



PUNTA GORDA ISLES FISHING CLUB

FROM THE HELM



President:
Randy Douet

The coming few months are the best of the year for fishing! Water is cooling off (still 80 degrees!) and the clarity in the harbor is returning. This week's "Red Tide" report, for the first time in months, declared Charlotte County waters as red-tide-free. That may change, but it's still welcome news. Our Club is seeing a huge increase in fishing photos; well above the August and September levels. 76 photos turned in by 32 different anglers with a return to more diverse species. Besides snook, trout, and black drum, we're seeing lots of cobia, redfish, and late season tarpon. I've even caught several nice bluefish (NOT nice by New Jersey and New York standards!).

Couple of FWC notes: Most of our offshore anglers know, but there will be no fall Red Snapper season this year since the annual bag quota was met in late July already. And sad news for our Club Hogfish expert, Paul Whiting; the Keys' Hogfish season closed November 1st.

Our final General Meeting of the year occurs Tuesday night, November 9th. I'll send out a reminder but at that meeting you get the opportunity to vote for your 2022 Club leadership. We had a great turnout for the October meeting to watch Bill Guenther receive the Club's first-ever Honorary Grand Master Angler award. The food drive was also a huge success. I received a very heartfelt thank-you letter from St. Vincent DePaul food pantry thanking you for helping out at a critical time. Special thanks to Cheryl Panetta for organizing it. Great turnout at our October picnic with over 70 attendees. Good to see the fellowship and fun returning after a long Corona pause.

Don't forget to register for our annual Christmas Party. It's scheduled for December 16th at the Isles Yacht Club. Get signed up at the November 9th meeting.

Tight Lines!
Randy

PUNTA GORDA ISLES FISHING CLUB



**Remembering Kel Krotzer
1930-2021
Past PGIFC President &
Avid Inshore Angler**



PUNTA GORDA ISLES FISHING CLUB

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Our club currently has **176** 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



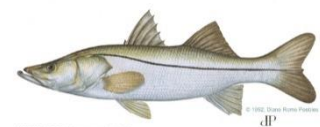
FEBRUARY: GROUPER



MARCH: SPANISH MACKEREL



APRIL: SNOOK



MAY: COBIA



JUNE: JACK CREVALLE



JULY: SHARK



AUGUST: TARPON



SEPTEMBER: SEATROUT



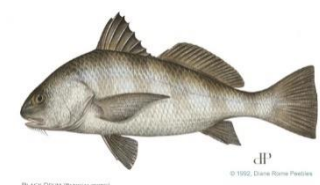
OCTOBER: REDFISH



NOVEMBER: MANGROVE SNAPPER



DECEMBER: BLACK DRUM



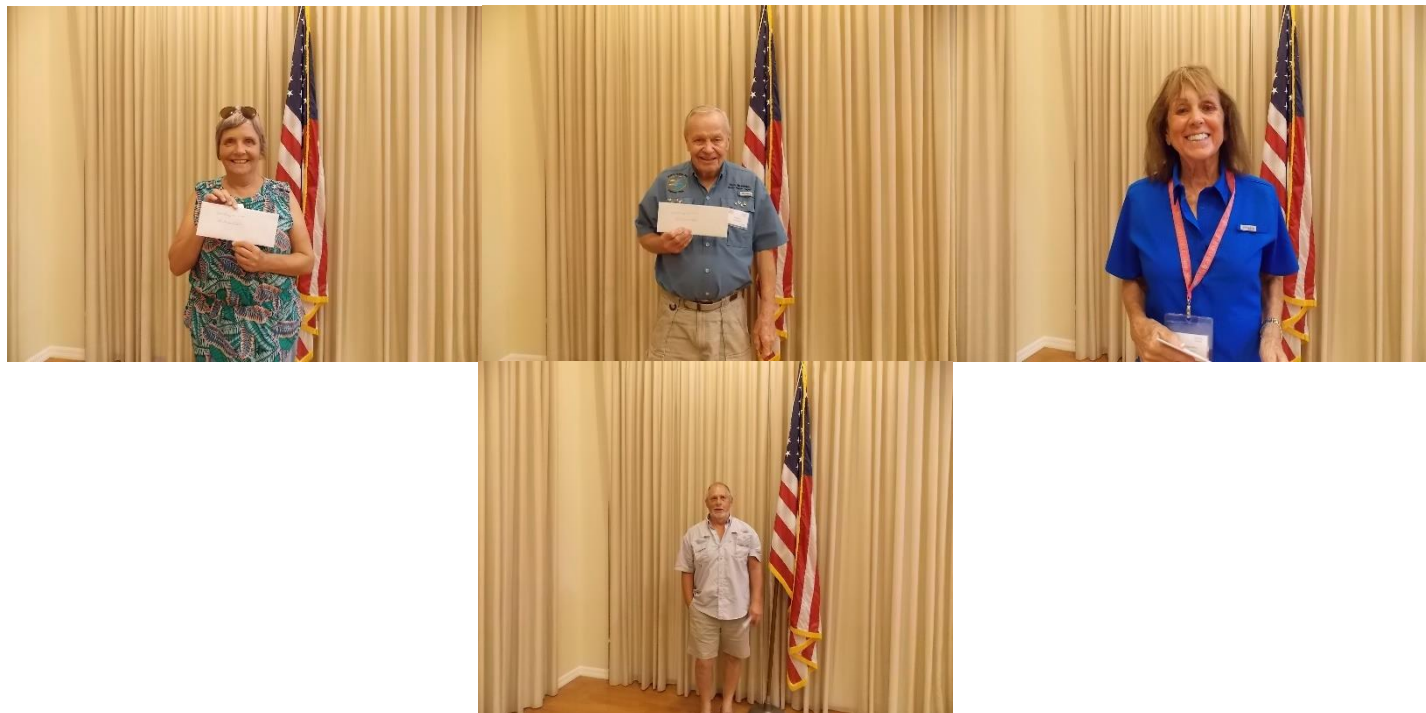
Fine Print: See "Fish of the Month Contest Rules" here:

