

# MSC Tackle Box

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Dedicated to Safe Fishing in and Around Marco Island



## President's Message for January 2022



### January 2022 Tackle Box

It is my hope that you celebrated the holidays in December that you enjoyed being with friends and family. Many of our members traveled off-island and some had company here to share in the special warmth that Marco Islanders exhibit in December with all the “Christmas Island Style” events.

Now it is January and time to become invested in fishing and our club's social events!

We kick off the new year by holding our first event which started on January 1<sup>st</sup>. The annual “Offshore Slam, proudly sponsored by Rose Marina”. This is an annual competition targeting offshore species. 2022 brings a new twist to the event, so be sure to check-out Jim Scarpa's flyer in this edition.

Our first General Meeting will be held on January 6<sup>th</sup> at St Mark's Church in the Parish Hall. We have secured this venue for 2022 and our meetings will all begin at 7:00 PM with the doors open at 6:30 for event sign-ups and socialization.

To make this meeting even more exciting, our “Speakers Series”, hosted by John (Jersey) Marchetti, will feature Captain Ralph Hawkins, of the “American Patriot” long-range sportfishing charters, to be our speaker and Captain Hawkins and Jersey have a special raffle planned. To find out more about the raffle – read Jersey's article in this edition. You do not want to miss this presentation!

We begin the 2022 backwater fishing the day after this meeting, January 7<sup>th</sup>, with the “Pompano Double Down” event's Captains Meeting. Even if you are not signed up for the event you owe it to yourself to attend the captains meeting. Not only will we review the specific rules for the event, but the captains meeting is a great time to meet the anglers from the club and learn things to improve your fishing skills. Captains' meetings are social events in addition to a review of the event rules. Be sure to read Charlie Schwalje's flyer in this edition for the overview on this event.

On January 13<sup>th</sup> we will hold our the first “Buddy Trip” of 2022. Joe Perino will get the group out to a fun day of fishing in the backwater followed by a special cocktail hour and dinner at a local restaurant. If you are new to the club or new to fishing in the 10,000 Islands, be sure to contact Joe to be added to his “Buddy List”. Joe works hard to put members on boats with experienced captains and anglers

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so you can learn about fishing in the backwater firsthand. If you own a boat that can safely navigate in the shallow backwater passes these events allow you to “follow the leader” so you can add a track to your GPS. Contact Joe for more information

Wednesday January 19<sup>th</sup> kicks off the much-anticipated MSC Picnic Season. Dave Walsh and his team will hold the “Welcome Back Snowbirds Picnic” at Sarazen Park. Check the flyer in this edition for details.

January also brings us a very special event. One that combines a really fun day of fishing with a cocktail party at Joe Perino’s home. “Whack-A-Whiting” returns. As Joe will tell you, “Whiting are fun to catch, easy to clean and taste good”. Try your skill at catching whiting and then relax with your fellow anglers and their spouses/significant others at Joe’s home.

To round out the month, our kayak anglers will head out to fish the Hell’s Gate/Palm Bay area. If you are interested in learning about kayak fishing or want to join this group, please contact Howard Laskau. New for 2022, kayak anglers may compete in backwater events!

On the business side of the club, we will end our membership renewal period on January 6<sup>th</sup> at the general meeting. This will be your last chance to renew for 2022 without a late fee. If you can’t make the meeting and need to renew, just make sure your credit card payment is done by the 6<sup>th</sup>, or that your renewal form and check are mailed by the 6<sup>th</sup>. (*Right now, close to 90% of the renewals are done by credit card.*)

At the General Meeting, we will hold elections for the MSC Board of Directors. Board terms are for two years. The following board members are seeking another term: Peter Arcidiacono, Jim Gloster, Dave Schott, George Wittmann and Keith Wohltman. Your newsletter editor, John Ryckman, is seeking his first term as a Board member. The Board will hold an election for officers at the January 10<sup>th</sup> Board Meeting.

If you can – get out and fish.

Tight Lines,

Keith

## **LEADER BOARD Updates as of October**

Get LEADER BOARD updates using the link below.

[Leader Board](#)

## **Fish of the Month (FOM) as of October**

Get FOM updates using the link below.

[Fish of the Month](#)

# Marco Sportfishing Club – 2022 Board Candidates

Normally we introduce both new and current board members seeking re-election at the December General Meeting. This year the December meeting was cancelled and replaced with the Holiday Party. We will be posting the names of the candidates both in this newsletter and in an eblast that will be delivered in early December. Voting for these candidates will be held at the January 6th General Meeting. At the Board Meeting on January 10<sup>th</sup>, the board will elect the officers for 2022.

John Ryckman is a new candidate running for election in 2022.

The following current board members have reached the end of their two-year term and are seeking re-election to a new two-year term.

