

MSC Tackle Box

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Dedicated to Safe Fishing in and around Marco Island

President's Message for April 2022



Welcome to Spring, Island Style! Water temps are rising, and fish are becoming more active.

Many of our seasonal members are returning to their northern locations and we wish them a great summer and will look forward to their return to "Paradise" next season. With Easter being in the middle of the month, some seasonal members may be extending their stay a few more weeks.

March was a very active month for our club, with fishing and social activities filling our calendar.

We kicked off the month with our "Deal, or No Deal" event held at the Marco Island YMCA. The event, run by Pete Arcidiacono, was a huge success. Many of our members scored super savings on quality fishing and boating gear.

That was followed quickly by our volunteers heading to the Naples Kid's Fishing Clinic held at the Naples Pier. The volunteers rigged fishing rods and reels for use by the 300 or so participants. In addition, several members taught the youngsters fishing etiquette, what to bring in their tackle box, fish identification and casting. Once trained, the kids fished from the pier and our volunteers helped them with everything from baiting their hooks, releasing their catch, and repairing their equipment.

Our Kayak Group fished the Stopper's Creek Loop. Be sure to read the trip report in this edition.

On March 11th, we held our annual Baiting Beauties fishing event and picnic. "Baiting Beauties 9" was enjoyed by 31 lady anglers and their captains and crew. It was great to see so many happy anglers at the picnic. A total of 65 members participated in the event run by Ricki Terzis. Great job, Ricki!

No sooner had we cleaned-up from that picnic when it was time for our Irish themed Jason's Sammich picnic. With over 100 attendees our hosts, Dave and Susie Walsh, served-up huge, corned beef sandwiches. It was a lively party enjoyed by all.

We held our first New Member Luncheon on March 21st and welcomed the "class" of 21 and 22 to our family. Please see the report in this edition.

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More fishing events rounded out the month with the backwater Trout Spectacular, the offshore Super Grouper and we had a Buddy Trip planned. Due to the timing of these events, there may or may not be a report in this edition.

Moving into April, we will hold a month-long “We’re Back” backwater event. This event will try to recapture the way our backwater events were held prior to Covid, with the added bonus of additional days to fish. In fact, a whole month to fish with those members signed-up for the event. Registered captains can take any registered member out on their boat, or they can fish on another registered captain’s boat. You are not tied to a single boat, or crew. Should be fun.

Super Grouper will conclude the second week of April, but our offshore anglers have the continuation of the “Offshore Slam, proudly sponsored by Rose Marina” to keep them actively fishing. We will also have 20 members fish on the American Patriot long-range charter for 4 days at the end of the month.

Our Kayak Group heads out to fish for some freshwater Bass at Port of the Isles to close the month. Howard has a special event in the works for our Kayak Group in early May so keep an eye out for an eblast for that event.

The April General meeting will return to St. Mark’s Parish Hall on Thursday, April 7th and our speaker will be Capt. Jed from Pro-Fish-In-Sea charters to talk about “Nearshore” fishing.

Our picnic for April will focus on a baseball theme – “Swing into Spring”. Members are encouraged to wear their favorite team logo items.

If you can – get out and fish!!

Tight Lines

Keith

Don’t forget to join us on Facebook

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/1449639945388570>

LEADER BOARD Updates as of March

Get LEADER BOARD updates using the link below.

[Leader Board](#)

Fish of the Month (FOM) as of March

Get FOM updates using the link below.

[Fish of the Month](#)

April General Meeting

First Thursday of the month!

April 7 - at 7:00 PM

**St. Mark's Episcopal Church Parish Hall
1101 N Collier Blvd.**

*Presentation by
Captain Jed from Pro-Fish-In-Sea Charters
Nearshore Fishing*

Sign Up Tables

50/50

Doors open at 6:30 PM

May General Meeting

First Thursday of the month!

