

# MSC Tackle Box

<http://www.marcosportfishingclub.com/> Keith Wohltman – President



Dedicated to Safe Fishing in and around Marco Island

## President's Message for November 2023



Thanks to all of you who were able to come to Capt. Pete's service on October 14<sup>th</sup>. It was great to see so many members from our club there to honor the memory of fun times with Pete. Hoping not to start a trend, I would like to pass along the sad news that we lost another past President from MSC. John Miniutti passed on October 8<sup>th</sup>. John was President when Pete joined the club. Hopefully they are catching some nice bull redfish together.

So far this year we have escaped the serious impacts from tropical storms and hurricanes. However, it is important to be aware that we still have one more month of hurricane season, so keep an eye on the long-range forecasts, and have a plan to keep your family, home, and boat safe.

October has traditionally brought schools of redfish in from the offshore waters, and our "Capt. Pete Two-Man Redfish" event had hoped to enjoy their arrival. However, the fish that showed up were somewhat smaller than we had hoped. Redfish were here, just not the slot-sized fish we wanted. The "Redfish Picnic" was certainly a success and well attended. Another tribute to Capt. Pete.

In addition to renaming the premier backwater fishing event for Pete, we have received approval from Florida Fish and Wildlife (FWC) that they will rename one of our club's sponsored reefs, to the "Capt. Pete Memorial Reef". See the article about our reefs in this edition for more information.

## October Events

- The "Capt. Pete's 2-Man Redfish Tournament" was held on October 11<sup>th</sup>. Winners are named in the report in this edition.
- The "Redfish XVIII event pitted two equally qualified teams to fish on either 10/24 or 10/25. Both days were windy, but it appears Tuesday the 24<sup>th</sup> was the better of the two days. The winning team was announced at the Picnic on 10/27, and prizes will be awarded at the November meeting.
- The Redfish Picnic was held in Sarazen Park on October 27<sup>th</sup>. This year, in honor of Pete, it was opened to all club members, not just those who fished in the event. The turnout was amazing, look for photos from the picnic in the next edition.
- The "Triple Crown Tournament" ends on October 31<sup>st</sup>. Who won??? We will need to wait until December's meeting to name the winners for 2023.

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- The “Offshore Slam” completes its tenth month, and anglers have recorded a total of 10 slams so far, and Capt. Mike Mueller has taken over the lead as “Top Captain” There are still 2 months left in the tournament. There’s plenty of time to get in on the action.

In November we look forward to the following events.

- “Offshore Slam” will continue throughout the month of November.
- The backwater event, “Turkey Buffet” is set to kick off on November 7<sup>th</sup> and run through the 12<sup>th</sup>. A Captains meeting for the event will be held at the Sand Bar on November 6<sup>th</sup> at 4:00 PM. See the flyer in this edition.
- A Kayak Event is scheduled for November 1st at Imperial River. Contact Howard Laskau if you want to join in the fun.

Don’t forget we have the monthly “Fish of the Month (FOM)” contest, and you can enter your catch for the leaderboard. November’s FOM is Gag Grouper, which is closed so catch and release only.

Several members have reached out to me about both “running” picnics as event leaders and many other offered to step forward to help as volunteers. Some mentioned to me that they always helped whenever Dave asked them... I explained that I figured they would still help, but really needed to hear it from them. I can’t ask members to run picnics without letting them know we have volunteers to help them. Thank you to all who contacted me, and here’s hoping a few more will step forward. To move this along at a faster pace, Dave Schott will be organizing a schedule of event leaders and helpers. We really could use someone to step forward to run the January event – the “Welcome Back Snowbirds” picnic, which traditionally has been a catered Cuban food affair. We have all the details from Dave Walsh to make it a success – and Dave is here to help the event leader make it happen. As the name implies, it is one event that our family of returning seasonal members look forward to as the kick-off to “Season”.

There are several “seasonal” events coming in December. Everything from the Tree Lighting Tailgate, to our Holiday Party, to the Christmas Island Style Street Parade.

**Business Time:** November 1<sup>st</sup> is the start of our club’s annual membership renewal. Our club is probably the only place where you will not feel the burden of inflation... we are keeping the membership fee the same \$40 as in the past few years. Please take a few minutes to renew with either a credit card payment or mailing in a check to the club post office box indicated below. The sooner we have the 2024 funds we can begin to schedule 2024 events.

If you haven’t submitted your club waiver, please take a minute to print out the form in this edition, read, sign and date the form, and send it in to the club post office box. Or scan the signed form and email it to [marcosportfishingclub@gmail.com](mailto:marcosportfishingclub@gmail.com)

Marco Sportfishing Club  
PO Box 2104  
Marco Island, FL 34146

If you can – get out and fish!

Tight Lines

Keith

## LEADER BOARD & Fish of the Month Updates

Get updates using the link below.

