



November 2023

VIRGINIA BEACH ANGLERS CLUB

Tight Line

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Upcoming Events

Monthly Meeting:

When: Thursday November 2, 2023.

**FLYCASTING INSTRUCTION@6:30PM IN FRONT YARD.
REGULAR MEETING AT 7:30 PM.**

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

**Speaker: Chris Malgee with VB Blackwater, Fly and Light Tackle
Guide Service.**

**The following was taken from his website, “ With over 20 years of fly
fishing experience and having been published on the topic - you can rest assured that
you've chosen the right guide to both find the fish and to help teach or answer any
questions you might have about fishing.”** <https://www.vbbackwater.com/>

Subject: Fly Fishing and Light Tackle in and around our area.



11/2 – 11/4 – Cape Hatteras Angler’s Club Invitational Surf Tourney.

11/16 – Board Meeting.

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

Wow! That went fast.

Just like that the year is about to come to an end. I feel like every year at this time we say the same thing “wow that went fast”. Overall, we have had some very successful events and great fellowship together as a club. Unfortunately, due to mother nature we also had to postpone some of our events as well. This month's general membership meeting will be our last meeting with a speaker and general club functions as we usually do. December's meeting will be our Christmas Social/Dinner, throw in our elections and full bellies we will be ready for 2024! Also, having to cancel our annual oyster roast we plan to provide oysters along with sausage, peppers and onions. As usual we ask those attending to bring side dishes and or desserts. Thank You everyone for making this year a success and I look forward to seeing what we can accomplish in 2024.

Till Next Tide,

Mark Lozier

VIRGINIA BEACH ANGLER'S CLUB

2023 PLANNING CALENDAR

NOVEMBER	2	GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING
	2-4	CAPE HATTERAS ANGLER'S CLUB INVITATIONAL SURF FISHING TOURNAMENT
	16	BOARD MEETING
DECEMBER	7	GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING – CHRISTMAS PARTY & GENERAL ELECTIONS
	21	BOARD MEETING

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Prize Fish Leaders

2023 Prize Fish Leaders for September

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
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	George Gabriel	7/2/23	2 lbs.	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	Alex Ramos	9/4/23	77 in.	Cape Hatteras, NC
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 10/28/23

VBAC Annual Election Notification

Annual Election

The VBAC Bylaws require that the general membership be notified by posting in the November newsletter the list of candidates interested in running for office for 2024, that will be elected at the annual GMM in December. Here is the list of Officers and Directors up for election this year.

Officers

President - Mark Lozier

1st Vice President - Bob Burstein

Treasurer - Mike Anderson

Recording Secretary - Russell Willoughby

Corresponding Secretary - Lou Corigliano

Board of Directors

Three Directors are up for reelection, two have decided to return, and one has not. In addition, three members in good standing have added their names to the list. They are:

Gary Doerhoff - incumbent

Pat Searby - incumbent

Shannon Ferguson

Jerry Hughes

John Stout.

You will be asked to elect three, each for a three-year term. Also, if anyone else is interested in running for one of the positions listed above, please let me know, and your name will be added to the ballot.

Thank you, Bob Burstein 267-994-7423

Yeti Cooler Raffle Finale

Yeti Cooler Raffle

The Yeti Cooler raffle drawing is set for the December General Membership meeting, December 7th.

It is critical, that I get all of the raffle stubs and payment for the tickets at this November's GMM. Please plan to attend and return the stubs at that meeting. If you can't make the meeting, please call me to make other arrangements. By using the November GMM deadline, that gives me one month to chase down any deadbeats.

Thanks,
Bob Burstein
267-994-7423

Saltwater News

This is a compilation of fishing reports with a number of different anglers.



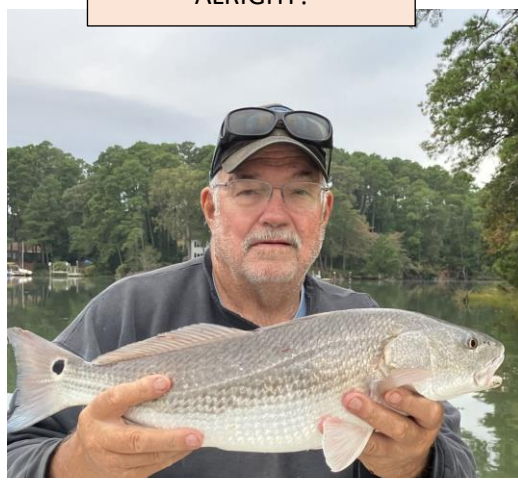
Jerry Hughes on Russell's Boat, 2 Puppies!