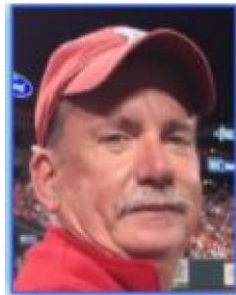
Pete Arcidiacono



James Gloster



John Ryckman



Dave Schott



George Wittmann



Keith Wohltman



# **January General Meeting**

**First Thursday of the month!**

**January 6<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 PM**

**St. Mark's Episcopal Church**

**Parish Hall**

**1101 N Collier Blvd.**

***Presentation by Captain Ralph Hawkins,***

***Long Range Sport Fishing Charters***

***on the American Patriot,***

***based at Rose Marina***

***Sign Up Tables***

***50/50***

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

Link to St. Mark's - <https://stmarksmarco.org/>



## Marco Sportfishing Club Speaker Series

John Marchetti – Speaker Series Chairman

January is upon us, and our long-awaited special meeting is here! If you are a fisherman, you will not want to miss this meeting OR the special at the end of the meeting.

January 6<sup>th</sup> brings us Captain Ralph Hawkins of **The American Patriot** long range fishing vessel. The excitement and inquiries from members have been overwhelming. To recap last month's newsletter, **The American Patriot** is a state of the art, long range fishing vessel docked at Rose Marina here on Marco Island. At 135' X 29', the boat specializes in 3, 4, 5 day, all the way up to 10-day fishing adventures!

Three- & four-day trips out to the Dry Tortugas, Pulley Ridge, Howell's Hook are the most common trips. The Captain will discuss deep water species, jigging, deep water methods, electric reels etc. A 3D video presentation of boat and the adventure will answer most questions, along with the Captain and crew filling in the blanks. AC cabins, all meals prepared by onboard chef, reserve your rail and bunk spots, the list goes on. Check out the website prior to the meeting for any additional questions you can think of.



Several options for trips along with exclusive MSC discounts will be offered. Bring your calendar, because booking that night for a future trip will discount any trip by \$100 also.

Now for the **SPECIAL** news, Marco Sportfishing Club, thru the generosity of Captain Hawkins, will be raffling two individual vouchers for a 3- & 4-day trip aboard **The American Patriot!**

That is right! An \$800 and \$1200 voucher for a trip of a lifetime.

(Raffle tickets will be \$10 each), I predict there will be two very happy MSC members and **you must be a current member to enter.**

Doors open and raffle sales begin at 6:30 PM, meeting begins at 7:00 PM at ST Marks Church on Collier & E. Elkcam Cir., Marco Island. This is a great venue, sure to accommodate everyone. Bring your fishing adventure raffle money and calendar. Hook up with other MSC anglers for this bucket list adventure.

[Click this box →](#)



# Upcoming Tournaments

**Always check the club Website for the latest information**

**Link to Upcoming Events Webpage:**

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

## Offshore Slam

Dates: January 1 thru December 31, 2022

Grouper, Snapper, Permit, Cobia, Kingfish, African Pompano, Amberjack

Link to all information and sign up sheet: <http://www.marcosportfishingclub.com/2022-OffshoreSlam2022/2022-OffshoreSlam-FLYER-REGISTRATION.pdf>

## Pompano Double Down

Date: Tuesday, January 11, 2022

Back Up Date: Friday, January 14, 2022

Capt.'s Meeting: Friday, January 7, 2022

Flyer: <http://www.marcosportfishingclub.com/Flyers/2022-0111-PompanoDoubleDown-FLYER.pdf>

Register: <http://www.marcosportfishingclub.com/Flyers/2022-0111-PompanoDoubleDown-REGISTRATION.pdf>

## January Buddy Trip

Date: Thursday, January 13, 2022

If you are on the Buddy List, you will receive an email invitation about two weeks before the event. If you wish to be added to the list email Joe Perino at [rivpress@aol.com](mailto:rivpress@aol.com).

More Information on Buddy Trips: <http://www.marcosportfishingclub.com/BuddiesList.htm>

## 2022 Whack a Whiting V

Date: Monday, January 24, 2022

Backup Date: None

Capt.'s Meeting: TBA

Flyer: <http://www.marcosportfishingclub.com/Flyers/2022-0124-Whiting-FLYER.pdf>

Register: <http://www.marcosportfishingclub.com/Flyers/2022-0124-Whiting-REGISTRATION.pdf>

Tally Sheet: <http://www.marcosportfishingclub.com/Flyers/2022-0124-Whiting-TALLY.SHEET.pdf>

How to catch: <https://www.marcosportfishingclub.com/HowToCatch/PDFs/Whiting.pdf>



## Sheepshead Shindig

Capt.'s Meeting: Monday, February 21, 4:00 PM at Sarazen Park--BYOB  
Date: Tuesday, February 22, 6-Hour "Flex" Time  
Weigh-In: Tuesday, February 22, 3:30-5:00 PM at Sarazen Park -- BYOB  
Rain Date: Wednesday, February 23, 6-Hour "Flex" Time  
Buffet Dinner: Monday, February 28, 5:00-9:00 PM at Marco Lutheran Church

Register: <http://www.marcosportfishingclub.com/2022-SheepsheadTourney/2022-0222-Sheepshead-REGISTRATION.pdf>

Fact Sheet: <http://www.marcosportfishingclub.com/2022-SheepsheadTourney/2022-0222-Sheepshead-INFO.pdf>

## Baiting Beauties Event

Date: Friday, March 11, 2022.

Picnic to follow on Tuesday, March 15, 2022 at 4:00 p.m. at Sarazen Park.

