



May 2018



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Upcoming Events

Monthly Meeting:

When: Thursday May 3, 7:30pm.

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

April Meeting Subject: Catching that elusive red drum!

April Meeting Speaker: Pirate Pete Bergant

May & Future Information Notes:

1. Ocracoke Surf Fishing Tournament May 2,3,and 4!

2. Crab Creek Clean-Up May 5. C'mon Down and Help!

3. VBAC Surf Tournament for all club members at

Sandbridge just south of the fishing pier. Open to all!

Bring a rod & bait and come on down on May 12!

4. Hunt for Hardheads May 19, 2018! We still need to get a couple sponsored boats.

Please call either Bob Burstein 267-994-7423 or

George Gabriel 757-619-1638.

5. June 23, 2018 Seaton House fishing trip for the kids. If you haven't yet volunteered, please call Bob Burstein at 267-994-7423. This event will melt the hearts of all who volunteer. Plus LUNCH will be served!

6. November 17, 2018 Fresh Water Fishing Tournament.

Details to be announced.

VBAC Fishing Roulette 2018

<u>Species</u>	<u>Current Leader</u>	<u>Weight</u>
Croaker		
Puppy Drum	Jerry Hughes	6# 12.8 oz
Sea Bass	Jerry Mariano	4# 8oz
Bowfin	James Eisenhower	6#
Sunfish		

Catch-A-Ride

BOAT

Preston Mangum (757) 582-1450
 Jeremy Maguire (757) 407-0493
 Rich Maguire (757) 619-4851
 Rob Stommel (703) 244-1282
 Bob Stuhlman (757) 374-7372

CREW

Pete Federico (908) 887-3113
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 Gerald Segelstrom (724) 809-7868

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ADULT ENTRY FEE - \$20

CHILD ENTRY FEE - \$10

Entry fee includes admission to pier.

\$150 GUARANTEED ADULT PAYOUT

\$50 PIER SHOP GIFT CERTIFICATE TO CHILD



8 AM to 4 PM

10 JUN

15 JUL

12 AUG

9 SEP

14 OCT
weather permitting

SPECIES

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CROAKER
ROUNDHEAD
BLUE FISH

CROAKER
ROUNDHEAD
BLUEFISH

CROAKER
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RULES

Tournament is open to all.
Rain or shine.



Fish must be caught on the pier during Tournament times and
alive when brought to the judging table.

Winner will be determined by length.

Ties will be determined by earliest entry time.

Winners do not have to be present at 4 PM.

All prize money will be awarded. If no entry in a species, prize money will be
divided and awarded to the winner with largest entry in remaining species.



1 Species = \$150 to the winner

2 Species = \$75 each winner

3 Species = \$50 each winner



Child's prize will be for largest fish caught that day from the three species.

Visit our websites for the latest updates to the Tournament:

vbanglersclub.com oceanviewfishingpier.com

BUY A BOOK – HELP A VET!

True Tales of the Tide: An Angler's Lifelong Quest, a local interest fishing book written by club member Mike Halperin, is now an approved Buy & Support item for the ***Healing Waters Fly Fishing Project***. Healing Waters helps wounded veterans and PTSD victims through recovery by teaching fly fishing and fly tying skills at no cost to veterans. It is a nationwide program.

A percentage of the purchase price of each book goes to support this worthwhile program. As a physically challenged Navy veteran himself, Mike is using his book as a vehicle to “give back” to our recovering veterans.

True Tales of the Tide tells the story of Virginia Beach and East Coast saltwater fishing. The story is told as a fishing memoir through the eyes of a local angler and U.S. Coast Guard licensed captain. Readers will find plenty of “insider” fishing tips inside the stories.

True Tales of the Tide makes a great present or gift for Father's Day, Mother's Day, birthdays, the holidays or just plain exciting adventure reading about our bay and ocean fishing. Mike hopes you will decide to assist him in helping our veterans.

