

MSC Tackle Box

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Dedicated to Safe Fishing in and Around Marco Island

President's Message for September 2020

September Tackle Box

The month of September is upon us, and backwater fishing is starting to improve. The "No-Bait" event from August saw some nice-sized Redfish taken by our anglers. As the weather begins to cool down, we will see an increased opportunity for Spotted Seatrout as well. If the water temperature is high, remember to look for shady areas with deep water and good current, especially during the incoming tide. Not only will the incoming tide bring in baitfish which our ambush predators love, but it brings in cooler water temperatures. Best time to fish is in the morning before the sun gets too high and begins to warm up the shallows.



Offshore fishing for grouper (Gag or Red) has picked-up, although Gags are still harder to find. Permit and Mangrove Snapper can be found wreck fishing both nearshore and out to the Towers. AJs and Yellowtail Snapper can be found at deeper wrecks beyond 40 miles. As always, this time of year, keep a weather-eye out for thunderstorms.

In other news, we have Covid-19... The club conducted a recent survey of our members seeking guidance with how we plan for future events, both fishing and social. Over 25% of the members submitted responses. The complete report is included in this edition. The board reviewed the responses and identified several steps to consider as we move forward this year.

Holding fishing events was widely supported. Therefore, the club will continue to offer both backwater and offshore fishing events. However, we will not be holding social events until we can do so safely. Marco Island recently issued a new city order that limits the number of attendees at any social gathering to just **TEN**. MICA has adopted those guidelines, so that pretty much eliminates any option to hold modified Captains' Meetings or Picnics at Sarazen Park.

Our members also asked that the club research the use of video or audio teleconferencing. We are actively investigating the tools to provide that capability for future membership meetings. The somewhat "encouraging" news is that the current trend with positive tests results for Covid-19 is heading in the right direction. Our "positivity rate" is lowering as are the number of new positive tests results per day. We will keep you informed as we constantly monitor the suggested guidelines.

So, let's talk fishing.

Currently, we are midway through the annual Triple Crown Tournament. In September, we will hold the backwater "Double Dose" event. October brings us to the excitement of two backwater events, the competitive "Two-Angler Redfish" and the always fun redfish team event – "Redfish XV". November will provide another opportunity to catch a "Backwater Slam" (Redfish, Snook and Spotted Seatrout) in the "Turkey Slam" event. Offshore we will hold the annual "Super Grouper and Snapper Tournament" in December. Each month we also have "Kayak" events – the ultimate "social distancing" fishing activity. In November, there will be a "Kayak Fishing Tournament". Check out the "Coming Events" page on our website to find out more about these events.

Speaking of Offshore..., Be sure to check out the new "Offshore Homepage" on our website. Offshore Coordinator, Jim Scarpa has put together a great place to see what the offshore anglers are catching. There are "blog reports" and a photo gallery where the offshore captains share their recent adventures with us all.

For those new anglers, or those that want to improve their skills, be sure to check out the videos we have on our website from "Salt Strong", an online fishing cub. We have access to over 500 videos that cover a multitude of topics, from gear selection to fishing and rigging techniques to fishing spot selection. If you have looked at the list previously, please understand that it is updated almost daily. There are even videos of fishing on Marco Island!

September Fishing Quote. **"Like they say, you can learn more from a guide in one day than you can in three months fishing alone."**

Mario Lopez (Support our local guides!)

Tight Lines, Keith

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Offshore Report



Offshore Update – September 2020

What's Happening Offshore...

