



PUNTA GORDA ISLES FISHING CLUB

FROM THE HELM



President:
Randy Douet

Finally, Fall is in the air! Not so much the temperatures, but the humidity is down, dry season is emerging and the harbor water is down to 83 degrees. Still very tannic though, but that'll go away in a few weeks. I had commented on Facebook that the trout seemed to be located south of us. Recent trips have found them WAY down Pine Island Sound near Josslyn Island. That's about 27 miles from Ponce! But they were thick. Good days. Grass is plentiful...it's great to see it back.

A few things I'd like to mention. First, our own Bill Guenther is turning 90 on October 5th. Not only is he a pillar of the Fishing Club community but also the whole community. He served 20 years in the US Navy and is the founding father of the PGI Marine Watch. And did you know he designed our logo? Anyway, if you see him, wish him a great birthday! Secondly, at the October 12th General meeting we will have a donation box set up for food that is in dire need in our community. St Vincent DePaul will handle and distribute our food donations. There will be more information posted soon. And thirdly, I want to thank Jude Panetta for his unselfish volunteer duties with Team Rubicon, a disaster relief volunteer organization. Jude just returned from a grueling assignment in Hammond, Louisiana assisting the Hurricane Ida recovery efforts there. Welcome back Jude!

Throughout my membership with the Fishing Club, I'm continually impressed with the expert knowledge and experience base that resides within our ranks. I also believe that newer and inexperienced anglers find it tough to wrestle that knowledge out of the seasoned veterans. To help close that gap, our General Meeting agenda will now have a new topic called "Reports and Testimonials". It'll be a pass-the-microphone to elicit and hear about your recent trip...good or bad. We'll see how that goes, but it'll give members a great firsthand account of recent conditions. You can reveal as much or as little info as you wish. Along that same line of thought, I want to gently encourage the Grand Master Anglers (GMAs) to wear their GMA shirt at the Wednesday evening Happy Hours. That'll make it easier for our new members to seek out information from a successful club member.

Don't forget our October 12th General Meeting, our October 16th Oktoberfest Picnic and our December 16th Holiday Party!

Tight lines.
Randy

p.s. See the very end of this newsletter for photos from Bill Guenther's 90th Birthday breakfast on October 5, 2021.

PUNTA GORDA ISLES FISHING CLUB

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Our club currently has **174** 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

FISH OF THE MONTH CALENDAR

JANUARY: SHEEPSHEAD



FEBRUARY: GROUPER



MARCH: SPANISH MACKEREL



APRIL: SNOOK



MAY: COBIA



JUNE: JACK CREVALLE



JULY: SHARK



AUGUST: TARPON



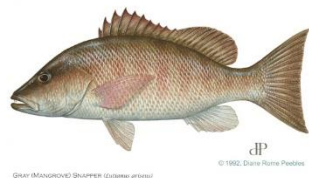
SEPTEMBER: SEATROUT



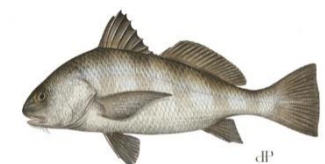
OCTOBER: REDFISH



NOVEMBER: MANGROVE SNAPPER



DECEMBER: BLACK DRUM



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

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

PUNTA GORDA ISLES FISHING CLUB
SEPTEMBER CLUB MEETING

NO PICTURES WERE TAKEN

PUNTA GORDA ISLES FISHING CLUB

VP's FISHING REPORT

Vice President:
Dennis Krausman



On October 1 Florida Fish and Wildlife reported very low to low concentrations of *Karenia Brevis* (Red Tide) in or offshore in Charlotte County. Some fish kills were noted.

Water temperatures are dropping which may improve the fishing. While the seatrout activity seemed to pick up a bit, we did not see the larger trout that were being caught in the recent past. Only 3 seatrout over 20" were reported. The grass flats look very healthy but often the fish weren't biting. In some cases, the most convenient time to fish was during slack tide when it is hard to get a bite. I was somewhat surprised to see the FOM results dominated by GMAs, but fortunately Jen Goodell and Nancy Pearson turned in 18" second place trout at the end of the month.

