# FROM THE HELM

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ISLES CIVIC ASSOCIATION

OCTOBER 2023

**Greetings from the President!!** 

Looks like we are getting some of our snowbirds back slowly. Glad to have you back.

The trout fishing has been on fire the last few weeks. Seems like all you have to do is find the sea grass and also have a sandy hole. The water depth of around 2-4 feet is ideal. I have thrown paddle tails of any color under a popping cork and even a tandem paddle tail and have had fish on every one or two casts. We had live shrimp, works good, but not so much on pin fish. After catching 30-40 trout between 2 of us we went to Turtle and Bull Bays and not a bite. Anyway, get out and get some!!

**Good Fishing** 

Ron Deroche. President



Next Meeting: Tuesday October 10, 2023, 6:00 p.m.

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# FISHING REPORT



The fishing in our area is a never-ending learning process for me. Once I catch on, figure out where they are, what they are eating, and the technique, they pick up and move and other fish come in. We are already seeing a major transition from summer to autumn fishing. Schools of redfish have been here for weeks, the black drum have thinned out, and schools of jack crevalle and mullets are here. Around the second cold front in October, the tarpon will head out and the resident tarpon will head up river.

Off-shore reports have been minimal; mainly due to the closure of red grouper. Looks like gag grouper will see an early closure as well; scheduled to close 3 weeks early on October 19th.

King Mackerel are migrating through our waters 1-10+ miles off-shore and hanging out near structure and hard bottom. Try trolling large spoons or deep diving lures at a speed of 4-6 mph. Don't troll directly over the structure; stay on the outside. These are toothy fish, so consider using a small amount of wire leader. A planer board will help keep the lures deeper.

There's still plenty of ladyfish around and can be found on east and west walls. Troll for them at about 4 mph. When you get a bite, stop, and cast for them while drifting.

Redfish are the best bet. The best bite has been south of us near burnt store, the passes, the beaches, and pine island sound. See Fish of the Month report for more information.

Some Pompano have been caught near Bokeelia sandbar and on the beaches.

Cathy Hunt - Vice President

# FISH of the MONTH

JANUARY: SHEEPSHEAD

FEBRUARY: GROUPER

MARCH: SPANISH MACKEREL

APRIL: SNOOK

MAY: COBIA

JUNE: JACK CREVALLE

JULY: SHARK

AUGUST: TARPON

SEPTEMBER: BLACK DRUM

OCTOBER: REDFISH

NOVEMBER: MANGROVE SNAPPER

DECEMBER: SPOTTED SEA TROUT























Fine Print: See "Fish of the Month Contest Rules" here: <a href="http://pgifishinqclub.org/wordpress/wp-content/uploads/2020/02/Fish-of-the-Month-Contest-Rules-Rev-7-021220.pdf">http://pgifishinqclub.org/wordpress/wp-content/uploads/2020/02/Fish-of-the-Month-Contest-Rules-Rev-7-021220.pdf</a>

### Fish of the Month For OCTOBER

### Location, Description, Tips, Tackle and Bait

### **REDFISH**



### **General:**

- Charlotte harbor regional slot 18" 27"; 1 per vessel, 2 per boat
- Points fish 25"=100, 30"=200, 35"= 300
- Have 1 or more black spots near the tail

### Locations:

- Bars/bushes by burnt store and east wall, pine island sound, turtle bay, bull bay, and Gasparilla sound
- Just off the beaches look for dark area in water, birds, and fish feeding
- Drifting near mangroves and over grass flats
- Often found with schools of mullet
- The Passes and nearby sounds

### Gear/Technique

- An 8 14 rod with a 3,000 spinning reel
- 15lb 20lb 4' leader
- If targeting "bull reds" consider beefing up the gear and leader; especially when fishing around structure
- The fish spook easily; keep quiet. Many folks drift or pole into the school
- Can be very picky eaters. White bait, crabs, shrimp, gold spoon, and soft plastics
- A soft plastic on a popping cork (spotted seatrout set up) and topwater lures are also good choices
- The bite is solid, when it takes the bait, you know it, set the hook, and have fun

### Cathy Hunt – Vice President

### SPECIAL OPPORTUNITY



### **2023 FISHING SEMINAR**

### LEARN HOW TO FISH IN OUR LOCAL WATERS FROM THE EXPERTS

The plans for the **October 22nd** fishing seminar are coming together and registration is now open. The seminar is going to cover many species of fish; in-shore, near-shore, and offshore. Details from some of our club experts will include how to target certain species, rigging, time of year, locations, and much more. We'll also cover "harbor and river basics" and information of how to use solunar tables to increase your catching.

