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## July 2016

Our speaker for the July 19th. Membership Meeting, Captain David Rowsey has been fishing all of his life, cutting his teeth on fresh water bass fishing in the bayous of Louisiana and the clear water rivers of the Texas Hill Country. First learning to use a bait caster reel at 8 years old, fishing with plugs and plastic became an early passion that never wavered. David got his first taste of saltwater in 1988 and dove into it with voracity of large trout exploding on top water. Utilizing bait casters and plugs since he was a barefooted kid, the stage was set for more of the same on the Texas Coastal Bays. His first love is playing catch and release with large speckle trout in the Laguna Madre and Baffin Bay, but his animal like curiosity has forced him to learn many bay systems over the years, especially those between San Antonio Bay and Baffin Bay. Regardless of how well he knows other bodies of water, the Laguna Madre and Baffin Bay are considered home and where the vast majority of his time is spent. Over the years, David has kept journals and records of nearly every trip on the water. This information has proven to be extremely valuable over the years as speckle trout tend to be on reoccurring patterns and grow somewhat predictable on their locales year after year. Knowing these patterns is what sets David apart from others in the sport and is why in "2002" he personally landed (63) trout greater than (7) pounds all on artificial lures and RELEASED ALL of them. David first and foremost fishes for his passion for the sport; however his competitive spirit has also led him into numerous saltwater tournaments where the best of the best anglers compete for top honors along the Texas Coast. David is also a monthly contributor in Texas Saltwater Fishing Magazine where he shares his years of knowledge and insider tips.

David will be discussing the current conditions and the strategies needed to help put you on that trophy trout of your own, he'll also be discussing ways of improving the experience for everyone by becoming better stewards and conservationist while on the water. The chapter will be selling raffle tickets throughout the evening and one (1) lucky winner and their guest will win a guided fishing trip with the Captain on his home waters out of Corpus Christi. As always we will have several vendors set up for the meeting with special pricing for our guest, Creative Eyewear with their complete line of Costa del Mar and Maui Jim Sun Glasses. The Rust Game Place will be set up once again and is sure to be a big hit with their lineup of dried sausage and jerky. Stinky Pants Fishing Products will be on hand with their lineup of products, SP's motto is "The Toughest Stringers" on the Market and given the materials and workmanship it's hard to argue with that. Twisted Customs returns with custom kill switch's in any color to match your boat, custom lanyards for remotes, line cutters, etc; boga floats, key chains, over the shoulder wade boxes and just about anything you could think of. Michael Jr. is also a Pro Staff member for Laguna Custom Rods and will have a selection of rods for sale and can take your order for that one of a kind custom rod of a lifetime. Last but not least we will be welcoming a couple of new vendors for the evening, Saltwater Sassy, Saltwater Sassy is a stylish line of ladies Outdoor Fishing Apparel. Staunch Traditional Outfitters will be there with Headwear and Apparel for fishful thinking minds. All the vendors have generously donated door prizes so you stand a great chance to take home a awesome prize while learning to be a better angler. The meeting will take place at the Elks Lodge in New Braunfels Texas (353 S. Seguin Avenue), doors open at 6:00pm and Captain David Rowsey will begin his presentation at 7:00pm. Food and drinks will be available.

Hope we see you there, bring some friends.

Treasure The Trips

Miles Engelke



### **Chapter Calendar**

### **Chapter Meeting**

**July 19th**

**Captain David Rowsey**

**Elks Lodge**

**A big thanks to all who have helped make this newsletter informative and entertaining and a special thanks to our guest speakers . Book a trip with some of the best guides on the gulf coast. From the mid-coast to deep south, they can put you on some of the best fishing in the Gulf Coast.**

Chapter meetings are held at the Elks Lodge 353 S Seguin New Braunfels, Texas . Doors Will be open @ 6:00pm and the meetings will start at 7:00pm. Beverages will be available.

Fishing tips will be offered and outrageous stories will be told, the gullible should exercise extreme caution when listening to this bunch. (waders optional)  
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