Tarpon are moving around the harbor along with some Cobia. One guide reported 8 Tarpon and 5 Cobia to the boat for his clients. Bait Busters still dominate for hooking the Tarpon, but several are using Threadfins with tremendous results. However, several recent days were not as rewarding. Even individuals who routinely catch multiple Tarpon spent several days with no bites. With jumbo shrimp, we had three rods get hit simultaneously. I'm sure two were tangled. No fish to the boat and I assume it was a shark that cut the rig off.

Cathy, Jeff and others are having the biggest Black Drum streak ever in the canals using side scan to locate the fish and casting Gulp white curly tails or TerrorEyes retrieved very, very slowly.

Offshore our major setback is the closure of Red Grouper for the remainder of 2021 and the closure of Lane Snapper starting mid-month. Some are shifting to the near shore reefs for Permit and larger Mangrove Snapper.

The best Solunar days this month are 5, 6, 7, 12, 13, 14, 19, 20, 21, 22, 26, 27, 28. The full moon occurs on the 20th. On the 20th, the Punta Gorda tide goes from low at 10:12 am to high at 4:21 pm. None of the best days are on the weekends.

PUNTA GORDA ISLES FISHING CLUB

FISHING EVENTS



Events Director:
Mike Dougherty

PGI FISHING CLUB SEPTEMBER 2021 REPORT

- **CATCHES FOR SEPTEMBER UP - MUCH BETTER THAN AUGUST**
- **WELL OVER 60 FISH PICS SUBMITTED**
- **AUGUST FOM = 17 TOTAL SEATROUT PICS, 47% LADIES, 53% MEN**
- **27 BLACK DRUM PICS (BTW, BLACK DRUM IS DECEMBER FOM)**
- **ADDT. CATCHES INCLUDED: COWNOSE RAYS, FLOUNDER, CATFISH, RED GROUPER, MANGROVE & YELLOWTAIL SNAPPERS, SNOOK, GRUNT, COBIA AND LADYFISH...DEFINITELY A MIXED BAG !!!**
- **LOA ADVANCES: TIM LOCKE & JACK JONAITIS CLUB HATS, BRONZE PIN EARNED BY ED GIRZI, SILVER PIN EARNED BY TIM GIBBONS, LIFETIME LEVEL II REDFISH PIN EARNED BY JEN GOODELL**
- **GMA #41 EARNED BY JOHN FITZGERALD – CONGRATULATIONS!**

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Events Director:
Mike Dougherty



LADDER OF ACHIEVEMENT



**TIM LOCKE – CLUB HAT
16" SEATROUT**



**JACK JONAITIS – CLUB HAT
36" BLACK DRUM**

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FISHING EVENTS

Events Director:
Mike Dougherty



LADDER OF ACHIEVEMENT



**ED GIRZI – BRONZE PIN
1 OF 2 COWNOSE RAY**



**TIM GIBBONS – SILVER PIN
45", YES, 45" SNOOK TIES ALL
TIME RECORD - CONGRATS**

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FISHING EVENTS

Events Director:
Mike Dougherty



LADDER OF ACHIEVEMENT

JENNY GOODELL

EARNs LIFETIME
LEVEL II
REDFISH PIN

CONGRATS !!!

KEEP ON CATCHING !!!

GOOD FISH HANDLING !!!



PUNTA GORDA ISLES FISHING CLUB

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Events Director:
Mike Dougherty



LADDER OF ACHIEVEMENT

JOHN FITZGERALD

**EARNs HIS
GRAND MASTER ANGLER**

WITH HIS 17" FLOUNDER

#41 GMA PGI FISHING CLUB

CONGRATULATIONS !!!



