

September 2021

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The President's Corner

Well summer is very slowly winding down, but the weather remains hot and so does the fishing. Plenty of activities coming up with the club over the next couple of months if you want to surf fish, please sign up. We need the bodies. Wishing you fair winds, following seas and tight lines.

Chris

Upcoming Events

Monthly Meeting:

When: September 2, 2021 7:30 PM

Where: Foundry United Methodist Church

Meeting Speaker: Captain Russ Kostinas

Meeting Subject: Fishing for King Mackerel

September 11 - Crab Creek Clean-up - 10AM - Crab Creek

Parking Lot

September 16 – Board Meeting

September 18 - Seton Youth

KING MACKEREL

(Kingfish, King) Scomberomorous cavalla

Description: a long, slender fish with a deeply forked tail, caudal peduncle keel and a mouthful of sharp teeth; coloration is bluish green, bluish gray, or dark gray on the top fading to silvery sides and belly; fins are a uniform, dusky color.

Similar Fish: closely related and similar in appearance to Spanish Mackerel, particularly in juvenile king mackerel which have bronze spots on their sides which fade in adult fish; distinguishable from Spanish mackerel by 1) dusky coloration of first dorsal fin (Spanish mackerel have a jet black for-



ward portion of first dorsal fin; 2) lateral line which makes a pronounced dip at the start of the second dorsal fin (Spanish mackerel have a lateral line that dips gradually and relatively evenly from the head to the tail;) 3) 6 – 10 gillrakers on each gill arch (Spanish mackerel have 11 – 16 gillrakers on each gill arch); 4) spots on juvenile king mackerel are a dull bronze color (on Spanish mackerel the spots are a bright golden color).

Size: up to 90 pounds; average size is 7 – 25 pounds.

This Month's Quote

Alcohol does not solve any problems, but then again, neither does milk.

Anon

VBAC Fishing Roulette 2021 Leaders

Species Current Leader Weight

Speckled Trout Dave Smith 5lb. 8oz.

Black Sea Bass Kelly Hoggard 3lb. 5oz.

Roundhead Kelly Hoggard 2lb.

Blue Catfish Jerry Hughes 17 lb.

Largemouth Bass Russell Willoughby 3lb. 11oz.

Roulette Submissions
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Catch-A-Ride

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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 vbanglersclub@gmail.com

VIRGINIA BEACH ANGLER'S CLUB 2021 PLANNING CALENDAR

(Updated 08.19.21)

VISIT US AT: VIRGINIABEACHANGLERSCLUB.ORG

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SEPTEMBER	2	GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING
	10-11	HATTERAS VILLAGE INVITATIONAL SURF FISHING
		TOURNAMENT
	11	CRAB CREEK CLEAN UP
	16	BOARD MEETING
	18	CBF LYNNHAVEN TOURNAMENT
	18 NEW	SETON HOUSE YOUTH FISHING TRIP - RESCHEDULED
	25	LONG BEACH ISLAND SURF FISHING TOURNAMENT
OCTOBER	2 NEW	STAN SUTLIFF MEMORIAL SURF TOURNAMENT - SANDBRIDGE
	2	CLUB SPONSORED CHARTERED FISHING TRIP – CANCELLED
	7	GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING
	7-8 NEW	NAGS HEAD SURF FISHING TOURNAMENT – DATE CHANGE
	16	FALL OYSTER ROAST <mark>– BROCK CENTER</mark>
	21	BOARD MEETING
	<mark>23</mark>	KAYAK TOURNAMENT - CANCELLED
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
		& SERVER REPORTS

Our August Meeting















October Oyster Roast

For initial planning purposes the following information is provided:

Date October 16, 2021, rain or shine

Time 12 noon

Location CBF Brock Center

Menu Roasted Oysters

Grilled Chicken

Hot Dogs and Chili

Donation Please bring a homemade

desert or side dish.

Gate Free tmembers/family.

Guests - \$10.00

Raffle Winners Choice - 50/50,

rod/reel combo, Bloody Mary Basket, plus some additional items may be added

Please be flexible with our planning. In light of potential COVID restrictions down the road things may change. We will keep you informed.

