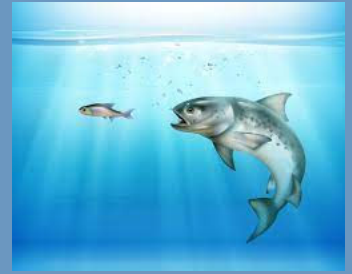


# FROM THE HELM

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(PGICA)

NOVEMBER 2024



## From the Interim President's Desk

Dear Members,

Welcome back to all our friends returning from the north! We are thrilled to have you back in our sunny and warmer weather for the winter season. It's always a joy to see familiar faces and share our love for fishing together.

Our hearts go out to those who were devastated by the flooding from hurricanes Helene and Milton this fall. The impact has been profound, and our thoughts are with everyone affected. Please reach out if there's anything the club can do to support you during this challenging time.

We are also concerned about the return of red tide this fall, with fish kills already reported offshore and nearshore at Boca Grande Pass. This is a serious issue for our fishing community, and we will keep you updated on any developments and necessary precautions.

Unfortunately, the Elk's Club, where we held our socials, was destroyed. However, we have secured a new temporary meeting place at the Ice House. We will be meeting on the outdoor patio, which will be dedicated to our fishing club social from 5-7 PM every Wednesday.

With the end of the year coming, please note that your **annual dues** expire December 31, 2024. To renew your dues, please send a check for \$30 to the PGICA made out to the PGICA Fishing Club. Or you can bring cash or a check to our next meeting in November.

There will be no meeting in December, but the Membership Chair will send out a reminder before the end of the year. Don't miss all the fun by failing to renew, just send a check now, and get that behind you.

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**Next Meeting is: Tuesday November 12 @ 6 pm at PGICA**

# FROM THE HELM

NOVEMBER 2024



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The slate for the Board of Directors of next year is nearly complete. These include the following.

President	OPEN
Vice President	Glenn Ranfos
Secretary	OPEN
Treasurer	Lisa Ross
Membership	Tim Locke
Advertising	Fred De Mella
Fishing Events	Greg Widney
Social	Jennifer Huey
Records Keeper	Paul Whiting
Editor	Jim Kunard
Website	Richard Embury
CCA	Bob Mayes

During our November meeting, the membership will be voting to approve this Board and seek nominations for the floor to fill open positions.

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# FISHING REPORT For OCTOBER

## By Richy Kale

It was oct 11th 2024 10am as I slipped the Skeeter off the trailer at Laishley's Marine marine. The smell of fuel oil and old river bottom soon fill my nostrils, With the river bottom in the middle of my downtown I knew Milton was not kind to Punta Gorda. The slow ride from Laishley's to my dock brought me down past Gilcrest Park and Fishville. It was ugly to say the least; 40/60 foot boats thrown around like toys. Dreams of hard working people were laying on the bottom and on top of each other. My heart sank bellow my toes. I thought to myself out loud, 'fish will be fish and survive but lives have been ruined'.

So, like the creatures of habit that we are., we will put on our boots tape the laces with duck tape, (so we don't trip) put on our hand shoes and clean up this mess. We will help our neighbors make new friends. Remember, in the words of my dad 'there is no bad weather just some is tougher than others'. So to the fishing we go. It was 10 am Friday Oct 11th , and time to go looking for fish.

As I idled out of Ponce Inlet I saw schools of lady fish busting on bait rat in fort of me. That was all I needed to see. If the bait survived so did everything else (for they are the most fragile) . Since Oct 11th till now the inshore fishing has been off-the-charts, with snook reds, trout and juvies being caught with much regularity, the inshore slam has been done many times. Just ask my guest Mike White who joined me on an inshore trip that did not disappoint. As I idled up to one of my slot snook spots , and after a few casts with a 3/4 ounce silver and blue rattle trap on a 12/25 VPR Star Rod , the fish box was opened, pictures were taken and dinner invites went out (remember it's fun to share!). On that day Jacks, Snook, Snappers, Tout and Reds all fell victim to my jig. Remember that just because the water is ugly doesn't mean the fish won't bite. You eat when it's foggy out, LOL! .

And now for Tarpon. As of this writing the Tarpon are still in the harbor. Saturday the 26th we found them on the east wall down by Burnt Store. We did manage to fly some Silver off the pad that morn but they are still moving fast.

