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2024 Gulf Breeze Optimist Rodeo Prizes

Grand Prize

First place winners in each category in the Open Division will be eligible for the drawing of \$1000 cash prize. First place winners in each fish category in the Junior Division will be eligible for the drawing of \$500 cash prize.

OPEN DIVISION

First Place

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OTHER AWARDS

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All fish donated but not consumed at the weigh-in fish fry will be donated to the Wildlife Sanctuary of Northwest Florida.

2024 GENERAL RODEO RULES, REGULATIONS & INFORMATION

Important Warning to all Tournament Participants: Targeted Species are set before final State and Federal Regulations are fully known. Fishing Regulations from both State and Federal Agencies are subject to changes without warning. It is the personal responsibility of each angler to know the current regulations and to always abide by them. Only legal fish will be allowed to enter the Rodeo.

Rodeo Hours and Dates: 5 a.m. Saturday, May 18th until 5 p.m. Sunday, May 19th.

Registration: All contestants, regardless of age, must have an registered ticket in order to win prizes. Tickets can be purchased online through FishingChaos.com or a paper ticket at Gulf Breeze Bait and Tackle. To purchase and register at Fishing Chaos scan the QR code on the front of this booklet or go to www.gulfbreezeoptimistclub.org. Paper tickets will be entered into the Fishing Chaos database by tournament personnel. Registration and score keeping are being man-aged by Fishing Chaos, Inc. Everyone must have a separate ticket and must be registered separately. Sales and registration for both Divisions end at 8 a.m. on Saturday, May 18th. Open Division tickets are \$25 and may be purchased by any person of any age. Only ticket holders registered in the Open Division are eligible for Open Division prizes and the \$1000 Grand Prize Drawing. Junior Division tickets are free but are restricted to children age 14 and under. Members of this division will compete for Junior Division prizes and a \$500 Junior Grand Prize drawing. Anglers may enter only one Division and once the tickets are purchased for a specific division, anglers **MAY NOT** change division.

Weigh Station: Shoreline Park South in Gulf Breeze. Scales will be open from 2:00 p.m. until 5:00 p.m. on both Saturday and Sunday. All contestants will go to the Check In table to confirm that they are registered. (Please ensure you are registered in Fishing Chaos before 8am, Saturday, May 18, 2024) Each angler will receive a weight ticket for each fish to be weighed and then proceed to the scales. The weigh master will confirm species, weigh the fish, and list the time weighed in on the weigh ticket. The angler will present the completed weight tickets to the data entry person for official submission. At the close of weigh-in on each day, only those registered anglers who are in line at that time will be allowed to weigh their catch.

Inspection and Certification: Official Weigh Master and/or Official Biologist will certify all fish. Rodeo officials reserve the right to eviscerate any fish that entered. Any fish appearing to have been frozen, drawn, or chemically treated will be ineligible for entry.

Standings and Prize Winners: All fish must be taken with Hook & Line. The top three fish in each listed Species Category in the Open and Junior Divisions will be awarded 1st, 2nd, and 3rd prizes. Standing of the top five entered fish will be continuously available by Division, species and weight/ spots and displayed on the large TV screen in the Gazebo and on the Fishing Chaos website. (Their app is freely available.) *Final results will not be available until approximately 30 minutes after the scales close on Sunday.* In keeping with the Gulf Breeze Optimist Club Family Rodeo tradition, anglers will be eligible for only one species prize. In the case of a person placing in more than one species, the prize awarded will go to the highest monetary value. In case of further ties, the logic is to pay the largest fish first and if still tied, then the fish that was weighed first. Prizes in the Open Division are valued at \$100, \$50, and \$25. Prizes in the Junior Division are valued at \$50, \$30, and \$20. First place winners in the Open Division will be entered in the drawing for the \$1000 Open Grand Prize. First place winners of the Junior Division will be eligible for the \$500 Junior Grand Prize drawing.

Awards Presentation: As soon as results are finalized (around 5:30 p.m. Sunday), awards will be presented. Those not claimed immediately will be held for pick up at Gulf Breeze Bait & Tackle for 10 days. Prizes not claimed within 10 days become the property of the Gulf Breeze Optimist Club.

Other Issues: Unsportsmanlike conduct will be cause for disqualification of the angler from this event without refund. All anglers must abide by these rules and all appropriate State of Florida and Federal regulations pertaining to Fishing and Boating, Rules of the Road, etc. Failure to comply will result in disqualification and forfeiture of all fees and prizes. Decisions made by the Event Director will be final.

