The Acute Angler

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GOFC News

November Events

Ellet Auction 2017

November 17th
6:30-9:00
Ellet Home

Join GOFC for our annual Ellet Auction and social event hosted by Ed and Marcia Ellet at their beautiful home overlooking Paynes' Prairie,

Bring your wallets and appetites as there will be fishing items donated by club members to raise money for the club as well as some tasty food to eat! Also, if you have any gear or items you no longer use, feel free to bring them to donate to the auction.

GOFC Tournament Winners Re-Cap

Redfish Round-Up

1st– Hal Wilson (4.08lbs)
2nd– Ed Ellet (3.89 lbs)
3rd– Tim Pedersen (3.65 lbs)

Thank you GOFC members, Board members, and officers for a fantastic year!

Look for our monthly meetings and events to re-start in January.

Happy Thanksgiving!

Important Reminders

- You can **earn Ellet Points** by submitting articles for the newsletter and magazine!
- Debby will be available to collect **membership dues** at the next meeting
- **New shirts are in!** They are available for purchase at the next meeting, only $15 each! Sizes S-XL are available but they are going fast!

The mission of the Gainesville Offshore Fishing Club is to promote and support recreational saltwater fishing in the Big Bend area; to provide educational and recreational experiences for its members of all ages; and, to promote responsible conservation of saltwater resources.

Fish Caught in October-November (outside tournaments)

Angler: Hal Wilson
Fish: Redfish
Weight: 4.07 lbs
Date Caught: 10/16/17
Lure/Bait: Cut Bait
Location: Horseshoe Beach

Angler: Ken Knopf
Fish: Flounder
Weight: 1.01 lbs
Date Caught: 10/27/17
Lure/Bait: Jig with shrimp
Location: Crystal River

Angler: Hal Wilson
Fish: Redfish
Weight: 1.25 lbs
Date Caught: 11/01/17
Lure/Bait: Swimin Image
Location: Cedar Key

Angler: Debby Knopf
Fish: Bluefish
Weight: 2.26 lbs
Date Caught: 10/27/17
Lure/Bait: Spoon
Location: Crystal River

Angler: Ken Knopf
Fish: Bluefish
Weight: 1.25 lbs
Date Caught: 10/27/17
Lure/Bait: Spoon
Location: Crystal River

Angler: Phil Horn
Fish: Grouper– Gag
Weight: 15.05 lbs
Date Caught: 11/07/17
Lure/Bait: Stretch 30
Location: South of Cedar Key

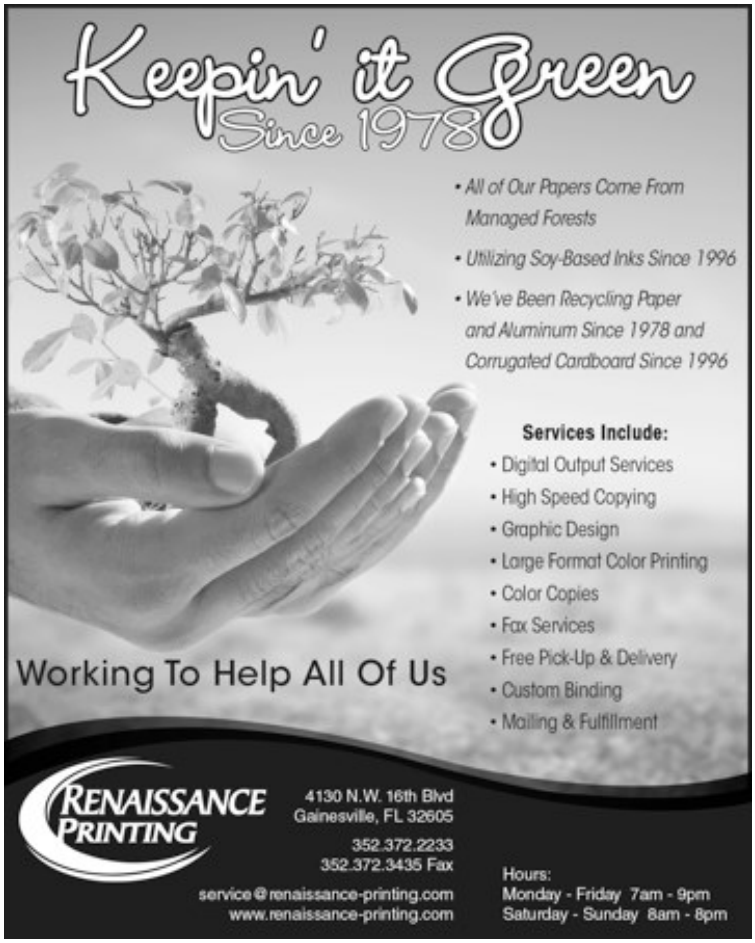
Angler: Debby Knopf
Fish: Seatrout
Weight: 1.25 lbs
Date Caught: 10/27/17
Lure/Bait: Jig with shrimp
Location: Crystal River

