



October 2016

VIRGINIA BEACH ANGLERS CLUB

Tight Lines

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Monthly Meeting:

When: Thursday, October 6th, 7:30pm.

Where: Foundry United Methodist Church. 2801 Virginia Beach Blvd. In Virginia Beach next to Beach Ford.

August Speaker: The cooler weather is here and so are the speckled trout. This month, Louis Glaser will be speaking about the local speckled trout action. He is an active member amongst the local anglers club and enjoys fishing year round out of Little Creek. Louis will focus on casting and baiting techniques of nearby inlets. He has been catching them (including this past weekend) and will help you find a big one of your own.

Lynnhaven Fishing Pier Results – September 11th

Winners

Adult Division Winners

Croaker – No Entry

Bluefish – No Entry

Spot – Christina Eggers – 8 3/4 inches.

Kids Division Winner

Bluefish – Landon Patrick – 12 1/2 inches.



VBAC Crab Creek Clean Up – 2016 Summary

It was another great year for the clean-up crew of the Virginia Beach Anglers Club. More than 50 volunteers came out this year to help keep the Chesapeake Bay and Lynnhaven River clean. Ronnie Nixon would like to thank all the individuals that came out to support our event. There were a lot of delicious lunches and enjoyable mornings to chat and share time. With the new lesner bridge construction in full swing, there is little room at the boat ramp and our substitute site near the brock center has done well. When the construction ends, I am sure there will be no end to the amount of trash we might be able to find on site if all the land is opened back up to the public. Until then, Pleasure House Point Park is the lovely neighborhood park that we will continue to enjoy.

Eight individuals came out in September. Thanks to all the volunteers in 2016.



Hatteras Village Surf Fishing Tournament – September 8th/9th/10th

VBAC sent two teams to the 33rd Annual Hatteras Village Civic Association Invitational Surf Fishing Tournament. The tournament was held September 8, 9, & 10, 2016. The weather was great and the fishing was better than in a lot of years. There were a lot of fish caught and by far most of the scoring fish were bluefish. A total of 64 teams participated in the Tournament. Team 'A' finished in 17th place, tied with 4 other teams, with 37 points. Team 'B' finished in 18th place with 34 points. The SCABS from VB won the tournament with 133 points. Team 'B' must have caught 30 or 40 puppy drum between 14 inches and 17 inches but could not catch a scoring fish. Returning from Team 'A' are: David Reynolds with 6 fish for 13 points, Robbie Parks 5/9, and Jerry Hughes 4/9. Returning from Team 'B' are: Steve Wray with 8 fish for 16 points, Mark Wray 5/9 and Cheryl Johnson 5/7. Both teams represented the club well finishing in the top third of the field. Some pictures from the tournament are below!



Long Beach Island Surf Fishing Tournament – September 24th

This is the 5th year VBAC has sent teams to fish in the Long Beach Island Fishing Club's Surf Fishing Tournament. In these 5 years we have fielded 9 teams (only one team in 2015). There are usually 45 to 50 teams in this tournament, and we usually finish in a very respectful position. This tournament scores points based on the total length of the fish to the nearest 1/4 inch. This year one of our teams finished in **5th place**, and we have always been in the top 20 with both teams. The fishing conditions on Saturday were really tough - winds out of the NNE at 20 – 25 mph, spitting rain, and a strong current running down the beach. Eight ounce sinkers would not hold bottom, and "sputnik" sinkers were not much better. Our Team A finished in 5th place with 7 fish for 87.5 points. Team B finished in 20th place with 2 fish for 20.75 points. The VBAC has some really good surf fisherman! The top scorers from this year's Team A are Kelly Hoggard with 3 fish for 37.50 points, Greg Wehner with 2 fish and 25.5 points and Doug Wehner with 1 fish and 12 points. From Team B are Mike Anderson with 1 fish for 10.50 points, and Larry Regula with 1 fish for 10.25 points. Thanks to all the members who made the trip!