PUNTA GORDA ISLES FISHING CLUB

FISHING EVENTS

Events Director:
Mike Dougherty



FISH OF THE MONTH - SEATROUT

LADIES CATEGORY



DONNA SULLIVAN
3rd PLACE
16" SEATROUT

**\$25
GIFT
CARDS**



ELAINE BRETT'S 1ST PLACE
21" SEATROUT

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FISHING EVENTS

Events Director:
Mike Dougherty



FISH OF THE MONTH - SEATROUT

LADIES CATEGORY – 2ND PLACE TIES



JEN GOODELL
18" SEATROUT
2ND PLACE TIE

\$25 PRIZES

NANCY
PEARSON
18" SEATROUT
2ND PLACE TIE



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FISHING EVENTS

Events Director:
Mike Dougherty



FISH OF THE MONTH - SEATROUT

MEN'S CATEGORY



BOB BRETT'S 1ST PLACE 22" SEATROUT



**DENNIS KRAUSMAN
2ND PLACE
21" SEATROUT**

**\$25 GIFT
CARDS**

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FISHING EVENTS

Events Director:
Mike Dougherty



FISH OF THE MONTH SEATROUT

MEN'S CATEGORY



JOE BUKOWSKI
3RD PLACE TIE
19" SEATROUT

**\$25 GIFT
CARDS**



JIM CRAWLEY
3RD PLACE TIE
19" SEATROUT

**\$25 GIFT
CARDS**

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FISHING EVENTS



Events Director:
Mike Dougherty

OCTOBER REMINDERS

**OCTOBER FOM IS REDFISH –
CHARLOTTE HARBOR AND SURROUNDING AREAS
ARE CATCH & RELEASE ONLY THRU MAY 31, 2022
CHECK OUT YOUR FISH RULES APP & THE WEB “FWC REDFISH”**

**OCTOBER 4-9, 2021 TOURNAMENT – RESULTS WILL BE ANNOUNCED
AT THE FISHING CLUB GENERAL MEETING 7PM ON OCTOBER 12TH**

**FISHING CLUB PICNIC IS OCTOBER 16 FROM 4-8PM
CHRISTMAS PARTY DECEMBER 16TH – STAY TUNED FOR MORE INFO**

PUNTA GORDA ISLES FISHING CLUB

STATISTICS & REPORTS

The Month in Review (September)

Tidbits

Record Keeper:
Paul Whiting

Our number of reported catches significantly rose this month, thanks, in no small measure to the many black drum that were reported. A large pod of 35"+ black drum have remained in the same general area for weeks allowing more than 28 releases. Most of these fish were caught on artificals and we have never had so many caught in one month. Usually, our higher numbers of black drum are reported in December when they are the Fish of the Month. Cathy Hunt and Jeff Wilson corralled most of these monsters and shared the fun taking others out for a tussle with them. Our Fish of the Month, seatrout, also had a respectable 19 catches reported. John Fitzgerald became our 41st Grand Master Angler – congratulations! Tim Gibbons tied the all-time record for Snook set back in 2014 with a 45" beast – WOW!