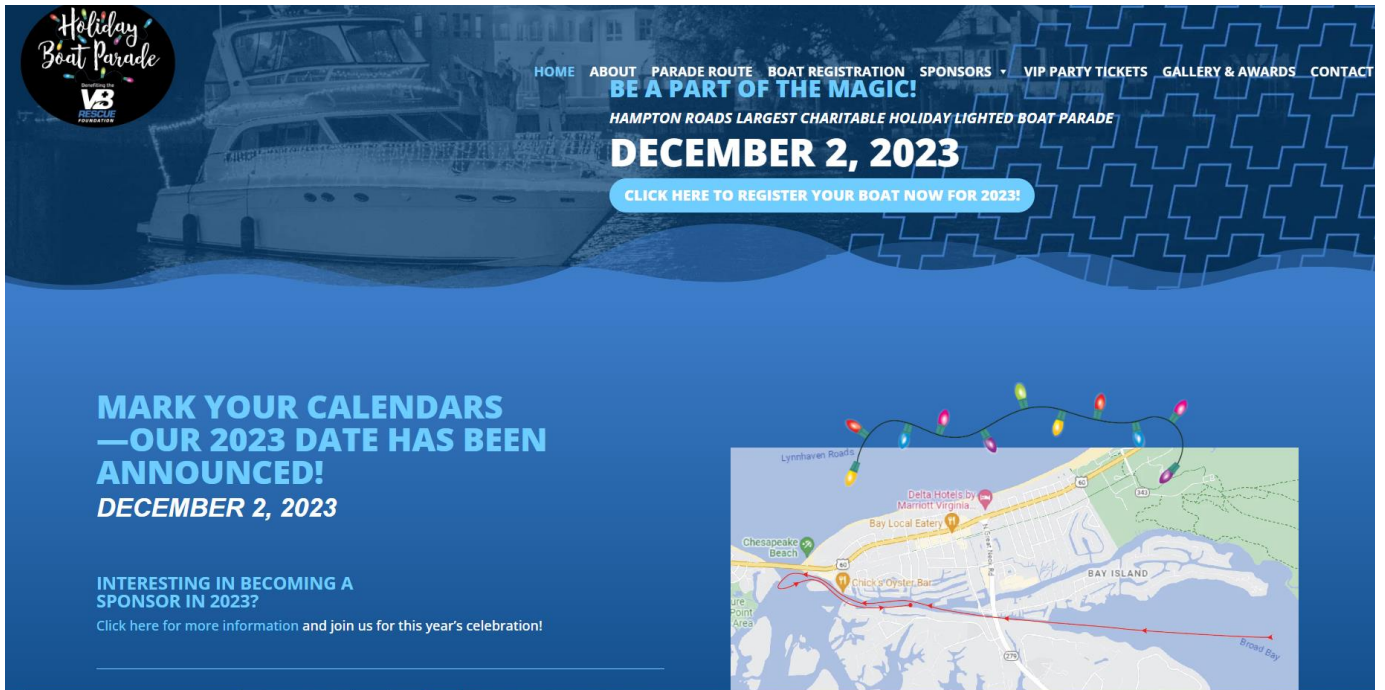
Jerry Hughes and Marshall Weathers
"Elizabeth River is HOT! Caught 7 keepers
and at least a dozen or more
12 inchers on 10/29!"



Russell & Preston
Puppies & Flounder
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Saltwater News



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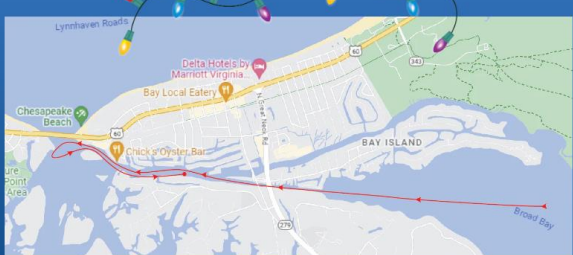
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in the 2023 Holiday Boat
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Saltwater News

Fished with Ned Smith on 10/10/23. NE winds were still present but not enough to keep us from fishing the jetties. Ned hooked a puppy drum that ran all over the place and from seeing it in the water we were sure it was over 30 inches. But on the measuring tape it was only 27 inches. One too many for eating. It was slow on keeper sized and we only kept 3 around 17-19 inch. I released one for club minimum 19.75 inches but forgot to get picture taken. Caught at least 20 throwbacks. All trout caught on MirrOlures MR27's and the puppy caught on a white curly tailed jig..

