



Fishing Club!
New Port Richey, FL

December 2016 News Letter

Highlights

- **Meeting Locations and Date Change.** Meetings are now the Second Tuesday of the Month and the location is the American Legion Club in New Port Richey. Same time 6:30pm. Next meeting is 13 December 2016.
- **After Holiday Party – Timber Greens Country Club,** 6:00pm, 14 January 2017. Must pay your membership dues and pay for you and your guest's meal during the December meeting to reserve your spot.

General membership meeting: 38 established members, 4 guests attended the meeting held on 3 November 2016. The Fish-On Club would like to welcome our newest members: Dan and Joanne Tucci, Chuck Bell and Bill Hilt (pictured left to right below).

Members gathered from 6:30 to 7 pm to set up and socialize in preparation for the meeting. At 7pm the Club President Chet Jasak called the meeting to order and introduced Guests and New Members. After learning about our guests we began our meeting reviewing new and old business Frank showed member how to navigate our website.



Flea Market and Pizza at December Meeting

Itinerary for December meeting will be a Flea Market for boating and fishing equipment. **Bring your Fishing & Boating equipment that you no longer use and make yourself a couple of bucks.** Pizza will be provided by the club from Morty's Pizza in New Port Richey. Members can purchase drinks at the American Legion Cantina. No drinks are allowed to be brought in to the American Legion. They sell drinks to help off-set the cost of running the facility and our purchases will help them operate.

We need your HELP! It is essential that we get some new blood so as to keep the club fresh and exciting. Generally, only 10 or 12 members are active in running the Fish-On-Club. We ask that you consider:

- 1) Volunteer to help run one of our many functions.
- 2) Consider being nominated to run for a club officer such as President, Vice-President, Secretary, Treasurer, Member at Large, or Sergeant at Arms.

We will discuss this frequently as we get close to the New Year and hope this is the year you can step up and make our club even better.

New Business and Upcoming Events:

Dues: Your \$35 Yearly Dues must be paid at the December 13 meeting.

If you want to attend the “after” Holiday Party on January 14 you MUST also pay \$10 for you and \$10 for your spouse(significant other). Also let our treasure know your meal selection(s) (Prime Rib or Chicken Marsala or Vegetarian)

“After” Holiday Party – Saturday January 14, 2017.

Where: Timber Greens Clubhouse

<http://www.timbergreens.net/Pages/DirectionstoTimberGreens.aspx>

Time: Cocktails 5:30 PM to 6:30 PM (Cash Bar) Silent Auction Bidding time
Dinner at 6:30

Meal Choices: Oven Roasted Prime Rib Chicken

There will be a beverage station for: Coffee, Tea, and Ice Tea Cake for Dessert Chinese

Chinese Gift Exchange: If you bring a “wrapped” gift valued at around \$15 (one gift per couple) you will draw a number out of a hat. This will be the sequence members will be called to pick a gift from either the table or from a previous opened gift. Previous OPENED Gifts will NOT be available for the taking if that gift has been TRADED three times.

COST: Your getting a \$26 meal for only \$10 each. You “MUST” Pay your 2017 Dues on or before the regular general membership meeting on Tuesday December 13 along with your \$10 or \$20 meal money depending if you are single or you’re bringing your significant other with you. This Subsidized “After” Holiday Party is only for 2017Paid Up members and their spouses or significant other. If you bring a Non- member guest the charge is \$30.00. If you prefer you can send your meal choices, and check for \$55 to Mike Spanhel, 5657 West Shore Drive, New Port Richey, FL 34652

See attached file to see and print the After Holiday Party flyer

General Membership Meetings - *Meetings are the Second Tuesdays of each month*
Next meeting 8 November 2016 at 6:30pm. Meeting location has changed to the American Legion Post 79, in New Port Richey. Building location is 5329 Legion Pl, New Port Richey, FL 34652 <http://www.americanlegionparadisepost79.org/>



Jim McCarthy with a fat Redfish caught on the Yak!

