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Merry Christmas and to all... Let's Go Fishing



FEATURES

2 SKINNY WATERS

Jack Spies, President of the Fishing Club summarizes the events of 2007 and comments on the continued growth of the Fishing Club...

2 PROGRAMS

Rich Brennan is turning over the reins of the Program Director for the coming year. Well done Rich, you have done a fantastic job...

4 SOCIAL EVENTS

Donnie Brennan, chairperson of the PGI Fishing Club Social Events sez "Tickets for the Christmas Party are "Sold Out"..."

4 FISHING EVENTS

Marty McCaffrey tells us who won the October fishing challenge and reminds us the 2008 MAT officially begins on January 1st...

5 MEMBERSHIP

Bob Rand reminds everyone that dues for the coming year are due in January, and welcomes 13 new members...

◆◆NEXT MEETING TUESDAY December 11th • 7:00PM ◆◆



SKINNY WATER • Jack Spies



2007 is coming to an end and we've had a great year; no snow and, better yet, no hurricanes, just beautiful, sunny Florida weather. We could have used more rain, a lot more rain actually, and the fishing could have been a little better, but as my friend Anonymous says, "A bad day of fishing is better than a good day at work."

I hope you all have enjoyed our monthly meetings in 2007; your volunteer board tried hard to bring you an interesting and informative meeting every month. I sure hope the Captain's meetings were helpful, and that you enjoyed the fishing events, which tried to enhance and challenge your fishing skills.

The club's Master Angler Contest had a lot of great entries and the winners will be honored at our upcoming Holiday Dinner and Award Banquet. There were many club members reaching new levels of fishing prowess in our Ladder of Achievement Program. We plan on bringing both programs back next year.


Our social events were a big hit, and I hope you all enjoyed them as much as we, your board, enjoyed bringing them to you. We will try to make next year's get-togethers even better.

The membership roster continues to grow. Welcome to all our newest members and I hope you enjoy the club and plan on participating in all our club activities.

I would like to personally thank my fellow board members for all the time and work they committed to make the club so successful this year. I'm looking forward very much to working with them next year; I will however miss the helpful hand given to me and the club over the past few years by Rich Brennan. As you know Rich is retiring from the board, but I'm sure he will remain a very active member of the club; he can't help it, he's just that kind of guy.

See you all next year and we'll have a great one together...

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PROGRAMS • Rich Brennan




Since our December meeting will be our Christmas party, there will be NO speaker. But watch your newsletter for information on the speaker we have chosen for January. ⚡



Captain Dan Cambern of Hammerhead Charters accepts the fishing clubs Speaker Appreciation Certificate from Program Director Rich Brennan.



Bob Busler sez, "my fishing buddy is my son Kenneth. This 30 in. grouper was caught out in the Gulf of Mexico. The old guy in the photograph is me also known as dad's guide service."



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SOCIAL EVENTS • Donnie Brennan



Wow! I can't believe December is here already.

We have done very well with ticket distribution. In fact, we have NO tickets left to give out so if you haven't gotten yours by now, you are going to miss a great Fishing Club event.

I must remind everyone that YOU NEED YOUR TICKET TO GAIN ACCESS TO OUR PARTY. Party crashers will be asked to leave since the food has already been ordered according to the number of attendees.

We're looking forward to our ticketed members having a great time dining and dancing and just plain having fun.

See you at the party!!



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HAPPY HOLIDAYS EVERYONE!

PRIZE WINNERS

- John Keane 150yds 20# PowerPro Line
- Roseanne McCaffrey Surf Bag
- Mike Faello 11" SS Fishing Pliers
- Mike Gulvezan Shimano Spinning Rod
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October Redfish/Snook/Sea Trout Challenge Results – Thursday October 11th

There was good competition for the October Challenge and we had winners in all three categories. Nice size redfish and snook; big sea trout were hard to find. Awards were made at the

November meeting. Congratulations to:

- 35" Redfish – Rich Brennan
- 31" Snook - Jim LaRocca
- 18" Sea Trout - George Remick and Rich Brennan

Ladder of Angling Achievement (LA)

At the November meeting we had a new Lifetime Level II award winner! **Rich Brennan** has caught 18 different species of fish and racked up 3000 points. Rich joins an elite level that only five other club anglers have achieved. I missed the October meeting where **Kel Krotzer** was also awarded the Lifetime Level II award. Hats off to Rich and Kel!

