



GRAY FISHTAG RESEARCH

Bridging the gap between Professional Fishermen and Science

2024 IN REVIEW



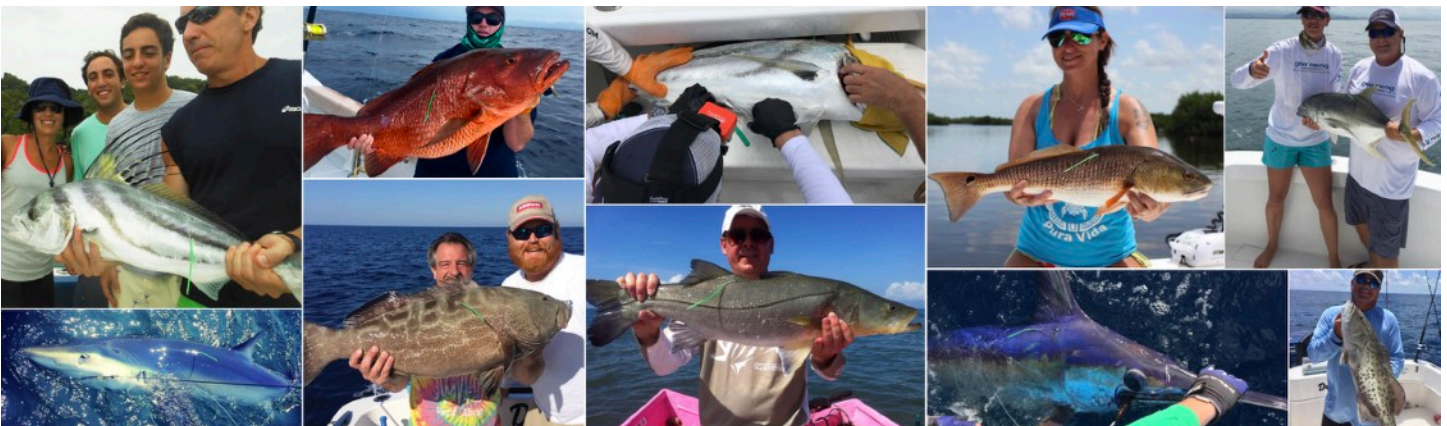


The Mission of Gray FishTag Research

Our continued mission is to support the charter sportfishing industry and overall fishing community while producing valuable data to marine science research. Gray FishTag Research is bridging the gap between professional charter fishermen and the science community, in an effort to sustain our fisheries for our future generations.

The program is collecting information in real-time directly from anglers in every part of the world.

The research and studies are shared to the public at no cost. Results are providing biologists and managers with valuable information on migration patterns, fish stocks, growth rates, habitat depths and much more. GFR's continued pledge is to offer all tags, applicators, data cards, hands-on training and support to the professional fishermen for free as the path to accurate data and the success of the program.



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2024 Expeditions/ Events/ Studies

- Great White Shark Satellite Tagging – Georgia
- Marina Pez Vela – Roosterfish Rodeo Catch & Release Tournament – Costa Rica
- Pescadora Billfish Championship – Costa Rica
- Marina Pez Vela – Roosterfish Satellite Tagging – Costa Rica
- StriperQuest – Striped Bass Satellite Tagging and Tournament – New Jersey
- Fish & Wildlife Foundation of Florida – Amberjack Study – South Florida
- Full of Bull Redfish Catch and Release Tournament – North Florida
- Striped Bass Satellite Tagging – New York
- Striped Bass Satellite Tagging – New Jersey
- Western Outdoor News / Los Cabo Tuna Jackpot – Mexico



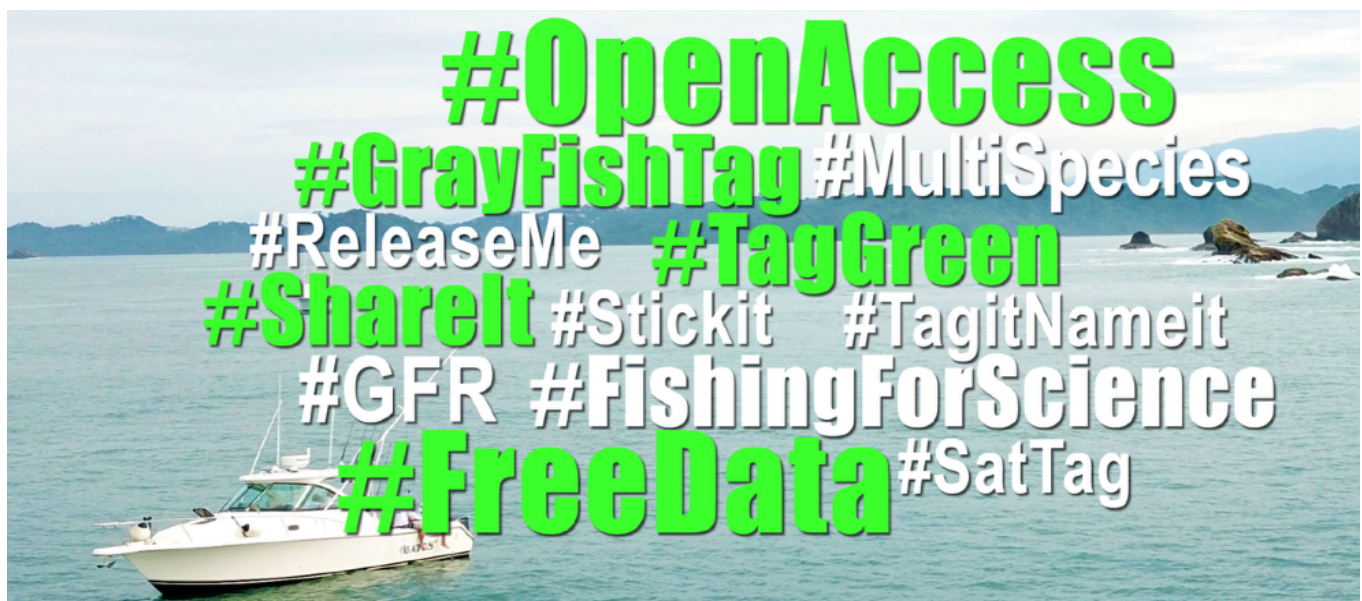
Tagged Species Data (Jan 1, 2024 - Dec 31, 2024)