Pictures of LBI to appear in the November newsletter.

Fall Intra-Club Surf Fishing Tournament – September 17th

On September 17, 2016 we held the Fall Intra-Club Surf Fishing Tournament at Sandbridge. The weather was great! Remember that the spring tournament last May was rained out. We had 9 members fish the tournament and David Reynolds and Chris Schneider came down to check things out. We caught 8 fish for 27 points. Larry Harmon was top man with 3 fish for 10 points which won him the 4' aluminum sand spike. Robbie Parks caught the biggest fish, a 13" puppy drum. Jerry Mariano fixed us some really good subs for lunch. If you have never fished in one of these fun tournaments, come out next spring and give it a try.

Tight Lines!

-Robbie Parks

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VBAC Annual Oyster Roast!!!

October 15th

It's time again for our annual Oyster Roast! All the preparations are made and all we have to do now is wait. There is a lot of fun with this one and we've been blessed with great weather for a number of years. Here's to hoping that that trend continues. The cost is free to members but \$15 per guest. If a guest purchases a membership, their membership includes the cost of the oyster roast and the membership is extended through the entire 2017 calendar year.

The oysters and drinks are plentiful, but all club members should bring some type of side dish and or a dessert to share. The club will also have some shirts and raffle prizes for sale, so bring a little spending money. Activities usually start around 12:00 or so, but come down early to do some surf fishing with the crew! A number of us are usually there by 8:00 to try our luck at bluefish or puppy drum. Dress accordingly to the weather and bring lots of room in your stomachs.

More information will be available at this month's club meeting and a reminder will be sent a couple days before the event. See you all there!



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Visit our websites for the latest updates to the Tournament:

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Stuff-a-Boat Toy Drive!

Sea Tow Hampton Roads and the local angler clubs will be collecting toys this year for the “Stuff-a-Boat Toy Drive”. We will be collecting new and un-giftwrapped toys. Last year we were able to collect over 700 toys due to the Angler Clubs tremendous participation. The only thing we are asking of club members is to bring a toy to your monthly Angler’s Club meeting in the months of October, November and December. Sea Tow Hampton Roads will attend your meeting and collect the toys. If for some reason you are not able to make the monthly meetings, you can visit www.facebook.com/SeaTowHamptonRoads for locations where drop off boxes are available.

In December, we will invite all the area clubs to our office for pizza and fill the Sea Tow Boat with toys that we have collected. The Marines from Toys for Tots come to the Sea Tow office to receive the toys. We would like to get a group shot of all clubs surrounding the Sea Tow boat stuffed with toys. This date will be determined when the time gets closer.

Every little bit helps and will make someone’s holiday a little brighter. Thank-you again for your support.

If you have any questions, you may contact Ed or Karen Schrader at 757-496-1999.



VBAC Club T-Shirts

The club has some fresh inventory of T-Shirts! There are various sizes in these three colors. All shirts are \$15 each or 2 for \$25 while supplies last! We have various sizes but the majority is Large and Extra Large. Check with Jerry Hughes or Butch Eason at the club shirt table at the meeting this Thursday. The mango colored shirt is required for all fall surf fishing team participants.



VBAC Elections

It’s October and that means it’s election time again! Each year, the Virginia Beach Anglers Club holds an annual election at the December Christmas Social meeting. You should contact Butch Eason, Beth Synowiec, or Kelly Hoggard if you are interested. The positions that are voted on consist of all officer and board positions and any club member is eligible. More details about the requirements of each position are listed in the club by-laws. You can access the club documents by visiting our club webpage or by [clicking here!](#)

