



General Meeting: Tuesday, March 14th

Where: Front Street Civic Center, 2205 Front St, Melbourne, FL 32901

Time: Social Time: 6:30 pm and Meeting Starts at 7:00 pm

Guest Speaker: Bouncer Smith - At Bouncer's request, the club will be servicing Grilled Hotdogs and all the fixings to go along with it for a small donation.



Captain Bouncer Smith, now retired, spent more than fifty years as a fishing guide on the east coast of Florida including the Florida Keys and the Bahamas Islands aboard his charter boat Bouncer's Dusky 33. He is widely considered one of the world's most accomplished fishermen. His years of experience on the water have resulted in some of the most remarkable adventures imaginable! Captain Bouncer's guests have over 70 world records and has accepted major awards from the IGFA, The Billfish Foundation, and more! Recently, Bouncer began concentrating on something that had been eluding him, the opportunity to fish on other locations for other species never before encountered by him and in a new role – as the angler. He has traveled to the Carolina Banks and Murrells inlet, Lake Lanier, far offshore in the Florida Keys, the Everglades, and many other destinations. He has caught striped bass in Georgia's Lake Lanier, and blue fin tuna 100 miles off the North Carolina coast. He had never caught, or seen caught a barrel fish, so the famous Captain Nick Stanczyk took him thirty miles offshore of Islamorada in the Florida Keys and they filled up the fish box. On various occasions Captain Bouncer met up with his old fishing cronies and they fished, told stories, and chowed down on unimaginable seafood delights.

The Florida Sport Fishing Association is honored to have a legend speak at our March 14th meeting at the Front Street Civic Center. Bouncer is going to talk about his recent adventures, different innovations that have improved our catches over the years and hopefully answer some questions from the audience.