



March 2021

VIRGINIA BEACH ANGLERS CLUB

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The President's Corner

I hope this note finds you all well, and starting to dry out. Unfortunately, with the weather we had in February nobody has really been fishing unless you went out of town. Good news is that more and more of our club members are getting vaccinated, so hopefully soon enough the Governor will ease the Covid restrictions and we can start meeting face to face. In the meantime, I am excited to announce that we are beginning Zoom General membership meetings, we will post the link for you to join in, this month we will be announcing the roulette winners and spinning the wheel for this year's species. With the weather breaking, we should be able to get out and so some fishing soon. Wishing you all tight lines and fair seas.....Chris

Upcoming Events

Monthly Meeting:

When: March 4, 2021

Where: ZOOM

Meeting Speaker: Chris Schnieder - Host

Meeting Subject: Catch Up

The upcoming events for the year are

all posted below for your viewing.

Any changes will be posted in a timely manner.

The banquet is not cancelled, just postponed!

This Month's Quote

"Life is like a coin. You can spend it any way you wish, but you only spend it once." — **Lillian Dickson**

VBAC Fishing Roulette 2021 Winners

To be a part of the scheduled activities, participate in the Roulette, compete in the Prize Fish Program and be a member of many of the VBAC sponsored surf and boat teams you need to be a VBAC member in good standing. All that requires is that you renew your dues for 2021. Annual membership dues remain a low \$40.00. Your account can be settled by one of three means:

1. Mailing your dues to:

Virginia Beach Anglers Club

P. O. Box 8602

Virginia Beach, VA 23450

2. Utilizing our new PAYPAL method outlined on our website at the top of the Membership Section

3. Pay in person at our next scheduled meeting or event.

Roulette Submissions
Virginia Beach Anglers Club:
vbangersclub@gmail.com
Kelly Hoggard: 757-416-8817 or
fishnkelly@msn.com

Catch-A-Ride

BOAT

Jeremy Maguire (757) 407-0493

Rich Maguire (757) 619-4851

Rob Stommel (703) 244-1282

Scott Nagen (571) 572-1023

Preston Mangum (757) 582-1450 (FWtr)

CREW

Kelly Hoggard (757) 416-8817

Victor Minak (703) 888-8992

*Add your name to either list by sending an email to
vbangersclub@gmail.com*

2021 Calendar

JANUARY	7	GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING - CANCELLED
	21	BOARD MEETING
FEBRUARY	---	GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING - CANCELLED
	---	VBAC AWARDS BANQUET - POSTPONED
	18	BOARD MEETING
MARCH	4	GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING - ZOOM FORMAT
	---	VBAC CRAPPIE TOURNAMENT - CANCELLED
	13	TIDEWATER ANGLERS CLUB BANQUET
	18	BOARD MEETING
	26-28	MID ATLANTIC BOAT SHOW - RESCHEDULED
APRIL	1	GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING
	3	CRAB CREEK CLEAN UP
	15	BOARD MEETING
	17	ANNUAL FISH FRY
	24	LEAD POURING PARTY
	---	OCRACOCKE INVITATIONAL SURF FISHING TOURNAMENT - CNX
MAY	6	GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING
	8	CRAB CREEK CLEAN UP
	15	HUNT FOR HARD HEADS CLUB CHALLENGE
	20	BOARD MEETING
	29	VBAC INTRA CLUB SURF FISHING QUALIFIER – SANDBRIDGE
JUNE	3	GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING
	5	CRAB CREEK CLEAN UP (CLEAN THE BAY DAY)
	12	CLUB SPONSORED CHARTER FISHING TRIP
	12	GREAT BRIDGE FISHERMAN'S ASSOCIATION FLEA MARKET
	13	OCEAN VIEW PIER FISHING TOURNAMENT
	17	BOARD MEETING
	19	VBAC INTRA CLUB SURF FISHING QUALIFIER – OUTER BANKS
	---	SETON HOUSE YOUTH FISHING TRIP - POSTPONED

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EMAIL US AT: VBANGLERSCLUB@GMAIL.COM