<https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1DLt085ERxRO1BTU0PGS-PuJQn42L-xMESDLojd3TNEI/edit#gid=1816079768>

# November General Meeting

**Thursday, November 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2023**



**ST. MARK'S**  
EPISCOPAL CHURCH

## ***Parish Hall***



Mike is the UF IFAS Sea Grant Agent for Collier County. His programs focus on delivering educational materials regarding sustainable fisheries, fisheries enhancement, water quality and environmental literacy. He is a native Southwest Floridian and enjoys fishing, spearfishing, diving, kayaking and more.

Mike is also an avid aquarist and keeps both fresh and saltwater aquariums.

***Sign Up Tables***

***50/50 drawing***

***Doors open at 6:30***

 <p><i>Another day in Paradise ...</i></p>	<p><i>Brought to you by ...</i></p>  <p><i>Paradise Fuel</i></p>	<p><b><i>Dockside Fuel Delivery</i></b></p> <p><b>239-389-2012</b></p> <p><b>Order Online</b> <a href="http://www.ParadiseFuel.com">www.ParadiseFuel.com</a></p> <p>Non-Ethanol Gasoline - Dyed Diesel (Minimum 50 Gals - On Marco Island)</p>
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# Capt. Pete Memorial Reef & Marco Sportfishing Club Reef

In 2001 the Marco Sportfishing Club, the City of Marco Island and Collier County, through the FWC, created two reefs 9 miles west of Marco Island. These reefs were named the “Marco Island 9 Mile-Sport Fishing Club Reef-1” and “Marco Island 9 Mile-Sport Fishing Club Reef-2”. Not names that roll off the tongue. The reefs are fairly close together and consist of construction debris from the old bridge over factory bay on N Barfield.

We contacted the Division of Marine Fisheries Management - Artificial Reef Program of the FWC to see if we could get one of the reefs renamed to honor our long-time president and friend, Peter Arcidiacono.

We have been informed that the name of both reefs will be changed at the next reef database update.

Name changed from:

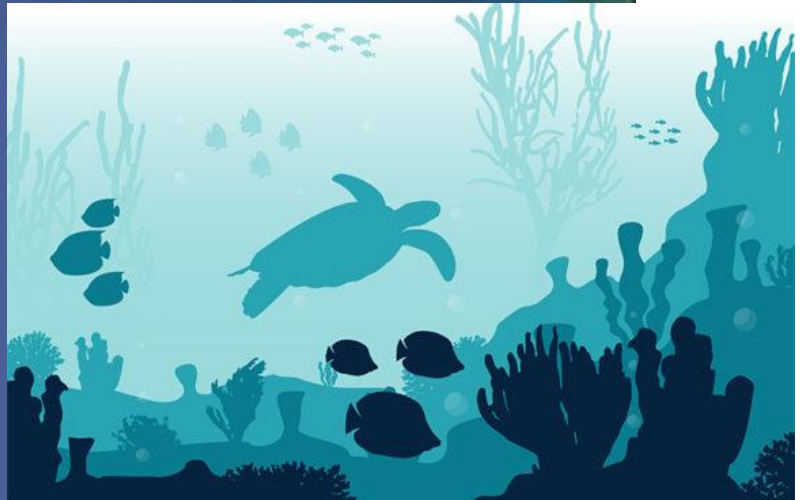
“Marco Island 9 Mile-Sport Fishing Club Reef-1” to: “**Capt. Pete Memorial Reef.**”  
lat/lon 25° 52.846' N, 81° 54.144' W

Name change from:

“Marco Island 9 Mile-Sport Fishing Club Reef-2” to: “**Marco Sportfishing Club Reef.**”  
lat/lon 25° 52.849' N, 81° 54.144' W



Capt. Pete Memorial Reef Marco Sportfishing Club



Capt. Pete Memorial Reef  
Marco Sportfishing Club



# ***MSC Membership Renewal Starts November 1<sup>st</sup> for 2024.***

***Still the best deal on Marco!***

**\$40 Family Membership**

**It is time to renew your  
Marco Sportfishing Club membership for 2024!!**

There has been an addition to the membership renewal process allowing members to add their spouse/significant other's email so that they will also receive Club information about social and fishing events.

You will find the two payment options for dues payment. We highly recommend using a credit card – it is easy and safe, the club does not get any of your credit card information, but we do get the funds immediately. In addition to an immediate transaction confirmation, you will also receive a detailed receipt in your email inbox.

