

MSC Tackle Box

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President's Message for August 2018



Hello Everyone,

We are in full summertime mode!

The triple crown is off and running. Tarpon are being caught as well as a couple of decent Snook. It is not too late to jump in; there is plenty of good fishing yet to come.

We had our "Man Bites Shark" fish day and picnic. The Shark Bite was a bit off, but our anglers were able to put some meat on the table. I would like to thank Capt. Guy for his sponsorship of this event as well as thanking John Baker for putting the picnic together.

Now we get to look forward to our next summertime picnic, which will be August 15. The details will be in the newsletter.

Here is an IMPORTANT NOTICE! There will be NO general meeting in September because we will have our annual BBQ COOK OFF. By the way, the kid who was brought up in a town sandwiched between Newark and Jersey City won the contest last year- it was me!!

The details on becoming a contestant for the Cook Off or just attending it will be in the newsletter and information will be at the August meeting. I forgot to mention that the BBQ cookoff is sponsored by Morgan Stanley and the Triple Crown.

REMINDER, starting in OCTOBER our general meetings will start at 7:00PM. Please mark your calendars.

Hey folks, please remember I am looking for people to join me on the board of directors in the coming year. The first requirement is that you must want to have fun. If you have any interest please let me know and I will explain what this entails.

Remember, a wiggling shrimp is better than one that doesn't.

See ya' at the Bait shop

PS. Help me make our club even better. Please email me any thoughts you have for future speakers or fishing events. We are always looking for ways to improve.

An advertisement for The Compass Group at Morgan Stanley. On the left is a photograph of three men in business suits standing side-by-side against a dark blue background. On the right is a white box containing text. The text includes the company name, individual names and titles, the office address in Marco Island, Florida, and the Morgan Stanley logo. At the bottom, there are small copyright and identification numbers.

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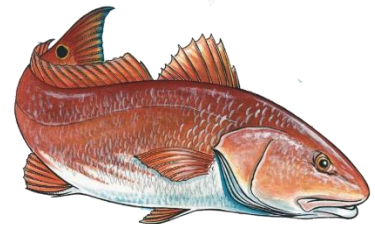
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Annual Redfish Tournament



There is the Special/Annual Redfish Tournament coming up in October. The events are Redfish XIII with fishing on October 16th followed by the Red vs. Blue team competition on the 18th. Please note there will be more information forth coming. The following forms, entry, rules etc. will help explain this year's tournament. There is lots of time to get ready - the last day to sign-up is September 29th.

Entry Form For Redfish XIII

"Red vs. Blue" Team Competition

***All Entries Must Have a Minimum of Two and a Maximum of Four Anglers**

***Entry Deadline: Saturday, Sept. 29th**

Team Name: _____

Team Captain (Must be MSC member): _____

Shirt Size : S, M, L, XL, XXL (Circle One)

Boat Name/Call Sign: _____

Captain's: Cell Phone _____, Email _____

"Red vs. Blue" Angler Entry Fee: \$40

Awards Dinner Entree Choice: Prime Rib or Chicken Marsala (Circle One)

Awards Dinner Guest: Yes or No (Circle One)

Guest Fee: \$20, Guest Name: _____

Awards Dinner Entree Choice: Prime Rib or Chicken Marsala (Circle One)

CAPTAIN TOTAL FEES ENCLOSED: \$ _____

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Crew #1 Name: _____ Shirt Size: S, M, L, XL, XXL (Circle One)

MSC Member: Yes or No (Circle One)

MSC Member "Red vs. Blue" Entry Fee: \$40

MSC Non-Member "Red vs. Blue" Entry Fee: \$65

Awards Dinner Guest: Yes or No (Circle One)

Guest Fee: \$20, Guest Name: _____

Guest Awards Dinner Entree Choice: Prime Rib or Chicken Marsala (Circle One)

CREW #1 TOTAL FEES ENCLOSED: \$ _____

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Crew # 2 Name: _____ Shirt Size: S, M, L, XL, XXL (Circle One)

MSC Member: Yes or No (Circle One)

MSC Member "Red vs. Blue" Entry Fee: \$40

MSC Non- Member "Red vs. Blue" Entry Fee: \$65

Awards Dinner Guest: Yes or No (Circle One)

Guest Fee: \$20, Guest Name: _____

Guest Awards Dinner Entree Choice: Prime Rib or Chicken Marsala (Circle One)

CREW #2 TOTAL FEES ENCLOSED: \$ _____

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Crew # 3 Name: _____ Shirt Size: S, M, L, XL, XXL (Circle One)

MSC Member: Yes or No (Circle One)