Book Sources:

Amazon.com: [True Tales of the Tide](#)

DorrancePublishing.com: [True Tales of the Tide](#)

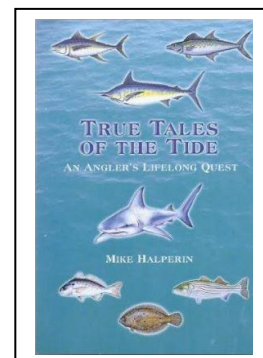
Local: Wildriver Outfitters (signed copies)

Thanks to all club members for any support you can lend for the Healing Waters Project!

Mike Halperin



571# Tiger shark – Mike Halperin

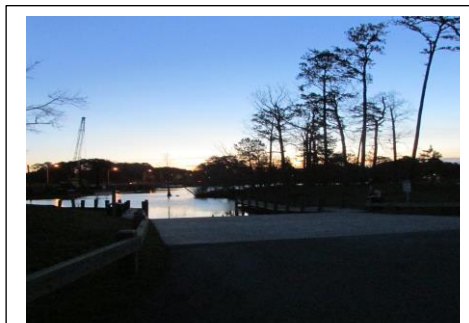
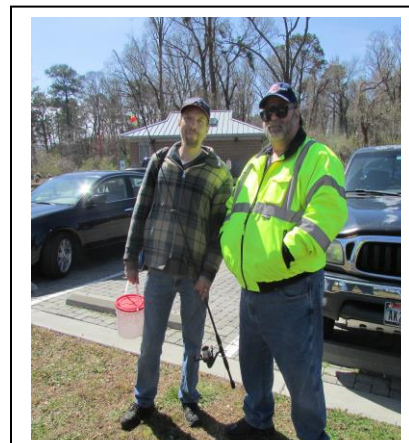


Book Cover

The 2018 Lake Smith Crappie Tournament

On March 31, VBAC held its first Crappie tournament on Lake Smith. After having been delayed twice and it being the Saturday before Easter, attendance was probably a little less than it could have been.

Morning dawned **very** chilly with little or no wind (thank goodness) and volunteers were all in place when the first entrant rolled through the gate. Ronnie Nixon, Jerry Hughes, Butch Eason, Gary Doerhoff, and Patty Searby helped man the table all day. Thank you all **very** much! Entries were completed by 8:00 AM and the contestants were “off and fishing”. We had eleven entrants with two winners, Steve Harding took first place (\$150.00) and Russell Willoughby took second (\$75.00). There was less than one ounce separating the two fish!



VBAC Classified Page

Enter your ad by phone, text or email to Preston Mangum

757-582-1450 or pmangum@roseandwomble.com

Ads are free and good for 90 days or until sold.

Propeller: Mercury Black Max. New in box.

Diameter 12 $\frac{3}{4}$ ", pitch 21, Rotation - RH, aluminum, with hardware. New on internet, discount price is \$144.00.

Will sell for \$60.00. Melanie Bayford 804-210-1212 3/18

10' by 20' camouflage netting. Good condition except 2 - 4"-6" holes. \$40.00 Call Preston Mangum 757-582-1450 4/18

14' Flat Bottom Jon Boat. Doesn't leak. Trailer. Clear titles. \$350.00 OBO.

Call Gary Doerhoff 757-404-4727.

5/18

I ran charters for many years and have served as club president and board member. I have numerous tackle, rods, reels, and other assorted gear for sale. High-quality, high-end custom gear. Some, which have never been used. Butch Eason is knowledgeable on the type of gear I have. Anyone who is interested can reach me, Mike Marsala, at 757-724-6453. Please leave a message if there is no answer.

5/18

2013 Metallic gold Ford 150 XLT North Carolina Edition, 4x4, crew cab, V8, new tires, wheel well liners, floor mats, spray bed liner, bed cover, brush guard, 61K miles. Excellent condition.