A Captain's Meeting will be scheduled—date, time and place to be determined. For more information or to volunteer to help, please call or text Ricki Terzis at 973-945-1865 or [rickiterzis071@gmail.com](mailto:rickiterzis071@gmail.com).

More details to follow!

## Sea Trout Spotacular

Date: Thursday, March 24, 2022

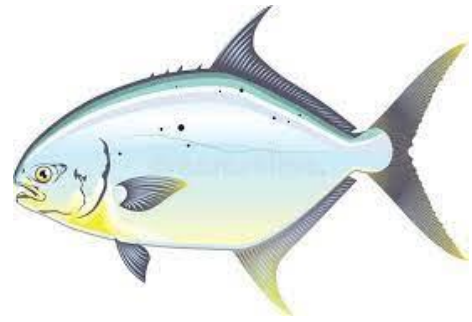
More details to follow!

**Always check the club Website for the latest information**



# Pompano Double Down

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**Fishing Date: Tuesday, January 11<sup>th</sup>, 2022**

**Backup Date** (due to bad weather): Friday, January 14<sup>th</sup>, 2022

**Capt.'s Meeting: Friday, January 7<sup>th</sup>, 4:00pm at Crazy Flamingo**

**Fishing Hours: 6 Hours – “Flex Time” – You pick the 6 daylight hours you prefer to fish!**

**Tide Info at Coon Key:** High Tide 9:31 am Low Tide 2:52 pm

**Solar-Lunar Activity:** Low Activity Major Period 6:13 am - 9:13 am Minor 12:21 pm - 2:21pm

**Event Target Fish: Primary-Pompano Secondary-Spotted Sea Trout Bonus Fish-Flounder**

**Prizes: Team prize – 1<sup>st</sup> thru 5<sup>th</sup> – Total inches of your four longest Pompano and Sea Trout**

**You do not need to catch a Pompano to win. However, a Pompano will count as double its actual length. For example, a 15” Pompano will count as 30”**

**Individual Prize – individual prizes awarded for each of the longest Pompano, Trout and Flounder caught during the event**

**Entry Fee: \$10.00 per MSC angler, \$15.00 per non-member**

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

Turn in Tally Sheet and photos, to Charlie Schwalje, no later than 5:00 PM, the day after event.

Register: <http://www.marcosportfishingclub.com/Flyers/2022-0111-PompanoDoubleDown-REGISTRATION.pdf>

Tally Sheet: <http://www.marcosportfishingclub.com/Flyers/2022-0111-PompanoDoubleDown-TALLYsheet.pdf>

Club event rules: <http://www.marcosportfishingclub.com/MSC-ClubBoundaries.htm>

For questions regarding the event, and to submit pictures/tally of your catch:

Charlie Schwalje

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

Cell- 732-570-8450

**Always Check the Coming Events Page for the latest flyer**



# 2022 Whack-a-Whiting V



**Date:** Monday, January 24, 2022

**Backup Date:** None

**Capt's Meeting:** TBA.

**Fishing Hours:** Captain's choice: **Any 5 hours**

**Prizes:** **Boat prize** – 1st thru 5th - Total inches of whiting using up to 3 fish.

Photos of all fish tallied required for submission.

No limit to anglers on the boat.

**Entry Fee:** **\$20.00 per MSC angler, \$25.00 per non-member.** If spouse/significant other fish together fee is \$30 per couple. Sign up at meeting on January 6, 2022. All entries are due by no later than day of picnic (1/19/22).

**Entry fee includes chance for prizes and the party at Joe Perino's house at 6 PM that night. The fee includes the party for the angler and significant other or a guest.**

## EVENT RULES

- Captains of all boats must be a MSC Member.
- MSC backwater boundaries apply. South only to Everglades National Park boundaries. (Camp Lulu) No fishing in Everglades National Park
- For this event – only **one** line per angler
- “No Guide” Rule applies. (you may not fish with a guide, or be on a guide's boat)
- Turn in Tally Sheet, and photos, to Joe Perino by 4:30 PM, on Thursday, January. 24<sup>st</sup> via email (not text) [rivpress@aol.com](mailto:rivpress@aol.com) **Tally sheets will be sent to all captains before the event.**
- Prize amounts will be determined by the number of anglers participating.

For questions and to submit pictures of your catch (please email photos, do not text):  
Joe Perino [rivpress@aol.com](mailto:rivpress@aol.com)

## The party

**If the weather is poor and we don't fish the party goes on no matter what.**

It will be basically a cocktail type of party. There will be wine, beer and spirits along with hors d'oeuvres, and sandwiches. For those of you who attended in previous years, you will remember that it is not fancy but the camaraderie is immeasurable.

Date: Thursday, January 24, 2022

Time: 6 PM

Address: 1530 Buccaneer Ct., Marco Island

Mobile: 631-804-5341

Home Phone: 239 389-2781

Flyer: <http://www.marcosportfishingclub.com/Flyers/2022-0124-Whiting-FLYER.pdf>

Register: <http://www.marcosportfishingclub.com/Flyers/2022-0124-Whiting-REGISTRATION.pdf>

Tally Sheet: <http://www.marcosportfishingclub.com/Flyers/2022-0124-Whiting-TALLY.SHEET.pdf>

How to catch: <http://www.marcosportfishingclub.com/HowToCatch/PDFs/Whiting.pdf>

# 2022 Sheepshead Shindig



## FACT SHEET

***There will be a total of 10 cash awards:***

1<sup>st</sup> thru 10<sup>th</sup> place awards for the heaviest sheepshead caught by individual anglers.  
One prize per individual angler.

