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PRESIDENTS CAST NET CAPTAIN *Robert Vermillion*

WE ARE BACK!!!! We had our first meeting on the 18th in the new clubhouse, it was a full house.

It was nice to see everyone who showed up for the meeting.

I want to thank Jim Suber for stopping by and giving us an update on the Jacksonville Kingfish Tournament.

We also passed off the Sailfish Pot to the new winner Roger Walker. I am looking forward to the party, he puts on with his winnings.

The Rules meeting is on 9/10 8am at the club house. If you want to make changes to the rules, make sure you make this meeting. Or you can write down the change you want and bring it to a board member.

The fishing boards will be closing on 9/30 at 11:59 pm. If you want to win a fishing board, go online at jaxfish.com and go to tournaments and you will find all the up-to-date fishing boards. Good luck!

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This is VERY Important.

Even if you are brand new to the club, **PLEASE** consider running for office. Let me rephrase that . . . Especially if you are new to the club! This is **YOUR** club, to keep it fresh and relevant, new blood is always welcome. To keep this club running we need your input and help!

Yes, it is a little bit of work, but not that much, one night a month, and maybe an hour of your spare time during the month.

JOSFC Nomination Night for 2016 Board of Directors is at the September 1st, 2022 meeting.

It's that time of the year when some Board Members are term limited out and we need new bodies to replace them. Voting is October 6th, 2022

On September 1st beginning at 7:30 JOSFC will hold its nomination night. For all of you new members this is when you the members decide on who would best serve the club by nominating someone. If you have any ideas or would like to see how the club works on the inside and you can donate one day a month for the Board of Directors Meeting that is held at the Cracker Barrel Restaurant located on JTB and I-95 on the first Monday of each month, the club would love to have your input on the board for the upcoming year.

Qualifications according to JOSFC By – Laws

1. Qualifications – In order to be qualified to be nominated and seek election for an office or a board of director's position the person must have

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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
breenw@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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 Treasurer Tom Cavin

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 Chris Jones - Co-Hospitality Director
 Bill Pollackov - Speaker & El Cheapo Director

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their current dues paid. In order to be qualified to be nominated and seek election for president of this corporation the person must have served at least one year on the board of directors and/or served two years as a committee chairman.

Duties of the Board of Directors Officers – Article IV of the JOSFC By – Laws – Officers and Their Duties

Section 1.

The officers of this corporation shall be a President, Vice-president, Secretary and Treasurer. These officers shall be members of the Board of Directors by their respective office.

Section 2.

President – The president of this corporation shall preside at all meetings when present. He shall appoint special committee when it is deemed advisable to do so; shall represent the corporation in public and at all official functions; shall be the correspondence and legal tender and shall be authorized to co-sign all corporate checks.

Section 3.

Vice-President – The Vice-President shall fulfill all the duties of the president in the absence of that officer, and the Vice-president shall have the authority to co-sign corporate checks.

Section 4.

Secretary – The secretary shall keep an accurate written report of the minutes of the meetings; shall report to the membership the minutes of the previous meeting; shall see that any proposed amendments or changes in the bylaws or articles of incorporation are properly stated and that they are properly inserted in the effected section and shall advise all members of the corporation, in writing at the next scheduled meeting; shall have the authority to co-sign corporate checks. At the expiration of the secretary's term of office, all records shall be turned over to the incoming secretary.

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Section 5.

Treasurer – The treasurer shall be responsible for receipts and disbursements of all funds of the corporation and shall keep accurate records therefore; shall give a financial statement at board meetings, general meetings, and at other times when requested to do so; shall co-sign all corporate checks; shall handle all financial matters pertaining to the corporation and shall authorize and approve at his or her discretion, all corporate expenditures of up to \$300.00 for any one expenditure. Expenditures over \$300.00 must be approved by a majority vote of the board of directors.

JOSFC Board Members – 7 Positions these positions are assigned to the individual by the incoming President.

There are 7 positions, but some are filled by 2 people to make it easier like the Hospitality position.

- 1 - Membership Director
- 2 - Speaker Director
- 3 - Hospitality Director
- 4 - Media Director
- 5 - Events & Trophies Director
- 6 - Fishing Director
- 7 - Tournament Director

This is a very important meeting for all members if you only attend several meetings a year this is the one you need to make your presence felt.

Remember the club is made up of you the members and it is you the members who make up the Board and carry forth the vision that was started back in 1959.



The 2022 Annual JOSFC Awards Banquet is coming real soon!

October 22nd to be exact. You really want to plan on going to this party.

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.

This is a special night, we have the Moose Lodge again this year that we be holding this event in, and there is a great catered dinner!

The ladies get to dress up if they want, and most of us men will actually take a shower and shave, and even put on slacks and a button shirt! Oh, there is also a good Bar with Wine, Beer, and mixed drinks!

