



# The Reel News

The Newsletter of the . . .



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## **PRESIDENTS CAST NET** **CAPTAIN** *Chris Jones*

First, I would like to give thanks to all who attended this year's banquet. If you weren't there, I'm sorry you missed it as it was a great night of fellowship. We had a full house, and all the awards handed out were well earned and well deserved. I would like to take this opportunity to personally thank Rob and the past board members for their unwavering resolve to continue making this club one that our members are proud of belonging to. Our hope is that we will see growth in our membership, more club activities, a greater participation by all members in those activities, and increased involvement by you in running the club. The love we all have of fishing is what brings us together and bonds us.

The Summer of 2022 is ending, and this brings a great opportunity to reflect on all the things that collectively, we did well this year. Can you believe we will be into November with Thanksgiving just a weeks away, followed quickly by the holiday season that will end 2022 and usher in 2023! The new year will provide us the opportunity to keep doing the things that are

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Here are your new slate of Officers  
and Board Members for 2023

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Capt. Chris Jones

**Vice President:**

Darrin Willingham

**Treasurer:**

Tom Forbess

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Ashley Rehberg

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Patti Daniels ~

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Mark & Mayan Aley ~

Bill Pollackov ~

Tom Ruggles ~

Bill Breen ~

Rob Vermillion ~ Advisor to the Board

# 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](mailto: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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President ..... Chris Jones  
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working well and look to start new things that we want to tackle, together.

Finally, no club can exist on its own without the input and personal help of its members. This is your club, and all suggestions are carefully reviewed and treated with respect. You can email or verbally give them to me or any board member or discuss your idea at a meeting. We want your input! We look forward to a great year with our club and I look forward to doing the best I can to serve you all.

Tight Lines/Sail Safe,  
 Captain Chris Jones



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.

Are your Flares out of date?

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 fresh Hydrogen Peroxide to clean wounds?

Do you have some "Wire Cutters" that are strong enough to cut the BIGGEST hook on your boat? Most fishing pliers are NOT strong enough for even a medium size hook!



I don't exaggerate...  
 I just remember BIG !!!

Here is a great treat to make for your holiday parties, Quick, Easy, ( I made them and they were GREAT! )

## Shrimp Puffs

Total Time: 25 min

Prep: 15 min

Cook: 10 min

Yield: 36 puffs

Level: Easy

Ingredients:

Cooking spray, for coating the muffin tin.

3 - 8 ounce cans of refrigerator crescent rolls.

3 - cups shredded Monterey Jack Cheese.

¼ - cup finely chopped Sweet Onion.

1 - cup mayonnaise.

1 - pound 40 to 50 count shrimp, cooked and peeled, tails removed.

----- Alternate shrimp method. 1 - pound of shrimp, ( Any size ) chop them into small pieces and mix them in with the rest of the contents to make a uniform shrimp stuffing for the puffs.

1 - teaspoon chopped fresh Dill

Directions:

Preheat the oven to 350 degrees F. Coat a 12 hole cupcake pan with Olive Oil cooking spray.

Roll out the Crescent rolls in a flat sheet, and cut into 12 equal squares, press a square into the bottom of each hole, and stretch it up the sides to mostly cover the bottom & sides.

In a medium-size bowl, mix the cheese, onion, mayonnaise, shrimp and dill. Place 1 tablespoon of the shrimp and mixture on top of each biscuit. Bake for 10 minutes, or until the puffs are golden.

## How to Cook Corn Perfectly

Don't ya'll hate peeling the husks off and all those silky strings? Well, no more!

**Instructions:**

1. Remove just a few of the outer husks that might be dirty, if necessary.
2. Cut the bottoms off of the corn. Be sure to cut above the part of the cob where the husk is attached. It would be above the part of the cob where it starts to round down.

## Our Annual Thanksgiving Pot-Luck Dinner

Will be held on November 17<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, now a past president has been ordered to bring his Sausage Stuffing.

IF anyone has the recipe for that out of this world Shrimp & Rice that was served at the Awards Banquet, Send it to me and I will make it for the Thanksgiving club dinner!



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3. Place a moist paper towel on the bottom of the microwave or on top of the carousel and place the corn on the paper towel.
  4. After cooking, let the corn sit about 3 minutes. It will continue to cook and will be cooler and easier to handle.
  5. Pick the cooked corn up by the top (you might want to use an oven mitt if it is too hot to handle) and squeeze and lightly shake out the ear of corn. It should just slide out the bottom leaving the silk and all of the husks intact.
  6. Use this guide for your cook time. Remember the cooking time can vary for each microwave.
- 1 ear - 2 minutes  
2 ears - 3 to 4 minutes  
3 ears - 5 to 6 minutes  
4 ears - 7 to 8 minutes  
6 ears - 8 to 9 minutes

## Just to make you jealous!

And so you can start saving up and planning for NEXT year, If you didn't go to this year's Awards banquet, YOU missed out on a great time!

Look at what you could have won just by fishing and posting your fish on the Boards!



We also had a GREAT Raffle ( I even won something! ) That is why I said save up for NEXT year! Here are some of the great prizes you COULD have won.



The Ladies did a great job of getting prizes that were just for the ladies and non-fishing partners! I really wanted that school of Dolphin piece but missed it and won a beautiful carved Wooden Dolphin!



As you can see, there were a LOT of Raffle tickets bought, and there were a LOT of prizes WON!



