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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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Happy Fourth of July



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Officers and Board Members for 2011

Officers

| President | Larry Regula | 472-7183 | Please do not hesitate to | | | | |
|-------------------------|--------------------|---------------|----------------------------------|--|--|--|--|
| 1st Vice President | George Gabriel | 619-1638 | call one of these people | | | | |
| 2nd Vice President | Jack Guthrie | 689-8773 | with any questions you may have. | | | | |
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| Robbie Parks | Jerry Mariano | Kevin Meyer | Ronnie Nixon | | | | |
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Members News

Preston Mangum

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 crew619-4851Bob Wuorinen - available486-8588Leonard Harris - available455-8667Jerry Mariano- available563-6365David Harwood-available340-6187Bob Stulhman- needs crew374-7372Bruce Agnor—Available302-562-4783Wayne Burton—needs crew420-3117 or 620-0413Jack Guthrie- available647-4490

Doug Wehner

Howie Dorfman– available 621-2220 Wayne Johnson– available 689-0367 Martin Ball– needs crew/available 509-0625 Kelly Hoggard– 420-5949

Jerry Hughes

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

Call one of these folks if your looking for fishing company.



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Upcoming Dates:

Monthly meeting for July is on the 7th, beginning at 7:30 pm. *This month's speaker is Justin Hurst, who will share his expertise on catching those elusive Sheephead.* (remember, 2nd island).

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

** Club Family day — join your VBAC friends for a day of fun in the sun. (see page 4)

Our next VBAC's Adopt-A-Spot clean-up effort will be on July 9th. We will meet at 10AM at Crab Creek.— don't forget to sign or show up!

Plan ahead— CCA club challenge is August 20— we want to enter 5 boats

Save the date: Oyster Roast Oct 15th

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....

CLUB NEWS

Club Family Day: the club is organizing a Family Day on the water– scheduled for July 17th, to be held at Factory Point Beach in Hampton. This is a wonderful opportunity to get our families together participating in the sport we all enjoy– boating, beaching and picnicking. Don't have a boat, come by car, or hop on a friends boat. We will have a sign up sheet at this month's meeting, so make sure you sign up—and lets make some fun.

Shout out to Rich Maguire: Days before the cobia tournament Rich underwent a procedure to have a pace-maker installed (too much exposure to d Buckley). All went well, in fact Rich joined the tournament participants at the captains meeting, two days later! We wish Rich continued good health.



Virginia Beach Anglers Club's Adapt-A-**Spot Clean-up** effort at Crab Creek Boat Ramp had another wonderful day of fun in the sun, June 4th, 2011. This month's Clean-up coincided with the Chesapeake Bay Foundation's "Clean the Bay Day". We were teamed up with the 6th, 7th and 8th Graders from Bayside Middle School, lead by Ms. Michelle Keiter. The students were very enthusiastic workers and covered a lot more ground concentrating on the bay side all the way around to the boat ramp. They splashed and romped around while collecting a great amount of items and were eager to find items quicker than our older group. Thanks to the two groups of volunteers to keep our Lynnhaven River Water Way resource clean.

The next VBAC's Adapt-A-Spot Clean-up effort at Crab Creek Boat Ramp will be July 9th.

See you there at 10 to noon, Lunch will be provided by Dr. Mariano, "DR of Food-ology"

VBAC Cobia Tournament

This year's tournament was a resounding success, with 15 boats joining in the competition. The weather was beautiful, the boat crews were competitive, but the cobia were not cooperative. Lines were in at 0600, with captains and crews spreading out to different parts of the Bay. By days end, the Big Bonus, captained by Russell Willoughby and crewed by Bob Stuhlman, Jerry Hughes and Dr Ike, came back with the prize winning cobia weighing 30lbs.

This tournament featured the inaugural Cow Nose Ray prize as well. That lovely distinction went to the O relax and her crew– which in essence meant they didn't catch a cobia. (lost one to the engines)



Tournament director Larry Regula received word from one of the entrants that while he was weighing in the prize fish, there was a crew out there fighting a 57 pound cobia. Unfortunately for the crew, the beast wisely chose their lightest tackle outfit to hit. Fifteen year old David, landed the fish after a 2.5

hour fight. Twenty minutes late for the weigh in, David still took home a prize fish, and his first citation. Way to go David!! (Russell and crew gave a big sigh or relief)

Thanks to all who participated; as a side note, the Great Bridge club entered 4 boats in our tournament— thanks for the competition folks!

FISH TALES

The attached is a photo of a 43" longnose gar caught on Piankatank River. Two neighborhood children, Kodie and Hunter, LOVE to fish and Don and I take them on the river occasionally. I took them after school on June 2. We were targeting gar because they have been biting so well lately. The two boys were tickled to death to catch these leaping monsters. Hunter lost the biggest one at the boat, and Kodie caught the 43 inch fish. It was his first citation ever. He couldn't wait to fill out the paperwork. It is always fun to watch kids catch big fish. I managed to get a 41 inch citation.