Went back out there with Ned on 10/11 the next day. Less wind and very comfortable. We caught a lot of throwbacks again but stayed in one place and managed to catch 6 keeper sized 16-19 inch trout. I released one club minimum at 20.5 inches. All caught on MirrOlures MR 27's. Bite turned off after about two hours.

Blessings,
Dr. James W. Ike Eisenhower
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Mobile: 757-373-6051



Saltwater News

I've been fishing the Little Creek several times over the last two weeks and have caught fish every trip but I'll only report a couple of the best:

10/2/23 Fished with Louis Glaser and Ned Smith and started catching as soon as we casted. Ended up with 16 keepers 17-20 inch. I released one 20 inch club minimum. Only 3 throwbacks that day. All caught on MirrOlures 27MR and 28MR. Current running was good. We had gone the day before and only caught throwbacks. That's Louis one week after he had skin cancer removed.

10/4/23 fished with Louis and Bert Whitt and again we found them hungry. Ended up with about 20 caught 11 kept that were 18-19 inches long, I released a 21 inch club minimum. Again only fished with MirrOlures. MR52's were hot as well as MR28's. Fish down deep.

Blessings,
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10/2



10/4



Surf Fishing News

3rd Annual Stan Sutliff Memorial Surf Tournament September 30th, 2023

The 3rd Annual Stan Sutliff Memorial was another amazing event! We had 27 anglers totaling 38 participants including guests and volunteers. There wasn't as much prize money to award this year, but some anglers found a good payday after catching some fish! Anglers enjoyed a buffet style lunch of fried chicken, baked beans, potato salad, cookies and drinks after the fishing concluded.

It was a beautiful morning on Saturday. Drizzle and clouds gave way to sun within an hour of lines-in. Our anglers were steadily getting a few bites. Fish were caught all along the beach but were more concentrated on the south end. High tide was just before the start of the session. This was an important factor due to the Full moon cycle aligned with a king tide. Water levels were already a foot higher than normal and additionally higher due to the recent NE winds. The surf was a little rough but 6 ounces was enough for most anglers to hold bottom. Anglers were catching a variety of fish. I personally saw spot, roundhead, croaker, sand perch, bluefish, flounder, and trout caught. There were reports of red drum and sheepshead on the pier but we didn't encounter those by tournament anglers.

Lunch began shortly after 1:00PM. 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. We aren't really sure how much chicken we had. 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 events as well.

Thank you to all the anglers and volunteers that assisted our surf fishing tournaments and events throughout the year. Especially those that dedicate time to the Stan Sutliff Memorial.

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

The Virginia Beach Anglers Club would also like to thank our 2023 Sponsors:

Great Bridge Fisherman's Association
Virginia Beach Anglers Club
Oceans East Bait and Tackle
Jerry Hughes
Kelly Hoggard

Surf Fishing News

Previous page report and pictures below
from the Stan Sutliff Tourney submitted by

Kelly Haggard

1st Place: Sean Poe – 2 Fish for 31.5 points!



2nd Place: Shannon Ferguson – 2 fish for 25 points!



3rd Place: Larry Pittman – 2 Fish for 25 points!



Surf Fishing News

More Stan Sutliff

Pics Submitted

By

Doug Wehner



Surf Fishing News

Nags Head Surf Fishing Club Invitational Tournament Results

October 5 & 6, 2022

Virginia Beach Anglers Club Team A

26th Place out of 80 teams – 5 fish for 21 points

Competing Anglers: *Robbie Parks – 1 fish; 16 points

*Doug Wehner – 1 fish; 2 points

John Stout – 1 fish; 1 point

Melanie Bayford – 1 fish; 1 point

Jerry Mariano – 1 fish; 1 point

Virginia Beach Anglers Club Team B

14th Place out of 80 teams – 28 fish for 42 points

Competing Anglers: *Micki Walsh – 6 fish; 13 points

*C-Rick Hoggard – 9 fish; 11 points

*Kelly Hoggard – 7 fish; 11 points

*Patty Searby – 5 fish; 6 points

Mike Kreckel – 1 fish; 1 point

*returning anglers for 2024

The Nags Head Surf Fishing Club runs the annual surf fishing tournament held on their beaches. 2023 was the 71th annual tournament. As has been what seems like a tradition at this point, a big storm affected the tournament. It has been close to a decade since Nags Head was able to hold a good weather tournament and fish all their sessions on time. Numerous tournaments have been cancelled in recent years due to weather. We had three full weeks of NE winds prior to the tournament with a King Tide that completely wiped out the beaches. Almost all of the beaches in Nags Head was tight to the dune at high tide with little room to maneuver even at mid tide. The tournament committee was fortunate to get an agreement with the park service at the last minute to fish at ramp 4 at the mouth of Oregon Inlet. Fortunately, fishing conditions during the tournament were great and there were a lot of fish available for anglers to target.

