



The Sanibel Island Fishing Club PO Box 989 ♦ Sanibel, FL 33957

February 2018 Newsletter

Words from Warren

Greetings.....hope you are having a great New Year. Unfortunately, we had to call off January's Outing. The weather reports we looked at indicated high winds for Sunday. While we might second guess that call....we can NOT put our members at risk. Safety is our number one priority. Period.

We have a number of opportunities coming your way. We have our Sheepshead Outing coming up Feb. 3rd; [Feb. 4th Super Bowl]; Feb. 5th is our Fish Fry social at The Community House...Thanks to Rol Campbell for spearheading that effort. Feb. 6th is our meeting at The Community House.

Our meeting brings us JoEllen Wilson from the Bonefish Tarpon Trust. She was one of our featured speakers from last year. We look forward to hearing more from her.

As a side note: February 17-18 brings the Rotary Arts and Craft Fair! Hope you can join us at again at The Community House.

Tight lines.
Warren

NEXT MEETING

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



This month's featured speaker is **JoEllen Wilson** from the **Bonefish & Tarpon Trust**, a non-profit conservation organization that focuses on providing healthy habitats for a number of different fisheries across Florida as well as the Bahamas, Mexico, Belize and Cuba. JoEllen will make a presentation in her field of expertise: "Juvenile Tarpon Habitat", including the current status of suitable juvenile tarpon habitat projects from South Carolina to the Florida Keys. JoEllen grew up fishing in Charlotte Harbor, received her Master's Degree in Fisheries and Aquatic Sciences at the University of Florida and is a self-proclaimed "Aquaholic". Anglers who are interested in how silver kings survive from their offshore spawning grounds to one of the greatest gamefish in the world should find this presentation fascinating. To learn more about the work of the Bonefish and Tarpon Trust please go to www.bonefishtarpontrust.org.

Membership Dues for the 2017-18 Season are now due.

A form is attached to the newsletter email and on the Club website. You must have your dues paid to participate in outings.

Next Club Outing

Our third outing of the season will be the exciting Sheepshead outing: Saturday, Feb 3rd. Following Saturday's weigh in, we will clean fish for the Monday, Feb 5th, 5 pm fish fry at the Community House. Extra filets will go to our friends at F.I.S.H. for needy folks in Sanibel and Captiva. **SIFC thanks our Captains for their ongoing support of the club – we can't do it without you!!** We can always use more, so please sign in your boat.

Captain of the Year 2017-18

Up to date Captain of the Year standings and Inshore Dartboard outing results can be found at our club's website: <http://www.sanibelislandfishingclub.com/Outings/Standings%20Jan%2018%202017.pdf>

2017-2018 Meeting Schedule

February	6
March	13
April	10
May	15

2017-2018 Outing Schedule

February	3
March	18
April	15
May	20



Captain Billy put Rol, Warren and Mike on some nice red grouper!