\$22,800.00 Call Steve Lockyear (757) 456-5105

4/18



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

2018 Virginia Beach Anglers Club Committees:

Boat Show:	Chair – Russell Willoughby
Calendar:	Chair – Butch Eason Co. Chair – Ronnie Nixon
Crab Creek Clean-Up:	Chair – Ronnie Nixon
Great Bridge Flea Market:	Chair – Preston Mangum
VBAC Flea Market:	Chair – Bob Burstein
Banquet/Oyster Roast:	Chair – Jerry Mariano
Seton Youth:	Chair – Dave Anderson
Raffles:	Chair – Preston Mangum
Audit Committee:	Chair – Mike Anderson
Surf Tournaments:	Chair – Robbie Parks
Club Tournaments:	Chair – George Gabriel Co. Chair – Bob Burstein
Pier Tournaments:	Chair – Gary Doerhoff
Prize Fish:	Chair – Chris Schneider
Nomination Committee:	Chair – Butch Eason Co. Chair Kelly Hoggard Co. Chair Beth Synoweic
Conservation and Regulations:	Chair – Butch Eason Co. Chair – Kelly Hoggard
T-Shirt Committee:	Chair – Patty Searby

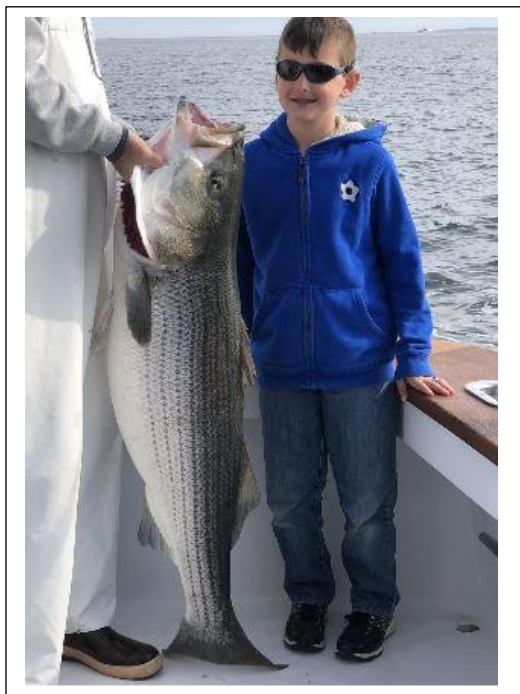
Saltwater Fishing News

Lower Bay Fishing Reports brought to you by Off The Hook Yacht Sales

April 2018 Lower Chesapeake Bay Fishing Report

Lower Chesapeake Bay Fishing Report, 4/27/2018 Update:

Reports from the **Tackle Box** indicate that fishing has been just as slow in the Lower Bay as everywhere else. However, there are plenty of fish up the Potomac, and when they finally spawn and then head south the fishing should pick up considerably. The most interesting thing we heard, however, came from readers fishing in and near Hopper Straits where apparently several big fish were caught on deep lines. This jibes with the Upper Bay report, which indicated that most fish are being caught on boat rods set to troll deep, not planer board lines up near the top. Expect this to change as more sunny days arrive but for now, probing the depths with some extra lines would seem to be a good move.



Trolling on the Marli, eight year old Gregory Martin cranked in a 51-inch, 48-pound beast of a rockfish. It hit a Mojo trolled below Hooper's Island. Photo courtesy of Brad Martin

Saltwater Fishing News Continued

The following page reflects the Prize Fish requirements updated on March 15, 2018.
Please save for your files.

Eligible Saltwater Species and Minimum Weights are:

***** Modified/updated March 15, 2018. Based on 75% of Virginia Citation Requirements.

Virginia Citation Requirements

2018 VBAC Requirements

	<i>Weight</i>	<i>Release Length</i>		<i>Weight</i>	<i>Release Length</i>	
Amberjack	Release only	50"		Release only	38"	
Bass, Black Sea	5 lb 0 oz	n/a		3 lb 12 oz	17"	