2021 Calendar continued

JULY	1	NPS KIDS SURF FISHING CLINIC
	1	GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING
	10	CRAB CREEK CLEAN UP
	11	OCEAN VIEW PIER FISHING TOURNAMENT
	15	NPS KIDS SURF FISHING CLINIC
	15	BOARD MEETING
	29	NPS KIDS SURF FISHING CLINIC
AUGUST	5	GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING
	7	CRAB CREEK CLEAN UP
	8	OCEAN VIEW PIER FISHING TOURNAMENT
	12	NPS KIDS SURF FISHING CLINIC
	19	BOARD MEETING
	21	ANNUAL HEAD BOAT CLUB CHALLENGE
SEPTEMBER	2	GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING
	10-11	HATTERAS VILLAGE INVITATIONAL SURF FISHING TOURNAMENT
	11	VBAC INTRA CLUB SURF FISHING QUALIFER – SANDBRIDGE
	11	CRAB CREEK CLEAN UP
	12	OCEAN VIEW PIER FISHING TOURNAMENT
	16	BOARD MEETING
	18	CBF LYNNHAVEN TOURNAMENT
	18	SETON HOUSE YOUTH FISHING TRIP - RESCHEDULED
	25	LONG BEACH ISLAND SURF FISHING TOURNAMENT
OCTOBER	30-10/2	NAGS HEAD SURF FISHING TOURNAMENT
	2	CLUB SPONSORED CHARTERED FISHING TRIP
	7	GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING
	9	INTERCLUB SURF FISHING TOURNAMENT
	16	FALL OYSTER ROAST – BROCK CENTER
	21	BOARD MEETING
	23	KAYAK TOURNAMENT
NOVEMBER	4-6	CAPE HATTERAS ANGLER'S CLUB INVITATIONAL SURF FISHING TOURNAMENT
	4	GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING
	18	BOARD MEETING
DECEMBER	2	GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING – CHRISTMAS PARTY & GENERAL ELECTIONS
	16	BOARD MEETING

Roulette 2021

2021 VBAC Roulette

Date: Thursday, March 4th, 2021

The roulette fish will be randomly selected at the **March 4th, 2021** membership meeting. In the event the meeting is cancelled, they will be randomly selected at the board meeting. You must declare your entry to the Prize Fish Committee **before** fish selection.

Roulette Information: To promote competitive fishing, the club devised a way to support fishing without providing an unfair advantage to any anglers. The solution involved a wheel that included a variety of freshwater and saltwater species in Virginia. The species are selected at random by spin of the roulette wheel. It costs \$20 for an angler to participate and each species winner receives an equal share of prize money.

Roulette Rules: Any fish caught from 1/1/2021 – 12/31/2021 will qualify. Only the **heaviest** fish in each category will win. Must have contacted the Prize Fish Committee to enter before the wheel is spun. Payment is expected no later than the April 1st, 2020 meeting. You are required to submit your entry via the clubs standard Prize Fish form. Prize Fish/Roulette entries can be submitted in hand or by mail to the Virginia Beach Anglers Club Prize Fish Committee. A table of the current leaders will be kept up to date and posted in each newsletter.

Participation: If you'd like to participate in the 2021 VBAC Roulette, give your \$20.00 to one of the board members before the drawing on the 4th. Mark can be found at Ocean's East and you can reach Preston at 757-582-1450.

VBAC Email: vbanglersclub@gmail.com

VBAC Mailbox: Virginia Beach Anglers Club
Attn: Prize Fish Contest
P. O. Box 8602
Virginia Beach, VA 23450

Fish Caught This Past Month

Unless you are a freshwater angler, it has been a cold, rainy, wet, and windy month.

Fish caught this past month seem to have been just fresh water. – Crappie (a few), mostly small but plenty of fun!

All caught in Lakes Smith and Lawson (adjoins Lake Smith).

Nothing reported for saltwater.

Remember the Department of Game and Inland Fisheries is stocking the Northwest River Park Lake once a month. There is no charge to fish there and all fishing is done from the bank with trout as the prize! The only requirement is a trout license in addition to a fresh water fishing license which can be obtained online or through Ocean's East as well as many other bait/tackle stores. Take advantage of this opportunity if you can! Be sure to take a chair and maybe even a small landing net.

Recipes Wanted

CHEF'S CORNER RECIPES

Our initial founder, John Germanos, chief contributor and mainstay for the last couple of years has informed us that he is taking a break for a while. We thank him very much for proposing this section of our web site and newsletter and all the detailed pictures and recipes he has submitted. Many hours have gone into the preparation of his recipes that we hope our readers have enjoyed them.

With the temporary absence of our "main man", we invite our members to submit their favorite recipes. We will publish your recipe and acknowledge you for your submission. Recipe types can be of any nationality and of any substances. As we have seen over the years, posted recipes have been from the field, stream and ocean. The range of submissions is endless. If you would like to submit, and be our guest chief, email your contribution to vbangersclub@gmail.com and we will forward to the newsletter and email editors.

