



# PUNTA GORDA ISLES FISHING CLUB

## FROM THE HELM

President:  
Randy Douet



Hello again! The frigid weather and windy conditions calmed down a bit, allowing many of us to get offshore finally. Gauging by photos and several conversations, it looks like the fishing has been good. Sea fog and cool morning runs make it interesting. Inshore remains good for snook, cobia, and small tarpon. Redfish are a bit slower than recently, but the trout have had a significant decline. I believe it to be grass health. Some flats that only two months ago were teaming with turtle grass is now either barren or covered with "stink grass". You can still find decent grass though...and to increase your odds, you should run north or south (Placida or south Pine Island Sound). I found a few trout in pools of 2.5' of water within large expanses of 12" water south of Two-Pines. This is generally the southern end of the east wall where the coast bends southwards to form Matlacha Bay. If you can get in there, you can have a blast but there are lots of boats, even midweek.

Our first 12-day tournament ended up a success. I want to thank Mike Dougherty, our fishing events director, for adding the five perfect weather days onto the end of the original 5 windy and cold days! We'll reward the winners at our March 8th General Meeting.

Rumors are floating that the FWC will open snook and redfish on June 1st but stay tuned. Many of our members think that they should keep the closed directive in place longer, and many think they should re-close trout, too. One of the best ways to help pool our voices is to join and support the CCA. And a great way to support the CCA is to attend the CCA Banquet on March 24th. For info and tickets, contact Bob Mays ([rmayes@iquest.net](mailto:rmayes@iquest.net)).

It's great to welcome so many new members to the club. Nice to see visitors attending Happy Hour and the General meetings. Remember the Club Seminar at the PGICA on March 19th from 9am-2pm. Contact Dennis Krausman ([dennis@krausman.net](mailto:dennis@krausman.net)) for info and sign-up instructions.



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And now for my favorite subject: Happy Hour. This season has been shockingly crowded everywhere. The flood of business was sort of predictable, but it has led to a near disappearance of restaurant support at our current location (Village Brewhouse). Our members are growing uncomfortable with that situation...and they also remember how bad last season was at the Tiki Bar (meaning disorganized staff and little or no support). During off season, restaurants beg us for our business, but their enthusiasm wanes as their cash registers spin during season (now!). I've asked our Social Committee to put together a short survey to gather opinions and possible solution(s). I want you to attend Happy Hours because you WANT to, not solely out of club loyalty. We'll figure out a solution, but please be patient until then.

Tight lines  
Randy



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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 proleptophyllus)

**FEBRUARY: GROUPER**



RED GROUPER (Epinephelus morio)

**MARCH: SPANISH MACKEREL**



SPANISH MACKEREL (Scomberomorus audleyi)

**APRIL: SNOOK**



COMMON SNOOK (Centropomus undecimalis)

**MAY: COBIA**



COBIA (Rachycentron canadense)

**JUNE: JACK CREVALLE**



**JULY: SHARK**



BLACKTIP SHARK (Carcharhinus limbatus)

**AUGUST: TARPON**



TARPON (Megalops atlanticus)

**SEPTEMBER: SEATROUT**



SPOTTED SEATROUT (Anchoa mitchilli)

**OCTOBER: REDFISH**



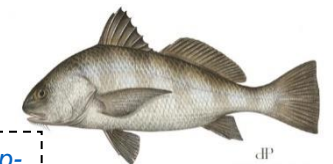
RED DRUM (Sciaenops ocellatus)

**NOVEMBER: MANGROVE SNAPPER**



GRAY MANGROVE SNAPPER (Lutjanus griseus)

**DECEMBER: BLACK DRUM**



BLACK DRUM (Pogonias cromis)

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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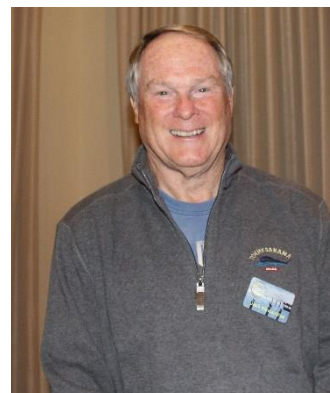
## FEBRUARY CLUB MEETING

### DOOR PRIZE WINNERS



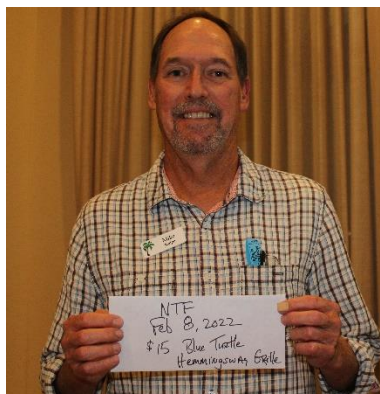
Starting at the top, from left to right are 1<sup>st</sup> place \$75 - Mike Gilger, 2<sup>nd</sup> place \$50 - Cathy Hunt, and 3<sup>rd</sup> place \$25 - Steve Argall.

### 50/50 WINNERS



From left to right are 1<sup>st</sup> place \$65 - Mark Storm, 2<sup>nd</sup> place \$45 - Butch Abelseth, and 3<sup>rd</sup> place \$25 - Jack Hinnenthal

### NAME THAT FISH WINNER MIKE KNIPE— 'BLUEFISH'



# PUNTA GORDA ISLES FISHING CLUB

## FEBRUARY CLUB MEETING

### GUEST SPEAKERS



**Guest Speakers – Owner Tim Johnson and Production Manager Austin Phelps of Reaper Rods** spoke about Microwave guides and how it reduces wind knots, differences in rods for throwing lures vs live bait, lengths, and action of the rod. All Reaper Rods are made locally in Punta Gorda, and they can make custom rods. **Reaper Rods are also sold at Fishin' Franks and Downtown Bait & Tackles**, both of which are advertisers for the fishing club.

# PUNTA GORDA ISLES FISHING CLUB

## FEBRUARY CLUB MEETING

### MAT AWARDS



2021 MAT award presented to Christine White, 2<sup>nd</sup> place redfish 33" and Mike White, 1<sup>st</sup> place Sheepshead 23.5"

# PUNTA GORDA ISLES FISHING CLUB

## FEBRUARY CLUB MEETING

### LADDER OF ACHIEVEMENT AWARDS



Ladder of Achievement awards include club hat – Mike Knipe (*not shown in picture*), bronze and silver pin – Carl Cucco (*not shown in picture*) and Grand Master Angler – Fred Benson (shown above). ***Congratulations to Mike, Carl, and Fred!***

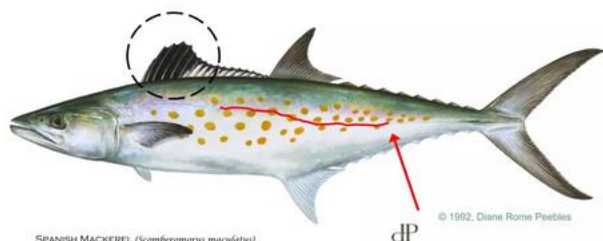


# PUNTA GORDA ISLES FISHING CLUB

## VP's FISHING REPORT

The Fish of the Month is **Spanish Mackerel**.