There is currently a spot open on the Nags Head fishing team for October 7 and 8. We need to fill this spot. This spot will be filled on a first come – first serve basis. Anglers club members who fish the tournament will be responsible for the lodging and participation fees of \$166 for the week. Interested anglers should contact Kelly Hoggard immediately to fill any openings or to have their name added to the list of alternates of any fall tournaments.

We are also in need of multiple anglers for the Long Beach Island Surf Fishing World Series Tournament in Long Beach Island, New Jersey for September 25, 2021. Members interested in fishing this tournament do not owe the club any money. Payments will be made on site in New Jersey. Arrangements can be made for those looking to carpool.

Kelly Hoggard

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Public Notice: Public Meeting - fishing activities in specific Chesapeake Bay areas near Lynnhaven

NOTICE

The Virginia Marine Resources Commission will be hosting a public information meeting in cooperation with the US Navy Joint Expeditionary Base Little Creek – Fort Story (JEBLCFS) on Wednesday, September 22nd, 2021 from 6 – 7:30 PM at the VMRC Main Office located at 380 Fenwick Road, Fort Monroe VA, 23651. This meeting will provide information on allowed fishing activities in specific Chesapeake Bay areas near Lynnhaven.

The US Navy has requested the VMRC provide support to Naval training conducted at JEBLCFS within these areas through education and enforcement.

Special training personnel from JEBLCFS and VMRC staff will be presenting information as well as be available for any questions and concerns following this presentation. The areas that will be discussed are provided in the links below.

Naval Training Area 1 Map

Naval Training Area 2-4 Map

For questions about this meeting, please contact Adam Kenyon at Adam.Kenyon@mrc.virginia.gov or by calling 757-247-8068.

There are currently three open spaces for the LBI Surf Fishing World Series scheduled for Saturday, September 25. We have 2 teams that drive up to Long Beach Island, New Jersey to compete every September. Anglers are required to cover the cost of travel, lodging, bait, tackle, etc. VBAC pays for your participation in the tournament. Due to the length of travel to the event, club members generally car pool together. In the event that the teams are filled, there will be a need for an additional ORV. Those with an ORV will be given priority if necessary as with the NC surf tournaments.

Anglers interested in the tournament can sign up or learn more by speaking with Kelly Hoggard directly.

Kelly Hoggard

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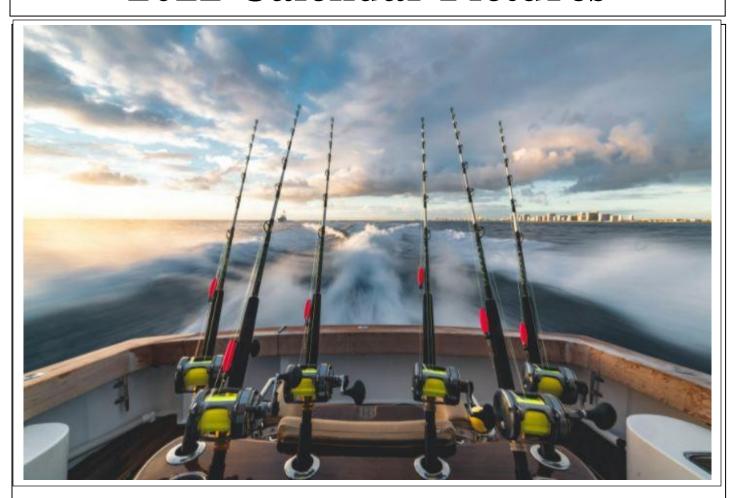
Email: fishnkelly@msn.com

August Crab Creek Cleanup





2022 Calendar Pictures



The 2022 Virginia Beach Anglers Club calendar search for photos is underway. We are looking for scenic photos of the local area. As the fishing/boating season progresses, please enjoy your surroundings and take pictures of the historic, scenic, wildlife and beautiful area. After taking your pictures please forward to the club's email address, attention 2022 CALENDAR PHOTOS. In the fall a committee will review the photo file and select thirteen pictures for inclusion in the 2022 calendar. If possible please take or crop your photo in landscape orientation. We look forward to your submissions.



October 2nd 2021



Stan Sutliff Memorial Surf Tournament

Come celebrate the life of our dear friend, Stan!