2007 Master Angler

A "Well Done" to all who competed this year! Competition for this year's Master Angler competition closed on November 15th. I am tallying up the winners for this year's tournament and awards will be made at the December Christmas Party. This month's chart reflects fish entered as of November 1st. Join us at the party or read the January Newsletter to find out who the 2007 winners in our seven species of fish are!

2008 Master Angler – Competition will begin January 1, 2008.

Until next month - Tight Lines!



Hello from Sea Tow Charlotte Harbor's Dispatch Office!

This note is being sent to our various Boat Club Contacts,

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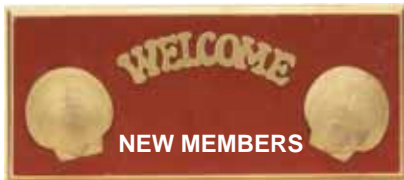
MEMBERSHIP • Robert Rand



PGI Fishing Club membership dues for 2008 are due January 1, 2008. A family membership (member, member & spouse or member & significant other) is \$20 per year. If you have not already done so, please renew your membership now. Please renew your membership at our regular meetings or by returning the

renewal slip that was previously sent to each member. Don't miss out on the fishing club activities planned for the coming year.

PGI Fishing Club presently has 169 members but we are always looking for more. Please bring prospective members to our next meeting. PGI Fishing Club members must be a member of the PGI Civic Association. Membership for new members who join now will be good through next year. When you renew your membership, please submit a renewal slip and make sure we have your correct e-mail address.



Fred & Sally Benson

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Frederick & Catherine Engimann

Jim & Debbie Griffiths

Ed & Lorraine Jackowski

Domenick Lapollo

Christ & Leah Pappas

Members that have paid their 2008 dues and new members that joined in October, November or December can pick up their 2008 (teal) name badges at our monthly meeting.

Bob Rand - Membership

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LUNAR FEEDING • AUG 2007 TABLES



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Here are the best fishing dates and times for this month as suggested by the lunar feeding tables. I find the information helps me; maybe it will work for you.

DATE	DAY	START TIME	FINISH TIME	START TIME	FINISH TIME	MOON PHASE
7th	Fri.	9:00am	2:00pm			
14th	Fri.	3:00am	7:30pm			
15th	Sat.	3:30am	8:30am			
16th	Sun.	4:00am	9:00am	4:30pm	9:30pm	
17th	Mon.	5:00am	10:00pm			
24th	Mon.	12:00pm	3:30pm	11:00am	3:00pm	FULL
25th	Tues.	12:00am	4:00am	12:00pm	5:00pm	

I hope to see all of you at the Tuesday night Dec. 11th at 7:00PM for our Holiday Dinner and Award Banquet meeting. Bring your ticket and name badge for a night of food, awards, door prizes, a 50/50 drawing, live entertainment, dancing and just plain fun...

Here's to good fishin',

Jack Spies, PGI Fishing Club President



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MEMBER CATCHES



CONGRATULATIONS OCTOBER CHALLENGE WINNERS

Reading left to right

- Jim LaRocca 31” Snook
- George Remick 18” SeaTrout
- Rich Brennan 35” Redfish (Rich also shared the SeaTrout category with George Remick)

WELL DONE GUYS!




Hall Hall and a 19.5 SeaTrout caught off pine island.



Hal Hall and a 22” Spanish Mackerel caught on the East Wall.




Kel Krotzer bagged this 22” flounder while wadding a Bull Bay sand bar. Fish picked up a Gulp shrimp, “dead sticked”, on the bottom. MmmmmmmGood!



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SILVER	5	LEGAL	300	SILVER PIN
GOLD	7	LEGAL	700	GOLD PIN & CLUB HAT
LIFETIME	9	LEGAL	1000	SNOOK PIN
LIFETIME LEVEL 2	13	LEGAL	1400	REDFISH PIN
LIFETIME LEVEL 3	18	LEGAL	1700	TARPON PIN
GRAND MASTER	23	LEGAL	2000	CLUB SHIRT W/LOGO

THE FOLLOWING FISH AND POINTS EARNED (BASED ON LENGTH OF ENTRY) QUALIFY:

