



July 2024

VIRGINIA BEACH ANGLERS CLUB

Tight Line

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Upcoming Events

Monthly Meeting:

When: Thursday July 11, 2024 at 7:30 PM.

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

Speaker: Russell Willoughby & Ike Eisenhower

Subject: Flounder Fishing the bay and tributaries.

Russell is one of our more practiced fishermen for flounder throughout the area. His talk should be of interest to both boat and shore anglers as he is rarely unsuccessful boating the tasty flatty! C'mon in and listen as Russell and Ike share their knowledge!

Upcoming Events;

7/6 – Oceans East Recruiting Table. Call Bob Burstein to volunteer. 267-994-7423.

7/11 – Fish & Wildlife Kid's Surf Fishing Clinic. Call Bob Burstein to volunteer. 267-994-7423.

7/13 – Crab Creek Cleanup. Call Ronnie Nixon to volunteer. 757-536-6264.

7/18 – Board Meeting at Foundry United Methodist at 6:30.

7/20 – VBAC Intra Club Surf Fishing Qualifier at Back Bay Wildlife Refuge.

7/25 – Fish & Wildlife Kids Surf Fishing Clinic. Call Bob Burstein or email VBAC to volunteer.

7/27 – Oceans East Recruiting Table. Call Bob Burstein to volunteer. 267-994-7423.

VBAC Fishing Roulette 2024

<u>Species</u>	<u>Angler</u>	<u>Weight</u>
Black Drum	Shannon Ferguson	22 lb.
Puppy Drum	Dave Smith	7 lb. 1 oz.
Bowfin	Preston Mangum	6 lb.
Gar	?	
Tog	?	

Roulette Submissions
Virginia Beach Anglers Club:
vbangersclub@gmail.com
Ike Eisenhower –
email:Jeisenhower2@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.

The President's Corner

Milestones and Goals

We have made it through half of 2024 already. It seems like every year when we make it to July summer is almost over or at least that's what we say... "where has the summer gone?" Hopefully everyone has made good use of the time and spent a lot of it on the water fishing. As the club we have I feel we have made the most of our time. From several successful club member events from cookouts to intraclub fishing events. Our community programs have been very active as well from helping the city of Virginia Beach introduce new kids to surf fishing at Sandbridge Beach to our Seton Youth fishing trip in the Bay. The calendar still has many more upcoming events and opportunities for everyone to participate in and I encourage everyone to do so. Events like these are not only great for comradery and fellowship but also volunteering to help gives back to the community and is rewarding to see the impact you make with our youth and future of fishing. Please reach out to a board member to see how you can get involved. Looking forward to seeing how the second half of the year goes for VBAC.

'Til Next Tide,

Mark Lozier

VBAC Intracub Surf Fishing Qualifier 7/20

Submitted by Wesley Waters

Date of Qualifier: 7/20

**Where: Back Bay National
Wildlife Refuge**

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Registration: 8AM

Fishing Time: 9-1

**Prize: Goes to angler with the
most points scored during that
timeframe.**

Lunch: Chicken Strips

This is a no cost event!

C'mon Down!

2024 Prize Fish Leaders for June

Freshwater Catch

Species	Angler	Date	Weight	Location
Bowfin	Preston Magnum	5/16/24	6 lb.	Blackwater

Freshwater Release

Species	Angler	Date	Length	Location
Black Crappie (9)	Ike Eisenhower	3/12/24	15.5 in.	Lake Smith
Chain Pickerel	Ike Eisenhower	2/15/24	22.75 in.	Lake Smith
White Perch	Russell Willoughby	5/17/24	10 in	North Landing River
Largemouth Bass	Russell Willoughby	5/22/24	18.25 in	Blackwater Creek

Saltwater Catch

Species	Angler	Date	Weight	Location
Black Seabass (4)	David Smith	2/22/24	4 lb. 2 oz.	Offshore VB
Puppy Drum (2)	David Smith	4/2/24	7 lb. 1 oz.	Rudee
Spiny Dogfish	Alex Ramos	4/7/24	8 lb. 7 oz.	Ramp 72 Ocracoke
Bluefish	Dave Vachet	4/27/24	5 lb. 7 oz.	Ramp 49, Cape Hatteras
Speckled Trout (8)	David Smith	4/23/24	5 lb. 4 oz.	Rudee Inlet
Black Drum	Shannon Ferguson	5/5/24	20 lbs.	Chincoteague Beach
Spadefish	Lou Corigliano	6/7/24	8 lbs.	Chesapeake Light Tower
Flounder	Leslie Anderson	5/23/24	3 lbs. 3 oz	Lynnhaven
Roundhead	Micki Walsh	4/29/24	2 lbs. 5 oz.	Ocracoke Island
Pompano	Kelly Hoggard	6/2/24	3 lbs. 6 oz.	Frisco Beach, NC

Saltwater Release

Species	Angler	Date	Length	Location
Red Drum	Jeff Ratliff	5/30/24	44 in.	Virginia Beach
Shark	Kelly Hoggard	4/7/24	104 in.	Cape Hatteras Point
Bluefish	Shannon Ferguson	5/20/24	35 in.	Back Bay WLR
Striped Bass	Shannon Ferguson	5/6/24	34 in	Chincoteague Beach
Cobia	Michael Anderson	5/28/24	47 in.	Chesapeake Bay