May 5 - at 7:00 PM

**St. Mark's Episcopal Church Parish Hall
1101 N Collier Blvd.**

Fishing Clinic

Shared knowledge on Fishing and Boating equipment

What you need to know to fish in Southwest Florida

Sign Up Tables

50/50

Doors open at 6:30 PM

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>

Super Grouper

Dates: Saturday, March 26 – Sunday, April 10 **EXTENDED!!!!!!**

Event Flyer: <http://www.marcosportfishingclub.com/2022-SuperGrouperTourney/2022-0326-Apr3-SuperGrouper.pdf>

April Month Long Backwater Event

More details in the newsletter and here:

<http://www.marcosportfishingclub.com/Flyers/2022-0400-MonthLongWeAreBackFLYER.pdf>

Kayak Slam Event

Date: Monday, May 2, 2022

Location: Isles of Capri Paddle Park

<http://www.marcosportfishingclub.com/Flyers/2022-0502-KayakSlam-RULES-INFO.pdf>

Buddy Trip

Date: Monday, May 2, 2022

More details to follow.

All MSC members on the Kayak email list are provided with full details about each trip 7-10 days before the scheduled date.

Spring Slam

Date: Tuesday, May 17, 2022

Captains Meeting: Monday, May 16, 2022 – 4:00 pm @ The Sandbar

Event Flyer: <http://www.marcosportfishingclub.com/Flyers/2022-0517-SpringSlam-FLYER.pdf>

Register: <http://www.marcosportfishingclub.com/Flyers/2022-0517-SpringSlam-REGISTRATION.pdf>

Tally Sheet: <http://www.marcosportfishingclub.com/Flyers/2022-0517-SpringSlam-TALLY.SHEET.pdf>

Always check the club Website for the latest information

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

Super Grouper – Spring 2022

Organizer: Jim Scarpa, jscarpa@ymail.com

Fishing Dates: Saturday March 26 thru Sunday April 3, 2022

Entry Fee: \$25 for MSC Anglers, \$35 for Non-Members, **No entry Fee for Captains.**

Deadline to Enter: **Friday March 25, 2022**

Prizes: Based on # of Boats and anglers participating in each division – 120' and 80'.

Maximum one prize per boat. Six prizes total.

- 120' Division - Total combined length of 3 legal Grouper - any Red, Black, Gag Grouper.
Prizes for top three.
- 80' Division - Total combined length of 2 legal Grouper - any Red, Black, Gag Grouper.
Prizes for top three.

Captains Meeting: Friday March 25, 2022 4:00 pm at Crazy Flamingo

Rules:

1. ALL Captains must be an active MSC Member.
2. Captain / Boat may only fish one day, Captain may fish as a crew member with another Captain / Boat and crew may fish with multiple Captains / Boats.
3. MSC "No Guide Rule" applies - No fishing with, or on, a guide's boat.
4. 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 maximum depth of 120' or 80" (depending upon division)
5. ALL Captains must declare their fishing day in advance to Jim.
6. "Two Line Rule" applies - No more than two rods per angler.
7. The 2 or 3 fish 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 1 day of fishing.

Flyer & Registration <http://www.marcosportfishingclub.com/2022-SuperGrouperTourney/2022-0326-Apr3-SuperGrouper.pdf>

“WERE BACK” April Backwater Month Long Event

If you have not done so already, it is time to sign up for the “WERE BACK” April Backwater Event which runs from 4/1 till 4/30. Fish as often as you want with who you want. You must be signed up for your fish to count for the prizes.

Want to be crew and don't have a Captain, sign up and I will get your name and info out to all the signed-up Captains. If you do not get to fish, your check will be returned/destroyed.

Individual 4 prizes for legal and larger Snook, Redfish and Seatrout. There will also be 4 prizes for the wild card fish you will be selecting. Sign up for \$20 and have a chance of winning big. There will be 16 individual prizes.

You need to get your Wild Card vote in right away so it can be counted. The Wild Card Fish will be announced at the Captains Meeting on March 31st at 3 PM at the Sand Bar. All will be revealed, and your questions answered.

