBER)



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	Vinnie Madsen	24.0	2016	Bobby Bretts	23.0	6/20/20	79.3%
X	Snook	Vinnie Madsen	45.0	2014	Randy Douet	21.5	5/23/20	89.6%
X	Spanish Mackerel	Carl Leicher	30.0	2012	Fred De Mella	21.5	2/11/20	89.6%
X	Snook	Vinnie Madsen	45.0	2014	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	Christine Fontaine	21.0	3/13/20	95.5%
	Sheepshead	Darlene Madsen	22.0	2018	Julie Kale	21.0	12/7/20	
	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				

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 (DECEMBER)

	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
											Elaine Bretts	23.0					Elaine Bretts	26.0
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	Bill Muir	39.5	Donnie Brennan	25.5
											Bill Muir	35.0	Christine White	21.0				
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	Donna Sullivan	38.0	Fred Destefano	24.5
	Joe Udvari	37.0									Jude Panetta	22.0						
											Paul Whiting	22.0						

PUNTA GORDA ISLES FISHING CLUB

Membership Stats	
Total Households	Active Members
238	450

MEMBERSHIP

Membership Director:
Donna Sullivan



Thank you all who mailed your renewal dues in early. You have no idea how helpful this is.

For those who have yet to renew, please get your dues to me before the end of this year. It would be most appreciated.

Please be sure to make your check for \$30.00 payable to PGIFC and send it with your renewal form directly to me:
 DONNA SULLIVAN, Membership
 1323 MEDITERRANEAN DRIVE,
 Punta Gorda FL 33950

Do not rip or mutilate the form – just correct any outdated information.

That said, we have a few new families to welcome.

- STEVE & KAROL FRITZ
- HAROLD & ROBIN GARDYNIK
- GARY & LINDA GROSSMAN
- JIM SCOLEDES
- RON & ROSEANNE KRUSE

I understand these are trying times and we're asking your patience while some of us are mostly still self-isolating.

Please stay safe.

We are always looking to increase our membership, so please keep your eyes out for new neighbors. Let me know if someone moves into your area. I'll send them a welcome letter and a brochure.

Have a great day and I'll see you as soon as the virus allows.

PS... PLEASE Keep in mind: IF YOUR DUES WERE PAID, YOUR BADGES WILL BE READY FOR THE JANUARY MEETING.

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It's been a great ride but now Donna is talking over the reins for membership and celebration.

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Donnie (no longer your Membership Director)

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SOCIAL EVENTS

Social Events Directors: Julie Kale, Cheryl Panetta, Stella Wagner, and Susan Brooks



Happy New Year! I hope everyone enjoyed the Christmas season. Our Christmas party at the Isles Yacht Club was a huge success. The ambiance was awesome with the beautiful Christmas trees and decorations throughout. Plenty of tasty appetizers, delicious dinners, and professional servers. To top off the evening our new DJ George (who filled in on a last minute's notice) was awesome! He had the whole room involved. What a "hoot". Already to reserve the IYC and DJ George for next year's party.

Hoping 2021 will bring more normalcy into our lives. Would like to have a couple of picnics, some ladies' nights out, a treasure hunt, maybe a comedy night and whatever else we can fit into our schedule.

I look forward to seeing you at Tiki on Wednesday evenings at 5 and hope you can join us at January's meeting. We will be serving refreshments afterwards.

Have a safe & enjoyable new year. Stay healthy.

Julie

Julie Kale 908-202-3959
Cheryl Panetta 908-2955844
Stella Wagner 303-594-1999
Susan Brooks 704-905-7214

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.**

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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.

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CELEBRATION

Membership Director:
Donna Sullivan



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.*

It's that time again to wish a few of our members a wonderful birthday.

I'm sorry if I missed any December celebrants. If I have, please let me know asap.