Hosted by the Virginia Beach Anglers Club at Little Island Park in Sandbridge.

Timing of the event will be determined shortly.

Lunch will be provided along with an awards ceremony!

Prizes awarded for top scorer as well as largest fish in each species category.

Rules and Regulations to follow with more tournament details.

We hope you can make it!





Yeti Cooler Raffle

VBAC YETI COOLER RAFFLE



No fishing trip, camping trip or tailgate is complete without the Yeti Tundra Haul Cooler. Built like a workhorse with its virtually indestructible construction, this 13.8 gallon/55 guart cooler features reliable insulation to keep your catch, beverages and food items icy cold for days on end. Two durable wheels set the Tundra Haul apart by making it easy to tow from campsite to car via a strong, welded aluminum arm that is just long enough so you don't nip your ankles in the process. The rubber lid latches are specially designed to hold up to years of latching and opening, and the hidden side handles keep the cooler's profile sleek and easy to store while still providing you with a means to lift it into the car.

Retail price for the cooler is approximately \$400.00. Raffle tickets are only \$5.00 each. Only 500 tickets will be sold. Tickets will be on sale at all meetings and functions. If unable to attend, please call Bob Burstein at 267-994-7423 or email vbanglersclub@gmail.com and he will arrange tickets for you. If you would like to assist and sell tickets please contact Bob also.

The winning ticket will be drawn at the December 2, 2021 VBAC General Membership meeting.

You do not need to be present to win.

Prize Fish Leaders for 2021

		2021 Prize Fish	Leaders				
Freshwater Catch							
Species	Angler	Date	Weight	Location			
Blue Catfish	Jerry Hughes	3/19/21	17 lb	Northwest River			
Largemouth Bass	Russell Willoughby	3/5/21	3 lb 11 oz	Lake Whitehurst			
Shellcracker	Butch Eason	6/10/21	15 oz	Kerr Dam			
		Freshwater F	Release				
Species	Angler	Date	Length	Location			
Black Crappie	Ike Eisenhower	3/25/21	15.5 in	Lake Whitehurst			
Blue Catfish	Alan Hunter	4/21/21	29 in	Piankatank River			
Bluegill	Alan Hunter	4/9/21	9 in	Beaverdam Park			
Bowfin	Melanie Bayford	3/22/21	30 in	Harrison Lake			
Chain Pickerel	Melanie Bayford	6/2/21	25 in	Beaverdam Park			
Longnose Gar	Alan Hunter	8/2021	44.5"	Hand Pole Creek			
Shellcracker	Alan Hunter	5/6/21	10 in	Little Creek Reservoir			
Sunfish (other)	Melanie Bayford	7/14/21	10 in	Piankatank River			
White Perch	Melanie Bayford	4/14/21	13 in	Beaverdam Park			
Yellow Perch	Alan Hunter	6/25/21	10.5 in	Piankatank River			
		Saltwater (Catch				
Species	Angler	Date	Weight	Location			
Black Sea Bass	Kelly Hoggard	5/15/21	3 lb 5 oz	Triangle Wrecks			
Grey Trout	David Smith	4/6/21	7 lb 2 oz	Rudee Inlet			
Pollock	Dave Anderson	5/15/21	4 lb 4 oz	Triangle Wrecks			
Pompano	Kelly Hoggard	7/24/21	2 lb 8 oz	Sandbridge Surf			
Roundhead	Kelly Hoggard	7/27/21	2 lb	Sandbridge Surf			
Spanish Mackerel	Kelly Hoggard	7/29/21	6 lb 1 oz	Back Bay Surf			
Speckled Trout	David Smith	3/26/21	5 lb 8 oz	Rudee			
Striped Sea Robin	Victor Minak	5/15/21	1 lb 11 oz	Triangle Wrecks			
		Saltwater Ro	elease				
Species	Angler	Date	Length	Location			
Red Drum (2)	Kelly Hoggard	4/22/21	50.25 in	Ramp 45			
Roundhead	Kelly Hoggard	7/27/21	16.5 in	Sandbridge Surf			
Sharks (6+)	Kelly Hoggard	5/28/21	113 in	Ramp 45			
Spanish Mackerel	Alex Ramos	6/14/21	26.5 in	Virginia Beach Fishing Pier			
Speckled Trout	Ike Eisenhower	8/2021	23"	Little Creek			

