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2011**

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# *Tight Lines*



Has Spring Sprung???



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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## Officers and Board Members for 2011

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

### Board Members

Robbie Parks	Jerry Mariano	Kevin Meyer
Butch Eason	Bob Stulhman	Gary Doerhoff
Doug Wehner	Preston Mangum	Jerry Hughes

**Next Board Meeting:**  
**@ Foundry United**  
**Methodist Church**

## Members News

**Membership Dues are DUE:** 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	Howie Dorfman— available	621-2220
Bob Wuorinen - available	486-8588	Wayne Johnson— available	689-0367
Leonard Harris - available	455-8667	Frank Donohue - need crew or available	589-8021
Jerry Mariano— available	563-6365	Martin Ball— needs crew/available	509-0625
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		
Jack Guthrie— available	647-4490		
James Tarr- available	351-0571		

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](mailto:georgedgabriel@gmail.com)

# April 2011

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Upcoming Dates:

## February

▶ Monthly meeting for April is on the 7th, beginning at 7:30 pm. *This month's speaker is Capt. Pete Bregant who will be speaking about Big Red Drum*

◆ This month's Board Members meeting is on the 21st , @ 7:30 pm at the Foundry Church

**Our next VBAC's Adopt-A-Spot clean-up effort will be on May 7th. We will meet at 10AM at Crab Creek.— don't forget to sign or show up!**



**PHOTO CONTEST**— Submit your photos for inclusion in the newsletter... one lucky photographer will win a gift certificate at next year's awards banquet for submission of the best shot....



Its time to pay for 2011membership dues!

# CLUB NEWS

Club members came out in numbers again to help with cleaning up Crab Creek, VBAC Adopted spot!! Thanks to those who came out. If your not in the photo, try and make the next one (May 7th)



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## **VBAC COMMITTEES**

Tournament— Larry Regula chairman  
Surf— Robbie Parks Chairman  
Ways and Means— Jack Guthrie Chairman  
Special Events— Jerry Mariano Chairman  
Prize Fish— Kevin Meyer Chairman  
Public Relations— Russell Willouby Chairman  
Nominee— Beth Synowiec Chairwoman  
Audit— Mike Anderson

**All VBAC** members are encouraged to join one of our committees, and support the club's events.. Sign up at this month's meeting...get involved— help make VBAC events successful, fun and memorable!!!!



# FISH TALES

*VBAC Members were out in numbers this past month hitting the waters and catching some fish...*

Togs at the Tower!

Went with Russell to the tower on Wednesday March 2nd. This is a FIRST for me! Caught my limit on Togs!



**Russell's at it again!!!!**



He is trying to get ahead of Mel for the Bowfin Award category.

Went to Northwest River today and caught a few Bowfin as well as Crappy and a Catfish.

Russell caught a big 23 1/2 in Bowfin.

We caught about a dozen more Crappy, but I dropped my camera in water before I could take any more and its now fried but the SD card survived.

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**One of our Master Anglers is at it again**

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Well it all started Tues (last) night around 5:25pm, Kevin said if you can get crabs, I'll take you toggin. That is all I needed to hear. I



made a few calls and by 6pm I was holding 2 dozen blue claw crabs.. On Wed we met Wally at the Rudee boat ramp and by 8:45 am we were underway towards some offshore wrecks to see what we could find. The trip out was not to bad at all and we arrived around 10:30am. The bite seemed to be very good throughout most of the day. There were a few periods that seemed to slow down and then we would move, re-anchored and then the bite would pick back up again shortly after. Bait was mostly blue crab and occasionally we offered them clams as well. Rig was a dropper loop bottom rig. Weights were mostly 12 oz sinkers and sometimes 14 oz depending on the current. We managed a total of 5 citations today (3 weight: 14lb 14 oz, 11lb 14oz, 10lb 12 oz and two 24inch releases) and caught many togs in addition. (I honestly lost count.) We left the wrecks around 3:45pm or so. There were a few other boats out there as well. All the boats from what we could see seemed to do very well. Pictured are some of the highlights. We all caught limit and then some. We had an awesome day on the water and also managed a box full of meat for the trip home.



A fine catch by one of our new members Dave Reynolds!

247lbs @ the dock Length was 77 plus or minus a yard



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The weekend of 19-20 March was just too nice not to go fishing so I called Jamie Johnson (Racn 35) and set up a trip for the James River on Sunday. We were not sure if the SUPER-MOON would affect the bite but we were going to give it a shot anyway. I met him up at the Chickahominy WMA and launched around 8 am to a smooth as glass waterfront along Morris Creek.

We set my Gill net to catch some shad, 30 minutes later we had 7 cutters and were off to our first fishing spot in the James river about 5 miles south on the eastern shore side 34-42 feet of water incoming tide. we set out our spread of 5 rods baited with fresh cut shad and eel chunks. In short order we had a 10 lber in the box and lost another nice fish (leader broke). we caught 3 fish 8-10 lbs there and decided to give another location up river on the western side a try. The wind had picked up considerably and the current wasnt cooperating so we couldnt get set where we wanted to try, so to get out of the wind so we found an oxbow on a creek and set up on a corner ledge that dropped from 13 ft to 38 feet and caught 3 more 5 - 10 lb fish over the next 2 hours. About 1 pm one of the rear rods bows over hard and the drags a screaming and I pick it up and immediately know we have a good fish. Current is ripping now and it was a good fight keeping him away from the snags and eventually we get him to the boat and he is so big we could barely get him in the net. While lifting him into the boat the entire hoop of the net broke off and luckily he hits the deck. We are stoked and this is by far my biggest Catfish ever.



