

IFC SHORTCAST

HAPPY NEW YEAR

Dear Members,

I hope everyone had a wonderful holiday season!!!

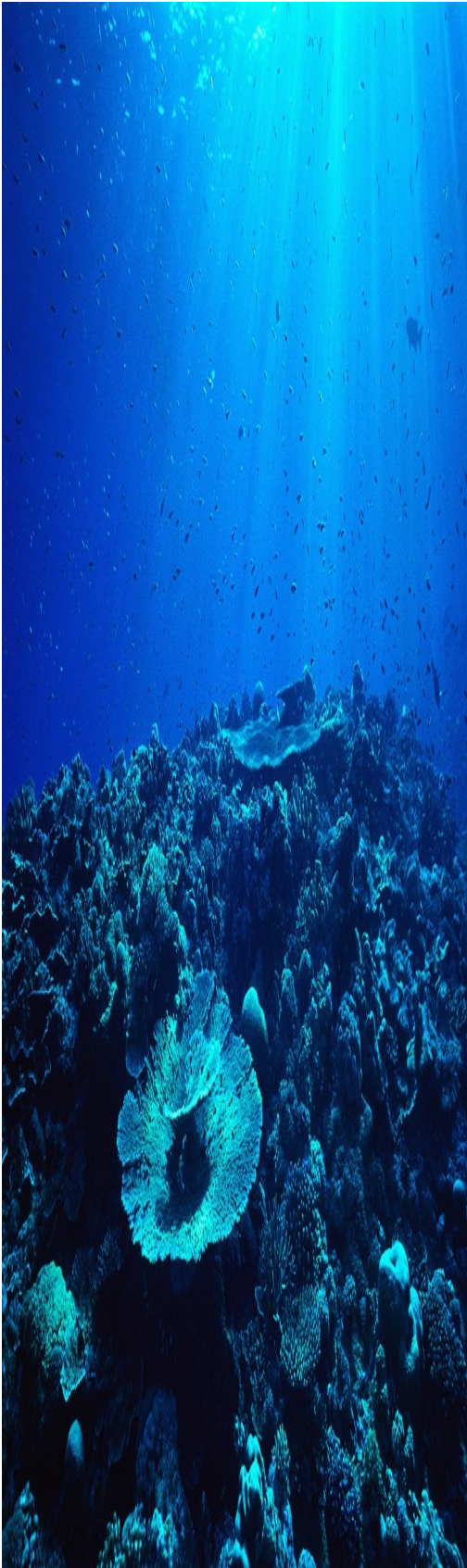
Now that season is here and with the Holidays behind us, we can all look forward to a **Healthy, Happy and Prosperous New Year.**

I would like to encourage all members to make your Dinner reservations **at least 24 to 48 hours in advance.** Please remember that we are limiting our capacity to keep all of us safe. We will gratefully accept last minute reservations with time and space availability being considered.

Please keep in mind bar seating is currently only allowed for those with dinner reservations

The Staff and I would like to take this opportunity to thank the many members for their generous contributions Towards our Christmas Bonus Pool. Your generosity is always much appreciated.

It has been our pleasure to have served you this past year.



January, 2021

IFC Covid-19 Protocols

Although the State has moved into Phase 3, Monroe County still requires a face covering in all business's upon entering, once you have been seated you may remove your mask. If you get up to use the restroom or converse with friends at another table, you must wear a mask.

Despite moving to phase 3, we will not be filling the club to capacity,

We will also try our best to keep all table reservations at a safe distance

We will not be restarting our Friday night happy Hour until further notice

We are currently only serving lunch Thursday, Friday & Saturday but we will reevaluate lunch as we move forward in the season. All these steps are in the best interest of all members and staff.

You are required to make a reservation to dine at the club.

Please make reservations, preferably 24 – 48 hours in advance

Same day and last-minute reservations will take all guidelines into consideration

Please arrive on time for your reservation and know that in some cases we may have to re-seat your table to allow other members access for dinner.