There will also be prizes for the longest stringer of all four legal fish caught by an individual. You must have all four, even if they were caught while you were on different boats.

Signups will continue at the Captains meeting, the April MSC General meeting held on the 7th and those mailed to me by April 9th. You can even win if you are out of town for a week during April or are heading back north before the end of the month if you have a winning registered fish.

This events goal is to get us out of our basements and back to Marco Normal by encouraging boat team socializing. Over the course of the month, hopefully we can each take out some of our non-boating club members and make some new friends as well.

Make a friend and have some fun

Click here to go to the Registration Form on the website

<http://www.marcosportfishingclub.com/Flyers/2022-0400-MonthLongWeAreBackREGISTRATION.pdf>

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2022 Marco Sportfishing Club Offshore Slam



Proudly Sponsored by Rose Marina

Organizer: Jim Scarpa, 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

together with a Grouper and Snapper to

complete the SLAM and qualify to win

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:

8. All anglers must be an active MSC Member.
9. MSC "No Guide Rule" applies - No fishing with, or on, a guide's boat.
10. 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.
11. "Two Line Rule" applies - No more than two rods per angler.
12. 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).
13. 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.**
14. 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>

Offshore Update – April 2022

What's Happening Offshore...

Red Grouper are being caught typically in 100-110' of water, have had reports of several limits.

Snapper are out there on the wrecks and ledges at all depths. Cobia are here near structure and should begin to migrate north soon. African Pompano & AJ's are around structure. Permit should start to show up soon.

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

Offshore Events...

MSC Offshore Slam 2022, proudly sponsored by Rose Marina

SIGN UP TODAY BEFORE YOU CATCH THAT TROPHY FISH!

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.

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.

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 Grouper Spring 2022

The fishing window will be Saturday March 26 through Sunday April 3, 2022. This window includes the new moon and several high solunar activity days. There will be two divisions - <80' and <120'. Prizes will be awarded for the top three boats in each division based on the combined length of 2 legal Grouper in the 80' division and 3 legal Grouper 120' division (Red, Gag, or Black).

Other Important Stuff...

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

Offshore Captains – Offshore Fishing Report submissions have been few and far between (approximately 0.0 in the last 6 months), 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



2022 Marco Sportfishing Club Offshore Slam

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Current Standings (as of Mar 25)

Captain's Award Leader – Mueller 5

First	Last	Grouper		Snapper		Species 3			Species 4			Slam	Total
		Length	Captain	Length	Captain	Length	Species	Captain	Length	Species	Captain	Y / N	Length
Mike	Kropp	31.25	N/A	28.50	N/A	25.75	AP	N/A				N	85.50
Rick	Babuka	30.50	N/A			37.00	AJ					N	67.50
Jim	Parent	29.75	Parent	20.50	Parent							N	50.25
Mike	Lopez	25.00	Lopez	15.00	Lopez							N	40.00
Jeff	Kaczka	31.25	Mueller									N	31.25
John	Cavanagh	31.00	Mueller									N	31.00
Mike	Mueller	30.00	Mueller									N	30.00
Rod	Lashley	29.00	Mueller									N	29.00
John	Heckler	28.75	Parent									N	28.75
Allan	Bristow	27.75	Mueller									N	27.75
Kevin	Krygier	25.75	Krygier									N	25.75
Jim	Scarpa											N	0.00
Frank	Troha											N	0.00
Robert	Crane											N	0.00
Ralph	Crowell											N	0.00
Mark	Staley											N	0.00
Pete	Arcidiacono											N	0.00
Donna	Deeter											N	0.00
Chris	Vines											N	0.00
Don	Richards											N	0.00
Keith	Wohltman											N	0.00
Mark	Milici											N	0.00
John	Ryckman											N	0.00
Frank	Renkel											N	0.00



Spring Slam

(Ver 1.0.2022)