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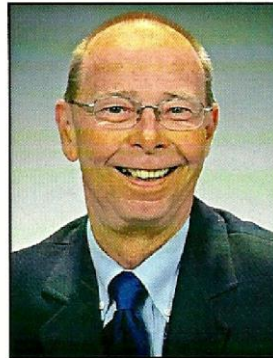
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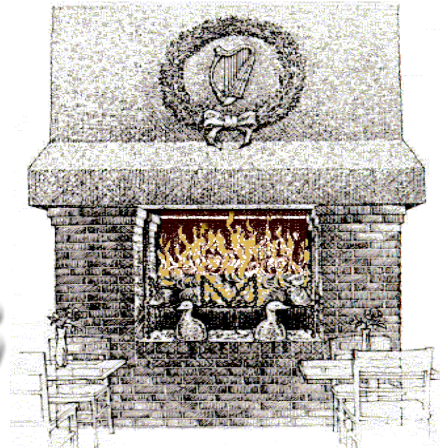
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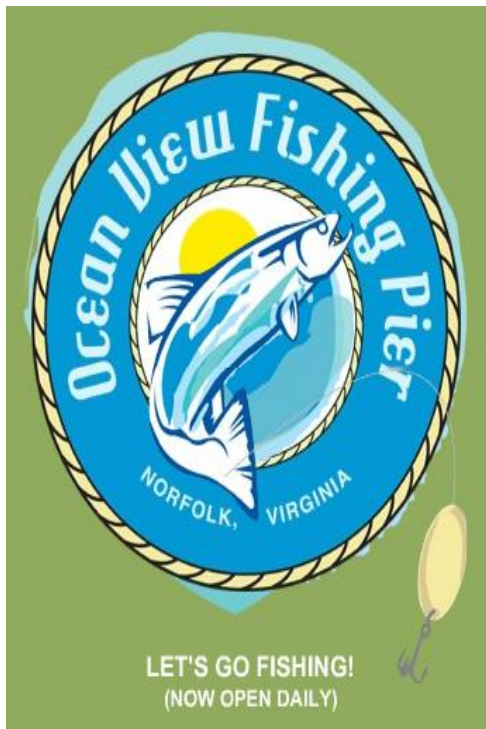
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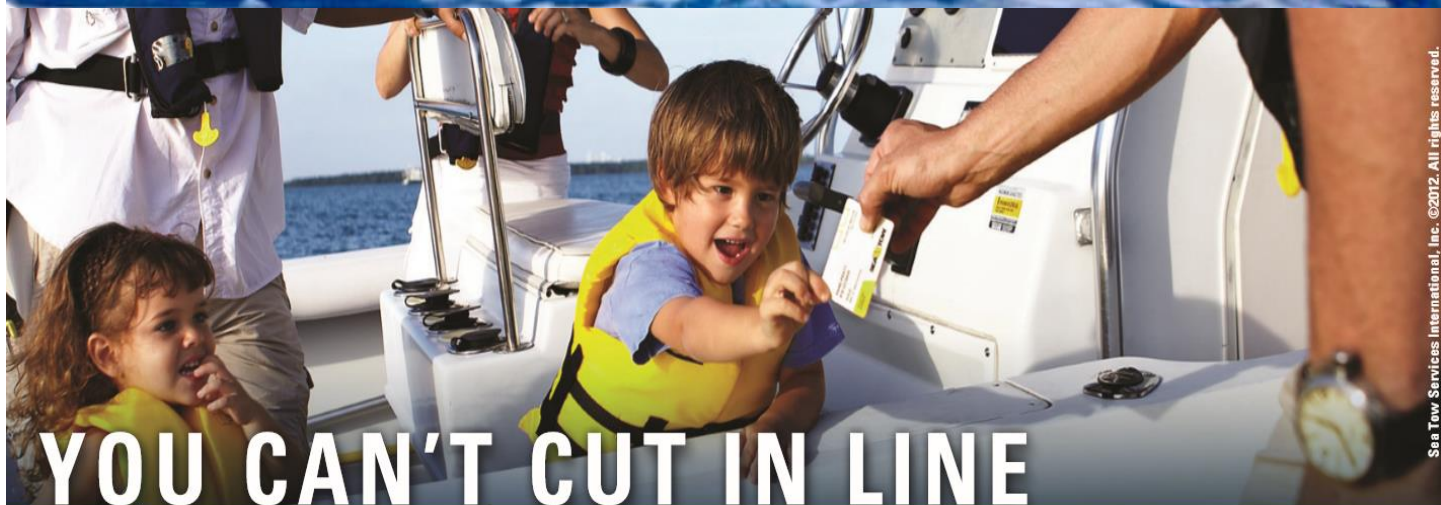
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VBAC Fishing Roulette 2016