Species	Tagged 2024	Recovered 2024	Tagged 2023	Recovered 2023
Amberjack, greater (<i>Seriola dumerili</i>)	52	3	46	2
Barracuda, great (<i>Sphyraena barracuda</i>)	61	1	101	2
Bass, largemouth (<i>Micropterus salmoides</i>)	4		5	
Bass, peacock (<i>Cichla ocellaris</i>)	10	2	1	
Bass, striped (<i>Morone saxatilis</i>)	2293	91	2110	88
Bluefish (<i>Pomatomus saltatrix</i>)	9		19	3
Blue runner (<i>Caranx crysos</i>)			1	
Bonefish (<i>Albula vulpes</i>)	8		8	
Bonito, Atlantic (<i>Sarda sarda</i>)	11		8	
Bream, yellowfin , (<i>Acanthopagrus australis</i>)				
Cabezón , (<i>Scorpaenichthys marmoratus</i>)				
Clownknife , (<i>Chitala ornata</i>)				
Cobia (<i>Rachycentron canadum</i>)	85	8	61	3
Dolphinfish, Common (<i>Coryphaena hippurus</i>)	37	1	47	1
Drum, black (<i>Pogonias cromis</i>)			8	
Drum, red (<i>Sciaenops ocellatus</i>)	125	12	152	14
Catfish, blue (<i>Ictalurus furcatus</i>)			1	2
Catfish, Gafftopsail (<i>Bagre marinus</i>)				
Flathead catfish (<i>Pylodictis olivaris</i>)				
Flounder, summer (<i>Paralichthys dentatus</i>)	42		11	1
Grouper, black (<i>Mycteroperca bonaci</i>)	3		9	
Grouper, broadtail (<i>Mycteroperca xenarcha</i>)	1		1	
Grouper, gag (<i>Mycteroperca microlepis</i>)	18	2	28	2
Grouper, goliath (<i>Epinephelus itajara</i>)	3		6	
Grouper, red (<i>Epinephelus morio</i>)	3	2	10	2
Grouper, scamp (<i>Mycteroperca phenax</i>)			1	
Halibut, atlantic (<i>Hippoglossus hippoglossus</i>)		1	2	
Hind, rock (<i>Epinephelus adscensionis</i>)				

Species	Tagged 2024	Recovered 2024	Tagged 2023	Recovered 2023
Hogfish (<i>Lachnolaimus maximus</i>)				
Jack, almaco (<i>Seriola rivoliana</i>)	5		5	
Jack, crevalle (<i>Caranx hippos</i>)	6		3	
Jack, yellow (<i>Caranx bartholomaei</i>)				
Longfin yellowtail (<i>Seriola rivoliana</i>)				
Mackerel, king (<i>Scomberomorus cavalla</i>)				
Mackerel, spanish (<i>Scomberomorus maculatus</i>)				
Margate, black (<i>Anisotremus surinamensis</i>)			1	
Marlin, black (<i>Istiompax indica</i>)			3	
Marlin, blue (<i>Makaira nigricans</i>)	76	12	70	
Marlin, striped (<i>Kajikia audax</i>)	88	1	285	2
Marlin, white (<i>Kajikia albidus</i>)	18		18	
Needlefish, pacific agujon(<i>Tylosurus pacificus</i>)				
Permit (<i>Trachinotus falcatus</i>)	6		6	
Pompano, african (<i>Alectis ciliaris</i>)	1		1	
Ray, bullnose (<i>Myliobatis freminvillii</i>)				
Roosterfish (<i>Nematistius pectoralis</i>)	120	1	181	6
Runner, blue (<i>Caranx crysos</i>)			1	
Sailfish, atlantic (<i>Istiophorus albicans</i>)	113	5	220	9
Sailfish, pacific (<i>Istiophorus Platypterus</i>)	526		387	1
Sawfish, small tooth (<i>Pristis pectinata</i>)				
Sea Bass, black (<i>Centropristis striata</i>)			1	1
Sea Robin, northern (<i>Prionotus carolinus</i>)				
Seatrout, spotted (<i>Cynoscion nebulosus</i>)	7		11	
Shark, atlantic sharpnose (<i>Rhizoprionodon terraenovae</i>)	49		16	
Shark, blacknose (<i>Carcharhinus acronotus</i>)	11		15	1
Shark, blacktip (<i>Carcharhinus limbatus</i>)	12	4	10	1
Shark, blue (<i>Prionace glauca</i>)	1			
Shark, bonnethead (<i>Sphyrna tiburo</i>)	2		5	