MSC Member "Red vs. Blue" Entry Fee: \$40

MSC Non-Member Red vs. Blue Entry Fee: \$65

Awards Dinner Guest: Yes or No (Circle One)

Guest Fee: \$20, Guest Name: _____

Guest Awards Dinner Entree Choice: Prime Rib or Chicken Marsala (Circle One)

CREW #3 TOTAL FEES ENCLOSED: \$ _____

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Entry Fees Entitle Each Angler To The Following:

*Compete for team, boat, and individual awards

*Attend the Captains' Meeting on October 15th

* Attend the "Redfish Tuesday" awards presentation at the Moose Lodge on October 16th

*Receive one long sleeve performance T-Shirt

*Receive one admission to the "Red vs. Blue" Awards Dinner at the Moose Lodge on October 22nd

Make checks payable to Marco Sportfishing Club and mail to:

Jerry Keyes , 167 Muirfield Circle, Naples, FL 34113

"REDFISH TUESDAY"

OCTOBER 16, 2018

ENTRY FORM

Important: This year, for the first time, anglers who choose to fish only in "Redfish Tuesday" will have the option to purchase a Redfish XIII long sleeve performance T-shirt and/or attend the "Red vs. Blue" awards dinner at the Moose Lodge by paying the following additional fees: T-shirt (\$15), dinner (\$20).

Participation in "Redfish Tuesday" is limited to teams of two anglers. No single angler entries will be accepted.

Team Captain Name: _____ (Must be MSC member)

Captain's Cell Phone: _____

Captain's e-mail: _____

Team Name: _____

Boat Name/ Call Sign: _____

Entry Fee: \$40

T-Shirt: \$15 Yes, No (Circle One), Size: S, M, L, XL, 2X (Circle One)

Awards Dinner Moose Lodge (angler) \$20 Yes, No (Circle One); Prime Rib or Chicken Marsala (Circle One)

Awards Dinner Moose Lodge (guest) \$20 Yes, No (Circle One); Prime Rib or Chicken Marsala (Circle One)

Enter Total Paid Captain: \$ _____

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Crew Name: _____

Entry Fee: MSC Member \$40, Guest \$65

T-Shirt: \$15 Yes, No (Circle One), Size: S, M, L, XL, 2XL (Circle One)

Awards Dinner Moose Lodge (angler) \$20 Yes, No (Circle One); Prime Rib or Chicken Marsala (Circle One)

Awards Dinner Moose Lodge (guest) \$20 Yes, No (Circle One); Prime Rib or Chicken Marsala (Circle One)

Enter Total Paid Crew: \$ _____

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Entry forms and fees must be submitted by September 29, 2018.

Make checks payable to Marco Sportfishing Club and mail to:

Jerry Keyes, 167 Muirfield Circle, Naples, FL 34113



Marco Sportfishing Club

Redfish XIII

"Red vs. Blue" Team Competition
Tournament Rules

October 18, 2018

Marco Sportfishing Club (MSC) welcomes all participants to the "Red vs. Blue" Team Competition. Our goal is for everyone to have a safe and fun-filled tournament experience.

- "Red vs. Blue" Team Competition is open to eligible MSC members and their guests. Entry forms must be submitted and fees paid by the due date listed below and on the entry form in order to participate in this tournament.
- Boats comprising the Blue Team and the Red Team will be selected at the Captain's Meeting by the Red Team Admiral and the Blue Team Admiral via a random draw.
- If you are the captain of your boat entry, please be sure to read the Captain's Corner at the end of the Tournament Rules for your responsibilities.
- In addition to the "Red vs. Blue" Team award, there will be Boat and Individual awards. See Tournament Fast Facts, item G.

Boat and Angler Requirements

- All boats competing in this tournament must have 9.9 HP or greater engines.
- All boats must have a minimum of 2 and a maximum of 4 anglers on board.
- The captain of each vessel must be a current (2018) member in good standing of the Marco Sportfishing Club. Crew members must be current members of MSC, otherwise they are regarded as "guest" and will be required to pay the guest fee.
- Only registered participants are eligible to participate in this tournament. To be considered "registered", entry forms must be submitted and entry fees paid by **September 29th**.
- The designated captain's boat must be used in this tournament, except as noted in Tournament Fast Facts, item D. The captain may not bring passengers to ride along on the boat who are not entered in the tournament.
- No team may hire a charter captain or guide to operate, ride along, or give instruction during the tournament.
- **Per MSC rules: "Any MSC member or member guest who has guided/chartered six or more trips in the past twelve months or has ever guided full time (12 or more trips per year) in southwest Florida (past or present) is ineligible to compete or participate in any MSC tournament/event that awards prizes."**

The Tournament Committee reserves the right not to accept an entry to the tournament (MSC member or non-member) if they have reason to believe the entry will be detrimental to the tournament.