Melanie



On June 9th, Jerry Hughes informed that - Spadefish at the third!!

Went with Russell and Dr. Ike Wednesday to the Third Island targeting Flounder and Spadefish. NADA on Flounder, but caught Spadefish!!

DOINK!





On June 11th Jerry again reported—

Russell and Jerry at it again! Went for flounder, drum, spadefish. Caught two spadefish ONLY! One out of three cant be all that bad! Found them near the High-Rise on a piling. Check the pilings before you get to the High-Rise, like 10 before. Old bridge.



DOINK

Dr Wayne and Russell team up again

I made it out on the bay with Russel and Ike. The morning was a little choppy, but doable. We spent it chumming and hoping for Cobia with no luck. Just caught a small Blue Fish and a number of Gar - like fish and that I have yet to find the correct name for. When the tide shifted we set off for the third island, where we had a lot of fun landing quite a few Spade Fish and small Black Drum. Those were my first catches of those species. (see pictures) We took a couple of the Drum and several Spades home, but released many more.



On June 26, Jeff and I went to one of our "Big Bowfin" fishing spots on the Northwest River. Jeff hooked into a huge one. It almost spooled his reel. Gave a great fight and took two tries to net. They can swim backwards. It weighed in at 8 lbs 10 oz at Gail's Bait & Tackle. Jeff holds the previous club record at 7 lbs 10 oz, and this one was a full pound heavier. It should be the current leader in the money fish contest. My 45 pound bowfin is still out there swimming.

Melanie Bayford

WOW! Looks like its time to update the Derby board



Avoid some pain and shame on the water, get your boat a safety inspection by the Coast Guard auxiliary— Club member Craig Huber can help with this.

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!!!!!