The Food was fantastic, Prime Rib, ( Cooked perfectly! ) Lots of Shrimp, Cold and in an out of this world Shrimp & Rice hot dish that was the best tasting Shrimp dish I have ever had. ( I would give anything for that recipe! ) There was a Salad, Potatoes Au Gratin , Broccoli & Squash, and it ended with a Cake that was again beyond delicious, a 3 layer cake starting with Vanilla Cake, Strawberry filling, over Chocolate Cake with a perfect frosting that was not too thick so it was not overpowering, a perfect desert!

IF you weren't there go outside and kick yourself around the block at least once!

Did I tell you how great that Shrimp & Rice dish was? :-))

*This is November, Christmas is next month! I know that some of you need some of these items updated, so use this test to start your Christmas list! Flairs, a Spot PLB, Fire extinguishers?*

### ***How about thinking SAFETY FIRST!***

## **THIS IS A TEST!!!**

**You** probably already failed! **That is NOT a good thing.** Can you answer these questions without looking up some of the answers?

- 1 - **Did you leave a FLOAT PLAN** with someone, or on the dash of your tow vehicle?
- 2 - **What date was your single, woefully too small, fire extinguisher last checked?** Is it current, or has it been sitting in it's holder for the last 2+ years with all the dry chemical compacted and hard at the bottom? Do you have a big enough Fire Extinguisher? They are cheep, why not have two or three on board?
- 3 - What is the expiration date on your **Flares**?
- 4 - Is your ditch bag sitting out where it will be available and have an EPIRB or PLB attached to it?
- 6 - Do you even have an EPIRB? Why NOT? They are just a couple of hundred now! Isn't your life and your crews life worth that little money? Are it's Batteries good? They should be replaced every 5 years!
- 7 - Does your ditch bag have enough water for everyone for a couple days?
- 8 - What year did you last replace the batteries in your hand held VHF radio? Is it IN your Ditch Bag? The same thing for your hand held GPS?
- 9 - Where is your hand operated bailing device?
- 10 - Does your hand held air horn work? What you don't have one?
- 11 - Where is your distress FLAG?
- 12 - Where is your signal mirror
- 13 - **Is the "O" ring on your drain plug old and brittle?**
- 14 - First aid kit current? **How long ago did your first aid kit perishables expire?** Yes Iodine expires! Here is something to think about. A lot of the ( Other guys, not me ) members are getting older. Does your first aid kit have some of the new crystalized Aspirin to dissolve under the tongue in case of a heart attack? (My Son was only 34)
- 15 - Tested your VHF, or better yet upgraded to a new one with the DCS position sending feature?
- 16 - Checked all your hose fittings are tight, and no corroded Electrical connections?
- 17 - Your bilge pump working and have a backup if it goes out?
- 18 - Are your Life Jackets good and readily handy?
- 19 - **Do you give your crew a safety "Tour" before each trip? Make sure they know where everything is and how to work it in case you are disabled?**
- 20 - Have your throwable life preserver handy?
- 21 - When was the last time you had your wheel bearings packed?

*If you did not know the answer to any ONE of these questions, you failed this quick test.*

***Lucky for you, your boat isn't taking on water, or someone seriously injured and you aren't trying to answer any one of these questions in a panic to save a life!***

***You now have a chance to correct any of these shortcomings BEFORE your next outing, and avoid the serious consequences of not being prepared. Remember --- Keep your VHF radio on! Don't miss a club members distress call!***

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.)

**Currently the SAMFC is proposing CLOSING all Bottom fishing off the East Coast because there are too many Red Snapper ( More than ever reported in history. ) and we are catching too many as by-catch!**

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! We have bigger NEW Club house to meet in and plenty of good parking in front of it. You know that you really want to be part of the fun, so as they say . . . **JUST DO IT!**

You can renew On-Line at <https://jaxfish.com/login/> Or at any meeting, 7:00 PM on the **First and Third Thursday of each month!**

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, or Contacts.

JOSFC Breen <[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.**



**TAKE  
YOUR  
KIDS  
FISHING!**



**Wear these!  
They don't work  
in the cabin!**



**PLEASE at least wear one  
while your boat is underway!**

## YOUR FLOAT PLAN

**What** you didn't take the time to fill it out?!!!

This is an ORDER, or Bananas on your boat!

Go to this URL:

<https://jaxfish.com/wp-content/uploads/2020/03/JOSFC-Courtsey-Float-Plan.pdf>

Click on it and print it out. THEN, Fill out your permanent information that does not change for every trip, NOW, make several COPIES of it so all you have to do is fill in the new info like crew and destinations and then leave it on the dash of your tow vehicle when you go out! A simple life saving little bit of work!



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thur	Fri	Sat
		1	2	3 Club Meeting	4	5
6	7 Board Meeting	8	9	10	11	12
13	14	15	16	17 Club Meeting Thanksgiving Dinner Potluck	18	19
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
27	28	29	30	November		



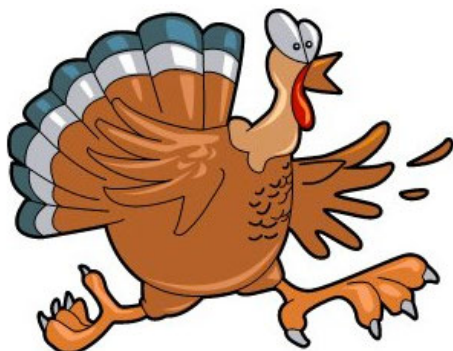
November 3<sup>rd</sup> - Club Meeting. Nominations of Officers & Board

**COMING**

November 7<sup>th</sup> - Board Meeting.

**EVENTS:**

November 17<sup>th</sup> - Club Meeting - Thanksgiving Pot-Luck Dinner



Thanksgiving is coming!  
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Run!

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