Vice President:  
Dennis Krausman



### *Appearance:*

- Back is bluish-green, fading to silvery sides and belly
- Irregular golden-yellow spots on sides
- Bluish-black blotch on front of first dorsal fin
- Lateral line slopes gently from behind the gill cover to the tail

### *Similar Species:*

- King Mackerel lateral line drops sharply below the second dorsal fin

### *Fishing tips:*

Spanish Mackerel are aggressive feeders that will strike a wide variety of natural and artificial baits. Trolling or watching for birds can be a very productive strategy for catching Spanish Mackerel.

While grass habitat has been difficult to find in Charlotte Harbor, the recent catches of trout greater than 18 inches indicate the fish are still present. Cobia have continued to be caught, although most seem to be 1-2 inches short of the 33" legal size.

Large Tarpon have also returned to the Harbor. Bait Busters and live ladyfish have been very effective.

Several Pompano have been reported near the East Wall.

Offshore Grouper action is improving. Bait, which has been scarce, seems to have returned with great availability around 40-50 foot depths. The size of fish caught has also improved, whereby 25-33 inch Grouper are more common.

# PUNTA GORDA ISLES FISHING CLUB

## VP's FISHING REPORT

Vice President:  
Dennis Krausman



**The featured speaker for the March Fishing Club meeting will be Captain Mark Miller.**

Capt. Mark will be talking about our Fish of the Month, **Spanish Mackerel** and the opportunities for catching **King Mackerel** near shore this time of year.

Mark is a charter captain and the expert contributor who writes the last page in your *Isles Life* publication. He is also a PGI resident and will be bringing several potential new members to the Club meeting.

Captain Mark Miller is one of our valued advertisers supporting the Fishing Club.

He is looking forward to meeting many of our members before the meeting and during our social afterwards.



# **PUNTA GORDA ISLES FISHING CLUB**

## **FISHING EVENTS**

Events Director:  
Mike Dougherty



### **PGI FISHING CLUB – FEBRUARY 2022**

**FEBRUARY MEETING, PRESENTATION BY REAPER RODS**

#### **LOA AWARDS:**

**KAROL FRITZ – CLUB HAT**

**JACK JONAITIS – BRONZE PIN**

**ALLEN WADE – TARPON (LIFETIME LEVEL III) PIN**

**MIKE WHITE – GMA STAR #4**

**VALENTINE'S DAY+ TOURNAMENT EXTENDED 2/14-2/26**

**61 CLUB MEMBERS REGISTERED – 42 SUBMITTALS – 20 AWARDS**

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### LOA AWARDS – FEBRUARY 2022

**KAROL FRITZ - CLUB HAT**  
**17" SHEEPSHEAD**



**WAY TO**  
**GO KAROL**

**JACK JONAITIS – BRONZE PIN**



**16" JACK**  
**CREVALLE**

**KEEP**  
**CATCHING**  
**JACK**

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### LOA AWARDS – FEBRUARY 2022

**AL WADE – TARPON PIN**



**AL CAUGHT  
SIX DIFFERENT  
SPECIES IN  
FEBRUARY  
TO EARN HIS  
TARPON PIN  
CONGRATS AL**

**MIKE WHITE (RIGHT)  
38" COBIA  
EARNs GMA  
STAR #4**



**WAY TO GO GUYS**



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### FOM - GROUPER – FEBRUARY 2022

**LADIES CATEGORY    1<sup>ST</sup> PLACE (LEFT) CHRISTINE FONTAINE WHITE 28"**



**CATHY HUNT (BELOW) 21"**



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### FOM - GROUPER – FEBRUARY 2022

#### MEN'S CATEGORY

1<sup>ST</sup> – ON LEFT – MIKE WHITE 33 & 32  
2<sup>ND</sup> – CENTER – JOHN GETTINGER 30  
3<sup>RD</sup> – ON RIGHT – JEFF BARNHART 29.5





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## FISHING EVENTS



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### VALENTINE'S DAY+ TOURNAMENT FEBRUARY 14-26, 2022

- 3 CATEGORIES – LADIES, MEN'S AND NEW MEMBERS
- 3 PLACES EACH CATEGORY – SIX SPECIES
- AJ, LANE, SPANISH, SEATROUT, MANGROVE, SHEEPS
- 1<sup>ST</sup> = \$35, 2<sup>ND</sup> = \$25 AND 3<sup>RD</sup> = \$15
- ONE AWARD PER ANGLER
- SPECIAL REGONNITION GIVEN WHEN APPLICABLE
- 61 MEMBERS REGISTERED
- 22 MEMBERS SUBMITTED 42 FISH PICS
- 20 AWARDS PRESENTED
- 12 FIRST – 5 SECOND – 3 THIRD



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### TOURNAMENT STANDINGS BY SPECIES

#### MEN'S AMBERJACKS



**JOE UDWARI – 1<sup>ST</sup> PLACE  
36.5' AMBERJACK**



**RON TOPPER (ABOVE)  
3<sup>RD</sup> PLACE 34.5" AJ**

**NICE CATCHING  
HARD FIGHTING**

**MARK DILLMAN (CENTER)  
2<sup>ND</sup> PLACE 36.0" AJ**

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### TOURNAMENT STANDINGS BY SPECIES

#### LADIES – LANE SNAPPER



**1<sup>ST</sup> PLACE**  
**RENEE GIBBONS**  
**FRONT & CENTER**  
**11' LANE SNAPPER**

**RENEE WAS THE**  
**ONLY MEMBER TO**  
**TURN IN A LANE**  
**SNAPPER**



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### TOURNAMENT STANDINGS BY SPECIES

#### LADIES – SPANISH MACKEREL

**DONNA SULLIVAN**  
**1<sup>ST</sup> PLACE – 19" SPANISH**  
**DONNA ALSO CAUGHT**  
**A 16" SHEEPSHEAD**



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### TOURNAMENT STANDINGS BY SPECIES

#### MEN'S – SPANISH MACKEREL

1<sup>ST</sup> PLACE – ON LEFT  
MARK STORM 24"



FRED BENSON (BELOW)  
2<sup>ND</sup> PLACE 18"





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### TOURNAMENT STANDINGS BY SPECIES