Species	Tagged 2024	Recovered 2024	Tagged 2023	Recovered 2023
Shark, bull (Carcharhinus leucas)	39	2	27	
Shark, caribbean reef (Carcharhinus perezi)	2		7	
Shark, dusky (Carcharhinus obscurus)	19		41	1
Shark, finetooth (Carcharhinus isodon)	9	1		
Shark, great white (Carcharodon carcharias)			3	
Shark, hammerhead great (Sphyrna mokarran)	15		26	
Shark, hammerhead scalloped (Sphyrna lewini)	14		4	
Shark, hammerhead smalleye (Sphyrna tudes)	9			
Shark, hammerhead smooth (Sphyrna zygaena)	2			
Shark, lemon (Negaprion brevirostris)	11	2	9	
Shark, mako shortfin (Isurus oxyrinchus)	2	1	8	1
Shark, night (Carcharhinus signatus)				
Shark, nurse (Ginglymostoma cirratum)	14	1	21	3
Shark, sandbar (Carcharhinus plumbeus)	56	4	17	3
Shark, silky (Carcharhinus falciformis)	8		6	
Shark, spinner (Carcharhinus brevipinna)	3		3	
Shark, thresher bigeye (Alopias superciliosus)	0		1	
Shark, tiger (Galeocerdo cuvier)	7		2	
Sheepshead (Archosargus probatocephalus)	49	7	51	3
Snapper, cubera (Lutjanus cyanopterus)	4		2	
Snapper grey (Lutjanus griseus)			5	
Snapper, mutton (Lutjanus analis)	2		10	
Snapper, pacific cubera (Lutjanus novemfasciatus)	1		3	
Snapper, red (Lutjanus campechanus)	4		10	4
Snapper, rock (Hoplopagrus guentherii)			1	
Snapper, white (Macolor niger)				
Snapper, yellowtail (Ocyurus chrysurus)			4	
Snook, atlantic (Centropomus undecimalis)	21	1	36	1
Snook, pacific black (Centropomus nigrescens)	5		4	

Species	Tagged 2024	Recovered 2024	Tagged 2023	Recovered 2023
Spearfish, roundscale (<i>Tetrapturus georgii</i>)	2			
Spearfish, shortbill (<i>Tetrapturus angustirostris</i>)	5			
Swordfish (<i>Xiphias gladius</i>)	2		4	
Tarpon (<i>Megalops atlanticus</i>)	3		5	
Tautog (<i>Tautoga onitis</i>)			82	2
Trivially, giant (<i>Caranx sexfasciatus</i>)			1	
Triggerfish, queen (<i>Balistes vetula</i>)	2		2	
Trippletail , (<i>Lobotes surinamensis</i>)	3		1	1
Tuna, blackfin (<i>Thunnus atlanticus</i>)	7		7	
Tuna, bluefin (<i>Thunnus thynnus</i>)	26		14	1
Tuna, skipjack (<i>Katsuwonus pelamis</i>)			1	
Tuna, yellowfin (<i>Thunnus albacares</i>)	5		6	2
Tunny, little (<i>Euthynnus alletteratus</i>)	3		2	
Wahoo “Ono” (<i>Acanthocybium solandri</i>)	3			
Wrasse, pudding wife (<i>Halichoeres radiatus</i>)				
Other	256			
Total Species Tagged / Recovered Jan 1st - Dec 31st, 2024	Tagged 2024 4419	Recovered 2024 164	Tagged 2023 4301	Recovered 2023 148



2024 Top Tagging Vessels

		<u>Fish Tagged</u>
1	Fisker Outdoors	501
2	Andreas Toy	301
3	Good Day Sport Fishing	245
4	Fisher Price	204
5	New Latitude	131
6	Reel Cast Charters	121
7	Squalus	114
8	Krunch Sport Fishing	113
9	Double Nickel	108
10	Therapy IV	105
11	Shonuf	82



WELCOME ABOARD!

Gray FishTag Research is proud to introduce Brian Miller as our newest addition to our team. Brian is an avid fisherman and hails out of Eastern Long Island, New York. Brian has spent a lifetime chasing Striped Bass (and anything else that takes the bait). Brian personally tagged over four hundred fish in 2024 for our program.

Brian is maintaining our database with registrations and recoveries, speaking with anglers and captains who want to know more about our program and getting them involved. Plus, he has represented Gray FishTag Research at some local trade shows and at StriperQuest.

We are excited to have Brian on our team.



Great White Shark Study:



Starbrite and Knot Luck Fishing Charters

Starbrite and Captain Jimmy are instrumental in making this study possible. Our collaboration aims to gather research data while raising awareness for our fallen Army Rangers, a cause close to Captain Jimmy's heart.