Other Awards: Kids' Pin Fish Rod & Reel Awards are restricted to anglers 5 years and under who catch a pin fish and are accompanied by a registered adult.

In the event of severe weather, the rodeo may be rescheduled, shortened to 1 (one) day, or canceled. Notification will be made by email and assume that each participant has given an email address when obtaining their ticket. The Rodeo Chairman and Rodeo Committee will make the decision on any of the above. One fishing day constitutes a complete tournament.

2023 Gulf Breeze Optimist Rodeo

THE 48TH ANNUAL RODEO
MAY 20-21, 2023





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Gulf Breeze Optimist 48th Family Fishing Rodeo

Final Official Rankings can be found at:

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Just scroll down and you will see the rankings
Here are the winners of the PinFish fishing rod.



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Dec. 2023

Thank you for supporting the G.B. Optimist Club. A lot was accomplished with the funds you helped us raise this past year. Here are some of the highlights:

- We raised a total of \$92,922 from our three events (the Fishing Rodeo, Golf Tournament, Christmas Tree sales) and other donations.
- We contributed a total of \$86,215 back to the community to support 41 local academic & sport organizations, and charities in Santa Rosa and Escambia Counties that support youth and school programs. Which includes:
 - ◆ \$37,000 in college scholarships; \$17,400 from our fund raisers and \$20,000 donated by a local, city owned business.
 - ◆ \$38,715 to community programs such as Toys for Tots, P.A.C.E Center for Girls, Santa Rosa Kids house, Take Stock in Children, Gulf Breeze Sports Assoc., Tiger Point Rec. Assoc., Project Graduation, Caring & Sharing, Interfaith Ministries, and:
 - Lunch for the teachers and staff of our six local schools at the beginning of the school year and for teacher of the year gifts.
 - Conducted Oratorical Contests that allowed participants to earn scholarships.
 - ◆ \$1,000 to each of our 6 Santa Rosa County schools' principal fund, to be used at his or her total discretion for emergency funding of under resourced children.
 - ◆ \$13,800 to our local school sports, robotics, multimedia academy, health academy and band programs.

In 2023, we were able to positively affect the lives of hundreds of young people in Santa Rosa and Escambia counties. In 2024, we will do more.