***Follow the link and complete the registration process. Credit Card payment is preferred, but sending in a check and printed form will work as well.***

**[Click Here to Renew  
Your Membership for 2024](#)**

**[Follow this Link to see if you are a  
Member in Good Standing](#)**



# New Club Waiver Form

Due to ever changing laws and insurance regulations we have been advised to update the existing waiver form to bring it up to date. Anyone that wishes to participate in **ANY CLUB EVENT MUST SIGN A NEW WAIVER**. This includes fishing tournaments, picnics, Christmas parties, dinners and meetings. Anything sponsored by the club. The form does not have an end date so it will be good until the lawyers tell us to change it again. We will be verifying your name(s) against the club records at each event. You can check your waiver status on the club website by following this link:

[https://www.marcosportfishingclub.com/Membership\\_List/MembershipList.pdf](https://www.marcosportfishingclub.com/Membership_List/MembershipList.pdf)

We will of course have some Blank Waivers on hand for you to sign at events. But please don't wait till the event to sign. The people that volunteer their time to check for your waiver want to enjoy the event as well. Please be respectful to them and their time.

Below is a link to the new waiver. Please print it out and sign. If your significant other plans on attending any event they will need to have a signed form on file with the club.

Once you (and your spouse if required) have signed you can:

- 1) Scan it to a PDF (no pictures, please) and email it to: [marcosportfishingclub@gmail.com](mailto:marcosportfishingclub@gmail.com)
- 2) Bring it to the event and give it to the check-in person, event leader or any officer.
- 3) Snail mail it to:

MARCO SPORTFISHING CLUB

P. O. BOX 2104

MARCO ISLAND, FL 34146-2104

Please note that the zip code is 34146 (Post Office), not 34145 (Marco)

New Waiver:

<https://www.marcosportfishingclub.com/dues/WAIVERS/CurrentMSCwaiver.pdf>

# **2024 New Membership Option**

**Back for the third year, the “revised”  
new member application process.**

*In previous years, MSC held open enrollment for new members starting on November 1<sup>st</sup>. New members joining on, or after that date, could receive up to two months of membership in the current year, in addition to the following year.*

*Once again for 2023 - the open enrollment date began on September 1<sup>st</sup>!*

*New members will pay their dues for 2024 and are entitled to membership for the remainder of 2023. That could mean up to 4 months of “free” membership.*

**Please tell your friends who are thinking about joining the club about this important change.**

**The New Member Application is on the MSC Website. Applicants can use either the credit card dues process – or pay by cash or check.**

# Offshore Update – November 2023

## What's Happening Offshore...

Don't forget...Gag Grouper closed early on October 19. Red Grouper is closed and will re-open Jan 1, 2024. American Red Snapper fall season will be every Friday-Sunday in the months of September, October and November 2023.

We have two great offshore events open for sign-up...Super Snapper Nearshore and the 2024 Offshore Slam, see details below.

Red Snapper fall season has started again. Gag Grouper opened and then closed early a few weeks later! Snapper can be caught at all depths (bigger fish usually being in deeper water) near reefs / wrecks / towers and on ledges. There have been some pretty large snapper caught recently. Kingfish will also start to gather around structure and can be a by-catch while Snapper fishing, if you get bit off in the chum slick put out a Kingfish rig with wire and see what happens. The cooler fall water temperatures should start to bring migrating Cobia and Kingfish into the area, keep a jig or live bait at the ready in case a Cobia swims up to the boat. African Pompano can be found typically near structure and as shallow as 80'. AJ's are around structure as well, they are fun to bend a rod if you are looking for a great fight. Keep an eye out for Bonito and Spanish Mackerel feeding on the bait schools, look for surface activity and working birds to locate them, they are lots of fun on light tackle – don't forget the wire leader for the Mackerel! Trolling lures or drifting larger live baits on the outer edges of the Spanish Mackerel schools may find a hungry King too. Permit will start to migrate out of the area with the lowering water temps in November...look for them on wrecks / reefs with high relief and around the towers – they are lots of fun to catch and cannot resist a live crab.

Pick a calm day and get out there and have some fun...and be safe.

## Offshore Events...

### MSC Offshore Slam 2023, proudly sponsored by Rose Marina

Current Standings are below and on the MSC website - we now have 10 anglers with completed Slam's and a battle for Top Captain is brewing...and a lot of nice fish entered. Competition is fierce this year!

Check out the real-time leaderboard on the MSC website and by using the following link [Offshore Slam - Current Standings](#)

### MSC Offshore Slam 2024, proudly sponsored by Rose Marina

The 2024 Offshore Slam event flyer and sign-up sheet is included in this newsletter and can be found on the MSC website. The format will be identical to 2023 and entry deadline will be June 30, 2024, but you cannot enter a fish caught prior to entering, so sign up today!

Please show your appreciation to the great team at Rose Marina by giving them your business...and use your MSC membership card to get your club discount on fishing tackle / bait too.

### Super Snapper Nearshore

The Captain's Meeting will be Friday Dec 8 at Crazy Flamingo and the fishing window will be Saturday Dec 9 through Sunday Dec 17. We will again keep this event in shallower water so more boats can participate. The event flyer and sign-up sheet is included in this newsletter and can be found on the MSC website. Sign-up soon.

## Other Important Stuff...

Check out the Offshore Fishing reports on the MSC website, they are on the Offshore Homepage.

