



December 2023

VIRGINIA BEACH ANGLERS CLUB

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Upcoming Events

Monthly Meeting:

When: Thursday December 7, 2023.

Christmas Party & Election. Doors open at 6:30!

Where: Foundry United Methodist Church

2801 Virginia Beach Boulevard

Virginia Beach, VA 23452

Our annual Christmas party is December 7th. The doors open at 6:30, a little earlier than usual. The menu this year includes oysters cooked outside and sausage and peppers which are all provided by the club. Water and soft drinks will be provided. No alcohol will be available or permitted at this function.

All members are asked to bring a side dish or a desert to be shared by all. Election ballots will be available at the meeting and can be previewed in this newsletter.

Upcoming Events:

12/21 – Board meeting.

*Merry
Christmas!*

VBAC Fishing Roulette 2023

<u>Species</u>	<u>Current Leader</u>	<u>Weight</u>
Speckled Trout	Dave Smith	6 lb.
Spanish Mackerel	Dave Smith	3 lb. 2 oz.
Yellow Perch		
Blue Catfish	Kelly Hoggard	14 lb. 15 oz.
Chain Pickerel	Preston Mangum	1 lb. 5 oz.

Roulette Submissions
Virginia Beach Anglers Club:
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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.

The President's Corner

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!!!

As I write this, my last letter to everyone for 2023, I struggled and thought about finishing the year in short form. Then I thought about what this time of year means and what it is about. One thing that came up over again is tradition and what carrying on traditions means. As a club we have A Lot of Traditions and meaningful things we do. These are things we hold on to and continue to do. Much like the holiday season regardless of what way you celebrate this time of year, things you hold on to and continue to do repeatedly. I believe it is all our obligation to keep traditions alive and meaningful.

From my family to you and yours we wish a wonderful Holiday Season and a Happy New Year. Looking forward to next year and keeping our traditions alive and maybe even starting some new ones for the future generations.



Till Next Tide,

Mark Lozier

Our Christmas Party

Our final membership meeting of the year will be on Thursday, December 7th beginning at 6:30.

This is our annual membership, holiday party. We will also be electing the new board members at this event.

This year will be a little different than usual. Since we had to cancel the oyster roast, we will be having a mini oyster roast. This means the club will provide oysters and sausage and peppers. As always, everyone is encouraged to bring a dish of your choice, side dishes, and lots of desserts (We love desserts)

Remember, we welcome your immediate family to join us. We have about 110 members and with additional family members this adds up so please bring some food along.

If you are bringing children, please reply back here and let us know their ages.

Food Suggestions:

Meat balls

Fried chicken

Any kind of pasta,

Chicken dishes,

Any other favorite dish

Potato salad

Cole Slaw

Macaroni Salad

Salad

Chips

Pretzels

dip

Tostitos

And Don't Forget the Desserts

Hope to see a great turnout on the 7th.

Cheers

Our Christmas Party Host

Foundry United Methodist Church

Inside

The church is collecting items for those in need this Christmas season and would appreciate your help.

The items being collected are as follows;

- 1) Foodstuffs – canned goods and dry foods like oatmeal, cereal, peanut butter, etc...**
- 2) Clothing – new or gently used clothing such as coats, gloves, sweaters, pants, shoes, and shirts in all sizes.**

In the Front Yard

The church is selling Christmas trees, wreaths, and roping all at competitive pricing. If you are in the market for any of these items, please check out their items outside in the yard on VB Blvd.

VIRGINIA BEACH ANGLER'S CLUB 2023 PLANNING CALENDAR

**DECEMBER 7 GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING –
CHRISTMAS PARTY & GENERAL
ELECTIONS**

21 BOARD MEETING

VISIT US AT: VIRGINIABEACHANGLERSCLUB.ORG
EMAIL US AT: VBANGLERSCLUB@GMAIL.COM

Prize Fish Leaders

2023 Prize Fish Leaders for November

Freshwater Catch

Species	Angler	Date	Weight	Location
Black Crappie (10)	Ike Eisenhower	2/14/23	1 lb. 4 oz.	Lake Smith
Chain Pickerel	Preston Mangum	3/28/23	1 lb. 5 oz.	Speight Run Reservoir
Blue Catfish	Alex Ramos	4/1/23	21 lb. 12oz.	Albermarle Sound

Freshwater Release

Species	Angler	Date	Length	Location
Black Crappie (10)	Russell Willoughby	2/8/23	15 in.	Lake Smith
Chain Pickerel (2)	Russell Willoughby	1/11/23	25 in.	Lake Smith
Largemouth Bass	Russell Willoughby	2/22/23	17 in.	Lake Smith
Channel Catfish	Kelly Hoggard	3/19/23	25 in.	Albermarle Sound
Bowfin	Kelly Hoggard	4/8/23	25 in.	Albermarle Sound
Long Nose Gar	Micki Walsh	7/22/23	33.5 in.	Piankatank River
White Perch	Micki Walsh	5/20/23	10 in.	Edenton, NC