Tournament Fast Facts:

A) Fishing Hours: "Lines In" at 7:30 am, "Lines Out" at 1:30 pm. A fish hooked before the "Lines Out" time, but not yet landed as of that time, can be landed and included on the "Boat Tally Sheet".

B) Tournament Fishing Waters: North to the Gordon River and South to Camp Lulu. If fishing in the Camp Lulu area be careful to not enter Everglades National Park (**No fishing in Everglades National Park**).

C) Tackle, equipment and fishing methods: The selection of baits used (natural or artificial) is up to the discretion of each participant. All fish must be caught by hook and line. Spearing or netting is not allowed. Catch and release is strongly encouraged.

D) Boat Cancellations: If, for any reason, a boat is unable to compete, the captain must notify the Tournament Director ASAP. Boat cancellations **will not** be accepted after 12:00 noon on Friday, October 12th and there will be **no refunds** of tournament entry fees or dinner guest fees after October 12th.

In the event of unforeseen circumstances, if a boat is not able to operate on the day of the tournament, the Tournament Director must be contacted immediately. If an alternate boat is available, it may be used, but only if the Tournament Director is notified and approves of the replacement.

E) Crew Cancellations: (Note: Each boat will be charged with the number of anglers listed on the official entry form regardless of whether or not all anglers fish.)

If, for any reason, a crew member needs to be replaced, **the captain is responsible for securing the replacement angler** for his/her boat and ensuring that one of the following procedures is followed, depending on when the cancellation occurs:

(1)Replacement angler added prior to the Captain's Meeting:

a. The captain must advise the Tournament Director of the change by October 14th so that the official tournament roster can be updated. The replacement angler will pay the \$40 tournament entry fee, and the \$25 non-member fee if applicable, to the captain, who will, in turn, reimburse the crew member who dropped out of the tournament. If the angler being replaced is a MSC member, but the replacement angler is not a MSC member, the captain will submit the \$25 non-member fee to the Tournament Director by October 14th.

b. The replacement angler will be entitled to attend the Captain's Meeting and the awards dinner, will receive a T-shirt, and will be eligible to compete for awards.

c. The crew member who dropped out of the competition will have his/her name removed from the tournament roster and will not be entitled to any awards or benefits associated with the tournament.

(2) Replacement angler added after the Captain's Meeting, and prior to the start of the tournament:

a. The captain must advise the Tournament Director of the change by October 17th so the official tournament roster can be updated. The Tournament Director, captain, original angler and the replacement angler will work out an equitable monetary solution.

b. The replacement angler will not receive a T-shirt (unless the original angler does not want his/hers), but will be entitled to compete for awards and attend the awards dinner.

c. If the replacement angler is not a member of the Marco Sportfishing Club, the replacement angler must also pay the non-member fee of \$25 to the Marco Sportfishing Club, unless already paid by the original angler. This payment is to be given to the captain who will, in turn, submit it to the Tournament Director. Payment must be received by the Tournament Director by October 17th.

d. Crew members who register for the tournament and attend the Captain's Meeting, but do not fish in the tournament will have their name removed from the tournament roster and will not be entitled to any additional benefits, awards, or attendance at the awards dinner.

Note: No refunds of tournament entry fees or awards dinner guest fees after October 12th, 2018.

F) Measuring and Recording Fish Caught:

Redfish and "Wildcard" fish should be measured, preferably with a ruler having a 90 degree angle, using the "closed mouth/pinched tail" method.

Only Redfish 18" or more are to be recorded on the Boat Talley Sheet. Fish are to be measured to the nearest 1/4" (less than 1/8" round down, more than 1/8" round up). Total "average inches per boat" is calculated by dividing the total inches per boat by the number of anglers.

NOTE:

1. "Boat Tally Sheets" must be submitted to the Admirals by noon Friday, October 19th.

2. Digital or print photographs of Redfish and "Wildcard" fish (showing actual measurement and the entire fish with mouth closed and tail pinched) must accompany the "Boat Tally Sheet" presented to the team's Admiral.

3. Digital or print photographs of "most spots" entries (both sides of the fish) must accompany the "Boat Tally Sheet" presented to the team's Admiral.

G) Awards:

"Red vs. Blue Team Competition" – The team, Red or Blue, with the highest number of total "average inches" (total inches all boats combined divided by the number of anglers all boats combined) will be declared the winner of the "Red vs. Blue Team Competition". Each of the anglers on the winning team will receive \$20* in prize money.