Entry Fee Includes: Tournament, Buffet Dinner at Marco Lutheran Church, Tournament Shirt  
\$45 entry fee per angler for MSC members  
\$50 entry fee per angler for non-member (must fish with MSC member)

### Dates & Times:

Anglers Meeting..Monday, February 21, 4:00 PM at Sarazen Park--BYOB  
Tournament.....Tuesday, February 22, 6-Hour "Flex" Time  
Weigh-In.....Tuesday, February 22, 3:30-5:00 PM at Sarazen Park -- BYOB  
RAIN DATE.....Wednesday, February 23, 6-Hour "Flex" Time  
Buffet Dinner.....Monday, February 28, 5:00-9:00 PM at Marco Lutheran Church,  
525 N. Collier Blvd., Marco Island, This is a *BYO Beer and Wine ONLY* event,  
Catering by Kretch's , Door prizes and dancing!

### Sign Up:

January 6, 2022 General Meeting or send completed entry form with payment (checks made out to MSC) and mail to: Dolores Constanzer

1571 Buccaneer Ct.

Marco Island, FL 34145

Surfishergirl@comcast.net

Completed entry forms & fees to be submitted and paid by February 4<sup>th</sup> (for guaranteed Tournament shirt).  
LAST DAY to sign up and pay will be February 18, 2022.

FWC rules and MSC Backwater boundaries apply except west boundary extended to include 5 mile reef.

Fishing from boat, kayak, jet-ski, paddle board, beach or dock is allowed.

Angler will select ONE fish to be weighed.

**Link to register:** <https://www.marcosportfishingclub.com/2022-SheepsheadTourny/2022-0222-Sheepshead-REGISTRATION.pdf>

# Offshore Update – January 2022

## What's Happening Offshore...

Red Grouper reopens in Federal and State waters and Lane Snapper reopens in Federal waters Jan 1, 2022. Gray Triggerfish harvest remains closed in Federal and State waters until March 1, 2022.

Snapper are out there on the wrecks and ledges at all depths. Cobia are here near structure and around the bait pods, several nice ones have been caught recently. African Pompano are also being caught, seem to be on the smaller side of late, and an assortment of others – AJ's, Lesser AJ's, even picked up a few Almaco Jacks recently. Oh, if you try hard you may even spot a barracuda or two (thousand) on any structure.

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

## Offshore Events...

**MSC Offshore Slam proudly sponsored by Rose Marina** – We are down to the final week of fishing so get out there and complete your slams and upgrade fish before it's too late. The final day of fishing is Dec 31, 2021 and the final day to enter a fish is Jan 1, 2022. Don't forget to email me the measured photos of your entries within 24 hours of catch along with the name of your captain.

Thanks to Rose Marina, the club and the entry fees paid, have ample budget for additional prize money, trophies, swag, and an awards party.

**SAVE THE DATE – The Offshore Slam Awards party will be held at Rose Marina Boathouse Sat Jan 22, 2022 at 6:00 pm.**

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 too.

See attached table with the current standings. We have a second angler that completed the slam...and moved into first place overall – Mike Mueller. Several other anglers are close...most waiting for the Cobia. Mike Mueller is currently also running away with the Captain's Award with 8 fish on the board.

**Super Snapper Nearshore Fall 2021** – Thank you to everyone who participated, we had several great weather days to fish. Some nice Snapper were caught, there were no legal bonus fish entries (Gag Grouper, Tripletail). Congratulations to our winners:

Snapper				
Place	Captain	Total Length	Prize \$	Note
1	Steve Jacobs	55.25	\$ 415	Biggest 19.00
2	Allan Bristow	49.25	\$ 249	Biggest 18.00
3	Jim Parent	46.50	\$ 166	Biggest 16.25
<b>Biggest</b>	Pat Aydelot	16.25	\$ 100	

**MSC Offshore Slam 2022, proudly sponsored by Rose Marina** – We made a few changes (see below) to make the year-long event more competitive...many thanks to those who provided suggestions. I think these changes will make this event even more exciting and I am looking forward to 50 or more anglers participating this year! The event flyer and signup sheet is included in the newsletter and is posted on the MSC website. Deadline to enter is June 30, 2022, but you cannot enter a fish in the tournament that was caught prior to signing up. Sign up today before you catch that trophy fish!

1. Added Mutton Snapper to the eligible Snapper species
2. Added the requirement that all fish entered must be of legal length to minimize handling of non-legal fish
3. Modified the "Slam" to add additional eligible species, and to require 1 Grouper, 1 Snapper, and any 2 out of 5 additional included species to complete the "Slam". The additional included species are Permit, Cobia, Kingfish, African Pompano and Amberjack.

**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! Have not been receiving many reports, so please take a few minutes to send them when you are offshore.

