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The 2011 Annual JOSFC Awards Banquet is coming real soon!

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

This year it will be at the Ramada Inn on Hartley Rd. Just off Hwy 295 & San Jose. A very nice location with a great banquet hall & great food. Our Chef Larry is a friend of the Chef, and says he is top quality and guarantees we won't run out of food!

There will be Dancing, the Awards of course, a few fish stories, and lots of great company & fun!

Did I mention the Raffle? This is our biggest raffle of the year. In fact, YOU can help, by asking any of the businesses you frequent to support our club and donate something to our Raffle.

You can buy your tickets from any JOSFC Board Member or Officer. This year we had to increase the price to \$40.00 / Person. This is the first increase in over 10 years, and still cheap for what you will get for your money!



The JOSFC and Artificial Reefs

The JOSFC is the pioneer in Artificial Reef Building and Maintenance in the state of Florida. The program began practically at our inception and has grown into today's collaborative program with the City of Jacksonville.

The JOSFC is responsible for over 270 drops off the greater Jacksonville area.

Due to greater government intrusion into everything, the club can no longer hold or apply for the permits for the reefs. That has been regulated to the City of Jacksonville. However we are still involved in the process, and we have a club member that is very involved, and trying to help keep us involved in any way possible.

Ed Kalakauskis is that member, and you know him from different presentations he has presented at the club.

Meet Ed!



Maybe I need to start by explaining my background with the fishing club. What brought me to the club as a diver to a fishing club 30 some years ago, which was a daring and some considered may be a life threatening adventure. I worked in Jacksonville at a local dive shop as I was

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Alden Thornton fished the Alabama Deep Sea Rodeo in mid July and did Florida Fishermen Proud!

They won two categories, Dolphin (37 lber) and Blackfin Tuna 27 lber.

They fished HARD Friday, bad weather fished until like 10pm, Saturday got later start (like 10am) and fished until Sunday at around 5pm when Alison heard from them finally!! Chris Bazor lives in AL... the fish are under his name as he was the angler under the two fish that won!! Small Crew, only had Alden, Chris, Carl and his grandson Zach. BUT they kicked butt! Alden just told me they won Top Angler of the tournament too (Master Angler!!!)!! AND the Guinness Book of World Record was there, documented that it is the BIGGEST fishing tournament in the WORLD!! How cool is that to win Top Angler! and this was Aldens first AL Rodeo!! (Chris lives in Orange Beach, he has a Fountain too but he fished on our boat this tourney)! I'm so proud of them!!!



Brian Kiel and family had a good Mini-Lobster Season down in the KeyLargo area with all family members getting lots of nice lobster!
Surf-n-Turf for dinner!



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Every member should be talking up our Web-site and club all the time. We represent over 500 Fisher Men, Women, and Children, Saltwater Sport fishing is responsible for OVER \$600 Million dollars EACH & EVERY YEAR in revenues to the local economy, (The Greater Jacksonville Area only.) from St. Augustine to the Florida/ Georgia Border. Our Club leads the way in the fight to keep our right to fish open and fighting the phony data of the extreme environmentalists on the SAMFC.

The JOSFC is fighting to help keep their business open and profitable!



Rob's Fishing Lore

Rob Darner

A Fisherman's Journey

Fishing can take one to various places around the city, the state, the country or even the world. In this case, in total it took us across three time zones, seventeen states, and nearly five thousand miles to bring you this adventure. The aim of the two week family road trip was to see America and what better way is there via car or the Suburban. The goal was Yellowstone National Park; the one you have heard and seen so many incredible photographs of. The trip would allow us to spend six nights and five days within the Park's boundaries. One of the points to the trip was a fishing expedition upon Yellowstone Lake, the largest lake in North America above seven thousand feet or so they said.

In some total, there were two half fishing days spent in Yellowstone. The first fishing expedition was



spent with a charter captain by the name of Capt. Josh. Much to our surprise, Capt. Josh was not a native to Wyoming

but rather he hailed from Ft Pierce, Fl. Needless-to-say, we had a similar background since he was from Florida and his family fished for a living. Additionally, he was only 23 years old and he seemed to have more in common with my kids than Connie or I. The charter was booked from 1:30 till 5:30pm. Upon setting foot on the boat, the captain knew our goal for the trip was to catch enough Lake Trout for our dinner that evening

at Yellowstone Lake Lodge. As with Yellowstone and as with here, the Federal government can't keep to themselves. Just this summer, the Park Rangers were setting gill nets in hopes of destroying the Lake Trout population since they are not native to the lake thus they claim the Lakies are causing an imbalance in Nature's plan. So far, the rangers have been very good at their aims since they have wiped out just over 130,000 Lake Trout this summer plus you could not keep any Cut Throats for dinner either. This did have an impact upon our fishing thus we missed out on our fresh trout almandine dinner that was supposed to be served at Yellowstone Lake Lodge for \$9.99 per person vs \$31.99 for the same dinner with them supplying the fish.