The free seminar is open to all fishing club members. Club members can bring guests as long as they are eligible to join the PGICA; so bring your neighbors and friends. Space is limited. There will be a lot of great information shared and plenty of time for question and answers.

The seminar will be set up with tables and chairs to take notes (you will want to take notes!).

Coffee and lunch will be provided.

The Seminar will run from **9:00 am - 3:00 pm** or so. We might wrap up earlier, but you never know when a group of people get together and talk fishing...... It might run longer....

To register e-mail **fishclubcathuntisme@yahoo.com** with your name, e-mail address, and the name and e-mail address of any guests you plan to bring.

Cathy Hunt—VP

# FISHING EVENTS





## PGI Fishing Club 2023 Upcoming Fishing Tournaments

<u>FIVE FISH Tournament</u> (October 27 – 30, 2023) Winners for longest fish in each species for Women, Men, New Members. Five species: Redfish, Mangrove Snapper, Snook, \*Permit, Yellowtail Snapper.

<u>HOLIDAY Tournament- 3 FOR 30</u> (November 25 – 29, 2023) Catch three different species for total of at least 30". Six species: Mangrove Snapper, Spotted Seatrout, Redfish, \*Jack Crevalle, \*Shark, Grouper.

### **Tournament Particulars:**

- All events award three categories- Women, Men, New Members Men & Women (joined since 9/15/21)
- 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> places for each category (\$35, \$25, \$15 gift certs)
- Registration closes at 11:59 the night before the tournament.
- All fish pics must be submitted by 4:00PM the last day of tournament.
- Weigh-In: not a true weigh-in, do not bring dead fish. You in your fish photo is proof of your catch.
- Max of one award per member per event.
- PGIFC members only, no charter caught entries please, fish caught within 50 miles of Charlotte Harbor. Event dates subject to conditions.
- Fish of the Month entries count as tournament entries.

\*Fork Length- From FWC: "Fish regulated by fork length are measured from tip of the jaw or tip of snout with closed mouth to the center of the fork in tail."

Questions, Concerns, Comments – Contact Events Director, Chuck at chuckpearson431@gmail.com

### SEPTEMBER RESULTS

### Club & Individual Fishing Statistics



REPORTED CATCHES as of 10/1/2023 and FISH OF THE MONTH (FOM) RESULTS 30 total fish turned in (2600 points) by 15 different anglers

### **FOM (BLACK DRUM)**

Women Men

1st - Nancy Pearson - 39.0" 1st - Ken Kopka - 39.0"

2nd - Donna Sullivan - 38.5" 2nd - Glen Ranfos - 36.5"

3rd - NONE 3rd - Mike Trost - 36.0

### **Interesting Tidbits**

With the continuation of numerous out of town trips by our locals and most of our resident snowbirds not yet in place, the number of anglers out on the water continued to decline this month. Those anglers who targeted our Fish of the Month, (black drum), found some cooperating fish. The Black Drum have continued to show up in large traveling schools in our canals and those with side scanning sonar can find these scattered schools of jumbo bruisers who seem willing to hit both artificials and live bait equally well. 7 black drum in the mostly 100-point class size (32"-41") were reported. They are a lot of fun on light tackle but be sure to revive them in these hot water conditions before sending them back to their school. With the closing of the Red Grouper fishing from mid-July to the end of the year, not as many offshore members have been going out. Congratulations to Mike Gilger and Rick Sarkisian who both earned a GMA Star. Mike earned his 2nd star and Rick earned his 7thstar! Seatrout, sharks and a few tarpon rounded out our main catches of the month. Christine White landed a 20" sheepshead off her dock which is a good sign of things to come this fall and winter. Also of note, Rick Sarkisian also landed a 40.5" snook.

