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September



Greetings Members

Happy Labor Day. It's hard to believe it's almost September. Is it my imagination, or are the days flying much faster these days? You can practically feel that whisper of Fall in the air. That's a welcome relief from those 110-degree "feels like" days of August. If you've been out fishing, you know it's hot and the water temperature is almost 90 degrees in many areas. Let's hope that September brings lots of great fishing. Our Club will have the trips available to get you out on the water.



~~August~~ Meeting at Everglades Recreation Center

Although it is Labor Day, our September meeting will take place on Monday, September 1st, at the Everglades Recreation Center. As usual, the doors open at 6 PM for trip sign-ups and socializing, followed by the meeting at 6:30 PM. Due to an illness, our previously announced speaker is unable to attend, so we are actively seeking a replacement.



Who's ready for Gag Grouper?

Gag Grouper season opens on September 1st and runs through September 14th in the Gulf of America. The minimum "keeper" size is 24 inches, with a daily bag limit of 2 fish. Given the very short season, charter availability is limited. Another highlight is the opening of the Snook season on September 1st. There are numerous fishing trips planned for Snook over the next couple of months, so get out and enjoy. Our Club coordinators will share any availability at the monthly meeting on Monday. You can also [CLICK HERE](#) for the latest Club trip availability.

Election of Officers

If you're looking for a volunteer opportunity to make a meaningful contribution, consider running for an Officer position in our Club. Every two years, we elect a new slate of Officers. The available positions are President, Vice President, Secretary, and Treasurer. Our Club welcomes new faces, fresh ideas, and energetic volunteers who want to make a difference. We are a vibrant group that offers you the chance to utilize your life skills or enjoy a hobby. In most cases, the time demands are minimal, but the rewards can be gratifying. If you are interested in running, our Nominating Committee Chairperson is Dave Easthon. Dave will be happy to record your interest. Elections will be held at the November meeting. Dave can be reached at (352) 661-6803 or via email at deasthon23@gmail.com. Additionally, please don't hesitate to contact me with any specific questions regarding job roles and responsibilities.



Want to be a part of this fishing trip?

Four (4) spots left on the American Patriot

There's still room to get on the bucket list trip on our Club's private charter on The American Patriot scheduled for **June 22-25, 2026**.

The total cost is \$2,024 (including charter, tackle, and electric reel rental) and is payable in 2 installments.

- **\$1,000 now holds your spot**
- **\$1,024 balance in January 2026**

This is a four-day deep drop trip using electric reels to fish depths of 500 to 800+ feet at Pulley Ridge in the Gulf of America on a 135 foot boat.

Contact Ken Jagodzinski at (386) 986-7655 if interested.



Gulfstar Endurance Highlights

Twenty Club members are heading out on September 5th for our "private" Club trip targeting Gag Grouper. Thank you for supporting this trip. Hopefully, it will be a very successful! We expect to receive many pictures to share with the Club upon your return.

UPCOMING TRIPS on the Gulfstar Endurance:

Thursday, November 13, 2025 – 12-hour DAY trip 7 AM to 7 PM – COST \$155
(includes tackle, bait, fish cleaning, ice); tip not included

Friday, December 5, 2025 – 12-hour NIGHT trip 7 PM to 7 AM – COST \$155
(includes tackle, bait, fish cleaning, ice); tip not included

Thursday, February 5, 2026 – 18-hour trip 7 PM to 1 PM – COST \$325
(includes tackle, bait, fish cleaning, ice, AND FOOD); tip not included

FOR MORE INFORMATION OR TO SIGN UP,
Contact Joe Italiano at (203) 648-2173 or JOEITALIANOJR@GMAIL.COM
Or see Joe at the August monthly meeting.
[CLICK HERE](#) FOR MORE INFO.

Until next month - Tight Lines!!
Ken Jagodzinski
President,
The Villages Deep Sea Fishing Club