Surf Fishing News

Nags Head Surf Team A, October 2023: Report

After several weeks of extraordinarily high tides, the Nags Head Surf Fishing Tournament was in jeopardy of being cancelled! There just wasn't enough beach available in town on which to operate the 240, four-wheel drive vehicles brought by the 80 teams. High tides had washed against the base of the dunes in many places. The Nags Head club asked Superintendent Hallac of the Cape Hatteras National Seashore for permission to use some of the Seashore's beach between South Nags Head and Oregon Inlet. Years ago, before the need to purchase ORV passes, precedent had been set as the Nags Head Club used a portion of that beach during their annual events. The Seashore agreed to make enough beach available for 40 sites, half of the number needed. As it was felt no other beaches were available in the towns, the decision was made to have each team fish only two sessions instead of the usual 4. Half the teams would fish a Thursday morning and a Friday afternoon session while the other half would fish Thursday afternoon and Friday morning.

Our team A, consisting of only 5 of the permissible six anglers, drew Thursday afternoon and Friday morning sessions. The Thursday afternoon site was the northernmost available and the next day's morning site was very near the southernmost. Both were excellent sites, but it turned out that the opposite tides produced much better than during our times. Still, Robbie Parks beached a 22 inch puppy drum for 16 points about 15 minutes into our first session. Shortly thereafter, Doug Wehner landed a 12 inch sea mullet (roundhead) good for 2 more points. Jerry Mariano landed a 14 inch puppy drum, but it was too small to score. Before the session was over, Melanie Bayford added an eleven inch sea mullet, giving us a total of 3 fish for 19 points for the session. Those 19 points put us somewhere around 10th place.

Friday morning, we were blessed with a beautiful beach and a light onshore breeze. Everyone on the team landed fish, among them pinfish, spot, sea mullet and small bluefish. John Stout and Jerry Mariano each scored one point with eleven inch bluefish. Everything else was too small to score.

Our 21 total points landed us in 26th place out of the 80 teams participating. However, everyone on the team scored. Everyone fished hard, right up until the final horn was sounded. At the banquet, we won nothing. However, we were pleased to be sitting with the winner of the "Most fish by a female angler". Congratulations to Micki Walsh of VBAC Team B. Well deserved and nicely done!

Submitted by Doug Wehner, VBAC Team A Captain

Surf Fishing News

Team B Report:

Written by Kelly Hoggard

With the amount of beach cut down and the teams restricted to 40 sites, we had to make the most of all opportunities provided to the team. Captain Rick Hoggard drew our site numbers and we ended up fishing the PM session on Thursday and the AM Session on Friday. Like team A, we were unable to fill our 6th fishing spot and were down 1 member during the tournament.

Thursday PM started during a beautiful sunny afternoon with a light east wind. Waters weren't too rough to fish and some clean water pockets provided feeding opportunities for bluefish. The beach was a little shallow and you were required to walk a ways into the surf in order to get over the break. Some of our members found consistent success after long casts. I found mostly bluefish while the rest of the team was hammering the roundheads. We finished with 9 fish for 11 points on Thursday afternoon, good for about 28th on the leaderboard after day 1.

We started Friday morning working a little further to the north right next to the entrance at ramp 4. It was a gorgeous morning with a light east wind a sunrise that anyone would be happy to wake up early for. Our spot contained a shallow rip on the edge to the right and a big deep hole going out on the left side. We put our roundhead specialists out in that deep hole to the left and boy did they deliver! Rick, Patty and Micki all took turns slinging roundhead up on the beach the entire session. I managed to find a few bluefish once again casting out a little deeper. I even scored 2 bluefish on a single cast. Micki was the highlight of the session however. She was casting out in the middle of the whitewash where most of the rest of us were standing. Her persistence paid off as she scored numerous roundhead over 12 inches and one as big as 14.75"! Micki led the team with 5 fish for 12 points in session 2. Mike even got in on the action and scored a point shortly before the end of the session. Together, we managed 19 fish for 31 points in the second session.

