



# The Reel News

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## PRESIDENTS CAST NET

*Capt. Robert Vermillion*

Well October is gone along with another club year, we had a great time at the banquet with a lot of good food and fellowship.

Here are our COY & Board Winners for 2021

**1<sup>st</sup> place Offshore Capt. Jack Ogin** on Adrenaline, **Inshore Capt. Craig Van Brocklin** on Scrappy, light tackle **Greg Wallace** on Kelly-W, Men's Board **Rob Cripe**, Ladies Board **Lynne Gokey** on Blue Heron, Unlimited Board **James Smith** on Hoo's Ya Daddy, Inshore Board **Craig Van Brocklin** on Scrappy.

New club Record's **Lynn Gokey** 3lbs 3oz Pompano, **James Smith** 7lbs 1oz Porgy, and **Craig Van Brocklin** 7Lbs 11oz Redfish  
Junior Angler Awards were held October 21<sup>st</sup> meeting we had Hot Dog's Hamburgers and ice cream sandwiches. not many Jr this year, we need to get the Jr more involved in the Tournaments and Fishing Boards they are our future.

Inshore go's to **Gavin Altman** he got a nice inshore combo. Offshore 11 and under, go to **Parker Stein** he got a nice TLD 25 combo.



## El Cheapo Sheepshead Tournament March 5, 2022 out of the Mayport Boat Ramp

After November we have just 3 short months until the El Cheapo Sheepshead Tournament! ( And believe me they get shorter all as the El Cheapo gets closer! )

If you know of anyone or can convince anyone to be a sponsor for our tournament give **Bill Pollackov**, our Tournament Director their information. Or have them contact **Bill**

**Bill Pollackov**

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**904-923-9153**

The El Cheapo is where we get almost all of our operating funds for the year. We can only put on this FUN, Great Family Tournament with YOU, our members volunteering and working the tournament! SO . . . . We really need people on Friday March 4<sup>th</sup> for set-up and the Captains meeting and Bucket pickup Friday evening, and of course all day Saturday as we put the tournament on, so put in for those days off!

Your Club is a "Not for Profit Charitable Organization" and we donate to 2 or 3 organizations every year as well our Seminars on Boating & Water Safety and Fishing are always free to the public.

Last year our Website got over 922,265 unique visits ( A Unique visit is one visit from a URL, or Computer address, Not repeat visits from the same computer! With repeat visits we have well over 1,000,000 visits a year! Advertisers will get their moneys worth for being a Sponsor!

# REMEMBER WE HAVE MEMBERS LOOKING FOR A RIDE!!!

When you are going out and have room for one more, or need crew to **help pay for gas**, we have several members that do not have boats, and are always looking for someone to take their gas money!

Just either give me a call, text or E-mail  
[breew@bellsouth.net](mailto:breew@bellsouth.net).  
904-254-2791

Or post it on the club's Dock Talk page. We will get you that extra person to fill out your crew!

Who knows, you just may find a new great friend!



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## Thanksgiving Pot-Luck Dinner

Will be held on November 18<sup>th</sup>, remember the Turkeys and Ham will be cooked by the club and you will bring your favorite side.

A certain New Jersey Captain, a past president has been ordered to bring his Scrumptious, Famous Sausage Stuffing as his side dish!.



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## How to measure your Fish's Length!

There are ( 2 ) Two different measurements that we are concerned with, and only one way to measure each.

### First there is the "Total Length":

Total length is the straight line distance from the most forward part of the head with the mouth closed to the farthest tip of the tail with the tail compressed with the fish laying on it's side.

**This is important to remember, as when FWC measures a fish, they use a measuring board.** A measuring board is an 'L' shaped board with one end sticking up to put the fish's mouth against and that is the '0' ( Zero. ) of the measuring tape on the board.



Lay an extended tape measure on a flat surface. Extend the tape measure so it's visibly longer than the fish you're measuring. Lay the fish flat on the tape measure. Position the fish so the tip of its mouth is lined up with the '0' ( Zero. ) end of the tape measure. Pinch the tail fin closed and measure to the tip to get the total length.

**Remember to shop at our sponsors and support them as often as you can.**

Also remember to pull out your JOSFC Membership card and ask if they give a club discount! They don't all do it, but it lets them know we are supporting them as a Club!

### The other measurement we look at for some fish is the "Fork Length":

Fish regulated by fork length are measured from the tip of the jaw or tip of the snout with closed mouth to the center of the fork in the tail.

Measure to the point where the tail fin separates to get the fork length.

Some fish are regulated by "**Lower Jaw Fork Length**" and are measured in a straight line from the anterior most part of the lower jaw (tip of the lower jaw) to the fork in the tail.

Here are the fish that are regulated by the "**Fork Length**" here is Florida:

Amberjacks - - 28" all the Jacks

Bluefish - 12"

King Mackerel - 24"

Spanish Mackerel - 12"

Rudderfish - 14"

Hogfish - 16"

Dolphin ( Mahi-Mahi , Dorado ) - 20"

Cobia - 33"

**Gray Triggerfish - 12"** Bet you didn't know Triggers were included in the Fork

measurement.