If you follow our weekly Offshore Fishing Reports, you will see that Red Grouper are being caught from about 65' and deeper, generally with the larger fish in deeper water and the best fishing occurring on the better tide days and windows – use your solunar activity tables. There have been a lot of undersize Red Grouper caught at all depths so hopefully this is an indication that the fishery is strong for future years. Snapper are being caught on wrecks and ledges, but the predators have been plentiful and hungry – if you want to get them to the boat whole (the filets are bigger this way) I recommend a tight drag and high speed reel, reel as fast as humanly possible and don't stop, flip them into the boat as soon as they reach the surface. If this doesn't work, move to another spot. Permit have been found and caught on many of the near and offshore reefs, wrecks and towers 45' to 70'. We have had reports from several spearfishing trips as well this month. I know what you are going to say...Jim, this is not fishing, it's shooting fish in a barrel (send all hate mail to me directly). All kidding aside, the reason I mention this is that there have been sightings of keeper size Hogfish, Mangrove Snapper and Gag Grouper on ledges in 60' to 80' of water recently – go catch them. With the summer weather pattern upon us, keep your radar operational and satellite weather subscription active to best navigate around the storms and be prepared to run when the storms are headed your way, and detour when they are in your path. Get out there and have some fun...and be safe.

I have included a photo of a couple nice permit caught recently.



Offshore Events...

Offshore Slam – unfortunately we had to cancel this event due to low participation. I suspect the virus restrictions and the time of year played a factor. I am planning to try this again in 2021, but as a year-long event so there is plenty of time to catch your slam and our seasonal residents can participate. Constructive feedback is welcome.

Super Grouper / Snapper – SAVE THE DATES, our next Offshore event will be held in December, the fishing window will be Saturday to Saturday, December 12th to 19th. This is the new moon period and is the week with the best solunar activity of the month. Details will be released shortly.

Other Important Stuff...

Offshore Captains - don't forget to send me your Offshore Fishing Reports and photos of any remarkable catches when you return from fishing!

If you fish offshore and want to be added to our offshore email distribution, please send me a request via the link on the Offshore Fishing homepage and I will gladly add you to this exclusive team.

If you have any ideas, or want to volunteer to help with offshore events, feel free to contact me anytime.

Tight Lines!

Jim

Triple Crown Tournament

July Report

by Ron Scriver

The Marco Sportfishing Club Triple Crown Tournament, sponsored by The Compass Group at Morgan Stanley, is now at the half-way point. Tournament standings through August 31st are available on the MSC website. The tournament runs through October 31st, however, registration closed on August 31st.

Fishing has been good! As of August 24th Donna Deeter has caught the largest Redfish (27.5 inches) and Snook (42.5 inches), and, along with her Tarpon, is in first place. Ten Tarpons have been submitted. Contestants have until October 31st to win big cash prizes!

The Marco Sportfishing Club mid-tournament picnic and BBQ contest will not be held this year. Many of us look forward to this longstanding club tradition, and hope that we can conduct such gatherings in the near future.

Thanks for submitting great photos of your catches!