Bass, Striped (SW)	40 lb 0 oz	44"		30 lb 0 oz	33"	
Bluefish	16 lb 0 oz	36"		12 lb 0 oz	27"	
Cobia	55 lb 0 oz	50"		41 lb 4 oz	38"	*****
Croaker	3 lb 0 oz	20"		2 lb 4 oz	15"	*****
Dolphin	25 lb 0 oz	n/a		18 lb 12 oz	35"	*****
Drum, Black	80 lb 0 oz	46"		Release only	35"	
Drum, Red	Release only	46"		Release only	35"	
False Albacore	Release only	32"		Release only	24"	
Flounder	6 lb 0 oz	26"		4 lb 8 oz	20"	
Gray Triggerfish	4 lb 0 oz	20"		3 lb 0 oz	15"	
Jack Crevalle	Release only	40"		Release only	30"	
Kingfish (roundhead)	1 lb 8 oz	16"		1 lb 2 oz	12"	*****
Mackerel, King	20 lb 0 oz	n/a		15 lb 0 oz	33"	
Mackerel, Spanish	4 lb 0 oz	26"		3 lb 0 oz	20"	
Marlin, Blue	Release only			Release only		
Marlin, White	Release only			Release only		
Pompano	1 lb 8 oz	16"		1 lb 2 oz	12"	
Sailfish	Release only			Release only		
Sharks	Release only	72"		Release only	54"	
Sheepshead	10 lb 0 oz	24"		7 lb 8 oz	18"	*****
Spadefish	9 lb 0 oz	22"		6 lb 12 oz	17"	*****
Spearfish	Release only			Release only		
Spot	1 lb 0 oz	13"		12 oz	10"	*****
Swordfish	100 lb 0 oz	Any		75 lb 0 oz	Any	
Tarpon	Release only	36"		Release only	27"	*****
Tautog	9 lb 0 oz	23"		6 lb 12 oz	17"	*****
Trout, Gray	9 lb 0 oz	30"		6 lb 12 oz	23"	*****
Trout, Speckled	5 lb 0 oz	24"		3 lb 12 oz	18"	*****
Tuna, Bigeye	70 lb 0 oz	n/a		52 lb 8 oz	38"	*****
Tuna, Bluefin	100 lb 0 oz	60"		75 lb 0 oz	45"	
Tuna, Yellowfin	70 lb 0 oz	n/a		52 lb 8 oz	38"	*****
Tilefish, Blueline	10 lb 0 oz	n/a		7 lb 8 oz		*****
Tilefish, Golden	30 lb 0 oz	n/a		22 lb 8 oz		
Wahoo	35 lb 0 oz	n/a		26 lb 4 oz	38"	

Saltwater Fishing News Continued

Recreational Trophy-Size Striped Bass Reporting Requirements

As a 2018 SPRING RECREATIONAL STRIPED BASS TROPHY PERMIT holder, it is your responsibility to report all trophy-size (36 inches total length or greater) striped bass caught or released during the 2018 spring trophy-size striped bass recreational season. All of your trips resulting in the harvest or catch-and-release of trophy-size striped bass must be reported to the Commission within seven days of that trip occurring. Any trips where trophy-size striped bass were targeted but not caught, or notification of no activity, must be reported to the Commission by the 15th day after the close of the appropriate Spring Trophy-size striped bass recreational season.

[Chapter 4VAC20-252-10 ET SEQ.](#) requires that any spring recreational striped bass trophy permittees or charter boat striped bass permittees shall provide the permittee name, VMRC ID number, the date of any harvest, the number of anglers on board (if applicable), the water body where the trophy-size striped bass was caught, and the number of trophy-size striped bass kept or released. Any length or weight information on any kept or released trophy-size striped bass may be provided voluntarily by the permittees. The Virginia Trophy-Size Season for the Chesapeake Bay and tributaries is from May 1 through June 15 and the Virginia Trophy-Size Season for the Coastal waters is from May 1 through May 15.

You may meet your reporting requirements by utilizing the [VA Saltwater Journal](https://www.vasaltwaterjournal.com) found at <https://www.vasaltwaterjournal.com>. The VA Saltwater Journal has a mandatory reporting section for reporting trophy season striped bass either captured or released. You must also report your non-participation if you did not fish during the trophy season.

Alternatively, paper forms may be found on our website at http://mrc.virginia.gov/forms/2018/2018_Recreational_Reporting_Form.pdf that will allow you to mail in your reports.

