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# The Reel News

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## PRESIDENTS CAST NET

Captain Chris  
Rooney

### October's Colors

North of the Mason Dixon Line this is the month where our friends up there look for the fall colors in the trees. Well we start to find our own fall colors, only we look to the sea's, if you look in areas like PG/PM, 9 Mile, MG and RL this month you'll probably find the colors we like in the form of Black and Grey!! The Sea Bass and Grouper will start their yearly feeding frenzy this month and it will start when the water temperatures drop below 70-75 degrees.

Look for the live bait on Maxie's, Mays Wreck, The Bus Stop Barge or the twin wrecks straight out of the river at 5 miles, load the live well and go to bottom bumpin. The Grouper seem to like the big Sardines but a small grunt will work also and if you get a small legal b-liner, that's candy for the larger fish in the species. That 12 inch b-liner will make the grease stink, but a 25 lb Grey Grouper will make it stink a lot more. The Sea Bass will be



## The JOSFC Annual Awards Banquet is This Month, October 22nd!

Where? The Fraternal Order Police Lodge #17  
#1 Sawgrass Dr. S., Ponte Vedra, FL 32250

This is the best party you will go to all year long! We honor the Captain of the Year, and the Board Winners as well as any catches of note, or acts of Good Sportsmanship that any members might have been caught doing. If someone really goofed up royally that might get mentioned also.

Tickets are available at the meetings and from every Board Member \$30.00 / Person and the biggest Raffle for attendees only that you have ever seen! Check out the pictures on Page 3, Map and address on Page 4!



I include rock piles in this category. A good place to start for any of the Sea Bass are piles of culverts and rubble, there are at least 15 good numbers in the off shore book for these areas. Do 1 drift before you anchor, the Black Sea Bass are aggressive with the largest usually biting first. Keep looking until you find the spot that hasn't been picked over and you'll get your Bass.

This season has brought us some great off shore fishing, but the inshore species are not taking much of a backseat. One of the best in recent years is the Flounder, we have watched as the fall run of flounder has gotten better each year. This year has the potential to be one of the best.

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Ahoy there Mates!

It's that time of the year again. The Banquet is coming; don't forget to purchase your tickets (\$30 each)! The winners of the Captain of the Year and the different fishing boards will be announced. Exciting times are here.

Although it is only October, I will begin accepting payments for the 2017 Membership dues. Remember, Individual Memberships are \$40 and Family Memberships are \$50 each year. Once I receive your dues, you will be issued a new Membership card. I am asking each member to fill out an information sheet so I can verify the names, addresses, phone numbers, and boat information. Remember, I'm vision impaired, so print neatly for these old eyes! LOL

If you are a Lifetime Member, I am asking you to email your information to me so I can verify that we have your correct current information. Our current list is several years old and I have found a few errors. Boat names and types have changed. A few addresses have changed. Here's the info I am trying to verify:

- Your Name
- Spouse's Name:                      Childrens' Names:
- Address:
- email:
- Phone:
- Boat Name:
- Type of Boat:
- Motor(s): size
- Lifetime Membership Year:

Fair winds!  
Terri Breen  
[ibreen@bellsouth.net](mailto:ibreen@bellsouth.net)

*All the docking lessons you will ever need .....*

**NEVER approach the dock any faster than you want to RAM the dock.**





This year's Banquet and Raffle are going to be great!

We will have several Rod & Reel combos as Bucket items, and at least half a dozen Rod & Reel Combos and fishing gear to win! There will be a lot of other items such as Jewelry for the Ladies to put your tickets on.

Just think about it, a huge Raffle and we usually only have about 100 people attend the Banquet, that means that almost everyone win's something! ( With about 300 + members it looks like we have a bunch of people that don't like good food or a great party. You don't have to put a fish on the board or win a prize to have a great time at this party, come on and get your tickets and come have fun! The Ladies get to dress up and be ladies! ) We will have the crew from South in the Mouth cater this so we will have some great food and plenty of it!



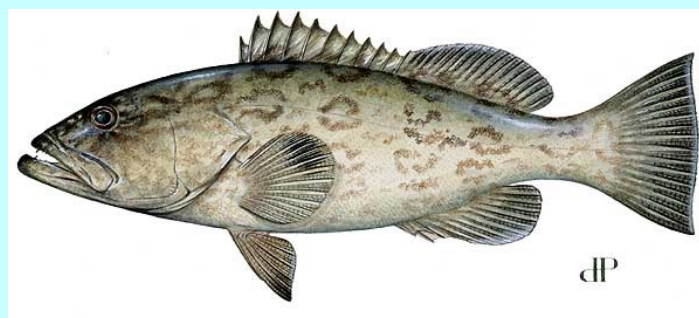
Captain of the Year!!!