### NEW MEMBERS – SPANISH MACKEREL



**1<sup>ST</sup> PLACE**  
**GREG WIDNEY 19"**  
**SPANISH MACKEREL**  
**GREG ALSO TURNED**  
**IN A SEATROUT**



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### TOURNAMENT STANDINGS BY SPECIES

#### LADIES – SPOTTED SEATROUT



1<sup>ST</sup> PLACE – ON LEFT - THERESA FITZGERALD 16"  
(ALSO A 15" AND FOUR MANGROVE SNAPPERS)

FUN CATCHING

ON RIGHT  
2<sup>ND</sup> PLACE  
GRETCHEN  
SUNDERLAND  
11" AND  
MANGROVE  
SNAPPERS





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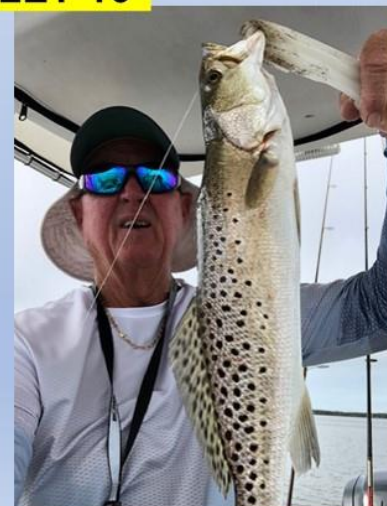
### TOURNAMENT STANDINGS BY SPECIES

#### MEN'S – SPOTTED SEATROUT

1<sup>ST</sup> PLACE – FAR LEFT – RANDY DOUET 19"

2<sup>ND</sup> PLCE – CENTER JOHN FITZGERALD 18"

3<sup>RD</sup> PLACE – FAR RIGHT – JIM CRAWLEY 16"



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### TOURNAMENT STANDINGS BY SPECIES

#### NEW MEMBERS – SPOTTED SEATROUT

##### 1<sup>ST</sup> PLACE

JOANNE WIDNEY 15.5"

JOANNE CAUGHT A  
COUPLE SPOTTED  
SEATROUT – THIS 15.5  
WAS HER LARGEST AND  
THE LARGEST CAUGHT  
IN THE NEW MEMBER  
CATEGORY

CONGRATS TO JOANNE





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### TOURNAMENT STANDINGS BY SPECIES

#### LADIES – MANGROVE SNAPPERS

1<sup>ST</sup> PLACE IS SANDY WIERZBANOWSKI  
11.5" MANGROVE. SPECIAL REGONITION  
GOES TO THERESA FITZGERALD &  
CATHY HUNT & GRETCHEN SUNDERLAND  
WHO ALSO CAUGHT MANGROVES &  
AWARDED IN OTHER SPECIES



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### TOURNAMENT STANDINGS BY SPECIES

#### MEN'S – MANGROVE SNAPPERS

FROM LEFT TO RIGHT: 1<sup>ST</sup> PLACE LARRY KISSNEY 14.5", 2<sup>ND</sup> RICK BROWN 12" AND 3<sup>RD</sup> PLACE IS TED WIERZBANOWSKI WITH HIS 11" MANGROVE





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### TOURNAMENT STANDINGS BY SPECIES

#### SHEEPSHEAD – LADIES & MEN'S



**CATHY HUNT – ON LEFT  
1<sup>ST</sup> PLACE LADIES WITH A 15.5"**

**JACK  
HOWARTH  
ON RIGHT  
1<sup>ST</sup> PLACE  
MEN'S WITH  
A 16.5"  
SHEEPSHEAD**



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## STATISTICS & REPORTS

### The Month in Review (February 2022)

Record Keeper:  
Paul Whiting



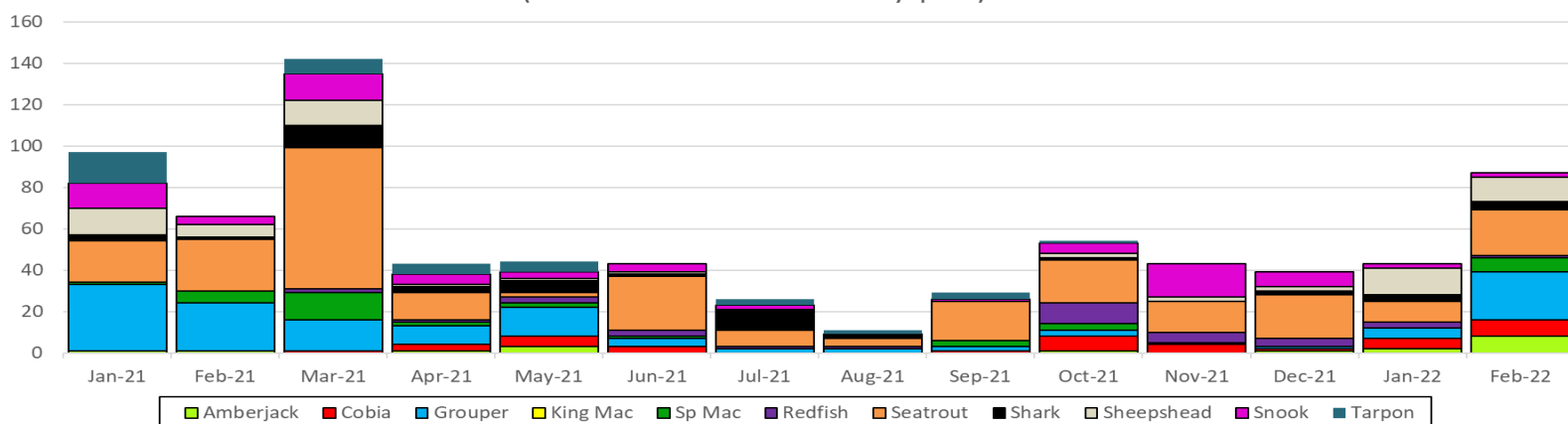
#### Tidbits

Our Fish of the Month, Grouper, cooperated nicely for those who could find a window of decent weather to get offshore with 23 reported catches. This bodes well for the future months.

Twice as many anglers turned in twice as many fish as in January, owing in no small part to our Valentines Tournament that was extended to give more fishable days due to bad weather at the beginning of the contest. AJ's began to cooperate offshore as well and Mike White and Christine were out there in the harbor boating several fish in the 35"+ range with a 41 incher the largest to date. Mike was also the first angler to achieve a GMA Star (his 4<sup>th</sup>) this year. Sheepshead continued to cooperate as well with several reported catches in the 16" and up range. Large Spanish Mackerel also appeared with fish up to 24" reported.