With the water temp dropping into the mid 70s, my buddies the Cobia should start to arrive, I bet they are here already (but the wind has kept me off my reefs), and with them come the rays for they eat very similar feed. Keep casting the rivers for soon the comfort zone for the fish will be in the deep runs of the river.



# FISHING REPORT For OCTOBER

(Continued)

As of this writing I have no offshore report because of Hurricane Milton.

I have heard of great Shark fishing by the Cape Haze reef. So remember, pull left when they pull right!

So now I must bid you so long till next month, for it is time for my evening walk and dreams of my next yellow (and that dream will come true very quickly) .

So, Tight Lines!

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

# Fish of the Month For NOVEMBER

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

### **MANGROVE (GRAY) SNAPPER**



#### **Identification:**

- Dark brown or gray in color, with red-orange spots in bars along the sides
- Two large canine teeth near front of upper jaw
- Anchor-shaped vomerine tooth patch
- Dorsal fins with dark or reddish borders
- Young have dark stripe from snout, through eye, to upper edge of gill cover

#### **Locations/Behavior:**

- Found near structure such as reefs, mangroves, docks, and seagrass.
- Bigger snapper found on off-shore/near-shore reefs and hard bottom
- Eat a variety of bait: shrimp, soft plastics, trolling lures, fish bites, white bait, etc. Larger mangrove snapper off-shore/near-shore take live bait, squid, shrimp (love cigar minnows).
- The bite is hard and fast. They are aggressive eaters and swimmers.
- Spawn June – August

#### **Technique**

- Set the hook quick; otherwise, your bait will be stolen
- Cast at docks/pilings during medium and high tides. Be ready for them to bite the bait is falling.
- During lower tides they often are a few feet from the dock or pilings.

#### **Gear/rigging:**

- In-shore - light gear, smaller hook or jighead. 10-15 lb braid and 10 – 15 lb leader.
- Off-shore/Near-shore – “grouper set up” or other heavier gear.

*Copied from last year 's submission by Cathy Hunt*



# OCTOBER RESULTS

## Club & Individual Fishing Statistics



### REPORTED CATCHES as of 10/31/2024 and FISH OF THE MONTH (FOM) RESULTS

7 total fish turned in (600 points) by 4 different anglers

#### FOM (REDFISH)

##### Women

**1st - Donna Sullivan, 21"**

**2nd - None**

##### Men

**1st - None**

**2nd - None**

#### Interesting Tidbits

Helene & Milton – need I say more? Our necessary focus was not on fishing but surviving and recovering from the devastation of these two hurricanes. Many of our members suffered flooding damage and dock damage from the storm surge. Our beloved Happy Hour location at the Elks Club was hit hard, but thanks to many volunteers, they are beginning to rebound, and the new tiki hut is taking shape. Our friends and neighbors downtown on the waterfront took a massive blow from storm surge with large vessels washing over the seawall into Gilchrist Park and beyond. Fisherman's Village and the downtown restaurants and shops also took a nasty hit along with Laishley Marina, but Fisherman's Village is prepared to reopen today and some of the restaurants are already back in business. We had just a few fish reported prior to the storms and at the end of the month – tarpon, sea-trout, and one redfish, but only 7 fish because most had to put fishing on the back burner to deal with the storms and their aftermath.

##### Club Hat

None

##### Silver Pin

None

##### Snook Pin

None

##### Tarpon Pin

None

##### GMA Star

None

##### Bronze Pin

None

##### Gold Pin

None

##### Redfish Pin

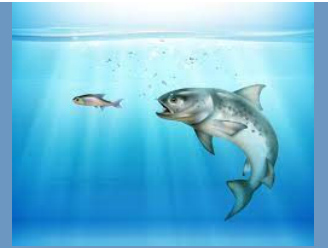
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##### GMA