On February 14, Captain Jimmy and his team were on a special mission to deploy their third Great White Shark and honor a fallen Army Ranger friend.

The shark they tagged was a 14-foot Great White tagged offshore Georgia. The tag was programmed to collect data for the next six months.



Stevor Booker -

This satellite tag deployed was named in honor of fallen Army Ranger, Stevor Booker.

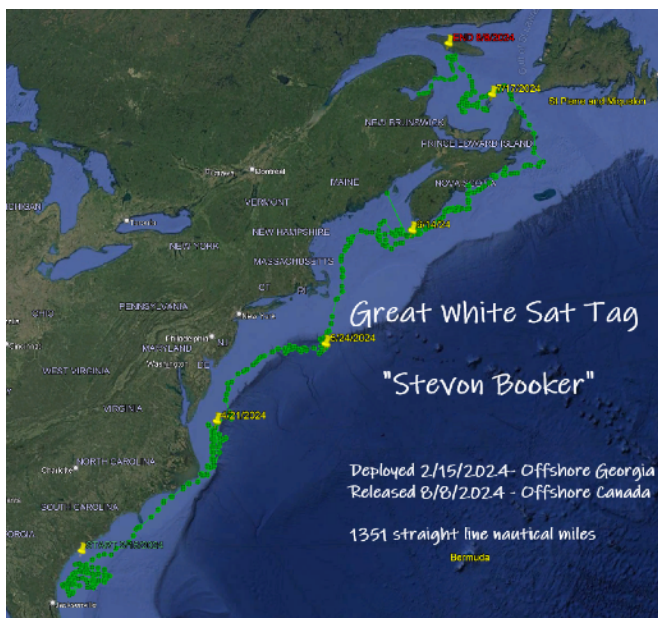
Onboard was Captain Nicholas Shreves who is also a tagging partner of GFR in Georgia.

Captain Nick was on the fishing rod and named the fish after his good friend Stevon A. Booker. Captain Nick is not a Ranger. He was an army mechanic that served alongside SSG Booker while in direct action combat.

Stevor Booker was in the 1st Battalion and in the 3rd Infantry Division. He received the Distinguished Service Cross for his extraordinary heroism while engaged in an action against an enemy of the United States while serving as a Tank Commander with Company A, 64th Armored Regiment, 2nd Brigade Combat Team on April 5, 2003, in Iraq.

On this date, Staff Sergeant Booker's platoon lead a task force in a movement to contact along Highway 8 towards Baghdad International Airport. Two kilometers after the line of departure the platoon came under heavy small arms and rocket propelled grenade fire from an enemy element. He immediately communicated the situation to his chain of command, encouraged his crew, and returned fire with the tank mounted machine-gun. When both his and his crew's machine-guns malfunctioned, staff Sergeant Booker, with total disregard for his personal safety, expose himself by lying in a prone position on top of the tanks turret and accurately engage the enemy forces with a personal weapon. While exposed he effectively protected his platoon's flank and delivered accurate information to his command during a critical and vulnerable point of battle.

Staff Sergeant Booker's fearless attitude and excitement over the communications network inspired his platoon to continue the attack and assured them and leadership that they would defeat the enemy and reach their objective safely. As he remained exposed Sergeant Booker identified an enemy troop carrier which was attempting to bypass his tank, but within seconds engaged the enemy vehicle and destroyed it prior to the enemy troop dismounting. Along the eight-kilometer route he maintained exposed and continued to engage the enemy with accurate rifle fire until he was mortally wounded. Staff Sergeants Booker's actions are in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service and reflect great credit upon himself, the third infantry division and the United States Army.



#4 Great White Satellite Tag.

Captain Jimmy and his team received three MiniPAT tags and immediately headed offshore Little Tybee Island. The first of those three and the fourth tag deployed for this study was on December 18, 2024. We will be sure to share the details once the results are in.



Our team would like to extend a special THANK YOU to **Star brite** and **Captain Jimmy** for supporting this significant project.

5th Annual Roosterfish Rodeo:

Once again, Gray FishTag Research was pleased to offer tags and handheld applicators to the participating boats in the 5th Annual Rooster Rodeo hosted by Marina Pez Vela on Saturday, February 3rd.

The team at iFish did an incredible job presenting this event. The captain's meeting provided each team with a bucket full of great products, custom Rooster Rodeo shirts, tournament measuring tapes and GFR tagging supplies.

In this one-day family friendly catch-and-release tournament, a total of twenty-one boats released 69 Roosterfish, with twenty-seven of them being tagged for GFR. The event boasted a turnout of eighty-six anglers, including ten women, twelve first-time anglers, and five junior anglers, all participating for the top awards.

The first-place prize went to "Team Salty Buckeyes" They originally chartered for the day with Benn aboard Good Day before he asked them to get involved in the Rodeo. Fortunately, they did; they took First Place, Lady Angler, and First-Time Tournament Angler division prizes, which included cash, and a custom Roosterfish Trophy awarded by Gray Trophy Fish Mounts.