Club Hat **Bronze Pin Patti Kunard** None

Silver Pin Gold Pin

**Mark Cummins** None **Snook Pin** Redfish Pin

None **Nancy Pearson** 

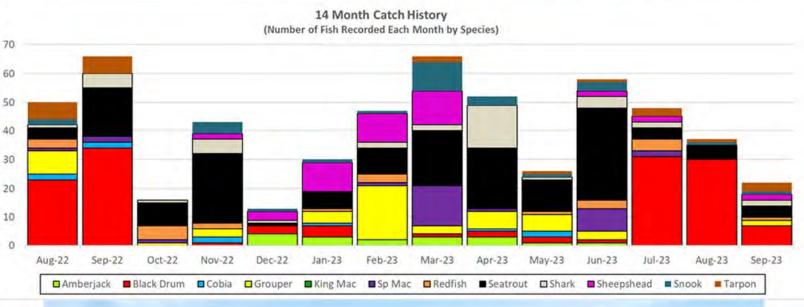
Tarpon Pin GMA None None

**GMA Star** 

ACHIEVEMENTS! Mike Gilger - #2, Rick Sarkisian - #7

# WHAT'S BITE'N





### Recorder's Data

### **Monthly Performance**

15	1
5	1
30	<b>4</b>
2,600	4
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# TROPHY RACE (Men)

OVERALL CLUB RECORD	SPECIES NAME	MEMBER NAME	RECORD LENGTH in INCHES			2023 LENGTH in INCHES	DATE CAUGHT	% OF RECORD
х	Amberjack	Joe Udwari	53.5	2019	Jeff Barnhart	Jeff Barnhart 40.0		74.8%
X	Black Drum	Mike White	51.5	2019	Paul Whiing	42.0	7/7/2023	81.6%
Х	Cobia	Rich Kale	66.0	2022	Mike Trost	35.0	4/6/2023	53.0%
х	Grouper	Tom Hamilton	39.0	2003	Gary Selzer	32.0	6/10/2023	82.1%
х	King Mackerel	John MacLeman	52.0	2012				0.0%
X	Redfish	Mike White	47.0	2020	Allen Wade	30.0	2/22/2023	63.8%
х	Seatrout	Rich Brennan Aaron Wagner	29.0 29.0	2009 2012	Bobby Bretts Mike White	26.0	7/17/2023 2/2/2023	89.7%
x	Sheeps- head	Mike White	26.0	2022	Mike White	24.5	2/2/2023	94.2%
x	Snook	Vinnie Madsen Tim Gibbons	45.0	2014 2021	Mike White	49.0	3/11/2023	108.9%
x	Spanish Mackerel	Carl Leicher	30.0	2012	Joe Bukow- ski Jim Gregory Greg Widney	23.0	6/24/2023 6/9/2023 6/14/2023	76.7%

# TROPHY RACE (Women)

OVER- ALL CLUB REC- ORD	SPECIES NAME	MEMBER NAME	REC- ORD LENGTH in INCH- ES	DATE CAUGHT	MEMBER NAME	2023 LENGTH in INCHES	DATE CAUGHT	% OF REC- ORD
	Amberjack	Darlene Madsen	40.0	2017	Joanne Widney	27.0	1/10/2023	67.5%
	Black Drum	Christine Fontaine White	52.0	2022	Jan Holm Donna Sul- livan	42.0	5/7/2023 8/1/2023	80.8%
	Cobia	Joanne Landaker Marilyn McGregor	50.0 50.0	2008 2013	Sonia Nel- son	48.0	1/10/2023	96.0%
	Grouper	Dianne Bukowski	37.0	2018	Cathy Hunt	31.5	4/2/2023	85.1%
	King Macke- rel	Nancy Pearson	40.0	2022				0.0%
	Redfish	Donnie Brennan Missy Becker	38.0 38.0	2008 2008	Diana McKenna	28.0	6/27/2023	73.7%
	Seatrout	Joanne Landaker	26.5	2011	Elaine Bretts	23.0	5/12/2023	86.8%
	Sheepshead	Dianne Bukowski	22.5	2021	Cathy Hunt	21.0	3/4/2023	93.3%
	Snook	Missy Becker	42.0	2013	Donna Sul- livan	37.0	3/21/2023	88.1%
	Spanish Mackerel	Missy Becker	28.0	2007	Gretchen Sunderland	22.5	3/20/2023	80.4%
	·	Lynn Reeves	28.0	2019				