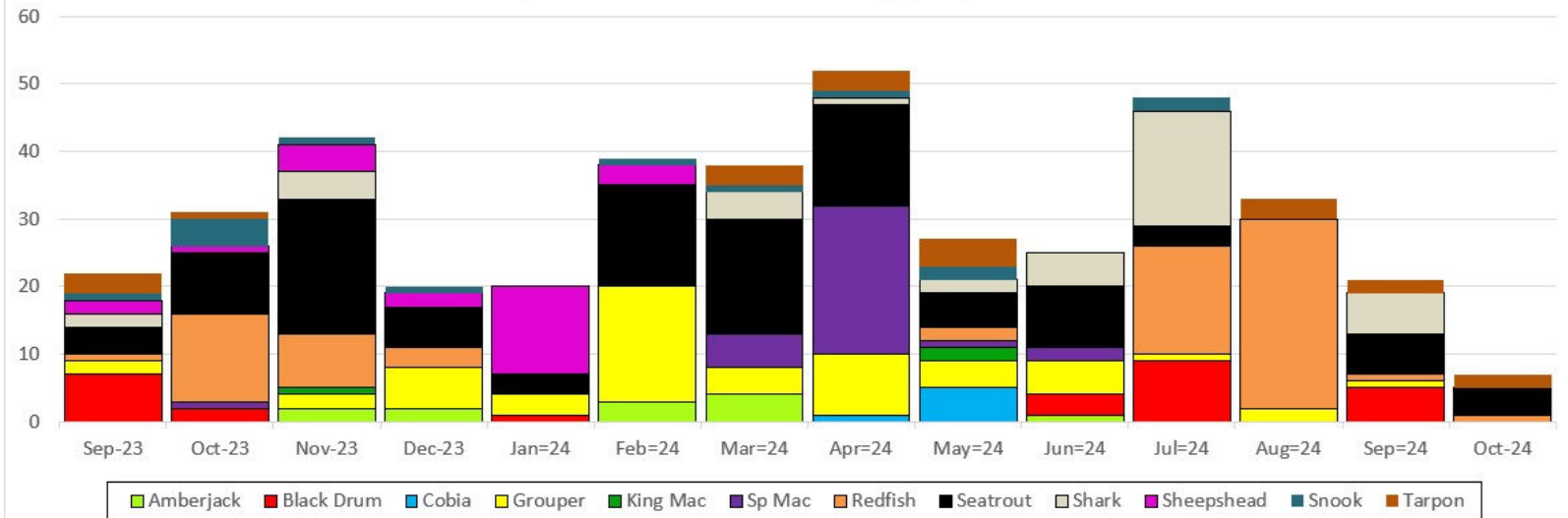
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**ACHIEVEMENTS!**

# WHAT'S BITE'N



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



## Recorder's Data

### Monthly Performance

	August	September	October	
Anglers	8	16	4	↓
LOA Awards	0	3	0	↓
Fish Recorded	11	25	7	↓
Points Recorded	500	2,800	600	↓

# TROPHY RACE (Men)

OVERALL CLUB RECORD	SPECIES NAME	MEMBER NAME	RECORD LENGTH in INCHES	DATE CAUGHT	MEMBER NAME	2024 LENGTH in INCHES	DATE CAUGHT	% OF RECORD
X	Amber Jack	Joe Udvari	53.5	2019	Tim Locke Bill Muir Fred De Mella	37.0	3/3/24 2/15/24 3/3/24	69.2%
X	Black Drum	Mike White	51.5	2019	Jeff Barnhart	39.5	9/12/24	66.0%
X	Cobia	Rich Kale	66.0	2022	John FitzGerald	38.0	5/1/24	57.6%
X	Grouper	Tom Hamilton	39.0	2003	Rick Brown	34.0	3/17/24	87.2%
X	King Mackerel	John MacLeman	52.0	2012	Mike White **	59.0	5/25/24	113.5%
X	Redfish	Mike White	47.0	2020	Rich Brennan	29.0	7/5/24	61.7%
X	Seatrout	Rich Brennan Aaron Wagner	29.0 29.0	2009 2012	Mike White	24.5	2/28/24	84.5%
X	Sheepshead	Mike White	26.0	2022	Mike White	24.0	2/26/24	92.3%
X	Snook	Mike White	49.0	2023	Carl Cucco	39.5	5/25/24	80.6%
X	Spanish Mackerel	Carl Leicher	30.0	2012	Joe Esposito	25.0	4/14/24	83.3%