**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





## 2023 Marco Sportfishing Club Offshore Slam

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### Current Standings (as of Oct 21)

Top Captain Award Leader – Mike Mueller with 12 entries

Current largest of each species is highlighted in GREEN

First	Last	Grouper		Snapper		Species 3			Species 4			Slam Y / N	Total Length
		Length	Captain	Length	Captain	Length	Species	Captain	Length	Species	Captain		
John	Cavanagh	30.00	N/A	21.00	N/A	41.50	AJ	N/A	31.00	Cobia	N/A	Y	123.50
Mike	Mueller	32.00	Mueller	21.00	Mueller	38.00	Cobia	N/A	31.00	Permit	N/A	Y	122.00
Chris	Vines	30.75	Lopez	25.75	Lopez	29.00	AJ	Lopez	28.50	Permit	Lopez	Y	114.00
Rick	Babuka	29.00	N/A	23.00	Mueller	30.25	Permit	N/A	26.25	AJ	Mueller	Y	108.50
Jim	Scarpa	25.75	Mueller	25.00	Mueller	27.75	AJ	Lopez	26.50	Permit	N/A	Y	105.00
Mike	Lopez	32.00	Lopez	20.25	N/A	25.75	AJ	Lopez	25.50	Permit	Lopez	Y	103.50
Jeff	Kaczka	27.00	N/A	20.00	Mueller	27.75	Permit	Lashley	20.25	Lesser AJ	Lashley	Y	95.00
Kevin	Krygier	31.75	Vines	19.75	Lopez	26.25	Permit	Krygier	16.00	Almaco	Vines	Y	93.75
Brent	Paulson	30.00	Vines	19.75	Lopez	28.25	AJ	Lopez	11.75	Porgy	Vines	Y	89.75
Mike	Kropp	25.50	Mueller	15.50	N/A	18.00	Lesser AJ	Mueller	13.50	Porgy	N/A	Y	72.50
Don	Richards	28.00	Richards	18.75	Richards	13.00	AJ	Richards				N	59.75
Rod	Lashley	30.25	Lashley			27.00	AJ	Mueller				N	57.25
Jeff	Erickson	27.00	Mueller			27.00	AJ	Mueller				N	54.00
Ralph	Crowell	29.00	Crowell	11.75	Crowell	10.75	Porgy	Crowell				N	51.50
Keith	Wohltman	26.50	Crowell			24.75	AJ	Ryckman				N	51.25
Frank	Troha	24.25	Troha	24.50	Troha							N	48.75
John	Ryckman	27.50	Crowell	10.75	Crowell							N	38.25
Frank	Renkel			22.25	Schwindt							N	22.25
Donna	Deeter											N	0.00
Bruce	Donaldson											N	0.00
Mark	Milici											N	0.00
John	Heckler											N	0.00
Daniel	Wolfe											N	0.00
Mark	Staley											N	0.00
Steve	Schwindt											N	0.00
Jim	Parent											N	0.00

# TRIPLE CROWN TOURNAMENT UPDATE

By Dave Schott

The results are in (or will be on Nov. 1) but 🤫 Shush.... Oct. 31<sup>st</sup> brings a finish to the TripleCrown Tournament which began on July 1st and concludes on October 31st. Winners will be announced at the December meeting. Seven BIG cash awards will be given out for the first five places and then for the largest Snook and Redfish outside of the top 5. The winner will also receive an individual trophy plaque and have her/his name engraved on the perpetual trophy plaque that's displayed at The Compass Group at Morgan Stanley Marco Island office, the sponsoring firm.

Stay tuned!





## 2024 Marco Sportfishing Club Offshore Slam

### Proudly Sponsored by Rose Marina

Organizer: Jim Scarpa, [jscarpa@ymail.com](mailto:jscarpa@ymail.com)

**Fishing Dates:** January 1 thru December 31, 2024

**Offshore Slam Species:** Grouper (Red, Gag, Black)

Snapper (Mangrove, Lane,  
Yellowtail, Mutton,  
Vermillion)

Permit

Cobia

Kingfish

Snapper

African Pompano

Amberjack (Lesser & Greater)

qualify

Almaco Jack

Porgy

Must catch a Grouper and

plus any 2 of these species to  
complete the SLAM and

to win

**Entry Fee:** \$25 for MSC Anglers (must be an active MSC member to enter)

## Changes from the 2023 Offshore Slam:

- No changes.

## Prizes: Based on number of anglers participating, maximum one prize per angler

- Total combined length of the largest fish of each Offshore Slam species entered by the angler. If an angler catches more than 2 of the included species the 2 with the longest length will be counted.
- All fish entered must be caught by the angler entering the fish without assistance.
- Angler may upgrade any fish entered if a larger specimen is caught within the tournament timeframe.
- This is an individual angler tournament and is not tied to a specific captain or boat. The angler may fish on anyone's boat at any time – see "No Guide Rule" below (like the Triple Crown).
- In addition to the Offshore Slam prizes, the largest fish of each individual species will be awarded a prize, as will the boat captain with the most entries caught.
- Any fish caught during this event will also qualify for MSC Leaderboard and Fish of the Month entry.