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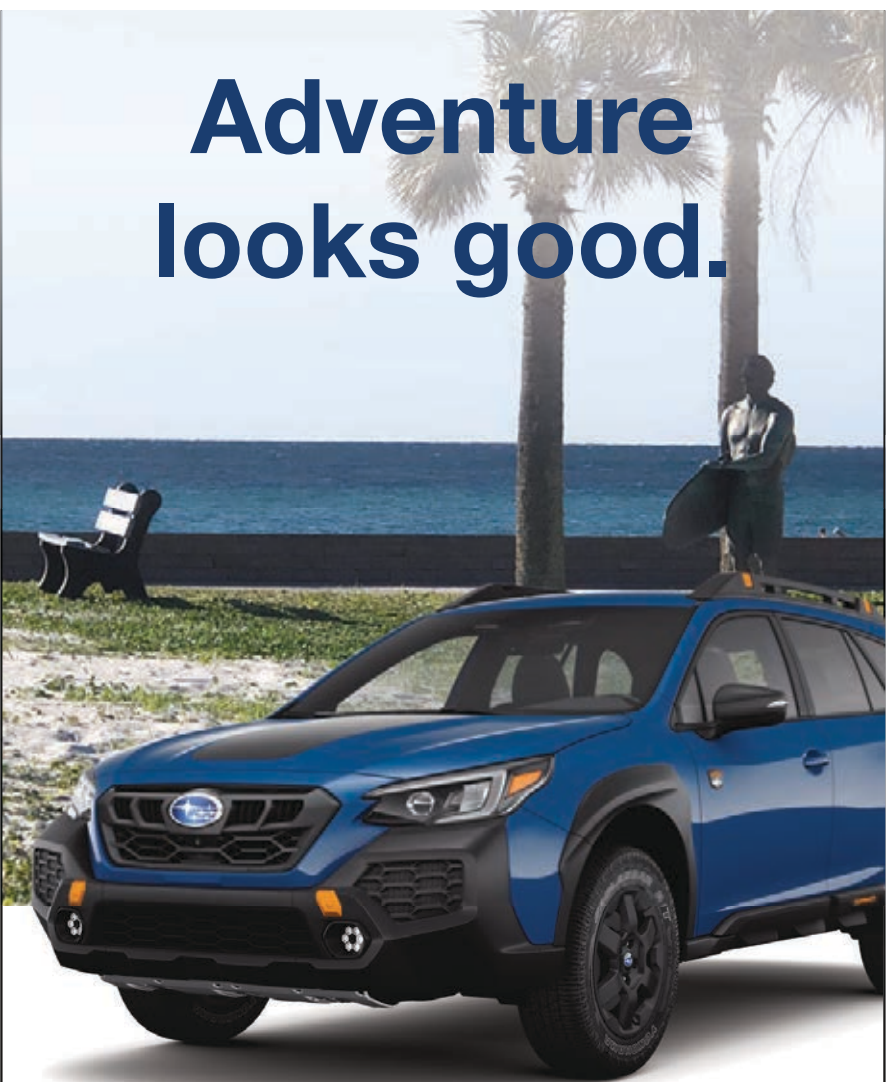
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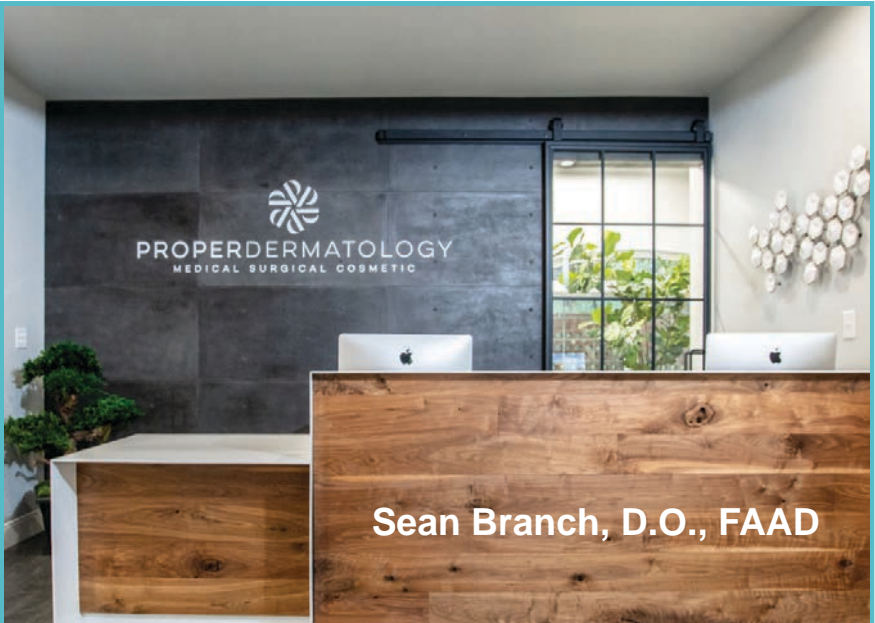
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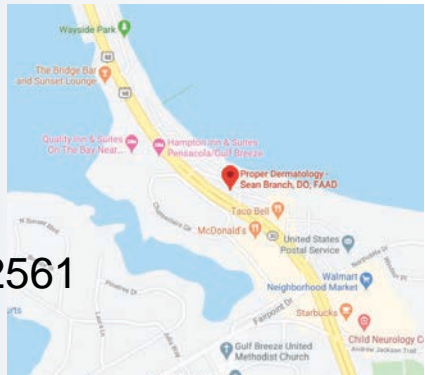


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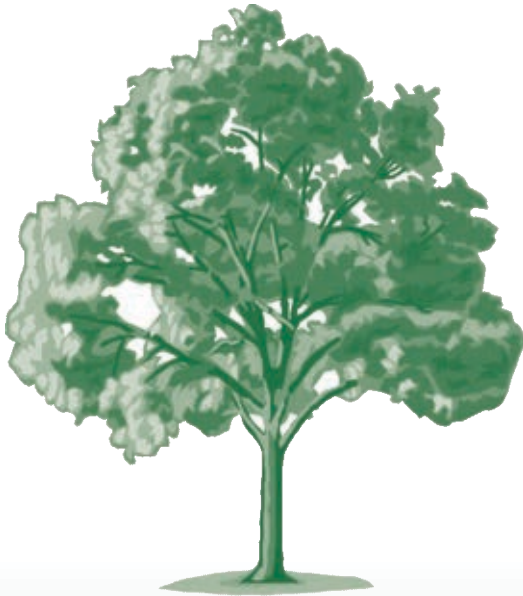
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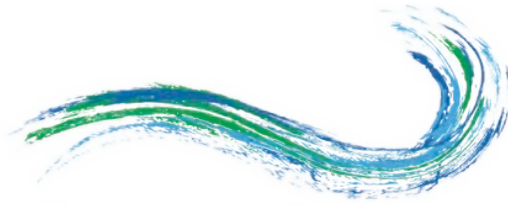