(Updated September 1st)

<u>Species</u>	<u>Current Leader</u>	<u>Weight</u>
<u>Saltwater:</u>		
Croaker	Ike Eisenhower	1lb. 03oz.
Puppy Drum	David Reynolds	0lb. 09oz.
Roundhead	Kelly Hoggard	1lb. 03oz.
<u>Freshwater:</u>		
Crappie	Steve Harding	2lb. 07oz.
Sunfish	Ike Eisenhower	2lb. 04oz.

To All Participants! A reminder that this is a yearlong fishing contest. Please remember, all puppy drum weighed must be no greater than the legal slot size length when the weight is recorded.

If you have any questions, call Chris at 737-1115.

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Participation Needed!

Listed below are many of the committees and their respective captain (or co-captains) that represent each committee. All of these hard working club members need help fulfilling their goals for the events that are planned during the year. No matter your current role in the club, everyone is encouraged to help in any way possible. There are no special skill requirements needed... It just requires a little bit of time and input. Take an active part in the club and help make a difference in our community.

Thank you all for your consideration - VBAC Officers and Directors

2015 Virginia Beach Anglers Club Committees:

Boat Show:	Chair – Russell Willoughby
Calendar:	Chair – Bob Burstein
Crab Creek Clean-Up:	Chair – Ronnie Nixon
Great Bridge Flea Market:	Chair – Preston Mangum
VBAC Flea Market:	Bob Stuhlman
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Banquet/Oyster Roast:	Chair – Jerry Mariano
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Club Tournaments:	Chair – George Gabriel
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Newsletter:	Chair – Kelly Hoggard
Prize Fish:	Chair – Chris Schneider
Nomination Committee:	Chair – Butch Eason
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	Co. Chair – Beth Synoweic

VBAC Fishing Contest!

Our new Monthly Fishing Contest is open to all club members in good standing. One fish is selected by the tournament committee prior to the month of competition. **The largest fish by weight will determine the winner** and must be submitted via the standard VBAC fish entry form. [The form is available on our website](#). Eligible anglers compete for a monthly prize of \$30. All entries must be received by the start of the next general membership meeting in order to qualify. The contest requires the fish to be weighed on a **certified scale**. A **photo and short story or caption** are required as part of the contest rules. There is **no minimum size limit except for the fish to meet state regulation requirements** (i.e. No flounder less than 16 inches). Submissions to the newsletter can be sent to our club email address: VBAnglersclub@gmail.com

September: **SPOT – Still Undecided**

August: **FLOUNDER – No Entry**

July: **CROAKER – No Entry**

June: **Rick Hoggard – 61 lb. Cobia**

May: **Robbie Parks – 1 lb. 09 oz. Bluefish**

April: **Kevin Synowiec – 19lb. 06oz. Tautog**

Fishing Reports for August

Spot and Speckled Trout – Ike Eisenhower



September 13th and 14th

I know that autumn is finally here no matter the temperature when two of my favorite fish arrive in sizes I can catch easily and big enough for a meal: spot and speckled trout. Yesterday I fished with Russell Willoughby in the Lynnhaven River and we caught some small puppy drum and a few spot. Today, it was speckled trout with Louis Glaser. I fished inside of Little Creek. Three of the speckled trout were 18-22 inches.

