



THE FISHIN' INSIDER

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Congrats to Bob and Jake, ya'll got your slate of aldermen elected, hope they prove to be good ones cuz they're replacing a couple of damn goood ones. By the way, don't ya'll think your lettin' Port Misrebelle off the hook a l'il easy? They picked the fight that so far has cost the town a hundred plus grand. I 'spect they have a no-tell motel tax just like the Sandspit, the dinero of which can only be spent promoting their dusty l'il village. Maybe ya'll oughta cut a deal with'um to kick in a quarter of that largess to co-promote the "region" for the next ten years.

Had a chance to chat with Javier the Parks Czar of Shrimp County over the boat ramp issue that plagues the "region". The Children's Beach project is on the bureaucratic tracks since they now have the grant in the bank. The delay was due to the commissioners' desire not to spend any dinero they couldn't recoup from the grant. The usual suspects have kicked in their two cents that'll cost a bundle. Nature Conservancy, U S Fish and Game, Corps of Engineers et. al. are doing the sea grass thing, piping plover thing and whatever else they can dream up. Matter of fact they've suggested that instead of using the area already scarred by the barge used by the second car ferry when the

bridge was out, to another location closer to the Scouts Camp since the old landing has half way healed. Go figure.

The new boat ramp should be completed before the end of the year and Javier suggests that anyone that plans to use it more than a couple of times a year buy an annual park pass plus parking pass. Total cost will run about fifty bucks and they're good for all Shrimp County tollbooths. Ya can buy'um at the Isla Blanca Park office.

Sure was nice to see Captain Bryan Ray slidin' Master Plan into her slip the other day. There for a while I thought that nobody did any big game fishing anymore. The charter released a blue, caught a bunch of wahooo and bottom fished a bunch of snapper. Which by the way, the South Texas Big Game Fishing Club will hold a soirée at Louie's Locals Bar to kick off the



The birthday boy Billy Corbin with a 27-1/2 inch trout caught walkin' the dog on Mexiquito Flats with Gilberto Vela, the fish was released. The following pub crawl was aided greatly by a limo.

2005 season this evening, if it's Friday the 13th when you read this trash. The first tournament will be fished on Saturday with the weigh-in from 6-7:30 over by Dirty Al's Alamo re-creation (hint, I think the Mexicans win again).