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



**Two Nice Cobia (36.5" and 51") caught on Captain Mike**

**Lopez's boat during the Super Snapper Nearshore tournament...too bad they were not the bonus fish. I bet they tasted good regardless!**



## 2021 Marco Sportfishing Club Offshore Slam

### Proudly Sponsored by Rose Marina

### Current Standings as of December 20, 2021

Captain's Award Leader - Mueller 8

First	Last	Grouper		Snapper		Permit		Cobia		Slam Y / N	Total Length
		Length	Captain	Length	Captain	Length	Captain	Length	Captain		
Mike	Mueller	31.00	Mueller	23.25	Mueller	32.00	N/A	32.75	Mueller	Y	119.00
John	Cavanagh	29.50	Mueller	15.00	Mueller	32.00	N/A	27.00	N/A	Y	103.50
Jim	Scarpa	30.50	N/A	21.25	Doppelt	29.75	Scarpa			N	81.50
Kevin	Krygier	21.25	Vines	19.50	Vines			36.75	Krygier	N	77.50
Jim	Parent	29.00	Heckler	25.50	Parent	17.00	Parent			N	71.50
Jeff	Kaczka	28.75	Mueller	14.00	N/A	24.00	Mueller			N	66.75
John	Heckler	29.25	Heckler	25.00	Parent					N	54.25
Allan	Bristow	33.25	Mueller	20.25	N/A					N	53.50
Don	Richards	28.50	Richards	20.50	Richards					N	49.00
Mark	Staley	30.50	N/A	18.25	N/A					N	48.75
Mike	Kropp	30.25	N/A	18.00	Kropp					N	48.25
Joel	Rohletter	25.00	N/A	17.25	N/A					N	42.25
Jeff	Erickson							42.25	N/A	N	42.25
Steve	Schwindt	28.25	Schwindt							N	28.25
Ralph	Crowell	27.50	Crowell							N	27.50
Chris	Vines					25.25	Vines			N	25.25
Keith	Wohltman	24.25	Crowell							N	24.25
John	Ryckman	21.50	Crowell							N	21.50
Francisco	Garcia									N	0.00
George	Vlasuk									N	0.00
Paul	Doppelt									N	0.00
Jeff	Michaels									N	0.00
Ed	Shebert									N	0.00
Bill	Canty									N	0.00
Donna	Deeter									N	0.00
David	Held									N	0.00

# 2022 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, 2022

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

Snapper (Mangrove, Lane, Yellowtail, Mutton)

Permit

Cobia

Kingfish

African Pompano

Amberjack

Must catch any 2 of these 5 species

with a Grouper and Snapper to complete

SLAM and qualify to win

together  
the

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

### **Changes from the 2021 Offshore Slam:**

- Added Mutton Snapper to the allowable Snapper species.
- Added the requirement that all fish entered must be of legal length to minimize handling of non-legal fish.
- Modified the "Slam" to add additional species and require 1 each of Grouper and Snapper and 2 out of 5 of the additional included species to achieve the Slam.

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

- Total combined length of the largest legal size fish of each Offshore Slam species entered by the angler. If an angler catches more than 2 of the 5 optional species the two with the longest length will be counted.



- Angler must catch and enter one Grouper, one Snapper and any 2 of the 5 additional species listed
- 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.

**Awards Party: There will be an awards party at Rose Marina in January 2023 (date / time TBA)**

**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, 2021 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.**

## Offshore Slam 2022 Sign-up Sheet

<http://www.marcosportfishingclub.com/2022->

[OffshoreSlam2022/2022-OffshoreSlam-FLYER-REGISTRATION.pdf](http://www.marcosportfishingclub.com/2022-OffshoreSlam2022/2022-OffshoreSlam-FLYER-REGISTRATION.pdf)

## Welcome Back Snowbirds Picnic



Sarazen Park 12 Noon  
Wednesday, January 19, 2022

\$12.00 Members  
\$15.00 Guests

\$3 penalty after January 12  
\$5 penalty for walk-ins (plus \$3 late fee)  
assuming event not sold out

Pulled pork, Chicken, Beans & Rice, Plantains  
Beer, Wine, Pop and Water Included

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Member's name(s) \_\_\_\_\_

Guest's name(s) \_\_\_\_\_

Number attending \_\_\_\_\_

Amount enclosed \_\_\_\_\_

**DON'T FORGET TO RENEW MICA PASS**

Make checks payable to MSC. Mail to:  
**Dave Walsh**  
1530 Caxambas Ct.  
Marco Island, FL 34145

**Do not leave checks in mailbox,  
place under doormat**

## PROBABLE FUTURE PICNIC DATES

Wednesday, February 16, 2022 FeBREWfest XVII  
Wednesday, March 16, 2022 Jason's Sammich  
Wednesday, April 20, 2022 Taste of Italy  
Wednesday May 4, 2022 Cuarto de Mayo  
Wednesday, June 1, 2022 Steak Bar-B-Q

### **POLICY Summary**

- 1) Due to scheduling and caterer contracts, picnics will be held rain or shine (except in the event of named storms).
- 2) No refunds will be given for cancellations on the day of the picnic.
- 3) A list of paid attendees will be published several days prior to the picnic so there will be no confusion about who has paid or not paid.
- 4) In order to facilitate the above and allow proper notification to caterers, payment deadline is one week prior to the picnic.
- 5) Payment must be in the hands of the picnic chairman by the deadline, not in the mail (just like the banks, so be aware of holidays).
- 6) The late fee is \$3 per/person.
- 7) Walk-in fee is \$5 (plus \$3 late fee).
- 8) Guests cost more (other fees above also apply).