2020 Marco Sportfishing Club Triple Crown Tournament

Through and Including August 31, 2020

Position	Angler's Name		Size	Date	Size	Date	Size	Date	Points
			Redfish		Snook		Tarpon		
1	Donna	Deeter	27.5	7/25/20	42.5	7/2/20	66	7/2/20	206
2	Alvin	Jennings	27	8/3/20	38.5	7/7/20	66	7/1/20	197
3	Kevin	Krygier	28.75	8/31/20	35	7/29/20	66	7/17/20	193.5
4	Chris	Vines	25	8/9/20	38.5	7/26/20	66	7/5/20	193
5	John	Marchetti	24.75	7/29/20	37	7/29/20	66	7/1/20	189.5
6	Dave	Dodd	20	8/28/20	38.5	8/30/20	66	8/28/20	183
7	Mike	Larsen	26.5	7/31/20	31.5	7/21/20	66	7/2/20	182
8	Ed	Brown	20.25	7/16/20	35	7/6/20	66	7/2/20	176.5
9	Victor	Ordija	21.25	8/23/20	30	8/7/20	66	7/18/20	168.5
10	Gary	Costley	23.5	8/19/20	24.5	7/7/20	66	8/20/20	162
11	Jim	Mueller	25.5	7/29/20	31.25	7/24/20	30		143.5
12	Paul	Milici	24	8/18/20	30.25	8/26/20	30		138.5
13	Howard	Laskau	25	8/30/20	27	7/20/20	30		134
14	Jerry	Keyes	24.25	7/30/20	25.5	7/23/20	30		129.5
15	Cathy	Erickson	18.75	8/12/20	30.25	8/12/20	30		128
16	Pete	Arcidiacono	15		15		66	7/2/20	126
17	Dave	Schott	26.75	7/25/20	20.5	8/22/20	30		124.5
18	Jerry	Defibaugh	23	8/18/20	23	7/15/20	30		122
19	Ron	Scriver	15		30	7/2/20	30		120
20	Steve	Macko	26	8/16/20	15		30		112
21	Chris	Hutchings	22.75	7/30/20	15		30		105.5
22	Don	Richards	18.5	8/18/20	18	8/23/20	30		103
23	Bobbie	Ordija	15		19.75	8/7/20	30		99.5
24	Bruce	Donaldson	15		18.25	7/27/20	30		96.5
25	Keith	Wohltman	15		15		30		90
26	Paul	Ehardt	15		15		30		90
27	Skip	Endicott	15		15		30		90
28	Ellen	Filipiak	15		15		30		90
29	Daniel	Flynn	15		15		30		90
30	Francisco	Garcia	15		15		30		90
31	Larry	Heinemann	15		15		30		90
32	Kevin	Johaningsmeir	15		15		30		90
33	Jay	Jones	15		15		30		90
34	Dick	Larson	15		15		30		90
35	Mike	Ludwig	15		15		30		90
36	John	Moore	15		15		30		90
37	John	Moyer	15		15		30		90
38	John	Mueller	15		15		30		90
39	Kate	Mueller	15		15		30		90
40	Joe	Riccio	15		15		30		90
41	Dave	Rizzo	15		15		30		90
42	Bruce	Robertson	15		15		30		90
43	Edwin	Schwab	15		15		30		90
44	Steve	Schwindt	15		15		30		90

MSC August Kayak Outing Everglades City/Chokoloskee Bay by Howard Laskau

The August trip provided kayak anglers with the opportunity to participate in 3 events at once...the No Bait tournament, the Triple Crown and the 2020 Kayak challenge. A handful of anglers set out early Tuesday morning, some leaving at dawn's first light, ready to drop their lines in at sunrise for the No Bait tournament. Victor Ordija was one of those anglers who was out on the water early. Limited light, dark water, and sitting low in the water makes it somewhat difficult to see what's in front of you in a kayak. Well, Victor sure got a surprise when he ran into an alligator in the bay! No harm done, Victor continued on and landed a 29" Black Drum later in the morning. Early on, the fish were not very cooperative, but they started biting later in the morning. All of the kayak anglers reported having BIG fish on their lines, but the really BIG ones all managed to get away or break off. Mike Larsen managed to catch a 24 1/2" redfish. That fish put him into the lead for the 2020 Kayak Challenge in the Redfish category. We are 2/3 of the way through the year and Mike is also in the lead with the largest trout and bass. Kayakers...only 4 more outings left for the year to claim one of the top spots!

If you are interested in kayaking, or joining us on one of our monthly adventures, please go to the MSC website and read all about it. Our experienced kayakers are always willing to answer questions, provide tips, or help out any newcomers to our group!



No-Bait 2020 Results

by Mike Larsen

As per usual, our S/W FL August weather was a challenge again this year. However, the anglers found windows of fishable weather over the 2 available fishing days to get out and fish the event. Nicely done everyone!

32 anglers participated: 29 members & 3 non-members for a total of \$335.00 in entry fees

Club backwater donation = \$205.00 + \$335.00 in entry fees = a total prize pool of \$540.00

No-Bait is a challenging event and provides an opportunity for everyone to expand their skillset. That's what makes this event so unique! The combination of fishing without bait and spotty weather this year made for a mixed bag of success. Many anglers found it hard to find/catch fish, while others were able to find and catch at least one of the target species. One common theme was an enjoyable day on the water w/ friends.

The Redfish category was especially competitive this year, with 5 redfish within 2.5" of each other. We even had a tie for 2nd/3rd place! Both the snook and trout seemed to be more difficult for this event, but a few were landed. The complete results are below, along with honorable mentions and pictures of a couple of winners with their prize catch.