Fishing Date: Tuesday, May 17th, 2022

Backup Date (due to bad weather): Wednesday, May 18th

Capt.'s Meeting: Monday, May 16th, 4:00pm at the Sandbar

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

Tide Info at Coon Key:	Low Tide:	9:14 AM	(+1.4')
	High Tide:	2:52 PM	(+4.5')

This event is open to powerboat and kayak anglers

Event Target Fish: Snook, Redfish, Spotted Sea Trout

Prizes: Team prize – 1st thru 5th – Total inches of one each Snook, Redfish and Trout

The focus is on the “Slam”. An entry of all three species beats an entry of one or two species regardless of total length.

Individual Prize – individual prizes awarded for each of the longest Snook, Redfish and Trout 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

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 fish to nearest ¼”
- Turn in Tally Sheet, and photos, to Charlie Schwalje, no later than 5:00 PM, the day after the event.

Click here to register:

<http://www.marcosportfishingclub.com/Flyers/2022-0517-SpringSlam-REGISTRATION.pdf>

Click here for the tally sheet:

<http://www.marcosportfishingclub.com/Flyers/2022-0517-SpringSlam-TALLY.SHEET.pdf>

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

Charlie Schwalje

Email- c.schwalje@comcast.net

Cell- 732-570-8450

**SWING INTO SPRING PICNIC
WEDNESDAY APRIL 20, 2022**



**Wear Your Favorite Team's Regalia
Sarazen Park 12 Noon**

**\$10 (\$13 Guests) Each*
*13 (\$16 Guests) RECEIVED after April 13**

Walk-ins – If you show up at picnic with no reservation you will be charged an additional \$5 plus the \$3 late fee (\$21 per person)

**Dogs, Burgers, Brats, Salad and More
Beer, Wine, Ice Tea, Pop and Water Included**

Attention: If you are not a MICA (Marco Island Civic Association) member do NOT park in the MICA lot. Also, do NOT park in the swales around Sarazen Park to avoid the \$95 fine. Follow this link to for more information and suggestions on how to manage parking and access.

<https://www.marcosportfishingclub.com/Flyers/RULES-Picnics/2021-0420-PicnicParkingRules.pdf>

If your name doesn't appear on the Picnic Who's Coming List on the website, or you are sending a check late, call Dave Walsh 389-9755 to let him know.

-----CUT HERE & MAIL WITH YOUR CHECK-----

Reservation for April '**Swing into Spring**' Picnic, Wednesday April 20th
NAME(s) -Members, Spouse and Guests* (First & Last names, please)

* Please print clearly

Phone Number _____ Check # _____

Number Attending (Members/Guests) _____ / _____ @\$10/\$13 each= \$ _____

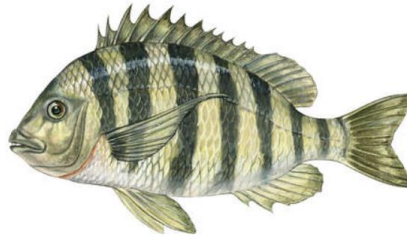
Late Registration:

Number Attending (Members/Guests) _____ / _____ @\$13/\$16 after April 13= \$ _____

Mail check made out to MSC to:

**Dave Walsh
1530 Caxambas Ct.
Marco Island, FL 34145**

DO NOT PUT CHECK IN MAILBOX



2022 Sheepshead Shindig

Results

February 22, 2022

The 2022 MSC Sheepshead Shindig, sponsored by Walker's Marine Group, was held on February 22nd with 65 anglers participating in the event. The weather was spectacular with temperatures in the low 80s, sunny with a slight breeze. The competition was fierce with 31 fish being weighed in. As little as two hundreds of a pound separated some of the angler's catches. The top ten heaviest fish received prizes.