**2024 Prize Fish Leaders for
June - Continued**

Flounder	Alex Ramos	6/2/24	16.25 in	Frisko Beach, NC
Spot	Leslie Anderson	6/12/24	9 in.	Lynnhaven
Roundhead	Kelly Hoggard	5/17/24	18 in.	Sandbridge
Pompano	Kelly Hoggard	6/2/24	17 in.	Frisko Beach, NC

Roulette Leaders

Species	Angler	Date	Weight	Location
Puppy Drum	David Smith	4/2/24	7 lbs. 1oz.	Rudee Inlet
Bowfin	Preston Mangum	5/16/24	6 lbs.	Blackwater
Black Drum	Shannon Ferguson	5/5/24	22 lbs.	Chincoteague Beach

Submitted 6/29/24

VBAC 2024 Club Calendar

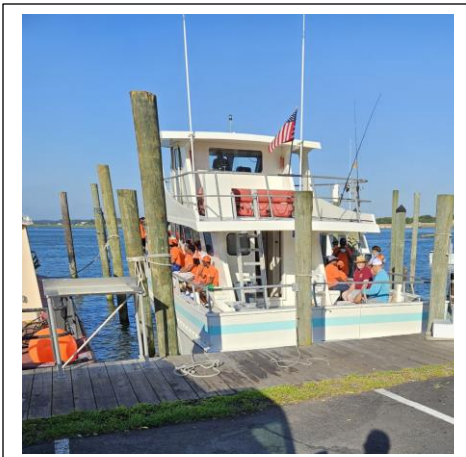
JULY	6	OCEAN'S EAST RECRUITING TABLE
	11	GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING
	11	FISH AND WILDLIFE KIDS SURF FISHING CLINIC
	13	CRAB CREEK CLEAN UP
	18	BOARD MEETING
	20	VBAC INTRA CLUB SURF FISHING QUALIFER
	25	FISH AND WILDLIFE KIDS SURF FISHING CLINIC
	27	OCEAN'S EAST RECRUITING TABLE
AUGUST	1	GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING
	8	FISH AND WILDLIFE KIDS SURF FISHING CLINIC
	10	CRAB CREEK CLEAN UP
	15	BOARD MEETING
	22	FISH AND WILDLIFE KIDS SURF FISHING CLINIC
	31	OCEAN'S EAST RECRUITING TABLE
SEPTEMBER	5-6-7	HATTERAS VILLAGE INVITATIONAL - SURF FISHING TOURNAMENT
	5	GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING
	7	CRAB CREEK CLEAN UP
	14	HUNT FOR HARD HEAD'S
	19	BOARD MEETING
	21	STAN SUTLIFF MEMORIAL FISHING TOURNAMENT
	28	OBX RETREAT FRISCO SURF FISHING TOURNAMENT
OCTOBER	3	GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING
	10-11-12	NAGS HEAD SURF FISHING TOURNAMENT
	17	BOARD MEETING
	19	FALL OYSTER ROAST
NOVEMBER	7	GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING
	7-8-9	CAPE HATERAS ANGLERS CLUB INVITATIONAL - SURF FISHING TOURNAMENT
	21	BOARD MEETING
DECEMBER	5	GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING, HOLIDAY PARTY & GENERAL ELECTIONS
	19	BOARD MEETING

Seton Youth Event

Seton Youth – 2024

June 22nd was our 10 annual Seton Youth Fishing event. We chartered the Nancy Anne out of the Dockside slips, with 26 children and 15 mentors aboard. They had a great weather day, and everyone caught fish. Two of our VBAC members, Shannon Ferguson and John Rhue, both had their hands full, helping the children and scoring fish. The largest fish caught was a 33" shark, by LJ. Meanwhile, JR had a group of 3 boys on the bow of the boat, competing for the most fish prize, and between them, a total of 133 fish were caught. To add to the excitement, the winner of the most fish prize, caught the one that put him on top in the last two minutes before lines out. WOW.

WE had a nice luncheon at the Brock Center, fried chicken and mac cheese. Pat Searby had watermelon, Mary Bradley brought ice pops, and Michele Schnieder made cup cakes. The meal was great, with seconds for everyone. Our toy raffle went well, with every child present going home with the toy of their choice. Thank you to everyone who contributed to make this event, our main outreach program of the year, a great success. Special thanks to Shannon, JR, Pat, Robert, Mary, Ronnie, Randy, Terry, John, and Wesley, because their efforts made the day the great success that it was. Next year's event, our 11th, is scheduled for Saturday, June 21, 2025, and the drumbeat to prepare has already begun. Again, Thank You



Line Recycling

Virginia Clean Marina Program - Fishing Line Recycling

By Abigail Clark

The Clean Marina Program at the Virginia Institute of Marine Science has begun collecting fishing line for recycling. We accept monofilament, braided line, and fluorocarbon line. A map of the bins is available on our website: <https://www.vims.edu/research/units/centerspartners/map/vacleanmarina/recycling/>

To recycle your line, remove the hook off the line and place the fishing line in the opening at the top of the bin. Please do not put any trash or hooks in the bins.