**This Year's LEADERS are in BLUE**

**★★ Denotes New Club Record**

**New Entries This Month are in RED**



# TROPHY RACE (Women)

OVERALL CLUB REC-ORD	SPECIES NAME	MEMBER NAME	RECORD LENGTH in INCHES	DATE CAUGHT	MEMBER NAME	2024 LENGTH in INCHES	DATE CAUGHT	% OF REC-ORD
	Amberjack	Darlene Madsen	40.0	2017	Roxie Trost	35.0	3/5/24	87.5%
	Black Drum	Christine Fontaine White	52.0	2022	Cathy Hunt Donna Sullivan	42.0	6/17/24 6/4/24	80.8%
	Cobia	Joanne Landaker Marilyn McGregor	50.0 50.0	2008 2013	Diana McKenna	26.0	5/3/24	52.0%
	Grouper	Dianne Bukowski	37.0	2018	Cathy Hunt	33.5	6/7/2024	90.5%
	King Mackerel	Nancy Pearson	40.0	2022				0.0%
	Redfish	Donnie Brennan Missy Becker	38.0 38.0	2008 2008	Elaine Bretts Donna Sullivan	21.0	9/13/24 10/26/24	55.3%
	Seatrout	Joanne Landaker	26.5	2011	Donna Sullivan	22.0	5/19/24	83.0%
	Sheeps-head	Dianne Bukowski	22.5	2021	Cathy Hunt	19.5	4/6/24	86.7%
	Snook	Missy Becker	42.0	2013	Donna Sullivan	26.5	4/4/24	63.1%
	Spanish Mackerel	Missy Becker Lynn Reeves	28.0 28.0	2007 2019	Theresa Fitzgerald	24.0	4/19/24	85.7%

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## PAST WINNERS OF ISLES TROPHY RACE

2009	Rich Brennan, Christine Jordan	2017	Rich Kale, Darlene Madsen
2010	Kel Krotzer, Margie Hofman	2018	Joe Udvari, Dianne Bukowski
2011	Greg Chestnut, Joanne Landacre	2019	Joe Udvari, Lynn Reeves
2012	Jim Quorollo, Rose Ann McCaffrey	2020	Mike White, Dianne Bukowski
2013	Steve Landacre, Missy Becker	2021	Rich Kale / Tim Gibbons, Dianne Bukowski
2014	Vinnie Madsen, Margie Hofman	2022	Rich Kale, Christine White
2015	Bob Mays, Karen Lodge	2023	Mike White, Wanda Zimka
2016	Gary Reeves, Rose Ann McCaffrey	2024	