Angler: Ken Knopf
Fish: Bluefish
Weight: 1.08 lbs
Date Caught: 10/26/17
Lure/Bait: Jig with shrimp
Location: Crystal River

Angler: Phil Horn
Fish: Flounder
Weight: 1.41 lbs
Date Caught: 11/03/17
Lure/Bait: Mud Minnow
Location: Keaton Beach

WHEN YOU'RE ENJOYING THAT FREE PIZZA AT OUR MONTHLY MEETINGS, REMEMBER IT'S COMPLIMENTS OF FREDDIE WEHBE AND ALL THE LOCAL DOMINO'S STORES.

THANK YOU, FREDDIE!



Angler: John Patrick
Fish: Grouper– Gag
Weight: 7.71 lbs
Date Caught: 11/07/17
Lure/Bait: Stretch 25
Location: South of Cedar Key

Angler: Marcia Ellet
Fish: Redfish
Weight: 5 lbs 5 oz
Date Caught: 11/09/17
Lure/Bait: Shrimp
Location: Inshore

Angler: Marcia Ellet
Fish: Redfish
Weight: 5 lbs 5 oz
Date Caught: 11/09/17
Lure/Bait: Shrimp
Location: Inshore

Angler: Marcia Ellet
Fish: Seatrout
Weight: 1 lb 7 oz
Date Caught: 11/09/17
Lure/Bait: Trout Tout
Location: Inshore

Angler: Ed Ellet
Fish: Redfish
Weight: 5 lbs 12 oz
Date Caught: 11/09/17
Lure/Bait: Trout Tout
Location: Inshore

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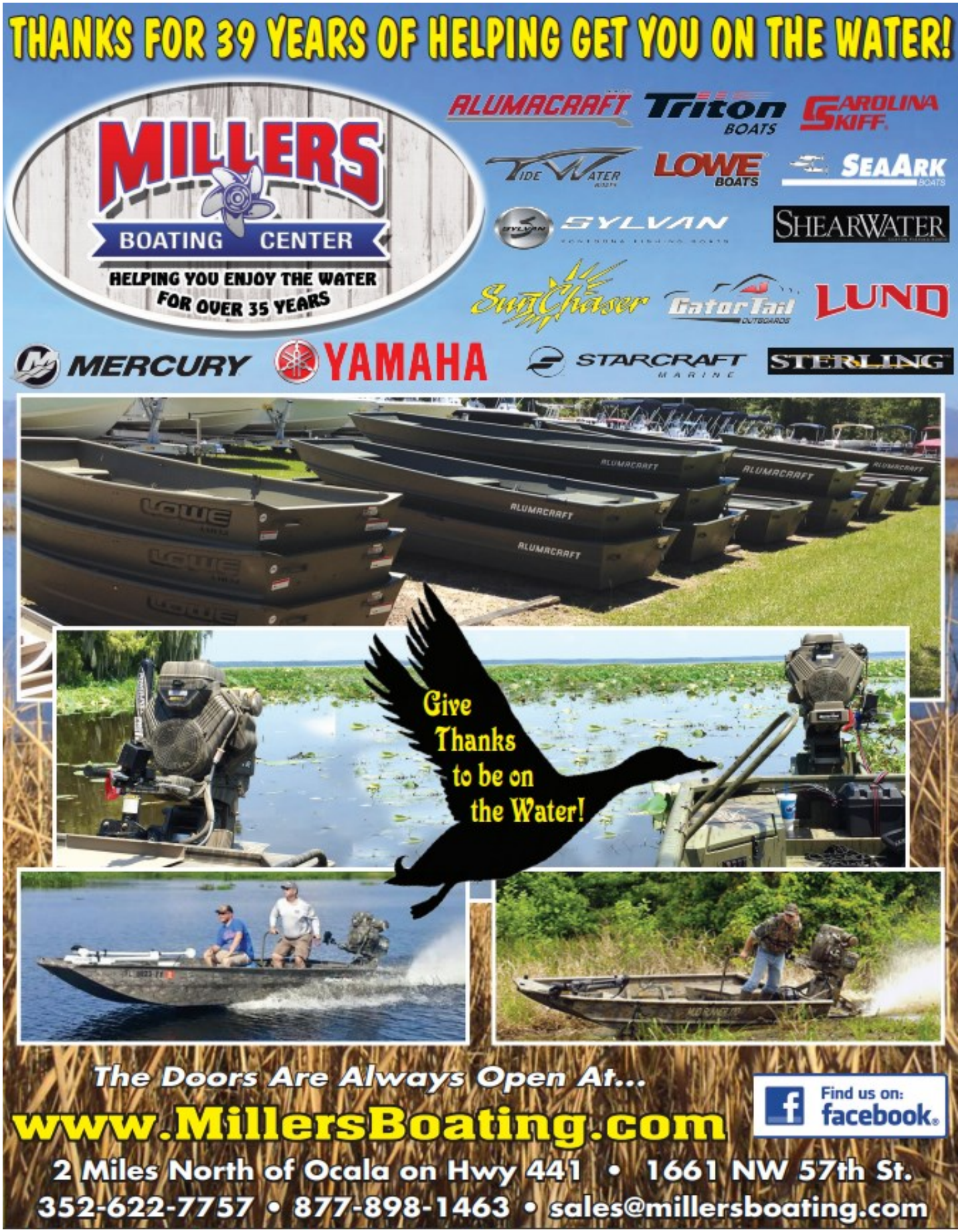