Yeah Fall!

Blessings - Ike



Additional Fishing Reports

So had the time this afternoon to run Twice Bitten to the fuel dock. It was just myself and Chloe the beagle. Put in 43 gallons in prep for the weekend. Had to try for a few spot for dinner. Caught 6 in an hour. Largest was a tad over 7 ounces. Hard to tell on long bay points outdoor scale. Connie at long bay verified the weight. After he got in some laughing, I explained the club challenge to him. Be safe and fish on.

After a totally enjoyable weekend in Hatteras, I was itching to get Twice Bitten fishing again. My buddy David Swoope and I set out in search of Spot. Poked around all of the places I have slammed them before. Tried 6 or 8 places only catching a few worth keeping. Caught a lot of flounder candy size so they went in the livewell. Poked our nose out in the bay around the Lynnhaven pier and pound nets. Tons of baby grey trout!!! Great to see them coming back again. Overall, it was a day of fishing not catching. We returned to the dock with a good fish fry worth. Biggest I caught was 8.378 ounces on my digital scale. Not complaining mind you, any day fishing is GREAT! Our bait of choice was different kinds of fishbites and real bloodworms using double bottom rigs and large sabiki shrimp rigs. David did manage to catch a couple roundhead in the mix. We ran about 12 miles overall and burned 3 gallons. Tide was ripping coming in and had to get on plane to pass Lesner bridge.



Took the chance last weekend to try surf fishing. As most of you know this is way out of my normal style. I got invited to the Hatteras invitational to fish for our club. Ran down Thursday to a warm reception from fellow anglers. Reception Thursday had lots of good eats. Started out Friday morning with our group, riding w/ Robbie Parks. Robbie had no problem with showing me the proper bait prep and rigging... soaking it all in. Caught a few and scored. Friday night I hiked over to the local bait shop and found they had fresh finger mullet..SCORE! Got 3 lbs. Cleaned up and went to the next banquet. Up early to make breakfast and then off to try again. Caught a nice grey trout right off the bat but nothing later for that session. Our spot for the afternoon was 74. End of the beach. Looked great to me and found a beautiful seashell as soon as I got out of the truck. Set out our gear but a little slow for me, Jerry and Russell pulled in a couple. Here's the fun part! 11 minutes to go and I finally caught a bluefish worth scoring. Threw back out and another but too small. Robbie looks at me with 6 minutes to go and says "we have time for 3 more" Fresh baits out and We did it!!! Robbie got one and I got a double.. We scored well in the tournament; 17th. Just want to thank all on my team for teaching me and being patient as my casts were not always straight. Just TOO much fun. Thanx to all!!

Additional Fishing Captures

September 27th

Here is a picture of a 1 lb. 3 oz. croaker I caught 9/25 that I will submit to Chris at the meeting next week for the Roulette. Caught him and a half dozen more while we were waiting for the tide to shift so we could go back to trout fishing. Caught using white swimming mullet Gulp on jigs using light spinning rods. They fought like bigger puppy drum. Weighed this one at Ocean's East by Jimmy. Hopefully I'll be catching bigger ones soon.



October 3rd

Great day in Little Creek on Louis Glaser's boat with Jerry Gaines catching 9 speckled trout on MirrOlures up to 23.5 inches and 9 croakers on gulp up to 1 pound. The biggest was caught by Louis, 23.5 inches and on the incoming tide.

Fishing Achievement by Ike Eisenhower!

Some of you might remember this one. Ike went fishing with Russell back in June in an attempt to get a fish on the board for the club roulette. He received a letter in the mail and an award for the largest of his shell crackers pictured below. Ike attained the "Angler of the Month" award from the state of Virginia for the largest weighed fish in the sunfish category for June. His 2 pound 4 ounce monster is one he will never forget.

Congratulations Ike!!



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Our Objectives:

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.

2016 VBAC Elected Officials

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