Redfish

1st John Baker – 25.5" - \$80.00

2nd (Tie) Mike Larsen – 24.5" - \$50.00

2nd (Tie) Phil Madonia – 24.5" - \$50.00

Redfish Honorable Mention! Gary Costley – 23.5" // Jerry Defibaugh – 23"

Trout

1st Chris Vines – 17.5" - \$80.00

2nd Ed Brown – 17" - \$60.00

3rd Cathy Erickson – 15.75" - \$40.00

Snook

1st Barry French – 20.25" - \$80.00

2nd Victor Ordija – 20" - \$60.00

3rd – Ron Linn – 17" - \$40.00

Trout Honorable Mention! Kevin Krygier – 15.5"

- Thank you for everyone who participated in the event. To have 32 anglers fishing a monthly backwater event in August is very impressive. When you consider we did so during a pandemic, it makes it even more impressive! The MSC continues to roll on despite difficult times, so kudos to all!

Be sure to sign up for our next Monthly Backwater Event, “Double Dose”, on Wednesday, Sept. 16th

Detailed information and entry forms are available under the coming events section of the MCS website

John Baker – 25.5” Redfish



Phil Madonia – 24.5” Redfish



2 Man Redfish – Fact Sheet

- ! Keeping with current MSC rules, current or former for-hire Florida charter fishing guides/Captains are not eligible to participate in this tournament.
- ! Tuesday October 13th Staggered "Shotgun Start" at Walker's Coon Key Marina or Jolly Bridge
 - o All boats start and leave from Coon Key Marina or Jolly Bridge
 - o Check-in opens at 7:15 AM, closes at 8:00 AM.
 - o Boats not checked in by 8 AM are disqualified. Official start at 8:00 AM.
 - o At the start, 3 boats will leave at one time (by starting number). There will be a 30 second interval between each group of 3 boats
- ! Trailering of boats to a different location after the start is not allowed
- ! **MSC North boundaries apply, SOUTH to WEST PASS. BE ADVISED! There is No Tournament Fishing in EVERGLADES NATIONAL PARK, (catch and release only).**
- ! 2 people per boat. No extra passengers or observers allowed onboard.
- ! Weigh in is at **Coon Key Marina**, Scales for weigh-in open at 1:00 PM sharp and will close at 3:00 PM. Penalties apply (4 oz. per 5 min) after 3:00 PM. Boats not back at the marina by 3:30 will be disqualified
- ! When returning for weigh-in, please call in on VHF channel 68 when in the vicinity of channel marker "Red 6" (in the channel near the Marina). Use your entry number for ID.
- ! To account for all boats, please check-in, even if you have no fish to report.
- ! At the dock, you will be given a basket to place your redfish into for weighing
- ! Only slot-sized redfish (18" – 27") will be weighed. Submission of smaller or larger fish will result in disqualification. Weigh-in is open. Captains of each boat will be asked to verify the weight of their entry on the scale.

“Redfish Tuesday” Entry Form
October 13, 2020

2-person teams only

Individual entries will not be accepted

Team Name _____

Team Captain _____

Captain's Cell Phone _____

Captain's Email _____

MSC Member ____ yes (Team Captain must be a MSC member in good standing)

\$40 - “Redfish Tuesday” entry fee

Crew member _____

MSC Member ____ yes

MSC member ____ no

\$40 - “Redfish Tuesday” entry fee

\$50 - non-member entry fee

“Redfish Tuesday” entry fee entitles each angler to:

- ! Compete for cash awards. (Exact amount and number of awards to be determined by number of entries received. Full details will not be available until entries close)
- ! At this time there is no Captains Meeting

Please make checks and entry forms, (**FOR THIS EVENT ONLY**), payable to - Marco Sportfishing Club / Redfish Tuesday

Mail check for your Team, along with this entry form, “Redfish Tuesday” to:

Ron Linn, 844 Milan Ct., Marco island, FL 34145

Entries close October 10th, 2020

Questions: Call John Baker 239-970-0296



REDFISH XV OCT 2020

COVID REVENGE

It is time for us to start signing up for our premier Fall Blackwater event. Get ready for another exciting contest. We are determined not to let the Covid 19 epidemic hold us down. You might notice some changes from the August newsletter, but we can have fun and play it smart. This year's Redfish XV Team Event (Covid Revenge) will be held on October 28th or 29th. That's only a few days before Halloween again this year, that's spooky. Only one of the two days will be fished, and that day will be pre-selected by each Captain, just like last year.

