

Welcome to our Roundup. These are some important things you should know.

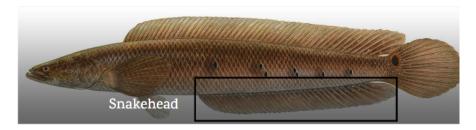
- 1. The Round Up will occur on Sat, Jan 4, 2025.
 - a. The weigh-in will be at 5 pm at 16963 Fox Trail Ln.
 - b. On Sunday, the Roundup award picnic will be at 1 pm in the same location.
- 2. All participants should have a <u>Freshwater Fishing License</u> issued by the state unless they belong to one of the following exemption categories:
 - a. Youth under 16 years of age.
 - Resident seniors age 65 or older with proof of age or residency (such as a valid Florida Driver's License or ID Card) or possessing an optional Resident 65+ Hunt/Fish Certificate
 - c. Those Freshwater fishing in your county of residence on your homestead (or the homestead of your spouse), or if you are a minor child freshwater fishing on the homestead of your parent.
 - d. Florida residents certified as totally and permanently disabled who possess a Florida Resident Disabled Person's Hunting and Fishing License.
 - e. Florida residents who are members of the Armed Forces of the United States, who are not stationed in this state, and home on leave for 30 days or less, upon submission of orders.
 - f. Florida residents are accepted as a clients for developmental disabilities services by the Agency for Persons with Disabilities. The agency must furnish proof to such clients.
 - g. Individuals who possess a Resident Freshwater Commercial Fishing License.
 - h. Florida residents fishing with live or natural bait, using poles or lines that are not equipped with a fishing-line-retrieval mechanism, and fishing for noncommercial purposes in their home county.
- 3. All by-catch (anything you catch that is not a Snakehead) should be carefully returned to the canal alive. Please take a minute to review the following picture. The **native Bowfin** looks very similar to the invasive Snakehead. The easiest way

to tell them apart is by the anal fins. A Bowfin has 2 fins that are separated but a Snakehead has a single long anal fin.

The **NATIVE** bowfin is the only living representative of an ancient family of fishes. It has an air-bladder that functions like a lung, and can be seen gulping air. They have a long, stout body; big mouth with small, sharp teeth; long dorsal and rounded tail fin.

INVASIVE - Target species Air-breathing, torpedo-shaped fish with flattened head and toothed jaws; long anal and dorsal fins without spines. It resembles a bowfin in behavior and appearance, but is distinguished by a long anal fin





- 4. Please kill all Snakeheads in a humane way upon capture and bring them to the weigh-in at 5 pm for disposal. It is ILLEGAL to transport them alive.
- 5. If you have the means to put your Snakeheads on ice until the weigh-in, we can use them for the barbeque on Sunday. If you do not have a way to preserve them, do not worry, we will still take them at weigh-in and discard them for you.
- 6. We are inviting all residents and Round Up participants to join us for a barbeque at 1 pm. Please bring a side dish to share, meat, and a non-alcoholic beverage of your choice. Any Snakehead meat we receive from the Roundup will be grilled and shared by all who wish to try it.