POINTS EARNED	100	200	300	
SPECIES	SIZE IN INCHES			
Amberjack	32-39	40-45	46+	
Baracuda	No points earned			
Black Bass	20-21	22-23	24+	
Black Drum	No Points			
Bluefish	No points earned			
Blue Runner	No points earned			
Bonita	No points earned			
Catfish (All)	No points earned			
Cobia	38-39	40-43	44+	
Croaker	No points earned			
Flounder	No points earned			
*Grouper	24-27	28-31	32+	
Grunt	No points earned			
Jack Crevelle	No points earned			
King Mackerel	32-35	36-39	40+	
Ladyfish	No points earned			
Permit	No points earned			
Pompano	No points earned			
Redfish	28-29	30-35	36+	
StingRay	No points earned			
Seatrout	21-22	23-24	24+	
Shark (Any Species)	40-49	50-59	60+	
Sheepshead	No points earned			
Snapper	No points earned			
Snook	29-35	36-41	42+	
Spanish Mackerel	21-22	23-24	25+	
Tarpon	Any size			
Tripletail	No points earned			
Whiting	No points earned			
Yellowtail Snapper	No points earned			

*The Grouper classification is restricted to Black, Gag and Red Grouper. Golith Grouper may be used as a "Species" catch for Grouper.

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PGI FISHING CLUB

2007 MASTER ANGLER TOURNAMENT

LEADERBOARD As of November 1st.

	Grouper	Trout	Redfish	Snook	Cobia	Shark	Spanish Mackerel
1	Jim Hoffman 31"	R. Brennan 24.5"	Jack Vartanian 38"	Kel Krotzer 38"	Bob Busler 54"	Jim Hoffman 89"	Missy Becker 28"
2	Jim Hoffman 30"T	R. Brennan 24"	Rich Brennan 35""T	Missy Becker 33"	Pete McGregor 42"	Ed Verminski 84"	Rich Brennan 22.5"
3	Kel Krotzer 30"T	Jack Spies 22"T	Missy Becker 34"	Rich Brennan 32"	Joe Maillet 40	M. Hoffman 75"	Bev Rucker 22"T
4	S. Landaker 30"T	R. Brennan 22"T	Kel Krotzer 33"	Jim LaRocca 31"	Bill Guenther 34"	Jim Hoffman 73"	Jack Spies 22"T"
5	M. McCaffrey 29"	Harold Hall 22"T	S. Landakar 32"	Bob Busler 30.5"T	M. Hoffman 33"	Bev Rucker 67"	Harold Hall 22"T
6	Bev Rucker 28.5"	Mike Quinn 21"	Kel Krotzer 31.5"	Rich Tilden 30.5"T		J. Kasulaitis 55"	Bob Rand 21"
7	RA. McCaffrey 28"T	Kel Krotzer 20"T	S. Landaker 31"T	R. Brennan 30"		Dick Doster 48"T	M. Hoffman 20"
8	Bev Rucker 28"T	D. Brennan 20"T	Kel Krotzer 31"T	J. Kasulaitis 29.5"T		J. Kasulaitis 48"T	Mike Gulvezen 18"
9	Kel Krotzer 28"T	D. Brennan 19.5"T	Kel Krotzer 30.5"	P McGregor 29.5"T		Bill Guenther 42"	Rich Brennan 17.5"
10	Several tied at 27"	Harold Hall 19.5"T	Bob Busler 30"T	J&S Landaker 29"T		Ed Verminski 41"	M. Hoffman 17"T
			Kel Krotzer 30"T	D. Brennan 29"T			Marc Anthony 17"T

Certificate Award — Two awards will be given for each fish species. The first will be the first place angler with the longest length fish in species. The second award will be for the first place angler with the largest combination length of his/her top three fish for that species. Three fish are required for an award. Important Note — Only pictures of the caught fish are accepted for entry into the Master Angler or Ladder of Angling Achievement competition.

PGI FISHING CLUB FISHING PROGRAMS HAVE BEEN SIMPLIFIED

Our fishing programs this year have been simplified. All you do is take a photo and on the back of the photo print your name, species of fish it is, measurement in length according to the FL state regs, date it was caught. Then turn it into Marty McCaffrey at the next club meeting or Friday morning breakfast or leave it off at the PGICA building and they will put it in our mail box and Marty will get it. Marty in turn will take your photo and enter your fish in the programs it will fit into per the programs species.



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