March 2010

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Tight Lines



The Virginia Beach Anglers Club meets the first Thursday of each month at 7:30 p.m. at Foundry United Methodist Church located at 2801 Virginia Beach Blvd., Virginia Beach, VA next to Beach Ford

- Guest Speakers
- Refreshments
- Raffles
- Prize Fish

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Join us at our Annual Awards Banquet!! March 13th



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Officers and Board Members for 2010

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Corresponding Secretary	George Gabriel	619-1638

Please do not hesitate to call one of these people with any questions you may have.

Board Members

Robbie Parks	Jerry Mariano	Kevin Meyers
Rich Maguire	Bob Stulhman	Gary Doerhoff
Doug Wehner	Preston Mangum	Jerry Hughes

Next Board Meeting:

@ Virginia Beach
Middle School

Members News

Membership Dues: The membership dues for the VBAC are \$20 for individual and \$30 for family. You can pay them at the meeting or mail to VBAC, P. O. Box 8602, Virginia Beach, VA 23450

NOTE: Only members in good standing are eligible for tournament competition consideration!

Have a boat and need a crew? Want to fish but need a boat?

Rich Maquire - needs crew 619-4851
Bob Wuorinen - available 486-8588
Leonard Harris - available 455-8667
Jerry Mariano— available 563-6365
Frankie Baker— available 321-7234
David Harwood-available 340-6187
Tony Carpinelli-Available 214-1480
John Connelly-needs crew 971-2588
Ben Krause— needs crew 486-3721
Bruce Agnor—Available 302-562-4783
Brian Brewster—Available 202-2580

Wayne Burton—needs crew 420-3117 or 620-0413

Share the ride and share the expense. If you would like your name added or deleted call me George Gabriel at 757-619-1638 or email georgedgabriel@gmail.com

NEW Club T-Shirts

are in!!

The Club is offering newly designed t-shirts for sale. See Ron Jeffords at the meeting for details or to buy your t-shirts.

March 2010

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Upcoming Dates:

February:

- * Monthly meeting for March is on the 4th, beginning at 7:30 pm. This month we will have two guest speakers:
- Capt. Willaim "Billy" Burket of the Virginia Beach Fire Department and Maritime Incident Response Team. Capt. Burket will be giving a short talk on safety and the VB Fire Boat teams ability to assist local boaters.
- The Main Speaker of the night is **Capt. Jake Hiles** of Matador Sportfishing Charters. Capt. Jake will be giving a talk on the hot Bluefin Tuna bite that has been in the reports recently. He will be sharing methods and tips on landing these giants..
- ** This month's Board Members meeting, March 18, @ 7:30 pm
- B = Our annual Awards Banquet March 13, 6:30 pm—see page 4 for details

Also on the 13th is the Great Bridge Fisherman's Flea Market/Swap Meet



Don't forget to pay your 2010 membership dues!

CLUB NEWS

BANQUET! BANQUET! BANQUET!

Our annual awards banquet is set for Saturday night, March 13, at the Foundry United Methodist Church. The address is: 2801 Virginia Beach Boulevard, Virginia Beach (the same location as our monthly meetings). Awards will be given for the spectacular fishing done by our members last year, as well as other recognitions by the club. BUT... you don't need to be receiving an award to attend. Our AWESOME Chef- Jerry Mariano-will be putting to work those marvelous skills he acquired while working in some of NY's most renowned institutions. You wont want to miss the delectable delights Jerry and his kitchen cohorts are preparing for your dining pleasure. To help compliment Jerry's superb dinner, we invite you to please bring your favorite dessert to share.

This amazing feast is available to club members for ONLY \$10.00 per person. Guests may attend for \$15.00 each. Tickets will be sold at the March meeting. We'll open the doors at 6:30 p.m. so that everyone will have a little time for socializing before dinner is served. As always there will be a wonderful array of great raffle items to test your luck.

VBAC's Banquet Night is a great time for club members and guests to get together to enjoy good company and good food.