Looking for your submission,

Chris Schneider
President
VBAC



CONSERVE. CONNECT. PROTECT.



New Regulations, an Essential Partnership, and Call to Action Aim to Prevent the Spread of Invasive Alabama Bass

DWR has not only added new regulations addressing the spread of invasive Alabama bass, but has also joined forces with various organizations to help spread awareness about the threat this species poses to Virginia's bass fisheries.

Ocean Acidification

Hooked on OA



OCEAN ACIDIFICATION

Are you curious about what ocean acidification (OA) is? Are you curious about what a more acidic ocean could mean for the fish you target? Would you like to learn how seagrass plantings can buffer changes in water chemistry and help with oyster reef restoration? Are you eager to try out a new app that provides short-term forecasts for pH and hypoxia in coastal waters?

Come join us for the "Hooked on Ocean Acidification" mini-series on Thursday evenings, from February 18 to March 11. All four sessions will be held virtually, via ZOOM, from 6:30-8:00 PM. Through this program, we aim to provide Mid-Atlantic anglers, party and charter boat captains and crew, and recreational fishing industry stakeholders with the latest scientific research and apps to understand how ocean acidification may affect your local fisheries and what can be done to reduce the impacts.

Our featured speakers include:

February 18: Dr. Grace Saba, Rutgers University,

"Ocean and Coastal Acidification in the Mid-Atlantic: the What, the Why, and the Risks."

February 25: Dr. Hannes Baumann, University of Connecticut,

"How Vulnerable are Coastal Fishes to Ocean Acidification?"

March 4: Dr. Emily Rivest, Virginia Institute of Marine Science,

"Ocean Acidification and Shellfish: Can Seagrasses Provide a Local Solution?"

March 11: Fei Da, PhD Student, and Dr. Marjy Friedrichs, Virginia Institute of Marine Science,

"Chesapeake Bay Water Quality: From Short-term Forecasts to Long-term Trends"

To register, please visit the following link: <https://tinyurl.com/y5g8hsfb>

Registration will be open through February 15, 2021. You are welcome to attend as many sessions as you like. A Bass Pro Gift card will be raffled off each night. Certificates of completion will be awarded for those who attend all four sessions.

This program is being sponsored by the Mid-Atlantic Coastal Acidification Network (MACAN) and the Mid-Atlantic Regional Association Coastal Ocean Observing System (MARACOOS), in collaboration with our partners from the New Jersey Sea Grant Consortium, Virginia Institute of Marine Science, and Rutgers Cooperative Extension.

Questions? Please email Kirstin Wakefield at info@MidACAN.org

We hope to "see" you there!

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VIRGINIA INSTITUTE OF MARINE SCIENCE


Sea Grant
NJ Sea Grant Consortium

MACAN
Mid-Atlantic Coastal Acidification Network

FISHING WEIGHTS & LEAD POURING PARTY



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Virginia Beach Anglers Club

VBAC has fishing weights in various sizes and shapes. These weights are from past lead pouring parties or donations from club members. If you are in need of lead weights, please contact Michael Anderson (757-481-1296) to make arrangements to retrieve what you actually need and can use. In addition, if you have weights that you will never use, your donations of these weights to the club cache for either distribution or remelting/pouring, would be appreciated. Please contact Michael Anderson to pick up your lead.

The VBAC is planning a lead pouring party for VBAC members on Saturday, May 1, 2021. The club has a considerable number of molds at your disposal. If you have other molds that could be used by the club, please let Michael Anderson know so that he can get the other parts necessary to make the weights. If you are interested in attending the lead pouring party, please contact Michael Anderson so we know how many to plan to be there.

Please review the list of available weights and molds. Contact Michael Anderson with any questions

Bob Stuhlman
Corresponding Secretary
VBAC

VBAC has fishing weights for its members!
Call Michael Anderson 757 481 1296 and leave a message.

Ounces	Bank	Swivel Bell	Cannon Ball	Frog Tongue	4-sided Pyramid	3-sided Pyramid
1	X	X			X	
2	X				X	
3	X	X			X	X
4	X	X			X	X
5	X		X		X	X
6	X	X	X	X		X
8	X	X		X		
10	X	X				
12	X					
20	X	X				

-Please be courteous, only get what you can actually use.

