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26th Annual Kids' Fishing Tournament a huge success!

~~More than 60 kids enjoy the outdoors and fish their hearts out~~

HOLIDAY, FL ---- [Pasco County Parks, Recreation and Natural Resources](#) recently hosted the 26th Annual Kids' Fishing Tournament at Anclote Gulf Park in Holiday, Florida. The event was open to children 5 to 14 years old. More than 60 kids came out to cast a line and the weather was perfect – the tide rolled in and so did the fish.

“Being able to help the kids and teach them something as valuable as fishing is just an absolute gift,” said Ryan Pinckley, Park Staff Tournament Coordinator. “Not to mention seeing the smiles on their faces; the event was a huge success!”

The young anglers fished for two hours and then enjoyed a wonderful lunch, sponsored by the Holiday VFW Post 10167. Pasco County park staff announced the winners and handed out prizes during the February 25, 2017 event. Some notable categories include:

- ✓ Most fish caught (17) – Kelly Johnson, 14 years old.
- ✓ Longest fish (20 ¼ inch Remora) – Jason Gray, 12 years old.

In addition to 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place trophies and prizes, 15 lucky winners were chosen randomly for various goodies including gift cards, tackle boxes and other fishing gear to help them prepare for next year!

Click on the links below for photos from the 26th Annual Kids' Fishing Tournament:
[26th Annual Kids' Fishing Tournament – Packed Pier!](#)
[Krista Newman fishing with granddaughter Juliana](#)

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