### **CURRENT PICNIC PARKING RULES**

Picnics are held at the MICA Sarazen Park (910 Swallow Ave.) and MICA membership is required. There are several alternatives if you do not qualify for MICA membership:

- 1) Collier County residents can get a Collier County beach sticker 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. Be aware that Park Rangers sometimes hassle you, claiming the parking is for the beach only, and will ticket you if you go to the picnic. HINT: Don't make it obvious you're going to picnic (e.g. passing chairs over fence).
- 2) Pay the fee for parking in the Collier County parking lot (\$8).
- 3) Ride with a MICA member.
- 4) Have a MICA member ride with you.
- 5) Parking on the swales within a mile of South Beach Access or Sarazen Park is not permitted. The current fine is \$95.

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## **Sarazen Picnic Parking Rules**

<https://www.marcosportfishingclub.com/Flyers/RULES-Picnics/2021-1224-PICNIC.PARKING.RULES.pdf>

**FeBREWfest XVII**



**Sarazen Park 12 Noon**

**Wednesday, February 16**

**\$18.00 Members/\$23 Guests Each**

**\*\$21/\$24 G after March 9**

**\$26.00 at the door (Includes \$3 Late fee)**

**Brats, Roasted Chicken, German Potato Salad, Spätzle, Sauerkraut, and Red Cabbage**

**Catered by Pepper's**

**Beer, Wine, Ice Tea, Pop and Water included**

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RESERVATION for FeBREWfest XVII  
MEMBER'S NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

Members/family @ \$18 = \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
Guests @ \$21 = \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
Late fee @ \$3 per person\* = \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
Total = \$ \_\_\_\_\_

\* Checks must be **RECEIVED** by February 9  
Make check payable to **MSC**  
**Mail SEPARATE checks for each picnic to:**  
(Same envelope OK)

Dave Walsh  
1530 Caxambas Ct.  
Marco Island, FL 34145

**St. Patrick's Picnic  
Sarazen Park**

**Wednesday, March 16, Noon**

**\$17.00 Members/\$20 Guests Each**

**\*\$20/\$23 G after March 9**

**\$25.00 at the door (Includes \$3 Late fee)**

**Jason's famous New York Yankee Sammich  
(contact Dave for dietary alternatives)**



**Beer, Wine, Ice Tea, Pop and Water included**

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RESERVATION for Jason's Sammich Picnic  
NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

Number attending \_\_\_\_\_  
Members/family @ \$17 = \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
Guests @ \$20 = \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
Late fee @ \$3 per person\* = \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
Total = \$ \_\_\_\_\_

\* Checks must be **RECEIVED** by March 9  
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Dave Walsh  
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Marco Island, FL 34145  
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12/24/2021



# MSC Calendar

Meetings are on the "First Thursday" of each month – Doors open at 6:30 – meeting starts at 7:00 PM

JANAURY	FOM POMPANO	EVENT LEADER
All Month - 1/1/2022 - 12/31/2022	Offshore Slam, proudly sponsored by Rose Marina - Annual Tournament	Jim Scarpa
Thursday, January 06, 2022	MSC General Meeting - St Mark's Parish Hall – Speaker: <b>Captain Ralph Hawkins</b> of The American Patriot – Walker's Marine -- Renewals End -- Board Elections	Keith Wohltman
Friday, January 07, 2022	Pompano Double Down Capt. Mtg	Charlie Schwalje
Monday, January 10, 2022	MSC Board Meeting - TBD	Keith Wohltman
Tuesday, January 11, 2022	Pompano Double Down	Charlie Schwalje
Thursday, January 13, 2022	Buddy Trip	Joe Perino
Friday, January 14, 2022	Pompano Double Down - Alt	Charlie Schwalje
Wednesday, January 19, 2022	Welcome Back Snowbirds	Dave Walsh
Saturday, January 22, 2022	2021 Offshore Slam Celebration	Jim Scarpa
Monday, January 24, 2022	Wack-A-Whiting Event	Joe Perino
Wednesday, January 26, 2022	Kayak Event - Hell's Gate/Palm Bay	Howard Laskau
FEBRUARY	FOM SHEEPSHEAD	EVENT LEADER
All Month	Offshore Slam, proudly sponsored by Rose Marina	Jim Scarpa
Thursday, February 3, 2022	MSC General Meeting - St Mark's Parish Hall - Speaker: <b>Captain Aron Blaisdell</b> of Fishing Guide Service - Leaderboard Awards	Keith Wohltman
Monday, February 7, 2022	MSC Board Meeting - TBD	Keith Wohltman
Wednesday, February 16, 2022	FeBREWfest XVII Picnic	Dave Walsh
Friday, February 18, 2022	Kayak Event - Everglades City	Howard Laskau
Monday, February 21, 2022	Sheepshead Capt. Meeting	M&D Constazer
Tuesday, February 22, 2022	Sheepshead Event Day	M&D Constazer
Wednesday, February 23, 2022	Sheepshead back up Day	M&D Constazer
Monday, February 28, 2022	Sheepshead Banquet	M&D Constazer
TBD	New Member Orientation	Jay Terzis
TBD	Buddy Trip	Joe Perino
MARCH	FOM SPOTTED SEATROUT	EVENT LEADER
All Month	Offshore Slam, proudly sponsored by Rose Marina	Jim Scarpa
Thursday, March 3, 2022	MSC General Meeting - <b>Deal or No Deal</b> - YMCA	Pete Arcidiacona
Monday, March 7, 2022	MSC Board Meeting - TBD	Keith Wohltman
Tuesday, March 8, 2022	Kayak - Stopper's Creek Loop	Howard Laskau
Friday, March 11, 2022	Baiting Beauties	Ricki Terzis
Tuesday, March 15, 2022	Baiting Beauties Picnic Sarazen Pk	Ricki Terzis
Wednesday, March 16, 2022	Jason's Sammich - Picnic	Dave Walsh
Tuesday, March 22, 2022	Seatrout Spotacular Capt. Meeting	Charlie Schwalje
Thursday, March 24, 2022	Seatrout Spotacular	Charlie Schwalje
Friday, March 25, 2022	Seatrout Spotacular alt	Charlie Schwalje
TBD	Naples Kids Fishing Clinic	Howard Laskau
TBD	Buddy Trip	Joe Perino
TBD	Baiting Beauties Capt. Meeting	Ricki Terzis