You can buy your tickets from any JOSFC Board Member or Officer. This year we held the price to \$40.00 / Person. This is cheap for what you will get for your money!

Prime Rib, Shrimp Etc.!



Life Jackets, Yeah, I know you don't wear one most of the time. However, at the very least wear it while the boat is underway!

That simple feat could save yours or a passenger's life!

Wear the darn thing

The Fishing Rules Meeting

September 10th 8:00 AM at Club House

This is YOUR chance to make suggestions to change some of our club's fishing rules!

There is a specific format that we request you follow. But it is simple and here is a sample.

Lets say Rule # 3 reads " All members must use only Penn 80 Wides spooled with 5 pound Spider Wire Braid all the time."

Now this is ridiculous, and you want to change it.

You MUST quote the rule you wish to change, and then put your suggested change in writing.

Your suggestion will look something like this:

Suggested Change to Rule # 3.

Rule #3 - " All members must use only Penn 80 Wides spooled with 5 pound Spider Wire Braid all the time. Including for the Light Tackle Board"

Change to read:

Rule #3 - All members may use any brand fishing reels and rods that they wish too, and there is no line weight requirement except for the Light Tackle Board they must use 12 pound or lighter Line."

IF you are proposing a new rule you simply state New Rule proposal:

Rule # ?? - All members MUST wear FULL SNOW SUITS while fishing during the months of JULY, AUGUST and SEPTEMBER.

What?! You have a rule change you would like to propose but can't make the meeting? Not a problem! Just give or E-mail your proposal to either. fishslips@jaxfish.com , or tournamentdirector@jaxfish.com and they will make sure that it gets presented at the Rules meeting.

Now that I just told you that you really didn't have to be there, I am going to tell you that you really WANT to be there!

This is the format that we follow. Each change is presented and then discussed by all PRESENT. **THEY** decide if it will pass on to the Board of Directors. (See WHY you want to be there? So you can argue for your point.)

The Rule changes that get past the people at the Fishing Rules Meeting go to the Board of Directors and they again discuss them and vote some or all of them in for the following year.

FLOAT PLAN

I am sure you all remember Brian McCluney - Jacksonville Fire Rescue, and Justin Walker - Fairfax Fire Rescue, that we lost at sea a short time ago. The search went from cape Canaveral to way up Georgia! They did not leave a float plan.

Every one of us really should leave a float plan on the dash of our tow vehicle or with a reliable friend or relative that will call the USCG if they do not hear from us by a certain time.

Here is what I would like YOU to do.

Go to www.jaxfish.com and at the top of the page the 5th tab over is "FISHING INFO" go to it and then down to "LINKS" and over to "Fishing Links"

The very first link is JOSFC Courtesy Float Plan Generator. Click on it and print one out.

Now fill in the **permanent** information like your name, Boat name, contact info etc. the stuff that never changes.

Now make several copies of it! You are now set for leaving a quick and easy Float Plan every trip out! Just fill in the numbers and information on other people that are on-board and leave it on the dash of your vehicle. That is very little work, quick and easy, and CAN SAVE YOUR LIFE!

Don't say "Good Idea" and go do something else, DO IT NOW!

That should go right along with wearing your life jacket at least while underway, and giving your crew a safety tour of the boat before leaving the dock.

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!

Major TIP for you!

NEVER approach the DOCK any faster than you want to RAM the dock!

Kill Switch Law



Boaters operating vessels under 26 feet long are required to use an engine kill switch as of April 1, 2021. The United States Coast Guard

announced the new requirement after the law was passed by Congress.

Engine kill switches considerably prevent runaway boat incidents and the deadly threats they pose. An engine cut-off switch is usually a lanyard-style cord that attaches to the person operating the vessel. If that person were to accidentally fall out of the boat, the tension of the lanyard would immediately shut off the motor.

Wireless cut off switches have been developed and are also approved for use. These use an electronic fob that is carried by the driver and senses when it is submerged in water, and automatically shuts off the engine.



Loud Hailings

Bill Breen
Newsletter Editor

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

Presidents Cast Net Continued

We also have are Banquet coming up we will have tickets for sale at the meeting and online. It is set for October 22nd make sure you get your tickets; it's a fun time and we will have a big Raffle.

Talking Fishing, looks like Tarpon and Kingfish are hot. Work the Pogie pods off the beach.

The Redfish, Trout and Flounder fishing should be good early morning and before dark, when the temperatures cool off. Shrimp are running in the river, make sure the water is moving and use a Taped Net.

I have heard of multiple sailfish hook up in the shallow reefs while Kingfishing. Sounds like South Florida fishing.

That's it for now tight lines, be safe, and have some fun.

Capt. Rob Vermillion



Shrimping really doing good in the River! All you need is a Cast Net, Cooler of Ice and to find a good spot!

I like the area around the Shands Bridge, I go to the South side, over near the EAST bank in about 20 feet of water.

