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VIRGINIA BEACH ANGLERS CLUB

Tight Line

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The President's Corner

Well fall has finally decided to show up, and with that season comes trout, trout and more trout. The 15th of October will be our club's annual Oyster Roast, come and enjoy the day, with lots of great food. Wishing you all fair winds, following seas and tight lines.

Chris

Upcoming Events

Monthly Meeting:

When: Thursday October 6, 2022 at 7:30 PM

**Where: Foundry United Methodist Church
2801 Virginia Beach Boulevard
Virginia Beach, VA 23452**

Speaker: Mark Lozier.

Subject: “Fishing for speckled trout”. Mark has successfully fished throughout the area for these tasty fish. During his talk, you’ll learn where and how to catch this highly prized species. They are available from shore and boat, so everyone has the opportunity to catch them.

10/1 – Ocean’s East Table is **Cancelled due to expected weather.**

10/5 – 10/7 Nag’s Head Surf Tournament

10/15 - Oyster Roast. Pavilion 4 at Sandbridge. Set up starts at 10AM. Volunteers needed! Please call Chris Schneider @ 757-737-1115 to volunteer. Dining begins at 12:00. Please bring a side dish or desert to share. Come hungry! Page 7.

10/29 – Ocean’s East Table 7AM to 11AM. Call Bob Burstein to volunteer @ 267-994-7423.

VBAC Fishing Roulette 2022 Leaders

<u>Species</u>	<u>Current Leader</u>	<u>Weight</u>
Black Crappie	Russell Willoughby	1lb. 9 oz.
Large Mouth Bass	Russell Willoughby	3lb. 1oz.
Atlantic Spadefish	Kelly Hoggard	1lb. 12oz.
Black Sea Bass	David Smith	1lb. 9oz.
Spot	Doug Wehner	5.5 oz.

Roulette Submissions
Virginia Beach Anglers Club:
vbanglersclub@gmail.com
Ike Eisenhower –
email:Jeisenhower@cox.net
Cell: 757-373-6051

Catch-A-Ride

Please use new Facebook connection space.

- 1) Sign into your Facebook page.
- 2) On your Home Page, go to “Groups”.
- 3) Go to the “Search Groups” section of your Facebook page.
- 4) Type in “VBAC Fishing Crews”.
- 5) When the site comes up, click the “Join” button.
- 6) Site Administration will approve your request within 24 hours.
- 7) Thereafter, the site will be listed in your “Groups” section so you can easily reach it afterwards. You can answer an existing post for anglers or post your availability as an angler or boat captain and date of availability.

VIRGINIA BEACH ANGLER'S CLUB

2022 PLANNING CALENDAR

OCTOBER	1	OCEANS EAST RECRUITING TABLE (CANCELLED)
	1	CLUB SPONSORED CHARTERED FISHING TRIP (CANCELLED)
	5-7	NAGS HEAD SURF FISHING TOURNAMENT
	6	GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING
	15	FALL OYSTER ROAST
	20	BOARD MEETING
	22	KAYAK TOURNAMENT (CANCELLED)
	29	OCEANS EAST RECRUITING TABLE
NOVEMBER	3	GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING
	3-5	CAPE HATTERAS ANGLER'S CLUB INVITATIONAL SURF FISHING TOURNAMENT
	17	BOARD MEETING
DECEMBER	1	GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING – CHRISTMAS PARTY & GENERAL ELECTIONS
	15	BOARD MEETING

Oyster Roast 2022



Dining will be from noon until 4PM. Everyone is asked to bring a side or a desert to share.

Menu

Southern Boil

Chili

Hot Dogs

Grilled Sausage and Peppers

Oysters

Volunteers for 10am Set Up are needed.

Please call Chris Schneider to help.

757-737-1115

General Announcements

The calendar committee is putting together this year's calendar (the club's only fundraiser). The calendar is supported by local businesses seeking to advertise and expand their reach. We are always looking for new advertisers- so if you know of anyone who might be interested reach out to Ronnie Nixon or Butch Eason. (send an email to vbangersclub@gmail.com and Cc both guys/or put calendar ad in the subject line)

Upcoming 2023 elections slate- we begin to put together the slate for our annual elections which are held during our holiday party in Dec. The slate must be published by our Nov meeting- so we are looking for Nominations of interested folks To Join The Board. If you or anyone you know is interested in shaping the events of the club, please submit the names to Butch Eason (in person or via email- subject line Board Nomination).

September Crab Creek Cleanup



What a great group of volunteers!

Our September Meeting Speaker



**Our tip of the hat and sincere thanks go to
Captain Eric Myers
who spoke on fishing in Lynnhaven.
Be sure to call on him if you'd like to
charter a trip.**