Boat and Individual Awards - In addition to the Red vs. Blue Team Competition award, there will also be boat and individual awards totaling more than \$700*. Prize money will be awarded for winners of the following categories:

- 1 – 1st Place Boat (average inches of Redfish)
- 2 – 2nd Place Boat " " " "
- 3 – 3rd Place Boat " " " "
- 4 – 1st Place Individual (inches one Redfish)
- 5 – 2nd Place Individual " " "
- 6 – 3rd Place Individual " " "
- 7 – Redfish with most spots
- 8 – Longest Snook

* The Tournament Committee reserves the right to increase or decrease prize amounts depending on the number of tournament participants.

In the event of a tie, where there are three prize levels (Boat and Individual), a tie in 1st or 2nd place will result in that prize and the prize below it being combined and split equally between the two competitors. In event of a tie where there is only one prize level (most spots and longest Redfish), the "Boat Tally Sheet" submitted to the Admiral earliest will decide the winner.

Note: The maximum number of awards an individual can win is 3

- o Red vs. Blue Team award
- o Boat award
- o Individual award (including Redfish with most spots and longest Snook)

If an angler "qualifies" for more than one individual award, including Redfish with most spots and longest Snook, he/she will win the award with the highest dollar value.

H) Safety

Safe boating must be observed at all times. During the tournament, all anglers are required to comply with US Coast Guard, FWC, and local regulations and laws. Violation of such rules may result in disqualification from the tournament.

Important: The times of the tournament may be shortened, or the tournament may be cancelled, due to unsafe weather or water conditions. The decision to shorten or to cancel will be left totally to the discretion of the Tournament Committee. Interpretation of the tournament rules is left exclusively to the Tournament Committee. Decisions of the Tournament Committee are final. If there are any changes to the rules as printed, they will be communicated to participants at the Captain's Meeting or via e-mail if the change occurs after the Captain's Meeting. Each captain will be responsible for communicating the rule change to his/her crew member.

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Captain's Corner:

- There will be a Captain's Meeting on October 15th at the Moose Lodge at 4:00 pm.
- Red and Blue teams will be selected at the Captain's Meeting.
- At least one member of each vessel entered in the tournament is required to attend the Captain's Meeting to pick up materials and handouts for each boat's captain and crew.
- Participants who are unable to attend the Captain's Meeting are responsible for finding out what was discussed at the meeting.
- **It is the responsibility of each captain to complete the "Boat Tally Sheet" for his/her boat and to submit the completed forms and photos to their Admiral by noon Friday, October 19th. Failure to submit the forms and photos by the aforementioned time and date will result in forfeiture of any prize money and exclusion of the forms from the total of the Red or Blue team's catch.**
- A copy of the Tournament Rules will be distributed to each captain at the Captain's Meeting.
- Results reported on anything other than the official "Boat Tally Sheet" will not be accepted.

Admirals' Responsibilities:

- The Red and Blue team Admirals will select the boat teams via a random draw.
- Each Admiral is responsible for verifying the accuracy of the "Boat Tally Sheets".
- Each Admiral is responsible for verifying that measurements per the "Boat Tally Sheets" correspond to and agree with the associated pictures..
- The Admirals must submit the "Boat Tally Sheets", preferably via e-mail, to Jerry Keyes (jkeyes3548@gmail.com) by 12:00 noon on Saturday, October 20th.

Marco Sportfishing Club "Redfish Tuesday"

October 16, 2018

Tournament Rules

The Marco Sportfishing Club (MSC) welcomes all participants of "RedfishTuesday". Our goal is that everyone have a safe and fun-filled tournament experience.

1. **Eligibility:** "Redfish Tuesday" is a team event and is limited to teams of 2 anglers only. Captains of all participating boats must be MSC members. Crew members, whether MSC members or guests, and captains must have paid tournament entry fees, and any other applicable fees, by September 29th. Note: Per MSC rules, any MSC member or guest who has guided/chartered 6 or more trips in the past 12 months or has ever guided full time (12 or more trips per year) in Southwest Florida (past or present) is ineligible to compete or participate in any MSC tournament/event that awards prizes.

2. **Location:** All boats will start at Coon Key Light, Goodland, FL. All anglers need to be at Coon Key Light for check-in with the "Redfish Tuesday" Starter no later than 7:30 AM on Tuesday, October 16th. Any team that fails to check-in with their vessel by 8:00 AM will be disqualified from the competition.

