

# FLORIDA FLYROD CLUB'S REEL NEWS

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## NEXT MEETING

**Jul 7, 2009**

Kay's Real Pit Bar-B-Q  
1552 Hwy 520, Cocoa

Dinner in the meeting room at 5:30 p.m. (order from menu)

Meeting at 6:30 p.m.

**PLEASE DO PLAN TO COME FOR DINNER AND SUPPORT THOSE WHO SUPPORT**

## CONDOLENCES:

Our condolences go to several of our families this month:

**May 2 - Diane Franklin** had an unexpected heart attack and succumbed to the damage a week later on May 2. Diane was married to **Don & Cyndi Franklin's** son **Ralph** and was the mother of **Casey & Travis Franklin**. She was only 52 years old. Cards were sent to each family.

**May 10 - Connie Knuckles**, 43-year-old daughter of **Brent & Helen Knuckles**, died from complications of pneumonia on Mother's Day. Connie was sick for a very short time. She is survived by her 12-year-old son Jourey, who will be adopted by Knuckles' son Andy. A card was sent to the family on behalf of the club. Brent and Helen send a card to the club which says "With Special Thanks. God's spirit shines through in people like you," and contains their personal note: *"Thank you for all your thoughtfulness and prayers. Brent & Helen Knuckles."*

**May 16 - Bill Hoskinson** succumbed to cancer at the age of 67. Over the years Bill served as President, Vice President, and Treasurer plus he was Mr. Flyrod in 1998 and Mr. Panfish in both 1997 and 2008. Our condolences go to his wife Carolyn, Becky & David New (daughter and son-in-law) and their children Paige & Dawson, Bill's mother Virginia McCormick and the other family members. The club made a donation to the Community Services Council in Bill's memory. A special Memoriam to Bill is included with this newsletter.

## FISHING & WATER REPORTS:

The **Lake Cypress** trip was a bust. The water was low and dirty and the fish took refuge everywhere but near the boats. Maybe the wind and hot temps had a little to do with it—only the fish know the answer. Those who fished were just glad it was a one-day tournament. **Lenny Stahley** was sorry this had to be the trip he brought his college buddy, **Pete Ramsey**, to fish. **Sean Deithorn**, **Don Donoghue** and **Ed Stahley** each caught a bass, but none took over the club record for the year. Probably the nicest fish caught that day was a single 4.6 lb catfish caught by **Lee Haskins**.

**Johns Lake** had plenty of fish, but the fish weren't cooperating as you can see by the tournament results. The highest weight from all three divisions was **Bea Benham's** and **Ed Stahley's** 2.5 lbs each. No bass were caught. Several other people fished that didn't weigh in.

**Lake Poinsett** was nearly as low in mid-May as it was just before "Fay" in '08. Those people who choose to take their boats out frequently ended up walking at some point. Fortunately, the heavy and frequent rains the week of May 17 dropped more than 18" of rain giving us a reprieve and making Poinsett open to boats and fishing once again. That and other infrequent rains brought the canals up 26". However, there are reports that the fish are as uncooperative at Poinsett as in most of the other lakes around the State.

## FOR SALE:

Alex Montminy brought some of Bill Hoskinson fishing gear to the June meeting to sell and still has some left. As other items may be made available, they will be sold at future meetings. A list of items will be emailed. If you do not have internet capability, latch on to someone who does and ask them to print a copy for you when they receive the information or pick up a copy at a meeting.

## LICENSE PLATES:

Florida Flyrod Club license plates are still available for \$5 each. See Treasurer **Steve Gersten** at one of the meetings or call to make other arrangements to get one.



## ROSTER:

Betty has incorporated your changes into the final version of the 2009 Roster which is included with this newsletter. Do take a look at it and compare it to the contacts in your computer, PDF and cell phone to be sure your information is current as there have been quite a few changes this past year. From now until the end of the year, all changes will need to be pen-and-ink, so be sure to hold onto this Roster.

**TOURNAMENT LADDER:** See attached.

## TOURNAMENT RESULTS:

**Location: Lake Cypress 05/09/09**

Grand Master		Bass	Panfish	Other	Total	Big Fish
Stahley	Ed	1.3	2.9	0.0	4.2	
Deithorn	Dave	0.0	2.7	0.0	2.7	
Donoghue	Don	2.1	0.0	0.0	2.1	
Stahley	Lenny	0.0	0.8	0.0	0.8	
Master		Bass	Panfish	Other	Total	Big Fish
Price	Coleman	0.0	0.7	0.0	0.7	
Sportsman		Bass	Panfish	Other	Total	Big Fish
Haskins	Lee	0.0	1.5	4.6	6.1	
Deithorn	Sean	1.3	2.3	0.0	3.6	
Benham	Dave	0.0	1.7	0.0	1.7	
Price	Matthew	0.0	1.1	0.0	1.1	
Adams	Frank	0.0	0.6	0.0	0.6	
Benham	Bea	0.0	0.6	0.0	0.6	
Guest (not included in weight)						
Ramsey	Pete	0.0	0.6	0.0	0.6	