Saltwater Catch

Species	Angler	Date	Weight	Location
Speckled Trout (4)	David Smith	1/24/23	6 lb.	Rudee Inlet
Spadefish	Michael Kreckel	6/9/23	8lb. 13 oz.	Chesapeake Light Tower
Cobia	Kelly Hoggard	5/16/23	65 lb.	Offshore Oregon Inlet
Blueline Tilefish	Rick Hoggard	5/16/23	12 lbs.	Oregon Inlet Canyon
Pompano	Michael Kreckel	7/9/23	2 lbs. 6 oz.	Back Bay National Wildlife Refuge
Amberjack	Chris Schneider	6/9/23	40 lbs.	Cape Hatteras, NC
Roundhead	Kelly Hoggard	7/9/23	1 lb. 12 oz.	Back Bay NWR
Spanish Mackerel	David Smith	7/18/23	3lbs. 2 oz.	Chesapeake Bay

Saltwater Release

Species	Angler	Date	Length	Location
Speckled Trout	David Smith	4/16/23	22.5 in.	David Smith
Shark, Sandbar	Wesley Waters	3/26/23	76.5 in.	Cape Hatteras Point
Shark, Sand Tiger (2)	Kelly Hoggard	1/1/23	109 in.	Ramp 38, OBX, NC
Roundhead	Kelly Hoggard	7/9/23	15.5 in.	Back Bay NWR
Red Drum	Kelly Hoggard	5/4/23	51 in.	Ramp 72, NC
Shark	Kelly Hoggard	10/14/23	94 in.	Sandbridge Beach
Spanish Mackerel	Alex Ramos	6/25/23	18 in.	Little Creek Inlet

Prize Fish Leaders Continued

Spot	Leslie Anderson	10/3/23	9 in.	Lynnhaven River
Bluefish	Alex Ramos	7/4/23	16 in.	Chicks Beach
Red Snapper	Eric Whisman	6/9/23	32 in.	Cape Hatteras
Croaker	Alex Ramos	7/15/23	8 in.	Sandbridge

Roulette Leaders

Species	Angler	Date	Weight	Location
Speckled Trout	David Smith	1/24/23	6 lb.	Rudee Inlet
Chain Pickerel	Preston Mangum	3/28/23	1 lb. 5 oz.	Speight Run Reservoir
Blue Catfish	Kelly Hoggard	1/29/23	14 lb. 15 oz.	Albermarle Sound
Spanish Mackerel	David Smith	7/18/23	3lb. 2 oz.	Sandbridge

Submitted 11/28/23

General Election Ballot



Virginia Beach Anglers Club, Inc
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Slate of Officers and Board Members for 2024

Officer		Write in Candidate
_____ President	Mark Lozier	_____
_____ 1st Vice President	Bob Burstein	_____
_____ Treasurer	Mike Anderson	_____
_____ Recording Sec.	Russell Willoughby	_____
_____ Corresponding Sec.	Lou Corigliano	_____

Board Members - Please vote for three only. The three individuals with the most votes will be elected for a three-year term.

- | | |
|--------------------------|------------------------|
| _____ Gary Doerhoff | _____ Shannon Ferguson |
| _____ Patty Searby | _____ Wesley Waters |
| _____ John Stout | |
| _____ Jerry Hughes | |
| _____ Write in Candidate | _____ |

Saltwater News

Here' an opportunity to express your thoughts on striped bass (rockfish) See John Powers's email below.
The link to the form is here:

<https://www.trcp.org/2023/11/16/fishery-managers-eye-changing-2024-striped-bass-management-measures/?emci=573c05546085-ee11-8925-00224832e811&emdi=7d430df9-7785-ee11-8925-00224832e811&ceid=5508276>



Fishery Managers Eye Changing 2024 Striped Bass Management Measures | Theodore Roosevelt Conservation Partnership

After recent stock projections were worse than expected, the ASMFC Striped Bass Management Board is seeking angler input as it gauges the adjustments necessary to meet the rebuilding timeline for the Atlantic striped bass stock.

www.trcp.org

Good Afternoon,

I am reaching out because my team and I in the Fish and Wildlife Conservation Department at Virginia Tech have developed a social sciences project to learn more about factors that influence Summer Flounder (Fluke) population dynamics in the United States (IRB Protocol #22-804). We have put together an online survey and are trying to distribute it to as many saltwater anglers as possible in hopes that we will get some good feedback from anglers on their fluke fishing habits, opinions on abundance, and regulations. Is distribution of our survey via your Tight Line newsletter or member listserv something you would be willing to assist with? If so, I would be happy to send a blurb and official logos to accompany the survey link. I will include a link to the survey below if you would like to check it out.

