

May
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

Club Pics



Pic of a 19 pound catfish caught by Jack Guthrie in the James River, Surry County on Friday, April 13. Fishing with cut shad from shore.

Even though we are a fish club, we have to mention that the next day was pretty good as well for Jack...he got this "turkey fish" on opening day. Weighed 22 pounds, 11" Beard with 1" Spurs.

Not a bad couple of days.

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Officers and Board Members for 2012

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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
Butch Eason	Bob Stuhlman	Bob Burstein	
Doug Wehner	Ed Buckley	Jerry Hughes	

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?

Rich Maquire - needs crew 619-4851
Bob Wuorinen - available 486-8588
Leonard Harris - available 455-8667
Jerry Mariano- available 563-6365
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

Want to fish but need a boat?

Howie Dorfman- available 621-2220
Wayne Johnson- available 689-0367
Frank Donohue - need crew /available 589-8021
Eddie Wright- available 757-617-1079

Share the ride and share the expense. If you would like your name added or deleted call Steve Harrington @ 757-232-1529; or email SNOTY@AOL.COM

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Upcoming Dates:

MAY

▶ Monthly meeting for May is on the 3rd beginning @ 7:30 pm at the Foundry Church. More info on page 4.

\$ Adopt-A-Spot cleanup at Crab Creek at 10 AM. More info on page 4.

✱ Hunting for Hardheads Fishing Challenge. More info on page 6.

◆ This month's Board meeting is on May 17th @ 7:30 pm at Foundry Church.

JUNE

Family Fun Day June 2nd at Sandbridge. More info on page 5.

Monthly Meeting for June is on the 7th.

CLUB NEWS

Giving Back to our Community VBAC 2nd Year supporting ADAPT-A-SPOT program

Next scheduled clean-up is May 5th at 10AM. Come out and help keep your community clean!

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.

May Monthly Meeting

This month's meeting will be May 3rd and guest speaker will be Capt. Geoff Scheepers who runs the charter boat "Waste Knot II." He will be talking about offshore fishing and highlight some of the species such as mahi mahi, tuna, etc.

http://www.obxguides.com/fishing/featured_fishing/waste_knot/

Knife Sharpening Opportunity

Free Cutco Sharpening! The local service representative, Kristin Brindley, will be attending our May 3rd meeting. At the meeting, Kristin will have a Cutco sharpening sign up. She will also sharpen hunting knives and help the group send back any that may need to be replaced. Cutco has a forever guarantee "like Snap On Tools, you break it they replace it." Please **bring** your hunting knives that need to be refurbished or replaced.

Kristin is also willing to do a large discount for the group.

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Mother's day discounts from **10-30%** off depending on order size.

If you'd like to get your sharpening service set up early, Kristin's number is "313-971-8312"

Family Day at the Beach in June

VBAC is looking at having a Family Day at Little Island Park at Sandbridge on Saturday, June 2nd from 1-6PM. Please note the date changed as the facilities were already booked on the 9th. If you have not been to Little Island, there is ample room for surf fishing and you can walk across the street to fish Back Bay. The Club will provide hot dogs and hamburgers plus fix'ns, and drinks. Unfortunately, the city would not waive the parking fee of \$3 for Virginia Beach residents and \$5 for non-residents.

If you plan to attend, please send an RSVP email to surfpicnic@gmail.com with subject line "JUNE 2 VIRGINIA BEACH ANGLERS CLUB FAMILY DAY LITTLE ISLAND SANDBRIDGE." Also include the number of people attending in the email so that we can track and plan accordingly. Members can bring other items for the grill that can be cooked as well.

Fireman Larry, can you bring your grill?

Looking for Ideas

One of our members, Jerry "DOINK" Hughes, has been out and about in the community looking for a group that the VBAC can sponsor for a fishing related activity. So far, he has made contact with Hope Haven (which consists of an Assisted Living Home for Adults and a Home for Children), the Jewish Community Center and Jewish Community Outreach Center in Virginia Beach, and the Hope House Organization in Virginia Beach. He also has feelers out in a couple of local tackle shops looking for ideas. Big Brothers/Big Sisters of Tidewater came up as a suggestion, but it doesn't appear there are any in this area.

Jerry is still looking for more ideas from our Club Members, please contact him if you have a suggestion or let someone from the board know at this month's meeting as he will not be there.

A Note from the Prize Fish Committee

Great job by all 2011 participants. Reminder, your 2012 dues must be paid before catching any fish for the 2012 contest.

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)

FISHING NEWS

Surf Fishing Report

We wish Good Luck to our Ocracoke tournament team of Carl McCoy, Bob Burstein, Butch Eason, Jerry Hughes, and Mark and Steve Wray this week in Ocracoke!

“Hunt for the Hardheads” Fishing Challenge

The Hunt for Hardheads Tournament is May 12, 2012 at the Willoughby Public Boat Ramp (13th View St. and Bayville St. Norfolk, VA). Lines in at 7AM and ‘measure in’ is between 12:30 and 1:30PM.

There will be a signup sheet at the meeting for anyone who wants to enter their boat or enter as an angler. More details below or offered at Thursday’s VBAC meeting:

What is it? A croaker, bluefish, and flounder fishing challenge between the Great Bridge Fisherman’s Association, Portsmouth Anglers Club, and the Virginia Beach Anglers Club.