-If you have weights that you don't use anymore, we can recycle them into new weights, bring them!

VBAC has the following molds that you can use.

Company	Type	Model
Do-It	1/8 to 1 1/2 oz Bank sinker 8 slots	BK-8-A
Hiltz	2 oz Bank sinker, 4 slots	LMBS-2-4
Hiltz	4 oz Bank sinker, 4 slots	LMBS-4-4
Do-It	6 & 8 oz Bank sinker	BK-2 -X
Do-It	5 & 6 oz River sinker	RS-2-56
Do-It	10 & 12 oz Swivel Bell sinker	BC-2-1012
Do-It	20 oz Swivel Bell sinker	BC-1-20
Do-It	1/4 to 3 oz Egg sinker	EG-9-A
Do-It	12 & 16 oz Cannon Ball sinker	CB-2-1216
Shawn Collins	1 to 16 oz Cannon Ball sinker	238-3183
Do-It	6 & 8 oz Inline sinker	IN-2-68B
Do-It	1/4 to 1 oz Popeye Jig	JIS-5-A
Do-It	3/8 to 1 oz Flat Head Jig	JFS-3-112
Do-It	1 & 1 1/2 oz Shad Jig	SH-9-4-115
Do-It	6 oz Shad Bait Lure	
Do-It	1 1/2 & 2 oz Casting Spoon	
Herter's	Jig head	403
Hiltz	3 oz MoJo Bullet Head Jig	LMBN-3

-If you have molds not being used, we would like to get them to use for all members.



"Fishermen are naturals at social distancing and were that way long before they ever heard of the term. While we hope 2021 brings an end to the social distancing that kept us from our loved ones, we also hope it brings plenty of social distancing that helps us to clear our heads and enjoy the serenity of fishing."

Submitted by Bob Burstein

RECIPE CORNER

SEAFOOD IN WINE SAUCE SERVED OVER ANGEL HAIR PASTA

SUBMITTED BY BOB AND SUSAN STUHLMAN

4 (8 oz size) frozen rock lobster tails *
2 lb raw shrimp, shelled and deveined
2 pkg (6 oz size) frozen king crab, thawed and drained**
10 tablespoons butter or margarine
2/3 cup flour
2 teaspoons salt
½ teaspoon paprika
Dash white pepper
3 to 3 ½ cups half and half (half milk, half cream)
1 ¼ cups dry white wine

1. In large kettle, bring 2 ½ quarts of water to boiling. Add lobster tails; return to boiling. Reduce heat; simmer, covered 8 minutes. With slotted utensil, lift out lobster tails, and set aside until cool enough to handle.
 2. Return water to boiling. Add shrimp, return to boiling. Reduce heat; simmer covered, 5 minutes, or until tender. Drain.
 3. Drain crab meat, removing any cartilage and leaving pieces as big as possible.
 4. Remove meat from lobster shells; cut into bite size pieces.
 5. Melt butter in Dutch oven; remove from heat. Stir in flour, salt, paprika, and pepper until smooth. Gradually stir in 3 cups half-and-half, mixing to smooth.
 6. Bring to boiling, stirring. Reduce heat; simmer 5 minutes.
 7. Add wine, stirring until well combined. Add seafood; stir gently until combined. Cook over low heat until heated through. (Do not boil) Add more half-and-half if sauce is too thick.
 8. Makes 12 servings.
 - Or used frozen lobster claws and pieces
- ** Or use 2 cans (7 ½ oz size) king crab meat, drained

2020 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
Banquet/Oyster Roast:	Chair – Jerry Mariano
Seton Youth:	Chair – Dave Anderson
Raffles:	Chair – Preston Mangum
Audit Committee:	Chair – Mike Anderson
Surf Tournaments:	Chair – Bryan Watkins
Club Tournaments:	Chair – George Gabriel Co. Chair – Bob Burstein Chair – Brian Watkins
Pier Tournaments:	Co. Chair – Gary Doerhoff
Prize Fish:	Chair – Kelly Hoggard
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

**If You Would Like to Help on a Committee,
Please Speak to the Chair. Help is Appreciated!**

STRIPED BASS NEWS



WILL PARSON/CHESAPEAKE BAY PROGRAM

Charting the Course for Chesapeake Bay Striped Bass

Striped bass, also known as rockfish, are a quintessential part of Chesapeake Bay life and culture. More than 70 percent of all rockfish along the East Coast are spawned in Chesapeake Bay waters. Unfortunately, as our *State of the Bay* report stressed, recent data indicates that this beloved fish is in trouble. **As fisheries managers chart a new course for striped bass, it is critical that a strong management framework is put in place that meets the challenges facing striped bass head-on.**

Join fisheries experts from the Chesapeake Bay Foundation, American Sportfishing Association, and Coastal Conservation Association Maryland for our upcoming webinar, [Charting the Course for the Chesapeake Bay Striped Bass](#), as we discuss top priorities for the next phase of striped bass management and what you can do to help ensure these fish are available for all to enjoy for generations to come.