3. **Fishing Hours:** All boats/teams will leave Coon Key Light at approximately 8:00 AM via a staggered "shotgun" start. Boats are not to leave until released by the official Starter. The starting order of each boat will be determined by a drawing held at the captain's meeting on Monday, October 15th. The official end to fishing is 12:30 PM.

4. **Weigh-in:** All boats/teams with fish to be weighed must return to the Collier County Public Boat Park on Coon Key for the "Official Redfish Tuesday Weigh-in" between 12:30 PM and 2:00 PM on Tuesday. Captains with fish must check-in with the "Starter" who will be on the dock at the Collier County Boat Park. Boats without fish are also requested to check in with the "Starter" so that all boats can be accounted for. Please call the "Starter" on VHF channel 78 when you are several minutes away from the park, so he/she knows you are coming.

• Up to two (2) slot-size (18" – 27") Redfish caught the day of the tournament may be submitted for weighing. Submission of out-of-slot Redfish will result in disqualification of the team submitting the fish.

• Fish will be weighed by the official "Weighmaster" and the weight confirmed by the team submitting the fish. The official weights will be posted on the Leaderboard for all to see.

• If a boat/team is late checking in (after 2:00 PM), a 4-ounce penalty will be assessed for every 5 minutes (or portion thereof) that the boat/team is late. The penalty will be assessed against the team's total weight of two slot-sized Redfish. There will also be a 4-ounce penalty for any Redfish that is dead when submitted for weighing. Participants are encouraged to return live

fish to the water. Boats with fish to weigh that do not check-in at the weigh station by 2:30 PM will be disqualified.

5. Tournament Fishing Waters: North to Gordon's Pass and south to Camp Lulu.

(Important: When in the Camp Lulu area be careful to not enter Everglades National Park. There will be no fishing in Everglades National Park).

6. Prize Money: There will be cash prizes for the 1st, 2nd, 3rd, 4th, 5th, and 6th place teams based on the weight of fish submitted for weighing (less any weight penalties). Should there be a tie, prize money from the next highest weight will be combined and divided equally between the two tying boats. The amounts of prize money will be determined by the entry fees collected less tournament expenses. The dollar amounts of the 6 prizes will be announced at the captains' meeting on Monday, October 15th. However, first place is guaranteed \$400.

7. Cancellations and Substitutions:

- If the captain's boat is unable to compete for any reason, another boat may be used after notifying and obtaining permission from the Tournament Director.
- If a captain or a crew member is unable to compete for any reason, they may be replaced with a substitute after notifying and obtaining permission from the Tournament Director. The original captain will be responsible for refunds/collection of entry fees among captains and crew.
- If the captain and crew cannot participate in the tournament for any reason, the captain must notify the Tournament Director by 10:00 AM on Tuesday, October 16th to request a refund of entry fees.

8. Rules Changes and Interpretation: Changes to and interpretation of the tournament rules is the exclusive responsibility of the Tournament Committee .and all decisions are final..

9. Safety: Safe boating practices are to be followed at all times. The Tournament Committee has the authority to cancel/postpone the tournament or any part thereof due to inclement weather conditions. If, prior to the start of the fishing segment of the tournament, it becomes necessary to cancel/postpone that segment, captains will be notified by phone and/or e-mail. After the fishing segment has started, should it be necessary to suspend fishing activity, captains will be notified via VHF radio on channel 78. In such circumstances, four (4) hours will be considered "a day of fishing".

Please note that "Redfish Tuesday" and "Red vs. Blue" are two separate and distinct tournaments within Redfish XIII and, as such, have separate and distinct benefits.



Offshore Report by Ed Shebert



July Event

Fishing during the July Event was slow in the 120' division and the 50' to 80' division. Captain Mike Mueller was the prize winner in the "deep" division in both the Red and Gag Grouper categories. Mike's Red Grouper won by less than 2" on the aggregate total of 3 fish, winning the prize of \$80 dollars.

Only one Gag Grouper was reported, it was Mike's and he won another \$40 dollars. In the "shallow" divisions no legal fish were reported.

The August Event will have fishing dates Wednesday August 8rd thru Monday August 13th. The skilled Event will focus on Yellowtail Snapper, largest legal fish measured to the nearest 1/4". Prize will be \$50 dollars for each division, one prize per boat, one prize per Captain, first submission only. Please send pictures no later than the day after you have fished.

Send to eshebert@savatree.com<<mailto:eshebert@savatree.com>>.

SIGN UP FOR THIS EVENT TODAY SO YOU DO NOT FORGET!