Much to our surprise, our chartered vessel was not some ponga or 'River Runs Through It' craft instead it was a 22 ft Seafarer by Grady White. The 22ft walk-around cabin boat was powered by a Merc cruiser I/O. Later on, we were very grateful for this boat upon the lake. The boat was heavy to begin with and the I/O made it heavier still and she was very slow to come upon plane yet when she was on plane the boat handled the 1 1/2 ft chop without much notice. The first stop was just around the bend where the rental boats were forbidden to go. This was supposed to be a good spot for Lakies since the Rangers



had gill nets set in the general area. Byron struck first and hammered down upon a Cutthroat Trout. He

was so excited to have the first fish and he struck it was we were preparing to leave this spot.



Top's Tips Safety First

Top Ingram
Safety Officer

Rules of the Road

The following was reported by the local Hillsborough media recently: "A PWC with three persons on board was traveling eastbound in a bend in the Little Manatee River when it collided with a vessel traveling westbound. All three occupants of the PWC were injured and transported to area hospitals." This is yet another example of what can happen when boaters do not follow the rules of the road. It is obvious to me that a lot of boaters do not know, or understand, the rules of the road. I see many boaters in large vessels run aground coming out of Goodbys Creek when they go outside the red or green channel markers. Also, I see many vessels turning in front of another vessel 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, and you must maintain course and speed. If the other vessel is from dead ahead to 22.5 degrees abaft your starboard

beam, 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. 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" in the rack by the door of the clubhouse. Follow these simple navigation rules and continue to enjoy safe boating throughout the year.

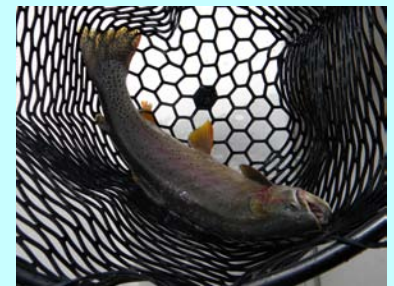
Top Ingram

Journey Continued

Cut Throat Trout are beautiful by nature. As per their name, on each side of the bottom of their gills exists a distinctive red slash resembling a 'cut throat' hence the name. Underneath their slimy body, exists a wonder of colorations: greens, reds, pinks and yellows amidst a backdrop of spots. The fish fight hard for a 2 to 3 pound fish. When properly outfitted against, they make wonderful sport for any angler. Fortunately, I was able to land the second fish on an ultra-light tackle. I felt certain that the line used was no stronger than six pound test. No matter what size tackle, it is always good to hear that drag sing. After this, everyone else got theirs! Connie, Madyson and Bailey all successfully landed their own Cut Throats.

Weather upon the lake can be a tricky thing! As our previous days of sight seeing which included geysers and buffalo, fore warned of storms rolling

onto the lake near 5 pm. As per Nature's story line, our fishing expedition included some wild weather. It was earlier than the day before when the storms started to gather overhead. Dark grey and black foretold of



Journey Continued

forbidding weather. Well the rain was not just cold but very cold and to add to our fishing pleasure hail. Hail came down about the size of one's finger nail but this did not stop seasoned anglers or their captain because we had a cabin to retreat to and we took shelter underneath the hard top and side curtains. The weather only necessitated a change in location. We picked up and ran to the lee side of Sullivan Island. We fished and caught one or two more here until the wind gust of nearly 40 to 50 mph caused us to return to port. This was noted by the special weather advisory just posted on channel 16 right after the second gust whistled through the island's trees.

On our last day in Yellowstone, the group had questions on just what each of us wanted to do. The ladies in the party wanted a fine breakfast and a morning full of sleep while the guys summoned up enough juice to rent our own boat and head right out onto the Lake. With rods & reels brought along for this purpose, we only needed to tackle up for our ½ morning fishing. With the knowledge departed from Capt Josh, we purchased the same spoons from yesterday and set forth upon the water. The rig was simple, the spoons were attached to a clip swivel and the swivel was tied directly to your fishing line. There was not need of leaders here but I wonder what a good 10 ft fluorocarbon leader would have done?

From yesterday's fishing trip, our rented boat found its way to a tree jetting out of the water. Two spoons were deployed, one for yours truly and one for Byron. Just like King fishing, we were slow trolling the spoons. With no downriggers to get the spoons further in the water column, I was betting our chances were greatly reduce but I was wrong. What was learned was this, upon making a hard turn to port or starboard, one spoon would sink while the other one speed up while it traveled around the arch. It was the sinking spoon that had the most hits. As the line came tight and the spoon traveled upward through the water column thus the fish would strike along this upward travel. In three hours, Byron and I managed to catch a total of 6 Cut Throats and we had 5 other solid strikes leading to misses.