You must meet these reporting requirements by the 15th day after the close of the season in order to maintain your eligibility for the Spring Recreational Striped Bass Trophy Permit the following year.

Should you have any questions regarding recreational reporting, please do not hesitate to contact the VMRC at (757) 247-2243 or (757) 247-2272. If you are a Charter Captain and have any questions, please call (757) 247-2004.

Fishing Report from Oceans East

Oceans East tells us there are chopper blues available.

Togs are report at the 3rd Island.

Fishermen out of Wachapreague report some keeper flounder being caught in the area.

Black and Red drum are being caught on the Eastern Shore.

Saltwater Fishing News Continued

Here is the report .. April 18, 2018 Kevin & I made a run out of Rudee today on the ClassicRockfish to try and break in the new lower unit. I'm sure you can just imagine how great it felt to get out and finally wet a line, since our last fishing trip was Jan 27th 2018 due to circumstances beyond our control. We saw a window for today and we went for it. We only had 2 dozen crabs, but it was a nice blend of blue & green crab. We drove around for a while and then headed to an offshore honey hole. In which we proceeded to boat our two man limit of nice sized tautog up to 25 inches/ 10lbs 8oz. Short but sweet trip and I'm so glad we went! Weather was nice, the ride bumpy at times but not too bad, only thing missing today was more bait, ha. The togs ate everything we had and had to leave them biting. We put a few hours on the engine today & then headed back home. Tight Lines Everyone:)

By Beth Synowiec



Surf Fishing News

Surf Fishing Committee for 2018

Robbie Parks - Chairman

Mike Anderson

Butch Eason

Carl McCoy

Bob Burstein

Jerry Hughes

Doug Wehner

Surf Fishing Report:

Just a Heads-Up and save the date reminder. Due to a conflict with the Hunt-for- Hardheads date, May 19th, the same date our intra-club surf fishing tournament was set for, we have moved the surf fishing tournament up 1 week to May 12th. We have several club members who would like to participate in both events – thus the change. Remember that the high scorer for the tournament gets to pick a spot on the tournament of their choice in the following year (along with the usual bragging rights). We fish at Sandbridge with lines in at 8:00am. We fish until 11:00am followed by lunch at a vacant shelter or truck tailgates as necessary. GREAT FUN! And a good way to learn about surf fishing from some of the club's best. Come give it a try.

Tight Lines!
Robbie

Jerry Hughes provided a "heads up" when applying stickers on your windshield.

Be aware, that if you have a NC Beach Access Sticker on your left-hand side of your windshield, VA State Inspectors are required to remove it prior to putting in a new VA inspection sticker. I had mine removed when I got my truck inspected this week. The only authorized location for anything on your windshield is behind your rearview mirror where the EZPASS is allowed.

If you purchase a NC Beach Access permit, ask them where to put it since VA does not allow it on the left side of your windshield. The NC Beach Access permit states it must be permanently attached to your windshield to be valid.

Glass and Glazing details and regulations are outlined in 19VAC30-70-210.

Freshwater Fishing News

Eligible Freshwater Species, Minimum Weight, and Release Lengths.