2018 GOFC Officers and Board of Directors

Each fall GOFC elects the next year's officers and Board of Directors members. Officers and board members organize all GOFC events, meetings, activities, and keep the club running smoothly. These individuals volunteer to serve the club, so if you are interested in serving in the future, please let any of the officers or board members know!

Congratulations to next year's elected officers and board members– let's make next year the best yet!

Officers:

President-Dale Reed
Vice President-Glen Acomb
Treasurer– Debby Knopf
Secretary– Jay Peacock
Immediate Past President– Justin Magnifico

Board Members:

Membership Coordinator-John Byatt
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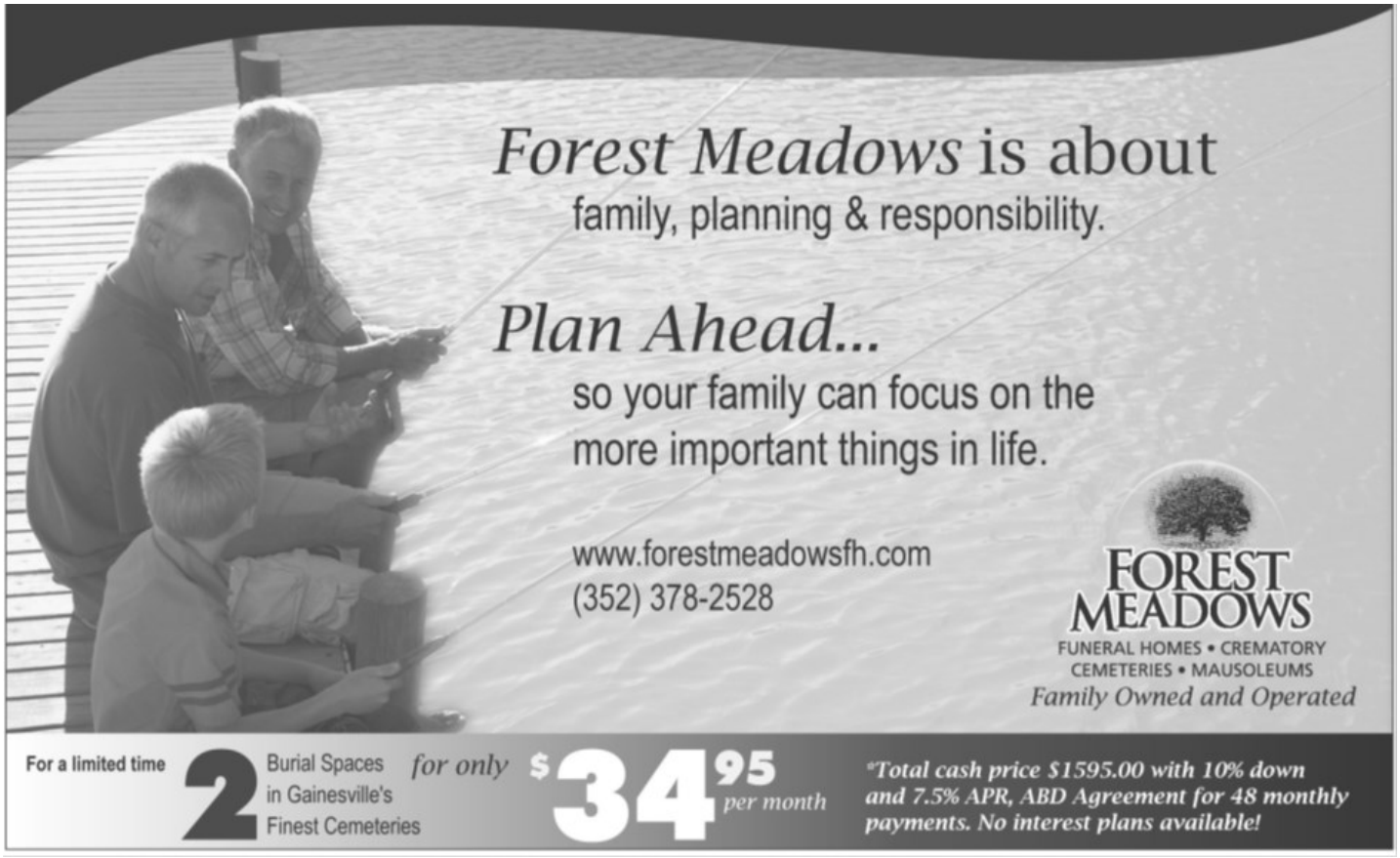