We will be counting the Total NUMBER of Redfish, Snook and Trout caught by each team to select the Boat and Team Winners. Being primarily a Redfish event, each Redfish will again be counted twice. Having all three species involved last year made the event more exciting. Counting each fish (no matter size) should allow for quick boat side releases and minimize fish handling. Though we will be measuring and photo'ing keeper fish

for the Largest fish prizes. That worked well last year and the fish still need a break. Hey, they had Red Tide and we got Covid 19.

To play it smart, we will not be having a Captains meeting for this event or an after-event Picnic. We have removed those events that would have challenged physical distancing. It just means a few more e/mails and no fried chicken. The fishing competition will be the same and we all get to get out on the water.

I have taken it on as my personnel goal this year to not increase the size of the individual prizes, but to increase the number of them. Last year we had one of the most competitive events that we have had for some time, I am hopeful that this year we can have even more fun. We can all use some friendly competition and a challenge rather than hiding out. I was going to say basement, but we don't have those here.

So put on your Masks, wash your hands twice and put the dates into your Calendars. It is time to get give your fishing buddy a call and sending in the attached sign up sheet. You will notice we are not asking for your shirt size this year, according to our wives we have to many of them. So, this year we will be doing a Buff face mask (how's that for being CDC sensitive). Remember, I will not know how many Redfish to order from the State till I get your sign up. I have them brought in by truck.

And May The Tide Be With You. We picked dates with a good tide.

More Info to come
Fleet Admiral

Ed Vesely

REDFISH XV Entry Form
COVID 19 REVENGE Team Event

Oct. 28th or 29th

***Entry Deadline Oct. 16th**

Team Name: _____

CAPT. Name:(Must be MSC Member):_____

Capt's Cell Phone _____ **Email**_____

Boat Name / Call Sign:_____

Entry Fee \$25 _____

CAPTAIN FEE ENCLOSED: \$ _____

Crew#1 Name:_____

MSC Member Fee \$25----Non Member Fee \$35 (Circe One)

CREW #1 FEE ENCLOSED; \$ _____

Crew#2 Name:_____

MSC Member Fee \$25----Non Member Fee \$35 (Circe One)

CREW #2 FEE ENCLOSED; \$ _____

Crew#3 Name:_____

MSC Member Fee \$25----Non Member Fee \$35 (Circe One)

CREW #3 FEE ENCLOSED: \$ _____

TOTAL TEAM FEES \$ _____

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September 2020		Fish of the Month: Snook
Date	Event	Information & Comments
All Month	Triple Crown Tournament	See Report this Newsletter
September 3	General Meeting	Cancelled
September 7	Board Meeting	Details to Follow
Date TBD	Kayak Trip Fakahatchee Strand State Park	See Website for Details
September 16	Double Dose Fishing Day	See Flyer this Newsletter
September 17	Double Dose Alt. Fishing Day	

October 2020		Fish of the Month: Redfish
Date	Event	Information & Comments
All Month	Triple Crown Tournament	See Report This Newsletter
October 1	General Meeting	Cancelled
October 5	MSC Board Meeting	Details to Follow
October 13	2-Man Redfish Event	See Flyer this Newsletter
October 16	Kayak Event Chokoloskee Bay	See Website for Details
October 26	Redfish Team Event Captains Meeting	See Flyer this Newsletter for Event Details
October 28	Redfish Team Fishing Day	See Flyer this Newsletter
October 29	Redfish Team Alt. Day	See Flyer this Newsletter
October 31	Triple Crown Tournament Ends	