### What's Bite'n Chart

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



#### Recorder's Data

### Monthly Performance

|                 | December | January | February |   |
|-----------------|----------|---------|----------|---|
| Anglers         | 16       | 28      | 45       | ↑ |
| LOA Awards      | 5        | 4       | 4        | ← |
| Fish Recorded   | 50       | 48      | 115      | ↑ |
| Points Recorded | 4300     | 3,900   | 7,500    | ↑ |



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## STATISTICS & REPORTS

### LADDER OF ACHIEVEMENT AWARDS

#### 2022 STANDINGS (FEBRUARY)

Record Keeper:  
Paul Whiting



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

RED = Awards This Month

Club Hats

Karol Fritz

### PGI FISHING CLUB LADDER OF ANGLING ACHIEVEMENT

| LEVEL              | NUMBER OF<br>SPECIES | SIZE LIMITS   | POINTS<br>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](http://www.pgifishingclub.org))  
Ladder of angling achievement page.

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(BOLD star = earned this year)

# PUNTA GORDA ISLES FISHING CLUB

## STATISTICS & REPORTS

### ISLES TROPHY RACE 2022 STANDINGS (FEBRUARY)

Record Keeper:  
Paul Whiting



#### MEN'S DIVISION

| OVERALL CLUB RECORD | SPECIES NAME     | MEMBER NAME   | RECORD LENGTH in INCHES | DATE CAUGHT | MEMBER NAME   | 2022 LENGTH in INCHES | DATE CAUGHT | % OF RECORD |
|---------------------|------------------|---------------|-------------------------|-------------|---------------|-----------------------|-------------|-------------|
| X                   | Amberjack        | Joe Udvari    | 53.5                    | 2019        | Jim Crawley   | 38.0                  | 2/7/2022    | 71.0%       |
|                     |                  |               |                         |             | Carl Cucco    |                       | 1/18/2022   |             |
|                     |                  |               |                         |             | Mike Gilger   |                       | 2/8/2022    |             |
|                     |                  |               |                         |             | Gary Selzer   |                       | 1/20/2022   |             |
| X                   | Black Drum       | Mike White    | 51.5                    | 2019        |               |                       |             | 0.0%        |
| X                   | Cobia            | Rich Kale     | 56.0                    | 2021        | Mike White    | 41.0                  | 2/11/2022   | 73.2%       |
| X                   | Grouper          | Tom Hamilton  | 39.0                    | 2003        | Mike White    | 33.0                  | 2/27/2022   | 84.6%       |
| X                   | King Mackerel    | John MacLeman | 52.0                    | 2012        |               |                       |             | 0.0%        |
| X                   | Redfish          | Mike White    | 47.0                    | 2020        | Joseph Zurad  | 26.0                  | 2/3/2022    | 55.3%       |
| X                   | Seatrout         | Rich Brennan  | 29.0                    | 2009        | Allen Wade    | 22.0                  | 2/27/2022   | 75.9%       |
|                     |                  | Aaron Wagner  | 29.0                    | 2012        |               |                       |             |             |
| X                   | Sheepshead       | Vinnie Madsen | 24.0                    | 2016        | Mike White ** | 26.0                  | 2/3/2022    | 108.3%      |
| X                   | Snook            | Vinnie Madsen | 45.0                    | 2014        | Larry Kissner | 28.0                  | 2/15/2022   | 62.2%       |
|                     |                  | Tim Gibbons   |                         | 2021        |               |                       |             |             |
| X                   | Spanish Mackerel | Carl Leicher  | 30.0                    | 2012        | Mark Storm    | 24.0                  | 2/26/2022   | 80.0%       |

#### WOMEN'S DIVISION

| OVERALL CLUB RECORD | SPECIES NAME     | MEMBER NAME        | RECORD | DATE CAUGHT | MEMBER NAME        | 2022 LENGTH in INCHES | DATE CAUGHT | % OF RECORD |
|---------------------|------------------|--------------------|--------|-------------|--------------------|-----------------------|-------------|-------------|
|                     | Amberjack        | Darlene Madsen     | 40.0   | 2017        |                    |                       |             | 0.0%        |
|                     | Black Drum       | Christine Fontaine | 46.0   | 2019        |                    |                       |             | 0.0%        |
|                     | Cobia            | Joanne Landaker    | 50.0   | 2008        | Christine Fontaine | 38.0                  | 2/12/2022   | 76.0%       |
|                     |                  | Marilyn McGregor   | 50.0   | 2013        |                    |                       |             |             |
|                     | Grouper          | Dianne Bukowski    | 37.0   | 2018        | Christine Fontaine | 28.0                  | 2/27/2022   | 75.7%       |
|                     | King Mackerel    | Karen Lodge        | 38.0   | 2014        |                    |                       |             | 0.0%        |
|                     | Redfish          | Donnie Brennan     | 38.0   | 2008        | Donna Sullivan     | 32.0                  | 1/7/2022    | 84.2%       |
|                     |                  | Missy Becker       | 38.0   | 2008        |                    |                       |             |             |
|                     | Seatrout         | Joanne Landaker    | 26.5   | 2011        | Elaine Bretts      | 20.0                  | 2/28/2022   | 75.5%       |
|                     | Sheepshead       | Dianne Bukowski    | 22.5   | 2021        | Cathy Hunt         | 21.0                  | 1/7/2022    | 93.3%       |
|                     | Snook            | Missy Becker       | 42.0   | 2013        |                    |                       |             | 0.0%        |
|                     | Spanish Mackerel | Missy Becker       | 28.0   | 2007        | Donna Sullivan     | 19.0                  | 2/26/2022   | 67.9%       |
|                     |                  | Lynn Reeves        | 28.0   | 2019        |                    |                       |             |             |

#### Isles Trophy Race

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

| 2009             | 2010          | 2011            | 2012                | 2013           | 2014           | 2015        | 2016                | 2017           | 2018            | 2019        | 2020            | 2021                    |
|------------------|---------------|-----------------|---------------------|----------------|----------------|-------------|---------------------|----------------|-----------------|-------------|-----------------|-------------------------|
| Rich Brennan     | Kel Krotzer   | Greg Chestnut   | Jim Qurollo         | Steve Landaker | Vinnie Madsen  | Bob Mays    | Gary Reeves         | Rich Kale      | Joe Udvari      | Joe Udvari  | Mike White      | Rich Kale & Tim Gibbons |
| 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 | Diane Bukowski          |

