



WHAT'S BITING

Upcoming

- 3/23 Shakedown/General Tourn. 1
- 4/13 TIMA Fishing Tournament / GT #2
- 5/10 Blue Water Capt. Meeting SYC
- 5/13-5/18 Blue Water Tournament

Board News and Update

Please check the website and Facebook often. Please note officer email addresses:

- president@ssfc.org
- treasurer@ssfc.org
- secretary@ssfc.org

We look forward to a great year, Please let any potential sponsors know of the handbook opportunity!

Check out our newly designed website, SSFC.ORG, for our events schedule, committee assignments, and committee chairs. Thanks to Chris Lain for all his hard work on this!

EXECUTIVE OFFICERS

President	Bruce Greene, Jr.
Vice President	Stephen Coomer.
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2024 John Beasley	2026 Sean Duggan
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2025 Drew Zeigler	

ODDS & ENDS

We are guests of the Savannah Yacht Club. As such, please be mindful of your overall appearance, behavior and language. Please remove all hats when indoors.

Shakedown Tournament is in the books!

Bluewater Tournament 5/13-5/18

Please send in photos/videos to include in next month's "What's Biting" to secretary@ssfc.org

We are looking for members to contribute articles or commentary they feel are important to the club. If you would like to be a contributing author to this publication, please contact secretary@ssfc.org, we are open to all contributions.

MEMBERSHIP

Membership stands at 194 and 5 Honorary Members.

We would like to welcome our newest 2024 members: Geno Sauers, Mikey McCullough, Brian Dooley, Gary McMurray, Brannon Leggot, Tad Dillon, John Christy, Drake Reinke, Fred Bergen Jr., Garrett Ross, Rhett Strickland, Trent Warren, Billy Lappin and Andrew Cree to the Savannah Sport Fishing Club!

Waiting List: Kyle Daigle, Mark Meehan, Steven Ricciardi, Richard "Riley" Hale, Watson Grapengeter, Cole Peters, Billy Campbell, Randy Tinley, Doug Bradley and Cole Radar.

First Reading: Josh Pevey

Second Reading: Doug Bradley and Cole Radar.

Please make any board member aware of any feedback regarding any of the potential members on the first reading list!

We have room for a few more on the waiting list, please submit and applications ASAP. Please email secretary@ssfc.org with any questions.

Fishing Report

Offshore Report: The weather finally gave some of us a chance to get offshore the last few weeks! The wahoo bite has been really heating up with several boats reporting fish over 100lbs. Once you find one, hammer the area hard to find the others! Meanwhile, the swordfish bite has been really slow. We are guessing that the bait has moved off for now. The Mahi are starting to show up and will be here thick before we know it!



Inshore Report: The inshore bite has really been firing up! We are now well in the transition to spring fishing! It's time to get out on the water and have some fun!

Notice to Members Regarding the Weather Rule:

Weather Rule - Found under Tournament Rules and Procedures (1.) (pg. 29 of 2022 SSFC Handbook

“A General Tournament will be automatically cancelled for Areas A, B, & C if at **1800 (6PM)** the evening before the fish day there is a “small craft advisory” forecast for “any time” the following tournament day out to 60 nautical miles from the Savannah River, GA to Altamaha Sound, GA. Area I will still fish”

Interpretation/definition of “tournament day”

“Tournament Day” is not the same as “Tournament Date.” “Tournament Day” does not include “PM night” but does include “AM night/morning” of the tournament date.

The offshore divisions of a tournament will not be cancelled if a small craft advisory is only included in the forecast for “Saturday Night” but is not included in any of the weather forecasts of any earlier segments of the tournament date .

A Big Thanks to our 2024 Major Sponsors!!!

New Sponsors for 2024 include:

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Peca Farms
Classic Craft

SAVANNAH SPORT FISHING CLUB

2024 SCHEDULE

Subject to Change

	Date	Event	Location
January	Thursday, January 11, 2024	Board Meeting	Savannah Country Club
February	Saturday, February 3, 2024 Thursday, February 8, 2024 Saturday, February 17, 2024	Artificial Fishing Tournament Board Meeting Oyster Roast	SYC SYC Bethesda
March	Thursday, March 14, 2024 Thursday, March 21, 2024 Saturday, March 23, 2024	Board Meeting Shakedown Capt. Meeting General Tournament #1 / Shakedown Tournament	SYC TBD SYC Bilge Club
April	Thursday, April 11, 2024 Saturday, April 13, 2024	Board Meeting General Tournament # 2	SYC SYC
May	Sat. May 4, 2024 Thursday, May 9, 2024 Friday, May 10, 2024 May 13-18, 2024	General Tournament # 3 Board Meeting Bluewater Captain's Meeting Bluewater Tournament Fish Days	SYC SYC TBD SYC Bilge Club SYC Sail Loft - 5/27/23
June	Thursday, June 6, 2024 Saturday, June 8, 2024 Thursday, June 13, 2024 Saturday, June 29, 2024	Powderpuff Captain's Meeting Powderpuff Fish Day Board Meeting General Tournament # 4 / Powderpuff Backup	TBD SYC Bilge Club TBD SYC Bilge Club
July	Thursday, July 11, 2024 Saturday, July 13, 2024 Saturday, July 20, 2024	Board Meeting Young Angler Tournament Young Anger Awards Party	SYC SYC Playground Savannah Country Club
August	Wednesday, August 7, 2024 Thursday, August 8, 2024 Saturday, August 10, 2024 Saturday, August 17, 2024	Board Meeting Greenwater Captain's Meeting Greenwater GT # 5	SYC SYC Pool SYC Bilge Club SYC Bilge Club
September	Saturday, September 7, 2024 Thursday, September 12, 2024 Saturday, September 28, 2024	General Tournament # 6 Board Meeting General Tournament # 7	SYC Bilge Club SYC SYC Bilge Club
October	Thursday, October 10, 2024 Saturday, October 12, 2024	Board Meeting General Tournament # 8	SYC SYC Bilge Club
November	Thursday, November 7, 2024 Saturday, November 9, 2024 Sunday, November 10, 2024 Thursday, November 14, 2024	Inshore Tournament Captain Meeting Inshore Tournament Inshore Fish Fry & Awards Board Meeting	TBD SYC Bilge Club SYC TBD
December	Saturday, December 7, 2024	Annual Banquet	SYC