November 2020		Fish of the Month: Gag Grouper
Date	Event	Information & Comments
November 1	Membership Open Enrollment	Details to Follow
November 5	General Meeting Redfish Awards	Details to Follow
November 9	MSC Board Meeting	Details to Follow
November 9	Kayak Tournament Event	Sign-up Flyer to Follow
November 12	Turkey Slam Event	See Flyer this Newsletter
November 13	Turkey Slam Alt. Day	
TBD	Buddy Trip	



Update from the Editor September 2020

The monthly Water Advisory Committee (WAC) meeting was cancelled. Should attend next months, September 17th session. Will provide an update on what or what not the City is doing regarding on going water quality issues and the Florida EPA letter of 8/22/19, you can see the letter in the October 2019 Newsletter. As I noted in last months' Update Sam Young is no longer on the City Council in that he has moved out of Marco Island. Sam will be tough to replace. There is a candidate for City Council with a serious concern about Marco Islands' water quality. His name is Phares Heindl, who I have known for several years. He has an article in the current edition of the Coastal Breeze under "Guest Commentary" page 8A. Also, check out his website.
<https://www.facebook.com/heindlforcitycouncil>.

Stay safe and positive, and follow all the guidelines FWC/CDC.

If you have any comments or wish to submit a photo with a short "fishtale", I can be reached at pfwanzenberg@yahoo.com.



Marco Sportfishing Club Covid-19 Member Survey

1. Are you currently on Marco Island or nearby locations?

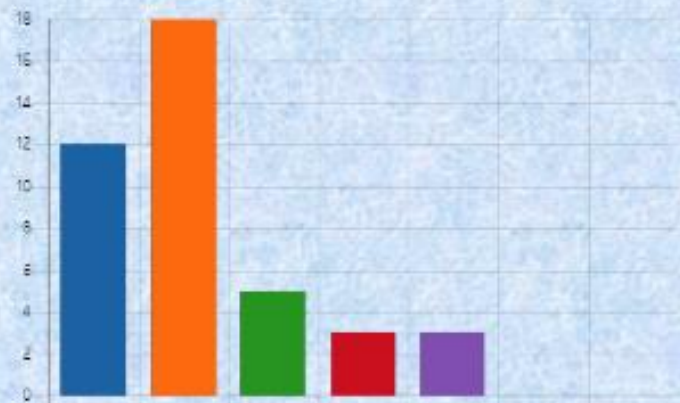
● YES 75

● NO 42



2. If your answer is "NO" to Question 1, when do you plan to return to Marco Island?

Month	Count
September	12
October	18
November	5
December	3
January	3
February	0
March	0



3. Outdoor Venues: Currently, outdoor venues are permitted to be used for groups of no more than 50 people. In view of this restriction, should the club hold social events (Captains' Meetings, Picnics, Awards Celebrations, etc.) that can adhere to CDC Guidelines?

● YES 55

● NO 62



4. If the club held outdoor social events that adhere to CDC Guidelines, would you attend now?

- YES 33
- NO 50
- Not Currently on Marco Island 34



5. Based on your answer to Question 2. Would you attend outdoor social events, that adhere to CDC Guidelines, when you return to Marco Island?

- YES 18
- NO 21
- MAYBE 18
- Not Applicable 60



6. Executive Order 20-09 issued by Governor DeSantis stated people may fish or use boats so long as they are 50 feet apart with no more than 10 people on board. This is the guidance the club has used to continue our fishing events during the pandemic. If a fishing event is scheduled for the Backwater, will you participate now?

- YES 60
- NO 12
- DO NOT FISH BACKWATER EVENTS 12
- Not Currently on Marco Island 33



7. Fishing Events, Offshore: Like Question 6, but for Offshore events. If a fishing event is scheduled for Offshore, will you participate now?