| Angler | Species | Release | Club Record | Pounds | Ounces | Length | Girth | Date of Catch | Bait Used | Citation Attached |
|--------------------|-----------------|---------|----------------|--------|--------|--------|-------|------------------|-------------|----------------------|
| Don Bayford | Striped Bass | у | n | | | 34" | | 1/6/2011 | lure | no |
| Melanie Bayford | Striped Bass | у | n | | | 33" | | 1/6/2011 | Lure | no |
| Rich Maguire | Striped Bass | n | n | 39 | 0 | | | 1/20/2011 | lure | no |
| Kevin Synowiec | Speckled Trout | n | n | 7 | 0 | 30" | | 1/27/2011 | mirror lure | yes |
| Beth Synowiec | Speckled Trout | у | n | | | 22" | | 1/27/2011 | Lure | no |
| Kevin Synowiec | Speckled Trout | у | n | 4 | 8 | 23" | | 1/27/2011 | lure | no |
| Liam Reynolds | Speckled Trout | n | n | | | 22.5" | 13" | 2/6/2011 | minnow | no |
| Melanie Bayford | Chain Pickerel | у | n | | | 18" | | 2/13/2011 | minnow | no |
| Melanie Bayford | Blue catfish | у | n | | | 0 | | 2/17/2011 | Cut Bait | no |
| Melanie Bayford | Chain Pickerel | n | n | 2 | 7 | | | 2/20/2011 | lure | no |
| Ron Jeffords | Chain Pickerel | у | n | | | 22.5" | | 2/27/2011 | lure | no |
| Beth Synowiec | Tautog | у | n | | | 24' | | 3/2/2011 | crab | yes |
| Beth Synowiec | Tautog | y | n | 14 | 14 | 28" | | 3/2/2011 | crab | yes |
| Russell Willoughby | Bowfin | n | n | 2 | 4 | 23" | | 3/3/2011 | minnow | no |
| Steve Harding | Crappie | n | n | 2 | 4 | 15" | 13" | 3/7/2011 | Minnow | no |
| Josh Regula | Largemouth Bass | У | n | | | 21" | | 3/11/2011 | Minnow | no |
| William L. Regula | Largemouth Bass | y | n | | | 20" | | 3/12/2011 | Spinnerbait | no |
| David Reynolds | Bluefin Tuna | n | n | 247 | 0 | 77" | 52" | 3/13/2011 | lure | Yes |
| Kevin Meyer | Bluefin Tuna | v | n | 151 | 0 | 67" | | 3/17/2011 | Jig | no |
| Beth Synowiec | Tautog | n | n | 6 | 6 | 20.5" | 17" | 3/17/2011 | crab | no |
| Kevin Synowiec | Tautog | n | n | 7 | 0 | 21.5" | 16.5" | 3/17/2011 | crab | no |
| Kevin Synowiec | Tautog | n | n | 10 | 8 | 25" | 18.5" | 3/17/2011 | crab | yes |
| Kevin Meyer | Blue catfish | Y | Y | 44 | 6 | 40" | 10.0 | 3/20/2011 | Shad | no |
| Ron Jeffords | Largemouth Bass | v | n | | 0 | 19" | | 3/26/2011 | Minnow | no |
| Ron Jeffords | White Perch | y V | n | | | 13 | | 3/26/2011 | Minnow | no |
| Ron Jeffords | Yellow Perch | y V | n | | | 10" | | 3/26/2011 | Minnow | no |
| Ron Jeffords | Yellow Perch | y V | n | | | 10.5" | | 3/26/2011 | Minnow | no |
| Ron Jeffords | Yellow Perch | y V | n | | | 10.5 | | 3/26/2011 | Minnow | no |
| Don Bayford | Sunfish | | n | | | 8" | | 4/3/2011 | WORM | no |
| Melanie Bayford | Sunfish | y y | n | | | 8.5" | | 4/3/2011 | worm | no |
| Josh Regula | Hickory Shad | n | Y | 2 | 9 | 0.5 | | 4/6/2011 | lure | no |
| Kevin Meyer | Blue Catfish | y N | n | 41 | 2 | 42" | | 4/10/2011 | Shad | no |
| Bob Stuhlman | Blue Catfish | y V | n | 37 | 0 | 39" | | 4/10/2011 | Shad | no |
| Melanie Bayford | Longnose Gar | - | | 57 | 0 | 30" | | 4/10/2011 | minnow | no |
| Don Bayford | Crappie | у | n | | | 11.5" | | 4/11/2011 | Lure | |
| Beth Synowiec | Yellowfin Tuna | y n | n | 26 | 0 | 34.5" | | 4/11/2011 | lure | no |
| Jerry Hughes | Bluefish | n | n | 10 | 0 | 33" | | 5/4/2011 | lure | |
| Perry Niebeling | Sunfish | n | n | 10 | 0 | 12" | | 5/5/2011 | | no |
| Beth Synowiec | Red Drum | У | n | 1 | | 50" | | 5/11/2011 | crab | no |
| Beth Synowiec | Black Drum | у | n | | | 48" | | 5/14/2011 | Peeler Crab | yes |
| Russell Willoughby | Red Drum | у | n | | | 48 | | 5/19/2011 | crab | yes |
| | White Perch | у | n | 1 | 0 | 12.75" | | | minnow | yes |
| Kelliy Hoggard | | n | n | - | 0 | | | 5/20/2011 | | no |
| Kelliy Hoggard | White Perch | n | n | 1 | 0 | 12.75" | | 5/20/2011 | minnow | no |
| Kelliy Hoggard | Yellow Perch | n | n | | 13 | 12.5" | | 5/20/2011 | minnow | no |
| Ron Jeffords | Bluegill | у | n | | | 9.75" | | 5/22/2011 | worm | no |
| Ron Jeffords | Bluegill | у | n | | | 8.5" | | 5/22/2011 | worm | no |
| Ron Jeffords | Bluegill | у | n | | | 9.5" | | 5/22/2011 | worm | no |
| Ron Jeffords | Crappie | у | n | | | 10.5" | | 5/22/2011 | worm | no |
| Ron Jeffords | Crappie | У | n | | | 11.5" | | 5/22/2011 | worm | no |
| Ron Jeffords | Crappie | у | n | | | 12" | | 5/22/2011 | worm | no |
| Melanie Bayford | Longnose Gar | У | n | | | 48" | | 5/22/2011 | minnow | no |
| Melanie Bayford | Longnose Gar | у | n | | | 34' | | 5/22/2011 | minnow | no |
| Bob Stuhlman | Black Drum | у | n | | | 46" | | 5/24/2011 | Sea Clam | no |
| Melanie Bayford | Longnose Gar | у | n | | | 36" | | 5/27/2011 | minnow | no |
| Dave Reynolds | Black Sea Bass | n | n | 3 | 1 | | | 5/30/2011 | Squid | no |
| Kevin Meyer | Bluefish | у | n | | | 28" | | 5/30/2011 | spoon | no |
| Kevin Meyer | Round head | n | n | | 8.2 oz | 11" | | 5/30/2011 | bloodworm | no |

Committee Reports

Surf Fishing Report

Hi All!