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

PUNTA GORDA ISLES FISHING CLUB

OCTOBER CLUB MEETING

DOOR PRIZE WINNERS



Starting at the top, from left to right are Jan Holm, Rich Brennan, Roseanne McCaffrey, and Steve Fritz.

50/50 WINNERS



From left to right are Roxie Trost, Bill Guenther, and Doug DuFresne.

PUNTA GORDA ISLES FISHING CLUB

OCTOBER CLUB MEETING

GUEST SPEAKER



Captain Danny Latham of Reelfishing.com, a local full-time guide, spoke about catching redfish – key message was to cover as much water as possible when looking for schools of redfish, use lures that can be casted far to cover the most water, a slow and steady retrieve is key.

PUNTA GORDA ISLES FISHING CLUB

OCTOBER CLUB MEETING

LADDER OF ACHIEVEMENT AWARDS



John Fitzgerald is our newest Grand Master Angler. Congratulations John!

PUNTA GORDA ISLES FISHING CLUB

OCTOBER CLUB MEETING

LADDER OF ACHIEVEMENT AWARDS



Honorary Grand Master Angler shirt presented to Bill Guenther for his decades of service to the community and significant contribution to the PGICA Fishing Club. Congratulations Bill!

PUNTA GORDA ISLES FISHING CLUB

OCTOBER CLUB MEETING

TOURNAMENT WINNERS



From left to right are Cathy Hunt, Elaine Bretts, Donna Sullivan, and Theresa Fitzgerald.

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OCTOBER CLUB MEETING

TOURNAMENT WINNERS



From left to right are Jim Crawley, Carl Cucco, Rich Willingmyre, and Jeff Wilson.

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OCTOBER CLUB MEETING

TOURNAMENT WINNERS



From left to right are Bob Bretts, Mark Lee, Bob Mayes, John Fitzgerald, and Dennis Krausman.

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VP's FISHING REPORT

Vice President:
Dennis Krausman



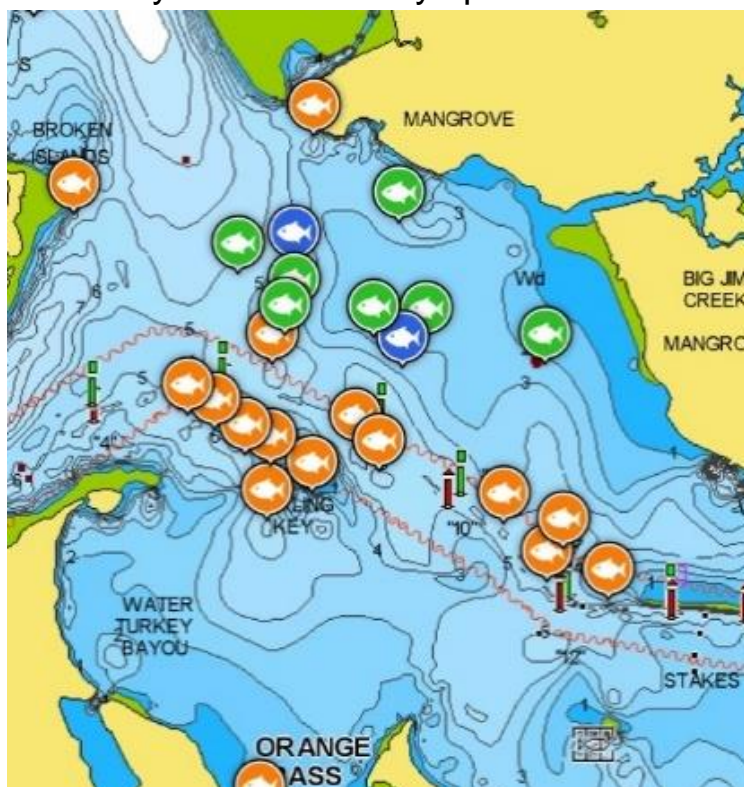
November is bringing the water temperatures a little lower which should be a positive impact on the fishing results.