This Year's LEADERS are in BLUE

★★ Denotes New Club Record New Entries This Month are in RED

### PAST WINNERS OF ISLES TROPHY RACE

2009	Rich Brennan, Christine Jordan	2016	Gary Reeves, Rose Ann McCaffrey
2010	Kel Krotzer, Margie Hofman	2017	Rich Kle, Darlene Madsen
2011	Greg Chestnut, Joanne Landacre	2018	Joe Udwari, Dianne Bukowski
2012	Jim Quorollo, Rose Ann McCaffrey	2019	Joe Udwari, Lynn Reeves
2013	Steve Landacre, Missy Becker	2020	Mike White, Dianne Bukowski
2014	Vinnie Madsen, Margie Hofman	2021	Rich Kale / Tim Gibbons, Dianne Bukowski
2015	Bob Mays, Karen Lodge	2022	Rich Kale, Christine White

### SEPTEMBER RESULTS—LADDER OF ACHIEVEMENT

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BRONZE	SILVER	GOLD	SNOOK	REDFISH	III TARPON	GMA	TOTAL STARS
Sherry Barrett	Jeff Bellairs	Gary Adams	Paula Arnold	Doug Arnold	Frank Barrett	Jeff Barnhart	**
Trudi Baxter	Joanna Boeckl	Jack Botbyl	Mary Heins	Mike Dougherty	Rick Brown	Ron Baxter	•
Tori Brown	Marc Boeckl	Mark Cummins	Chuck Henry	Doug Du Fresne	Dick Conant	Fred Benson	•
Bob Critchfield	Todd Brooks	Ken Garden	Tom Hunt	Theresa FitzGerald	Dave Dyke	Larry Benz	*
Colleen De Mella	Anne Careau	Dale Hall	Larry Kissner	Jenny Goodell	Marv Dyrstad	Rich Brennan	****** **
Tom desEnfants	Carl Cucco	Bill Hess	Michael Knipe	Bill Guenther	Ed Girzi	Donnie Brennan	*
Sharon Dyke	Don Cummins	Karen Lodge	Jim LaRocca	Ken Hardesty	Bob Mays	Bob Bretts	*****
Mike Endres	Yvette Du Fresne	Sonia Nelson	Marie LaRocca	Jack Howarth	Diana McKenna	Elaine Bretts	*****
Richard Farmer	Kathy desEnfants	Cheryl Panetta	Tom Lodge	Julie Kale	Bill Muir	Dianne Bukowski	*
Steve Fritz	Tony Destefano	Gary Selzer	Sherry Moerke	Jonathan Landon	Lynn Reeves	Joe Bukowski	**
Chris Gibbons	Tamara Dillman	Steve Trego	William Neff	Mark Lee	Jack Spies	Jim Crawley	*
Frank Grazier	Joanell Dyrstad	Sheree Wolfin- ger	John Simonieg	Marty McCaffrey	Mark Storm	Fred De Mella	***
Renee Gibbons	Richard Embury		Ed Verminski	Rose Anne McCaf- frey	Gretchen Sunder- land	Mark Dillman	
Bob Giffin	Gary Frost		Ted Wierzbanowski	Dennis McKenna	Karen Udwari	Dick Doster	
Sheryl Hatch	Tim Gibbons			Gary Moerke	Allen Wade	Randy Douet	***
David Hatch	Art Goodell	]		Nancy Pearson	Rich Willingmyre	John Fitzgerald	
Tom Hay	Jim Gregory					Christine Fon- taine	*
Scott Hutchins	Randy Hall			John Saitta		Bob Gariepy	**
Jack Jonaitis	Roz Hickey		RED = Awards This Month	Paul Whiting		John Gettinger	***
Dennis Jones	Jack Hinnenthal	Wertur		Joseph Zurad		Mike Gilger	**
Fran Krausman	Larry Hofmeister				•	Tom Hickey	*
Buddy Krauss	Dave Joe					Jim Hoffman	*
Patti Kunard	Lisa Kellythorne		Club Hats			Margie Hoffman	
Richard Larson	Mike Knipe					Jan Holm	
Bob Mueller	Ron Kruse					Cathy Hunt	***
Patricia Nalipi	Denys LaChance					Bud Johnston	
Ann Northen	Kevin LaPointe					Cindi Johnston	
Chuck Pearson	John McFarland					Rich Kale	****
Bruce Peterson	Mike Nalipi					Dennis Krausman	****
Chris Pflaum	Wayn Nelson					Kel Krotzer	***
Chris Pollinger	Randy Page					Carl Leicher	
Glenn Ranfos	Kim Pflaum					Joe Maillet	<u> </u>
Doug Salminen	Paul Robinson	]				Pete McGregor	**
Mark Schruer	Hezzie Samons	]				Jude Panetta	***
Alan Schulman	Mike Sandling					Tom Parsons	**
Jess Searle	Deb Sarkisian					Gary Reeves	
Miriam Taylor	Tom Schmitt	]				Rick Sarkisian	*****
Patti Topper	Gary Skillicorn					John Stockinger	
Mike Trost	Lynne Stockinger						**
Roxie Trost	Don Taylor					Ron Topper	*****
Joanne Widney	Mike Trost					Joe Udwari	*
	Mike Wagner	-				Aaron Wagner	
	Stella Wagner	-				Mike White	****
	Greg Widney	-				Jeff Wilson	*
	Sandy Wierzbanowski		12			John Wolfinger	
	Tom Youngblood	1				(BOLD star = see	