Please note: The "Official Club Calendar" is maintained on the Coming Events Page of the MSC Website

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

# Marco Island Christmas Island Style Street Parade

On a beautiful Marco Island Saturday evening, our Marco Island Sportfishing Club participated in the annual “Christmas Island Style Street Parade”, trying to repeat our First Place finish of the last Christmas parade.

Bright and early Saturday morning started at John and Anne Marchetti’s house. The volunteer decorators were greeted with tables of muffins, sweets and fresh coffee.

The decorators were Gloria and Ken Robertson, John Baker, Paul Kampmeyer and John & Anne. While they were busy decorating the boat, Ron Linn was decorating his Jeep in preparation to tow the boat. This year he added a huge blow-up fishing Santa Claus affixed to the rooftop.

As the darkness neared, the walkers and boat riders anxiously assembled in the staging area off San Marco Ave., loading their bags with packaged Swedish Fish to be given to the children parade watchers.

The walkers were Ken Robertson, Howard Laskau, Joe Perino, Anna Hutchings, Tim and Ruth Cross and Marvin and Delores Constanzer.

Gloria Robertson looked fabulous dressed as a Christmas tree!!!! A true hit of the parade. Festive riders on the boat were Anne Marchetti, Patty Arcidiacono, DianaePerino, Janice Laskau and Carol Schwalje.

And let’s not forget the tow crew and street parade committee: Ron Linn, John Marchetti and John Baker.

We did have technical issues with several blown fuses from the abundance of lights, but John M. and Ken R. got us past the judges stand all lit up.

A special thanks goes out to John Marchetti for the use of his boat, Ron Linn for his beautiful Jeep towing the boat, Jay Jones for the use of his trailer and Pete Arcidiacono for shuttling the walkers and riders. Although First Place was not in the cards this year, a fun time was had by club participants and parade viewers alike!

**Get involved next year! Merry Christmas!**

# Marco Island Street Parade



Links to more Parade Pictures

<http://www.marcosportfishingclub.com/Fish-2021/0-EVENTS/2021-12-XmasStreetParade/2022-12-XmasStreetParade.htm>



# Christmas Party Pictures



Links to more Party Pictures

[http://www.marcosportfishingclub.com/pictures21-2021-Pictures.htm#Christmas/Holiday\\_party](http://www.marcosportfishingclub.com/pictures21-2021-Pictures.htm#Christmas/Holiday_party)

**MSC Kayak Group Trips**  
**November 27, 2021 – Isle of Capri Paddle Park**  
**December 18, 2021 – Unknown Bay/Bear Point Loop**

Due to a few weather cancellations the November kayak trip took place too late in the month to make the cutoff for the December newsletter. So, this month's report will cover both our November and December outings!

The November trip was supposed to take place in Rookery Bay, using the Shell Island Road launch, but we ran into technical difficulties. The gate to Shell Island Road is supposed to open automatically at sunrise (it always has in the past), but this time we were locked out. Phone calls went to voice mail and no Park Rangers were in sight. So, after waiting a while, the line of 9 cars with kayaks sticking out the back of them, on car roofs or on trailers made u-turns on the narrow road and headed for the next closest kayak launch site, the Isles of Capri Paddle Park, which, luckily, was not too far away.

This venue always holds a variety of fish, and sometimes some big ones! Dwayne Metzger found that out as he landed a 32.25" snook that gave him a nice fight and landed him on top of the 2021 Kayak leaderboard by a healthy margin. Some redfish, trout and a variety of other fish were also caught during the trip, but Dwayne's fish ended up being the catch of the day

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Fast forward a few weeks to December 18<sup>th</sup> and the MSC kayak group assembled again, this time launching at the base of the Jolley Bridge. From there, the group headed up the Marco River, made their way through Three Island Cove and up into the channel leading to Unknown Bay.