## Rules:

1. All anglers must be an active MSC Member.
2. MSC "No Guide Rule" applies - No fishing with, or on, a guide's boat.
3. MSC "Offshore Boundaries" apply - South to Lat N 25.10.0, North to Lat N 26.05.5120', must fish within these boundaries and at a depth of 120' or less.
4. "Two Line Rule" applies - No more than two rods per angler.
5. All fish entered must be caught by the angler entering the fish without assistance from any other angler with the exception of landing (gaff, net, etc).
6. Each fish entered must be photographed individually on a vertical edge tournament ruler, mouth closed and tight against the vertical edge of the ruler (not following the measurement rules may result in a reduction in size if the measurement is not clearly evident). **All entry photos must be emailed to Jim Scarpa at the email address above within 24 hours of being caught, please include the name of the boat captain as well.**
7. Sign-up Sheet and Entry Fee must be received by Jim Scarpa by June 30, 2024 or the angler cannot participate in the tournament. While tournament entry is allowed after fishing begins, no fish may be entered in the tournament that is caught prior to the angler submitting their Sign-up Sheet and Entry Fee.
8. All participants must have a signed waiver on file or provided with your sign-up sheet to participate.

Click here to sign-up

<http://www.marcosportfishingclub.com/2024-OffshoreSlam2024/2024-0101-OffshoreSlam-SignupSheet.pdf>

Offshore Slam 2024 Flyer v1

**Ho, Ho, Ho.....**

**Guess what time of year it is?**



**Please visit the MSC Ship's Store to order  
your 2023 MSC Xmas Ornament on sale now  
for \$16.99 each.**

**Merry Christmas to You & Yours!**





The Marco Sportfishing Club cordially invites you to our  
**2023 HOLIDAY PARTY**

Monday, December 4, 2023  
Happy Hour 5:30- 6:15 p.m.  
Dinner & entertainment 6:30 – 9:30 p.m.  
Glen Eagle Country Club  
1403 Glen Eagle Blvd., Naples

\$70 per person includes  
hors d'oeuvres, salad, entrée, dessert, coffee/tea

6 oz. filet mignon **OR**  
Grouper w/lemon white wine sauce

Vegetarian option available

Entertainment by *Manhattan Connection*

**Credit Card only** @ Bar  
Holiday Attire

***Reservations close November 20***

**MEMBERS ONLY**



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Make checks payable to Marco Sportfishing Club and mail to:  
Patty Arcidiacono 1243 Treasure Court, Marco Island, FL 34145.

MSC Member: \_\_\_\_\_ Beef: \_\_\_\_\_ Grouper: \_\_\_\_\_ Vegetarian: \_\_\_\_\_

Spouse/Guest: \_\_\_\_\_ Beef: \_\_\_\_\_ Grouper: \_\_\_\_\_ Vegetarian: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone# \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Amount Enclosed: \_\_\_\_\_ (If you wish to be seated with specific friends AND you have confirmed they are attending, please indicate on the back of reservation form, we will do our best to accommodate you)

**Maximum table seating of 8 guests per table**

**NO REFUNDS WILL BE ISSUED AFTER NOVEMBER 20**

# Super Snapper Nearshore – Dec 2023

Organizer: Jim Scarpa, [jscarpa@ymail.com](mailto:jscarpa@ymail.com)

**Fishing Dates:** Saturday Dec 9 thru Sunday Dec 17, 2023

**Entry Fee:** \$15 for MSC Anglers, \$20 for Non-Members, **No entry Fee for Captains.**

**Deadline to Enter:** **Friday Dec 8, 2023**

**Prizes:** Based on # of Boats and anglers participating plus club money. **Maximum one prize per boat. Five prizes total.**

- Total combined length of 3 legal Snapper (Yellowtail or Mangrove) - **Prizes for top three boats and largest legal Snapper**
- Wildcard Fish = Kingfish – **Prize for the largest legal fish caught**

**Captains Meeting:** **Friday Dec 8, 3:00 pm outside at Crazy Flamingo.** If you wish to register in advance, please email signup sheet to Jim Scarpa at the address above and make arrangements with Jim to drop off the entry fee or have it picked up prior to the event.