Breakfast Social: No breakfast socials until Feb 2017

Dinner Socials: No dinner socials until Feb 2017

Old Business and Past Events

The fall picnic was held on Saturday 5 November 2016 at Anderson Park in Tarpon Springs. 77 members and guests got together for a potluck and BBQ picnic and games. The food was a good variety and the meat from "Smokin Out BBQ" in Port was outstanding. After the meal everyone enjoyed the Price is Right Game. The Fall Picnic was a huge success thanks to Dave and Sherill Taylor organizing all the food, the potluck and the venue and Jim McCarthy for organizing the games and entertainment.



ATTENTION all fishermen! Members LIKE FISHING REPORTS!

PLEASE submit a report EVERY time you return from fishing, even if nothing was caught. The more fishing information shared with your fellow members helps us all become better fishermen. Information like time of day, tide movement, weather conditions, general fishing locations, species & size caught. Picture(s) would be great. Even if nothing spectacular was caught this information would let other members know what is or isn't going on.

[Fishing Reports](#) ← Click this Link to see fishing reports and [to SUBMIT](#) your report on our website.



Chet - 11 Nov 2016 American Red Snapper (released)



Dave Taylor, 10 Nov 2016, nice grouper!



Mike Travica with a beautiful Cobia



Tournament Winners with their checks

Tip of the Month – Jack Hexter

Removing lug nuts that are rusted and stuck on. Using some common household items: a lighter, candle and lug wrench. Place the lit lighter underneath the lug and the candle on top and let it heat up the candle and drip into/on the lug. The heat will suck the paraffin into the threads and will make removal a piece of cake. Please see the video. http://www.liveleak.com/view?i=ba2_1475277076

Ongoing Fishing tournaments:

[Targeted Species Rules](#) ← click this link to see detailed rules

2016 Fish of the Month targeted species are:

- Nov – Gag Grouper
- Dec – Any Mackerel

[Fish of the Month Tournament Rules](#) ← click this link to see detailed rules.

Year Long Tournament: Mike Spanhel went over the rules and discussed that it is \$5 per type of fish to enter. You must be signed up and paid before you catch the fish to enter. You should provide details in your Fishing Report with date fish was caught, type of fish and length within 24-48 hours of the catch. You can access fishing reports on the website. *Click this link to see detailed tournament rules:* [Year Long Tournament](#)

[Members Area](#) ← *click her to go to members only area to see our members. If you have trouble getting to Members area or need the password call Frank Belizzio at 727-597-0741*

Website Update: Frank Bellizio has worked hard on the website www.fishonclub.us and has been adding recipes, merchandise and fishing videos. Check it out.

fishonclub.us Is a great place to direct people interested in knowing more about our club. Lots of information is available for anyone to see BUT if you go to the **Members Area** and put in your password there is much more information available. If you forgot the password you can call Chet @ 727- 816-8991 or Frank @ 727-597-0741.

50/50 Raffle: Jerry Lubig won the 50/50 drawing for \$80. Congratulations Jerry. It's fun and it earns money for the club. Be sure to buy your tickets. You can't win if you don't play!

Membership Attendance Raffle – Mike Brumley won the membership drawing from the name tag drawing at the end of the meeting. Must be present to win, so make sure you make the meetings. He took the 10 dollars and put it towards his membership and after holiday party bill.

Club Officers:

President: Chet Jasak

Vice President: Frank Bellizio

Treasurer: Mike Spanhel

Advisory Council – Jim McCarthy and Jack Hexter

Secretary: Mike Brumley

Sergeant at Arms: Jim Soper

Member at Large: Bill Herr

2015 Committee Chairpersons:

Wish-to-Fish – Mike Spanhel

YMCA Fishing Festival – Chet Jasak

Main Street Clean-Up – Bernard Zanetti

After Holiday Party – Russ Thompson

Club Picnics/Bfst social – Dave Taylor

Dinner Socials – Ernie Philippi

Club Tournaments – Jim M & Mike S.

Fund Raising – Russ Thompson

If you want to help on any of these committees, see or call the chairperson.

They can use the help. Get involved in the Club Activities!!