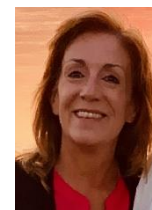
### MASTER ANGLER TOURNAMENT 2022 STANDINGS (FEBRUARY)

| AMBERJACK         | BLACK DRUM | COBIA                   | GROUPE              | KING MACKEREL | REDFISH             | SEATRUT           | SHEEPSHEAD      | SNOOK                | SPANISH MACKEREL    |
|-------------------|------------|-------------------------|---------------------|---------------|---------------------|-------------------|-----------------|----------------------|---------------------|
| Jim Crawley 38.0  |            | Mike White 41.0         | Mike White 33.0     |               | Donna Sullivan 32.0 | Allen Wade 22.0   | Mike White 26.0 | Larry Kissner 28.0   | Mark Storm 24.0     |
| Carl Cucco 38.0   |            |                         |                     |               |                     |                   |                 |                      |                     |
| Mike Gilger 38.0  |            |                         |                     |               |                     |                   |                 |                      |                     |
| Gary Selzer 38.0  |            |                         |                     |               |                     |                   |                 |                      |                     |
| Joe Udvari 36.5   |            | Carl Cucco 38.0         | John Gettinger 30.0 |               | Cathy Hunt 31.0     | Bobby Bretts 21.0 | Mike Knipe 22.0 | Ken Hardesty 27.0    | Donna Sullivan 19.0 |
|                   |            | Christine Fontaine 38.0 |                     |               |                     |                   |                 |                      | Greg Widney 19.0    |
|                   |            |                         |                     |               |                     |                   |                 |                      |                     |
|                   |            |                         |                     |               |                     |                   |                 |                      |                     |
| Mark Dillman 36.0 |            | Mark Dillman 37.0       | Jeff Barnhart 29.5  |               | Joseph Zurad 26.0   | Randy Douet 20.5  | Cathy Hunt 21.0 | John FitzGerald 21.0 | Fred Benson 18.0    |
|                   |            |                         |                     |               |                     | Mark Storm 20.5   |                 |                      | Elaine Bretts 18.0  |

# PUNTA GORDA ISLES FISHING CLUB

## SOCIAL EVENTS

Social Events Director:  
Christine White



Happy Season and Welcome back to our members that only join us for a few months. We hope that we get to see many of you at our various meetings, seminars, social events and out on the water catching some fish.

Bunco was a huge success for the ladies. Thanks to Liz McIntyre for opening up her home at the last minute and hosting. Her lovely home was decorated festively for Valentines Day, lots of wonderful appetizers and desserts were shared, and lots of laughs were had. We have another one planned for March, hosted by Ellen Wade. If anyone is willing to host, please let me know date/time/max number and we can get the event set up. Other games as well are welcome if you'd like to share your favorite with your fishing friends. It's a great way to meet new members!

Thanks to Rosanne Kruse for coordinating the efforts for our fundraising event at Visani Comedy Club on Wednesday, February 9<sup>th</sup>. Everyone had a great time with great food and drinks. The entertainment was fabulous! We are looking forward to doing it again.

Thanks to our landscaping crew for stepping up and taking care of the PGICA Welcome Sign near Fisherman's Village. They have added some nice plants as well. Donna Sullivan took the time to get us signs made up to recognize our taking care of the sign and we hope it will garner us more members.

As Randy mentioned, this season has brought more folks than we've seen in some time, and this has caused some issues with HH at VBH. At this time, they are also unable to accommodate us at Sunset Beach as they have no current plans to put tables down there. The Social Committee is meeting and will be sending out a survey shortly to elicit feedback from our members, so we make sure we are making the right choice for the majority of our members that enjoy HH.

### 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.

Ladies' Bunco: At Ellen Wade's home on Monday, March 7<sup>th</sup>

Alligator Bay Rum Distilleries private tour: March 18<sup>th</sup> @ 3 pm. Must sign up!

Farewell party to our Snowbirds (luau theme): Sunday, April 24<sup>th</sup>.

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We have set up a private tour of **Alligator Bay Rum Distilleries in Punta Gorda for March 18<sup>th</sup>, at 3pm**. They can accommodate up to 40 members so please sign up if you are interested. I've heard great things about the tour and the rum so hope you can join us. There is no cost for this event.

**April 24<sup>th</sup> will be our farewell party** to our Snowbirds that will be leaving us for the summer. We will be having a pig roast and also Jeff Hughes will be entertaining us, so bring your dancing shoes as he is known to get people up and dancing. Cost will be \$20 per person, and we will be asking for either a side dish or dessert, or assistance in getting things set up and cleaned up. As always, bring your drink of choice. Getting into the spirit of a Luau is highly encouraged and there may even be prizes for best costumes.

There has been some interest in renewing the Ladies Lunches. If you would be interested in attending and potentially helping coordinate, please reach out to me. Unfortunately, I am one of the unlucky one's that still has to work while living in Paradise, so I won't be able to coordinate these lunches at this time.

We have some good ideas already in the works for 2022 but we can always use more involvement as well. We are committed to ensuring we meet the needs of our members so please provide feedback on what events you would like to try. Please reach out to me with your invaluable input. My email is [chf0729@aol.com](mailto:chf0729@aol.com) and my phone below is 443-534-7890. If you'd like to get involved and help with the social committee, the more the merrier.

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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  
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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](mailto:ccpflaum@hotmail.com)

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[g2873477@hotmail.com](mailto:g2873477@hotmail.com)

Gretchen Sunderland (Harbor Only; Especially, Beginner Women)

[gretchensun2@gmail.com](mailto:gretchensun2@gmail.com)

Fred De Mella (Inshore/Offshore)

[fdemella@gmail.com](mailto: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](mailto:editor@pgifishingclub.org)*

### CLUB LINKS

Club Website:

<http://pgifishingclub.org>

Club Facebook:

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

Contest Rules:

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# PUNTA GORDA ISLES FISHING CLUB

## MEETING MINUTES

Location: PGICA Auditorium **FEBRUARY 8, 2022**

President: Randy Douet

Meeting start time: 7:03 pm

Fishing club took over responsibility for landscaping maintenance of the PGI Welcome Sign located on Marion Ave at Breakers Point Condo's – Jan Holm leading the group

Coastal Conservation Association (CCA) leader Mike Brimer (Ingman Marine) spoke about the upcoming banquet/auction March 24<sup>th</sup> at the PG Convention Center – tickets sold during the meeting with support of Bob Mayes. CCA has many accomplishments over the years at improving and conserving Charlotte Harbor fishery and the surrounding area; starting and continuing the build out of Phoenix reef, obtained a grass flats restoration of \$10,000 for Lemon Bay Reserve, oyster bed restoration for Turtle Bay, 3,000 snook tagged and released after red tide ~4 years ago and 12,500 redfish (not tagged)

Treasurer Report - \$13,790.72 in the bank

Social Committee – Coastal Expression very well attended, bunko/ladies game night a success, hold the date of April 24<sup>th</sup> for all member event, seeking a coordinator for ladies' lunch

New Member Out Reach Winners – Barry Fink and Butch Abelseth; hosted by Randy Douet and Bill Muir

Door Prizes – gift cards for Leroy's – 1<sup>st</sup> \$75 Mike Gilger, 2<sup>nd</sup> \$50 Cathy Hunt, 3<sup>rd</sup> \$25 Steve Argall

Guest Speaker – Reaper Rods – Owner Tim Johnson and Production Manager Austin Phelps spoke about Microwave guides and how it reduces wind knots, differences in rods for throwing lures vs live bait, lengths, and action of the rod. All Reaper Rods are made local in PG and they can make custom rods; Reaper Rods are also sold at Fishin Franks and Downtown Bait & Tackles; both of which are advertisers for the fishing club.