• Bob Mazzatto	(1 st)	4.56 lbs	\$200
• Jim Foglio	(2 nd)	3.70 lbs	\$160
• Ken Robertson	(3 rd)	3.44 lbs	\$120
• Ralph Crowell	(4 th)	3.18 lbs	\$90
• Robert Horst	(5 th)	3.16 lbs	\$80
• George Wittman	(6 th)	2.84 lbs	\$70
• Cathy Erickson	(7 th)	2.74 lbs	\$60
• Steven Jacobs	(8 th)	2.72 lbs	\$50
• Jack Facciolo	(9 th)	2.70 lbs	\$40
• Mark Tanner	(10 th tie)	2.68 lbs	\$30
• Jeff Erickson	(10 th tie)	2.68 lbs	\$30

The awards banquet was held at the Marco Lutheran Church on Monday, February 28th with 95 people enjoying the culmination of the Sheepshead Tournament. The buffet style dinner was catered by Kretch's Restaurant featuring Seafood Strudel, Chicken Marsala, Honey Baked Ham, Roasted Potatoes, Green Beans, Tossed Salad, Rolls and Butter. Music for listening and dancing pleasure was provided by entertainer Gregg Clemons. Anticipation rose throughout the evening as door prizes and 50/50 prizes were given away. The door prizes were donated by our friends at Winn Dixie, Publix, Rose Marina, Marco Island Brewery, ABC Fine Wine and Spirits, Sunshine Ace Hardware, Marco Island Princess.

Congratulations to everyone!

The Sheepshead Team



March 2022 Sea Trout Spotacular Results

Submitted by Charlie Schwalje

The Spring Sea Trout Spotacular was held on the alternate date, Friday, March 25th. The event was postponed due to Thursday's weather conditions. Originally 48 anglers in 18 boats were entered to fish, but after the date change 4 boats were unable to fish. Conditions were challenging with a north breeze and dirty water. A total of 30 spotted sea trout were tallied. Here are the results...

- 14 teams totaling 38 anglers participated
- 38 anglers – for a total of \$380.00 in entry fees
- Club funds- \$300.00 – Total Prize Pool = \$680.00

Team Awards:

1st- Bob Schneider, Howard Laskau, Dave Dodd – 6 trout - 94" - \$190.00

2nd- Ed Brown, Sharon Weathers, Skip Endicott – 6 trout – 88.5" " - \$140.00

3rd- Joe Perino, Keith Wohltman, Jay Terzis, Charlie Schwalje – 5 trout – 63.25" - \$110.00

4th- Bob Zimmerman, John Moyer - 4 trout - 50" \$90.00

5th- Tim Cross, Dwayne Metzger, Bob Williamson – 3 trout – 37.5 " - \$75.00

Individual Largest Trout Award:

1st Place – Dolores Constanzer – 18" - \$75.00

Total Prize \$ Awarded = \$680.00



2022 MSC KAYAK SLAM

Sponsored by Naples Outfitters

May 2, 2022 – 8 AM to 2 PM

Starts at: Isles of Capri Paddle Park

Individual Entry Form

(Spouses entering as a team...please submit separate entry forms)

Name _____

Each \$30 entry entitles the angler to:

Cell Phone _____

Compete for cash awards

Email _____

A long sleeve, performance tournament Shirt*

Participant "extras"

A whole lot of fun!

MSC Member yes (This tournament is for MSC members only!)

T-shirt size * S M L XL 2XL

Kayak skill level: Novice Intermediate Advanced

Novice/Intermediate kayakers will be paired up with an Advanced kayaker in this event – see the rules

\$30 - Kayak Slam entry fee

\$40 - Kayak rental (paddle kayak)

- Kayak rental includes paddle, whistle, life jacket -

\$65 – Kayak rental (pedal kayak)

- Kayak rental includes pedals, paddle, whistle, life jacket

(If you rent a kayak, the kayak will be waiting for you at the Paddle Park. When you return at the end of the event, you can just leave the kayak at the launch. There are no "delivery/drop off" fees)

\$ _____ Total Enclosed

Additional Rules and General Information

<http://www.marcosportfishingclub.com/Flyers/2022-0502-KayakSlam-RULES-INFO.pdf>

- Entries close April 20, 2022 -

Mail completed entry form (with checks made out to Marco Sportfishing Club) to: **Howard Laskau - 1739 Hummingbird Court - Marco Island, FL 34145**

* Requested shirt size can only be guaranteed for delivery on May 2 for those whose entry form and payment is received by April 12th. For entries received between April 12th and April 20 (when entries close), shirts will be available after May 11th.