August 2021 Prize Fish Entries

		21 Prize Fish Er	
		Freshwater	Catch
Species	Angler	Weight	Location
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Species	Angler	Freshwater I Length	Location
Bowfin	Melanie Bayford	23	Piankatank River
Bowfin	Alan Hunter	25.5	Piankatank River
Longnose Gar (4)	Alan Hunter	30-44.5	Piankatank/Hand Pole Creek
Longhose dar (4)	Alan Hunter	30-44.5	Trankatanky frank Fole Creek
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		Saltwater	Catch
Species	Angler	Weight	Location
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Species	Angler	Length	Location
Speckled Trout	Ike Eisenhower	23	Little Creek
White Marlin	Kelly Hoggard	72	Norfolk Canyon
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Hatteras Village: September 10 & 11, 2021

Team A: Team B: Alternates:

Butch EasonLarry RegulaBill SearbyMelanie BayfordCarl McCoyDavid Thomas

Kelly Hoggard (Intra-Club 2020)

Mark Wray

Rick Hoggard

Russell Willoughby

Ron Ramos

Patty Searby

John Gabriel

Russell Willoughby

Doug Wehner

Long Beach Island: September 25, 2021

Team A: Team B: Alternates:

Robbie Parks George Gabriel NONE

Jerry Hughes Jerry Mariano

Doug Wehner Patty Searby (Intra-Club 2020)

Greg Wehner Bill Searby
Bob Stuhlman Chris Schneider

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Nags Head: October 7 & 8, 2021

Team A: Team B: Alternates:

Butch Eason Carl McCoy Caroline Robinson

Robbie Parks Melanie Bayford
Doug Wehner Mark Wray

Jerry Mariano Vic Maron

Micki Walsh Bill Searby

Rob Stommel John Gabriel

Buxton: November 4 & 5, 2021

Team A: Team B: Alternates:

Kelly HoggardJerry MarianoCaroline RobinsonPatty SearbyDoug WehnerJohn Gabriel

Robbie Parks Greg Wehner
Bob Stuhlman Carl McCoy
Jerry Hughes Mark Wray
Russell Willoughby Rob Stommel

OPEN: The space is immediately available for club members to sign up and fish the tournament. The only thing required from the member is your participation and lodging fees to be paid to the club.

BUXTON = HATTERAS VILLAGE INVITATIONAL SURF FISHING TOURNAMENT









We tried something new yesterday and it turned out to be a blast. We set out to troll for Spanish Mackerel off VB and wound up jigging for Ribbon fish, aka Atlantic Cutlass fish, off of Sandbridge in 40 ft of water. Caught 25 jigging metal single hook jigs tipped with cut bunker. Had a hard learning curve getting repeatedly cut off until we switched to wire leaders. Their teeth are razor sharp.

If anyone has a method to cook them it would be appreciated. Headed and tail cut off, dressed out and body cut into length wise chunks.

Bob & Friends



Dave Steele and I caught the targeted species. 19 & 21 inch flounder plus 2 Spanish Mackerels. Beautiful day on the water between all the rain and wind.

Bob Stuhlman







Action on Little Creek has been hot and heavy this week: Fishing LC as usual 8/23/21:

Fished at sunup with Ned Smith at the Little Creek jetties with topwater lures and this 23 inch speckled trout nailed my lure. Released it for NAC and VBAC club minimum prize fish. One more inch and it would have been a state citation that I'm hunting for. We finished the morning with two more around 17 inches. Surprised we didn't get a red or blue this trip. Great way to start my day.

LC follow up with Louis 8/24:

After my great catch yesterday at daybreak Louis and I had to go for the early bite and boy did we find it. As soon as we started on first casts Louis had a above slot size red on that measured 28 inches. Then I was hooked up and struggled with a big one that got off at the boat. Definitely a red. Then it was one hook up after another ending after an hour with 3 keepers 21 inch puppies, and one 16 inch trout. One of the best catching days on topwater lures that we've ever had.

