



"Live every day as if it is a festival. Turn your life into a celebration." ~ Shri Radhe Maa

Fish Tales

Fiddler Crab Festival a Smash Hit!

Another Fiddler Crab Festival is in the books and, wow, the Steinhatchee Chamber and all its volunteers hit it out of the park this year!!!! A parade, 2 nights of fireworks, live entertainment, a plethora of vendors, delicious food, a fishing tournament, a poker run, and river tours! I'm certain there were other activities I inadvertently left out but this had to be a record weekend! Also, let's be sure to thank the Taylor County Sherriff Office for their hospitality and helping keep everyone safe and informed.



On Saturday I had the opportunity along with Captain Mike Baker and Captain Rick Julius to take visitors on river tours out of the River Inn and Marina. A great time was had by all, and we were blessed to see some wildlife along the river. About a 7-foot gator was seen as well as a bald eagle in addition to pelicans, ducks, water turkeys (comments), ospreys, and a couple of otters. Also, because of the extremely low tide Saturday morning guests were treated to some interesting rock formations that are usually hidden under the water. The River always has something to offer, we just have to slow down and observe.

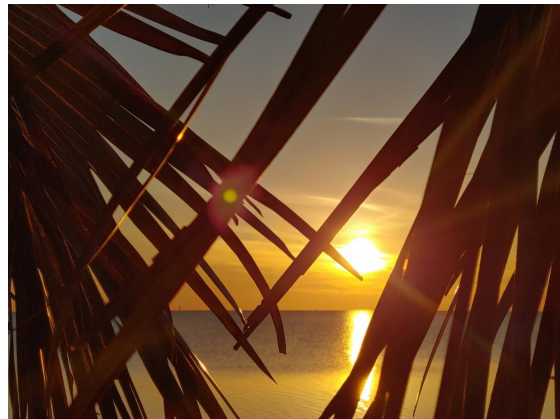


Fishing has been good when you can catch the weather and tides at the right times. Trout, and reds are cooperating when you can get to them and fish. Live shrimp and soft plastics have been the baits of choice. A reminder to keep an eye on the tides as we get some extreme lows

this time of year. Best bet is to hire a guide to put you on the bite as this time of year can be fantastic.

So come on by the River Inn and Marina and stock up on all your fishing supplies, a breakfast sandwich, lunch and beverages and head out for a day on the water! Remember, you don't know if you don't go. Tight lines and safe boating!

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Michael Farmer, Stacy Burke, Doug Baxter Fishing with Captain Don Campbell.



Sam, Ron, and Bob fishing with Captain Steve Kroll



Captain Tony Mathis goaded Captain Buddy Moorman into leaving the coffee behind and going fishing on a cloudy, windy morning.



Captain Buddy Moorman was glad that Captain Tony Mathis goaded him into fishing on a less than weather perfect morning.



Captain Mike Baker and the Fowlers going out early, headed out on their fishing package.



Captain Tony Mathis and Mike Lee on a 3 hour scouting trip



Mike Lee showing off his stripes, with Captain Tony Mathis



Frank, John and Chris from PA, fishing with Captain Tony Mathis brought in 36 lbs of creek fish despite gale force winds.



Luke caught this beauty with dead shrimp, off the docks at the Marina.



Maria and Farooqu braved the weather for a nibble, chartering with Captain Laura Currier



Matt with his stud!



Natalie caught this handsome Redfish!



Mike Lee showing off his stripes, caught fishing with Captain Tony Mathis.

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Mike Heath with Captain Buddy Moorman had a great day fishing.



Randy Cole and Captain Tony Mathis on a fun creek day. The board shows 8. 4 oversized released.



Captain Tony Mathis with his old UPS buddy, Buck, from Jacksonville Beach, on a guys get-away day Creek limit



Debra and Michael enjoyed the River Tour



Captain Laura Currier had a different kind of charter - the **OWGrv** photographers went in search of nature - and found it



Sometimes, you just gotta put your foot down! Photo from the **OWGrv** on a photo charter with Captain Laura Currier.



Captain Laura Currier with the OWGrv photographers, in search of nature photos. The guys did a very nice write up about their adventures in Steinhatchee. Be sure to check out "the rest of the story" on their web page:

<https://www.owgrv.site/?p=1134>

Stay & Play Package

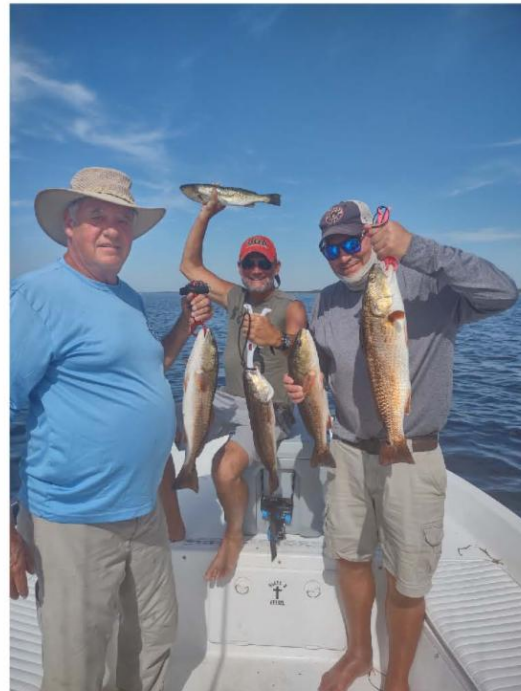
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Valentine's morning - taken by Leslie from our docks.

Fiddler Crab Festival Fun!

One last shout out to our Captains for conducting river tours during the Festival! Thank you to:

Lead Captain: Captain Mike Baker with [Captain Mike Baker Charters](#)

Captain Rick Julius with [Captain J's Charters](#)

Captain Alan Mattox with [Florida Flats and Bay Charters](#)



The "Mimosa girls" kept the party going out front! Meanwhile, out back, the Dockside Bar & Grille was hoping every night with yummy appetizers and quenching libations!



Humor Keeps us Going!

I threw my back out
sleeping and tweaked
my neck sneezing.



I'm just
one fart
away from
total
paralysis.

**I READ THAT, BY LAW,
YOU HAVE TO TURN ON
YOUR HEADLIGHTS WHEN
IT'S RAINING IN SWEDEN**

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Captain Buddy Moorman

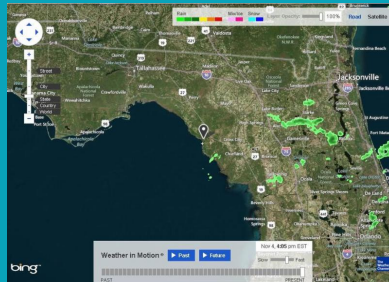
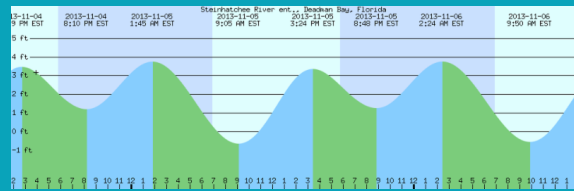
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