For starters, make sure you have the right gear. Not just the rods, reels, line, and bait – live or artificial. **There are two Apps for your phone that should be considered essential.**

The Fish Rules App, <http://www.fishrulesapp.com> will provide the FWC rules where you are located. It works offshore also, using your phone's GPS to determine location. This is also useful for on-the-spot fish identification without needing a connection to the internet. **FREE.**

Additionally, the Navionics Boating App provides depth contours with 1 foot resolution enabling you to analyze bottom structure to locate the best fishing spots. I use the Sonar Mode in the App. There is a **FREE** version but I opt for the \$15-19/ year version for some really nice features.

The Navionics image shows my spots outside of Pineland in Pine Island Sound. At the Club meeting I will address why I have so many spots marked in a relatively small area.



PUNTA GORDA ISLES FISHING CLUB

VP's FISHING REPORT



Vice President:
Dennis Krausman

Fishing Conditions

Red Tide. The FWC report at the end of October cited 4 observations offshore of Charlotte County with background to medium concentrations with no fish kills noted.

Water Temperature. The water temperature is slipping below 80 degrees which will bring changes to our fishing. Perhaps most exciting is the migration of King Mackerel down the coast. We definitely have not been catching our share of this sportfish within the Fishing Club. The King Mackerel can be targeted within 5-15 miles of the coast, particularly around near shore reefs like Power Pole, Helens, Mary's, and Trembly.

Also, as the temperature drops the baitfish will not be as abundant. At that point our target species are more responsive to crustaceans instead of finfish. Fortunately, the local supply of live shrimp is best during the cooler months.

The Tripletail catch has been reported as pretty good both on the near shore buoys and within Charlotte Harbor/Gasparilla.

Cobia have been caught from the upper harbor down to Matlacha using Bait Busters, whole Ladyfish, and jumbo shrimp.

The Trout are being reported in larger sizes with a number at 22" and 23", getting closer to Bob Brett's 25" top trout for 2021.

The November Fish of the Month is Mangrove Snapper. They are available just about everywhere, but larger ones may be found on the near shore reefs, particularly if you use some chum.

The December Fish of the Month is Black Drum. Cathy and Jeff sure accounted for the largest quantity reported in years. They may not be schooled quite as tight as what they found but there are plenty around the canal docks.

And, while you are scouting out the Black Drum, note the presence of Sheepshead, which is the January Fish of the Month. The bonus is that larger Sheepshead qualify for points toward Ladder of Achievement awards.

Have a great November.

PUNTA GORDA ISLES FISHING CLUB

FISHING EVENTS



Events Director:
Mike Dougherty

PGI FISHING CLUB OCTOBER 2021 REPORT

- MORE CATCHING IN OCTOBER – 85 FISH PICS SUBMITTED 36 ANGLERS
- IT'S HAT TIME FOR BETH COSTA & KEVIN LAPOINTE, CONGRATS!
- 5 LADDER OF ACHEIEVEMENT ADVANCES – NICE CATCHING !!!
- 4 DIFFERENT PINS EARNED AND A #2 STAR
- CHERYL PANETTA EARNED HER GOLD PIN
- JAN HOLM EARNED HER SNOOK PIN
- CHRISTINE FONTAINE (WHITE) EARNED 2 PINS – HER REDFISH & TARPON PINS
- FRED DE MELLA EARNED HIS #2 GMA STAR
- OCTOBER FOM & TOURNAMENT – GOOD CATCHING, FUN TIMES
- CONGRATS & THANKS TO ALL WHO CAUGHT & TURNED IN FISH PICS

PUNTA GORDA ISLES FISHING CLUB

FISHING EVENTS

Events Director:
Mike Dougherty



LADDER OF ACHIEVEMENT



**CLUB HAT TO
BETH COSTA
39.5" BLACK DRUM**

**FIRST FISH - SETTING THE
BASELINE PRETTY HIGH**

**WOW
FUN
CATCHES**

**CLUB HAT
KEVIN LAPOINTE
30" SNOOK**



PUNTA GORDA ISLES FISHING CLUB

FISHING EVENTS

Events Director:
Mike Dougherty



LADDER OF ACHIEVEMENT

**BELOW – 60”+ TARPON EARNS
CHERYL PANETTA HER
GOLD PIN - CONGRATS**



**ABOVE – JAN HOLM WITH HER
34” COBIA EARNED JAN HER
SNOOK PIN - CONGRATULATIONS !!!**

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Events Director:
Mike Dougherty