When weighed it was 44lbs 6 oz and was 40 inches long. My new personal best Catfish, a State Citation fish and is the New Virginia Beach Angler's Club Record Blue Catfish.



A recent TUNA trip with Capt Jake Hiles of the Matador out of Hatterras.

And no— that's no Tuna....

Club members Jerry Hughes  
Russell Willouby, George Gabriel  
And guests tried to replicate Dave Reynolds  
247lb Tuna, caught the week prior.. Not to Be!!



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Hey,  
Who's  
Drivin?





## 2011 VBAC Awards Banquet

I would just like to thank everyone for coming to this wonderful event to honor our members. I would also like to thank all those who put in the time and effort that it took to make this possible. The Virginia Beach Anglers club is one of the finest organizations that I have been a part of.

Thank you,  
Larry Regula, VBAC Pres.



FUN

Stan, one of our newest members of VBAC was thoughtful enough to drop me a note about his first experience at last month's meeting. Thanks Stan for the sharing your thoughts; thanks VBAC members for being you.....

First impressions are always important! Two words best describe my first impression of the Virginia Beach Anglers Club; SMILES and LAUGHTER. And by the end of my first monthly meeting with VBAC, I would add the word CAMARADERIE.

By sheer coincidence, I visited the Newport News Bass Pro Shop on Saturday, February 26th, and found Bass Pro was offering workshops and information tables by local clubs and organizations. As I walked around the club tables, I came across the table for VBAC and entered into an informative discussion with Robbie Parks about my interests in surf fishing. I mentioned I was planning to retire in 15 months, 3 days and 9 hours; and wanted to spend some retirement time on a beach with a good book, some rum and tonic and a line in the surf. Robbie allowed that there were many members in VBAC who had similar interests and that the club participated in Surf Fishing Tournaments. I explained that since moving to Williamsburg in 2001, I had made a number of visits to Ocracoke Island and had purchased some entry-level surf fishing gear. Robbie told me about the tournament coming up in Ocracoke in early May, one of my favorite times to visit the island. He spoke of other tournaments and that these would be good venues to meet, and learn from, others who enjoy the sport. He suggested I become a member and invited me to visit the club's website and attend the March 3rd monthly meeting.

The first thing I noticed when entering the meeting hall at Foundry United Methodist Church was the many pairs and groups of people smiling and laughing. The feeling was inviting. As I walked around the room and listened to conversations, it was obvious there was a shared appreciation and joy with the wonders of Mother Nature and her gifts to us under the sea. People readily introduced themselves with an earnest politeness.

I again met Robbie and he introduced me to Carl McCoy who gave me his phone number and asked that I call him anytime with any questions I might have about surf fishing and tournaments. I listened as Robbie and Carl spoke to another surf fishing enthusiast and learned about good surf and pier fishing sites in the area. This lead my wife and I the following weekend to visit the Sandbridge Pier and to walk along the beaches at False Cape State Park and the Back Bay National Wildlife Refuge.

At Robbie and Carl's encouragement, I signed up for the lottery to be a VBAC member at the Hatteras tournaments this Fall. While the team for the Ocracoke tournament is already in place, I will still plan on visiting the island that week to observe and learn from the participants.

I'm excited to be the newest member of the Virginia Beach Anglers Club. I'm encouraged to know that I will be meeting people anxious to have fun and to share their fishing knowledge and experiences with others. I might even consider an earlier retirement.



## Legislative Alert

IT PASSED!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!! The Commissioner and the entire council voted in favor of the proposal we endorsed. I think you can be proud that you and your clubs have made an effort to protect the Speckled Trout fishery in Virginia for future generations. Many thanks to the club members who attended and to Capt Craig Paige for giving testimony in support of the initiative. Thanks again, Sheldon Arey

# 2011 Prize Fish Master

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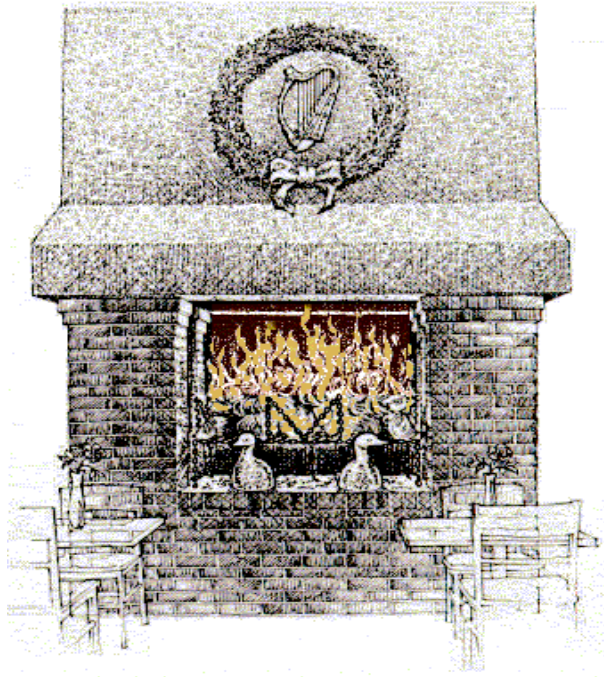
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The purpose of the VBAC is to encourage sport fishing, both freshwater and saltwater, while supporting prudent governmental and other policies that promote the preservation, conservation and ecology of all marine life.

### ***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.

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The Club is offering newly designed t-shirts for sale.  
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### **WANTED:**

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