***** Modified/updated March 15, 2018. Based on 75% of Virginia Citation Requirements.

Virginia Citation Requirements

2018 VBAC Requirements

	<i>Weight</i>	<i>Release Length</i>		<i>Weight</i>	<i>Release Length</i>	
Bass, Largemouth	8 lb 0 oz	22"		6 lb 0 oz	17"	
Bass, Rock	1 lb 0 oz	12"		12 oz	9"	*****
Bass, Smallmouth	5 lb 0 oz	20"		3 lb 12 oz	15"	*****
Bass, Striped (FW)	20 lb 0 oz	37"		15 lb 0 oz	28"	
Bass, White	2 lb 8 oz	18"		1 lb 14 oz	14"	
Bowfin (Grindle)	10 lb 0 oz	30"		7 lb 8 oz	23"	
Carp	20 lb 0 oz	34"		15 lb 0 oz	26"	
Catfish, Blue	30 lb 0 oz	38"		22 lb 8 oz	29"	*****
Catfish, Channel	12 lb 0 oz	30"		9 lb 0 oz	23"	
Catfish, Flathead	25 lb 0 oz	40"		18 lb 12oz	30"	*****
Chain Pickerel	4 lb 0 oz	24"		3 lb 0 oz	18"	
Crappie	2 lb 0 oz	15"		1 lb 8 oz	11"	*****
Gar	10 lb 0 oz	40"		7 lb 8 oz	30"	
Muskellunge	15 lb 0 oz	40"		11 lb 4 oz	30"	*****
Northern Pike	6 lb 0 oz	30"		4 lb 8 oz	23"	
Perch, White	1 lb 4 oz	13"		15 oz	10"	
Perch, Yellow	1 lb 4 oz	12"		15 oz	9"	*****
Sauger	2 lb 0 oz	18"		1 lb 8 oz	14"	
Shad, American				(Release only)	12"	
Shad, Hickory	1 lb 8 oz	10"		1 lb 2 oz	8"	
Sunfish/Bluegill	1 lb 0 oz	11"		12 oz	8"	*****
Trout, Brook	2 lb 0 oz	16"		1 lb 8 oz	12"	

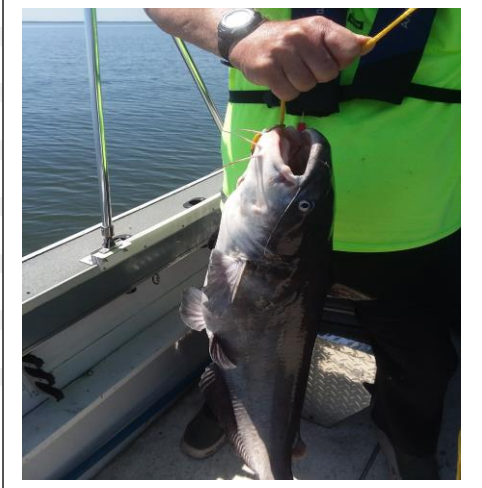
Trout, Brown	5 lb 0 oz	25"		3 lb 12 oz	19"	

Trout, Rainbow	4 lb 0 oz	22"		3 lb 0 oz	17"	

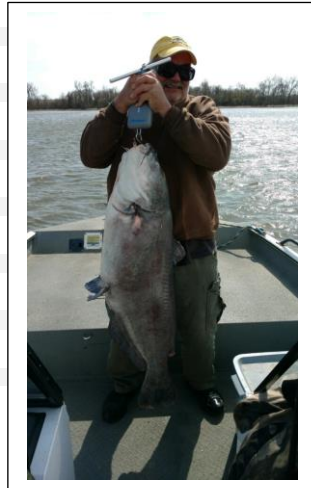
Walleye	5 lb 0 oz	25"		3 lb 12 oz	19"	

Freshwater Fishing News Continued

FYI: 19" Chain Pickerel release – Russell Willoughby, 21" Chain Pickerel – James Eisenhower



