



Greetings Members

Happy New Year and welcome to 2023. It's amazing how fast 2022 came and went. Looking back, we accomplished many, many things in 2022. I won't bore you with the list, but I want to personally thank you for hanging in there with us as we found a new home, on a new day, we experienced incredible new member growth, AND, we didn't miss a beat! Your Board of Directors and I are looking to an even more incredible 2023. We hope to grow our relationships with our existing Captains and also explore new Captains to bring new and exciting fishing possibilities to our members. As always, your active participation will help our Club become even stronger. Sign up for a charter, get involved with the Club operations, or both. If you have any ideas on what we can do to improve our Club, please drop us a note and share your thoughts. Click [HERE](#) to send us an email.

January Meeting

Monday, January 2nd is our [monthly meeting](#) at Everglades Rec. Center. Doors open at 6 PM and the meeting will begin at 6:30 PM. The guest speaker is the Club's own Charlie Pryde. Charlie will be showing his 13-minute video from the recent trip on the American Hunter to the Dry Tortugas in early December. You don't want to miss this one as it is full of great videos of some fantastic fish catches! **Remember, your Villages ID card is needed for admission.**

Welcome to our new Vice President

At December's meeting, unanimous approval was given to elect Gaylon Thompson as our new Club Vice-President for 2023. Gaylon brings a wealth of experience, and enthusiasm and is an avid fisherman. Our Club is fortunate to have Gaylon and we look forward to working with him in 2023. We also want to thank Ed Eich, our past VP who served the Club

in 2022. Ed's sage advice and keen insights were greatly valued as we navigated the "seas of change" this past year.



Membership Renewal - it's that time again to pay your **\$10 annual** membership renewal. You can pay at a club meeting or send in your check to . . .

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There's no inflation with our Club, a \$10 investment gets you access to **hundreds** of fishing opportunities throughout the year. Don't delay, renew your dues at your first chance.

Proposed Legislation seeks to limit boat speeds on East Coast

The Biden Administration has proposed regulation that would restrict speed to 10 knots or 11.5 miles per hour for all boats over 35 feet — for up to seven months out of the year and up to 100 miles out at sea for most of the [East Coast](#). The proposal seeks to prevent boats from hitting the endangered [right whale](#). According to the White House, "This rule is designed to reduce the risk of mortalities from vessel strikes and afford the species a greater opportunity to recover." If this issue is of importance to you, you are encouraged to contact your State Senators to voice your opinion. To read the full article, click [HERE](#).



Exciting news!!!!

Captains Ralph Hawkins and Nikki Heenan of the American Patriot have graciously donated a free trip on the Club's "private" 4-day trip to Pulley Ridge from July 31st thru August 3rd. The Club has decided to make this spot available to members. Beginning in January, you can purchase a ticket to win this trip. The cost is \$5 per ticket and you can purchase as many tickets as you wish. We will be selling chances at the monthly meetings starting in January. The drawing will be held at the June 5, 2023, monthly meeting. Since this trip is full, the only way to get on it is to be the lucky winner.



Fishing Club Apparel

The Club has partnered with Custom Apparel to provide official Deep Sea Fishing Club apparel at terrific prices. You can order online or stop by and see their selections and place a custom order. The store is located at 3451 Wedgewood Lane in the Southern Trace Plaza. You can also [CLICK HERE](#) for more info.



Available fishing charters for January

We've got lots of opportunities to go fishing in December. [CLICK HERE](#) to see the latest schedule.

Until next month, "Tight Lines"