March MSC Kayak Group Outing

Stopper's Creek Loop

March's Kayak Group outing took place on 3/8/22 on a beautiful Tuesday Morning. The group launched from the Shell Island Road launch on an outgoing tide into the bay before heading into Stopper's Creek and winding up at the top of Rookery Bay. The plan was then to use the incoming tide and fish Rookery Bay back to the launch point. However, plans shifted mid-day as a strong north wind came in earlier than forecast and caused waves to kick up, so the group retraced their path down Stopper's Creek back to Shell Island.

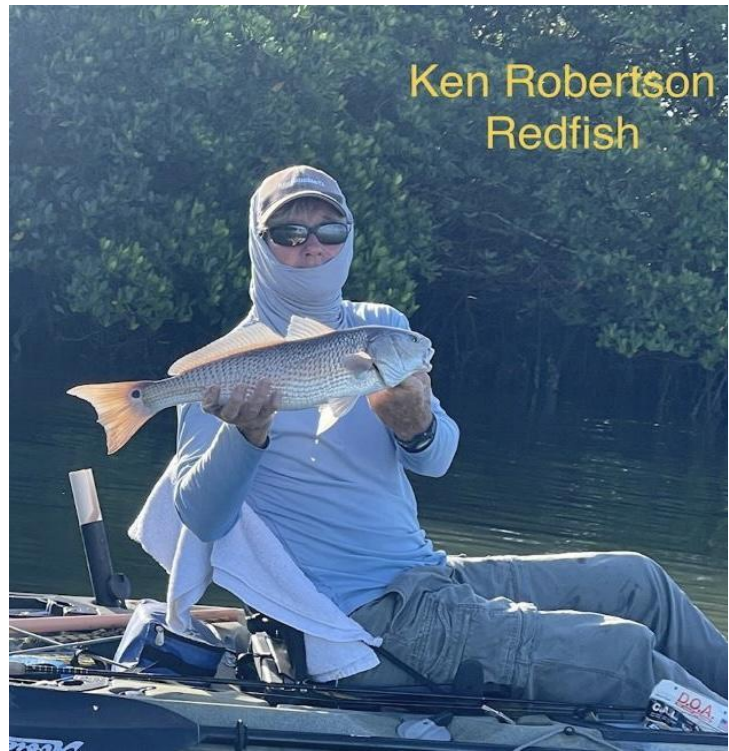
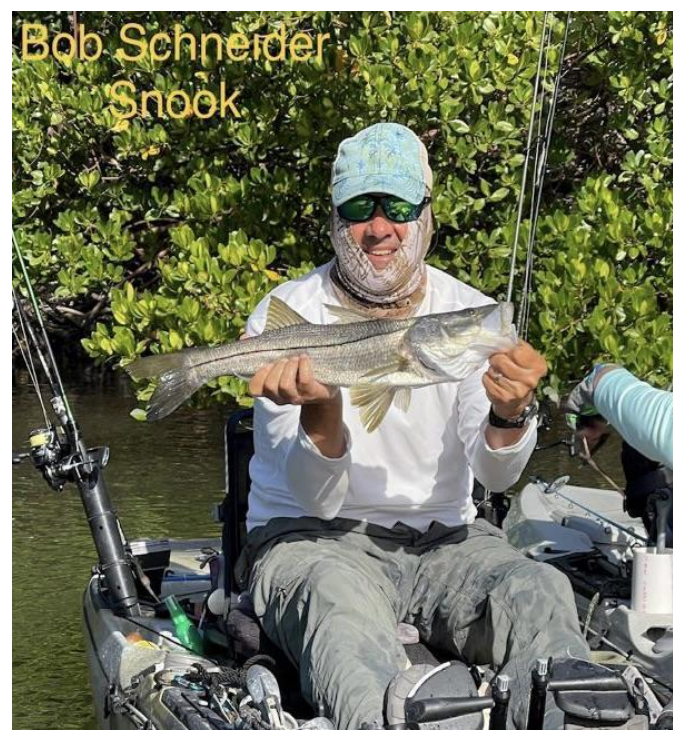
Fishing was very good right off the bat with Ken Robertson nabbing a nice Redfish and Bob Schneider adding a Snook. Both are now on the Kayak Groups leader board. Along with those, numerous Snapper, smaller Snook, and a few Jacks were caught. Ken also added another Snook that was just under Bob's.