LADDER OF ACHIEVEMENT

**CHRISTINE FONTAINE WHITE EARNED
BOTH HER REDFISH AND TARPON PINS**

33" REDFISH

6" BULL SHARK



NICE CATCHING CHRISTINE - CONGRATS



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FISHING EVENTS

Events Director:
Mike Dougherty



LADDER OF ACHIEVEMENT

FRED DE MELLA CATCHES HIS #2 GMA STAR

LAST DAY OF OCTOBER

19" SHEEPSHEAD

IT WAS HAPPY HALLOWEEN FOR FRED !!!

WAY TO GO FRED

KEEP ON CATCHING !!!



PUNTA GORDA ISLES FISHING CLUB

FISHING EVENTS

Events Director:
Mike Dougherty



FISH OF THE MONTH - REDFISH

CHRISTINE FONTAINE WHITE
33" REDFISH FOR 1ST PLACE



**\$25 GIFT
CARDS
TO BOTH**

DIANA MCKENNA
28" REDFISH FOR
2ND PLACE



LADIES CATEGORY

NO 3RD PLACE ANGLER FOR OCTOBER FOM



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FISHING EVENTS



Events Director:
Mike Dougherty

FISH OF THE MONTH – REDFISH – MEN'S



Above – RICH BRENNAN 1ST PLACE 29" REDFISH

Right – RICH WILLINGMYRE 28.5" REDFISH

\$25
GIFT
CARDS
FOR
MORE
GEAR



PUNTA GORDA ISLES FISHING CLUB

FISHING EVENTS

Events Director:
Mike Dougherty



FISH OF THE MONTH – REDFISH – MEN'S



DICK DOSTER 3RD PLACE TIE 28" REDFISH

2 WAY TIE FOR 3RD PLACE OCTOBER FOM

**CONGRATS
\$25 GIFT
CARDS**

**KEEP ON
CATCHING**



BILL MUIR 3RD PLACE TIE 28" REDFISH

PUNTA GORDA ISLES FISHING CLUB

STATISTICS & REPORTS

The Month in Review (October)

Tidbits

Record Keeper:
Paul Whiting



While the black drum of September seem to have moved on, there were still 7 drumming bruisers boated this month. 10 redfish were reported as our Fish of the Month, along with 21 seatrout and a nice showing of cobia – 7 caught, and snook (5 reported). Richy Kale tied his monster cobia catch from last year with another 56 incher.

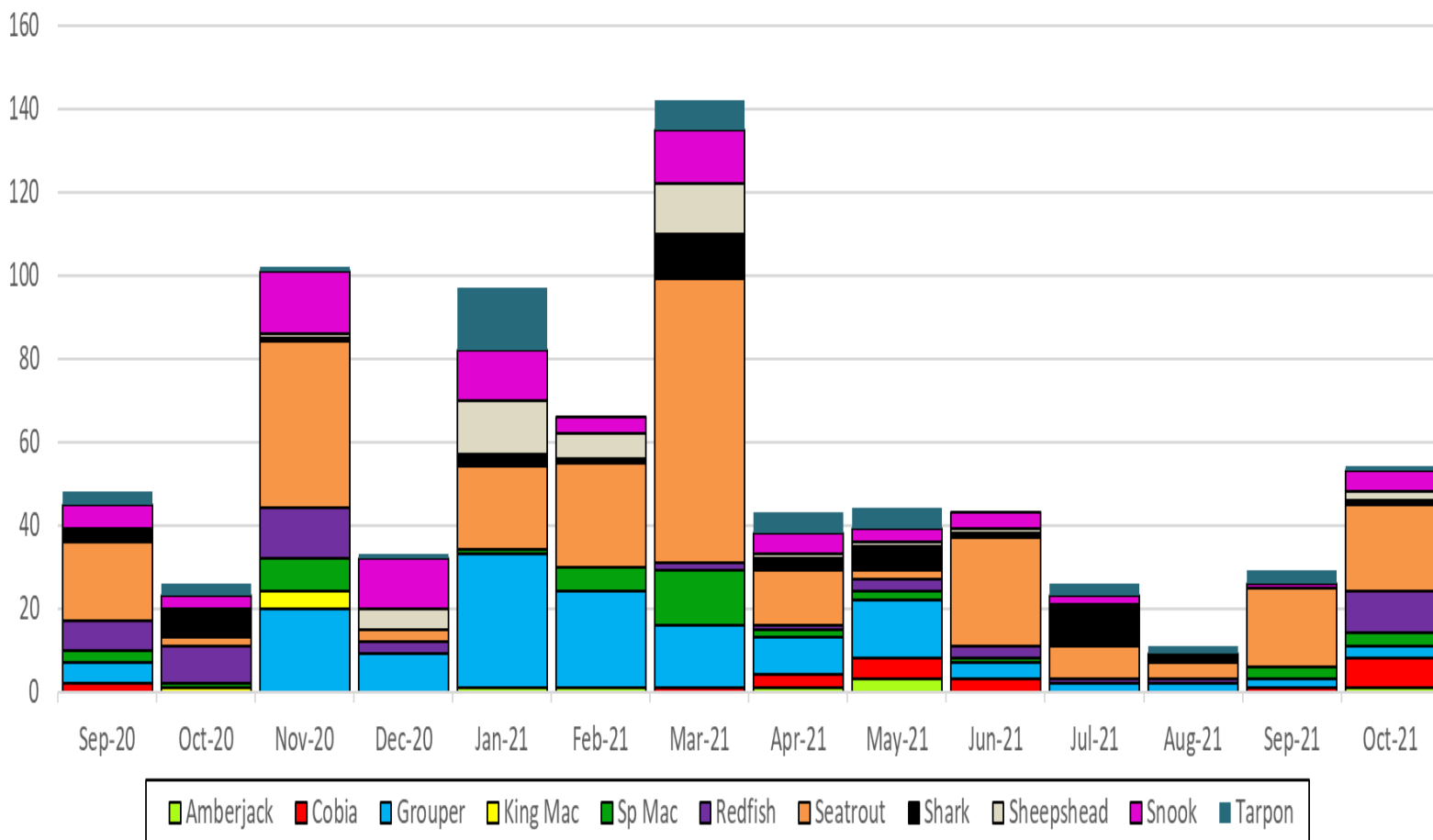
The number of fish reported, the number of points fish, and the number of anglers reporting both reflect an increase as folks return to PGI for the season. Fred De Mella claimed his 2nd GMA Star.