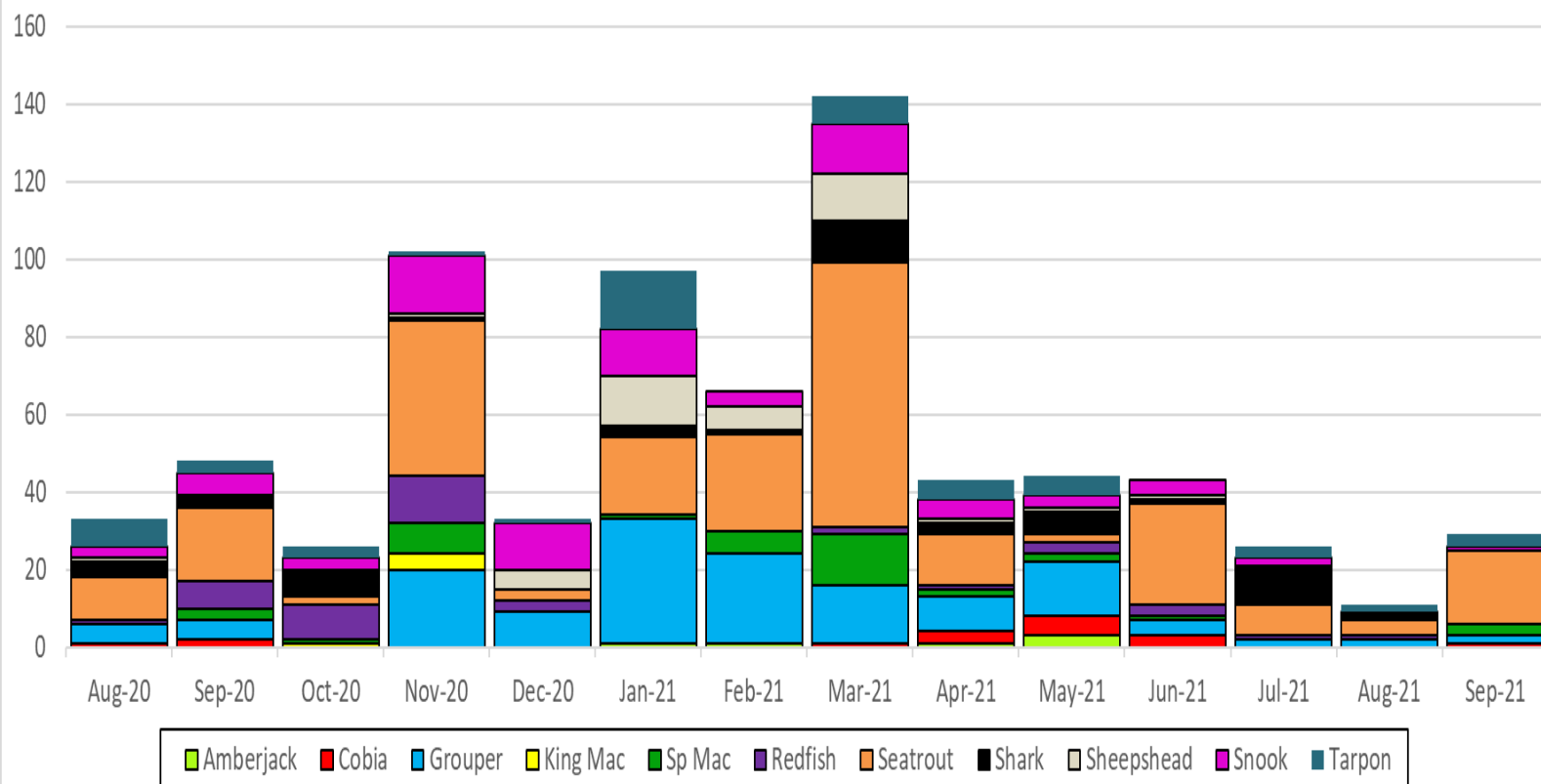
Recorder's Data

Monthly Performance

	July	August	September	
Anglers	21	13	24	↑
LOA Awards	3	0	6	↑
Fish Recorded	40	16	67	↑
Points Recorded	3200	1,500	2,300	↑

14 Month Catch History

(Number of Fish Recorded Each Month by Species)



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STATISTICS & REPORTS

LADDER OF ACHIEVEMENT AWARDS

2021 STANDINGS (SEPTEMBER)

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

RED = Awards This Month

Club Hats

Tim Locke
Jack Jonaitis

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.

PUNTA GORDA ISLES FISHING CLUB

STATISTICS & REPORTS

ISLES TROPHY RACE 2021 STANDINGS (SEPTEMBER)

