

Greetings Members,

If you missed Monday night's meeting, the minutes are available here. As always, I welcome your comments.

September Club Meeting (September 1, 2025)

Ninety-five (95) members were in attendance. This was a strong membership showing despite the Labor Day Holiday. Thank you to all who attended. The fishing reports showed improvement from the hottest times last month. Most Club Coordinators reported that the fishing is improving as temperatures cool slightly. September will bring new fishing opportunities as the Gag Grouper and Snook seasons open on September 1^{st} . We welcomed fifteen (15) new members.

Highlights:

Election of Officers is coming

Ken shared that per the Club's By-Laws, four Officer positions are up for election this Fall. Members can express their interest in running for a Club Officer position. The positions include President, Vice President, Secretary, and Treasurer.

Dave Easthon has agreed to head up the Nomination Committee.

Daily Sun article: Our Club was featured in an article on August 31st that highlighted the recent Club trip on the Gulfstar Endurance. Many members had seen the article.

Fishing Reports: Our club's coordinators shared the recent fishing activity for the past month. All shared that fishing is a challenge right now due to the heat and water temperature. Presenters included Jim Scheer, John Hogan, Randy Herring, Joe Italiano, and Gaylon Thompson.

Gag Grouper trip opening: Member John Hogan shared that his spot on the 44-hour Club private Gag Grouper trip is available for sale due to a conflict. The trip departs at 7 PM on Friday, September 5TH, and returns on Sunday, September 7th at 2 pm. **John will accept \$500 for this spot - a \$325 savings**. Sounds like a great opportunity! John can be reached at (440) 463-9948.

AMERICAN PATRIOT – Ken informed members of the cancellation of the Club's June trip on The American Patriot. Due to the rebooking policy, the new trip dates are Monday, May 25, 2026, through Thursday, May 28, 2026.

THERE ARE 4 SPOTS AVAILABLE IF ANYONE IS INTERESTED IN THIS TRIP.

Please get in touch with Ken if you are interested.

Ken noted the lack of member interest in these remaining spots and advised that members are always the priority to fill our trips. However, absent member response, the Club will look to non-members to fill this trip.

Guest Speaker Charlie Pryde and Ken Jagodzinski – Charlie spoke about the Gulfstar Endurance trip that he and Ken were on the past weekend. He highlighted the variety, size, and quantity of fish caught and showed a picture reel. The trip lasted 52 hours and took us to the "Golden Grounds" in the Gulf of America. Charlie shared that the trip was fishing depths up to 500 feet during daylight hours. Ken shared that the multi-day trips are just one aspect of the many trips that our Club offers. He reiterated that ALL Club trips are of importance. Great job by Charlie!

Until next month, Ken