Blessings,

Dr. James W. Ike Eisenhower

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While most of the fleet was out chasing a white marlin on Friday, we snuck out to the deep to grab our share of some bottom fish. What seemed like a week of strong winds gave up long enough to get the weather window we needed out at the canyon. Lots of Bluelines and Black Sea Bass were mixed together. It was a non-stop crankfest for 7 hours.

We stopped short on the way out to try a wreck that was previously holding some big fish. We managed a few keeper sea bass but weren't finding the bigger bites. I was jigging a 10 oz glow tuna jig with a squid head when I hooked into a hard fighter. Initially I thought the fish to be a big sea bass with such a hefty fight. It came to the surface and I was surprised by my first ever offshore tautog. She had suffered severe barrow trauma and I decided it better to keep her than release with a tag.

Miles of flying fish greeted us out in the blue water. Dolphins and turtles also came out to play as we set our first drifts. We focused primarily on sea bass as the blueline limit can sometimes be too easy to reach. Drift after drift, we were dialed in on the sea bass and would find an occasional straggling blueline. There were a few big swells and bumpy seas along the way. The wind made a horrible drift pattern and we had to reset fairly often.

Late in the day, we had a couple sharks coming up on my fish. A small 5-6 ft dusky really wanted one of my bluelines. Though I had not experienced the tax man effect before, I recognized the issue immediately and forced my catch to come straight out of the water from 50 feet down. The shark followed it right up to the surface and I'm sure was wondering where his free meal went. That dusky stayed around a while until we were all out and moving on. Luckily, there were no fish lost to sharks. We made the turn home after finishing up that "one last drift" to complete the box.

Much appreciation to Stan Gold and Blind Date Charters for putting up with us hooligans and take us fishing. We set up this Friday trip a year in advance and were lucky enough to make it out on the tail end of a horrible week of weather.

Unbelievable Deep Drop - 8/22/21

We were scheduled to head out deep on Sunday but the hurricane churning offshore was looking to cut us out. Saturday, the storm took an eastern turn. Seas were settling quickly and we got the green light to go!

John, Rick, Stan and myself left the dock shortly after 5:30am with a full moon at our rear and a trace of sunlight ahead. Seas were surprisingly calm with the swell at a long period. About 55 miles out, we encountered a white floating object on the port side horizon. We came up along side and threw some squid chunks in the water. I was hooking up within seconds and caught my first ever mahi! We boated a dozen in about 10 minutes and moved on once the bite slowed.

About 30 minutes later we were in the area of the tile grounds and started to rig up. Water looked a bit dirtier than usual. Clarity was down to maybe 40 feet. The tile bite was a bit slow to start. We managed a couple small fish on bites and moved a short distance to redrift. I cast my lure away from the boat and about 100 foot down, I felt the tension of the line pulse. I came tight to the fish and started my fight. I knew it was a big fish but my only good guess was a shark or big mahi. Just as I could see some color the line comes tight to the horizon and a WHITE MARLIN jumps completely out of the water! Another white was swimming around the hooked one just feet from the boat. After a few jumps and some fighting the fish dove around the boat and tangled all of our bottom lines. It took a few minutes of untangling to get back to the fight. The marlin was tail wrapped at this point and we pulled it up to the boat. The jig was hooked deep into the jaw and we boated it for about 45 seconds to get the jig free and grab a quick picture. We put the boat ahead on engines and the marlin had plenty of energy for a quick release! That's another great catch on my Seigler SGN and Trevala S 168g.







Unbelievable Deep Drop - 8/22/21 Continued

During this entire time, John had his line cut and we spent almost 15 minutes tag teaming holding the line with a fish on it. We were finally able to get it retied to the rod and John starts the process of pulling his fish up from the bottom. He amazingly pulled in our only blue line citation of the day! What an epic 30 minutes.

We spent a couple hours drifting through the blue line tilefish grounds and got our limit of solid fish. There were a couple sea bass mixed in and they were pulling baits off the hook making a troublesome time getting to the tiles. I deployed my underwater camera for a couple of drops and looking forward to viewing the footage.

The deeper water was laden with deep water long lines. I know they are trying to make a living but it is annoying for us to drive so far just to have long lines clogging many of the areas we are trying to drift through. They seemed to be around the majority of the Norfolk canyon.