Record Keeper:
Paul Whiting



MEN'S DIVISION

OVERALL CLUB RECORD	SPECIES NAME	MEMBER NAME	RECORD LENGTH in INCHES	DATE CAUGHT	MEMBER NAME	2021 LENGTH in INCHES	DATE CAUGHT	% OF RECORD
X	Amberjack	Joe Udvari	53.5	2019	Joe Udvari	41.5	5/28/2021	77.6%
X	Cobia	Rich Kale	56.0	2020	Carl Leicher	45.0	4/7/2021	80.4%
X	Grouper	Tom Hamilton	39.0	2003	Jerry Peal	36.5	2/1/2021	93.6%
X	King Mackerel	John MacLeman	52.0	2012				0.0%
X	Redfish	Mike White	47.0	2020	Dennis Cafaro	30.0	5/28/2021	63.8%
X	Seatrout	Rich Brennan Aaron Wagner	29.0 29.0	2009 2012	Bobby Bretts	25.0	4/1/2021	86.2%
X	Sheepshead	Vinnie Madsen	24.0	2016	Mike White	23.5	3/10/2021	97.9%
X	Snook	Vinnie Madsen	45.0	2014	Tim Gibbons	45	9/7/2021	100.0%
X	Spanish Mackerel	Carl Leicher	30.0	2012	Fred Benson	24.5	3/14/2021	81.7%

WOMEN'S DIVISION

OVERALL	SPECIES NAME	MEMBER NAME	RECORD	DATE CAUGHT	MEMBER NAME	2021	DATE	% OF
	Amberjack	Darlene Madsen	40.0	2017	Joanna Boeckl	34.0	5/6/2021	85.0%
	Cobia	Joanne Landaker Marilyn McGregor	50.0 50.0	2008 2013	Jan Holm	35.0	4/13/2021	70.0%
	Grouper	Dianne Bukowski	37.0	2018	Cathy Hunt	33.0	2/10/2021	89.2%
	King Mackerel	Karen Lodge	38.0	2014				0.0%
	Redfish	Donnie Brennan Missy Becker	38.0 38.0	2008 2008	Theresa FitzGerald	30.0	6/4/2021	78.9%
	Seatrout	Joanne Landaker	26.5	2011	Elain Bretts	23.0	1/11/2021	86.8%
	Sheepshead	Darlene Madsen	22.0	2018	Dianne Bukowski**	22.5	4/10/2021	102.3%
	Snook	Missy Becker	42.0	2013	Theresa FitzGerald	39.0	3/21/2021	92.9%
	Spanish Mackerel	Missy Becker Lynn Reeves	28.0 28.0	2007 2019	Joanell Drystad	21.5	3/24/2021	76.8%

This Year's LEADERS are in BLUE
★ ★ Denotes New Club Record
New Entries This Month are in RED

Past Winners Isles Trophy Race

2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020
Rich Brennan Christine Jordan	Kel Krotzer Margie Hofman	Greg Chestnut Joanne landaker	Jim Quorllo Rose Anne McCaffrey	Steve Landaker Missy Becker	Vinnie Madsen Margie Hoffman	Bob Mays Karen Lodge	Gary Reeves Rose Anne McCaffrey	Rich Kale Darlene Madsen	Joe Udvari Dianne Bukowski	Joe Udvari Lynn Reeves	Mike White Dianne Bukowski

MASTER ANGLER TOURNAMENT 2021 STANDINGS (SEPTEMBER)

	AMBERJACK	COBIA	GROUPE	KING MACKEREL	REDFISH	SEATRUT	SHEEPSHEAD	SNOOK	SPANISH MACKEREL
1st Place	Joe Udvari 41.5	Carl Leicher 45.0	Jerry Peal 36.5		Dennis Cafaro 30.0 Theresa Fitzgerald 30.0	Bobby Bretts 25.0	Mike White 23.5	Tim Gibbons 45.0	Fred Benson 24.5
2nd Place	Ron Topper 34.5	Mike White 40.0	John Gettinger 36.0		Allen Wade 28.0	Elaine Bretts 23.0 Rich Kale 23.0 Paul Whiting 23.0	Dianne Bukowski 22.5	Rich Kale 41.0	Mike Gilger 23.0
3rd Place		Jan Holm 35.0	Cathy Hunt 33.0 Dennis Krausman 33.0		Diana McKenna 26.0	Jack Howarth 22.0 Jude Panetta 22.0 Mike Trost 22.0	Jack Hinnenthal 22.0	Theresa FitzGerald 39.0	Jonell Dyrstad 21.5 Ron Topper 21.5 Joe Udvari 21.5

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MEMBERSHIP

Membership Stats	
Total Households	Active Members
210	401

Membership Director:
Donna Sullivan



Let's all welcome our newest members:

- Jack Jonaitis and MaryBeth Smith from Denver CO
- Rick and Nancy Waywood from Collegeville PA
- Kevin and Tricia LaPointe from Lansing IL

Summer is finally nearing the end! We are still fishing in this heat but miss our seasonal members. You are missed and we look forward to your return.