The largest Roosterfish of the day (65 pounds) was also awarded a trophy mount

After an enjoyable day of competition, the awards night was very lively and included the local community with live music, food, and award presentations.



2024 Pescadora Billfish Championship



The 6th Annual Pescadora Billfish Championship which took place out of GFR Research Center, Marina Pez Vela, in Quepos, Costa Rica was success.

GFR Advisory Board Member, Samantha Mumford, and her team hosted another incredible tournament. This tournament is a mix of hook and hand and hook your own... Two top lady angler awards are presented, one to the female who reels in the most fish (hook & hand), and the other to the female that hooks and reels in her own fish (per IGFA rules) along with overall team awards.

It was a high energy, fun filled, empowering and life changing weekend for many of the ladies involved. There were 264 ladies from sixty-one teams from around the world who released 717 billfish during the 2-day tournament days!



1st Place: Sea Angel
2nd Place: Miss AC
3rd Place: Grand Slam

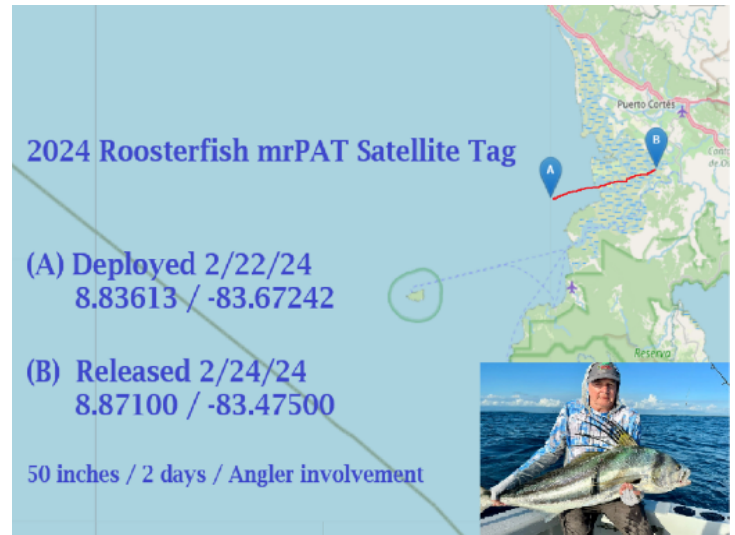
Several teams tagged their releases for Gray FishTag Research. Team My Three Sons was our TOP Tagging Boat!



Roosterfish Research Study Continues...

Our team would like to extend a special **THANK YOU** to Marina Pez Vela Group, the Ortiz Family, the Los Gatos Foundation and FECOP for their ongoing support to our program and our Roosterfish research efforts.

On February 22, with the support, talent and expertise of Benn Gilmour and Captain Manuel, we deployed a mrPAT satellite tag (further south than Quepos) at Drakes Bay



A few days later a MiniPAT satellite tag was deployed in the beautiful 51-inch Roosterfish offshore Bajo Negro, Uvita.

Bill and the team were in Costa Rica. Once again with the full support of Marina Pez Vela, the Ortiz Family and all our proud sponsors on June 26, Bill, Christian and Daisy jumped aboard the Good Day with Captain Manuel.

Benn once again graciously donated his boat to venture offshore Quepos to catch, satellite tag and release another 35–40-inch Rooster.

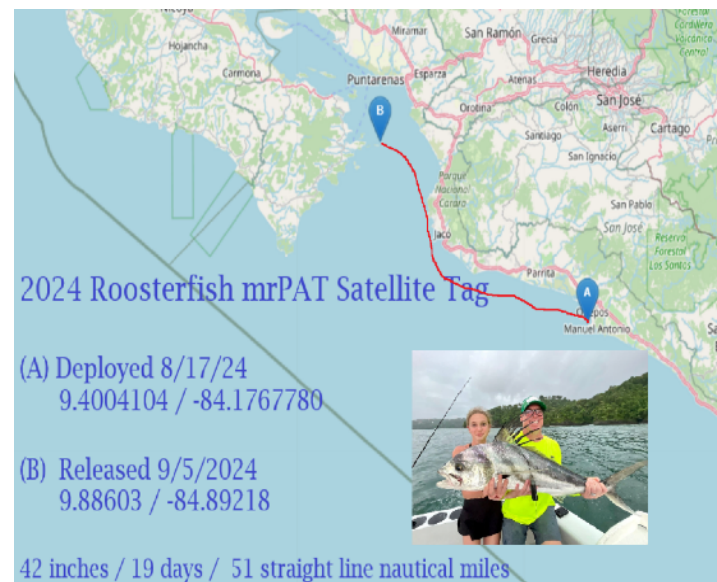
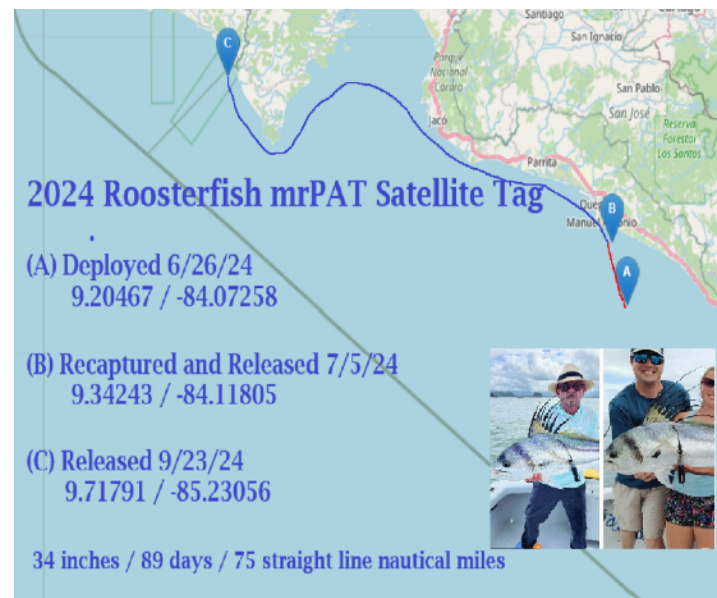
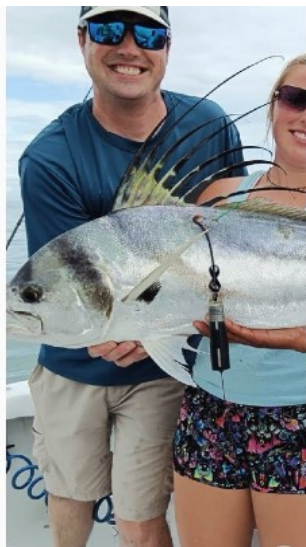
Bill shares – “As always, our team was confident as we count on professionals to get the job done. Captain Manuel had let us know that he felt the tide at 11:30 a.m. would be our best bite. As usual we caught a myriad of fish all morning including a huge 45-pound Horse eyed Jack.