# OCTOBER RESULTS—LADDER OF ACHIEVEMENT

BRONZE	SILVER	GOLD	LIFETIME LEVEL I SNOOK	LIFETIME LEV- EL II REDFISH	LIFETIME LEV- EL III TARPON	GRAND MASTER ANGLER	
						GMA	TOTAL STARS
Andy Athens	Jeff Bellairs	Gary Adams	Paula Arnold	Doug Arnold	Frank Barrett	Jeff Barnhart	★★★★
Sherry Barrett	Joanna Boeckl	Jack Botbyl	Carl Cucco	Mark Cummins	Rick Brown	Ron Baxter	
Trudi Baxter	Marc Boeckl	Steve Fritz	Mark Cummins	Mike Dougherty	Dick Conant	Fred Benson	
Tori Brown	Todd Brooks	Ken Garden	Mary Heins	Doug Du Fresne	Marv Dyrstad	Larry Benz	★
Bob Critchfield	Anne Careau	Dale Hall	Chuck Henry	Jenny Goodell	Theresa FitzGerald	Rich Brennan	★★★★★★★★★ ★★
Colleen De Mella	Don Cummins	Bill Hess	Tom Hunt	Bill Guenther	Ed Girzi	Donnie Bren- nan	★
Ron Deroche	Ron Deroche	Karen Lodge	Larry Kissner	Ken Hardesty	Bob Mays	Bob Bretts	★★★★★★★★★
Tom desEnfants	Yvette Du Fresne	Joe Lombardi	Michael Knipe	Jack Howarth	Diana McKenna	Elaine Bretts	★★★★★★★
Sharon Dyke	Kathy desEnfants	Sonia Nelson	Jim LaRocca	Julie Kale	Bill Muir	Dianne Bukowski	★
Mike Endres	Tony Destefano	Cheryl Panetta	Marie LaRocca	Jonathan Landon	Nancy Pearson	Joe Bukowski	★★
Richard Farmer	Tamara Dillman	Glenn Ranfos	Tom Lodge	Mark Lee	Lynn Reeves	Jim Crawley	★
Steve Fritz	Joanell Dyrstad	Gary Selzer	Sherry Moerke	Marty McCaffrey	Jack Spies	Fred De Mella	★★★★
Chris Gibbons	Richard Embury	Steve Trego	William Neff	Rose Anne McCaffrey	Mark Storm	Mark Dillman	
Frank Grazier	Gary Frost	Greg Widney	John Simonieg	Dennis McKenna	Gretch Sunderland	Dick Doster	
Renee Gibbons	Tim Gibbons	Sheree Wolfinger	Ed Verminski	Gary Moerke	Karen Udvari	Randy Douet	★★★★★
Bob Giffin	Art Goodell		TWierzbanowski	Chip Peterson	Allen Wade	Dave Dyke	
Sheryl Hatch	Jim Gregory			John Saitta	Rich Willingmyre	John Fitzgerald	
David Hatch	Randy Hall			Paul Whiting		Christine Fontaine	★
Tom Hay	Roz Hickey			Joseph Zurad		Bob Gariepy	★★
Scott Hutchins	Jack Hinnenthal				John Gettinger	★★★	
Jack Jonaitis	Larry Hofmeister	<div>RED = Awards This Month</div> <div>Club Hats</div> <div>None</div>				Mike Gilger	★★
Dennis Jones	Dave Joe					Tom Hickey	★
Fran Krausman	Lisa Kellythorne					Jim Hoffman	★
Buddy Krauss	Mike Knipe					Margie Hoffman	
Jim Kunard	Ron Kruse					Jan Holm	
Patti Kunard	Denys LaChance					Cathy Hunt	★★★★
Richard Larson	Kevin LaPointe					Bud Johnston	
Tim Locke	John McFarland					Cindi Johnston	
Bob Mueller	Mike Nalipi					Rich Kale	★★★★★
Patricia Nalipi	Wayn Nelson					Dennis Krausman	★★★★★
Ann Northen	Randy Page					Kel Krotzer	★★★
Connie Nowicki	Kim Pflaum					Carl Leicher	
Tony Nowicki	Paul Robinson					Joe Maillet	
Chuck Pearson	Hezzie Samons					Pete McGregor	★★
Bruce Peterson	Mike Sandling					Jude Panetta	★★★★
Chris Pflaum	Deb Sarkisian					Tom Parsons	★★
Chris Pollinger	Tom Schmitt					Gary Reeves	
Doug Salminen	Gary Skillicorn					Rick Sarkisian	★★★★★★★★
Mark Schruer	Lynne Stockinger					John Stockinger	★
Alan Schulman	Don Taylor					Donna Sullivan	★★
Jess Searle	Mike Trost				Ron Topper	★★★★★★	
Miriam Taylor	Roxie Trost				Joe Udvari	★★★★★★★★★	
Patti Topper	Mike Wagner				Aaron Wagner		
Beth Watkins	Stella Wagner				Mike White	★★★★★★	
Joanne Widney	Greg Widney				Jeff Wilson	★	
Wanda Zimka	S Wierzbanowski				John Wolfinger		
	Tom Youngblood						
	Lenny Zimka						
	Wanda Zimka						

(BOLD star = earned this year)

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(BOLD star = earned this year)