Name that Fish Winner – Bluefish – Mike Knipe - \$15 gift card

LOA: Club Hat - Mike Knipe, Bronze and Silver Pin – Carl Cucco, GMA – Fred Benson

FOM Winners – Sheepshead – Fishin Franks gift cards 1<sup>st</sup> \$35, 2<sup>nd</sup> \$25, 3<sup>rd</sup> \$15 – Women's – 1<sup>st</sup> Cathy Hunt 21", 2<sup>nd</sup> Gretchen Sunderland 19", 3<sup>rd</sup> Diana McKenna 15". Men's 1<sup>st</sup> Mike Knipe 22", 2<sup>nd</sup> Jack Hinnenthal 19.5", 3<sup>rd</sup> Dennis McKenna 18"

2021 MAT award presented to Christine White, 2<sup>nd</sup> place redfish 33" and Mike White 1<sup>st</sup> place Sheepshead 23.5"

Great Catch Fishing Tournament – Feb 14<sup>th</sup> – 19<sup>th</sup> – six species; Amberjack, Lane Snapper, Mangrove Snapper, Spanish Mackerel, Spotted Seatrout, and Sheepshead. Three categories; men's, women's, and new members joining as of Jan 1<sup>st</sup> 2021.

50/50 Winners - \$65 Mark Storm, \$45 Butch Abelseth, \$25 Jack Hinnenthal

Meeting adjourned: 8:13 pm

# PUNTA GORDA ISLES FISHING CLUB

## CLASSIFIED ADS



Items listed in this section are for sale from active members of the PGI Fishing Club Exclusively. Also, any upcoming events from our sponsors are listed for those interested.

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# PUNTA GORDA ISLES FISHING CLUB



## 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.

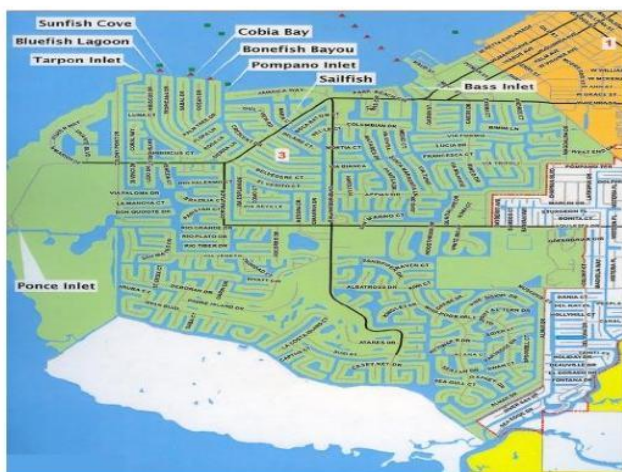


#### What do our members do?

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  
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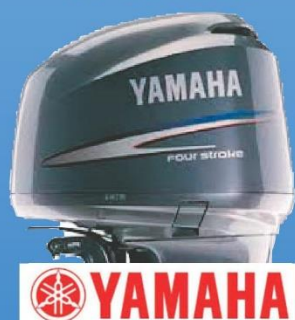
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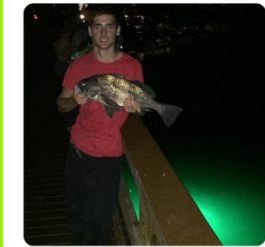
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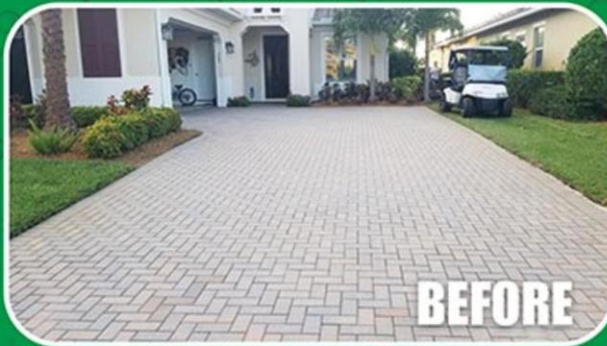
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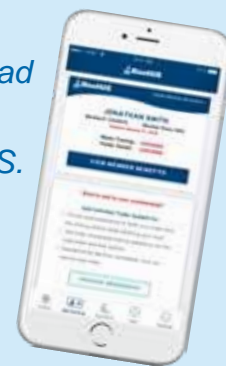
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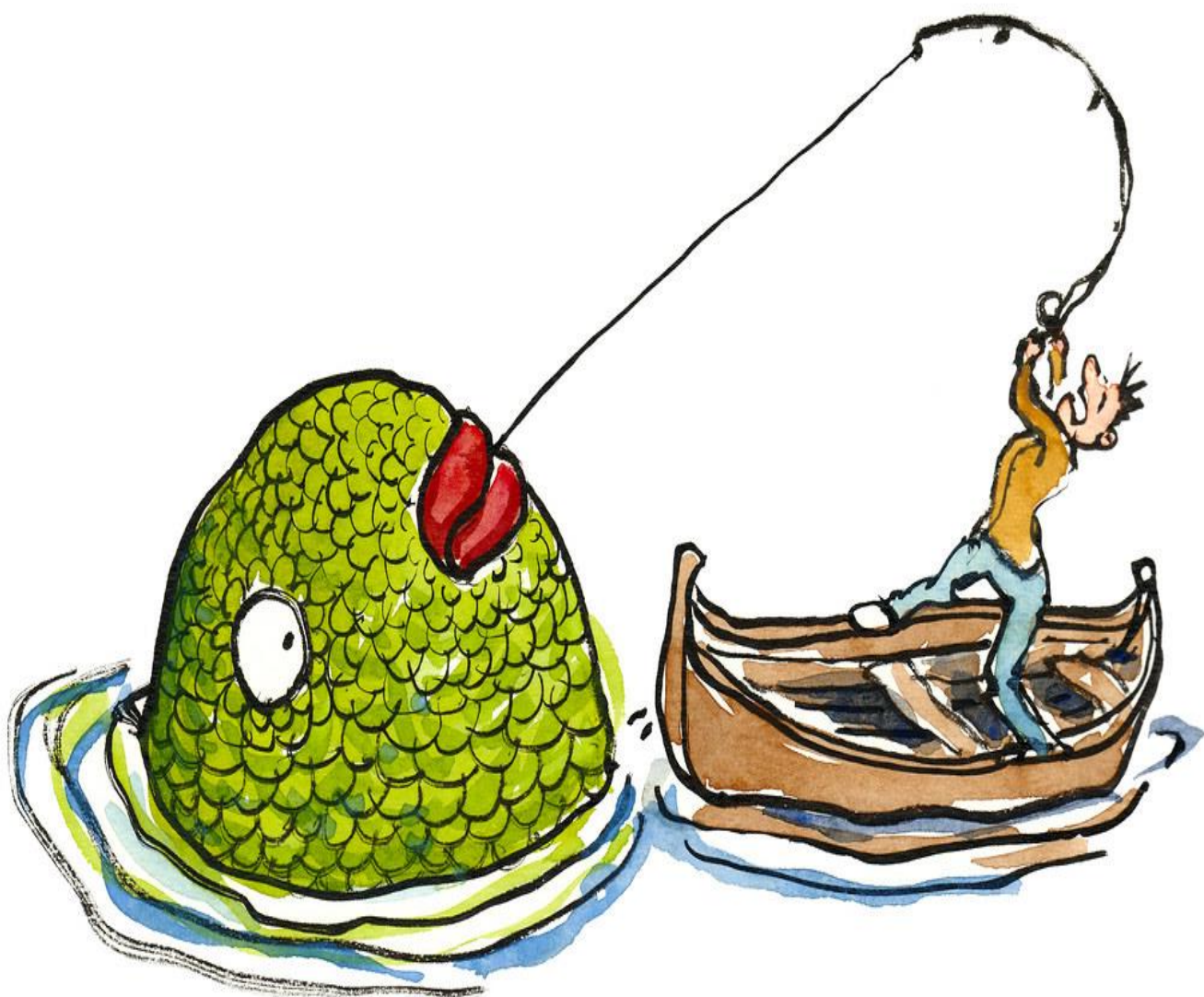