Can't make the March meeting, don't worry, you can contact Sue Smith at 340-8022 to reserve your tickets. Come join us. (P.S. if you have an item or items that you would like to donate to be used as door prizes or raffle items, please contact Sue Smith or bring them to the March meeting.) Hope to see you there.

Got fishing related items you want to turn into cash?

The Great Bridge Fisherman's association is hosting a Flea Market/Swap Meet, March 13th. Don't have the time to go down to the meet and wait around for someone to purchase your treasures?? The club will make it easy for you—just bring those treasures to this month's meeting, or drop them off on the day of the meet at the club sponsored table and we'll sell it for you. For this convenience, you will donate 10% of your sale to the club..... We hear that all tables have been sold, and numerous vendors will be selling the kind of items you've been looking for... So go down to the meet, look around and buy that special thing you've been looking for. Remember, that night on the 13th, you can leave the cooking to Jerry—join us at the Awards Banquet!!

(see back page for details)

MEMBER FISHTAILS

Despite less than ideal weather conditions this month some of our members braved the elements, and were rewarded for their efforts. A little bit of traveling was involved, but what the heck......

For the rest of us, Better luck next Month.

On Sunday Feb 21, 2010, the six of us, Captain Conner(C-note) ,Mike(Southpaw), Beth (Classicrockfish), Kevin(Classicrockfish) , Bill(Billfisher), and Dirk decided to go out for a little Bluefin and Blacktip tuna action on Conner\'s boat (C-Note). We all arrived at Teaches Lair around 530am and by 6:15 or so we were heading on our way. We arrived on the scene around 7:20am or so and set the lines down to troll by 7:45am we had 3 lines screaming all go off at once with bluefin on them. Due to some rig issues unfortunately we lost two after about a 5+ minute battles due to a break in the rig where the crimp had been applied/ rig malfunctions. But when dealing with large fish like these Conner reassured us that stuff just sometimes happens. The third line continued to hold and Dirk fought that fish with everything he had. My camera was having \"behavior issues\" on the boat and kept closing up when I would try and take a shot so I was not able to get all of the action. Mike was kind enough to shoot some video and said he would add it to the post after he did some editing. Dirks Bluefin that was brought in after a sweet 35 minute battle. *Lure color was pink and purple with ballyhoo attached*.



Shortly after that the lines went off again and this time Kevin grabbed the rod. His fight lasted well over 50 minutes and I managed to get a few photos in there. Mike also got some video. The fish was caught on a \"naked hook\" with ballyhoo attached. Fishing method was trolling and location was out of Hatteras, NC. After Kevin got his fish to the side of the boat we all agreed that it was just as big as Dirks if not maybe a tad bigger. The fish was released while still in the water at the side of the boat. The pictures of Kevin at the dock are actually with the first captured tuna because Kevin had to release his fish (as per the rules because a bluefin had already been captured on the boat for the day) This was Kevin\'s first Bluefin tuna trip ever so I wanted to at least capture the moment on film! We continued to troll for a while and then went off to jig for some Amberjacks and hopefully check out the blackfin scene. We had a blast with the jacks and pulled in quite a few. Kevin and Mike also caught a Bonita (false albacore) and Bill, Conner and Dirk were pulling in jacks as well. Conner/Bill helped me learn a rhythm for the jigging which was helpful. I pulled in some jacks as well but then I increased my jigging speed to add something different. I had read in a few articles the night before that suggested you need to increase your jigging speed up if you are only pulling in amberjacks in order to entice a blacktip, so I tried it. We had not heard of blackfin being boated yet for that day and all of the sudden my rod bent over something serious like it was going to break! After a very sweet and rewarding battle, I pulled up my first blacktip tuna. It was 18 lbs. We had a fantastic day on the water!. Conner was an exceptional Captain, knowledgeable and very fun to be around and our entire crew absolutely had a blast out there.. Can\'t wait to do it again!! Thank you Conner, you rock!!