Our first set of numbers weren't producing as expected, so we went on to check another area that looked promising. We dropped in nearly 900+ ft and found a very muddy section of bottom. In 4 drifts, we boated 7 goldens including 4 at about 20 pounds each.

It was an epic day of fishing with lots of meat taken home. We are all enjoying the spoils of a day full of cranking long lines.

Can't catch fish on the couch!







Surf Fishing News

VBAC Fall Intra-Club Surf Tournament Recap

Saturday, August 28th, 2021

Back Bay National Wildlife Refuge

It was a beautiful Saturday morning in Sandbridge. 15 club members came out to support our fall intra-club surf fishing tournament. There was a light breeze in the morning to help keep temperatures down. Most catches consisted of roundhead with the occasional spanish blitz teasing us outside of casting range. Anglers had lines in at 7:30 and lines out at 11:00. The competition was followed with a tailgate lunch served as roast beef and turkey subs, sodas or water, and chips. The heat started to come on around lunch and we were all happy to head home and seek some A/C.

1st Place: Patty Searby – 9 fish; 96.5 points

2nd Place: Rick Hoggard – 4 fish; 43.5 points

3rd Place: Ron Ramos – 1 fish; 13.5 points

4th Place: Russell Willoughby – 1 fish; 8 points

5th Place: Rob Stommel – 1 fish; 8 points

6th Place: Caroline Robinson, Zac Thomas, Bob Burstein, Jerry Hughes – 0 fish; 0 points

CONGRATULATIONS TO PATTY SEARBY! The winner for our fall intra-club surf tournament! She bested the rest of the field with significantly more points than all other anglers combined. She will certainly be a competing force at this falls surf tournaments. Those looking for some tournament winning advice should ask her for some winning knowledge!

Saturday's tournament concludes our only intra-club surf event for the year (May – Cancelled: Weather). The Stan Sutliff Memorial Surf Fishing Tournament will be held Saturday, October 2nd, 2021 at Little Island Park in Sandbridge, VA. It is the next opportunity for anglers to compete and prizes will be awarded. Be sure to get out and get tuned up for that tournament soon.

Many of our anglers will go on to compete in other tournaments this fall. Wish them the best of luck!

Surf Fishing News











Surf Fishing News







Fresh Water News

You ever "tweak" a crappie tube jig like this, to trigger strikes?

There are 3 things that matter in regards to your presentation...

- 1. The bait/lure you use...
 - 2. Your rigging...
 - 3. Your technique...

Today we're mostly going to dive into area #1...specifically on how to use tube jigs to slam crappie, almost at will.

Pay special attention to the tube color/condition combinations and the "hook threading" techniques.

It's wicked-good stuff!

And now...here's some killer stuff to sink your teeth into for catching crappie hand over fist...

Tube jigs have come a long way toward making it possible to catch crappie under any conditions. They have recently been manufactured in a variety of styles and sizes to create versatility and enhance the uses of tube jigs, particularly when it comes to catching crappie. How you use your tube jigs will depend a great deal on where you are fishing and if you are fishing for black or white crappie.

If you are fishing for black crappie, it will help you to understand that they really live in the shallows for the most part. Their main food source is small crustaceans and small minnows. Black crappie have smaller mouths, and take smaller bait as a result. White crappie have bigger mouths, and take bigger bait. They are much more migratory, and stay in the shallows only at certain times of the year. As a result of these differences within the species, you have to adjust your tube bait accordingly. If you are targeting black crappie, use anywhere from an inch to an inch and a half tube bait. When targeting white crappie, use from an inch and three-quarters to three inch tube baits.

Another consideration when choosing tube bait is the clarity of the water in which you will be fishing. The clearer the water, the smaller the tube bait you will want to use.

Generally speaking, black crappie like clearer water, while white crappie like murkier waters. To attract crappie in murky water, you need a tube jig large enough to create some vibration for them to hone in on. Consider such tube jigs as Midsouth Tackle Superjig Tubes in three inch sizes, or Southern Pro Crappie Magnums in two inch sizes, for muddy waters. You could never use these huge sizes in clear waters, though.

