

## FLCA 5<sup>th</sup> Annual Kids Fishing Derby June 28, 2025

### Best Girls Fishing Story Kate Johnson Age 8

Once upon a time there was a mermaid princess in Georgian Bay and the mermaid princess's name was Pearl and she wasn't allowed to go to the boating area because her mom and dad were afraid she would get run over by a boat.

But she really wanted to go. So one day she and her friend Coral the octopus and guppy the fish went to the boat area and there they saw a gigantic boat that held dozens of people and there was a couple containers full of fish. Luckily they weren't dead yet.

Pearl felt sorry for the fish so she went back in the water and swam through a deep tunnel and then a shallow tunnel to Merlin's fish pond at Farlain Lake, where they asked Merlin to make Pearl fly. Merlin said when would you like that? And then Pearl said umm well I guess when we get back to the boat. And Merlin granted that wish. So then they swam back through the shallow tunnel and then the deep tunnel back to Georgian Bay.

And then the boat was almost leaving when Pearl started to fly. She zipped through the air in circles and grabbed one fish container and put it back into the water where Coral helped the fish out and then Pearl got the second one and put it in the water and Coral helped them out. And then Pearl grabbed the third container and put it in the water and the fourth and the fifth and Coral helped those guys out too.

Then all of them swam back to where their home was and the other fishies were so happy to see the fish that Pearl rescued. All the fish said thank you! Oh what can we do! That was awesome Pearl! Oh it's nothing Pearl said.

Then Pearl Coral and Guppy swam back through the deep tunnel and the shallow tunnel to where Merlin was in Farlain Lake. And there was a big surprise because Merlin had a fiance and was just getting married near the old anchor. And then they watched Merlin and his beautiful bride named Molly get married. And then everybody cheered. And then Merlin said how was flying? It was pretty good Pearl said. Well I think we better go said Guppy.

Okay said Pearl. I guess it is time to go. Mom and dad will be worried about us if we don't get home now. Well goodbye Merlin, Goodbye Molly. Thanks for helping us rescue the fish Merlin! And congratulations you two.

They swam back through the shallow tunnel into the deep tunnel and back into the shimmering Georgian Bay.

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