

# MSC Tackle Box

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



Dedicated to Safe Fishing in and around Marco Island

## President's Message for December 2023



December is here and another year is about to end. Marco Island is ramping up the holiday spirit as 'Marco Angels' adorn Collier Blvd and houses are decorated for the season. A small group of our members worked decorating the "Christmas Island Style Christmas Tree" at the end of November.

The tree lighting will be held at Veteran's Community Park on Saturday, December 2<sup>nd</sup>. **See the flyer in this edition for details.** Tailgating is planned and hopefully we will secure the same area as last year. If you have not participated in the tailgate, please join us, or at least stop by to say "Hi" and see how much fun we have. There is no fee to attend. It is BYO and something to share. Look for our club banner and lots of happy people. More information will be provided in an eblast shortly.

## November Events

- The "Offshore Slam" completed its eleventh month, and anglers have recorded a total of 10 slams so far, and Capt. Mike Mueller is still in the lead as "Top Captain" Only 1 month left in the tournament.
- Howard Laskau hosted the November kayak event on Nov 1<sup>st</sup> at the Imperial River.
- Our backwater event was the "Turkey Day Buffet" and held from November 7<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup>. The winners are named in this edition.
- We helped build the Christmas Tree at Veteran's Community Park on November 28<sup>th</sup>.

In December we look forward to the following events.

- "Offshore Slam" will continue throughout the month of December. This is the final month.
- The "Christmas Tree Lighting Tailgate" will take place on December 2<sup>nd</sup> at the Veteran's Community Park
- The gala event of the year is the annual "Holiday Party", this year it will be held at the **Royal Wood Golf and Country Club** in Naples on December 4<sup>th</sup>. Happy Hour is from 5:30 PM to 6:15 PM. Dinner and entertainment are from 6:30 PM to 9:30 PM. *(yes, this is a change of venue – if you signed up to attend, keep an eye out for an eblast update!).*
- A Kayak event is scheduled for December 7<sup>th</sup> at the Unknown Bay/Bear Point Loop. Contact Howard Laskau to join in the fun. This is the last event for the "2023 Kayak Challenge".

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- On Saturday, December 9<sup>th</sup>, we join many of the clubs and service organizations here on Marco Island in the annual “Christmas Island Style Street Parade”. We will have a decorated boat and street anglers handing out candy to the parade watchers. Watch for us from the parade route and cheer us on.
- We also have an offshore event the “Super Snapper Nearshore” that starts on December 9<sup>th</sup> and runs through December 17<sup>th</sup>. See the flyer in this edition.

Don’t forget we have the monthly “Fish of the Month” (FOM) contest, and you can enter your catch for the leaderboard. December’s FOM is Black Drum.

We have important business we must attend to at the December 7<sup>th</sup> general meeting and that is the introduction of both new board members and those board members seeking an additional two-year term. The following club member is seeking their initial two-year term; Tom Obermeier. The following board members are seeking an additional two-year term: Jim Gloster, Chris Hutchings, John Ryckman, Dave Schott, George Wittmann, and me. We will hold the elections for the Board of Directors at the January meeting. **IF** anyone reading this would like to join the board to help run the club, please contact me and we can add you to the candidate slate. If you would like to help run the club in a non-board position, contact me as well.

Captain Chris Turner will be our featured speaker for the December meeting. Captain Turner will share his fishing knowledge for snook, redfish, tarpon and even shark. There will be a raffle for a trip with Capt. Turner as well.

January begins a new year; one filled with endless opportunities to fish and enjoy our club social activities. We will have the “2024 Offshore Slam proudly sponsored by Rose Marina” to kick-off the year, starting on January 1<sup>st</sup>. We will also have the initial “new era” picnic in January (*see flyer in this edition*). Our picnics in 2024 will be hosted by a different team each month. Keep an eye on the Coming Events page on the website for picnic updates. Don’t forget to renew your MICA beach pass so you can park your car at Sarazen Park. We have several backwater events planned too; The Pompano Double Down, Whack-a-Whiting and the ever-popular Buddy List Trip will return in January.

