

**December  
2012**

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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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## **Club Pics**



**November**

**Adopt-A-Spot**

**Cleanup**

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## Officers and Board Members for 2012

### Officers

President	Larry Regula	472-7183
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Newsletter Editor	Steve Harrington	232-1529

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

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

### Board Members

Robbie Parks	Jerry Mariano	Kevin Synowiec	Ronnie Nixon
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Doug Wehner	Ed Buckley	Jerry Hughes	

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### Members' News

**Membership Dues are DUE:** The membership dues for the VBAC are \$30 for individual or 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?

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Jerry Mariano- available 563-6365  
David Harwood- available 340-6187  
Bruce Agnor- available 302-562-4783  
Jack Guthrie- available 647-4490

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Upcoming Dates:

## DECEMBER

⌘ Rockfish Rodeo. Please note that registration, Capt's meeting, and lines in on Nov 30<sup>th</sup>.

▶ Monthly meeting for December is on the 6th beginning @ 7:30 pm at the Foundry Church. The December meeting is the holiday potluck. Info on page 5.

\* Catching for Kids/Toys for Tots Fishing Tournament 7-9 Dec. Info on page 4.

◆ This month's Board meeting is on December 20th @ 7:30 pm at Foundry Church.

# Happy Holidays

## JANUARY

Monthly Meeting for JAN is on the 3rd.

# CLUB NEWS

## **Giving Back to our Community VBAC 2nd Year supporting ADOPT-A-SPOT program**

The last clean up for the year was on November 3rd at 10am. Thanks to all that supported; especially after Hurricane Sandy visited. Notes from those that participated:

It was a bit chilly but really windy the weekend after Hurricane Sandy passed. A number of our Virginia Beach Angler Club members braved the weather and came out to perform our end of the year cleanup at Lynnhaven boat ramp.

The boat ramp sustained heavy damage to the parking lot and beach area around the bridge. The "Lutz memorial bench" that the club had installed a couple of years ago was swept away. Many bags of trash were properly disposed of. This clean up completes our Second year of supporting the Virginia Beach 'Adopt a Spot.' I want to thank all that have participated in the 2012 Adopt a spot cleanups, We have provided well over 125 hours of Public Service to our community.

Please add to your calendar that 2013 season will start on January 5th at 10 am. Come join us!!! The rest of next year's schedule will be posted when available.

For background on ADOPT-A-SPOT, our Club has been granted an ADOPT-A-SPOT/ WATERWAY on the Lynnhaven Inlet and Chesapeake Bay at Crab Creek Boat Ramp/ Lynnhaven Beach in Virginia Beach. We signed up to perform a clean-up of the beach area at the Crab Creek Boat Ramp beginning back in January 2011. Last year's clean-ups were supported by a number of our members, with very clean results at the Creek.

Our commitment to this worthy endeavor requires that we conduct 6 clean-ups per year. The scheduled clean-ups for 2012 will take place the Saturday following our monthly meeting of January, March, May, July, September, and November. We anticipate meeting in the parking lot at Crab Creek by 10:00 am Saturday mornings to begin our session. The club will serve a lunch to our volunteers at each session.

## **Catching for Kids/Toys for Tots Tournament**

The annual Catching for Kids/Toys for Tots fishing tournament will be held December 7-9<sup>th</sup>. VBAC will sponsor 3 boats; please contact a board member if you are a VBAC member and would like to enter your boat. Once the three slots are filled, a member can still enter the tournament by paying the boat fee. All tournament participants will be required to pay a \$10 entry fee per fisherperson. Each boat in the tournament will also need to bring a toy donation.

## **December Monthly Meeting**

This month's meeting will be December 6th at **7:00 PM** at the Foundry Methodist Church. Please note the 7PM start time vice our usual 7:30 start due to a Church function. The meeting also has to wrap up by 9PM. The church is located on Virginia Beach Blvd., near Beach Ford. This month's theme is the Holiday potluck; please bring a dish to share. Also, to show our appreciation to the Foundry Church for letting us use their facility throughout the year, we would like to support their endeavor to collect food which helps feed folks during the year and especially during the holiday season. As such, it would be greatly appreciated if you bring a non-perishable food item donation to this month's meeting. The December meeting will also be VBAC election night. Lastly, please notify Larry Regula, [L3LT@aol.com](mailto:L3LT@aol.com), if you are bringing any young members to the meeting so we can make arrangements with Santa Claus to have some gifts for them.

