



The Sanibel Island Fishing Club

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May 2018 Newsletter

Words from Warren

Well here we are at the last meeting of our season. Time does fly! Unfortunately, I will most likely not be in attendance. I am truly sorry for the number of absences I have had this season. I am currently scheduled for a back fusion on May 3rd. I'm hoping that will bring some relief for my pain level. [In any event, it also brings up the subject of leadership for the club. If anyone is interested in being President of the club; please contact me.] We are hopeful that we have found a new Secretary/Director.

We are most Thankful for the job Gary Biltgen did in that job for 6 ½ years! His service was exemplary in every way. He will be missed. I am assuming he will still be around; so when you next see him Thank him for his service. Or reply to one of his emails. Thanks Gary!!!!!!

Peter Maastricht will be our speaker for the meeting. I have heard Peter speak at Clinics of the Fort Myers Beach Tarpon Hunters Club, and was obviously impressed with his presentation skills. He also has 4 releases for the year thru first of May; the most releases at this point in time. So his tarpon catching skills are most apparent.

Mary Laser has won our first "Captain of the Year". Hopefully you have received Gary's update email on those facts. Again, please congratulate Mary in person when you see her or follow Gary's instructions on sending her an email. I believe Mary has her sights on "Angler of the Year."

May you catch a fish of your dreams.

Warren

May Monthly Meeting

WHEN: Tuesday, May 15, 2018
WHERE: Sanibel Island Community Center
TIME: 6:30pm Pizza - 7:00pm Meeting

Speaker: Captain Pete Maastricht



Topic: Tarpon!

This month's featured speaker is Captain Pete Maastricht. Pete is one of the premier tarpon fishermen in the area and is currently leading in total release and Captain's points within the Ft Myers Beach Tarpon Hunters Club annual competition. Pete is a light tackle specialist and will give our members some insight into how to approach our SIFC tarpon outing on May 20th. After presenting, Pete will be available for Q&A. Should be fascinating!



Team Laser won the April 22 Inshore Slam with 177" of snook and trout. The photo above show's Mary and her team, Frank Torbey and Gary Biltgen. With this victory, **Mary Laser becomes our first Captain of the Year!!** Congratulations Mary!

Next Club Outing

May 20th is our next outing. It will be the Tarpon Outing. Sign up at the May 15th meeting!

2017-2018 Meeting Schedule

May	15
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2016-2017 Outing Schedule (Saturdays this year)

May	20
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2017-18 Angler of the Year Standings after April, 2018 Inshore Slam Outing (low outing score for each angler this season is thrown out per normal practice)

Mary Laser	80
Gary Biltgen	74
Tom Tillton	72
David Lewis	71
Allen DaGue	71
Duane Thurow	70
Curt Will	70
Don Cook	69
Jeff Bonnett	68

For complete listing of Angler and Captain of the Year standings, check our website:
<http://www.sanibelislandfishingclub.com/>

2017-18 Captain of the Year Standings after April, 2018 Inshore Slam

Mary Laser	96
Duane Thurow	70
David Lewis	70
Don Cook	53
Tom Butcher	51