Recorder's Data

Monthly Performance

	August	September	October	
Anglers	13	24	36	↑
LOA Awards	0	6	7	↑
Fish Recorded	16	67	84	↑
Points Recorded	1500	2,300	5,500	↑

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



PUNTA GORDA ISLES FISHING CLUB

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LADDER OF ACHIEVEMENT AWARDS

2021 STANDINGS (OCTOBER)

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

RED = Awards This Month

Club Hats

Beth Costa
Kevin LaPoint

PGI FISHNG 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 point 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 (OCTOBER)

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	Rich Kale	56.0	10/22/2021	100.0%
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	Christine Fontaine	33.0	10/2/2021	86.8%
	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	Elain Bretts	22.0	9/6/2021	78.6%

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	Kel Krotzer	Greg Chestnut	Jim Qurollo	Steve Landaker	Vinnie Madsen	Bob Mays	Gary Reeves	Rich Kale	Joe Udvari	Joe Udvari	Mike White
Christine Jordan	Margie Hofman	Joanne Landaker	Rose Anne McCaffrey	Missy Becker	Margie Hoffman	Karen Lodge	Rose Anne McCaffrey	Darlene Madsen	Dianne Bukowski	Lynn Reeves	Dianne Bukowski

MASTER ANGLER TOURNAMENT 2021 STANDINGS (OCTOBER)

	AMBERJACK	COBIA	GROUPE	KING MACKEREL	REDFISH	SEATRUT	SHEEPSHEAD	SNOOK	SPANISH MACKEREL
1st Place	Joe Udvari 41.5	Rich Kale 56.0	Jerry Peal 36.5		Christine Fontaine 33.0	Bobby Bretts 25.0	Mike White 23.5	Tim Gibbons 45.0	Fred Benson 24.5
2nd Place	Ron Topper 34.5	Bobby Bretts 47.0	John Gettinger 36.0		Dennis Cafaro 30.0 Theresa Fitzgerald 30.0	Elaine Bretts 23.0 Jim Crawley 23.0 Rich Kale 23.0 Paul Whiting 23.0	Dianne Bukowski 22.5	Rich Kale 41.0	Mike Gilger 23.0
3rd Place		Carl Leicher 45.0	Cathy Hunt 33.0 Dennis Krausman 33.0		Rich Brennan 29.0		Jack Hinnenthal 22.0	Theresa Fitzgerald 39.0	Elaine Bretts 22.0
						John Fitzgerald 22.0 Jack Howarth 22.0 Dennis Krausman 22.0 Jude Panetta 22.0 Mike Trost 22.0			

New this month are shown in Red

PUNTA GORDA ISLES FISHING CLUB

MEMBERSHIP

Membership Stats	
Total Households	Active Members
213	407

Membership Director:
Donna Sullivan



Let's all welcome our newest members:

- Mitch and Ann Melnick from Bay Shore NY
- Joel and MaryBeth Ward from Champaign IL
- John and Cathy Clapp from Rochester NY
- Steven and Leanne Murphy from Elmhurst IL
- William Clary and Mary Sebahar from Chicago IL
- Charlie Noble and Lisa Bailey from South Bend IN

Fall is finally here and we are so happy to see our seasonal members start to return. The cooler air feels great and the fishing is ramping up.