# OCTOBER RESULTS

## MASTER ANGLER

### MASTER ANGLERS TOURNAMENT, 2024 STANDINGS

	AMBER JACK		BLACK DRUM		COBIA		GROUP-ER		KING MACKEREL		RED-FISH		SEA-TROUT		SHEEPS-HEAD		SNOOK		SPANISH MACKEREL	
1st Place	Tim Locke	37.0	Cathy Hunt	42.0	John Fitzgerald	38.0	Rick Brown	34.0	Mike White	59.0	Rich Brennan	29.0	Mike White	24.5	Mike White	24.0	Carl Cucco	39.5	Joe Esposito	25.0
	Bill Muir	37.0	Donna Sullivan	42.0																
	Fred De Mella	37.0																		
2nd Place	Glen Ranfos	36.0	Jeff Barnhart	39.5	Larry Kissner	36.0	Cathy Hunt	33.5			John Fitzgerald	27.0	Ken Balkovic	22.0	Fred De Mella	21.0	Mike White	39.0	Theresa FitzGerald	24.0
											Tim Locke	27.0	Randy Douet	22.0					John FirzGerald	24.0
													Donna Sullivan	22.0						
3rd Place	Jeff Barnhart	35.0	Jeff Wilson	36.0	Ron Deroche	34.0	John Gettinger	33.0			Elaine Bretts	21.0	Anton Benvin	21.0	Cathy Hunt	19.5	Bobby Bretts	36.0	Fred Benson	23.0
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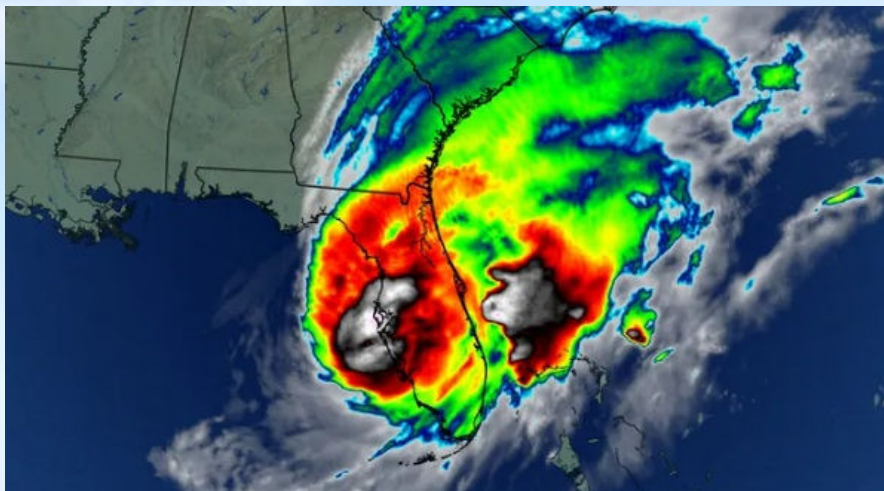




# Meeting Highlights For OCTOBER

There was no October General Meeting due to Hurricane Milton. It arrived late on Wednesday October 9, 2024. It centered on Siesta Key as a Category 3 storm, but Punta Gorda got the 'dirty side' of the storm, with high winds and a wicked storm surge.

The surge in Charlotte Harbor flooded much of Punta Gorda and Port Charlotte.



# Membership Report For OCTOBER

At the end of October, the Club enjoyed having 309 members from 160 households.

I represented the Club at the quarterly new members (to the PGICA) reception. This is one of 4 annual membership drives held by the PGICA to increase our membership in all the clubs of the PGICA. Unfortunately, only a few new members were present. The devastation of multiple hurricanes is taking its toll on those considering moving to our area or to the mindset of joining a club at this time. I think it will take a number of years free of hurricane before our number return to previous norms.

With the end of the year coming, your annual dues expire December 31, 2024. To renew your dues, please send a check for \$30 to the PGICA made out to the PGICA Fishing Club. Or you can bring cash or a check to our next meeting in November. There will be no meeting in December, I will send out a reminder before the end of the year. Don't miss all the fun by failing to renew, just send a check now, and get that behind you.

Tight Lines

Bill Muir

Membership Director





# SUNSHINE LADY

THE PGI FISHING CLUB IS A CLUB OF THE PUNTA GORDA  
ISLES CIVIC ASSOCIATION



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

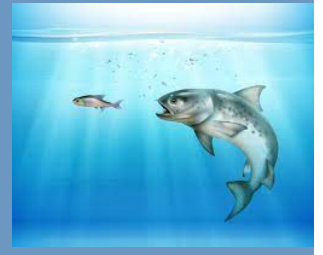
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# MEMBERS HELPING MEMBERS



It's 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](mailto:g2873477@hotmail.com)**
- **Gretchen Sunderland (Harbor Only, especially for beginner women), [gretchensun2@gmail.com](mailto:gretchensun2@gmail.com)**
- **Fred De Mella (Inshore or Offshore) [fdemella@gmail.com](mailto:fdemella@gmail.com)**



Contact them through email to arrange a trip.