MONDAY, MARCH 8

**Charting the Course for
Chesapeake Bay
Striped Bass**

6:30–8:00 p.m.

Zoom webinar

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CURRENT ISSUE

See What's New in the 2020 Fishing Regulations

Click the link below.

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Salt Water Largest Fish (Release) 2020

Species	Angler	Date	Size	Where	Weight
Amberjack					
Black Drum					
Blackfin Tuna					
Blackbelly Rosefish					
Blueline Tilefish					
Bluefish	Frank James	14-May	33.5"	Rudee Inlet	
Cobia	Robert Oliver	9-Jun	38.5"	CBBT	
Dolphin					
Flounder					
Golden Tilefish					
Grey Trout					
Houndfish					
King Mackerel					
Oyster Toad					
Pinfish					
Pompano	Kelly Hoggard	13-Jul	16.5"	Sandbridge Surf	
Puffer Fish (smooth)					
Puppy Drum					
Red Hake					
Red Drum	Kelly Hoggard	10-Sep	44"	South Beach NC	
Roundhead	Kelly Hoggard	30-Jun	16.5"	Sandbridge Surf	
Sea Bass					
Sea Robin					
Shark, Sandbar	Kelly Hoggard	16-Oct	75"	Cape Hatteras Point	
Snowy Grouper					
Southern Puffer Fish					
Spanish Mackerel					
Spadefish					
Speckled Trout	Ike Eisenhower	17-Sep	23.5"	Little Creek	
Spot	Robert Oliver	2-Jun	9"	Lynnhaven Inlet	
Swallowtail Bass					
Tautog	Kelly Hoggard	28-Apr	20.25	CBBT	
Warsaw Grouper					
White Marlin					

Salt Water Largest Fish (Catch) 2020

Species	Angler	Date	Size	Where	Weight
Amberjack					
Black Drum					
Blackfin Tuna					
Blackbelly Rosefish	John Germanos	13-Aug		Norfolk Canyon	3 lb 9oz
Blueline Tilefish	Kelly Hoggard	25-Jun		Norfolk Canyon	13 lb 0 oz
Bluefish					
Cobia					
Conger Eel	Robert Oliver	24-Sep		CBBT	2 lb 12 oz
Dolphin					
Flounder	Kelly Hoggard	29-Nov	30"	Triangle Wreck	9lb 5oz.
Golden Tilefish	John Germanos	13-Aug		Norfolk Canyon	37 lb 1 oz
Grey Trout					
Houndfish					
King Mackerel					
Oyster Toad	Robert Oliver	22-Apr	16.25"	CBBT	31 b 13 oz
Pinfish					
Pompano	Kelly Hoggard	13-Jul		Sandbridge Surf	2 lb 13 oz
Puffer Fish (smooth)					
Puppy Drum					
Red Hake	Patty Searby	13-Aug		Norfolk Canyon	3 lb 5 oz
Red Drum					
Roundhead	John Germanos	14-Jun		Ramp 55 NC	1lb 9 oz
Sea Bass					
Sea Robin	Kelly Hoggard	9-Jun		Ches Light Tower	1lb 6 oz
Shark					
Snowy Grouper	Kelly Hoggard	25-Jul		Norfolk Canyon	40 lb
Southern Puffer Fish	Patty Searby	24-May	9.5"	Sandbridge	13 oz
Spanish Mackerel	John Germanos	3-Jul		Ramp 44 NC	5 lb 6 oz
Spadefish					
Speckled Trout	Dave Smith	19-Nov		Rudee Inlet	6# 4 oz
Spot					
Swallowtail Bass					
Tautog	Robert Oliver	28-Apr		CBBT	7 lb 2 oz