As the morning went on our confidence began to waver BUT at 11:50 a.m. we got the bite! It was a perfect 40-inch Roosterfish, it was caught quickly, tagged, revived, and released perfectly and still carries the tag today. Our goal is to continue to deploy 3–5 tags per year; as well as continue to study their cousin in the USA, the Amberjack, as we look for behavior patterns that may be similar.”



“This is an amazing story - Ironically on July 6, just 10 days after our Roosterfish was released the fish was recovered. It was safely released again to complete the data collection. The original and recovery catches both occurred aboard the Good Day.”

The last satellite tag for our 2024 Roosterfish research efforts was deployed Saturday, August 17th. Once again, Good Day, led by Captain Manuel, had the perfect candidates while charter fishing. They were able to set another mrPAT tag on a perfect 42-inch Roosterfish. Benn expressed great excitement about this trip, the fish and the Jr. angler all taking part in this magical day.



2024 Striper Quest

Our team is thrilled to report that we experienced another record-breaking research expedition in the northeast. Each year this event grows larger with sponsors, local captains, anglers, and contributors eager to help us build this study and collect data.

Our Northeast StriperQuest was our largest expedition to date. It was amazing to see the involvement for our second annual competitive Striped Bass tagging event. We were joined by sponsors and anglers who were there from throughout New Jersey, Florida, Maryland, Kentucky, South Carolina, New York, Virginia, and Costa Rica (yes that is right. Benn Gilmour joined us all the way from Costa Rica!) to take part and add valuable data to our NE Striped Bass Study.

As the only catch and release tournament in the northeast, we had twenty-five teams competing for the top awards for the “Most Striped Bass Tagged.” They showed up with a vengeance for a red-hot spring bite that did not disappoint. The fish fully cooperated, however, the weather did not. It hindered some teams from reaching the “giants” that waited offshore!

Our GFR sponsors never disappoint. They provided us with “loads” of incredible fishing products that filled buckets to present to our captains and team winners. Plus provided outstanding prizes for our raffle. This year not only did our sponsors come with incredible products they brought their company teams to compete! Some brought their pro staff boats while others chartered from our local captains.



Once again, GFR contributor and supporter, David Glassberg, graciously hosted us at Ross Brewery for our packed house captains meeting. It was a great night as we recognized our in-person sponsors and awarded Captain Greg DeMello from Andreas Toy Charters with our **“Top Fish Tagger in the WORLD.”**

All participants received a custom-made 2024 study shirt from Southernmost Apparel along with GFR hats and tagging supplies. The boats were equipped with hundreds of GFR green spaghetti tags, and four MiniPAT satellite tags.

Team Tyman, Team Critter Catcher, Team Penn, and Team Yo-Zuri had satellite tags to deploy. Our goal for the day was to tag as many Striped Bass as possible and to locate four 40-inch plus Striped Bass to carry each satellite tag. Stay tuned for the migration tracking maps for the satellite tags deployed.



Team Critter Catcher



Team Tyman



Team PENN



Team YO-ZURI

It was a successful day with a total of 82 Striped Bass green tagged and four satellite tags deployed. The top tagging teams were:

- *First Place - Team Krunch** with 18 fish tagged
- *Second Place – Team Penn** with 13 fish tagged
- *Third Place – Team Ole Dirty Bass** with 11 fish tagged

When the smallest boat in the fleet is in the TOP 3 winners, **MISSION ACCOMPLISHED.**

This study is possible by the generosity and support of – The Fisherman Magazine, AFW- American Fishing Wire, PENN- Pure Fishing, Seaguar, Caterpillar Marine, Yo-Zuri, Fisheries Conservation Trust, Simrad, Ross Brewery, The Many, Glassberg and Nova Families, Berkeley Striper Club and Hudson River Fishermen's Association.