<https://www.headsntailsfishing.com/>

The Audience



Our September Audience



Grand Prize Winner

Some of Our September Winners



Hatteras Village Invitational Surf Fishing Tournament Results

September 9 & 10, 2022

Virginia Beach Anglers Club Team A

3rd (T-2nd) Place out of 52 teams – 7 fish for 34 points

Competing Anglers: *C-Kelly Hoggard – 4 fish; 29 points

*Melanie Bayford – 1 fish; 2 points

*Micki Walsh – 1 fish; 2 points

*Rick Hoggard – 1 fish; 1 points

*Russell Willoughby – 0 fish; 0 points

*Rich Stone – 0 fish; 0 points

Virginia Beach Anglers Club Team B

34th Place out of 52 teams – 1 fish for 3 points

Competing Anglers: *Bill Searby – 1 fish; 3 points

C-Carl McCoy – 0 fish; 0 points

Doug Wehner – 0 fish; 0 points

Patty Searby – 0 fish; 0 points

Vic Muron – 0 fish; 0 points

Mark Boettcher – 0 fish; 0 points

*returning anglers for 2023

The Hatteras Village Invitational Tournament is run by the Hatteras Village Civic Association. It occurs during the peak of hurricane season and usually fishes ramp 55. There has been little accessible beach on Ramp 55 in the past few years, so the tournament has generally fished ramps 48 and 49. This tournament occurs early in the fall. Usually, the fall run is just beginning on Labor Day. In 2022, the excessive warm and calm weather has delayed the fall run until well after the start of the tournament. Anglers faced tough conditions from offshore swells and very few scorable fish in the surf. Spanish and bluefish were scarce on the beaches and the roundhead or pompano were both exceptionally small. Kelly Hoggard led Team A with a 25" puppy drum. The 25 point fish was an amazing catch and propelled the team to a tie for second place. They finished just 1 point behind first and were in possession of the tie breaker. Proof that every point counts when you're out on the beach. With the top 3 finish, all anglers from Team A will return to the 2023 tournament. Team B was not as lucky and scored just 1 bluefish for 3 points. It was tough sledding for nearly every team and angler out on the beaches. We look forward to returning in 2023 in pursuit of that elusive victory!

Team A Report:

Written by Kelly Hoggard

The team gathered on Thursday evening for dinner at the lodge. Each member shared their days fishing experiences and prepped for the tournament. It was a little tough to decide how to approach the fishing conditions and what to fish for. It appeared that there were very few scorable fish. The exceptional spanish bite of weeks past did not appear to be possible. Dirty water was likely going to keep them well off the beach and out of range for anglers. It was decided that bottom fishing was the most likely opportunity to score points.

At the tournament registration, the tournament sites were drawn by digital random number wheels. Team A would fish site 17 on Friday morning and site 33 in the afternoon. Friday morning featured a good looking area just west on ramp 49. We pulled up with high hopes of scoring points in the early morning high tide. Fishing for roundhead and blues provided nearly no results. Only a couple of quality fish were caught and a 1 point croaker was scored by Rick Hoggard near the end of the session. He lost a good fish earlier in the session that likely would have provided additional points, which would have been useful later. We retreated to our lodge for lunch with hopes of a more fruitful afternoon.

Friday afternoon was fished about half way between ramp 48 and 49. We were met with low tide at the start of the session. The water was dirty and shallow. It was apparent that scoring was difficult for every team and we were going to have to work hard for every fish we could catch. The water began to rise later in the session providing a better trough for fish to feed in. Kelly got a good bite and managed to score a point on an 11 inch bluefish. Two fish for two points did not seem like much but it was still good enough to be in the top half of the field after day one.

On Saturday morning, conditions appeared to improve slightly as the waves and surge had subsided a little. Team A fished site 51 just a couple hundred yards east of Ramp 48. There was a deep hole at high tide over the breakers and wash. But the 80+ yards of casting distance required to reach it was very problematic for most anglers. Kelly was able to take advantage and land in the trough. He found numerous smaller fish like Jack Crevelle, but did not get the hits he was looking for. Switching over to a doodle bug rig and was immediately rewarded with a scorable bluefish that pulled off in the wash. Kelly threw it back out there and was hooked up shortly after with a strong fighter. At first it was believed to be a nice bluefish. But after riding the fish up on a wave, a nice sized puppy drum came up. One important note about the rules in the tournament was that there were no Over-Slot scoring drum allowed in the tournament this year. So Kelly quickly measured his drum, confirmed it was good to keep, and immediately notified the judge. His 25" puppy drum netted 25 points! There was no time to waste however. The team was in position to finish well and they kept working. Melanie and Micki both scored a nice roundhead for 2 points during the middle of the session. Kelly finished the session off with a 1 point bluefish. The 4 fish for 31 points in session three totaled more points than 1st place had accumulated after day 1. We knew it was an opportunity not to mess around with. The last session was going to be very close and we needed every point we could get.

By chance, we happened to draw site 17 twice during registration and would fish it in the fourth session along with the first. Our advantage was knowing this spot a little bit from the day before. This prior knowledge would prove to be meaningless. There was almost nothing available to catch. No matter the quality of the baits, we could not get a good bite. Kelly again pulled in our only scoring point for the session, an 11.5 inch bluefish that netted 1 additional point. We knew we had a chance, but it was unlikely to provide that winning opportunity we hoped for.

We found out we finished tied for second place upon arriving for the awards ceremony. Our team lost the tie breaker to the other 2nd place team and were officially placed in 3rd. 1st place had finished just one point ahead of us with a total of 35 points. Our team effort finished with 7 fish for 34 points. Our awards included the 3rd place finish, the 3rd session winners, and Kelly took home the award for the largest (other) scoring fish in the tournament; a red drum.

Congratulations to our Team A and the amazing effort they put in! They nearly won the tournament and provided memories for club members to share for many years.

Team B Report:

Written by Doug Wehner

Team B consisted of Captain Carl McCoy, Doug Wehner, Patty Searby, Bill Searby, Vic Muron and Mark Boettcher. We arrived at our team house on Empire Gem Lane in Hatteras Village at various times during the week of the tournament. Empire Gem Lane, incidentally, is named after one of the first ships sunk off the Outer Banks by German U-Boats in World War II. The sinking was accomplished by U-66 in January of 1942. With a north-easterly to easterly wind sweeping the beach between Buxton and Hatteras, fishing was slow prior to, and during, the event.