http://forestmeadowsfh.com/

2017 Fall Tournament Wrap-Up

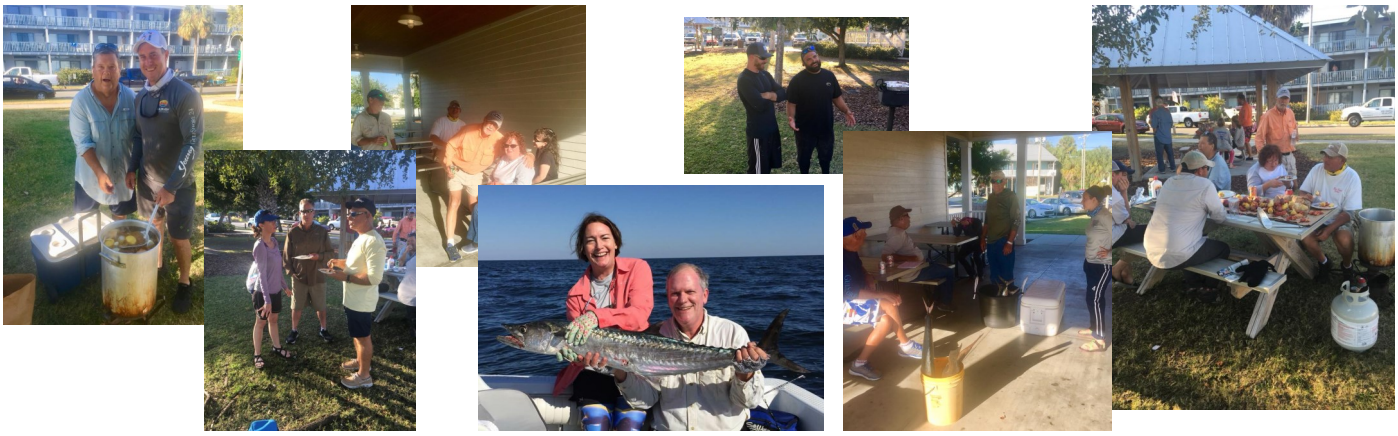
On November 4th GOFC held their annual Fall Tournament out of Cedar Key. For this tournament GOFC members and non-members fish for all eligible Ellet species to catch the most inshore/offshore species. Competitors vied for any of the three monetary prizes– Master Angler ($300), Offshore Angler ($200), and Inshore Angler ($200). We had a great turnout this year with 18 boats competing and 40-45 anglers!

