



# The Sanibel Island Fishing Club

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November 2008 Newsletter

## Notes from your Club President

It's been a windy month around "Lake Sanibel". I haven't gotten any first hand reports on offshore fishing. I hope to correct that this week and will give you an update at our November meeting. The redfish and snook have been available in shore and around our island in the bushes on incoming/high tides. Nice trout have been cooperating over grass flats. Mackerel, bluefish, and ladyfish have been hitting in our back bay as well as off the beaches. Sheepsheads are starting to congregate around docks and piers, and some nice snapper have been falling for free-lined shrimp. I'm still seeing a few "Norm Zigler" fly fishermen on the beaches using his "shiminnow" and hooking up nice snook.

With my freezer empty, I took some small shrimp and fished our east end canal for snapper. I sorted out four 12 inchers for dinner – they were great. Who needs grouper! My neighbors heard me talking about the bluefish and mackerel that I was "catch and releasing." Being from Cape Cod, they said they would love to try them. So one windy afternoon last week, Bob Owens and I took my boat out by the causeway. We caught bluefish, mackerel, trout, ladyfish, and Sheepshead. The neighbors were thrilled with the blues and mackerel and we had trout and Sheepshead for dinner. So even when it's windy, it can be fun.

I hope to see a good crowd at the meeting to hear our speaker. See you there – I'll try to have the doors unlocked this month!

Good fishing - Rol

## NEXT MEETING

**When:** November 11, 2008

**Where:** Sanibel Community Center

**Time:** 6:30pm Pizza  
7:00pm Meeting

**Speaker:**

Captain Whitney Jones

Whitney is a local guide and master rod builder well versed in the art of catching Snook, Redfish and Trout. He will discuss catching this trio and other species. Additionally, he will give us some tips on tackle maintenance. Don't miss one of our local pros and friend!



## Mark your calendars for our Christmas Party

**Where:** Doc Ford's Sanibel Rum Bar and Grill.

**When:** Dec. 9, 2008  
6:00pm appetizers & Cash bar.

**Price:** \$25 per person.

**(Reservation form attached to email)**

## November Club Outing

"SANIBEL SLAM"

Sunday, Nov. 16th

Sign-up for the Club's first outing of the new season. You may be the next angler of the Year!

This will be an outing for Snook (2), Redfish (2) and Trout (2). Team with total inches wins. Catch and release.

Boat or no boat we'll pair everyone up and have fun and lively competition! Sign-up at the meeting.

## Final Angler of the Year Standings

Kevin Vertesch	98
Bob Owens	95
Lee Cosentino	91
Wade Robert	89
Rol Campbell	88
Peter Kendall	88
Mike Green	86
Kermit Simonson	86
Warren Teigen	74
Mary DeMik	71

## Reminder:

It's a new season so dues are now payable for the 2008-2009.

You can get a form here [Membership Form](#)

Naturally, forms will be available at the meeting.

\$50 Member  
\$75 Family