I look forward to seeing you all at the Fishing Club Social at the Village Brew House on Wednesday night and at our November 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!

Welcome back to Paradise to our friends who are returning for the season- we have missed you and look forward to many good events and times with the club.

A great time was had at the Wurst Party Ever! Thanks to you Mike, Richy, and Ron for manning the grill and serving up some great brats, burgers, and dogs. Lots of great appetizers, sides, and desserts were brought and thoroughly enjoyed by the members. Many of our members hit the bull's-eye when trying their hand at Axe Throwing. Even those of us that hit the floor more than the board had fun! Thanks to the Social Committee for coming early, getting things set up, and then helping get everything cleaned up- you all rock!

Our October meeting was very well attended and thanks to all for contributing to our Food drive- the contributions were amazing and I am sure very well appreciated by those less fortunate. Our November meeting is Tuesday, 11/9 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 all of those that contributed great goodies last month- they were amazing and well received and enjoyed.

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

We have secured a table of 20 for Drag Queen Bingo at Nino's on 11/28. Should we get more interest, we'll look at expanding that number. It is a fun night for a great cause- all of the proceeds go to Fisher House, which helps military families with housing needed for medical treatment. [Bootsey-Licious Comedy & Bingo | Nino's Bakery & Restaurant \(ninosbakery.us\)](#) I have put it on the PGI Fishing Club Facebook page or send me an email or text if interested.

CLUB CALENDAR

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

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

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

Drag Queen Bingo: At Nino's on November 28th.

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

Wine Tasting: At Coastal Expressions on January 16th at 3pm.

PUNTA GORDA ISLES FISHING CLUB

SOCIAL EVENTS

Social Events Directors:
Christine White and
Cheryl Panetta



Our Christmas party is secured for December 16th at Isles Yacht Club at 5pm. Tickets will be \$50 per member, and \$55 per non-member. We are holding a Toys for Tots toy drive so we will be accepting unwrapped toys for those in our community that are trying to make ends meet during these unprecedented economic times. Sign up will be available at the November meeting and an online sign up will be sent out shortly for the event.

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 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 have scheduled a wine tasting event at Coastal Expressions on Sunday, January 16th at 3pm. We need a minimum of 20- cost is \$25 per person. They do also have beer, non-alcoholic beer, and soft drinks. They will also be serving charcuterie boards which are always fabulous! If we have 40 committed, they will do Wine-O Bingo as well, with a small cost for the Bingo Cards. Maximum is 60. Sign up has been put up on our Facebook page or you can send me an email/text message if you want to sign up.

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 is 443-534-7890.

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

CLUB CALENDAR

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

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

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

Drag Queen Bingo: At Nino's on November 28th.

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

Wine Tasting: At Coastal Expressions on January 16th at 3pm.

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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.

Paula Arnold
724-504-5347
1207swanct@gmail.com

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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.

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ccpflaum@hotmail.com

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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

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CLUB LINKS

Club Website:

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Club Facebook:

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

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MEETING MINUTES

OCTOBER 12, 2021

Meeting start time: 7:00 pm

President: Randy Douet

September General Meeting Minutes approved

New Member Outreach Winner: Rich Brennan taking Mitch Melnick out, John Fitzgerald taking Kevin LaPointe out

Meeting attendance count: 66

2022 Board of Directors nominations presented

Treasurer report: \$12,377.74 in the bank

Social Update: Picnic Oct 16th, Holiday party ticket prices are close to being finalized, working towards ability to do sign-ups on-line, let a committee member know of any ideas for social events

Door Prizes – Gift certificate for The Perfect Caper – 1st \$75 – Jan Holm, 2nd \$50 Rich Brennan, 3rd –\$25 Roseann McCaffrey. Two additional door prizes – 2 sets of tickets to the Air Show – winners – Mike Trost and Steve Fritz

Guest Speaker – Captain Danny Latham – Reelfishing.com – a local full-time guide - Spoke about catching redfish – key message was to cover as much water as possible when looking for schools of redfish, use lures that can be casted far to cover the most water, a slow and steady retrieve is key

LOA: Club Hat - Tim Locke and Jack Jonaitis, Bronze Pin - Ed Girzi, Sliver Pin - Tim Gibbons, Redfish Pin - Jenny Goodell, GMA - John Fitzgerald