Tip of the month: Check out [Weather/Tides detail 20-60 nm out](#)

Kayak Fishing in the upper East River drainage area

July 19, 2018

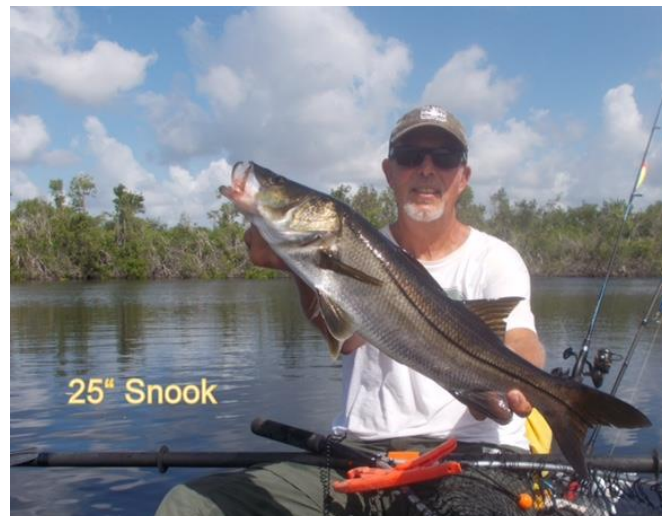
by Victor Ordija

Due to access issues at Mainsail Lake, this kayak fishing outing was moved to the upper East River drainage area. Located 4.75 miles east of the Port of the Isles along US 41, this area located within the Fakahatchee Strand Preserve consists of three lakes accessible primarily to non-motorized vessels.

These bodies of fresh water have a good population of Snook, Tarpon and Mayan Cichlids but also contain numerous alligators. The reptiles appear to have little fear of humans primarily due to numerous kayak tours that are held here on an almost continuous basis.

On this day, the bite was weak except for a short period of time after 11:00 AM when several Snook and small Tarpon were caught by the four kayakers. Mike Larsen landed the largest Snook measuring approximately 25 inches and Vic Ordija landed the largest Tarpon estimated to be about 24 inches. Gary Costley and John Baker also participated in the action.

While all the fish caught were small, these lakes have larger Tarpon and some very large Snook. The upper lake also contains a colony of nesting Egrets and Herons.





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Another day in Paradise ...

August 2018		Fish of the Month: Yellowtail Snapper
Date	Event	Information & Comments
August 2	General Meeting	Rose History Auditorium, 6:30 PM Speaker: TBD
August 6	Board Meeting	8:30 AM Coast Guard Auxiliary Station, Caxambas Park
August 7	No Bait Captains' Meeting	Crazy Flamingo 4PM
August 8	No Bait Fishing Day	Details to Follow
August 8 thru 13	Offshore Fishing Days	Pick a Day
August 15	Summer Picnic	See Attached Flyer for Details
August 22	Kayak Trip Hell's Gate	See Website for Details
August 26	Newsletter Deadline	

September 2018		Fish of the Month: Snook
Date	Event	Information & Comments
September 6	No General Meeting	
September 7	Offshore Captains' Meeting	Crazy Flamingo 4PM
September 8-12	Offshore Fishing Days	Pick a Day
September 10	Board Meeting	8:30AM Coast Guard Auxiliary Station, Caxambas Park
September 12	Triple Crown BBQ Picnic	Details to Follow
September 20	Kayak Trip McIlvane Bay	See Website for Details

October 2018		Fish of the Month: Redfish
Date	Event	Information & Comments
October 4	General Meeting	Rose History Auditorium, 7:00 PM Speaker: TBD
October 7	Board Meeting	8:30AM Coast Guard Auxiliary Station, Caxambas Park
October 16	Redfish XIII Tournament	See Flyers this Newsletter
October 18	Red vs. Blue Event	See Flyer this Newsletter
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October	MORE TO COME NEXT NEWSLETTER	

Update from the Editor July 2018

In a month without a Water Advisory Committee (WAC) meeting there have certainly been some serious water quality issues. Releases from Lake "O" finding their way into the Gulf and south in to Marco waters. Resulting fish kill, "Red Tide" and a general greenish slime in the water. The next WAC meeting is August 16th and there should be lots to talk about. Also Ms. Tonia Selmeski has been hired by Marco as the new Environmental Planner. It would be great if MSC could be well represented at this August meeting. Contact your editor or Sam Young at young456@aol.com if you need more information.

On a lighter note, Allan Bristow and I went out shark fishing the other day and I caught a remarkable **small** Goliath Grouper. The next day Allan "caught" on camera a Whale Shark! Both pictures are below.