You can buy the shrimp pellets at:

Standard Feed Company
1236 Kings Road
Jacksonville, Fl. 32204
904-355-5575

As a club we must promote safety on the water, and the best way to do that is by example.

Here is a reprint of Top Ingram's Rules of the Road. It can't hurt to read these and follow them to be a good example of safe boating!

Rules of the Road

The FWC Division of Law Enforcement reported recently that a PWC with one person on board was struck from behind by a second PWC and the operator of the first PWC was killed by the impact." This is yet another example of what can happen when boaters do not follow the rules of the road. It is obvious that a lot of boaters do not know, or understand, the rules of the road. Many boaters in large vessels run aground when they go outside the red or green channel markers. Also, I have seen many vessels turning in front of other vessels and trying to pass on the wrong side in meeting situations.

I think it is appropriate, at this time, to remind everyone of the need to adhere to the rules of the road when on the water for pleasure or fishing. Many new boaters, and some old ones, do not appear to have a working knowledge of the rules of the road. If you are operating your vessel on inland waters or the high seas, one way to insure a safe voyage is to adhere to the "Navigation Rules".

The rules cover all aspects of Navigation including lights, sounds, shapes, distress and privileged vs giveaway vessel, etc. All vessels, from the smallest PWC to the largest supertanker, must obey the navigation rules. It takes a whole book to cover all the rules, so in this article I want to discuss only the privileged and burdened vessel aspect of the rules.

There are important differences in legal liability between Maritime Law and Civil Law. When driving, one automobile often has the legal right-of-way over another. For instance, at an intersection, if car A has a green light and car B runs through the red light and collides with car A, then car B is usually found to be at fault.

Unlike the highway, **at sea no one has the right of way.** Depending on the situation, when two vessels are closing one vessel is privileged or the stand on vessel and the other is the burdened or give way vessel. The privileged or stand on vessel must maintain course and speed and the burdened or give way vessel must alter course and/or speed to avoid the privileged vessel. If the burdened vessel does not take action as required by the

rules and the two vessels reach "extremis" (that point where a collision will occur without evasive action by either vessel), the privileged vessel must depart from the rules and take evasive action.



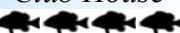
















In a crossing situation, you are the privileged vessel if the other vessel is from dead ahead to 22.5 degrees abaft your port beam, (Port is your LEFT side as you sit facing the bow of your boat.) and you must maintain course and speed. If the other vessel is from dead ahead to 22.5 degrees abaft your starboard beam, (Starboard is your RIGHT side as you sit facing the bow of your boat.) you are the burdened vessel and must alter course to pass astern of the privileged vessel. NEVER speed up to pass in front of a privileged vessel. In a meeting head-on situation, both vessels are burdened and must alter course to starboard. (Turn RIGHT.) In an overtaking situation, the vessel overtaking the other is the burdened vessel and must avoid the other.

Remember, courtesy and common sense is as important as the navigation rules. If the other captain is rude, don't use it for rudeness on your part. If the other vessel does not treat you in accordance with the rules, sound the danger signal (5 or more short blasts on you horn) and yield. More than likely the other captain may be ignorant of the rules. By engaging in brinksman ship, you could win the argument and ruin your whole day and possibly damage you vessel.

Remember, you are in imminent danger of collision when the bearing of another vessel is constant and the range is decreasing and evasive action will be required regardless of who is privileged or burdened. If you are not sure of the federal or state navigation rules, you can check the rules by looking at a copy of the "Federal Requirements & Safety Tips" and/or "The Florida Boater's Guide" Found On-Line. Follow these simple navigation rules and continue to enjoy safe boating throughout the year.


I always use Port and Starboard on my boat. This avoids confusion when the person facing the stern of the boat fighting a fish, yells " Turn RIGHT!" They meant for you to turn to THEIR Right or your Port. You turn Right (Starboard) and their fish gets caught up in your prop and cut off and you now have about 200 yards of line in your prop!

I have even mounted plastic labels at the stern and front end of my boat labeling the PORT and STARBOARD sides.

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thur	Fri	Sat
September				1 Club Meeting 	2 	3 
				8 	9 	10 Fishing Rules Meeting 8:00 AM at Club House 
4 	5 	6 	7 	15 Club Meeting 	16 	17 
11 	12 	13 	14 	22 	23 	24 
18 	19 	20 	21 	29 	30 	
25 	26 	27 	28 			



COMING EVENTS:

The more  the better the fishing day - From the Moon / Tide/ tables.

September Tournaments - Offshore = Bottom Fishing
Inshore = Flounder

September 1st - Club Meeting
September 10th - Fishing Rules Meeting 8:00 AM
September 15th - Club Meeting -

OCTOBER 22, 2022 - The Annual Awards Banquet



The Captain of The Year Tournament Schedule

Offshore

Inshore

September - Bottom Fishing

Flounder



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