Survey link: <https://virginiatech.questionpro.com/fluke-survey>

Best regards,
Aspen Gustin

Cape Hatteras Invitational Surf Tournament

The Virginia Beach Anglers Club's Ladies Presents:

Cape Hatteras Invitational: a Summary

On November 3rd, 2023, history was made. The Virginia Beach Anglers Club's (VBAC) very own ladies' team triumphed in the Cape Hatteras Invitational, taking first place in the women's division. Finishing in tenth place out of 118 teams total, this was the first time in VBAC history an all-female team represented the club in any tournament. Ever. We were not only delighted to learn we were getting our own team, but that we would be getting our own house, too! We all knew of the challenge that lay ahead of us, for years of experience and training had prepared us for the tourney. We could not have asked for better conditions. We cast our lines, watching the sun rise out of the ocean. All that was left to do now was pray to the Fish Gods. Little did we know they would answer with Mullet, and lots of it! Scoring eighty-six points overall, the VBAC Ladies caught forty-two fish during the two-day tournament. Top angler Patty Searby reeled in thirteen Mullet, for twenty-nine points. Close behind Searby was Jennie Braithwaite, catching ten Mullet, scoring twenty-two points. Melanie Bayford caught nine Mullet, racking up seventeen points. All of us anglers fished hard until the very end, with Micky Walsh reeling in the final Mullet as the horn was blown at four o'clock. It was truly an honor to accomplish this goal with my sister, Elizabeth Nash, alongside me. As the Captain, I could not be more proud to be a part of this team. I would like to give special thanks to the Virginia Beach Sand Witches, because without them, this victory would not have been possible. I would additionally like to thank my team members for all of their hard work and dedication. We did it!

Article submitted by Caroline Robinson

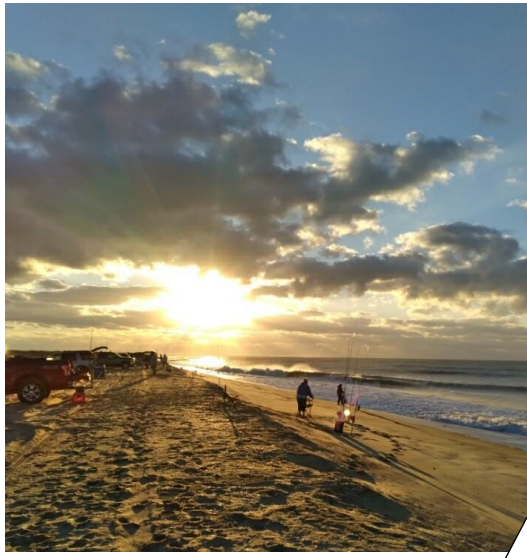
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Fresh Water News

Want to wet a fresh water line?

Take a look at these.



