



THE FISHERMAN'S INSIDER

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My, what an LKT. Ran across Capt. Todd and his better half at the weigh dock. Their day started off with a blown lower unit so they had to borrow a neighbor's boat. They get to the Cap's secret flounder hole, get set up perfectly for a drift, and the Cap trips over something and falls overboard. Needless to say, the flounder boogied. They caught some fish, a lot of rays and mucho libations. Better luck next year, guys.

If the pic made the rag, that's Todd's Toddy's or Hotty's-can't remember which, so I'll go with both. Ya got Margie the Bartender, Robin the Nurse, Patty Burger and J J Gordon. They collected a boatload of trophies and the 3rd place over-all jackpot, so they pushed on expenses. And congrats to Murphy's T-Bird; they won the offshore with Ingrid Steinback named Grand Champ.

The South Texas Big Game Fishing Club will hold



a one-day marlin hunt this Saturday, with the weigh-in over by Dirty Al's from 6-7:30 p.m. and Keyes will be at Louie's Locals Bar from 6:30-7:30 p.m. with T-Shirts and other stuff. Should be a fun party.

Speakin' of the Alphabet Soup Gang, an ol' legend has been resurrected. Capt. Megawatt McWhorter's ol' Dawn Patrol has been refitted and buffed to a high

shine and now the sign board reads "Stormin' Norman" and a- stormin' they've been. Three blues released in the Mansfield tournament and two blue marlin released durin' TIFT put them well out in front of the pack. Good luck, tight lines and screamin' drags.

SOME TIFT RESULTS

Top four in the boat category: Stormin' Norman, Producer, Maasai, All in.

Top four in the angler category: Shawn Swanberg, Tina Buford, Charles Bunk, Yolanda Butzer.

Top four in the big fish category: Stormin' Norman, Producer, Maasai, All in.

Top two in junior category: Kyle Pattinson, Estee Combs.

We welcome your fishin' photos. Drop them by 2600 Padre Boulevard on the Island, or mail them to I.B. Hooked, c/o Coastal Current Weekly, P.O.Box 2429, South Padre Island, Texas 78597. Be sure to include the name of the angler, weight and type of fish, where caught, and name of boat if applicable. Photos with SASE will be returned.