Fall 2017 Master Angler– Carlos Morales

Fall 2017 Offshore Angler– Marsha Ellet

Fall 2017 Inshore Angler(s)– Kevin Poe and Jerry Rose ($100 each)

Weigh-in was followed by a time of food and fellowship. Competitors enjoyed trading stories from the day over smoked pork butts, smoked chicken, and a low country boil. Check out some of the pictures below and on our Facebook page!



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FWC Updates

Saltwater Angler Recognition Program

"Catch a Florida Memory" Saltwater Angler Recognition Programs from FWC are providing an opportunity to earn prizes (such as rods, reels, landing nets, etc) and recognition while supporting marine conservation.

Saltwater Fish life list

This program is a challenge to catch 71 species of saltwater fish. Catch-and-release techniques are encouraged and fish caught-and-released are counted towards the 71 species. After catching 10 species, you will become a Life List Fish Club!

Here is the list of all 71 species:

African pompano	Bonnethead shark	Greater amberjack	Red drum	(whiting)
Almaco jack	Bull shark	Gulf flounder	Red grouper	Spanish mackerel
Atlantic sharpnose	Cero	Gulf kingfish	Red porgy	Spinner shark
Banded rudderfish	Cobia	(whiting)	Red snapper	Spotted seatrout
Black drum	Crevalle jack	Hardhead catfish	Roundscale spear-	Swordfish
Black grouper	Cubera snapper	Hogfish	fish	Tarpon
Black sea bass	Dog snapper	Horse-eye jack	Sailfish	Tripletail
Blackfin snapper	Dolphinfish	King mackerel	Scamp	Vermilion snapper
Blackfin tuna	Florida pompano	Ladyfish	Schoolmaster	Wahoo
Blacknose shark	Gafftopsail catfish	Lane snapper	Sheepshead	Warsaw grouper
Blacktip shark	Gag	Lesser amberjack	Shortfin mako	Weakfish
Blue marlin	Gray (mangrove)	Little tunny	Silk snapper	White grunt
Blue runner	snapper	Mutton snapper	Snook	White marlin
Bluefish	Gray triggerfish	Permit	Southern flounder	Yellowfin tuna
Bonefish	Great barracuda	Queen snapper	Southern kingfish	Yellowtail snapper

Saltwater grand-slams

This program is a challenge to catch 3 specified fish species in 24 hours. Again catch-and-release techniques are encouraged and fish caught-and-released are counted. If you complete over 3 Grand Slams you are eligible for Grand Slam Recognition Tiers.

Here are the categories of Grand Slams:

Inshore
- -Red Drum
- - Spotted Seatrout
- -Flounder

Florida
- -Permit
- -Tarpon
- -Bonefish

Bay and Estuary
- -Mangrove Snapper
- -Snook
- -Spanish Mackerel

Family
- -Any 3 fish in the same scientific family

Shoreline
- -Sheepshead
- -Kingfish (whiting)
- -Florida Pompano

Reefs and Rubble
- -Black sea bass
- -Gag
- -Triggerfish

Blue Water
- -Dolphinfish
- -Sailfish
- -Wahoo

Nearshore
- -Cobia
- -Tripletail
- -King Mackerel

Small Fry (15 and under)
- -Pinfish
- -Grunt
- -Catfish

http://catchafloridamemory.com/?utm_content&utm_name&utm_term

Saltwater Reel Big Fish

This program is a challenge to catch extraordinary sized fish of 30 different species. Again catch-and-release techniques are encouraged and fish caught-and-released are counted. Fish submitted in this program have to meet or exceed the lengths listed below. Documentation with a measuring device is required.

*Measured by fork length. All other fish should be measured by total length.

Want to participate in any of the programs? Get out fishing, document your catches with photos, and go to http://catchafloridamemory.com/programs/ and submit the application!

Fish Species	Length (Adult)	Length (Youth)
African Pompano*	49″	36″
Almaco Jack*	32″	24″
Black Drum	44″	33″
Black Sea Bass	17″	13″
Bluefish*	35″	26″
Bonefish*	27″	20″
Cobia*	45″	33″
Crevalle Jack*	36″	27″
Florida Pompano*	20″	15″
Flounder	25″	18″
Gag Grouper	41″	30″
Gray Snapper	24″	18″
Gray Triggerfish*	19″	14″
Greater Amberjack*	50″	37″
Hogfish*	24″	18″
King Mackerel*	45″	33″
Ladyfish*	30″	22″
Mutton Snapper	24″	18″
Permit*	40″	30″
Red Drum	30″	22″
Red Grouper	35″	26″
Red Porgy	20″	15″
Scamp	27″	20″
Schoolmaster	20″	15″
Sheepshead	24″	18″
Snook	36″	27″
Spanish Mackerel*	26″	19″
Spotted Seatrout	24″	18″
Tripletail	30″	22″
Yellowtail Snapper	20″	15″

Saltwater License-Free Fishing Day

November 25th Florida residents and visitors can enjoy Florida's saltwater fishing opportunities without needing a saltwater fishing license. Bag limits, seasons, and size restrictions are still apply.