## **Rules:**

9. ALL Captains must be an active MSC Member.
10. All participants (members and non-members) must have a signed MSC waiver on file with the club or provided upon registration for this event (blank waiver included in sign-up sheet).
11. Captain / Boat may only fish one day, Captain may fish as a crew member with another Captain / Boat.
12. MSC “No Guide Rule” applies - No fishing with, or on, a guide’s boat.
13. MSC “Offshore Boundaries” apply - South to Lat N 25.10.0, North to Lat N 26.05.5120’, must fish within these boundaries and at a depth of 80’ or less.
14. ALL Captains must declare their fishing day in advance to Jim.
15. “Two Line Rule” applies - No more than two rods per angler.
16. The fish being entered must be photographed individually on a vertical edge tournament ruler, mouth closed and tight against the vertical edge of the ruler (not following the measurement rules may result in a reduction in size if the measurement is not clearly evident). All photos must be emailed to Jim Scarpa at the email address above within one day of your declared fishing date.
17. Members and guests must have a signed waiver on file or provided with the sign-up sheet in order to participate.
18. Sign up Sheet: <http://www.marcosportfishingclub.com/Flyers/2023-1209-SuperSnapperNearshore-REGISTRATION.pdf>



# Turkey Day Buffet

(Ver 3.0.2023)



**Fishing Dates: Tuesday, November 7<sup>th</sup> through Sunday, November 12<sup>th</sup>, 2023**

**Captain's Meeting: Monday, November 6<sup>th</sup>, 4:00pm, at the Sandbar**

**Fishing Hours:** 6 Hours "Flex Time"—You pick the 6 daylight hours you prefer to fish!

**Event Target Fish: Snook, Redfish, Spotted Sea Trout**

**Prizes: Team Prize 1<sup>st</sup> thru 3<sup>rd</sup> – Total inches of three Snook, Redfish or Trout**

**Enter the combined total inches of your three longest fish of any of the target species. This can be all one specie, two species or all three species.**

**Individual Prizes: - Individual prizes awarded for each of the longest Snook, Redfish and Trout caught during the event.**

**This event is open to powerboat and kayak anglers**

**Entry Fee: \$10.00 per MSC angler, \$15 per non-member**

*Prize amounts determined by number of anglers participating PLUS \$200-\$300 club funds*

## **EVENT RULES**

- Captains of all boats must be a MSC Member. – “**No Guide**” Rule & “**2-Line**” Rule Apply
- MSC backwater boundaries apply. South, only to Everglades National Park Boundaries. (Camp Lulu)
- Photos required for all fish registered for team & individual prizes – Measure to nearest ¼”
- Notify Charlie Schwalje of the day you chose to fish no later then 9:00 that morning
- Turn in Tally Sheet, and photos, to Charlie Schwalje, no later then 5:00 PM the day after you fish
- All anglers must have a current signed MSC waiver on file

**Register at the October or November Membership Meeting or the Captain's Meeting**

Charlie Schwalje

Email: [c.schwalje@comcast.net](mailto:c.schwalje@comcast.net)

Cell- 732-570-8450

# What we need to run a Picnic

This is a short list of positions we need to fill to hold successful club picnics. In an average year, Dave would hold six picnics (January – June). Other events also hold picnics, and this list can work for those events as well.

One thing we are planning this year, to reduce the workload and number of people required to run a picnic, is to make the picnics “bring your own beverage”, beer or wine. We are evaluating whether we will continue to supply water and soft drinks, but that decision will likely be determined by the volunteers we have for events.

There are detailed activities beyond what I have listed here if you are thinking about offering your services in any of these roles. You can volunteer for a single event, if you are here seasonally, or to become the person doing an assignment for all 6 of these picnics. If you have helped Dave and Susie and want to continue to help – let me know.

While we would like to have someone step up to be the lead for all 6 picnics, we realize that we could do them with a different lead person each month... If you wanted to lead, say the March picnic, that might be fine.

1. Picnic Leader – plan and coordinate picnic activities
2. Beverages – purchase beverages and ice and stock coolers
3. Trash – work as a team to handle the trash at picnics.
4. Check-in – picnic roster, 50/50 and club waivers – leads + assistants
5. Servers – depending on the menu the number required will vary.

As you look at this list – just think back to one of Dave’s picnics and you will recall the people who helped make those events memorable. Also realize that some did more than a single task. Some tasks are rather minor, and some more time consuming – but all are necessary.

Please reply to [marcosportfishingclub@gmail.com](mailto:marcosportfishingclub@gmail.com) if you would like to sign up for any of these roles. If you think you have an additional role you’d like to add, send that to me too.

Keith



**SAVE THE DATES:**

**2024 Sheephead Shindig**

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**Walker's Marine**

**Wednesday, February 7, 2024 - Captain's Meeting**

**Thursday, February 8, 2024 - Fishing Day**

**Friday, February 9, 2024 - Back up Fishing Day**

**Monday, February 12, 2024 - Awards Dinner**

**Additional Information to follow.....**

**Dale Rod**

**Tournament Coordinator**



# Ladies

## Fishing Event, Baiting Beauties 11



Monday, March 4<sup>th</sup> - Saturday, March 9<sup>th</sup>, 2024  
Awards Picnic at Sarazen Park  
Sunday, March 10<sup>th</sup>, 2024 4-6 P.M.