Your editor can be reached at pfwanzenberg@yahoo.com



2018 Triple Crown Tournament

sponsored by: The Compass Group at Morgan Stanley



The Triple Crown Tournament will begin July 1, 2018 and registration for the contest will begin at the upcoming general meeting scheduled for Thursday, June 7, 2018.

As in 2017, we are adding the month of July so that anglers have a better chance of landing a Tarpon when these fish are more plentiful in the area. An entry fee of \$20 is required to participate in this fun tournament that targets three fish species.....Tarpon, Snook and Redfish.

Seven cash awards will be given out at the end of the four month long contest. The winner will also have his/her name engraved on an individual name plate attached to a perpetual trophy plaque that will be displayed at Morgan Stanley; the sponsoring firm.

Interested anglers can sign up at the MSC General Meeting scheduled for June 7, 2018 or send an email to Victor Ordija indicating your interest in participating in the tournament.

A kick-off event will be held on June 28th at 4:00 PM at Crazy Flamingo. Tournament rules will be provided and discussed. Details regarding the kick-off will be provided at a later date.

While the Triple Crown Tournament is a challenging and competitive contest, it is also very laid back from the standpoint that it allows the individual angler to fish at his or her own pace. The angler can fish at any time; both day or night, anywhere within the backwater boundaries established by Marco Sportfishing Club and with any other angler or alone. It allows for experimentation by choosing different baits, both live and artificial as well as fishing techniques, presentation, etc.

The goal is to catch the largest fish with respect to Snook and Redfish and to also catch the elusive and hard to land Tarpon. At the end of the contest, the participant will be a better angler and gain additional respect for our environment.

This event is sponsored by: The Compass Group at Morgan Stanley



“No Bait” Combo Boat or Kayak Backwater Event

SIGN UP AT THE JULY/AUG MEETINGS, OR THE CAPT's MTG.

Date: Wednesday, August 8th, 2018

Backup Date: Thursday, August 9th, 2018

Capt's Meeting: Tuesday, August 7th, 2018 – 4PM at Crazy Flamingo

Fishing Hours: 8:00 AM – 2:00 PM (May implement “flex hours”- to be discussed at Capt's Mtg)

Tide Info at Coon Key:

Low Tide:	5:35 AM	(1.8')
High Tide:	11:22 AM	(4.2')

Solunar Activity: Major Period: 10:47 AM – 12:47 PM

Event Target Fish: Redfish, Snook, and Spotted Seatrout

Prizes:

No Team Prizes – All Prizes will be Individual Angler Prizes

Individual Angler Prizes – 3 largest Redfish, 3 largest Snook, 3 largest Spotted Seatrout.

Angler can only win one largest fish prize. (so there will be 9 different winners!)

Prize amounts will depend on the number of participants, **plus** a minimum of **\$150.00** in club funds.

Prizes to be given out at the September Meeting.

Entry Fee: \$10.00 per MSC angler, \$15.00 per non-member, due by no later than the **Captain's Meeting, Tuesday, August 7th**, 4:00 PM at Crazy Flamingo, Marco Towne Center.

EVENT RULES

- Captains of all boats must be a MSC Member.
- MSC boundaries apply. South, only to Everglades National Park boundaries.
- “No Guide” Rule applies.
- Photos of the largest fish are required for the Largest Fish Prizes.
- Measure fish to nearest ¼”
- Turn in Tally Sheet, and photos, to Mike Larsen, by 5:00 PM, on Wed. August 23rd, via email.
- **Only artificial baits/presentations** may be used, **no live/cut bait, shrimp tipping, etc.**
- Plastic tails/baits such as DOA or Gulp **are** allowed.

For questions and to submit pictures of your catch:

Mike Larsen

Backwater Events Coordinator

mike_larsen@keysight.com

Mobile: 239-315-9235



Where's Waldo? Redfish Warm-Up

(SIGN UP AT THE AUGUST MEETING, OR THE CAPT'S MTG)

Date: Friday, September 7th, 2018

Backup Date: Saturday, September 8th

Capt's Meeting: Thursday, September 6th – 4PM at Crazy Flamingo

Fishing Hours: TBD at Capt.'s Meeting, Possible "Flex" hours

Tide Info at Coon Key:

Low Tide:	6:29 AM	(1.4')
High Tide:	12:18 PM	(4.4')

Solunar Activity: Very High Activity from **11:31 am** to **1:31 pm**

Sunrise: 7:09 am

Event Target Fish: Redfish

Prizes:

Team Prizes: Total Combined Inches of all redfish with minimum size of 18" **1st thru 6th Place**

Individual Prizes –Largest Redfish **1st & 2nd Place** - *Angler can only win one largest fish prize*

Prize amounts will depend on the number of participants, **plus \$200.00** in club funds.

