



The LGPOA's 4th Annual Labor Day Weekend Fishing Tournament was held Sept. 1-2, 2012 and after the dust settled from the 93 Anglers on 32 different boats there were a great many happy faces and pleasantly tired contestants. Leading up to the tournament, the Kid's Fishing clinic provided a great opportunity for new and young anglers to learn about Knot Tying, Ethical Angling, Tackle Station, Fish Identification and Habitat, and Casting Station. This is a program structured and supported by the Florida Fish & Wildlife Commission's Outreach and Education section. Once the 25 Jr. Anglers completed all of the stations, they were awarded with a free rod and reel and a Certificate of Completion from the clinic. All of the rods were donated from the FWC. Making this possible were Linda Soderquist, Robert Hill, Jonathan Hill, Michael Hill, Beason Huffman, Susan Harrison, and Carole Songey.

Following the Tournament the pot luck BBQ/ Fish Fry was attended by over 200 people who were serenaded by the island tunes of Kenny Rose. Kenny had never been to the island and fell in love with it. He said multiple times that he had no idea such a great place existed, and that all of the people were so friendly. The Tournament Committee, consisting of Linda Soderquist, Rob Hill, David Haynes, Capt. Dennis Doome, Bill Sanderson and Capt. Kevin Whispell all put in a ton of time to make sure the tournament and all of the events over the weekend went smoothly and without a hitch. Linda also collaborated with Rex Godber to design and create our best shirts yet and received a great many compliments for their work, as well. Linda created the artwork for the shirt and also offered her artist's original as one of the top door prizes for the party!

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