Directions and additional information can be found at our website, [www.viriniabeachanglersclub.org](http://www.viriniabeachanglersclub.org) or by calling Bob Stuhlman at 757-374-7372.

The meeting is free, guests are always welcome, we have a great raffle each meeting and refreshments will be served. Please join us Thursday night.

## **The VBAC Fishing Roulette**

The second VBAC Fishing Roulette Challenge is underway. The five species of fish for 2012 are: sunfish, blue catfish, chain pickerel, flounder, and tautog. 26 people signed up and will be competing for the prize money. The angler with the heaviest catch for the selected species by Dec 31, 2012 will share the pot with the other winners. Weight will determine winner (not length). \*(Wahoo, Tuna, Gar and Amberjack will not be part of the drawing).

## **Ocracoke Tournament**

Name draw for the Ocracoke Tournament will occur at the February meeting. Please make sure your name is in the drawing if you are interested in participating in the tournament.

## **Newsletter Turnover**

Please be advised that I am turning over the newsletter duties to Victoria Jones; you can send future newsletter submissions to her at [vmjones84@gmail.com](mailto:vmjones84@gmail.com). She will post additional contact info in next month's newsletter. Thanks to all for your support throughout the year.

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FYI - Mike writes an on-line fishing column for the City of Virginia Beach which may be viewed at Shore Lines at [www.vbfun.com/visitors/shorelinesblog](http://www.vbfun.com/visitors/shorelinesblog). Visit there to see the latest area catches under **Shorelines** by m.halperin.

Happy Holidays to All!



# FISHING NEWS

## **Fishing on the Piankatank by Melanie**

We have been busy fishing on the Piankatank River lately. We have caught puppy drum and speckled trout. I put a line out for drum or trout and got a nice surprise. A weight citation yellow perch at 1 lb 4 oz.. Went back out this past weekend and caught a 25.5 pound blue catfish. MONEY ENTRY! Both fish were weighed the day after I caught them since Gloucester has a shortage of weigh stations, especially on a Sunday evening. Melanie Bayford



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## **Council to Discuss Sandy's Impacts During Next Listening Session**

Mid-Atlantic Fishery Management Council Meeting 10-13 DEC

Pier V Hotel, 711 Eastern Avenue, Baltimore, MD 21202

The Mid-Atlantic Fishery Management Council and NMFS Representatives will answer questions and discuss the impacts of “Superstorm” Sandy at the next public listening session in Baltimore, MD. Please consult the website below for more details and agenda if interested: <http://www.savingseafood.org/council-actions/council-to-discuss-sandys-impacts-during-next-listening-se-2.html>

## Surf Fishing Report

This is a rundown on the 2012 surf fishing tournament season:

Ocracoke (May)		13 <sup>th</sup> Place out of 80 – 85 teams
Hatteras Village (Sept)	Team “A”	8 <sup>th</sup> place out of 71 teams
	Team “B”	45 <sup>TH</sup> place out of 71 teams
Long Beach Island, NJ (Sept)	Team “A”	9 <sup>th</sup> place out of 45 teams
	Team “B”	10 <sup>th</sup> place out of 45 teams
Nags Head Tournament (Oct)		20 <sup>th</sup> place out of 80 teams
Cape Hatteras Angler’s Club (Nov)		40 <sup>th</sup> place out of 120 teams

The effect of Hurricane Sandy took its’ toll on the CHAC tournament. Of the 120 teams on their list 22 were “NO Shows;” 30 teams didn’t score any points; 49 teams had 10 or less points and 18 teams had more than 10 points. The winning team had 50 points and we tied 4 other teams with 7 points. We as a club made very respectable showings in each of the tournaments. Hopefully 2013 will be even better for us than 2012 was. I have already received the invitation for the Ocracoke tournament and we will be drawing name for that tournament in February.

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Robbie



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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.

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