## **BELIZE - THREE "LAST DAY" GRAND SLAMS**

In a very unusual set of coincidences, the last two November trips on the mothership Meca in Belize produced some exciting "last days" of the trips. First, Chris Coyle and Doug Pruett had a productive week pursuing primarily bonefish (over 40 fish released) with two days moving south for the finicky permit (no fish released). On the morning of their departure, they had moved their liveaboard near Belize City and were going to get one more morning on the water before getting to the airport. With 15 minutes to go before they had to absolutely head for the airport to catch their flights home, both of them had two legs of an IGFA Grand Slam and needed just a bonefish to finish it. In one of those rare moments when the fishing gods cooperate fully, they found a flat nearby that was full of willing bones and they both finished off their grand slams, literally on the way to the airport!

And to top things off, Julie and Dennis Smith and family were on the Meca for Thanksgiving week. Weather was difficult much of their week, but a similar scenario as above played out on their last morning – an IGFA Grand Slam for Dennis on their way to the airport.

In the future, maybe we should just begin all Belize trips on the last day?

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