All in all, we had a great time upon the water catching Cut Throats something I am not likely to do in quite sometime. For any angler, a fish maybe a fish unless the journey that got you there is quite remarkable.

Best Wishes for Fishing,
Rob Darner

Meet Ed Continued

attending college. Back then the shop that I work that was geared for diving customers that drove in the Springs and cave of the Western part of Florida. I was part of a team that used to go over to the Springs and cave, at night to map the caves , as well and the daytime teach people how to dive

What brought me to be diving offshore Jacksonville was the University of Florida sea grant program had a course that was set up to teach you how to collect information on artificial reefs . The course was about a year-long taught throughout the state of Florida by all the major University Marine biologists. I took the course with a few names that you may recognize Dr. Quinton white, Alex waters, are just some of the local names.

The Jacksonville offshore club had been building reefs for about 20 years and they wanted to know what was happening to them. So I and another colleague named Gideon Carpenter told the club you scapple we'll map.

This is just a little piece of my background with the club. I will be glad and any time to try to answer any questions about artificial reefs.

Below is the Tug Spike and a nice Gag Grouper Taken this year by Ed & Joe.



Loud Hailings

Newsletter Editor

Bill Breen

Anyone can submit an article for the Reel News just send or give it to me at any time. I really like to feature PICTURES of club members with some good catches, like these in this issue. Either give me a hardcopy at a meeting or Phone, or E-mail me your pictures at:

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Richard Fisher	- H = 221-9629 - Cell 738-1010	Nearly every day	Up to 8:00 PM the day before.
John Porcella -	C = 610-3855	Nearly any day	Up to 10:00 PM
Joe Esparza	- C = 536 - 4114	Any Day	Up to 10:00 pm
Phillip Ferdon -	H = 879-0184 C = 887-6736	Fri. Sat.	Up to 9:00 pm
Rod Saffles	- C =993-6986	Any Day	Up to Midnight
Ron Hunter	- C = 733-1197	From Noon Wednesday through Sunday	Up to 8:00 PM
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THE RACE FOR CAPTAIN OF THE YEAR

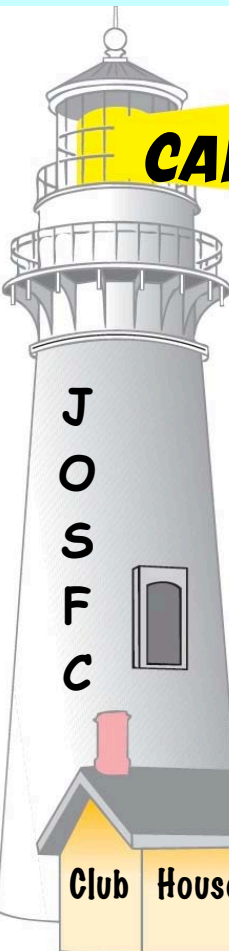
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2 -	AJ Proescher	47
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4 -	Jeff Deyton	35
5 -	Tom Meyer	29
6 -	Chris Rooney	19
7 -	Tim Altman	18
8 -	Rob Cripe	16
8 -	Tom Cavin	16
9 -	Tony Thompson	14
10 -	Ken Young	10
10 -	Jack Ogin	10
10 -	Vern Summersill	10
10 -	Brian Kiel	10
10 -	Don Cook	10
11 -	Ray Chancey	8
12 -	Paul Gallup	7
12 -	Rob Darner	7
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14 -	Eddie McGowan	5

Light Tackle Tournament Canceled!

Hay everyone, what happened?! You missed the most fun tournament of the year! Yes, the Light Tackle Tournament! We had to cancel it for lack of participation. This really is one of the most fun tournaments as it has you fishing way out of your comfort zone, and usually provides plenty of laughs as you watch your fishing buddy try to bring in a big fish without breaking it off. We usually get several people that actually convert to using light tackle for their fun fishing days.

Oh well, there is only one tournament left, and that is usually well attended just for the fish. Yup, it is the September Bottom Fishing Tournament. Being held on September 10th.

With the close of the fishing boards coming up in the end of September I want to remind everyone that to win a board you must have participated in 3 of the Tournaments, as crew, Captain, or assisting at the club house. This will be your last chance to get that third participation credit in , so be sure to make sure you have 3 under your belt for the Awards Banquet!



Sun	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thur	Fri	Sat
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				4	5 Board Meeting	6
11	12	13	14	15 Club Meeting Fishing boards close! Potluck Dinner	16	17
18	19	20	21	22	23	24
25	26	27	28	29	30	

Coming September 10 - Bottom fishing Tournament

Events: September 15 - Pot-Luck dinner, Members provide main dish & sides, club will provide dessert ONLY!

September 15 - The Fishing Boards Close!

October 22 - Annual Awards Banquet





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