2nd Annual Amberjack Study

On June 14, we assembled an incredible team as we continued our work with our great partner, Florida Fish and Wildlife Foundation.

Our very own Ian Hall, Carl and Danielle Ritcher- Florida Fish and Wildlife Foundation, Billy Springer-Gray Trophy Fish Mounts, Stanley Saffan the owner of Therapy IV Sport-fishing Charters and his amazing crew were all excited to head offshore.

It was an extra special day for us as Stanley and his crew have been friends of GRAY for 40 years. It was such a pleasure to have Ian and Stanley together again for the day.

Therapy IV is our top tagging fleet in Miami. They have been supporting our research efforts for years and tagged thousands of fish for our program.



After three consecutive days of rainfall in South Florida, our day was filled with sunshine and calm seas. The goal was to head offshore Miami Beach for the continuation of our Amberjack satellite tag study sponsored by the Florida Fish and Wildlife Foundation.

Our goal was to locate a thirty-five inch or larger Amberjack and deploy a satellite tag programmed for 5 months to track the migration and behavior patterns.

Captain Mike was determined, and we fished numerous wrecks and popular fishing locations in search of our Amberjack candidate. The day was an action-packed day with bent rods and twenty-two fish tagged.

However, the fish and weather do not always cooperate. After being chased back in due to bad storms, we left the boat with our Amberjack “still at large.”

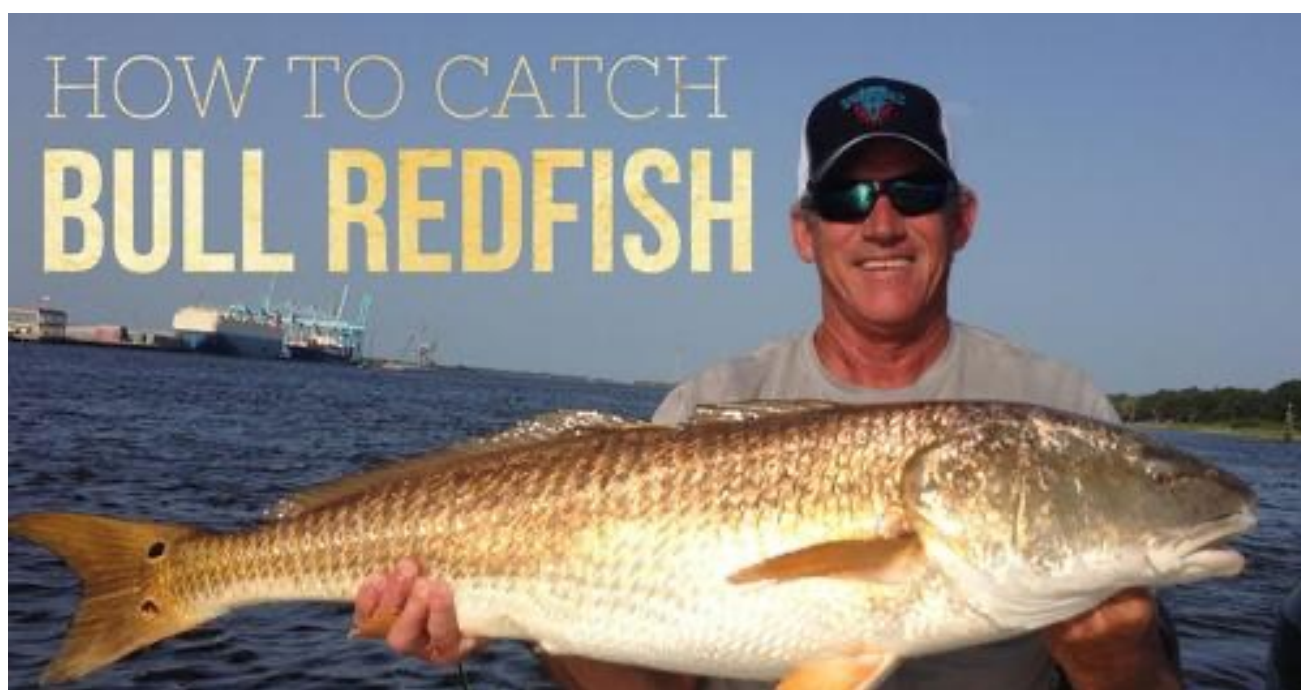
On August 9, the Therapy IV crew located our fish (a 38-inch Amberjack) and the MiniPAT satellite tag was deployed!



We are grateful to FFWF for their ongoing support, Captain Stanley, Captain Mike, and the amazing crew aboard Therapy IV in helping us with our mission.



The Full of Bull Redfish Tournament was created by Captain Don Dingman as a tag and release tournament to gather much needed research on the Red Drum breeding stock. Captain Don shares videos and hands-on training to all anglers on the proper ways to vent, tag and release each fish. Gray FishTag Research is proud to supply all participating anglers tagging supplies.