Congratulations  
to.....

Captain Steve  
Kalaitzis

Come to the Awards Banquet to see Steve join the Elite Club and become one of only of **56** people in the world that can claim the title of the "JOSFC's Captain of the Year!"

Steve demonstrated his fishing skill in the 11 different Club Tournaments. Requiring him to fish different styles of fishing, targeting various species of fish!



## Presidents Message

My favorite spot is the south bank of the river across from the carrier pier, right at the edge of the rocks there's a 10-15 foot wide area of sandy bottom where on the first part of the incoming tide a backwash eddy forms. The water is only 4 feet deep or so don't spook the fish, set up across from the old rebuilt club and drift in 10-15 feet of water casting toward the rock slowly bouncing a jig head or slip rig with a live finger mullet. If you don't spook the fish you're in for some fun, until you get run off by base security. (Sometimes they leave you alone if you're not anchored)

October 22 is the club banquet and if you miss this party you're missing the best of the year. All the prizes will be awarded for the boards you're new Club Officers will be introduced. Not to mention take any of the meeting raffles and multiply it by 20 and you still will be surprised by what's on the raffle table. Well it's time for me to ready for a bottom trip, so I'll see you out there!!

**Capt. Chris Rooney**  
**JOSFC President**

## Jack Daniels Fishing Story

I went fishing this morning, but after a short time I ran out of worms.

Then I saw a cottonmouth with a frog in its mouth.

Frogs are good bass bait.

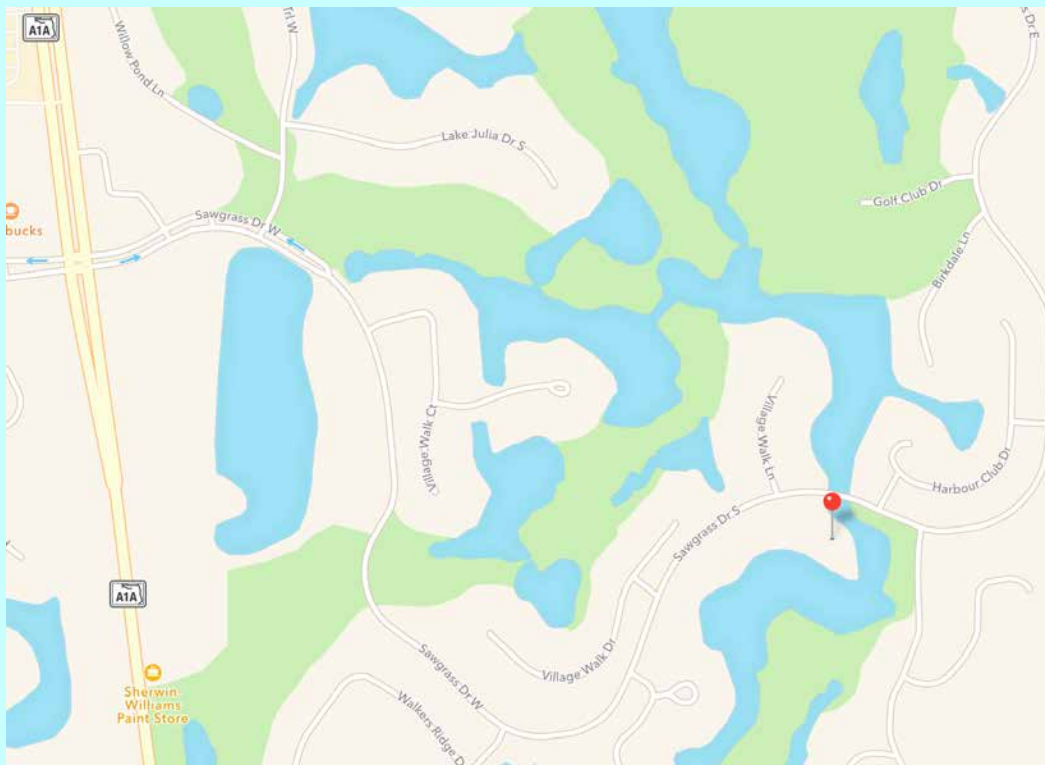
Knowing the snake couldn't bite me with the frog in its mouth, I grabbed it right behind the head, took the frog, and put it in my bait bucket.