I look forward to seeing you all at the Fishing Club Social at the Village Brew House on Wednesday night and at our October meeting. Please remember to wear your name tags at all fishing club events.

We are always looking to increase our membership, so let me know if someone moves into your area. I'd be happy to stop by and welcome them and drop off a fishing club new member packet.

Have a great day and stay safe!

PUNTA GORDA ISLES FISHING CLUB

SOCIAL EVENTS

Social Events Directors:
Christine White and
Cheryl Panetta



Greetings!

Happy Fall! Not that it changes much for us here! Hope this finds our members and friends staying safe, enjoying some great fishing, and welcoming the less humid weather as we move into fall.

We have secured the PGI Pavilion for October 16th for our Fall Picnic from 4pm to 8pm. We will also be doing Axe Throwing! Some of our members have done it in the past, and it's a great time. Cost is \$5 per person and sign up can be done online at [Join us for the Wurst Party Ever- Club Picnic 10/16/21 4pm - Events - Punta Gorda Isles Civic Association, Inc. \(pgica.org\)](#). We have extended the sign-up date to the October meeting so please plan to come to the meeting and sign up. You can also send me an email at chf0729@aol.com and I'll get you signed up. Payment can be made via Venmo or Zelle to my cell at 443-534-7890 or mailed/dropped off to me at 2538 Rio Palermo Court.

Our September meeting is Tuesday, 10/12 so please come and join us to learn and celebrate our members accomplishments. Please stay after to enjoy refreshments in the kitchen and catch up with your friends. Should you wish to contribute some baked goods to enjoy, we'd love them. Sincere thanks to Colleen DeMella and Joanne Widney for awesome cookies at our September meeting.

Many of our members are celebrating Happy Hour at the Village Brewhouse and then setting up dinner plans every Wednesday at 5pm.

We are trying to plan a social event for November. Any ideas, please reach out to me. Great things can only be done with a lot of great people, so if you are looking to become more involved, we would love to have you join the social committee. Please contact me or Cheryl and we can discuss what we need from you all- even if it's just some great ideas! Some of you may still not be back to paradise, but please get involved and share your ideas until we have the pleasure of welcoming you back home.

Planning has started for our Christmas party. The Yacht club did a fabulous job last year. More to come on that as we continue planning but this is a **do not miss** event so put it on your calendars today to join us as we celebrate together.

You should have seen notices from PGICA about their New Year's Eve Gala. The board has decided to support PGICA and this event and will be sponsoring the event. With that, we will be raffling off 2 tickets to that event at our October and November meeting at \$5 per raffle. It looks like a great event and even if you don't get the free tickets, we highly recommend getting a group together and participate in that event.

We are committed to ensuring we meet the needs of our members so we will be asking for feedback from you all soon via a survey. We hope you will all participate so we are holding events where and when you want them, and new events you might want to try with other members. Until we have the time to put that together, feel free to reach out to me or Cheryl directly with your invaluable input. My email is chf0729@aol.com and my phone below is 443-534-7890.

Thank you all and we look forward to the rest of the year with our fishing friends!

CLUB CALENDAR

Happy Hour: Village Brewhouse (in Fisherman's Village): Every Wednesday at 5pm followed by dinner around 6pm, for those wanting to join.

Breakfast: Tuesday and Friday mornings, 6:30am at Elena's.

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

Fall Picnic: At PGICA Pavilion on October 16th from 4pm to 8pm.

Holiday Party: At Isles Yacht Club on December 16th from 5pm to 10pm.

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
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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.