Just a reminder, there is still time to renew your membership for 2024. The renewal period is from now to the end of December. The fee to renew is still only \$40/family. Just to be clear, the club membership is a family membership. That means spouses, or significant others, living in the same household are all members for that one membership fee. If you have any questions, please contact our membership chairman, Jim Gloster, before you pay more for your membership than we require. We encourage you to use the “credit card renewal” as that sends the funds immediately to the club and provides you with an instant receipt of your payment. Of course, we still accept cash or checks!!

Remember to add your spouse or significant other’s email address so they can receive all the club communications.

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>

# December General Meeting

**Thursday, December 7<sup>th</sup>, 2023**



**ST. MARK'S**  
EPISCOPAL CHURCH

## ***Parish Hall***



Naples fishing charter Captain Chris Turner is a third generation Naples native who has lived and worked in the same prime fishing area his entire life. A member of the legendary Turner fishing family, Chris has a unique perspective on local fishing, which spans the mindsets of a commercial fisherman, award-winning tournament angler, and charter captain. With extensive knowledge of the waters from Naples to Chokoloskee, Captain Turner offers his clients premiere exposure to tarpon, snook, redfish, shark, and other gamefish that only decades of experience and a true passion for angling can produce. Chris can be reached at (239) 253-1036

Win a 4 hour charter with Chris Turner – raffle tickets are \$5 each or 5 for \$20

### ***Sign Up Tables***

***Introduction of 2024 Board Candidates***

***Charter Raffle***

***50/50 drawing***

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

***Awards: Triple Crown & Turkey Day Buffet***



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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 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:

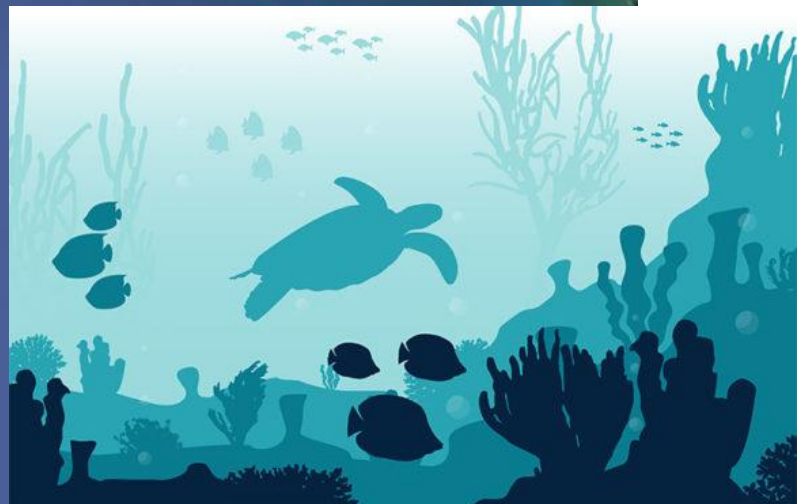
“Marco Island 9 Mile-Sport Fishing Club Reef-1” to: “**Capt. Pete Memorial Reef.**”

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

# DON'T FORGET TO PAY YOUR 2024 CLUB DUES!

DECEMBER is the last month to renew your membership for 2024 at the bargain price of \$40 for a family membership.

If you don't renew you can rejoin later for \$65 as a new member, subject to the current Residency Requirements.

Pay by Credit Card (preferred) or by Check.

You can get to the Dues Payment webpage from any page in the website by following this link:



Please check to see if you have already paid. There's a penalty if we have to make refunds so avoid paying multiple times. From any page in the website follow this link:





# 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. Many members have already signed the new waiver over the course of the last few months. It is important to note that anyone that wishes to participate in **ANY CLUB EVENT MUST SIGN THIS 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 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>



What you need to know before you attend the

## *2023 HOLIDAY PARTY*

Monday, December 4, 2023

Happy Hour 5:30- 6:15 p.m.

Dinner & entertainment 6:30 – 9:30 p.m.

Royal Wood Country Club  
4300 Royal Wood Blvd., Naples  
(Off of Rattlesnake Hammock)

Follow the signs to the club house,  
there is NO GATE

Parking is allowed in the open spots  
around the club house.