## PUNTA GORDA ISLES FISHING CLUB

# RECOMMENDED FISHING GUIDES

The following few guides are referred by our members – they are honest, reliable and will give you a great fishing experience! By using a guide, you can learn about some great fishing spots. Guides can also help you refine your technique and teach you the best bait/lures to use with various species of fish.

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Captain Steve Phillips – Southern Charm Charters



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***"From the time we stepped on the boat until the time we stepped back on the dock, Captain Steve and his mate Paul were great. Set expectations early and fulfilled them all. Would highly recommend!!" Tracy S.***

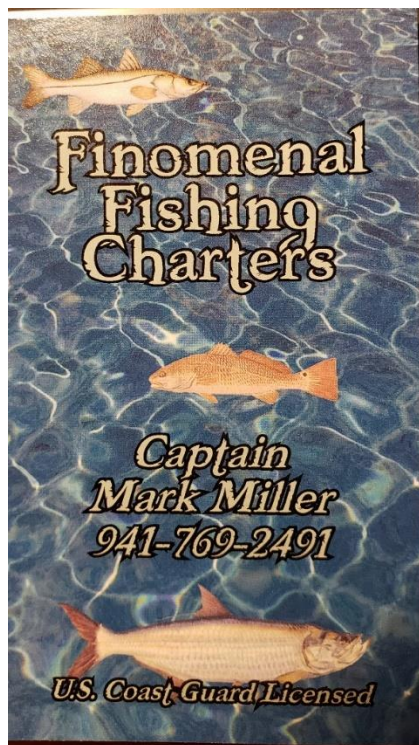
***"Best charter we have ever been on. They made sure our grandson caught the 1st fish. Very knowledgeable and great guys." Eric H.***

***"Captain Steve is very knowledgeable of places to fish and works hard to put fish in the boat had a great time caught Snook, Tarpon and Jacks" Rich P.***



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## Captain Mark Miller – Finomenal Fishing Charters



*About Your Captain* – Captain Mark Miller will do all in his ability to give you the saltwater fishing experience of a lifetime! Captain Mark has lived his entire life in Punta Gorda and has spent most of that time fishing every inch of the Charlotte Harbor area. He has competed in most of the local tournaments and many national tournaments, which has only expanded his experience and area knowledge.

**“I believe that there is no such thing as a bad day on the water, and I pride myself in giving a calm, relaxing, and fun day of fishing for all!”**

*About the Equipment* – Captain Mark’s boat is a Bay Skiff customized to meet all your fishing and comfort needs. All rods and reels are able to meet or exceed any angling situation.

*Types of Fish Encountered* – Snook, Redfish, Trout, Cobia, Tarpon, Snapper, Shark, Jack, Crevalle, Kingfish, Spanish, Mackerel, and Flounder. These fish are all encountered at various times of the year.





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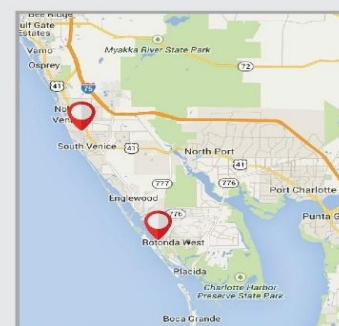


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### **NOTES:**

- \* 1) Must present PGIFC card at time of purchase

# PUNTA GORDA ISLES FISHING CLUB

## MEMBER CATCHES FOR FEBRUARY

### FEBRUARY 2022 CATCHIN & BRAGGIN



**CLOCKWISE FROM TOP LEFT:  
RON TOPPER 27" RED GROUPPER  
RON KRUSE 22.5" RED GROUPPER  
JOE ZURAD 26" REDFISH**

# **PUNTA GORDA ISLES FISHING CLUB**

## **MEMBER CATCHES FOR**

## **FEBRURARY**

### **FEBRUARY 2022 CATCHIN & BRAGGIN**



**FROM LEFT TO RIGHT:**

**RON KRUSE 24" PORGY – MIKE WHITE 26" SHEEPSHEAD – FRED DEMELLA 20" SHEEPSHEAD (MIKE & FRED CAUGHT A NUMBER OF SHEEPSHEAD IN SHORT ORDER – THESE 2 WERE THE LARGEST, CONGRATS TO ALL**



# **PUNTA GORDA ISLES FISHING CLUB**

## **MEMBER CATCHES FOR**

## **FEBRUARY**

### **FEBRUARY 2022 CATCHIN & BRAGGIN**



**JEFF  
BARNHART  
(LEFT)  
WITH  
HIS 25"  
RED  
GROUPE**



**JIM CRAWLEY ON RIGHT – CATCHING BAIT  
WITH LIGHT BRAID – 20# LEADER AND  
#1 HOOK LANDED/RELEASED THIS 38"  
AMBERJACK**