Lenny Zimka

# SEPTEMBER RESULTS

### **MASTER ANGLERS TOURNAMENT, 2023**

	AMBER	JACK	BLACK [	RUM	СОВ	IA	GROUPE	R	REDFI	SH	SEATRO	DUT	SHEEPSH	IEAD	SNOO	ĸ	SPANISH MA REL	CKE-
1st Place	Jeff Barn- hart	40.0	Jan Holm	42.0	Sonia Nelson	48.0	Gary Selzer	32.0	Allen Wade	30.0	Bobby Bretts	26.0	Mike White	24.5	Mike White	49.0	Joe Bukow- ski	23.0
			Donna Sullivan	42.0							Mike White	26.0					Jim Gregory	23.0
			Paul Whiting	42.0													Greg Widney	23.0
2nd Place	Joe Udwari	38.0	Cathy Hunt	41.0	Mike Trost	35.0	Cathy Hunt	31.5	Dennis McKenna	29.0	Jim Crawley	25.0	Fred De Mella	21.0	Rick Sarkisian	40.5	Gretchen Sunderland	22.5
							-				Ron Kruse	25.0	Cathy Hunt	21.0				
											Joe Zuad	25.0	Allen Wade	21.0				
									Diana McKenna	28.0								
3rd Place	Chip Peter- son	34.5	Jeff Wil-	40.0	Jan Holm	31.0	Andy Ath- ens	29.0			Elaine Bretts	23.0	Mark Dill- man	20.0	Tom Schmitt	37.0	Bill Muir	22.0
							Bob Gairepy	29.0					Dennis McKenna	20.0	Donna Sullivan	37.0	Nancy Pear- son	22.0
							Joe Udwari	29.0					Donna Sullivan	20.0				
													Christine White	20.0				

New this month are shown in Red

# SEPTEMBER MEETING MINUTES

President: Ronald Deroche Location/Time: PGICA auditorium, 9/12/23, 6:00 p.m.