Don and I went out with a friend on his boat "Pumpkin" Went down near Corolla. Caught 15 fish. Kept 10 between 38 and 42 inches. Don and I are on the left in the photo.





Don't Forget!!

New requirement for Virginia's anglers looking to catch saltwater species. As of now, you must participate in the National Saltwater Angler Registry, by following the instructions below. This year registration is free. Hopefully, by next year, Virginia will change her licensing policies which will automatically register licensees. Don't forget.... Register now through the VBAC web site.

TOURNAMENT NEWS

REGISTRATION FORMS for DRAWING POSITIONS on 2010 SURF FISHING TEAMS

This year we have five teams fishing in four tournaments. All positions for the fall 2010 teams will be filled and the alternates ranked from a drawing at the **March 4, 2010** business meeting. The positions for the Ocracoke tournament were drawn at the January business meeting. A registration form is required for **EACH** tournament you wish to apply for. You must be a member of VBAC in good standing (dues paid) to be eligible to have your name drawn. You may mail in your forms or bring them to the March 4, 2010 meeting. They must be turned in by 7:30 p.m. that night. You do not have to be present. You will have to have access to surf fishing equipment, make travel arrangements, and meet your share of any additional team expenses.

FEES: \$60 per tournament that you are a team member of (due at the April business meeting)

OPEN POSITIONS FOR 2010

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2.) Nags Head Surf Fishing Club, 3 positions:	October 6-9, 2010 (Returning Robbie Parks, Doug Wehner, Carl	McCoy)
3.) Cape Hatteras Angler's Club, 3 positions:	November 3-6, 2010 (Returning Steve Wray, Robbie Parks, Julie B	all)
Cut out and bring to March 4, 2010 mittee	neeting -or- Mail to: Robbie Parks c/o Surf -o	r- VBAC Surf Com
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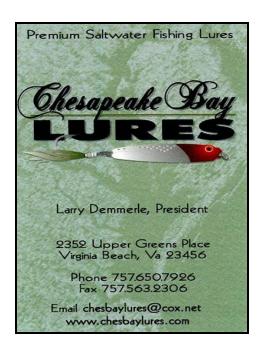
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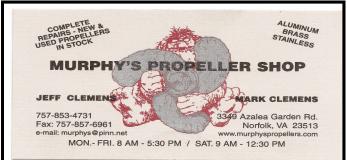
Classified

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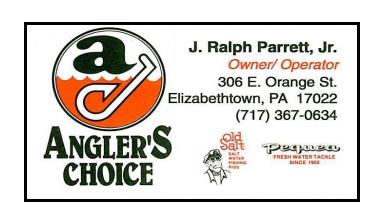
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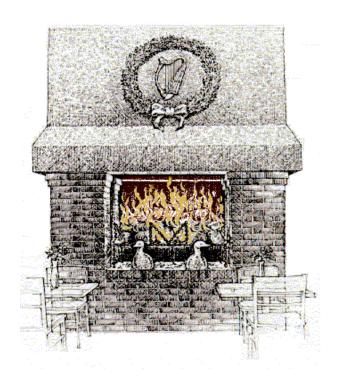
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Virginia Beach Anglers Club

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Our Mission

The purpose of the VBAC is to encourage sport fishing, both freshwater and saltwater, while supporting prudent governmental and other policies that promote the preservation, conservation and ecology of all marine life.

Our Objective

- Monitor legislative and regulatory activities relating to management of local and regional fisheries and participating actively, where appropriate, to assure the adoption of sound management policy and practices that best serve the interests of VBAC members.
- Promote interest and participation in recreational angling by conducting programs and activities that encourage sport fishing.
- Educate members and others in the techniques of sport fishing to enhance their enjoyment of the sport.
- Conduct social activities that create a wholesome climate for deriving the maximum pleasure from sport fishing by members, their families and guests.
- Plan and conduct fund raising activities to provide the revenues needed to support these objectives.