How Much? Entry Fee: \$30.00 / Boat (3 angler teams). Additional Anglers \$10.00.
What’s included? Fishing, Picnic and Wish-A-Fish Donation (Picnic only is \$5).

What are the rules?

1. Club may enter as many teams as they would like. Team Captains must be club members.
2. Teams must register and pay in advance through their own club’s tournament director.
3. Boats may depart from any VA port.
4. The eastern boundary will be 500 yards east of the HRBT.
5. Fish will be measured by length only, if the exact length is encountered a girth measurement will decide.
6. Points Structure... The longest legal fish of each species will earn 5 points, the 2nd longest legal earns 4 pts, 3rd longest legal fish earns 3 pts, 4th longest legal fish earns 2pts, and the 5th longest legal fish earns 1pt.
7. The Club with the Most Points Wins!

Tight Lines!!
Robbie

Fishing Tales

Trusting your gut. Classicrockfish Citation Red Drum report..April 5 2012

Although we were super busy today with Clara & her guitar lessons, getting dinner ready, and Katie's track meet, I somehow managed to fit everything in between 5 and 7 & convince Kevin to take advantage of the small wind window that presented itself last night. Kevin arrived home from picking up Katie, hot dinner was on the table, and the boat was loaded with rigs intact on lines and cooler packed. We were ready to roll. On the way, Kevin decided to drive across the bridge and just pay the toll. It was well after 7:30pm when we left the house and the high tide was predicted in Kiptopeake to be around 8:15ish. We had no time to waste. We got to the launch around 8:25pm and Kevin picked the first location and we set up. I knew in my heart that he was only here to avoid the current that was slightly kicking. I gently suggested we go to another location but he did not budge. He is not one that likes heavy current but knowing the nature of this fish, we needed to be closer to aerated water. After 30 minutes with no activity and me feeling like it was not going to happen here, I looked up at him. He then looked at me and said "what?" I told him I was glad that we were out here but it was like being brought to the circus without a ticket to get in. We were about 3 miles from where I wanted to go and sitting here was killing me. There was a long pause. I then explained what I knew about this fish. After about 5 minutes & a discussion, we released anchor and headed towards "the circus." My heart started beating faster and I truly felt like a kid again...like I was heading on a big adventure and I couldn't wait to get there. We drove to the opposite side & anchored up. The sounds of the breakers behind us harmonized like a symphony. We had arrived with ticket in hand. It was 9:30pm and we set up. I put out 5 lines with fishfinder rigs and 8 and 10 oz sinkers with live blue crab. We waited. The current over here was not as bad as we thought it would be. Ten minutes later we had a bump, then another knockdown about 20 minutes after that! I then noticed the heavy clouds. We just needed that beautiful moon to peak out and say hello I thought to myself. The current here at Fisherman's Island was just about to shift. It was running a bit behind probably due to the NE wind. Kevin mentioned he did not want to stick around very long cause he had an early morning tomorrow. I said okay and suggested to give it about an hour. About 45 minutes later I noticed the moon had finally peaked through the clouds. It glistened the water. Then it happened.....zzzzzzzzzz. I looked at Kevin and said "do you want it." He said "no, you take it." So, I did. This fish and her experience truly spoke for itself. It was an awesome battle that lasted almost 12 minutes, a bit longer than I was used to with this fish...but who is complaining (lol). We got her to the boat to net her and then she zipped away again and again. Third time around, Kevin netted her and brought this 48 inch beauty onto the boat. We took some photos and released her back. Ten minutes later....zzzzzzzz again. Kevin jumped up and grabbed the line. My heart started pounding...cause I just love this stuff. About less than a minute later though, his fish got off the hook. It was almost 11:30pm now and we were getting tired. He said we could always head back another time. I then looked up and the moon had disappeared as fast as it came. It was now time to go home.



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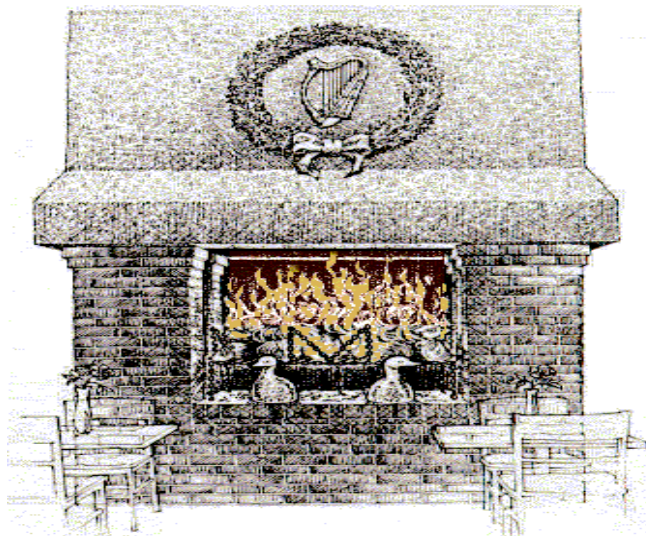
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The purpose of the VBAC is to encourage sport fishing, both freshwater and saltwater, while supporting prudent governmental and other policies that promote the preservation, conservation and ecology of all marine life.

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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WANTED:

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