Team B struggled throughout the first 3 sessions of the tournament, and the 4th session wasn't much better. We'd caught a few small fish and dragged many horseshoe crab shells and reeds onto the beach. Then, having been skunked up to that point, Bill Searby scored a 13 inch bluefish worth 3 points, just before the horn sounded ending the event. Whew!! At least we were on the board, finishing 34th out of 53 teams. The moral of the story is to never quit early, no matter how bad conditions may be. After 11 hours and 58 minutes of fishing, our sole score came with less than 2 minutes to go.

Overall, there weren't many fish taken during the tournament and only one or 2 teams scored many points in each session. The winning team ended up with just 35 points! All 6 of our anglers fished hard, however. Just (bad)luck of the draw, and not many fish.

Tournament Pictures:

Bill with a small Roundhead:



Patty with a nice Bluefish while pre-fishing:



Patty with a
small flounder:

Rick with a pair of baby pompano:



Russell fishing
hard and trying
to stay hydrated:



Team A finishing strong trying to catch that “one more point”:



Kelly with his 25” puppy drum and his Largest Scoring Fish Award:



Team A wins 3rd place!



Team A's Accolades!

Men		Women	
55			
56			
57	1st Men - Rainey's Rigs	1st Women - Queen Mackerels	
58	2nd Men - Hammered Son	2nd Women - NC Sea Hags	
59	3rd Men - Va Beach A	3rd Women - Hatteraskals	
60			
61	Blue - David Rabil, H'm Fr. Blue 18"	Rauna Fuller, Hatteraskals, 16.5"	
62	Flounder - Karl Clow, Pasq. Anglers, 15.5"		
63	Other - Kelly Hoggard, Va B A, Drum, 25"	Jane Wirth, NC Sea Hags, Drum 19"	
64			
65	Trash - Wayne Elliot, T. Wick, Skate 23"	Carol Baze(?), Skate 20"	
66			
67	FRIDAY	Saturday	
68			
69	Session 1: Fishin' Fever	Va. Beach A	
70	Session 2: Hammered Sons	The McClammers	
71			









THE VIRGINIA MARINE RESOURCES COMMISSION ***WANTS YOUR FISH.... TO MEASURE AND AGE.***



*You catch it, you fillet it,
but instead of throwing the remains in the trash,
please donate them to science.*

The Marine Sportfish Collection Project will focus on species of fish that are difficult to collect through the agency's normal sampling program. Anglers are asked to donate their filleted carcasses (head and tail intact) of legal and fresh-caught:

<u>BLUEFISH</u> (GREATER THAN 36 INCHES) 	<u>TAUTOG</u> 	<u>COBIA</u> 	<u>RED DRUM</u> 
<u>SHEEPSHEAD</u> 	<u>SPADEFISH</u> (GREATER THAN 12 INCHES) 	<u>SPANISH MACKEREL</u> (GREATER THAN 22 INCHES) 	<u>SPECKLED TROUT</u> (GREATER THAN 22 INCHES) 
<u>BLACK DRUM</u> 	<u>TILEFISH</u> (BLUELINE OR GOLDEN) 	<u>WRECKFISH, SNOWY GROUPEL,</u> 	

**In return for participating in the project, the agency will provide
ONE FREE PROJECT TEE SHIRT, OR HAT FOR EACH PARTICIPANT,
PER MONTH of the DONATION.**



Please visit these merchants to participate:

Ocean's East-Eastern Shore (Capeville)
Port Messick Marina (Poquoson)
JEB Little Creek (Virginia Beach)
Long Bay Pointe Marina (Virginia Beach)
Lynnhaven Municipal Marina (Virginia Beach)
Mill's Marina (Seaford)



Last Updated August 31

Fall Favorite: Trout

From the mid Atlantic south down the coast all through the Gulf of Mexico there is a popular fish that anglers love to target. Call them what you will Specks, Sea Trout, yellow mouths or just speckled trout are an excellent fish to target that can be caught by using either bait or artificial lures. Specks aren't really a trout at all like the fresh water version but they are in the drum family and have several of the same feeding characteristics as their cousins the red drum. For me the most fun and challenging way to catch them is on artificial lures. The following is just a few of my favorite and several other methods and lures will work just as well.

Trout are more of an "up" feeder meaning they don't root on the bottom, instead ambush prey by looking up from their hiding spots. So I'm looking for structure like oyster bars, points leading in to creeks, drop offs and potholes where grass and sandy spots are together. Moving water is also a key factor, not fast moving current but enough flow for bait to be washed by but not so much that the trout have to fight the current. Grass is also a key area. Trout's natural camouflage is the spots on it's back which look like the top of the grass when looking down from above.

I like to make as long a cast as possible and make my retrieve with a pop pop action of the rod tip. Taking up the slack on the fall and repeating this all the way back. I will change the amount of popping and retrieve rate until I find how they are feeding. This is a more effective method if you can keep your jig head as light as possible but still have a steady sink rate. I prefer the Trout Eye jigs from Ralph Phillips Inshore in the 3/16 oz size with either the clear or gold eye.

As far as the body of the lure I have caught more trout, reds, flounder and even striper on the Z Man Trout Trick. Colors unfortunately vary with water clarity and or the sky conditions. I would have to say the "original" color Mood Ring is a starting color most days. Another consistent producer is a paddle tail bait like the 3" MinnowZ also from Z Man Lures. The Elaztech material gives the lure more buoyancy and action to this bait than your standard plastic material found on the market.