Prizes to be given out at the October General Meeting.

Entry Fee: \$10.00 per MSC angler, \$15.00 per non-member, due by no later than the **Captain's Meeting**, Thursday, Sept. 6th - 4:00 PM at Crazy Flamingo, Marco Towne Center.

EVENT RULES

- Captains of all boats must be a MSC Member.
- **All** non-member guests must be on the same boat as their MSC sponsor.
- MSC boundaries apply. South, only to Everglades National Park boundaries. (Camp Lulu)
- As with **ALL MSC** fishing activities, the "**No Guide**" Rule applies.
- Must fish from a boat with minimum of 9.9 HP motor – (kayaks are not eligible to participate)
- Photos of all fish tallied are required for Team and Largest Fish Prizes. Measure to nearest 1/4"
- Turn in Tally Sheet, and photos to Mike Larsen, by 5:00 PM, on **Saturday, September 8th**, via email.

For questions, and to submit pictures of your catch:

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MSC "Eatin Chicken" Summer Picnic



Wed., Aug. 15, 2018 @ 12:00 high-noon---Sarazen Park

Fried Chicken, cole slaw, potato salad, beans, watermelon

Bring your own DRINKS

Money: \$6.00 member, \$9.00 guests -- RSVP deadline Aug. 11

\$9.00 member, \$12.00 guests after Aug. 11

Make Checks Payable To Marco Sportfishing Club (MSC) and mail to:

Jay Jones, 276 Rockhill Ct., Marco Island, Fl. 34145

Any questions, call Jay 394-0048

Members attending & phone # _____

Guests attending _____

Members: ____ @ \$6.00 each before Aug. 11 ____ @ \$9.00 each after Aug. 11 \$ _____

Guests: ____ @ \$9.00 each before Aug. 11 ____ @ \$12.00 each after Aug. 11 \$ _____

ADD 'EM UP TOTAL \$ _____

CURRENT PICNIC PARKING RULES

Beginning in October 2016, MICA no longer issues stickers for vehicles, rather requires that vehicles have a person aboard with a current MICA membership card. In the past, as a courtesy to the club, they had allowed club members without MICA membership to park in the lot if they were attending the picnic. However, due to complaints from MICA members that the lot was full during picnics, we no longer have that luxury.

Please be aware that the fine for parking on a swale within the vicinity of Sarazen Park is \$95.

HOW TO PARK FOR PICNICS:

- 1) Marco Island residents can purchase an ID card at the MICA office (above the Mutual of Omaha Bank on San Marco and S. Barfield) for \$140. You will need a tax bill or homeowners insurance policy with your name on it. <http://www.marcocivic.com/applications/> The ID for your wallet (or on a lanyard) allows you to park any vehicle in the lot. However, it appears that the ID card does not replace the old sticker, ie. you can't let someone else drive your car, they will look at your card to make sure you are in the vehicle. Also, MICA has been leaving notices on cars (including convertibles) that the card must be left on the windshield (not on list of 27 rules or on MICA website). Be aware if someone steals your ID card for following this dumb rule, it will cost you \$25 to replace it. Maybe leave a copy of your card on the dashboard instead?
- 2) Get a Collier County beach sticker from the library or Caxambas boat ramp, and park in the Collier County parking lot, which is adjacent and east of the MICA lot. You cannot park in the MICA lot with this sticker. The stickers are free to Collier County residents, but you need your car registration. Note that in season on very nice days, the Collier County lot could be full by mid-morning. *
- 3) Pay the fee for parking in the Collier County parking lot of \$8 (correct change required). *
- 4) Find a ride from someone who has a MICA card.
- 5) Be aware that MICA rule #15 states: "MEMBERS MAY NOT SHUTTLE GUESTS. MEMBERS MAY ENTER ONCE WITH UP TO FIVE PERSONS ONLY".
- 6) Park at a friend's house/condo that lives within walking distance. I'm not allowed to say who they are (we have many) but you can check the roster. Maybe buy him/her some beers at Happy Hour.

* The Collier County rangers who sometimes patrol the Collier County parking lot, have been telling picnic goers that the lot is for "beach parking only" and not for attending picnics (I doubt if this has been tested in court). So if you park there you should appear as if you are going to the beach. Passing chairs over the fence will probably get you busted. Because of liability issues, **ANYONE CLIMBING OVER THE FENCE WILL BE EJECTED FROM THE PICNIC WITH NO REFUND.**

Note: These are these that latest rules as 1/23/2018. See the date-stamped [CURRENT PICNIC PARKING RULES](#) for any changes.