Bar seating will be available only for cocktails prior to moving to your table, so long as it does not exceed your reservation time.

We ask for all member's cooperation as it applies to reservations and face coverings. All these steps are in the best interest of all members and staff. We will continue to do this for all our protection & so that we may continue to serve you throughout these unprecedented times.

Sincerely,

Vinnie



CONTAGIOUS

Capt. Brian Cone

find more great photos at islamoradafishing.com
or call to book at trip (305)481-7689

Hello Fishermen!

I hope everyone is having a wonderful holiday season filled with health and happiness. In these times, some of the best things to do is get out and enjoy the outdoors. I'm blessed to be able to take people out on the water and show them the great fishing that we have in the Florida Keys. I feel that being on the water in the fresh ocean air is a great way to enjoy time during the pandemic. We had many trips get canceled due to the weather and COVID. But when we do get out, it has been great fishing.

The wintertime is considered the best time to target sailfish in the Florida Keys. This is mainly due to the abundance of ballyhoo showing up on the outer reef. The outer reef is the largest barrier reef in the Atlantic Ocean and is one of the main reasons the Keys are such a great fishing destination. With the colder water temperatures, the ballyhoo start to school along the outer reef. This attracts predator fish to feed on them. You can honestly catch anything from sailfish, dolphin, mackerel, grouper, snapper, tuna and even African pompano in ballyhoo showers. Here is a picture of Reef Bennett with his monster African pompano that he caught during the Islamorada Junior Sailfish Tournament. The pompano couldn't resist the live ballyhoo we pitched out on a 15lb spinning rod. We like to use 30lb leader and a 4/0 circle hook. This season has started out a little slower as far as sailfish fishing goes. Typically we get 5-10 shots at sails in a day. Hopefully we will get another push of sailfish this year. The next cold front may push in a new body of hungry sails and we will get back to our normal numbers of fish for this time of year.



Member Dues and Food & Beverage Minimums

Member Annual Dues & Minimum amounts are billed automatically according to membership categories:

Resident Dues — \$1100.00 Annually **plus \$1100.00 Food & Beverage Minimum**

Non Resident Dues — \$750.00 Annually **plus \$750.00 Food & Beverage Minimum**

Spouse Privilege Dues — \$550.00 Annually **plus \$550.00 Food & Beverage Minimum**

Guides Dues — \$250.00 Annually **plus \$250.00 Food & Beverage Minimum**

Intermediate {21-35} Dues—\$375.00 Annually **plus \$375.00 Food & Beverage Minimum**

Corporate/Equity— Resident Dues— \$1900 **No Food & Beverage Minimum**

Corporate/Non Resident Dues— \$1900 **No Food & Beverage Minimum**

If the Food & Beverage minimum is not met upon renewal of your annual dues, the minimum left will be automatically charged to your account. Please remember tax & service charges are not counted towards your minimums

Please be sure we have the most recent E-Mail, Home address, updated credit card information as well as a contact Telephone number on file at the club.

If you are not currently receiving E-mails from the club. It maybe that we need an update or that you need to check your "Spam Filter"

IFC
FISH OF THE MONTH



Congratulations

Rob Stober

December's Outstanding Catch Winner

40# Wahoo off Islamorada

*Rob was fishing on his 17th anniversary, a gift
from Claudia*

Nice Catch Rob

January 2021

					1	2 Prime Rib Night
3	4	5 Sail Fly Tournament K-Off Closed	6	7 Sail Fly Tournament Awards Closed	8	9 Prime Rib Night
10	11	12	13	14	15	16 Prime Rib Night
17	18	19 IFC Sailfish Tournament K-OFF Closed	20 IFC Sailfish Tournament K-OFF Closed	21	22	23 Prime Rib Night
24	25	26	27	28	29	30 Prime Rib Night
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