After tallying up our totals, we managed an impressive 28 fish for 42 points. We scored the 6th most fish in the tournament but only brought home 14th place due to the small size of our average fish. Micki didn't disappoint however. She took home the top honors for "Most Fish Scored by a Female Angler"! Her 6 fish led the tournament with second place being Patty right behind her with 5. It was a fun tournament in 2023. Every one of our 10 anglers that represented the Virginia Beach Anglers Club all scored a fish. An impressive feat for our group.

Surf Fishing News



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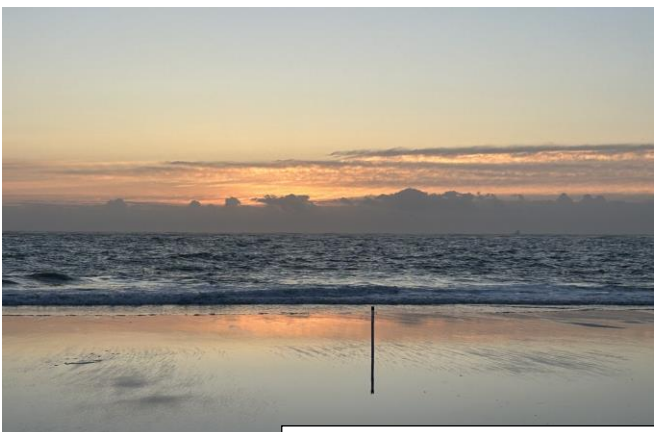
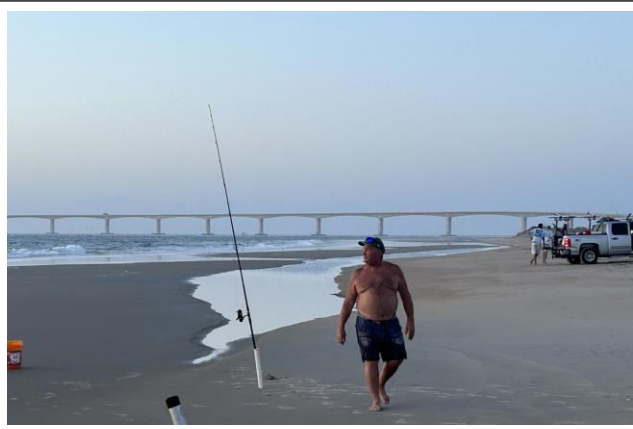
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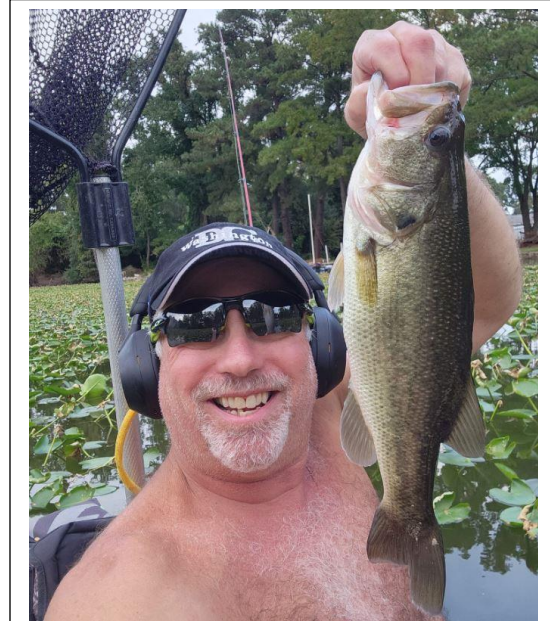
Fresh Water News

Jay Graber, one of our members, spends a whole lot of time on the Little Creek Reservoir.

He knows it pretty well and, as you'll see, can catch a fish or two as a result.



The catfish was 32" and just shy of 14#
Caught on October the 20th.