Now for our January celebrants; happy birthday to:

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|------------------|----------------|
| John Simonieg | Howard Means |
| Jim Hoffman | Gail Doster |
| Don Bergman | John McFarland |
| Nancy Vrabel | Ruth Peal |
| Karen Weeden | Tony DeStefano |
| LouMae DeStefano | |



BELATED BIRTHDAY WISH:
RENEE GIBBONS

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



I have only one anniversary for January.

Let's congratulation Cathy & Fred Enigmann on another year of great happiness.

BELATED ANNIVERSAY WISH:
RENEE AND CHRISTOPHER GIBBONS

If you want to send a birthday or anniversary wish to someone, just email me (membership@pgifishingclub.org) and I'll be sure to get it. All I need is the name and birth month, unless you want to provide the date and year for a special shout out.

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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.

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ccpflaum@hotmail.com

Gary Burgress (Harbor Only)

g2873477@hotmail.com

Gretchen Sunderland (Harbor Only; Especially, Beginner Women)

gretchensun2@gmail.com

Fred De Mella (Inshore/Offshore)

fdemella@gmail.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 editor@pgifishingclub.org

CLUB LINKS

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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.

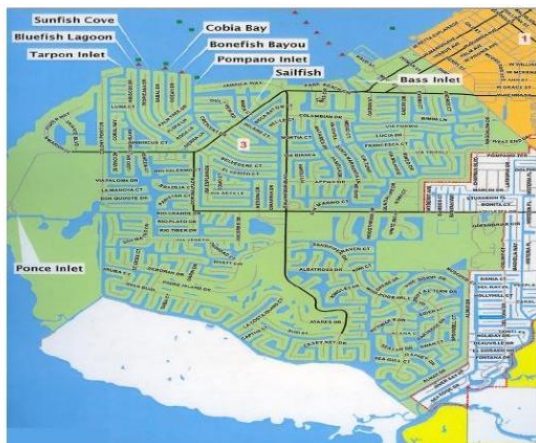


What do our members do?

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 Punta Gorda Isles Marine Watch Program, contact Joseph or Nora Giardina at 941-347-8739 or email PGIMarineWatch@gmail.com

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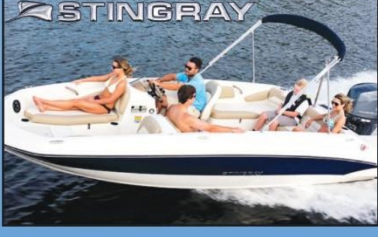
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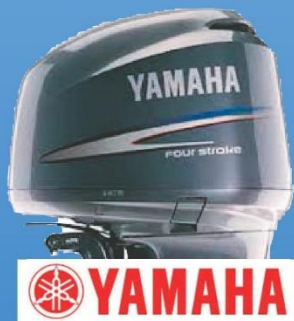
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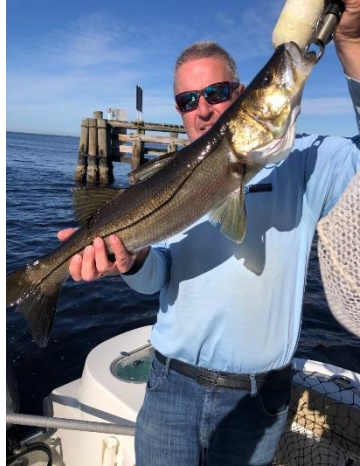
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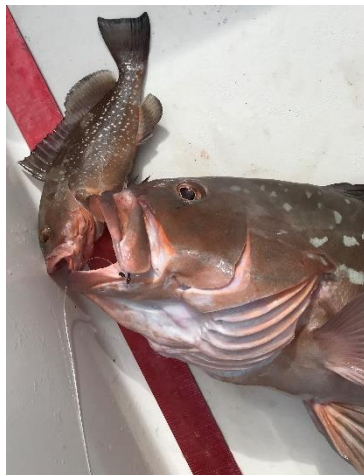
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