Permit - 11" to 22" Slot

Pompano - 11"

African Pompano - 24"

Here are the fish regulated by "**Lower Jaw Fork Length**":

Sailfish - 63"

Blue Marlin - 99"

White Marlin - 66"



**GRAY TRIGGERFISH**

## Cast Net Continued

And Offshore 12 to 17, go's to Amelia Siegel also got a TLD25 combo. Good job to all the Juniors.

We have some new board members Max Stein and Chris Jones most of last years board members stayed on for another year. I am thankful to have so many hard-working members to help. This club can not run without them. I just want to say thanks to all the board members that worked so hard last year. And look forward to what this year brings.

We have some big changes coming up for the fishing tournaments, and fish boards, so make sure you get to the meetings to stay informed.

We will be trying to do a lot more hands on rigging seminars this year along with some speakers. as always if you have something you want us to do let us know.

We will be gearing up for the EL-Cheapo keep an eye out for the Volunteer list. It's a lot of fun and you can fish and come in and volunteer after. We hope to have a big showing this year if your interested in working it get your name to Bill Pollackov we sure need the help.

Joe Kistel of TISIRI sank 2 boats last month, Jimmy Dales 100' tugboat and a 100' sailboat from Jacksonville Marine Charities. Joe sent some pictures showing that they already have bait on them.

Onto the Fishing Fronts

**Offshore:**

Lots of triggers in the deep water. B-liners and the sailfish and Wahoo should be showing up by the end of October mid-November. Not that I've had time to get out and get some: ☹️

**Inshore:**

The Bull reds should be in full swing by now slot reds are feeding, and the tarpon will be

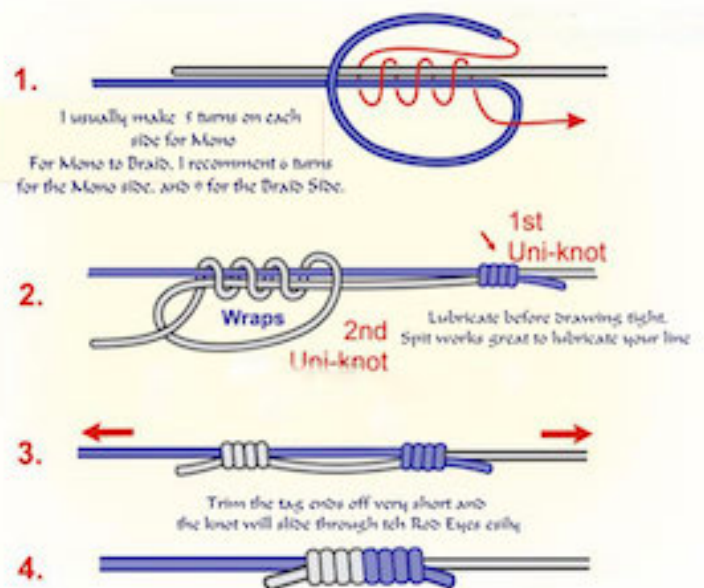
heading south. But the sheep head will be moving in, can't wait!

Still some mullet school running but the Flounder are closed.

Well that's it for now hope to see you at the club. Tight Lines.



CAPT. Robert Vermillion

**DOUBLE UNI KNOT**



## Yes, YOU can get Hypothermia HERE!

With winter upon us, our temperatures are beginning to drop below 95. I was going to say **IF** you get wet, but you fish so I will change that to **WHEN** you get wet, you **CAN** get Hypothermia right here in Florida!

You don't have to be in Alaska or Northern Minnesota, you can die from Hypothermia right here in Jacksonville Florida!

Hypothermia is defined as "When your body loses heat faster than it can produce it."

Water wicks away your body heat faster than air, and even if you are sitting in a boat all wet, the breeze or wind will suck away your body heat quickly!

### The Fatal Scenario

When your body's core Temperature reaches:

96 Degrees Fahrenheit - Violent shivering begins.

95 Degrees Fahrenheit - Rational thought stops.

93.2 Degrees Fahrenheit - Consciousness becomes clouded.



*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)

92 Degrees Fahrenheit - Memory loss, hallucinating begins.

91.4 Degrees Fahrenheit - Shivering stops.

90 Degrees Fahrenheit - You become unconscious.

86 Degrees Fahrenheit - Death results from heart failure.

**86 Degrees Fahrenheit is the ambient temperature of a fairly hot summer day. Our water off Jacksonville is rarely that warm!**

**It doesn't have to be freezing out to kill you!**

### Survival time in Water

Water Temp - Exhaustion or Unconscious - Survival Time

0 to 32 F	Under 15 min	15 to 45 Min
33 to 40 F	15 to 30 Min	30 to 90 Min
41 to 50 F	30 to 60	1 to 3 Hrs.
51 to 60 F	1 to 2 Hrs	1 to 6 Hrs
61 to 70 F	2 to 7 Hrs	2 to 36 Hrs
71 to 80 F	3 to 12 Hrs	Indefinite
81+ F	Indefinite	Indefinite

**Our water gets colder than 60 during the winter!**

I always suggest carrying 4 or 5 of those little Mylar blankets you can get at most places for just a couple of dollars each, and they don't take up much room in your Ditch Bag!

