

# PEOPLE

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► **WHILE TRYING TO DETERMINE** some of the people who have made an impact in the world of marlin over the past 30 years, I did find out one thing for certain: It's impossible to narrow the list down to the eight people I've been given the space to cover — so I wrote about nine! With that being said, here's my still-abbreviated list representing just a fraction of the folks who deserve recognition of one kind or another for their tireless devotion to the sport of big-game fishing. They definitely paved the way for all of us who venture out in pursuit of billfish.

## TROPIC STAR LODGE

**Robb Report magazine ranked** Tropic Star Lodge (TSL) the No. 1 top saltwater fishing resort in the world. It's the ultimate lodge! **Terri and Mike Andrews** (along with the indomitable Raleigh Werking) keep every billfisherman's dreams alive! Not only is the resort itself accommodating, TSL has always waved the flag for conservation issues, leading the way with the use of circle hooks and satellite tagging. The group also spurred on the Panamanian Presidential Decree that recently passed, abolishing longline fishing within 250 miles of the shore. They are, and have been from the beginning, huge supporters of the IGFA and TBF. Terri Andrews also serves on the board of the IGFA, working to ensure that future generations will get to enjoy the oceans as we have.