Attendees: 38 Notes By Nancy Pearson

Treasurer: \$13,787.64 in the bank

Membership: 175 households and 345 members

50/50 Winners: 1st Rick Sarkisian, 2nd Randy Duet, 3rd Mike Gilger

Fishing Events: FOM August Winners - Tarpon

Men: Jude Panetta—\$35

Ladder of Achievement: GMA Star—Donna Sullivan

Guest Speaker: Eric Weather—Florida Fish & Wildlife Commission

- FWC wants fishermen/boaters to report sawfish that are seen; please report to 844-4sawfish
- Every March September for the next 5 years FWC is giving \$50 for each legal-size cobia carcass.. Call 727-220-7108
- The FWC Law Enforcement Division acts in a First responder capacity for marine debris cleanup and derelict vessel removal: please go to lanDebrisCleanup.com if you have anything to report

Meeting Adjourned 7:00 pm

# SOCIAL EVENTS



Happy October! I can't believe that we already into the last quarter of the year. Rainy season is upon us but do hope that folks are getting out there and catching some fish when they can!

We have formally moved *our general meeting to start at 6pm*, with Happy Hour from 7-8pm. Beer, wine, soda, and snacks will be served. Please join us for an informative meeting and come share some fishing stories over cocktails. We've even seen a movement from cookies to some nice appetizers and that is very welcome by the club. <u>Feel free to bring an appetizer, or dessert to share-</u> it is greatly appreciated. We have had some HH's with lots of members staying behind to socialize and meet new folks!

As you know, we have moved our *Happy Hour to the Elks club every Wednesday at 5pm*-luckily, we've been able to get some shade and really nice breezes by the river so not a bad place to be when you are hot. You do not have to be a member to attend, and Elk members will wear their Elks nametags as well so they can help aid in getting drinks. We hope to see many of you there in the future.

We have planned an *after-happy hour dinner for October 4th, at Riviera Bar and Grill, at 6:30.* We have been limited to 30 due to their limitations but we'll plan another one in November so be on the lookout.

Ellen Wade has graciously agreed to host again for *Bunco on October 16<sup>th</sup>*, *at 6pm*- maximum registrations is 16. No experience necessary. Please sign up on the PGIC website- reservation required.

**Looking for a hostess for our Ladies Christmas ornament exchange**, hopefully first week in December. If anyone is interested in hosting, please let me know. If not, we can look at doing it at PGICA, but then will need help setting up and cleaning up there as well.

**Registration is now open for our December 19**<sup>th</sup> **Annual Christmas party**. We are more than ½ way filled so do not hesitate to sign up to ensure that you can secure your seat. We had to turn folks away last year and I do not want to have to do that. We will again have a toy drive for Toys for Tots so as you are out shopping, you can start looking for some deals.

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# SOCIAL EVENTS



Looking to plan for a Fall event. Please contact me at chf0729@aol.com on the following items if you have:

- Might do a food truck at PGICA. I've gotten one recommendation and will look for a date that we might be able to secure them.
- Please contact me if you have a cornhole set or know one where we can borrow one. I
  have one identified so far but would love to find another if possible so we could have a
  good tournament with prizes!

As many of you know, I will not be continuing as Social Director next year. With work commitments and other association responsibilities, I won't have the time to devote to it the way I would like, and the club deserves. With many helping hands, it is not that hard of a role, and has many rewards when you see members having fun and meeting new folks. I'll will certainly assist anyone as much as I possibly can as well. If you have any questions on what the responsibilities are, please give me a call at 443-534-7890.

Christine White—Social Director



# SUNSHINE LADY

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We care! If you become aware of someone in the club that needs a card for any reason, please let me know. I can also provide a meal for or visit someone who is in need. Please call or email me

Paula Arnold

724-504-5347

1207swanct@gmail.com

# CLUB LEADERSHIP



### **OFFICERS:**

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WEBMASTER	Richard Embury	website@pgifishingclub.org			

# MEMBERSHIP REPORT



Membership for September is on the upswing with **345** members. The snow birds are returning and signed up 2 new members at the monthly meeting.