Another favorite is a top water walk the dog style lure. There is no more exciting or explosive catch than when a big ol' trout smacks the lure as it crawls across the top of the water. For these I like either Mirrolures Top Pups or Top Dogs. Another easy to walk would be the Rapala Skitter Walk. A good tip I learned a long time ago from a well respected trout guide is to tie a 12" piece of 30lb leader to your main line and then connect the plug with a loop knot. The shorter heavier leader will not sink or slow down the "walking" action of the bait.

I like a fast action 7' rod with a medium to a medium / light backbone. For my casting setup I prefer the Revo Inshore reel. The 7:1 gear ratio helps to pick up that slack line fast so my line is almost always tight. For my spinning set up I go with a Penn ClashII 2000-2500 Soft mouths and slack line are a sure way to lose trout. The reel is spooled with #20 Spiderwire with a 2'-3' piece of fluorocarbon leader of 15-20 pound test.

'Til Next Tide!

2nd Annual Stan Sutliff Memorial Surf Tournament Results

The 2nd Annual Stan Sutliff Memorial was even bigger than last year! We had 36 anglers and 53 participants including guests and volunteers. There was a total of \$720 in prizes for competing anglers and a buffet style lunch of fried chicken, baked beans, potato salad, rolls and drinks.

We woke up to a beautifully sunny day with a light east wind. The water was around 78 degrees and clean. Air temperatures were just above that near 80 degrees. You couldn't ask for a finer fall day. Registration opened at 9:00AM to competing anglers. More than 10 anglers were already waiting to sign in at opening. Anglers could help themselves to a doughnut while waiting to register and then file their way on the beach to grab a good spot to fish.

The fishing session would start at 10:00AM. A high tide was expected at 1:30 and anglers would finish fishing at 2:00PM. This would help provide a better fishing opportunity since fish tend to feed better on the beach closer to high tide. Our 36 anglers covered nearly 1000 feet of beach. It was a line of fishing rods as far down as you could see. Fishing was slow at first. Very little if anything was caught in the first 2 hours. At the strike of noon, fishing began to heat up. There were numerous hound fish, roundhead, pompano, flounder and others caught in the last two hours. The majority of these fish were too small to score. Bill Swanner managed a nice 9" roundhead to start off. His fish scored 9 points and was the first on the board. Wesley Waters was next to beach a scoring fish. I could see down the beach a large silvery flash. As I ran over to score the fish, it was a large citation pompano! It was officially measured in at 16 and 1/8 inches. Good for 16 points. While there was plenty more action on the beaches, no more fish were scored in the tournament. Fishing concluded at 2:00PM and anglers dragged their gear off the beach to prepare for lunch.

Lunch began shortly after 2:15PM. We had all the fried chicken and sides you could ever wish for! Anglers were filling their bellies while scores were tallied and awards were prepared. Though we had 144 pieces of chicken, it was nearly finished off, as was all of our sides and drinks. We had an exceptional turnout and everyone enjoyed their day on the beach. The Stan Sutliff Memorial represented the final of our 3 VBAC intraclub surf series events as well. The top 5 finishing anglers will be awarded a surf tournament spot of their choice for 2023. Congratulations to our anglers!

The Virginia Beach Anglers Club would like to thank the following organizations for competing in this years tournament:

Virginia Beach Anglers Club
Great Bridge Fisherman's Association
Tidewater Anglers Club
Norfolk Anglers Club
Old Dominion University Fishing Club.

The Virginia Beach Anglers Club would also like to thank our 2022 Sponsors:

Virginia Saltwater Sportfishing Association
Great Bridge Fisherman's Association
Oceans East Bait and Tackle
Jerry Hughes
Micki Walsh
Food Lion
Princess Anne Distributing Company
Long Bay Pointe Bait and Tackle

2nd Annual Stan Sutliff Memorial Surf Tournament Winners:

Adults Division

1st Place: Wesley Waters – 1 Fish for 16 points! \$200

2nd Place: Bill Swanner – 1 fish for 9 points! \$170



Youth Division

1st Place: Alex Ramos

2nd Place: Aaron Gelle

3rd Place: Kamryn Gelle



Tournament Pictures:

1st Place GBFA – Thomas Pittman \$50 Gift Card







Here are the results of the 2022 VBAC Intraclub Surf Fishing Series.

The top 5 anglers fish an NC/NJ tournament of their choice in 2023.

VBAC Intraclub Results 2022

Place	Angler	Total	Spring		Summer		Fall	
			Points	Fish	Points	Fish	Points	Fish
1	Wesley Waters	60.5	17	5	27.5	2	16	1
2	Patty Searby	57	40	10	17	2	0	0
3	Ron Ramos	39	0	0	39	1	0	0
4	Nick Heiliger	27.5	-	-	27.5	2	-	-
5	Billy Nettles	27	-	-	27	2	-	-
6	Mary Katherine Resio	22.5	-	-	22.5	2	-	-
7	Eric Whisman	14	0	0	14	1	-	-
8	Bob Burstein	12.5	-	-	12.5	1	-	-
9	Andy Hawkins	10	-	-	10	1	-	-
10	Russell Willoughby	5	5	5	0	0	0	0
11	Rick Hoggard	2	2	2	-	-	-	-
12	Zac Thomas	1	1	1	-	-	-	-
12	Melanie Bayford	1	1	1	-	-	0	0
12	Jimmy Boatright	1	1	1	0	0	0	0
12	Lou Corrigliano	1	1	1	-	-	-	-
12	Caroline Robinson	1	-	-	1	1	0	0
12	Alex Ramos	1	0	0	0	0	1	1
18	Chris Schneider	0	0	0	-	-	-	-
18	Bill Mannschreck	0	0	0	-	-	-	-
18	Jerry Mariano	0	0	0	-	-	-	-
18	Roger Bonnafield	0	-	-	0	0	0	0
18	Rick Kerns	0	-	-	0	0	-	-
18	Jerry Hughes	0	-	-	0	0	-	-
18	Jeff Ratliff	0	-	-	0	0	-	-
18	Gwen Robinson	0	-	-	0	0	-	-
18	Jon Cypher	0	-	-	-	-	0	0
18	Steve Witkowski	0	-	-	-	-	0	0
18	Jennie Braithwaite	0	-	-	-	-	0	0