Now the dilemma was how to release the snake without getting bit. So, I grabbed my bottle of Jack Daniels and poured a little whiskey in its mouth. Its eyes rolled back, and it went limp.

I released the snake into the lake without incident and carried on fishing, using the frog.

Not long after, I felt a nudge on my foot. It was that damn snake ... with two more frogs.

Life is good.



**1 Sawgrass Dr. S.**  
**Go South on A1A**  
**from the JTB to**  
**Sawgrass Dr.W.**  
**Turn East and stay**  
**on Sawgrass Dr.W.**  
**and follow it as it**  
**turns into**  
**Sawgrass Dr. S.**  
**and to the FOP**  
**#17 Hall!**



As the mailing page says, it is **TIME TO RENEW YOUR MEMBERSHIP IN THE JOSFC!**

### Why Renew?

Even if you have not been an active member, if you fish, and want to continue fishing, you need to join at least one organization that is fighting for your right to fish! The JOSFC is doing just that. Every member we have adds weight to our words at the meetings we attend. ( Plus **WE** don't keep hitting you up for more money with "Donation Letters" every other month.)

The JOSFC's year actually runs from October 1st to Sept. 30th, and we run our renewal time up to January 1st which if you have not renewed by then any fish you had on the boards come off, and you loose your club voting rights, and your membership card is no longer valid for discounts at the local stores. ( Don't worry, we will still try to get you to renew after that. )

Please Renew and come on out to the meetings and have some fun! If you have NOT been getting the Up-date and reminder of the meetings E-mails, let me know. Also make sure you have this E-mail address in your address book. JOSFC <[breenw@bellsouth.net](mailto:breenw@bellsouth.net)>

**This club is a legacy we must preserve for our children and grandchildren and sometimes we have to work /volunteer overtime to ensure just that.**



## APPLICATION FOR MEMBERSHIP (Renewal)

The JOSFC invites the participation of all area fishing enthusiast and is dedicated to conservation, preservation and fellowship with our membership.

NAME \_\_\_\_\_ HOME PH. \_\_\_\_\_  
 SPOUSE'S NAME \_\_\_\_\_ WORK PH. \_\_\_\_\_  
 ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_ CELL PH. \_\_\_\_\_  
 CITY, STATE \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP \_\_\_\_\_  
 E-MAIL \_\_\_\_\_ OCCUPATION \_\_\_\_\_  
 BOAT NAME \_\_\_\_\_ MAKE \_\_\_\_\_ LENGTH \_\_\_\_\_

Family Membership ..... \$50.00

(Husband, Wife, & Children under 16)

Individual Member ..... \$40.00

Paid Junior Member ..... \$5.00

Annual Associate Member .....\$100.00

(For Business Concerns)

Application Fee ..... \$25.00

(Applicable to NEW Members or if renewing over 6 months late)

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Total Remittance

Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

# Gary Newman

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In every Newsletter I strongly suggest that you wear your Life Jacket at least while your boat is underway.

Here are some other safety things that you should consider.

Is your Fire extinguisher current? Do you have a big enough one, or more than one?

How about a "Ditch Bag" is it properly stocked, and sitting out where it is handy?

First aid kit current, plenty of Hydrogen Peroxide to clean wounds?



Remember that we want to hear from you with any suggestions for improving YOUR club and the meetings. You can send an E-mail to any club officer by going to the above website and to the "About" tab and down to "Officers & Board" Each board member has their E-mail listed there.




## Loud Hailings

Bill Breen  
Newsletter  
Editor

I am looking for PICTURES of club members with local catches, to use in our newsletter. If you have a good photo PLEASE E-mail it or give it to me at a meeting. I will Scan it and return it to you undamaged. Don't forget to include a piece of paper with your name address, and the information on the catch, size or weight, and when. You can even include your numbers where caught, I won't tell anyone else, I promise! ;-) Cross my heart and hope to catch your fish!

*Just a reminder, ANYONE and everyone can submit something, a good story, joke, or you can also submit photos to be included in our Newsletter. Just get your article and or pictures to me by the 18th of the month, to be in the next months newsletter. Just hand me a copy at any meeting, or E-mail it to me at : [breenw@bellsouth.net](mailto:breenw@bellsouth.net)*



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thur	Fri	Sat
October						1
			2	3 Board Meeting	4	5
9	10	11	12	13	14	15
16	17	18	19	20 Club Meeting	21	22
23	24	25	26	27	28	29
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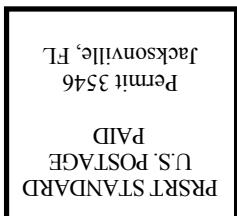


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