April's adventure will take the group to the Port of the Isles freshwater canals for some Bass fishing, the last species on the Groups challenge board. It is scheduled for Tuesday 4/26.

If you are interested in Kayak fishing, visit the MSC website for more information about the MSC Kayak Group. Be sure to check on some of the past trips the group has gone on. If you are a new or current member who is interested in joining the group and participating in the monthly adventures, please send an email to Howard Laskau through the web site to get placed on the MSC Kayak Group email list. You will receive trip notices with all the necessary information about 1 week before the event.

And...the once-a-year Kayak Slam will be taking place on May 2nd. This event has a \$30.00 entry fee with prize money for the top spots and includes a custom-designed long sleeve performance T-shirt for all entrants. The target fish will be Snook, Redfish and Trout with total inches of the three fish deciding the winning team. One of the great things about this event is that novice kayakers or those with little experience will be teamed with an experienced kayaker to make up the 2-person teams. And, if you want to enter but don't have a kayak, our sponsor,

Naples Outfitters, will be providing rental kayaks at the launch for those who want them. This event provides a great way to introduce yourself to kayak fishing. Please see the rules, information and entry form in this newsletter!



Baiting Beauties 9 Results

Baiting Beauties 9 was held on Friday, March 11. We had 31 "Beauties" fishing on 13 boats. There were six winners in the tournament and each won \$50.00. The winners were: Linda Keyes, Dolores Constanzer, Stacy Wren, Joan Makley, Donna Reiley, and Carol Schwalje. We had 65 people attend the picnic which was held the same day as the tournament.

New Member Luncheon

Our first MSFC New Member Luncheon was held at the Brewery. The luncheon was a big success. The main objective of the lunch was to have the new members meet each other and learn about their new club. Thirty two people attended of which twenty one were new members and spouses. The afternoon started with a welcome and a corny joke. After pizza and beer, seven short talks were given by some of our established members highlighting fishing events, social events and basically how the club is run. Many thanks go out to Keith Wohltman, Joe Perino, John Marchetti, Ed Crane, Victor Ordija, and Dave Walsh for their speeches. Following the speeches there was a trivia contest which everyone enjoyed. The afternoon ended with the 50/50 drawing. Diane Perino, Marvin and Dolores Costanzer helped out with the 50/50, check-in and budget check. Thank you! There were many positive comments from the new members telling us how appreciative they were, what a great time they had, and that they had made many new friends. Just to show how successful the event was, four patrons at the Brewery who were sitting on the side tables asked how they could join the Club! As they say, "a great time was had by all!"