2024 Full of Bull results...

1st Place – Walter Gilbert - 40 5/8"

2nd Place – Robert Kollor - 39 7/8"

3rd Place – Diesel McConville - 39 5/8"

Top Lady Angler – Jenny Odle - 37 7/8"

Top Junior Angler – Brady Cugini - 38 1/16"

Most Spots on One Side – Matthew Conner - 48 spot



We appreciate all that Don Dingman does for his community and his commitment to Gray FishTag Research.

Surf-Deployed Satellite Tag for Gray FishTag Research

On October 7, 2024, our program expanded our Striped Bass research efforts with the deployment of our first ever surf deployed satellite tag.

Brian Miller explains the event. - *"With experience deploying satellite tags, I had been tapped with a unique task: deploying the first-ever surf MiniPAT satellite tag for Gray FishTag Research's Northeast Striped Bass Study.*

After confirming that the bass bite was still on and satellite tag in hand, I was ready to seize the opportunity. I loaded up my gear and headed out to find a fish worthy of carrying the tag. The conditions looked promising when I arrived at the beach. I watched a few fish being reeled in and a few others released back into the surf—a good sign. Hours passed as I worked the shore, catching a bluefish and four striped bass, all around the 36-inch mark, which I tagged and released with GFR green streamer tags. As the sun dipped below the horizon, I hooked into something that felt different—a real runner.



The drag on my reel screamed as the fish took line, bending my surf rod with the kind of fight only a 30+ pound bass could put up. This was the one, a perfect candidate for the satellite tag. But just as I thought victory was mine, a rogue wave rolled in, and with it, the fish was gone, leaving me with that all-too-familiar feeling of a close call. Refusing to let the moment slip away, I made another cast and hooked up again. This time, I landed a solid 38-incher, the minimum size suitable for deploying the Mini PAT satellite tag.

After measuring her and confirming she was a healthy fish, I deployed the tag, took a quick photo, and walked her back into the water for proper resuscitation before releasing. As I held her in the waist-deep surf, she tore off with a powerful surge, a testament to her vitality. It was a successful first—the first satellite-tagged striped bass from the surf. Programmed to track the striped bass'

Fall Striped Bass Satellite Tags...

NEW JERSEY

The last two satellite tags of the year were deployed offshore New Jersey on October 28, aboard the Tyman with Chuck Many, Seth and Joel Wakefield and Captain Clint Lessard from Sho Nuf Sportfishing charters (Virginia)

In countless ways this crew has been instrumental in the success of our Northeast Striped Bass Study. Our Gray FishTag Research team appreciates their continued dedication and commitment to our research efforts!



40 inches / 27 lbs.



45 inches / 35 lbs.



Western Outdoor News Los Cabo Tuna Jackpot Tournament and Pisces Sportfishing – Mexico



We would like to extend our sincerest appreciation to Western Outdoor News and the Los Cabo Tuna Jackpot Tournament.

The Los Cabo Tuna Jackpot Tournament donates a portion of one of their tournament options, which has results in a generous donation to our program and research efforts each year.

Once again, the 2024 Los Cabo Tuna Jackpot Tournament was a TREMENDOUS success. They had a payout totaling \$1,310,800.00!

1st Place – 220.30 lb. Tuna – Team Prime Time

2nd Place – 209.95 lb. Tuna – Team Let's Go

3rd Place – 203.55 lb. Tuna – Team Love and Luck

As registration was held our team was there to share our research efforts and offer the participating teams a raffle for an opportunity to win some exciting prizes... Thank you to our sponsors for providing these incredible prizes.



We would like to extend a special thank you to Western Outdoor News, Los Cabo Tuna Jackpot Tournament, Tracy Ehrenberg and Pisces Sportfishing for their generosity and commitment to Gray FishTag Research.

Thanking our Research Centers



WHERE THE WORLD COMES TO FISH™



Our achievements are made possible by the generous support of our sponsors, the dedication of our research centers, the contributions from our partners, and the expertise of our local captains and crew.

We want to extend our heartfelt **THANKS** to the MANY FAMILY, NOVA FAMILY AND GLASSBERG FAMILY, in addition to everyone else who plays a crucial role in our program's success. Your support truly makes a difference!





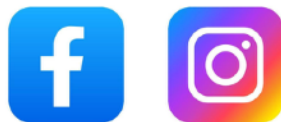
We thrive on Social Media

Our online presence keeps growing and we are truly humbled and excited about the participation and activity from anglers and fishing professionals, sharing their fishing and tagging experiences through all available Social Media. It is truly amazing to see how many people support and follow our initiative.

Our followers are repeatedly sharing and hash-tagging their own fishing and fish tagging activities. We are continuing to grow within the fishing community and the exposure we are getting is truly humbling. With the growing following we are always seeking new and innovative ways to capitalize on the opportunity presented from the online audience.

We constantly use targeted hashtags such as;

#GFR, #OpenAccess, #FishTagging, #TagandRelease, #FishingLife, #SatTag, #GrayFishTag, #GrayFishTagResearch, #FishTag, #LiveTagFeed, and many more in order to establish our own audience network.



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