December Crappie Fishing



Committees

2022 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
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If You Would Like to Help on a Committee,
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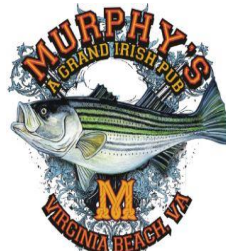
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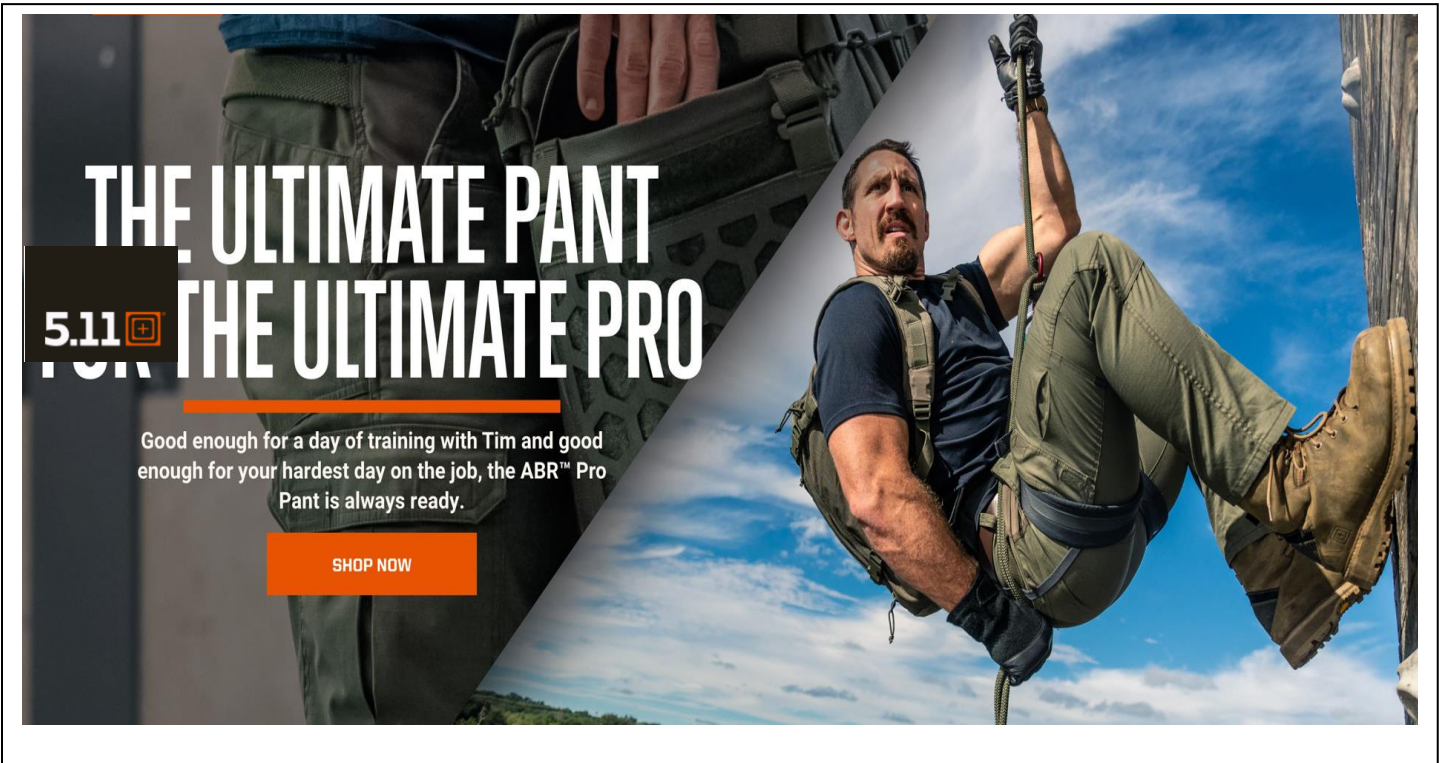


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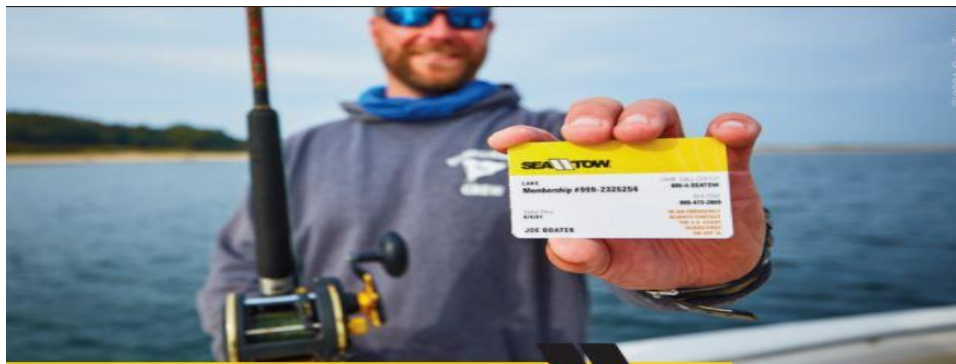
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The purpose of the VBAC is to encourage sport fishing, both freshwater and saltwater, while supporting prudent governmental and other policies that promote the preservation, conservation and ecology of all marine life.

Our Objectives:

- ❖ Monitor legislative and regulatory activities relating to management of local and regional fisheries and participating actively, where appropriate, to assure the adoption of sound management policy and practices that best serve the interests of VBAC members.
- ❖ Promote interest and participation in recreational angling by conducting programs and activities that encourage sport fishing.
- ❖ Educate members and others in the techniques of sport fishing to enhance their enjoyment of the sport.
- ❖ Conduct social activities that create a wholesome climate for deriving the maximum pleasure from sport fishing by members, their families and guests.
- ❖ Plan and conduct fund raising activities to provide the revenues needed to support these objectives.

2023 VBAC Elected Officials

Officers:

President: Mark Lozier

First Vice President: Bob Burstein

Second Vice President: Vacant

Treasurer: Mike Anderson

Recording Secretary: Russell Willoughby

Corresponding Secretary: Lou Corigliano

Chairman of the Board: Chris Schneider

Board of Directors:

Gary Doerhoff

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