Long Beach Island World Series of Surf Fishing Tournament Results

September 24, 2022

Virginia Beach Anglers Club Team A

26th of 36 teams – 4 fish for 42.25 points

Competing Anglers: *Bill Searby – 2 fish; 25.5 points

*Doug Wehner – 1 fish; 15.75 points

*Patty Searby – 1 fish; 1 points

Greg Wehner – 0 fish; 0 points

Jerry Hughes – Did Not Compete

Virginia Beach Anglers Club Team B

Did Not Compete – 0 fish for 0 points

Competing Anglers: C-Jerry Mariano – Did not Compete

Chris Schneider – Did not Compete

George Gabriel – Did not Compete

Eric Whisman – Did not Compete

Dave Anderson – Did not Compete

*returning anglers for 2023

The Long Beach Island World Series of Surf Fishing Tournament is held the 4th Saturday of September every year. It takes place on Long Beach Island New Jersey, about half way up the Jersey coast. 2022 was the 75th annual surf tournament. The Long Beach Island Fishing Club is a prestigious and long running club. The club purchased a coast guard station and was financed by the membership. The property contains a clubhouse, bedrooms, fishing resources and other options for anglers to access while visiting or fishing on the island. This years tournament marks the beginning of a new opportunity for anglers, the Robert Burstein Award. The award is given to the angler who scores the most points overall in the tournament. It can be awarded to any angler, male or female, that competes in this prestigious event. Bob's list of accomplishments and contributions to the LBIFC are exceptionally long. Congratulations Bob!

Team A Report:

Written by Doug Wehner

We fished very short-handed this year. Hurricane Fiona presented a daunting weather forecast, so several of those making up our two teams decided against making the trip. The 4 who represented the club were: Captain Doug Wehner, Greg Wehner, Patty Searby and Bill Searby. This was an excellent team, but 4 anglers against all those 6 person teams put us at a big disadvantage. Plus, our captain hasn't learned how to pick good fishing sites in a random draw.

After the 5:30 am captain's meeting, we were greeted by a gorgeous sunrise at our first site. We also noted that the waves were small to moderate and the water was clear. A light westerly breeze did make the 48 degree temperature feel cold, however. It wasn't at all like forecast earlier in the week. We produced the few fish we caught during that early morning session. The second session found a decent looking hole and a nearby opening, but with the end of the low tide at hand, it produced absolutely nothing. Every one of us fished hard and found the conditions overall excellent. Too bad more fish weren't there for us.

Afterwards, we had a good lunch at the sponsoring team's facility, then, each of us were fortunate to win something in the raffle. Even though short-handed, we had a great time, caught a few fish and enjoyed the camaraderie.

Team B Report:

Team B did not compete in the tournament

Tournament Pictures:

Bill preparing to demolish the competition:



Greg and Doug rigging up for their first cast:



Bob wit his new honorary award:



Patty and Bill enjoying lunch at the clubhouse:

Throwing Instructions for Cast Nets

Pictures shown are for right-handed throwing. To throw left-handed, simply follow instructions using your left hand.



1.

- Cinch rope around your right wrist and coil rope into throwing hand as shown.



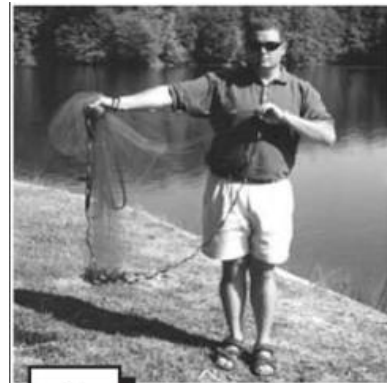
2.

- Hold net by your side resting the weights on the ground and grasp the net with your throwing hand at pocket height.



3.

- Grasp the lead line with your free hand at a position straight down from the end of your right thumb and place between thumb and forefinger.



4.

- Grasp the lead line with your free hand at a position about one arm's length from your other hand. This will hold the net one quarter open as shown.



5.

- Rotate your body back to the right one quarter turn and immediately rotate back to your left releasing the net at a slight upward angle into the air in the direction of your target.



6.

- The net should hit the water in a circular form.
- Let the net sink to desired depth and pull on the throw-line to close the net.
- Grasp the horn and release the throw-line to empty the net into bucket or bait well.

Caring for Your Cast Net

- Prior to using your net, soak it overnight in a solution of about two gallons of water and one capful of fabric softener. This will soften and relax the netting making it lay flatter and throw easier. *Do not use any other chemicals on your net.*
- Inspect your net before every use, mending any cuts or tears.
- After each use rinse your net with fresh water and hang with the lead line resting on the ground to dry. Store away from direct sunlight.
- Using your net in areas with reefs, rocks, or other submerged objects will lessen the life of your cast net. Avoid these areas if possible.

To Offer a Boat Ride or offer to Crew for Someone Else.....

Your board has tried to come up with a way boat captains could notify members who might be interested in fishing that there was an opportunity to go out. There is a new Facebook page our members will be able to join that helps registered members interested in fishing to get together. For example; captains who might be going out on Saturday can post on Thursday the opportunity for someone to go with them. Interested anglers will be able to check on a regular basis and when seeing a convenient posting can make the arrangements with the other party. Hopefully, this will give everyone in the club an opportunity to go out fishing more effectively. The “Boats and Crew” section of the newsletter will be phased out when this site is fully in use. The instructions are listed below.