- YES 36
- NO 12
- DO NOT FISH OFFSHORE EVENTS 40
- Not Currently on Marco Island 29



8. Based on your answer to Question 2. Would you participate in Backwater events when you return to Marco Island?

- YES 37
- NO 10
- DO NOT FISH BACKWATER EVENTS 8
- Not Applicable 62



9. Based on your answer to Question 2. Would you participate in Offshore events when you return to Marco Island?

- YES 26
- NO 9
- DO NOT FISH OFFSHORE EVENTS 22
- Not Applicable 60



10. Indoor Gatherings (Meetings, etc.): Current guidelines in Phase Two Reopening for indoor gatherings are limited to 50% capacity and social distancing with 6 ft separation and wearing masks, if unable to maintain that separation. There are also stringent cleaning and disinfecting requirements. As an example, Marco Island Historical Society informed MSC that they could only allow 40 people to occupy Rose Auditorium to satisfy these guidelines. In addition, they just do not have the staff to perform the thorough cleaning/disinfecting and attendee monitoring. (That means taking temperatures, recording names of attendees etc. for Contact Tracing). Therefore, they decided to close for the rest of 2020. If the club were able to find a venue on Marco Island that would hold our membership meetings and adhere to the CDC guidelines, would you attend now?

- YES 30
- NO 54
- Not Currently on Marco Island 33



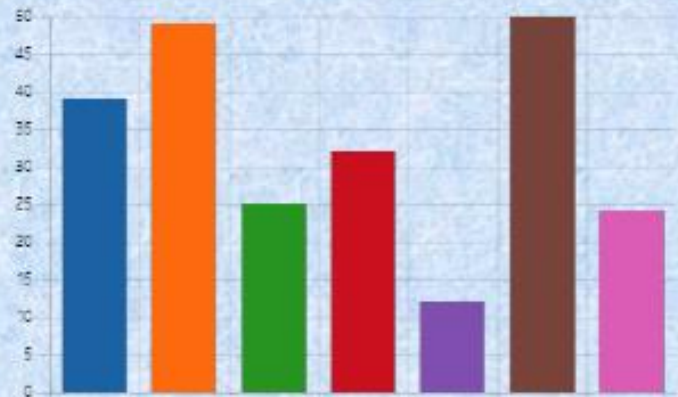
11. Indoor Gathering: Based on your answer to Question 2. Would you participate in indoor gathering when you return to Marco Island if the venue could adhere to the CDC guidelines?

- YES 21
- NO 35
- Not Applicable 61



12. Indoor Gatherings: What are the minimum requirements you would want MSC to take to permit you to attend an indoor gathering?

- 6' Social Distancing 39
- Require Face Masks 49
- Attendee Temperature Check 25
- Thorough Disinfection & Cleaning 32
- Contact Tracing Capability 12
- ALL OF THE ABOVE 50
- Other 24



13. Indoor Gatherings: Regarding our monthly membership meetings, would you want the Board to explore using teleconferencing technology to hold a meeting with a minimal number of presenters and allow members to attend remotely?

- YES 86
- NO 31



14. Meetings via Teleconference: If your answer to Question 13, was "YES", would you attend the teleconference meeting?

● YES 83

● NO 34



15. Meetings: Should MSC continue to cancel Membership meetings until we can safely resume these face-to-face meetings without restrictions?

● YES 86

● NO 31





“Double Dose” Redfish/Snook Event

NOTE! SIGN UP via mail – Mail your entry form and check made out to MSC to:
Mike Larsen – 581 Elk Circle, Marco Island, FL 34145

Date: Wednesday, September 16th

Backup Date: Thursday, September 17th

Captains Meeting: Canceled – (unless Covid magically disappears?)

Fishing Hours: 6-Hour Flex-Fish –Any 6-hour window between 7:13am (sunrise) and 7:29 pm (sunset)

Tide Info at Coon Key:

Low Tide:	7:42 AM	(1.0')
High Tide:	1:36 PM	(4.6')

Solunar Activity: Very High Activity from 12:46 pm to 2:46 pm

Event Target Fish: Redfish & Snook

Prizes:

Team Prizes: Total Combined Inches of 1 Largest Redfish and 1 Largest Snook **1st – 7th Place**

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. (“if” we have a meeting)

Entry Fee: \$10.00 – MSC member//\$15.00 - non-member, received no later than Monday, September 14th.