The Board has approved having members of fishing teams that we sponsor teams in represent the club by wearing team shirts. Most of the tournaments have some type of awards ceremony at the end and it would look good if the whole team had on the same kind or color shirt. It is not a requirement to buy a shirt to be on a team. It is just a real nice way for the team to represent the club. We have a knock-off of the Columbia fishing shirts made by Izod in either short or long sleeves. This shirt will be khaki with blue embroidery. The pocket will have Virginia Beach Anglers Club over a striper over Fishing Team. You can also have your name embroidered on the right side for \$5.00. We will also have Tshirts with the new (3 fish) design on the back and the club shield on the pocket and Fishing Team above the pocket. These shirts will be tan with the 4-colors design on the back and the shield and Fishing Team in blue on the front. The cost of the shirts is as follows:

T-shirts: S-XL \$13.50; 2XL \$16.00; 3XL \$17.00 Izod Short Sleeve: S-XL \$32.00; 2XL \$35.00; 3XL \$37.00 Izod Long Sleeve: S-XL \$34.00; 2XL \$38.00; 3XL \$40.00 Name on Izod shirt: \$5.00 per shirt These prices include shirt, taxes, and shipping.

I would like to put an order in at the July meeting. Please e-mail me the info for any shirts you want to order. I will need kind(T-shirt, SS, LS), size, and name as you want it spelled on the shirt. You can order as many shirts as you want and mix kinds. Just let me know what you want!

Tight Lines! Robbie

Legislative Alert

NEWPORT NEWS

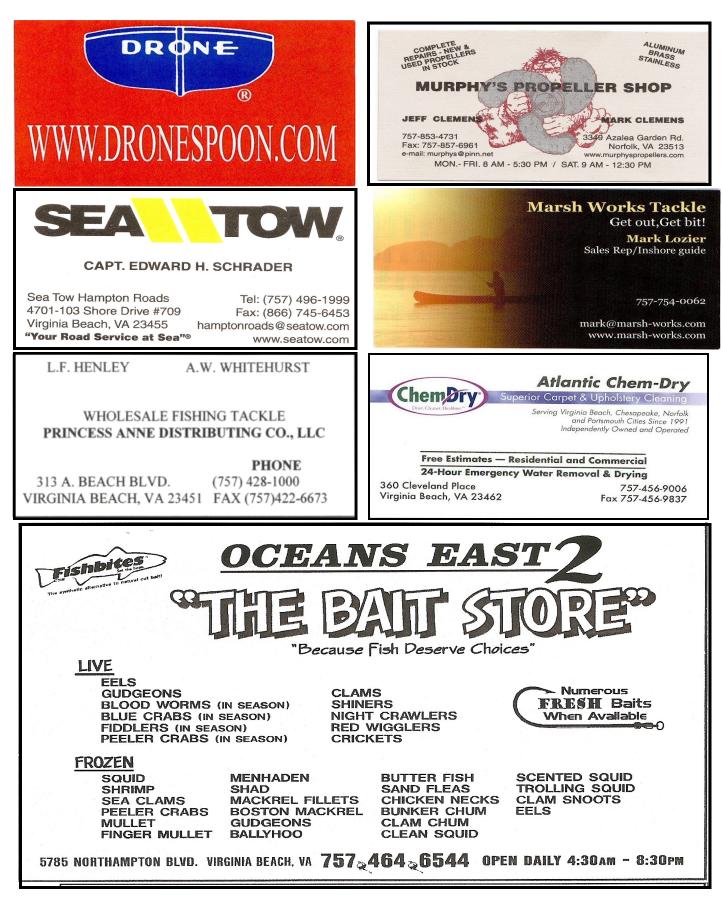
The Virginia Marine Police will soon begin cracking down on fishermen who haven't registered with the Virginia Fisherman Identification Program.

Authorities will begin issuing citations after the Fourth of July weekend. Any adult who fishes in Virginia's saltwaters or for saltwater species in tidal waters is required to register.

Anyone who buys a Virginia saltwater fishing license is automatically registered. Anglers who fail to register could face a fine of up to \$500.

The Virginia Marine Resources Commission says fewer than 28,000 people have registered this year. The National Marine Fisheries Service estimates 750,000 people a year fish in the state's saltwaters. Registration is free at www.mrc.virginia.gov/FIP.

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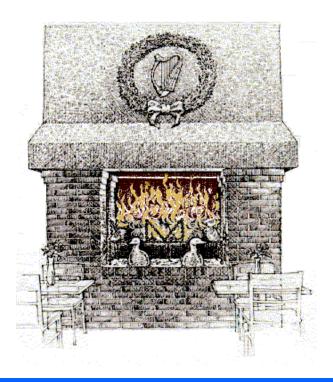
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Don't Forget Spring has sprung Time to shed the layers, and Think COOL!! Order your Embroidered Club long or short sleeve T-Shirts Or perhaps a nice Golf-shirt WEAR THEM WITH PRIDE

See Jack Guthrie (to save on delivery costs, Jack will send a collective order in quarterly)

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.

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.

WANTED:

Got fishing tips, spots, or recipes you are dying to share? Send them to George at vbanglersclub@yahoo.com and share your wealth of experience with your fellow fishing mates. We are looking to make this a monthly feature in our news letter— for the benefit of all our members.