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
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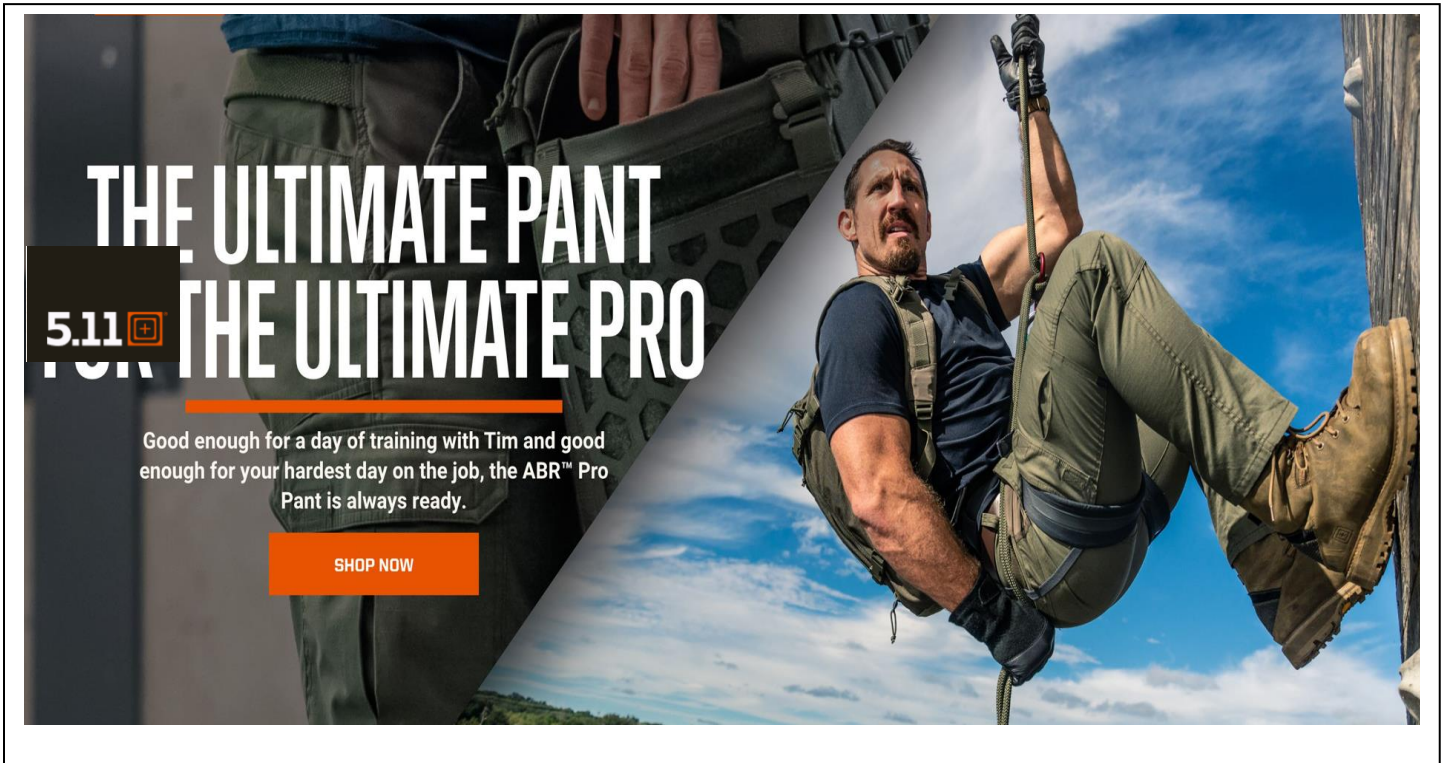


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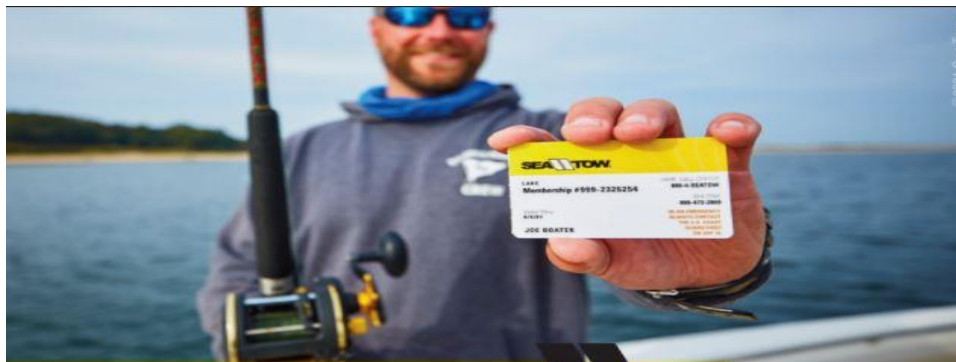
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The purpose of the VBAC is to encourage sport fishing, both freshwater and saltwater, while supporting prudent governmental and other policies that promote the preservation, conservation and ecology of all marine life.

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.

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