The tide was a little slow in coming in, so the group took their time in the bay, waiting for it to "fill up." Ladyfish, jacks, and catfish were plentiful. Howard Laskau even added a lizard fish and puffer fish to the list of fish that nobody wants to catch!

As the tide came in, the group made their way over to the trail leading to Bear Point Cove for the return trip to the Jolley bridge. A few trout were picked up along the way. Ron Weiler hooked into a snook that took his kayak for a little ride and Ken Robertson picked up a few also. However, at the end of the day, there were no changes in the 2021 MSC Kayak Leaderboard, so the results of the year-long contest for largest fish caught during one of the kayak outings are now official! The 2021 Kayak Leaderboard winners are:

<b><u>Species</u></b>	<b><u>Kayak Angler</u></b>	<b><u>Size</u></b>	<b><u>Date Caught</u></b>
Snook	Dwayne Metzger	32.25"	November 27, 2021
Redfish	John Baker	28.5"	October 9, 2021
Bass	Dave Schott	22"	April 17, 2021
Trout	Dave Dodd	19.5"	October 9, 2021

Congratulations to Dwayne, John, Dave Schott and Dave Dodd. As winners of the 2021 Kayak Challenge, each kayak angler has won an official MSC Kayak Angler fishing shirt, with their name, species caught, and MSC logo embroidered on the shirt. The shirts will be distributed in person at the February General Meeting.

If you are interested in Kayak fishing, visit the MSC website for more information about the MSC Kayak Group. While there, take a look at some of the pictures from past trips and read the stories from our previous outings. If



you are a new or current member who is interested in joining our group and participating in our monthly “adventures” please send an email to Howard Laskau ([hlaskau@comcast.net](mailto:hlaskau@comcast.net)) to get placed on the MSC Kayak Group email list. You will receive trip notices with all the necessary trip information approximately one week prior to each outing.

### November, 2021 MSC Kayak Group Trip Isles of Capri Paddle Park



**Bob Schneider**  
**Redfish**



**Dwayne Metzger**  
**32.25" Snook**

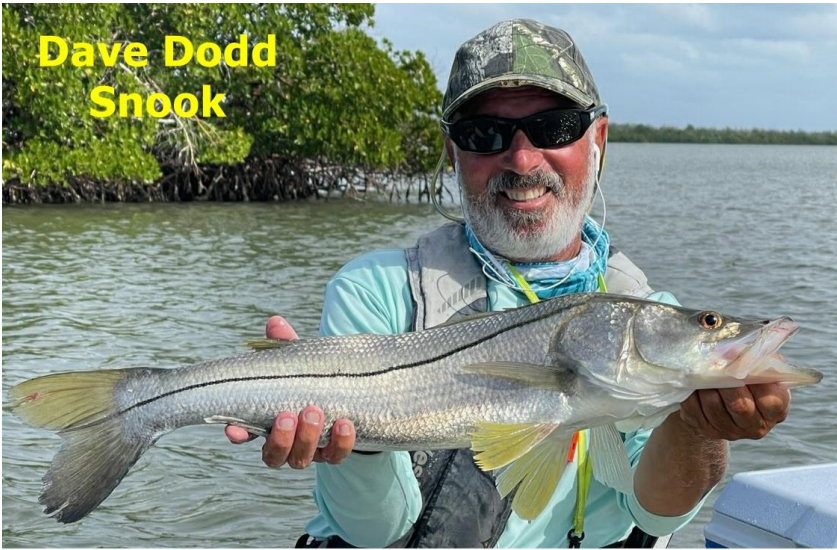


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**Jack**



**December, 2021 MSC Kayak Group Trip  
Unknown Bay/Bear Point Loop**

**Dave Dodd  
Snook**



**Ron Weiler  
Snook**



**Howard Laskau  
Jack**





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# Marco Sportfishing Club

## 2021 Board of Directors (\* MSC Officers)

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Jim Scarpa	<b>Offshore Events Coordinator</b>
Ron Linn	<b>Redfish Two-Angler Tournament Director</b>
Dave Schott	<b>Triple Crown Tournament Director</b>
Pete Arcidiacono	<b>Immediate Past President</b>

## 2021 Activity and Event Directors, Committee Chairs and Assistants Fishing related activities:

Fishing Committee Chair	Ed Vesely
Backwater Events Coordinator	Charlie Schwalje
Offshore Events Coordinator	Jim Scarpa
Baiting Beauties	Ricki Terzis
Buddy Trips-Whack a Whiting	Joe Perino
Kayak Events-Pied Piper Trips	Howard Laskau
Redfish Team Event Coordinator	Ed Vesely
Redfish Two-Angler Tournament Director	Ron Linn
Sheepshead Tournament Directors	Dolores & Marvin Constanzer
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Triple Crown Tournament Director	Dave Schott

## Other Activities

Assistant Secretary	Dave Schott
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New Member Liaison	Jay Terzis
Picnics	Dave Walsh
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## Member Privacy Statement

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