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- 10) Go to the “Search Groups” section of your Facebook page.
- 11) Type in “VBAC Fishing Crews”.
- 12) When the site comes up, click the “Join” button.
- 13) Site Administration will approve your request within 24 hours.
- 14) Thereafter, the site will be listed in your “Groups” section so you can easily reach it afterwards.

Prize Fish Leaders

2022 Prize Fish Leaders for September

Freshwater Catch

Species	Angler	Date	Weight	Location
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Freshwater Release

Species	Angler	Date	Length	Location
Bluegill	Alan Hunter	1/15/22	9.75 in	Beaverdam
Shellcracker	Alan Hunter	1/6/22	9 in	Beaverdam
Black Crappie	Russell Willoughby	2/3/22	14.5 in	Lake Smith
Chain Pickerel	Russell Willoughby	2/21/22	21.75 in	Lake Smith
Largemouth Bass	Russell Willoughby	3/19/22	18.25 in	Lake Smith
Bowfin	Russell Willoughby	3/1/22	26.5 in	Lake Smith
Longnose Gar	Melanie Bayford	6/24/22	44.50 in	Piankatank River
Sunfish (Other)	Alan Hunter	4/8/22	8 in	Dragon Run
White Perch	Alan Hunter	4/17/22	10.75 in	Dragon Run
Yellow Perch	Alan Huner	4/22/22	11 in	Ticknor Creek
Channel Catfish	Kelly Hoggard	2/23/22	28 in	Albemarle Sound

Saltwater Catch

Species	Angler	Date	Weight	Location
Speckled Trout	George Gabriel	2/2/22	6 lb. 8 oz.	Lynnhaven
Pompano	Andrew Hawkins	5/5/22	3 lb. 7 oz.	Ocracoke Island, NC
Cobia	George Gabriel	6/21/22	28 lb. 1 oz.	Chesapeake Bay
Spot	Doug Wehner	7/6/22	5.5 oz	Ocwhannreh Creek, ES
Spanish Mackerel	Kelly Hoggard	7/14/22	3 lb. 13 oz.	Back Bay NWR
Yellowfin Tuna	David Smith	6/27/22	42 lb. 2 oz.	Oregan Inlet

Saltwater Release

Species	Angler	Date	Length	Location
Speckled Trout	Ike Eisenhower	1/13/22	22 in	Little Creek
Roundhead	Kelly Hoggard	5/21/22	17 in	Sandbridge
Sharks (8)	Kelly Hoggard	1/1/22	109 in	Ramp 38, NC
Cobia	Chris Schneider	7/1/22	40 in	Chesapeake Bay
Spanish Mackerel	Kelly Hoggard	7/14/22	21 in	Back Bay NWR
Red Drum	Kelly Hoggard	4/28/22	49 in	Ocracoke Ramp
Sheepshead	David Smith	8/14/22	24.2 in	The Cell

Roulette Fish

Species	Angler	Date	Weight	Location
Black Crappie	Russell Willoughby	3/5/22	1 lb 9 oz	Lake Smith
Largemouth Bass	Russell Willoughby	3/18/22	3 lb 1 oz	Lake Smith
Atlantic Spadefish	Kelly Hoggard	7/31/22	1 lb. 12 oz	CBBT
Black Sea Bass	David Smith	5/12/22	1 lb. 9 oz	Triangle Wrecks.
Spot	Doug Wehner	7/7/22	5.5 oz	Ocwhannreh Creek, ES

Updated 9/27/22

Salt Water News

Trout in Little Creek 9/13/22

Louis Glaser his girlfriend Hai and I went looking for trout or reds at sundown on Tuesday in spite of 15-20 mph winds out of the South. We headed to the jetties since Louis had caught 5 earlier in the day and 4 the day before that. Reports of schools coming in on incoming tide had also been reported. The first hook up was with a 19 inch trout and in no time later I hooked a 22 inch trout which I released for a club minimum. We hooked several more but only got a 18 incher in the boat before dark. With those waves and wind it wasn't safe to stay out any longer. Looking at my records I caught a 22 inch last year 9/7. It's time for them to come in even more. Water temp was 78 degrees. All caught on MirrOlures 27MR.

We tried again the next day but winds had shifted to the NW 15-20 and we got skunked at the jetties, and in Pretty Lake. Water level was really high with those winds.



Salt Water News

Submitted by Preston Mangum

Russell and I went out in his boat and once again, the master put me right on the fish! Caught 4 and kept 3. Almost too much fun at one time!



Salt Water News

Submitted by Preston Mangum

Lou Corigliano and I went puppy drum fishing in Lynnhaven and he put us on some very nice fishing! We caught three that day with 2 fish 25" long and 1 fish 19". Way to go Lou!



Salt Water News

Lynnhaven River Puppys.

Caught on Cut Mullet. Also had a 27.5 release. Lost three others; 1 broke my line and two



Straightened out Marshal's hooks

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Surf Fishing News

Night Fishing with Wesley 9/17/22:

After the conclusion of the Stan Sutliff Memorial, I took a couple hour break at home and headed back out on the beach for an evening drum fishing session. There have been a lot of slot and over slot puppy drum and I was hoping to get into the bite. The only encounters all night were sharks. After losing about 6 puppy drum rigs with sinkers, I modified some rigs to beach the toothier critters. I fished with Wesley and we managed to beach two sharks around midnight. Both were spinner sharks and measured around 5 feet in length. Wesley's largest shark was a healthy 61" spinner shark that almost went home to the grill (3 inches short). As always, my shark catches were tagged and released in the hopes of a future encounter with another angler. We also had some bluefish and Roundhead bites and managed to land a healthy 18" blue on one of the puppy drum rigs.