The tube jig has taken the place of the minnow as the most popular crappie bait for good reasons. The most prevalent reason is that the tube jigs are just easier to use than minnows. The tube jigs are not messy. You don't have to catch them if you drop them in the bottom of your boat. You don't have to worry about them dying on you when the day is especially hot or long. Also, crappie tube jigs are really durable. You can easily catch over twenty five fish without ever having a crappie tube jig come off your line. You just can not do that with a minnow. They are much easier to retrieve than a minnow on a hook ever could be.

Fresh Water News

Tweaking crappie tube jig continued:

They do not get hung up as easily, and that makes it much easier to fish in heavy brush areas, which is where the crappie can almost always be found.

Probably the single best reason cited for using crappie tube jigs, though, is that they catch crappie, and that is, after all, what you have gone fishing for! If you have decided to give crappie tube jigs a try, you will need to know a little bit about rigging them. Start by choosing a jig head. You will choose by hook size, style, and weight, among other considerations.

Largely, it is a matter of taking the time to find out what works best for you in the areas in which you fish, but many people find that a 1/32 ounce tube jig works well especially when used with a #2 size hook. To rig this, just tie the jig head with whatever knot works best for you.

Attach a tube in a chartreuse or red color tube in clear water, or a purple and white in murky water, or choose your own personal favorite color tube instead. Insert the hook in the head of the jig, much like you would a worm, then thread that hook right through the hollow of the tube until it covers the lead barb on the hook.

All in all, if you find that it seems that the crappie you are seeking seem to be hitting on minnows more often than on your tube jigs, just switch to red and white, but red and chartreuse seems to be the best color choice as a general rule. As always, you need to be able to adapt to the situation, and you can do that readily when you know what works, what doesn't work, but most importantly, what other options there are. Many anglers make the mistake of being hooked on just one method; believe it to be the only option.

That's not the case. Vary your options to get the best results possible.



2021 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
Yeti Cooler Raffle	Chair - Bob Burstein
Surf Tournaments:	Chair - Kelly Hoggard
Club Tournaments:	Chair - George Gabriel
	Co. Chair - Bob Burstein
Prize Fish:	Chair - Ike Eisenhower
Nomination Committee:	Chair - Butch Eason
	Co. Chair Kelly Hoggard
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!



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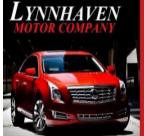




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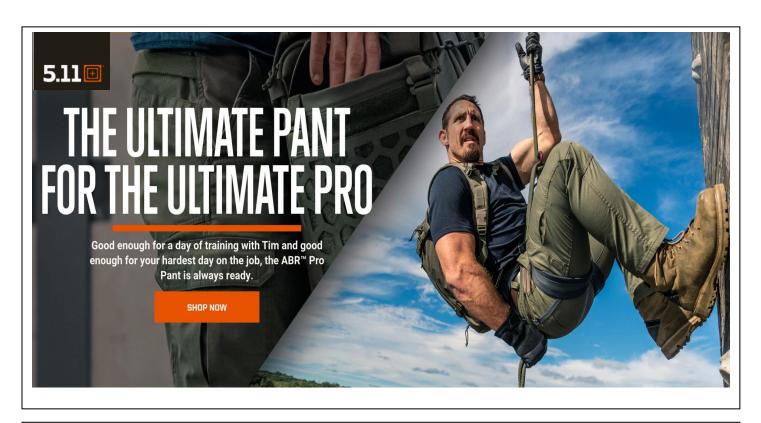
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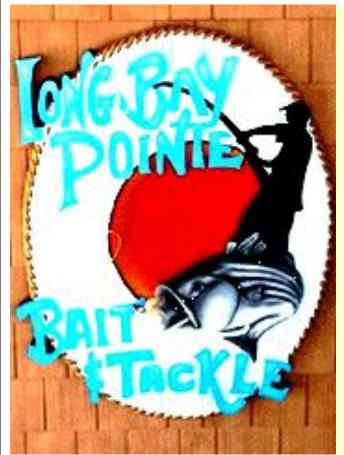
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- Promote interest and participation in recreational angling by conducting programs and activities that encourage sport fishing.
- Educate members and others in the techniques of sport fishing to enhance their enjoyment of the sport.
- Conduct social 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.

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