FOM Winners: \$25 gift card for Bass Pro Shop - Woman - 1st - Elaine Bretts – 21", 2nd – Jenny Goodell – 18" (tie) 2nd – Nancy Pearson – 18", 3rd – Donna Sullivan – 16". Men 1st - Bobby Bretts – 22", 2nd - Dennis Krausman – 21", 3rd - Joe Bukowski – 19" (tie) 3rd - Jim Crawley – 19"

Tournament Winners: \$25 gift card for Bass Pro Shop -Woman - 14 Registered Anglers, 6 Lady Anglers Submitted Fish, 1st Place Black Drum Cathy Hunt 40" Black Drum, 2nd Place Black Drum Beth Costa 39.5" Black Drum plus a 13" Mangrove Snapper, 1st Place Catfish Elaine Bretts 17" Catfish, 2nd Place Catfish Theresa FitzGerald 13" Catfish, 1st Place Mangrove Snapper Donna Sullivan 11.5" Mangrove, 2nd Place Mangrove Snapper Wendy Lee 10.5" Mangrove. Men - 25 Registered Anglers, 12 Men Anglers Submitted Fish 1st Place Barracuda Joe Udvari 43" Barracuda Plus a 29" Barracuda & a 32" AJ & an 11" Mangrove, 1st Place Cobia Fred DeMella 37" Cobia, 1st Place Black Drum – a 4-way tie: Jim Crawley – 37" Black Drum plus 14" Cat & 14" Jack Crevalle, Carl Cucco – 37" Black Drum, Jeff Wilson – 37" Black Drum, Rich Willingmyre – 37" Black Drum, 1st Place Catfish Bob Bretts 19" Catfish, 2nd Place Catfish Mark Lee 15" Catfish plus an 11" Mangrove, 3rd Place Catfish Bob Mayes 13.5" Catfish, 1st Place Jack Crevalle John FitzGerald 11" Jack Crevalle Plus a 13" Catfish, 1st Place Mangrove Snapper 2 Way Tie Mike Dougherty 11" Mangrove Snapper, Dennis Krausman 11" Mangrove Snapper

Honorary GMA Shirt presented to Bill Guenther for his decades of service to the community and significant contribution to the PGICA Fishing Club

50/50 Winners: 1st – Roxie Trost, 2nd Bill Guenther, 3rd Doug Du Frense

Meeting Adjourned: 8:15 pm

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Seller Information

Gary Burgess

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• 2005 Pro Line 24' Center Console -- \$27,000

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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.

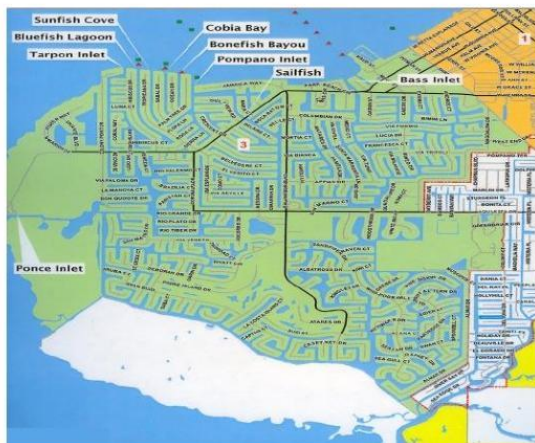


What do our members do?

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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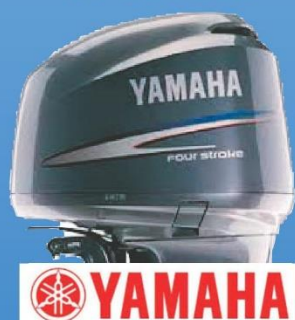
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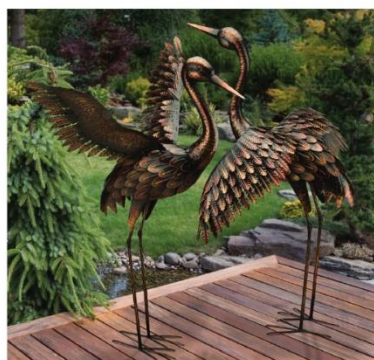
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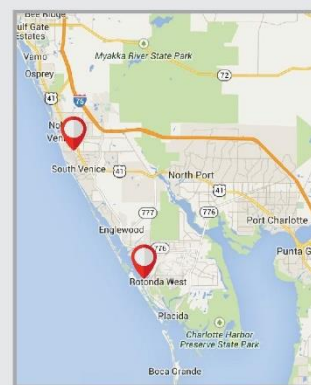
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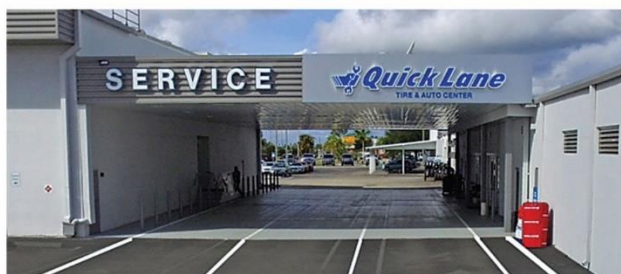
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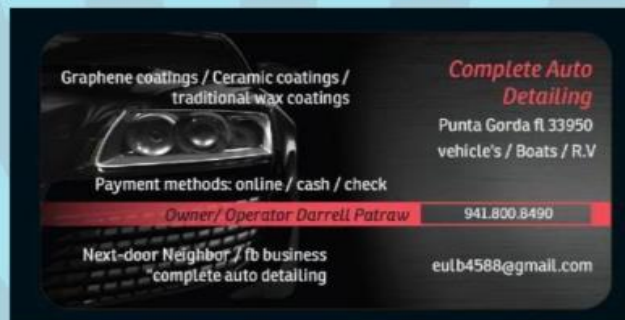
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BETH COSTA