Chris Pflaum (Inshore/Offshore)

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

Club Website: <http://pgifishingclub.org>

Club Facebook: <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

PUNTA GORDA ISLES FISHING CLUB

MEETING MINUTES

SEPTEMBER 14, 2021

Meeting start time: 7:05 pm

August General Meeting minutes approved

Meeting ran by Dennis Krausman (VP) in the absence of Randy Douet (President)

25 members in attendance

Members encouraged to volunteer for C.A.S.T for Kids – sign up to volunteer at www.castforkids.org

Treasurer report: \$13,220.03 in the bank

New Member Outreach Winner: Jack (John) Jonaitis and Rick Waywood hosted by Dennis Krausman. We had only 2 new members and Jim Hoffman encouraged both anglers win

Social Update: Christine White – new members encouraged to join PGI Fishing Club Facebook, picnic tickets on sale for the October picnic, sub-committee is working to have monthly activities

Door Prizes - Gift cards for The Pier - Ed Verminski \$75 gift card for The Pier, 2nd place Brady Hartman \$50, 3rd Jim Hoffman \$25

Fishing Report – Red Grouper closure in Federal Waters Sept 14th midnight until Jan 1, 2022, Permit on near shore reefs, snook/redfish taking white bait past Burnt Store Marina

Guest Speaker – Kali Spurgin, she is the Marine Fisheries Regional Biologist for SW Florida from the FWC spoke about organizational structure of FWC, programs managed, how programs are funded, and tactics for anglers should plan when “pre-fishing” (tackle set up), handling fish, and releasing fish

50/50 Drawing Winners: 1st Michael Trost \$20, 2nd Bill Guenther \$12, no 3rd place

Fishing Events

October 4th – 9th fishing tournament with 7 species and 3 award categories; women’s, men’s, and new members

August FOM (Tarpon) Winners:

Women’s – 1st place Cathy Hunt \$25 Bass Pro gift card, no other entries

Men’s – 1st Rick Sarkisian \$25 Bass Pro gift card, no other entries

Ladder of Achievement Awards:

Hats – Rosanne Kruse and Ed Girzi

No other LOA Awards

No pictures taken in the meeting

Meeting adjourned at 8:11 pm

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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.

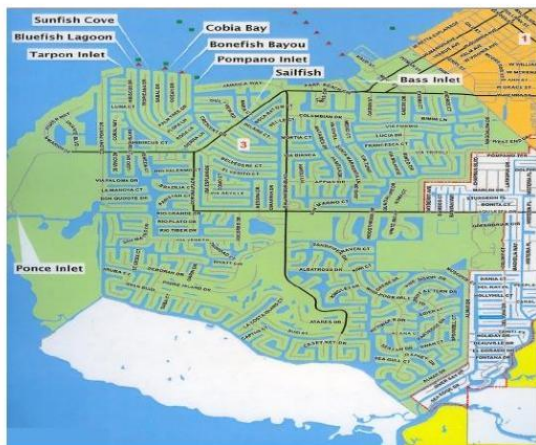


What do our members do?

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:

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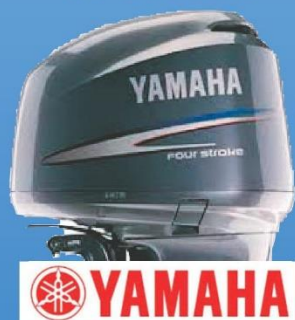
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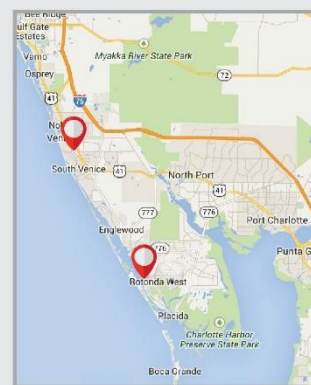
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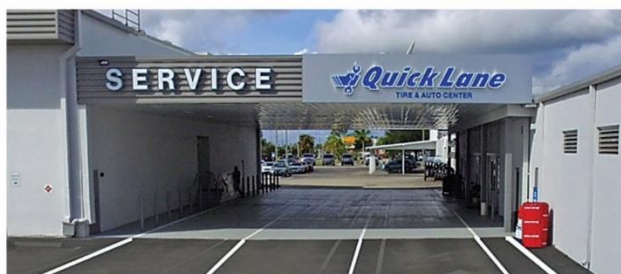
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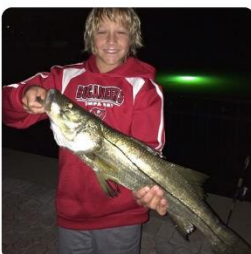
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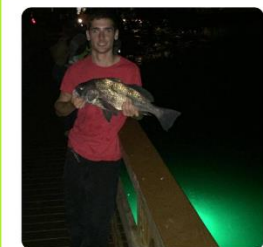
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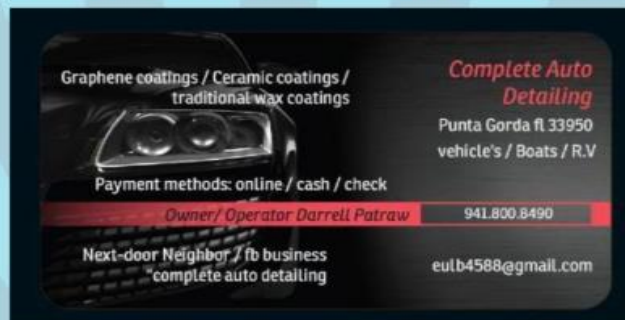
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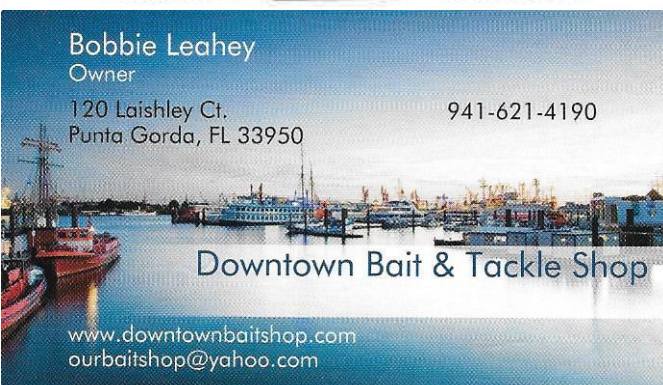
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GARY SELZER 34" BLACK DRUM



CATHY HUNT 36" BLACK DRUM

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**GARY
SELZER
(LEFT)
VERY
NICE
23"
MANGROVE
SNAPPER**

**NICE
CATCHES**



**ELAINE BRETT'S (ABOVE) WITH HER
VERY NICE 22" SPANISH MACKEREL**

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MARK STORM IT'S A 6 FT TARPON



**CATHY HUNT WITH HER NICE
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IT'S BLACK DRUM

**JEFF WILSON BELOW
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**CATHY HUNT 36' BLACK DRUM
NICE, REAL NICE !!!**

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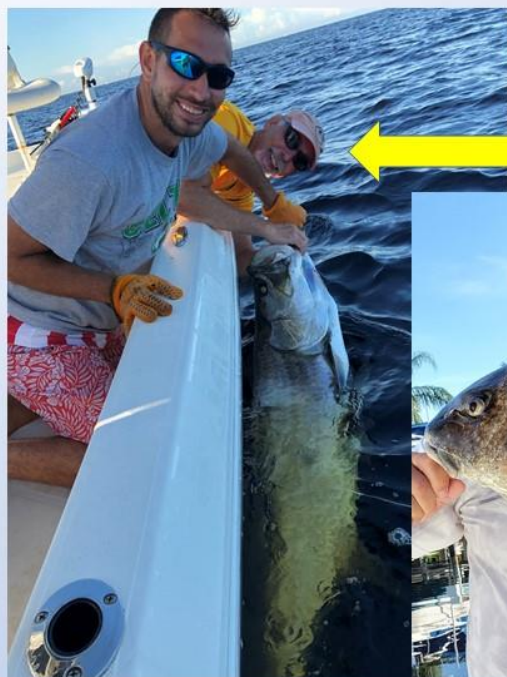
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**MARK STORM
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