**Location: Johns Lake 05/30/09**

<b>Grand Master</b>		<b>Bass</b>	<b>Panfish</b>	<b>Other</b>	<b>Total</b>	<b>Big Fish</b>
Stahley	Ed		2.5		2.5	
Stahley	Lenny		2.0		2.0	
Deithorn	Dave		0.6		0.6	
<b>Master</b>		<b>Bass</b>	<b>Panfish</b>	<b>Other</b>	<b>Total</b>	<b>Big Fish</b>
Barker	Don		1.0		1.0	
<b>Sportsman</b>		<b>Bass</b>	<b>Panfish</b>	<b>Other</b>	<b>Total</b>	<b>Big Fish</b>
Benham	Bea		2.5		2.5	
Benham	Dave		1.6		1.6	
Deithorn	Erik		1.0		1.0	
Adams	Frank		0.8		0.8	

## TOURNAMENTS, UPCOMING:

### **06/13/09 Loxahatchee (Buddy Tournament)**

Times: 7am – 3pm (One weigh-in.)  
Launch From: Public Ramp  
Weigh in: Public Ramp  
Weigh Master: Lenny Stahley

**Buddy Rules:** Two people per boat weigh their combined 20 fish (including no more than 5 bass total). Any member can fish with any other member of any division or with a guest. If only one person fishes in a boat, they may only count 10 fish with no more than 5 bass total). Even though the fish can be included in the 20 or 10 allowed, only one person can count a record fish, so be sure to find a way to identify that fish at weigh-in.

**Fishing Rules for the Area:** For the purpose of fishing Loxahatchee, the rules are that a total of 5 bass per person may be kept with a limit of two per boat over 14". Add to that the Buddy Rules stated above. At Loxahatchee any number of panfish and exotics (Ciclids, Oscars, etc.) may be kept, but you are restricted to the 20 fish limit (10 fish limit if you fish alone) for weigh-in set by the Buddy Rules. If this is confusing, check the sign at the launch ramp or ask your Weigh Master **Lenny Stahley** for guidance.

**Directions:** I-95 South to Jupiter exit. Pick up Florida Turnpike and go south. At SR 704 (Okeechobee Blvd), go west (4 miles). Then south on SR 7 (2 miles) to SR 98. SR 98 west to Twenty Mile Bend Bridge (11.5 miles to flashing light). Turn left at light. Cross bridge and turn left immediately. In 1/2 mile, turn right at sign for ramp which is located across one structure and adjacent to the next structures.

**FEE:** Don't forget to pay the \$5 parking fee at the gazebo before you get to the parking area. Just remove an envelope, place your \$5 in the envelope, write your tag number on the envelope and remove the receipt. Place the enveloped deposit in the box provided and place the receipt on your dashboard so it can be viewed by park officials to show that the deposit was paid. It can be verified and you could be fined if you do not pay.

### **06/26-27/09 Lake Poinsett**

Times: 06/27 3 pm – 06/28 11am (One weigh-in.)  
Launch From: Anywhere  
Weigh in: Bourbeau Park  
Weigh Master: Lenny Stahley

**COOKOUT:** Following the Lake Poinsett weigh-in at Bourbeau Park, you are invited to the Brown's dock at 855 Clifton's Cove Court for a cookout around noon. Spouses or significant others are invited. If they would like to bring a covered dish (hot or cold) or a salad, it will be welcomed but is not required. The club will provide burgers, hot dogs, chips, sodas, iced tea and bottled water. Betty will deep fry any fish that are filleted and provided ahead of time by our members. [If the weather is inclement, we may move the party inside.]

**Directions:** If coming by land, head east from the St. Johns River to Lake Poinsett Rd. Turn right onto Lake Poinsett Rd. Before you get to the Bird Island sign, turn left onto Mallard, then right onto Cardinal and left onto Clifton's Cove Court. Go to the far end of the street to the next to the last house which is green and white. The dock is across the street from the house on the canal. There is enough parking for approximately 6 vehicles with trailers plus several cars. (Go to Google Earth and type in our address to get an idea of the set up.)

**For spouses coming from the east on SR520**, go one-half mile past I-95 and then turn left onto Lake Poinsett Rd and follow the directions above. (It's across the street from the Sunoco station and a ball park at Friday Rd.)

**If coming from I-95, take Exit 201 (SR520)**, go west a half-mile to Lake Poinsett Rd and then follow the directions above.

**If coming by water**, head in the general direction of Poinsett Lodge but don't go into the canal to the lodge. Instead, go past the dock that juts out from the island and toward the green house with a white fence around the back yard. It's to the left of the yellow house with the white metal roof. Go to the right and around the end of the street to the first canal on the left and head to the second dock on the left. If there is no room to dock there, you can tie up to the first dock which belongs to our neighbor or you can pull up on shore and use the stairs to come up to street level. If you'd rather, you can pull onto the shore on the lake side, come up the stairs to the house, head to the gate on the right and then go across the street to the dock—the only problem being there is no security because no one will be able to see your boat while we're on the canal.