You DO have a DITCH BAG sitting out on deck JUST in case that unimaginable happens like a fire on board or you hit a turtle or log and your boat starts to go down!

**You DO have one don't you?**



Life Jackets,  
Yeah, I know  
you don't wear  
one most of the  
time, but maybe  
you should  
consider wearing

one at least  
while the boat is  
underway!  
Did you buy that  
extra  
5lb Fire  
Extinguisher yet?



You can renew on-line or at a meeting or by mail with the below form!

### 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.



## APPLICATION FOR MEMBERSHIP (Renewal)

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

### Please Print Clearly

Name - \_\_\_\_\_

Month & Day of Birth Only. \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_

Spouse's Name - \_\_\_\_\_

Month & Day of Birth Only. \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_

Children's Name & Age \_\_\_\_\_

CELL PH. \_\_\_\_\_

Home PH. \_\_\_\_\_

Address - \_\_\_\_\_

City - \_\_\_\_\_

State - \_\_\_\_\_

Zip - \_\_\_\_\_

E-Mail - \_\_\_\_\_

BOAT NAME - \_\_\_\_\_ BOAT MAKE - \_\_\_\_\_

LENGTH - \_\_\_\_\_ POWER - \_\_\_\_\_

### PLEASE CHOOSE:

☐ NEW MEMBER

☐ FAMILY MEMBERSHIP ..... \$75.00

Add One Time Application Fee..... \$25.00

(Husband, Wife and Children under 18)

☐ INDIVIDUAL MEMBER ..... \$65.00

☐ LIFETIME FAMILY MEMBERSHIP ..... \$600.00

(Husband, Wife and Children under 18)

☐ LIFETIME INDIVIDUAL MEMBER ..... \$400.00






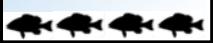


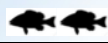




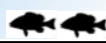




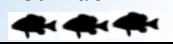



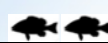





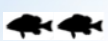
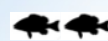


☐ PAID JUNIOR MEMBER ..... \$15.00

TOTAL REMITTANCE: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

I certify that I am a conservation-minded sportsman; that I obey laws and regulations regarding size and take limits; that my fishing licenses / permits are and will be kept current; that I will immediately respond to trouble or "mayday" calls from fellow club members and that I will participate in the JOSFC by contributing to the conservation / preservation initiatives of our sporting association.

SIGNATURE \_\_\_\_\_ DATE \_\_\_\_\_

SPONSOR \_\_\_\_\_

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thur	Fri	Sat
	1 Board Meeting 	2 	3 	4 Club Meeting 	5 	6 
7 	8 	9 	10 	11 	12 	13 
14 	15 	16 	17 	18 Club Meeting. Thanksgiving Pot-Luck 	19 	20 
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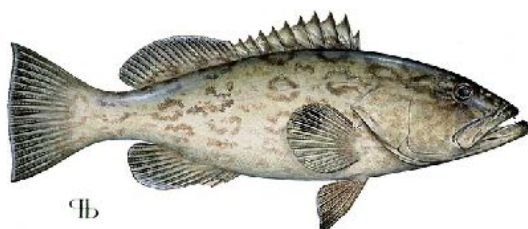
November 4th - Club Meeting

November 8th - Board Meeting

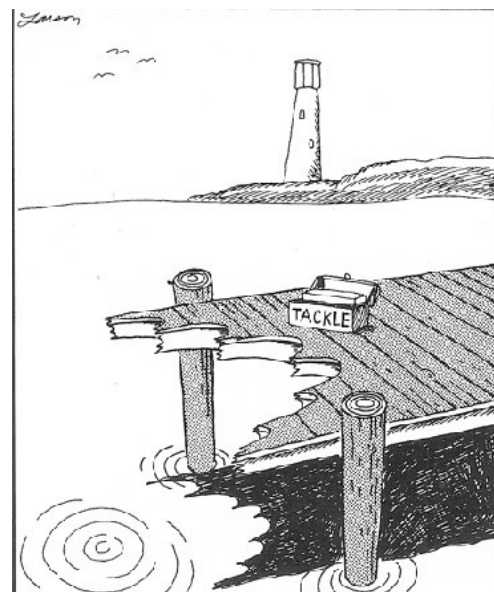
November 18th - Club Thanksgiving Pot-Luck

December 16th - Club Christmas Party

## Coming Events



We now take you to Darrin Willingham at the Jax Beach Pier for a live report. At last report Darrin said they were really biting! Over to you Darrin ..... Darrin are you there? ..... Darrin?





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