There is a covered drop off at the front door.

Doors open at **5:30**,  
NO early birds!

Pick up meal tickets and  
table assignments at check in.

**5:30- 6:15** happy hour  
with hors d'oeuvres and cheese display

**6:30** meal service begins.  
make sure to put your meal ticket selection  
on the table, clearly visible for the servers

**Credit Card only** @ Bar

Holiday Attire



## Offshore Update – December 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 closed the weekend after Thanksgiving. There's always Snapper!!!

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

Grouper...well you know. Snapper can be caught at all depths (bigger fish usually being in deeper water) near reefs / wrecks / towers and on ledges / live bottom. You can drift for them, but the best method (in my opinion) is to locate them and anchor / chum. 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.

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 the battle for Top Captain continues...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

[https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1ZNn7cDHdLh2jucT1Ss\\_QYLEksCiL8zk6192wYUP8OKQ/edit#gid=0](https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1ZNn7cDHdLh2jucT1Ss_QYLEksCiL8zk6192wYUP8OKQ/edit#gid=0)

#### 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 10% 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 and there are plenty of nice snapper in this depth range. 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 Nov 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



## 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

African Pompano

Amberjack (Lesser & Greater)

Almaco Jack

Porgy

Must catch a Grouper and Snapper  
plus any 2 of these species 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 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 v

**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!**



# 2023 Turkey Day Buffet Results

Submitted by Charlie Schwalje

The event was held on November 7<sup>th</sup> through 12<sup>th</sup>. Angler participation was good with 13 teams competing. A nice mixture of all three target species was caught. A total of 26 fish were tallied – 9 snook, 8 redfish and 17 trout. Here are the results...

- 13 teams totaling 33 anglers participated
- 33 anglers: – 30 members – 3 guests for a total of \$345.00 in entry fees
- Club funds – \$300.00 – Total Prize Pool = \$645.00

## Team Awards:

1<sup>st</sup> – Jeff & Cathy Erickson, Steve Jacobs, Johnny Rafes – all redfish – Total-69.5”- \$180.00

2<sup>nd</sup>- Brian Alexander, Dave Schott- trout & snook-Total 67”- \$140.00

3<sup>rd</sup>- Tie- Ken Robertson & Dave Dodd-trout- snook & redfish- 60.75”  
Shep Johnson, Ed Bauersfeld & Dave Koch-trout & snook- 60.75”  
\$50.00 each team

## Individual Awards for Longest Fish

Trout- Dave Schott- 19”- \$75.00

Snook- Brian Alexander- 25”- \$75.00

Redfish-Tie- Cathy Erickson & Steve Jacobs- 24.5”- \$37.50 each

**Thank you to everyone who participated!**



# TRIPLE CROWN TOURNAMENT UPDATE

And the winners are...



**1st Place (\$450) Kevin Krygier**



**2nd Place (\$400) Ken Robertson**



**3rd Place (\$350) Ed Brown**



**4th Place (\$300) Dave Schott**



**5th Place (\$250) John Marchetti**



**Brian Alexander (\$350)  
Largest Snook & Redfish, Not in Top 5**

***Special Thanks to our Sponsor - The Compass Group at Morgan Stanley***

# Super Snapper Nearshore – Dec 2023

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

**Fishing Dates:** Saturday Dec 9 thru Sunday Dec 24, 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.

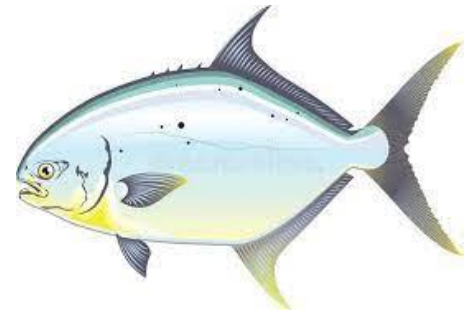
## **Rules:**

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>



# Pompano Double Down

(Ver Def 1.0 2024)



**Fishing Date:** Tuesday, January 30<sup>th</sup> through Sunday, February 4<sup>th</sup>, 2024  
You pick the Day!

**Capt.'s Meeting:** Monday, January 29<sup>th</sup>, 4:00pm at the Sandbar

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

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

**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 and Trout caught during the event

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

Enter by mail, at the January membership meeting or at the Captains Meeting

*Prize amounts determined by number of anglers participating PLUS up to \$300 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-no fishing in Everglades National Park.
- Photos required for all fish entered 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 you fish.

