



# The Sanibel Island Fishing Club

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## November 2024 Newsletter

### Presidents Corner

I hope the effects Debby, Helene and Milton – were minimal for you. I am ready to do something other than hurricane cleanup and get out and fish! Let's get back together, enjoy seeing each other and have a great meeting and fishing outing.

Our guest speaker this month is local fishing Captain Ozzie Lessinger. Ozzie won the Costa X CFCW Steward of the Year Award. Whether educating clients, hosting fund raisers or standing up in Tallahassee, Ozzie has been a key leader and influencer for Captains for Clean Waters. Come to the meeting and bring friends to hear Ozzie. We will enjoy Pizza and then our meeting and sign-up for our competition on November 16.

After fishing on Saturday, we will meet at Rosalita's Mexican Cantina at 3:30 for lunch and results.

Keep taking and send me photos of you and your fish. We will use them in the newsletter and our web page.

Due to the hurricanes, there will not be a December meeting or Christmas Party.

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### NEXT MEETING

**WHEN:** Tuesday – November 12, 2024  
**WHERE:** Sanibel Community House  
**TIME:** 6:30pm Pizza  
7:00pm Meeting

Guest Speaker: **Ozzie Lessinger**



This month's speaker will be renowned Sanibel and Captiva fishing guide, Ozzie Lessinger.

Ozzie has been a full-time fishing guide and tournament angler fishing the inshore and near shore waters the past 28 years. His experience extends from avid fly fishing to plug action to live bait. Ozzie fishes out of a 17' Action Craft flats boat that is designed to get into the skinny waters of the Pine Island sound.

Ozzie will give a presentation on Captains for Clean Waters progress and also "targeting Redfish".

### 2024-2025 Outing Dates

- November 16 – Slam
- December - none scheduled
- January 18
- February 15 (fish fry on Sun, February 16)
- March 15
- April 12
- May 10

### See our Website:

<https://www.sanibelislandfishingclub.com/>

### SIFC Monthly Meeting 2024-2025:

- November 12 Community House
- December no meeting
- January 14 Community House
- February 11 Community House
- March 11 Community House
- April 8 Community House
- May 6 Community House

### Outing Rules:

- Club Members in good standing.
- All members should conduct themselves in courteous manner with members and other anglers.
- Professional fishing guides cannot participate in the Outings.
- Fish must be caught with conventional rod and reel.
- Unless specified for a particular outing, live bait and/or artificial lures can be used.
- Communications with other anglers, boats or fishing guides, concerning the tournament is not allowed during the time duration of the Outing. This includes cell phone, texting, marine radio, etc. Emergency communication is always allowed as well as photos.
- Participants share expenses.