Saltwater Fishing News – Tag & Release

Good evening all, today's trip marked the end of the Striped Bass Cooperative Hook and Line tagging for 2021. The crew today managed to tag another 124 fish, bringing the season total to 1,010 (give or take, we'll verify the final data soon)! That is well over our long term average of 700 fish a year and significantly better than the amount tagged in '19 and '20. It is also our 4th most fish tagged in the time series of hook and line tagging. A big thank you to Capt. Ryan and mates Doug and Walt for sticking with us again this year. A huge thank you also to the all the volunteer anglers who offered up their time to help us out. Whether you are reeling in a couple dozen fish in a day or wind up just going on a boat ride, it's still a commitment to volunteer time, get up early and get on the water in the middle of winter. Lastly, I appreciate your patience with the many emails and cancelation notices I send out! It only took a month a day to fit in all 13 trips.... If you are receiving this email I will keep your email on the distribution list unless you tell me otherwise. I will send out notice sometime next Dec. if we are able to do this again in 2022.

With sincerest thanks,
Josh Newhard
Josh Newhard
Fish Biologist
U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service
[Maryland Fish and Wildlife Conservation Office](#)
177 Admiral Cochrane Dr.
Annapolis, MD 21401



First 11 trips were from Ocean City Md. Last two from Rudee.

Left at 7am, went 34 miles out past the Windmill Farm. we were trolling double MOJO rigs off a 32 Oz weight. My first time on a rod was a double with TWO huge stripers. Needed help to get them in. They were at least 30 lbs each. We caught and released 124 stripers. Lots of HUGE fish. The researcher said these were the biggest of all trips taken. I probably caught 20 plus. Exhausted! This is the third time I've done this.

Jerry Hughes

Freshwater Fishing News

Fresh Water Largest Fish (Release) 2020

Species	Angler	Date	Size	Where
Black Crappie	Melanie Bayford	2-May	15"	Beaverdam
Blue Catfish	Ike Eisenhower	31-Jan	38"	NW River
Bluegill	Melanie Bayford	20-Mar	9.5"	Piankitank
Bowfin	Alan Hunter	Nov 17	28"	Piankitank
Carp	Alan Hunter	17-Mar	30"	Piankitank
Chain Pickerel	Melanie Bayford	24-May	24.25"	Beaverdam
Largemouth Bass	Russel Willoughby	14-Aug	24"	Lake Prince
Longnose Gar	Alan Hunter	7-Jul	45"	Cat Pt. Creek
Northern Pike	Melanie Bayford	11-Apr	23"	Beaverdam
N Snakehead	Frank James	13-Jun	30"	Aquia Creek
Sunfish	Alan Hunter	3-Apr	9"	Piankitank
Warmouth (Bass)				
White Perch	Melanie Bayford	16-May	13"	Beaverdam
Yellow Perch	Alan Hunter	23-Sep	12.5"	Mt Landing Creek

Freshwater Fishing News

Fresh Water Largest Fish (Catch) 2020

Species	Angler	Date	Size	Where	Weight
Blue Catfish					
Black Crappie	Russel Willoughby	10-Feb		Lake Smith	1.64lb
Bluegill					
Bowfin	Melanie Bayford	3-Sep		Piankatank	5lb 10 oz
Carp					
Chain Pickerel					
Largemouth Bass					
Longnose Gar					
Northern Pike					
N Snake Head	Frank James	13-Jun		Aquia Creek	8.2lb
Sunfish					
Warmouth (Bass)	Alan Hunter	3-Apr		Piankatank	8 oz.
White Perch					
Yellow Perch	Preston Mangum	12-May		Lake Prince	1 lb 8oz

February 2021 Fishing Report

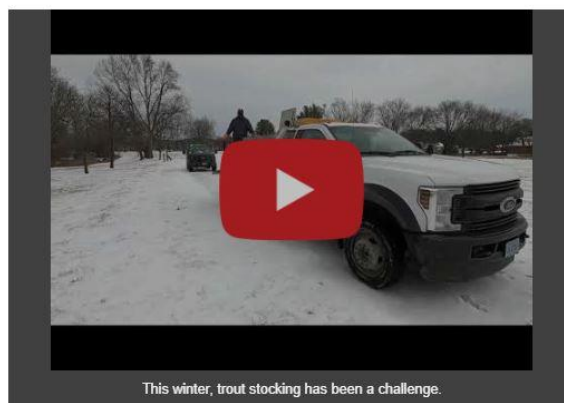


Experts give tips on tackle, baits to use, and what to expect at this extremely popular fishing destination. Visit the DWR website to learn more about [Lake Orange](#).

Looking for more? Check out our [Fishing Forecasts & Reports](#) section of our website for our 2021 forecasts!