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 Backwater Boundaries Apply
- **“No Guide”** Rule applies. – **“2-Line”** Rule Applies
- Must fish from a boat with minimum of 9.9 HP motor – (no shore fishing & kayaks are not eligible to participate)
- Photos of the largest fish are required for Team and Largest Fish Prizes. - Measure fish to nearest ¼”
- All fish caught during the event are eligible for entry into Triple Crown Tournament & Leaderboard Contest
- **E-mail tally sheet and photos**, to Mike Larsen, by **5:00 PM the day AFTER the event**)

For questions, and to submit pictures of your catch:

Mike Larsen

Backwater Events Coordinator

mike_larsen@keysight.com

Mobile: 239-315-9235



Double Dose - Registration Form

MSC Sponsored Backwater Event

Fishing Day: Wednesday, September 16th

Entry Fee: \$10 for MSC Members - \$15 for non-MSC Members

- Non-members only allowed if fishing on a MSC member's boat, no individual non-member boat or kayak entries accepted

Captain's Name: _____

Cell Phone: _____

E-Mail: _____

Crew #1 Name: _____

Crew #2 Name: _____

Crew #3 Name: _____

Notes:



4th Annual Turkey Slam Backwater Event

Date: Thursday, November 12th, 2020

Backup Date: Friday, November 13th, 2020

Capt.'s Meeting: TBD depending on Covid situation

Fishing Hours: 6-Hour "Flex-Fish"

Tide Info at Coon Key:

<u>Low Tide:</u>	5:20 AM	(.3')
<u>High Tide:</u>	11:26 AM	(3.8')

Solunar Activity: Major Period: 9:53 AM to 11:53 AM (Very High Activity!)

Event Target Fish: Redfish, Snook, and Spotted Seatrout

Prizes: - This is a **team event**, with the emphasis on teamwork, and most importantly to **HAVE FUN ☺**

- **Team/Boat Prize:** 1st - 7th Place - Total inches of one each of target species

- **Individual Angler Prize – Turkey Bonus Fish!** Largest Jack Crevalle (measure mouth to fork of tail)

Prize amounts will depend on the number of participants, **plus a minimum** of \$200 in club funds.

Prizes awarded either at a club event, or by dropping by Mike's house if no club meetings are scheduled.

Entry Fee: \$10.00 per MSC angler, \$15.00 per non-member, due in Mike's mailbox by Tuesday, Nov. 11th.

To register: Mail your entry form and entry fees to: **Mike Larsen – 581 Elk Circle, Marco Island, FL 34145.**

Entry must be received by Tuesday the 11th! If paying by check, make it out to Marco Sportfishing Club.

EVENT RULES

- Captains of all boats must be an MSC Member. – **"No-Guide" Rule** applies. **"2-Line" Rule** applies.
- MSC boundaries apply. - Check MSC website for established backwater boundaries
- Photos of all fish submitted for prizes required - Measure fish to nearest 1/4"
- Turn in Tally Sheet, and photos, to Mike Larsen, by no later than 5:00 PM, on Friday, November 13th.
- Largest ONE each of Snook, Redfish, and Trout combined for total inches per boat for team prize.
- **Focus on the "SLAM". Teams with all 3 of the target fish finish ahead of teams with 2 target fish, even if the team with 2 fish has a greater number of inches. The Jack Crevalle does not count toward the slam.**

➔ For questions, and to submit your documented results: (see below)

Mike Larsen Backwater Events Coordinator - mike_jarsen@keysight.com - Mobile: 239-315-9235



4th Annual Turkey Slam Registration Form

1 Redfish + 1 Snook + 1 Trout = Total Inches/Team

Fishing Day: Thursday, November 12th

Entry Fee: \$10 for MSC Members -- \$15 for non-MSA Members

- Non-members only allowed if fishing on an MSC members boat.
- No individual non-member boat or kayak entries accepted.

Captain's Name: _____

Cell Phone: _____

E-Mail: _____

Crew #1: _____

Crew #2: (if applicable) _____

Crew #3: (if applicable) _____

- See the event flyer posted on the website for specific rules & event times
- Questions? Contact Mike Larsen – 239-315-9235 - mike_larsen@keysight.com

Notes: _____



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Gloria Robertson
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June 1, 2020

