

THE POOPY PIG



It was during the Presidential Challenge tournament in Guatemala a few years ago. Hill Dishman from Texas had a prank going back and forth with [Rum Line owner] Jim Turner. Hill owns *Allure* but was fishing with me on

Intensify during the tournament. On the second night, Hill had the Casa Vieja Lodge manager put a goat on *Rum Line*, which we all thought was pretty funny. The next day, Hill was fishing on my boat, so Jim had somebody put a pig on

my boat, locked in the forward head. And basically that pig was not happy — there was pig poop everywhere. The head was a hazardous-waste zone for the day, and the stink permeated throughout the boat. It was incredible.

When I showed up in the morning, I knew something was wrong because everyone on the dock was staring at me. I got on the boat and both my mates were scared. I was standing on the back deck when I heard a noise coming from the head — I knew I was getting the short

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end of the stick at that point. I asked my mate, “*Que es?*” He said, “*Un cerdo*” — a pig. I looked over at *Rum Line*, and Jim Turner is looking at me with a huge grin on his face. He knew he won that round. A local guy came down with a piece of rope and got the pig wrangled off the boat and up the dock, right past Joan [Vernon, the tournament director] and all the other anglers and observers. I can laugh about it now, but it really wasn’t all that funny at the time. It certainly was a memorable tournament though.

— Capt. Mike Sheeder

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