- [2021 Walleye Fishing Forecast](#)
- [2021 Large Reservoir Fishing Forecasts](#)
- [2021 Virginia Small Impoundments Bass Fishing Ranking Report](#)
- [2021 Virginia Reservoirs Largemouth Bass Fishing Ranking Report](#)

Stocking Trout During Cold Weather Extremes



As avid anglers, you may have noticed some gaps between our stocking events. Watch the video to learn about some unique scenarios our fish hatcheries are dealing with and how our hatchery staff are working to prevent "cold shock."

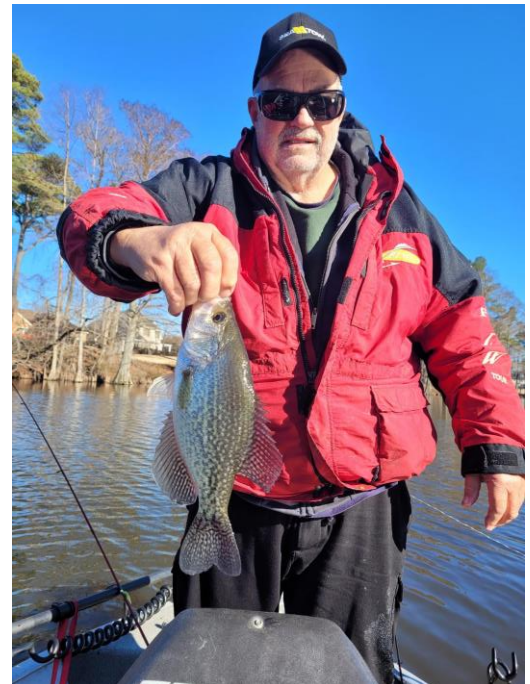
[Watch Now](#)

Freshwater Fishing News

February Crappie 2/24/21

Russell and I finally got out in decent weather to fish Lake Larsen/Smith. We tried the day before but Russell's 9.9 still had carb trouble which ended that. So we went out with my Tracker V14. It was a little windy but sunny and 52 degrees when we started. Before we were fully set up with our lines in the water Russell had one on but it was too small for eating. He promptly hooked another throwback in the same place. We thought that meant we were going to tear into a bunch but instead it was slow catching with mostly throwback sized crappie. Russell got the biggest which was 1.07lb on my scale. I caught two keepers, one 12inch on the bobbers and one trolling. Threw back about 8. Water temp was 52 degrees. Beautiful day after such a wet and cold February.

Blessings,
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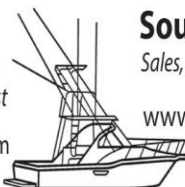
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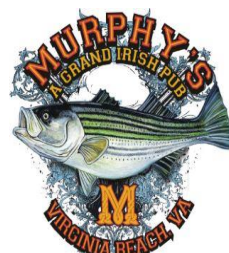