Bob Burstein: 24# Catfish

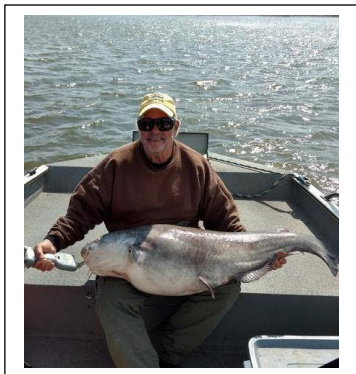


Russell 48" Blue cat 37" girth 4-22

Catfishing the James with Capt. Petey 4.6.18

Russell Willoughby, Jerry Hughes and I have been trying to catch a citation size blue catfish on the James with Capt. Petey and so far the two trips previously completed were not successful mostly because of cold and windy weather conditions that have plagued the area all spring so we set up another trip. This time while the weather was sunny and warm it was still windy. We fished the James east of Hopewell all day hitting shallow and deep near the channel sites and by 3pm we were unsuccessful getting even one real knockdown. But finally one rod went dramatically down and it was my turn so I grabbed it and hauled in a nice 15 lb. eating sized fish. That set up Russell for the next fish and in no time we got another knockdown. He grabbed it as the fish went from left to right across all our lines and made a really mess that Capt. Petey and we began to undo. Russell at first was saying the fish didn't seem that big until we all saw a huge boil in the water as he got it close to the surface and the fish seemed to wake up and began to pull drag. This fish was a monster and well hooked. Then the fight was on. We managed to get all the lines untangled as Russell fought the fish and got it to the net. On Petey's new digital scale it weighed out in excess of 64 lbs. and measured 48 inches in length and 34 inches girth. This fish was released after getting it fully revived. Unfortunately for Jerry we ran out of time on the water before any other fish were hooked. From the records kept so far on the VBAC website this is a club record for blue catfish. Congrats Russell on the great fish.

Blessings,
Ike



Russell 64# +, 48" long Cat

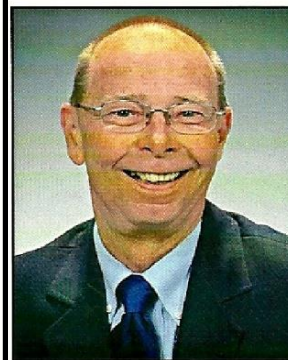


Ike – 15# Cat

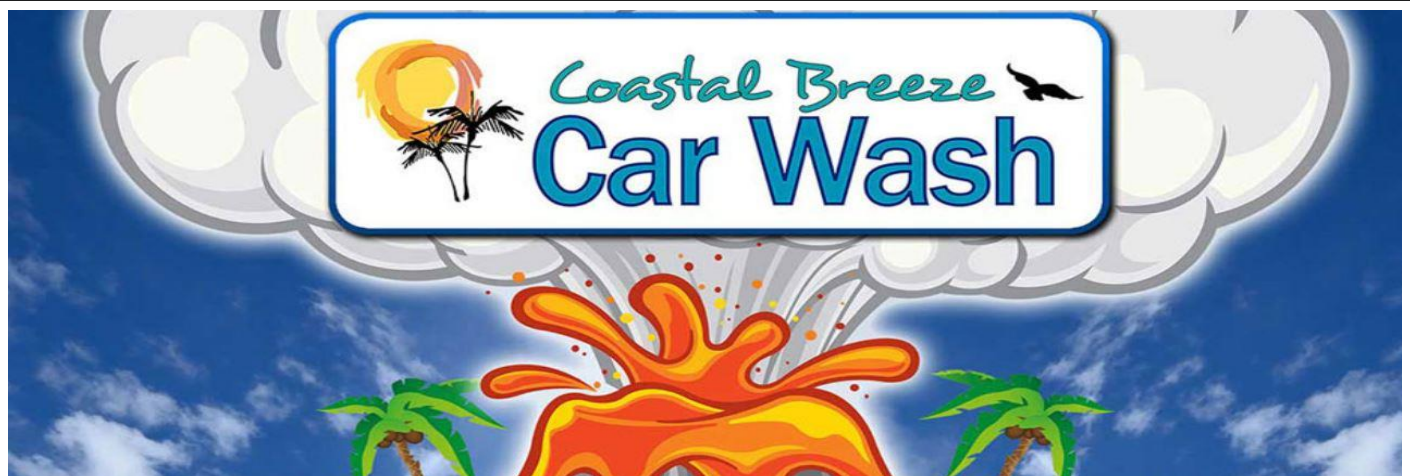
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VBAC MISSION STATEMENT

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 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.

2018 VBAC Elected Officials

Officers:

President: George Gabriel

First Vice President: Bob Burstein

Second Vice President:

Treasurer: Mike Anderson

Recording Secretary: Russell Willoughby

Corresponding Secretary: Bob Stuhlman

Board of Directors:

Gary Doerhoff

Jerry Mariano

Preston Mangum

Ronnie Nixon

Patty Searby

Butch Eason

Mark Lozier

David Anderson

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