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**CARL CUCCO (LEFT)
JOE UDWARI (BELOW)
WENDY LEE (RIGHT)**



**BOB BRETT'S
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**JOE UDWARI (ABOVE &
BOTTOM CENTER)
JEFF WILSON (TOP CENTER)**



**RICH
WILLINGMYRE
(ABOVE)**



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**FAR LEFT: JIM CRAWLEY
CENTER: BOB BRETT
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**ABOVE DENNIS KRAUSMAN
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**MIKE DOUGHERTY (ABOVE)
16" SEATROUT
JOHN FITZGERALD
(ON RIGHT) WITH HIS
22" SEATROUT**

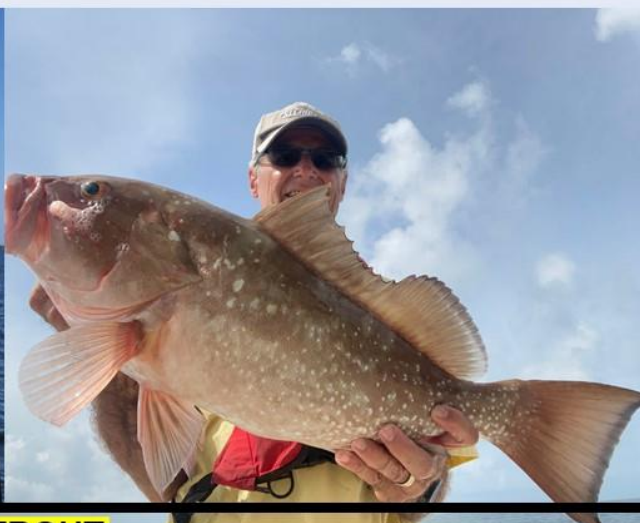


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JOHN FITZGERALD 19" SEATROUT,

CENTER IS JOE UDWARI 25.5" RED GROUPEr,

RIGHT IS JIM CRAWLEY 21" BLUEFISH

PLS NOTE: JOE'S RED GROUPEr WAS SAFELY RELEASED WHILE FISHING FOR AJ'S

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JAN HOLM
A COUPLE NICE
SPANISH MACKERELS



BILL MUIR WITH HIS
PRETTY REDFISH



JEFF BELLAIRS WITH
AN 18" SEATROUT

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**MIKE DOUGHERTY
WITH A SHORT SNOOK**

**DIANA
MCKENNA
23" REDFISH**



JEFF BELLAIRS – 19.5" SEATROUT

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FRED DE MELLA
30" SNOOK

BOB BRETT'S 47" COBIA



JOHN FITZGERALD
25" REDFISH

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**FAR LEFT IS
KEVIN LAPOINTE
27" SNOOK**

**BOTTOM LEFT
DENNIS
MCKENNA
17" REDFISH**

**CENTER IS
RICHY KALE
WITH HIS
56" COBIA**

**RIGHT IS JIM
CRAWLEY WITH
HIS 19" SEATROUT**



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SEATROUT

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TED WIERZBANOWSKI
11" MANGROVE



FRED DE MELLA
33" SNOOK



KEVIN LAPOINTE. 30" SNOOK

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**JIM CRAWLEY
20.5" SEATROUT**

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**JEFF BELLAIRS
20" SEATROUT**

**JIM CRAWLEY
23" SEATROUT**



RON KRUSE 17' REDFISH



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AARON WAGNER'S 31" COBIA

KEVIN SAFELY RELEASED THIS MONSTER

OCTOBER
CATCHES
WERE UP

KEEP ON
SENDING
YOUR
FISH
PICS IN

TELL NEXT
MONTH -
TIGHT LINES