The "Baiting Beauties" Ladies Fishing Event was created to encourage more women's participation in the Marco Sportfishing Club, educate female members about boating and Sportfishing in and around Marco Island.

The past 10 events have been tremendously successful, and we are now planning *Baiting Beauties 11*. **This year's fishing event will be held Monday, March 4<sup>th</sup> - Saturday, March 9<sup>th</sup>, 2024 and the Awards Picnic will be held on Sunday, March 10<sup>th</sup>.** The picnic will be held from 4 – 6 p.m. at Sarazen Park (rain or shine). MSC will provide the food, water, and soft drinks.

Women of all skill levels are invited to participate from complete beginners to women anglers who appear on the Club's Leaderboard competing with the men. Male/Female Captains and crew will be there to mentor, teach, or just stay out of the way! You can bait your own hook and unhook your catch, but it is not required.

**Format:** Volunteer Captain with a boat, lady angler(s), and crew. Lady Anglers who want to captain their own boat are welcome. Prizes will be awarded to individual anglers based on their catch – this is not a team event.

**Fishing:** CHOOSE one day of fishing -- Monday, March 4<sup>th</sup> - Saturday, March 9<sup>th</sup>, 2024.  
Captains may choose any 4-hour time period – lines in and lines out.

**Entry Fees:**

Member Angler Entry Fee plus picnic	\$35.00
Non-Member Angler* plus picnic	\$40.00 Waiver Required
Member Picnic Fee (Crew & Friends)	\$25.00
Non-Member Picnic Fee (Crew & Friends)	\$30.00

**All entries must be received by or at the Captain's Meeting on Sunday, March 3rd, 2024**

**Click this link to go to the coming events page on the club's website for additional information. (When Posted)**

**<http://www.marcosportfishingclub.com/coming-events.htm>**



Here is the link: <http://www.marcosportfishingclub.com/yardsale.htm>

- 1) **Boat wanted: 23-24' Center console, twin engine fishing boat, cash buyer, lives on Marco**
- 2) **Boat wanted: 29'-34' CC boat in good condition. Prefer Cat but open to Mono.**
- 3) **Lift Rental: – Up to 30' boat. \$300 cash/mo 'restricted access' (Eastern Winterberry Bridge) 1650 Almeria Ct. Rose @ 908-672-5335**
- 4) **For Sale: Shipoke Abaco 16' - \$21,500**
- 5) **Sea Eagle 370 SE Pro Package – Inflatable Kayak \$250**
- 6) **2018 Key West 239FS – Yamaha 200HP(20 hours)**

See Website for more information. Click on the business tab to bring up the For Sale tab or the link above.

# Capt Pete 2 Man Results

On October 11th eleven teams departed Walker's Coon Key Marina at 8:00 AM. It was a shotgun start with 3 teams leaving every 30 seconds. It was a nice day to fish -- maybe a little windy.

Only one fish was brought back to the scales at Walker's. The team of Ed Brown and Skip Endicott brought in a 25.50 Red weighing 6.06 pounds. They won \$ 600.00 -- A \$50.00 Sand Bar gift card and two "Captain Pete's Rod & Reel Repair" shirts.

Some boats reported catching small redfish.

We want to thank -- Rodger Shavlik - John Moore and Capt. Guy Riordan for working the scale and Walker's Coon Key Marina for the use of there facility.