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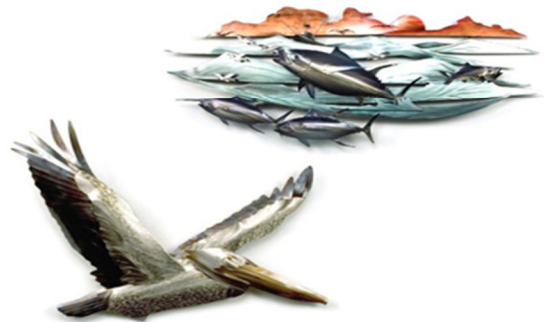
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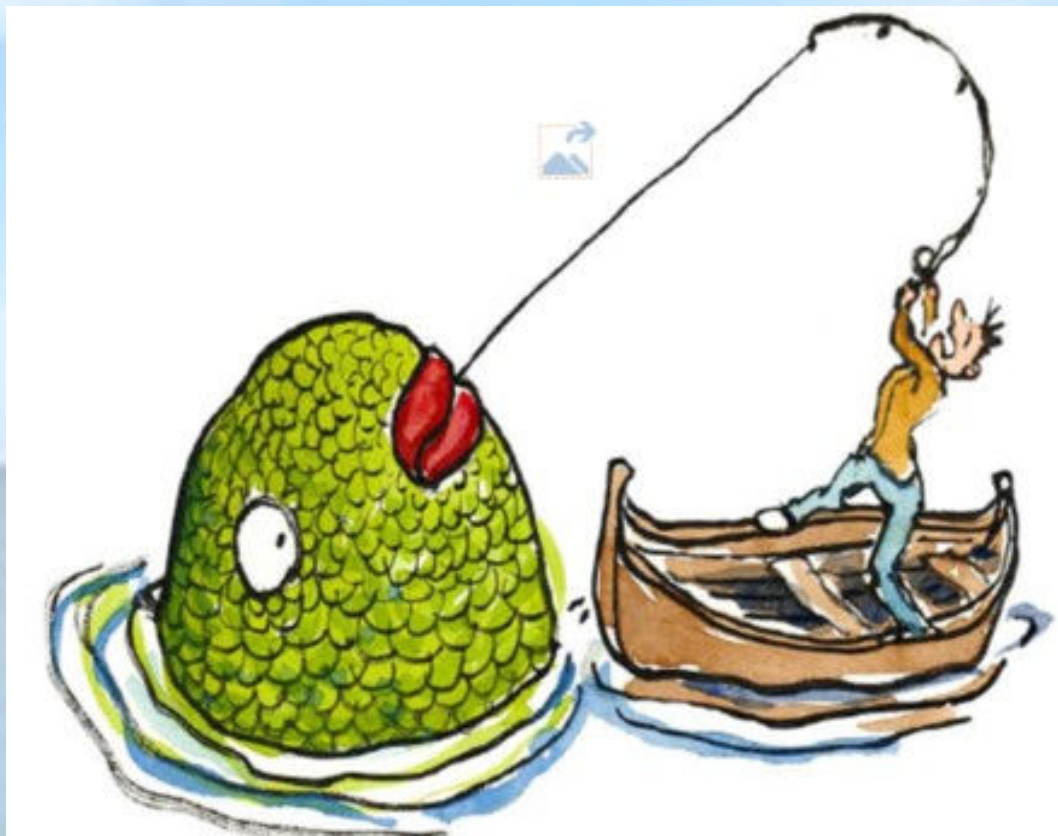
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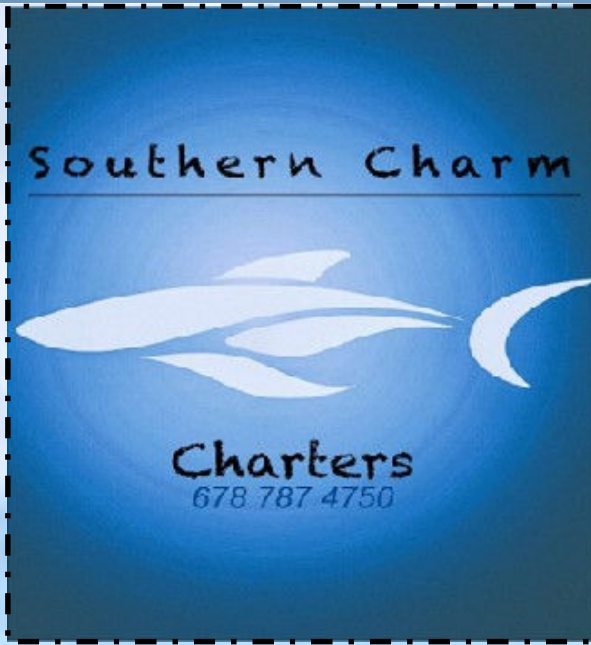
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