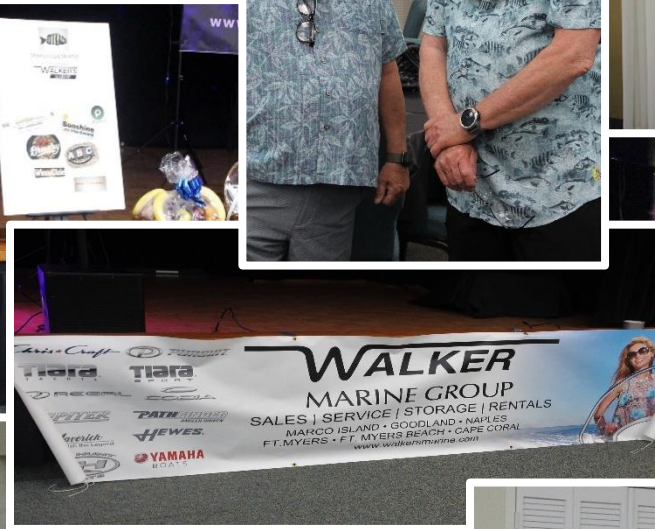
Upcoming Events

APRIL	FOM RED GROUPER	
All Month	MSC Offshore Slam, proudly sponsored by Rose Marina	Jim Scarpa
All Month	Month-Long Backwater Event	Ed Vesely
Saturday March 26 to April 3	Super Grouper	Jim Scarpa
Thursday, April 7, 2022	MSC General Meeting - St Mark's Parish Hall	Keith Wohltman
Monday, April 11, 2022	MSC Board Meeting - TBD	Keith Wohltman
Wednesday, April 20, 2022	Swing into Spring - Picnic	Dave Walsh
Monday, April 25, 2022	Newsletter Deadline	John Ryckman
Monday, 4/25/ - Fri 4/28	MSC Long Range Charter	Jersey
Tuesday, April 26, 2022	Kayak Event - Port of the Isles – Bass	Howard Laskau

MAY	FOM KING MACKEREL	
All Month	MSC Offshore Slam, proudly sponsored by Rose Marina	Jim Scarpa
Monday, May 2, 2022	2022 Kayak Slam Tournament - Isles of Capri Paddle Park	Howard Laskau
Monday, May 2, 2022	Buddy Trip	Joe Perino
Wednesday, May 4, 2022	Quatro de Mayo - Picnic	Dave Walsh
Thursday, May 5, 2022	MSC General Meeting - St Mark's Parish Hall	Keith Wohltman
Monday, May 9, 2022	MSC Board Meeting - TBD	Keith Wohltman
Monday, May 16, 2022	Spring Slam Capt. Mtg	Charlie Schwalje
Tuesday, May 17, 2022	Spring Slam	Charlie Schwalje
Wednesday, May 18, 2022	Spring Slam Alt	Charlie Schwalje
Wednesday, May 25, 2022	Newsletter Deadline	John Ryckman

JUNE	FOM PERMIT	
All Month	MSC Offshore Slam, proudly sponsored by Rose Marina	Jim Scarpa
Thursday, June 2, 2022	MSC General Meeting - St Mark's Parish Hall	Keith Wohltman
Monday, June 6, 2022	MSC Board Meeting - Sand Bar	Keith Wohltman
Wednesday, June 8, 2022	Steak - Picnic	Dave Walsh
Saturday, June 25, 2022	Newsletter Deadline	John Ryckman
Saturday, June 25, 2022	Kayak Event - Halfway Creek	Howard Laskau
Thursday, June 9, 2022	Hook that Snook Capt. Meeting	Ron Linn
Friday, June 10, 2022	Hook that Snook fishing day	Ron Linn
Monday, June 13, 2022	Hook that Snook Alt	Ron Linn
TBD	Triple Crown Kick-off	Dave Schott

Party Hearty – Sheepshead Awards Dinner - 02/28/2022



2022 Sheepshead Shindig



MSC participated in the Naples Kid's Fishing Clinic program at Naples Pier on Saturday, March 5, 2022. We worked on all aspects of the event from checking the participants in to setting up and distributing rods, manning educational tables, giving casting lessons on the beach, baiting hooks and removing fish. Except for a short (and refreshing sprinkle) the weather held and provided a wonderful backdrop to the day. The volunteers had as much fun as the delighted children!



Deal or No Deal 2022



Baiting Beauties 9 – March 2022





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