**07/11-12/09**

**St. Cloud Open**

Details will be in the July newsletter.

**“WANTED” OR “FOR SALE” ADS OR ARTICLES:** If you have an article, a “For Sale” or a “Wanted” ad, or anything else you'd like included in the next newsletter, please give the information to **Betty Brown** no later than June 30, 2009:

Phones:	321-504-7881 (H), 321-749-9949 (C)
Email:	<a href="mailto:lizbrown@cfl.rr.com">lizbrown@cfl.rr.com</a>
Snail mail:	855 Clifton's Cove Ct., Cocoa, FL 32926

**WEBSITE:** [www.floridaflyrodclub.com](http://www.floridaflyrodclub.com)

Quite often there is a limited amount of space for photos in the newsletter, so be sure to check the website for others.

## **YOU NEED TO KNOW:**

Although our primary photographer is **Dave Deithorn**, photos can be submitted to **Betty Brown** via email by anyone—especially if your photos are of fishing trips outside the tournaments. We'd really like to see what is available in all locations. Photos need to be taken close enough to make out the person being photographed, try to get close ups except for wide action photos, and be sure the light is behind you. Photos of fish are very desirable as well. Don't worry about photo size, redeye or other editing. Betty will take care of that when she receives it. We will use as many as possible, but space limitation will prevent using every photo submitted.

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**Lake Cypress**

**05-09-09**



**Sean Deithorn with Bass**



**Janson Davis**



**Guest Pete Ramsey**



**Bea Benham**



**Coleman Price**



**Frank Adams and Pete Ramsey**

## Florida Flyrod Club Total & Top Eight Weight Ladder

Updated 05/30/09

Grand Master	Bass	Panfish	Other	Total	Top 8	Big Fish
Stahley, Ed	11.6	35.2	0.0	46.8	46.8	Bass, 2.7 lbs.
Donoghue, Don	3.7	24.3	4.9	32.9	32.9	
Stahley, Lenny	2.3	20.8	5.4	28.5	28.5	
Deithorn, Dave	0.0	21.7	0.0	21.7	21.7	Speck, 22 oz.; Shellcracker, 13 oz.
Davis, Janson	0.0	19.7	0.0	19.7	19.7	
Taylor, Ron	3.7	10.5	0.0	14.2	14.2	
Carter, Glen	1.5	1.8	0.0	3.3	3.3	
Goforth, Bob						
Master Angler	Bass	Panfish	Other	Total	Top 8	Big Fish
Barker, Don	1.4	5.4	0.0	6.8	6.8	
Richards, Jim	0.0	5.1	0.0	5.1	5.1	
Wells, Henry	0.0	5.0	0.0	5.0	5.0	
Montminy, Alex	0.0	4.4	0.0	4.4	4.4	
Knuckles, Brent	0.0	3.6	0.0	3.6	3.6	
McCallister, Glenn	0.0	2.5	0.0	2.5	2.5	
Price, Coleman	0.0	0.7	0.0	0.7	0.7	
Chavers, Frank						
Hoskinson, Bill						
Houser, Steve						
Houser, Wes						
Newbern, Tom						
Sports Angler	Bass	Panfish	Other	Total	Top 8	Big Fish
Deithorn, Sean	2.9	24.5	0.0	27.4	27.4	
Benham, Dave	2.5	19.6	0.0	22.1	22.1	
Benham, Bea	2.5	14.3	0.0	16.8	16.8	Bream, 13.4 oz.
Deithorn, Erik	0.0	7.1	0.0	7.1	7.1	
Haskins, Lee	0.0	1.5	4.6	6.1	6.1	
Slawski, Teri	1.5	1.8	0.0	3.3	3.3	
Koller, Al	0.0	2.6	0.0	2.6	2.6	
Adams, Frank	0.0	1.4	0.0	1.4	1.4	
Heuerman, Bill	0.0	1.1	0.0	1.1	1.1	
Price, Matthew	0.0	1.1	0.0	1.1	1.1	
Brown, Betty						
Brown, Bill						
Canada, Gene						
Davis, Chris						
Duncklee, Ernest						
Ferrell, Ron						
Franklin, Casey						
Franklin, Don						
Franklin, Travis, Lt.						
Gersten, Cindy						
Gersten, Steve						
Hart, Herb						
Hart, Retha						
Heuerman, Sue						
Houston, Lang						
Knuckles, Helen						
Phillips, Hance						
Price, Virginia						
Sargent, Bill						
Saunders, Gene						
Smith, Herb						
Warren, Earl						

\*NOTE: The total weight exceeds the top 8 weight when the individual has fished more than 8 tournaments.