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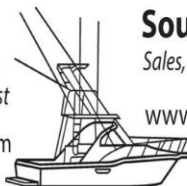
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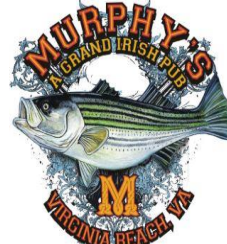


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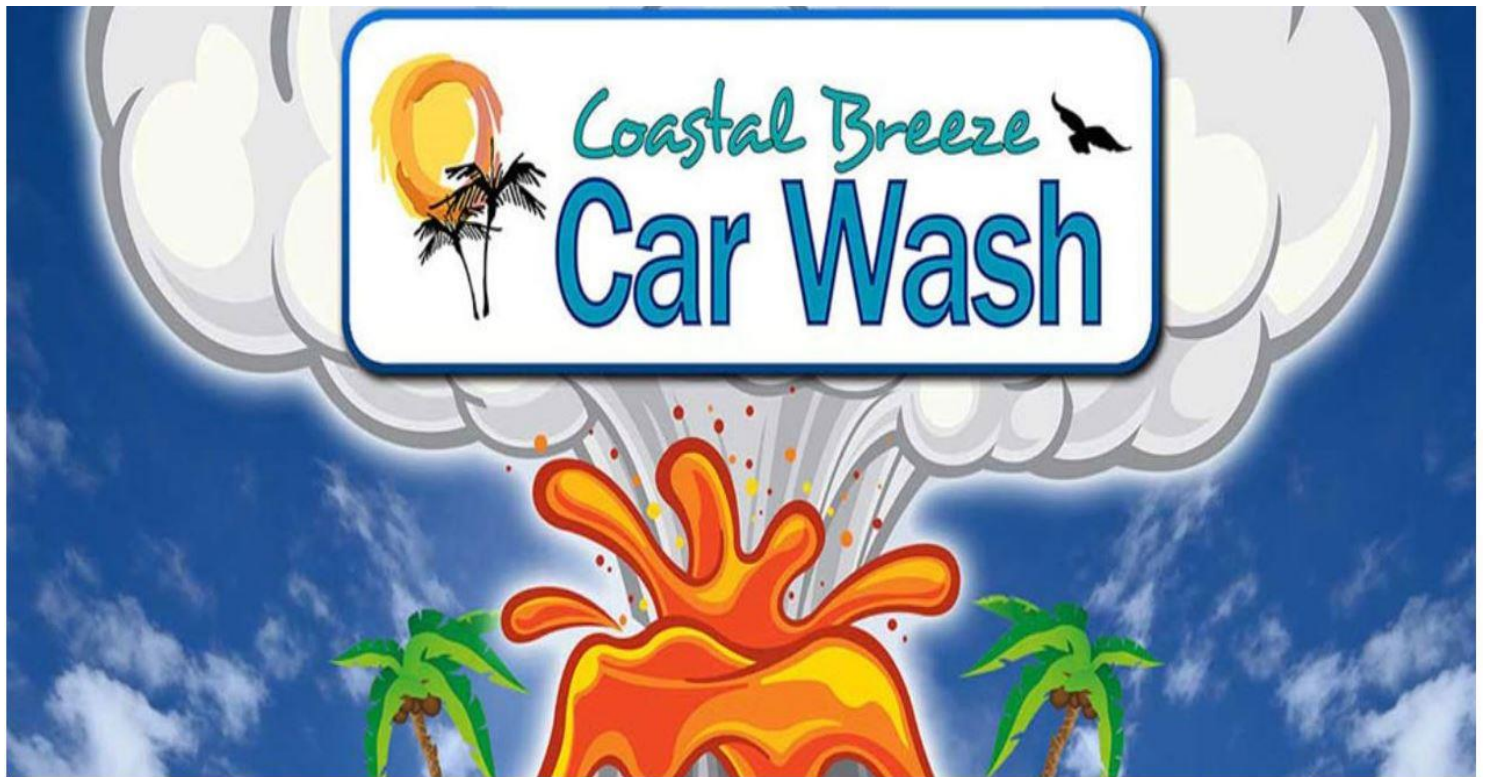


