



## Fort Myers Beach Tarpon Hunters Club

# TARPON TALES

Club Member Newsletter

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**PRESIDENT'S CORNER**

## The Clinic is coming!

Our second meeting of the year will be Feb 1st and we will put the final touches on the clinic for this year, the fliers have been completed and I'll be asking for your help distributing them to the usual places. I have asked Captain Matt Mitchell to be a speaker. Matt brings a wealth of tarpon fishing knowledge to the table and successfully guided members Mary Laser and Gary Biltgen to last years Ding Darling championship title.

I have completed the schedule for this year knowing that we may have to make an adjustment for the kids tournament at Bonita Bills. Once the date is known, I'll adjust accordingly. Other than this one change, we should be good to go. I have attached the "Tentative" schedule to the email so everyone can take a look at it, let me know if I missed anything or need to make any changes.

Our Money Hunts will continue this year and we will have a winner. Remember that we still have a carryover pot from last year for only those who participated in all three of last years hunts. The first recorded fish caught by one of these participants will receive \$540.00. Good luck guys. This year I added a two day money hunt on March 25-26th. I have titled it the Cutbait Classic as it is the season to sling bloody masses of nasty fish chunks into the water. The fish have been filtering in earlier in the season and it is my hope that we can kick the season off to a great start.

The Clinic- We need speakers for the following Light Tackle, Conventional Tackle and Fly - The speaker should cover the tackle, rigs, bait they use and how they apply them. Carl Keutgen will cover the boundaries and Gary Danis will talk about the rules and what you can win during a hunt. We will also need people to get refreshments and sell raffle tickets. Speaking of which if you know of anyone who owns a business that you think would be willing to donate a gift certificate for the raffle, please ask them, you maybe surprised at how many business's are willing to donate something.

Membership Applications- Please send in your renewed application as soon as possible or bring it to our meeting. Also, encourage others you know who have a love for tarpon fishing to join us at our clinic.

I look forward to seeing you at our next meeting.

Kevin

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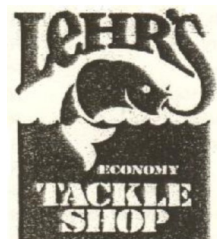
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# 2015 Tarpon Hunters Banquet



Interclub Trophy Winners



2026 Officers (missing Johnny Jay)



We had plenty of Raffle Prizes and some big winners!



**Be sure to visit our Sponsors and let them know we appreciate all they do for us!**  
A Special Thanks to **Bill Semmer** for his continued hospitality for letting us meet at Bonita Bill's.

**Yes this is the same back page as last month.**