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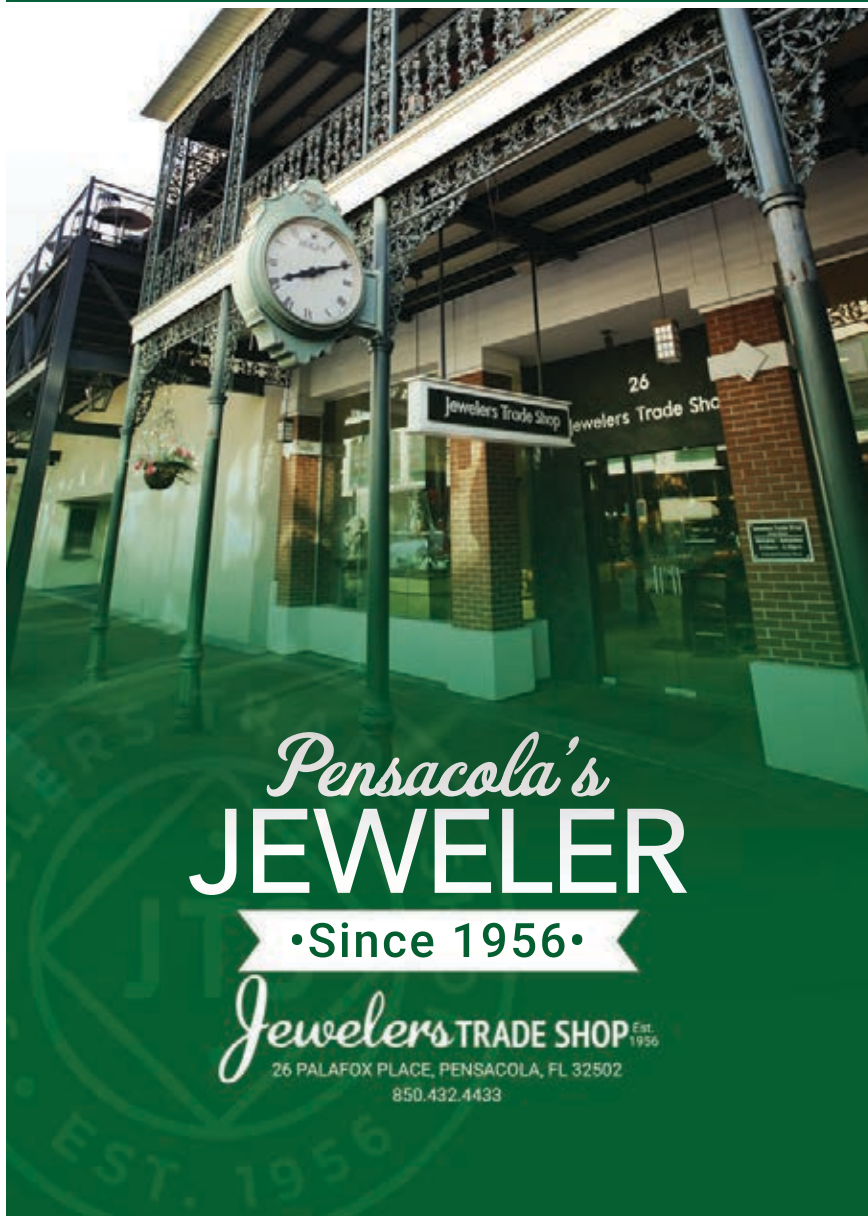
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- To be so strong that nothing can disturb your peace of mind.
- To talk health, happiness, and prosperity to every person you meet.
- To make all your friends feel that there is something in them.
- To look at the sunny side of everything and make your optimism come true.
- To think only the best, to work only for the best, and to expect only the best.
- To be just as enthusiastic about the success of others as you are about your own.
- To forget the mistakes of the past and press on to the greater achievements of the future.
- To wear a cheerful countenance at all times and give every living creature you meet a smile.
- To give so much time to the improvement of yourself that you have no time to criticize others.
- To be too large for worry, too noble for anger, too strong for fear and too happy to permit the presence of trouble.

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