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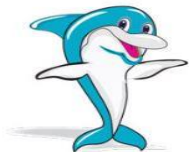
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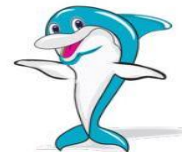
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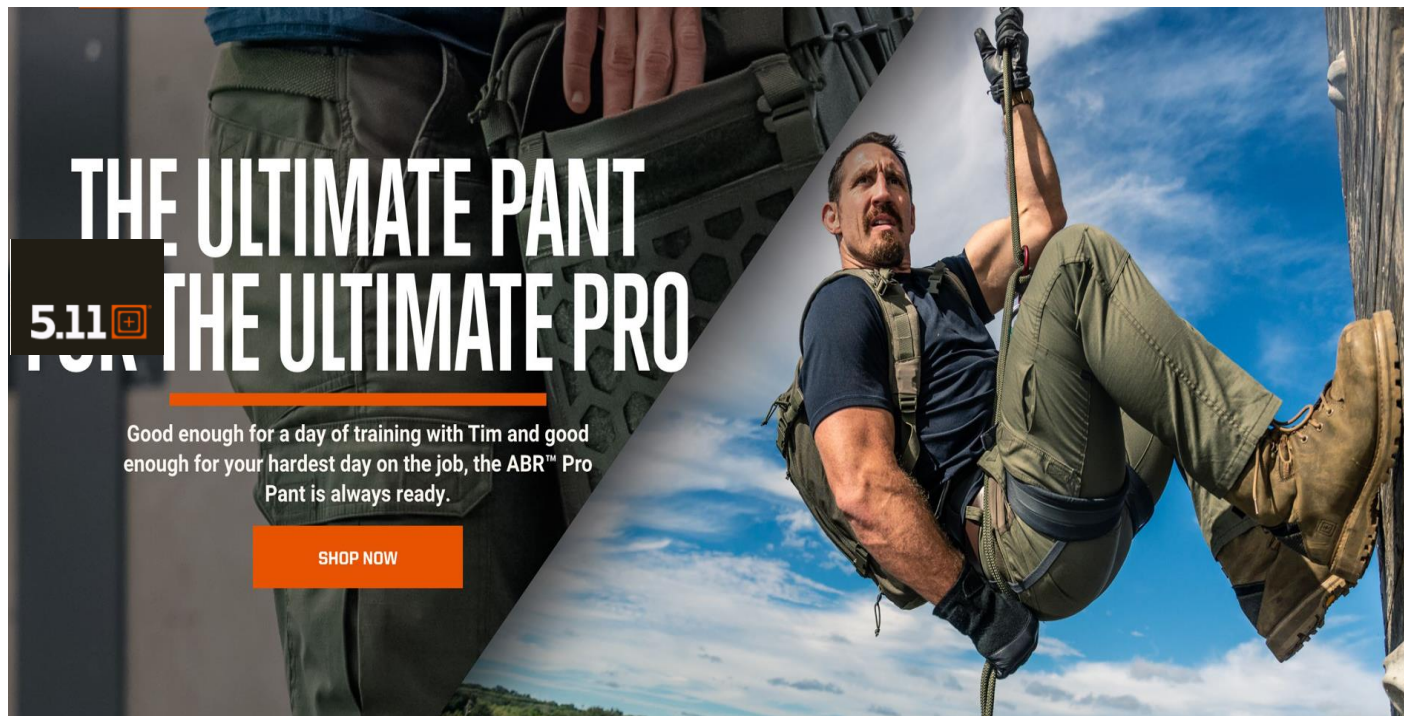
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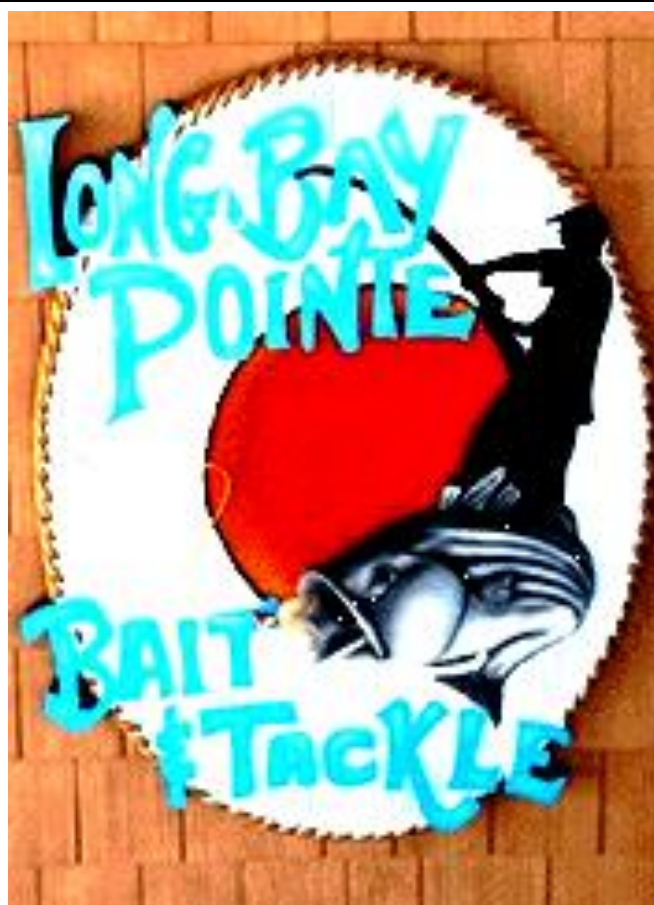
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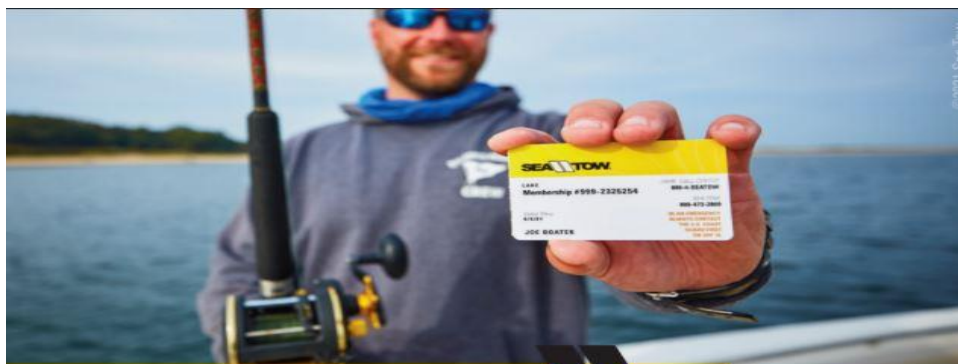
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