Online Goliath Workshop

Go to FWC's on-demand virtual workshop to share your input about Goliath Grouper management and the possibility of a limited harvest. T

The workshop is found by visiting MyFWC.com/Fishing and clicking "Saltwater Fishing," "Public Comments/Workshops" and "Workshops." Comments and questions may be submitted at MyFWC.com/SaltwaterComments.

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Featured Seafood Recipes:

Redfish on the Half-Shell with Lemon-Butter Lump Crabmeat Sauce
Recipe from: Bobby Flay

Ingredients:
- 4 redfish fillets, skin and scales remaining, fully boned
- Seafood or Cajun seasoning
- Cooking oil
- Butter

For Sauce
- 1/2 lb crabmeat
- 2 sticks unsalted butter
- 2 small lemons, juiced
- 2 T minced garlic
- 1/2c white wine
- 1/2t hot sauce
- 2t Seafood or Cajun seasoning
- 1c heavy whipping cream
- 4T chopped green onions

Directions:
1. Melt the 2 sticks of butter for the sauce in a saucepan over medium-low heat
2. Add lemon juice, garlic, wine, hot sauce, and seasoning and simmer for 2 minutes
3. Add cream and simmer until well mixed
4. Gently stir in crabmeat and simmer until crabmeat is heated through
5. Keep covered and warm while cooking the fish
6. Heat grill to medium-high heat
7. Place fillets on a tray skin side up on a tray and coat with oil
8. Flip fillets and brush flesh side with butter and seasoning
9. Cook scale side down until fillet flakes with a fork
10. Remove fish from grill
11. Gently "scrape" meat from skin and put on plate
12. Top with the crabmeat sauce

http://www.foodnetwork.com/recipes/redfish-on-the-half-shell-with-lemon-butter-lump-crabmeat-sauce-recipe-2117866

Flounder with Shrimp Stuffing
Recipe From: Taste of Home

Ingredients:

For Stuffing
- 6T butter
- 1 small onion, finely chopped
- 1/4c celery, finely chopped
- 1/4c green pepper, finely chopped
- 1lb uncooked shrimped, peeled, deveined, and chopped
- 1/4c beef broth
- 1/2t diced pimientos, drained
- 1t Wocestershire sauce
- 1/2t dill weed
- 1/2t minced chives
- 1/8t salt
- 1/8t cayenne pepper
- 1 1/2c bread crumbs

For Fish
- 6 flounder fillets
- 5T butter (melted)
- 2T lemon juice
- 1t minced parsley
- 1/2t paprika
- Salt and pepper to taste

Directions:
1. Grease a baking dish and set the oven to 375°
2. In a large skillet, melt butter for the stuffing
3. Add the onion, celery, and green pepper and saute until tender
4. Add shrimp and cook until the shrimp turns pink
5. Add broth, pimientos, Worcestershirem dill, chives, salt, and cayenne and cook until heated through
6. Remove from heat and stir in bread crumbs
7. Spoon 1/2c stuffing onto each fillet
8. Roll fillet up and place seam side down on the greased baking dish
9. Drizzle with butter and lemon juice
10. Sprinkle with parsley, paprika, salt, and pepper
11. Bake uncovered for 20-25 minutes or until fish flakes easily with a fork

https://www.tasteofhome.com/recipes/flounder-with-shrimp-stuffing

Time to renew your club membership

It's now easier than ever to renew. Just go to the "Join now!" tab on the GOFC website (http://www.gofc.us/wp/join-now/), fill out the form online and pay using PayPal, only $50 gets you a full membership through 2016 if you have not joined yet or are renewing.

If you'd prefer to support the US Post Office, complete the NEW MEMBERSHIP/RENEWAL form (download from the website) and mail it to the GOFC Treasurer.

Debby Knopf, Treasurer
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Please make your check payable to GOFC.

Or just bring cash, a check or a credit card to the next club meeting and pay Debby at the meeting.

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