# **PUNTA GORDA ISLES FISHING CLUB**

## **MEMBER CATCHES FOR**

## **FEBRUARY**

### **FEBRUARY 2022 CATCHIN & BRAGGIN**



**CHARLIE MCINTYRE'S PINFISH**



**CENTER IS  
MIKE GILGER'S 38" AMBERJACK WHICH WAS DESCENDED & SAFETY RELEASED**



**CHRISTINE WHITE'S PINFISH**



# PUNTA GORDA ISLES FISHING CLUB

## MEMBER CATCHES FOR FEBRUARY

### FEBRUARY 2022 CATCHIN & BRAGGIN

TOP LEFT: DICK CONANT STING RAY  
BELOW: RON TOPPER 27" GROUPE



RIGHT IS MIRIAM TAYLOR  
30" BONNETHEAD AND  
BOTTOM LEFT IS  
MIKE WHITE 34' COBIA





# PUNTA GORDA ISLES FISHING CLUB

## MEMBER CATCHES FOR FEBRUARY

### FEBRUARY 2022 CATCHIN & BRAGGIN



**MIKE WHITE 41" COBIA**



**CENTER: CHRISTINE  
WHITE, 34" COBIA,  
ONE OF SEVERAL 34-38"**



**MIKE DOUGHERTY  
16.5" BLUEFISH**

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## MEMBER CATCHES FOR FEBRUARY

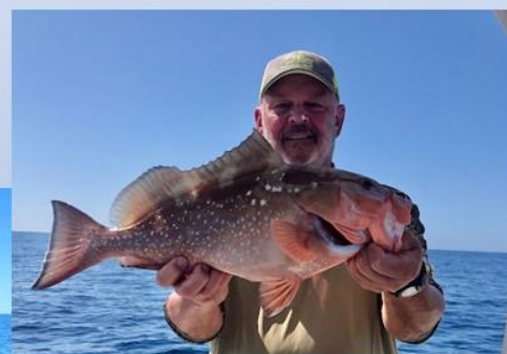
**FEBRUARY 2022 CATCHIN &  
BRAGGIN**

**NICE  
CATCHING**

**THE  
RED GROUPE  
PAGE**



**ABOVE – DENNIS  
KRAUSMAN 26  
CENTER – ED GIRZI 28**



**ABOVE IS  
AL WADE  
WITH HIS 23  
RED GROUPE**



# PUNTA GORDA ISLES FISHING CLUB

## MEMBER CATCHES FOR FEBRUARY

### FEBRUARY 2022 CATCHIN & BRAGGIN

**FUN  
TIMES**

**BELOW IS JACK  
HINNENTHAL  
21" SHEEPSHEAD**



**JEFF WILSON  
23" GROUPER**



**AL WADE  
16" SHEEPSHEAD**



**LARRY  
KISSNER  
28 SNOOK**





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## **MEMBER CATCHES FOR**

## **FEBRUARY**

### **FEBRUARY 2022 CATCHIN & BRAGGIN**



**GRETCHEN SUNDERLAND**  
**PINFISH**



**CENTER – NANCY PEARSON BONITA**



**DONNA SULLIVAN - BONITA**

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## MEMBER CATCHES FOR FEBRUARY

### FEBRUARY 2022 CATCHIN & BRAGGIN

JOE UDWARI (LEFT) 35.5" AMBERJACK



CONGRATS!

CHRISTINE WHITE  
BLUEFISH 18"



CATHY HUNT 29" RED SNAPPER

SOME NICE FISHING





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## MEMBER CATCHES FOR FEBRUARY

### FEBRUARY 2022 CATCHIN & BRAGGIN



RON TOPPER'S 25" ARS

LET'S  
GO  
FISHING

A FUN DAY OFFSHORE



RON TOPPER WITH HIS 42.5" AMBERJACK



# **PUNTA GORDA ISLES FISHING CLUB**

## **MEMBER CATCHES FOR**

## **FEBRUARY**

### **FEBRUARY 2022 CATCHIN & BRAGGIN**



**JUDE PANETTA**  
**60"+ TARPON**



**RICH BRENNAN'S**  
**SHARK - SIX FOOTER**

**TARPON - SHARK - GROUPE**

**FRED DEMELLA'S**  
**27 RED GROUPE**



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## MEMBER CATCHES FOR FEBRUARY

### FEBRUARY 2022 CATCHIN & BRAGGIN



**MARV DYRSTAD'S  
24" SPANISH  
GREAT CATCHIN**



**SONIA NELSON'S  
15.5" POMPANO**



**WAYN NELSON'S  
15" POMPANO**



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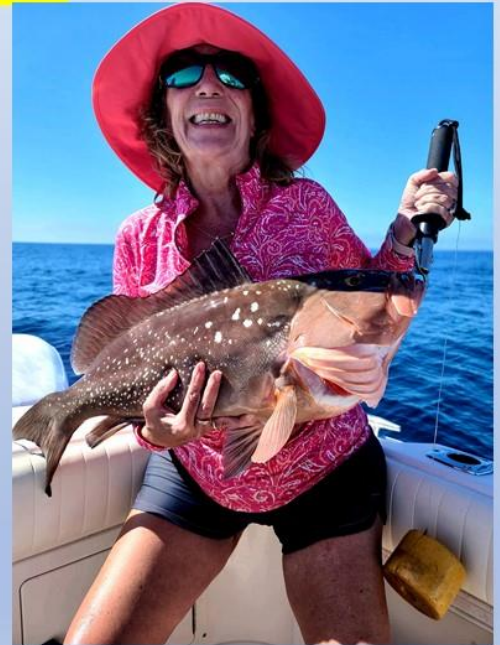
## MEMBER CATCHES FOR FEBRUARY

### FEBRUARY 2022 CATCHIN & BRAGGIN

**JEFF BARNHART**  
**29.5" GAG**  
**GROUPE**



**THERESA FITZGERALD'S**  
**BONNETHEAD SHARK**



**CHRISTINE WHITE - BIG SMILE & 28" RED GROUPE**



# PUNTA GORDA ISLES FISHING CLUB

## MEMBER CATCHES FOR FEBRUARY

### FEBRUARY 2022 CATCHIN & BRAGGIN

**BIG SMILES  
FUN CATCHIN**

**WAY TO GO  
ELAINE – AN  
18" SPANISH &  
A 20" SEATROUT**



**HERE'S BOB (ABOVE) WITH HIS 20" SEATROUT**

**THE BRETT'S BOBBY & ELAINE**