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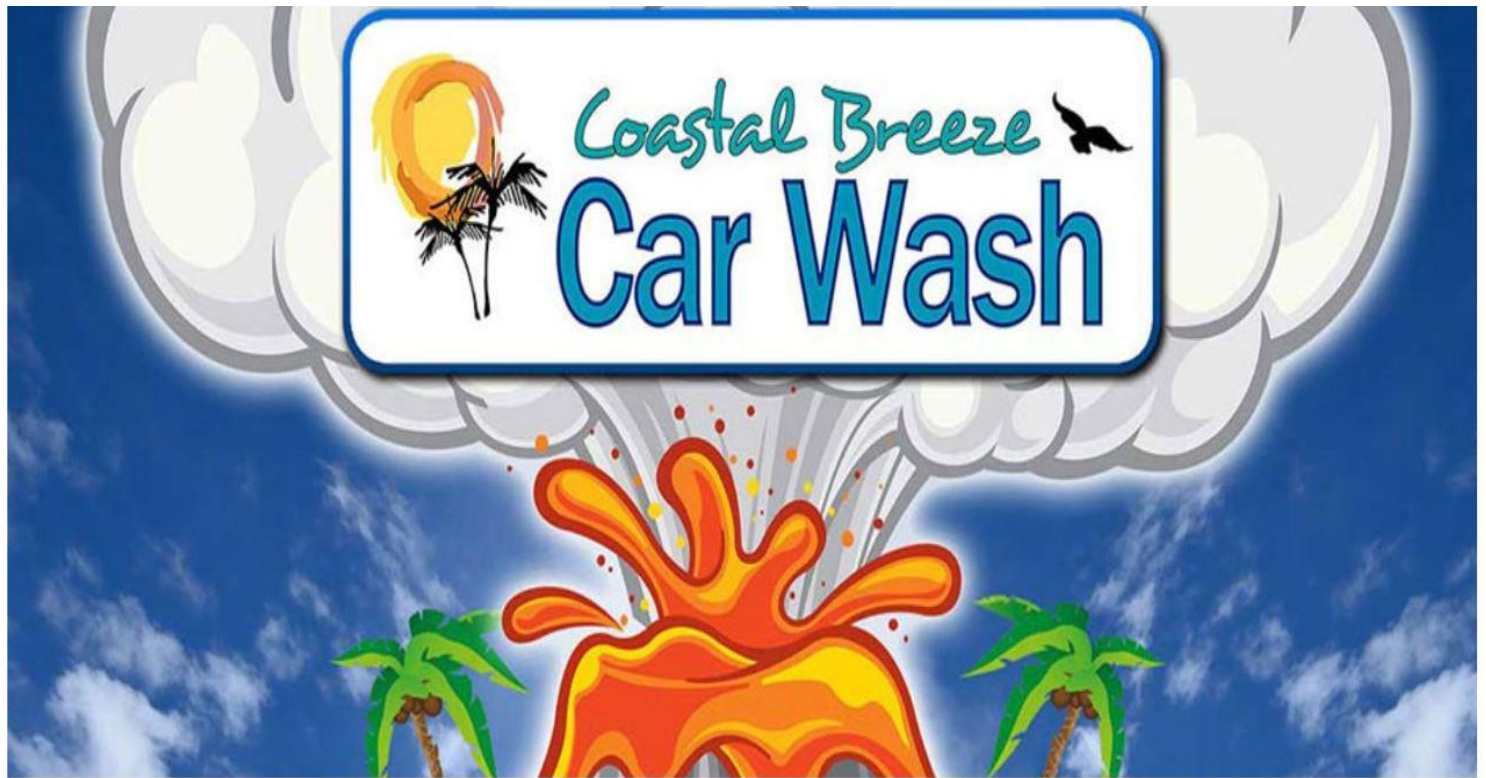
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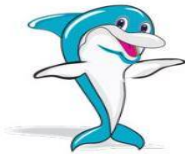


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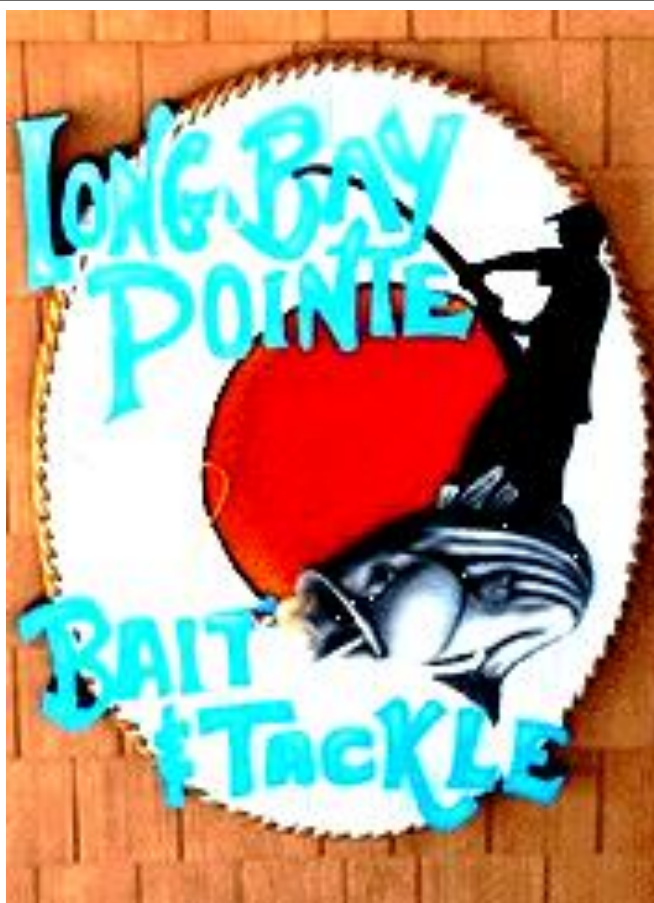
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- ❖ Promote interest and participation in recreational angling by conducting programs and activities that encourage sport fishing.
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