### **New members for September:**

**Jack and Holly Campbell** residing in PGI with home on Bal Harbor Blvd. Please welcome them to the Club.

### Name Tags

Good news, we are now able to provide Name Tags for those who wish to purchase them. These are great, especially for our new members, and all of us who cannot remember names. For your reference, to see what it looks like, below is a copy of my official Fishing Club name tag. If you have a prior version, or even a name tag from another club, those are fine, please wear these at club functions to help us all get acquainted.



These official name tags are available from Gulfcoast Engraving & Awards, 2395 Tamiami Trail, Unit 207, Port Charlotte, FL 33952, 941.743.7744

### sales@gulfcoastengraving.com

Cost is \$10.50 each, you can call them to place an order and they do take credit cards. You can pick them up at the above address, or have them mailed to you for \$4.50.

# MEMBERS HELPING MEMBERS



Its fun to succeed! One of the great things about our club are the members we have who are willing to take new members out for a day of fishing to help them learn our waters. Below is a list of members that are willing to host you for a fishing trip in our local waters:

- Gary Burgess (Harbor Only), g2873477@hotmail.com
- Gretchen Sunderland (Harbor Only, especially for beginner women), gretchensun2@gmail.com
- Fred De Mella (Inshore or Offshore) fdemella@gmail.com



Contact them through email to arrange a trip.

Members, if you want to take another member out on your boat, please send your contact information to: editor@pgifishingclub.org

# CLUB LINKS

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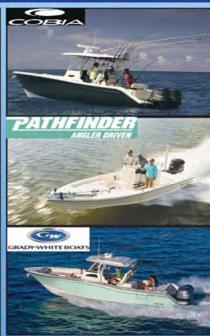


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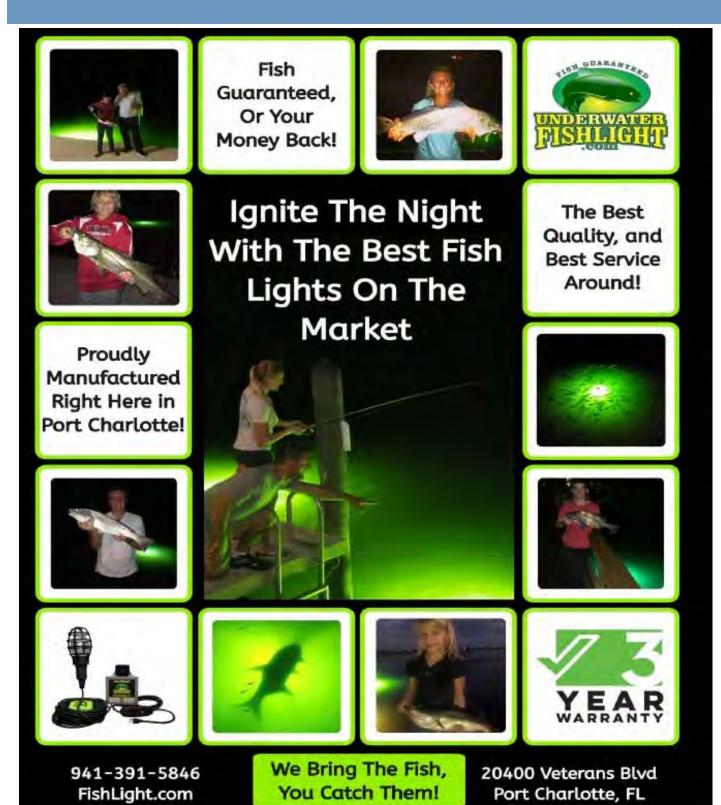


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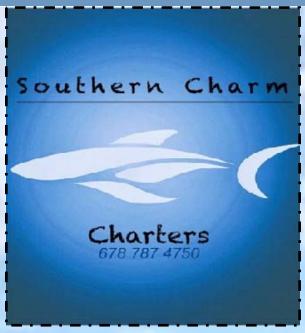
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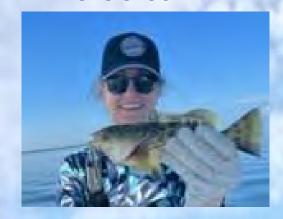
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