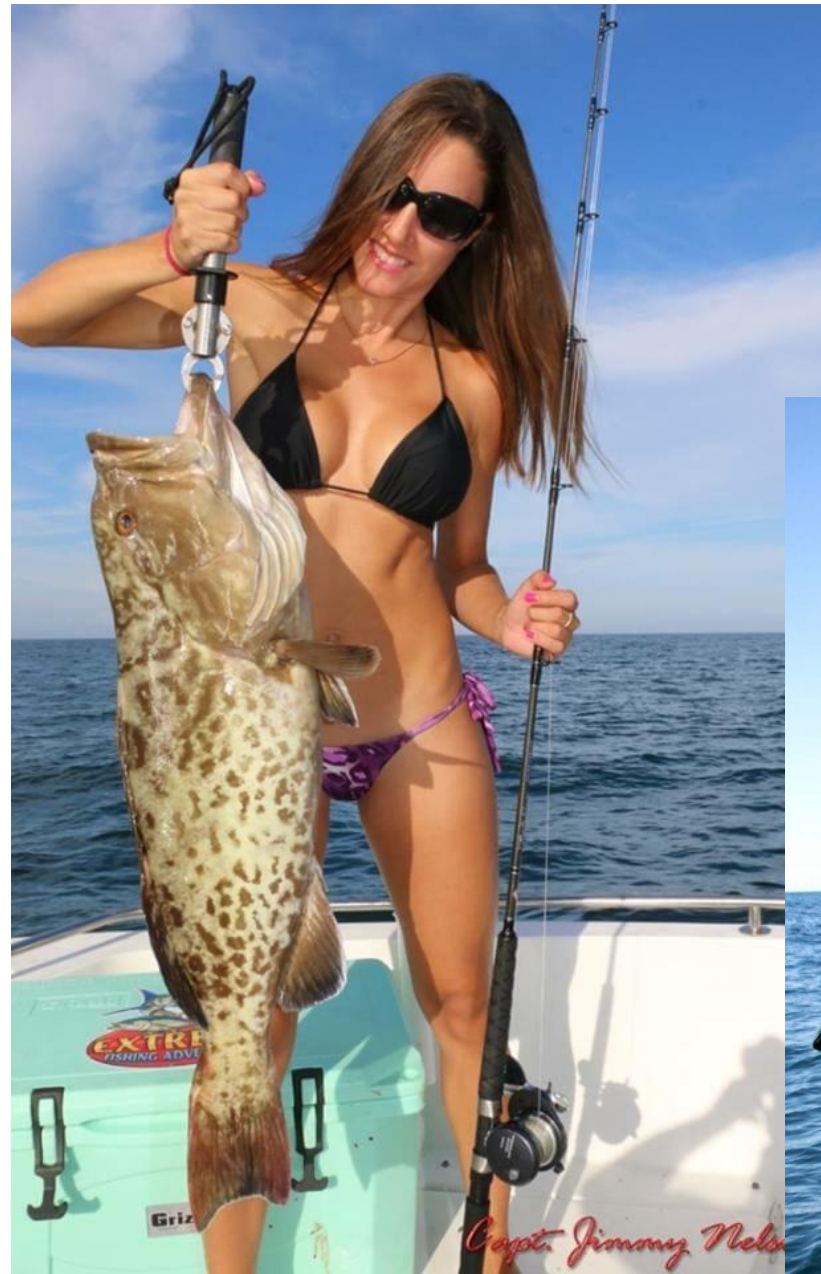
Also we want to thank the Sand Bar for donating gift cards for the event. Next year the small red will be keeper size!!!





# November 2023 Fish of the Month

## Gag Grouper



Remember – Gag's  
are closed



## ST. MARK'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

Please support St. Mark's Hurricane Pantry

As you remember, Hurricane Ian had a huge impact on our neighbors of Marco and Isle of Capri last year. St. Mark's was there to help feed them starting the next day. We are working diligently to prepare for any threat of hurricane this season and hope you will consider making a donation of either food or money to our St. Mark's Hurricane Pantry.

It is the goal of this ministry to provide one hot meal a day for approximately one week to parishioners, first responders, hurricane helpers and any residents of Marco Island or the surrounding areas in the event of a hurricane event causing power outages and/or displacement.

Parish Life is ready to implement this plan but needs your support. Please know that any canned/packageged food that is not used during this hurricane season will be donated to Our Daily Bread in the fall.

### CANNED/PACKAGED GOODS NEEDED:

Seasoned Black Beans, Yellow Rice, Diced Tomatoes, Whole Green Beans, Canned Chicken Breast, Chicken Stock, Barilla Rotini Pasta, Classico Pasta Sauce, Peanut Butter, Ritz Crackers.

Please leave any donations in the Parish Hall on the Hurricane Pantry table or drop off at the office during business hours labeled St. Mark's Hurricane Pantry.

Monetary donations are appreciated also. Make your check payable to St. Mark's Episcopal Church and write (Hurricane food pantry in the memo line)

Just mail your check to:

MSC Quartermaster  
Gloria Robertson  
8225 Xenia Lane  
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Please make your check payable to St. Mark's Episcopal Church

THANK YOU EVERY LITTLE BIT HELPS!



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# Marco Sportfishing Club

Oct 26, 2023

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Triple Crown Coordinator	Dave Schott
Redfish Team Coordinator	Ed Vesely
Leaderboard/FOM Month Coordinator	George Wittmann

## 2023 Activity and Event Directors, Committee Chairs and Assistants Fishing related activities:

Fishing Committee Chair	Mark Milici
Backwater Events Coordinators	Charlie Schwalje, Ron Linn <sup>1</sup>
Baiting Beauties Coordinator	Cathy Erickson
Buddy Trips & Whack a Whiting	Joe Perino
Kayak Events	Howard Laskau
Offshore Events Coordinator	Jim Scarpa
Redfish Team Event Coordinator	Ed Vesely
Redfish Two-Angler Coordinator	Ron Linn <sup>1</sup>
Sheepshead Tournament Coordinator	Dale Rod
Smoked Pork Cook-off Picnic Coordinator	Jerry DeFibaugh
Triple Crown Tournament Coordinator	Dave Schott

## Other Activities

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Want to put a face to that name? <https://www.marcosportfishingclub.com/Officers-2023.htm>

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