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)

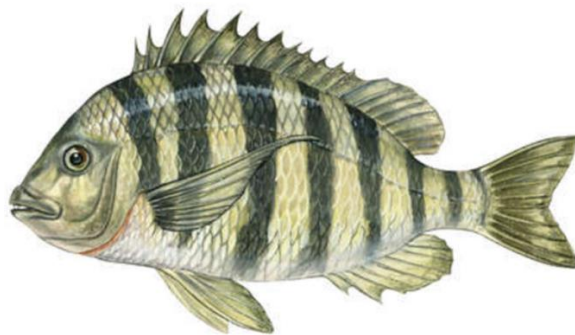
Cell- 732-570-8450

Links to Registration form and Tally Sheet:

[http://www.marcosportfishingclub.com/Flyers/2024-0204-PompanoDoubleDown\\_REGISTRATION.pdf](http://www.marcosportfishingclub.com/Flyers/2024-0204-PompanoDoubleDown_REGISTRATION.pdf)

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**SAVE THE DATES:**

**2024 Sheephead Shindig**

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**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:**

<b>Member Angler Entry Fee plus picnic</b>	<b>\$35.00</b>
<b>Non-Member Angler* plus picnic</b>	<b>\$40.00 Waiver Required</b>
<b>Member Picnic Fee (Crew &amp; Friends)</b>	<b>\$25.00</b>
<b>Non-Member Picnic Fee (Crew &amp; Friends)</b>	<b>\$30.00</b>

**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) **2004 World Cat 3300TE- New Suzuki 300 Dual Prop engines – approx. 20 Hours, 2<sup>nd</sup> owner**
- 2) **Boat wanted: 23-24' Center console, twin engine fishing boat, cash buyer, lives on Marco**
- 3) **Lift Rental: – Up to 30' boat. \$300 cash/mo 'restricted access" (Eastern Winterberry Bridge) 1650 Almeria Ct. Rose @ 908-672-5335**
- 4) **Sea Eagle 370 SE Pro Package – Inflatable Kayak \$250**
- 5) **2018 Key West 239FS – Yamaha 200HP(20 hours)**
- 6) **2016 2200 Pathfinder Yamaha 200HP 271 Hours Rhodan trolling moter, Minn Kota Talon and more**
- 7) **2014 Frontier – Yamaha F200, 200 hours, original owner, lots of updates**

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

# December 2023 Fish of the Month

## Black Drum





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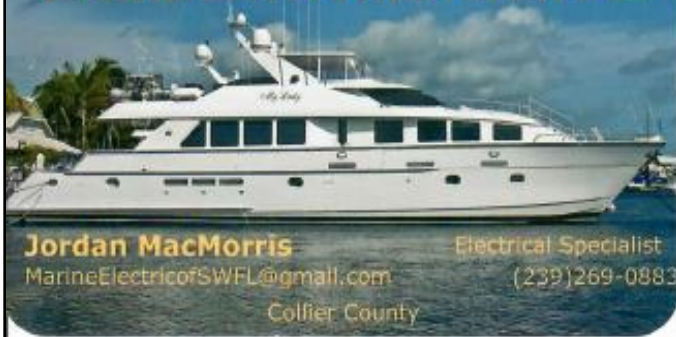
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# Marco Sportfishing Club

Oct 26, 2023

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Membership Chairman	James Gloster
Offshore Events Coordinator	Jim Scarpa
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
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Offshore Events Coordinator	Jim Scarpa
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Redfish Two-Angler Coordinator	Ron Linn <sup>1</sup>
Sheepshead Tournament Coordinator	Dale Rod
Smoked Pork Cook-off Picnic Coordinator	Jerry DeFibaugh
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## Other Activities

Assistant Secretary	Dave Schott
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