The fishing line will be recycled by Berkley. Over the past 10 years, the US Coast Guard Auxiliary (Williamsburg) recycled over 4,000 pounds of fishing line. Over the last 2 years, the Virginia Beach Parks and Recreation Department has recycled over 63.3 pounds of fishing line. Please help us continue to recycle fishing line!

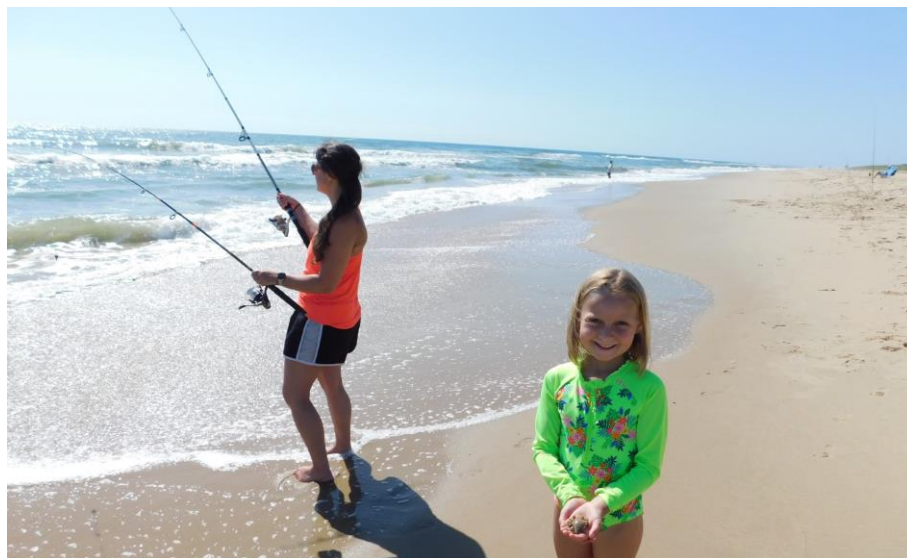
If you see a full bin or would like more information, please email Abigail Clark at acclark@vims.edu or call at 804-684-7768.



Fish & Wildlife Kid's Surf Clinic

Our first F&WL Surf Fishing event for 2024 was held on Thursday, June 20th at the Back Bay Wildlife Refuge. We had 15 children and 1 adult fishing in the surf that morning. Several fish were caught: flounder, round heads, croakers and a bluefish. I would like to thank those who supported this activity. We had members from VBAC, Norfolk Anglers, and Tidewater Anglers Clubs. It was bright and sunny, with a pleasant breeze, and I think everyone seemed to have a good time.

We have 4 remaining dates in this season, two Thursdays in July, the 11th and the 25th, and two in August, the 8th and the 22nd. We meet at the F&WL Back Bay facility @ 8am, take the fishing equipment to the beach and get set up. The children arrive @ 9am and we fish until noon. I need at least 3 volunteers from our club for each of the dates mentioned above. Please call or text me @ 267-994-7423 to sign up. Thanks. Bob Burstein



F & W Kid's Surf Clinic Cont.



VBAC Retreat at Frisco Woods



Virginia Beach Anglers Club is at Frisco Woods Campground.

June 18 at 6:55 PM · Frisco, NC · 🌐

2024 OBX Retreat Recap

VBAC members, friends, and guests gathered to enjoy the weekend at the [Frisco Woods Campground](#) in Frisco, NC. Our club members and guests enjoyed a Friday evening social, Saturday's Mark Wray Fishing Tournament, Saturday evening banquet, Saturday night fire pit, and a weekend long hospitality tent. We enjoyed each other's company throughout the entire weekend. Many of our members stayed Thursday as well and had a fantastic time together. This event has been a tremendous activity to enjoy together and those that don't go have surely been missing out.

The Mark Wray Memorial Fishing Tournament featured great weather. We had a lot of fish caught and each division was awarded to a different angler. Award winners earned a \$50 Frank and Fran's Fisherman's Friend gift card donated by the tackle shop. Alex caught the largest fish in the tournament with his Carolina Cast Pro rod he won at last years tournament!

Here are the winners for the Mark Wray Memorial:

Russell Willoughby: 11.75" Bluefish

Kelly Hoggard: 16.25" Roundhead

Mark Boettcher: 21.25" Black Drum

Ron Ramos: 9.75" Croakers

Alex Ramos: 23.25" Red Drum

Terry Waters won the major raffle prize at the awards dinner. It was a brand new Carolina Cast Pro rod donated by Tommy Farmer!

A big thank you to our sponsors that donated to both the club raffle and the fishing tournament. We also want to thank the many volunteers who either lead an event or provided some physical labor. Mary Bradley, Bob Burstein, Wesley Waters, Patty Searby, Kelly Hoggard, John Stout as well as many unmentioned volunteers helped coordinate a major role during our weekend.

We are already looking forward to next year. It will be on June 6-8, 2025!

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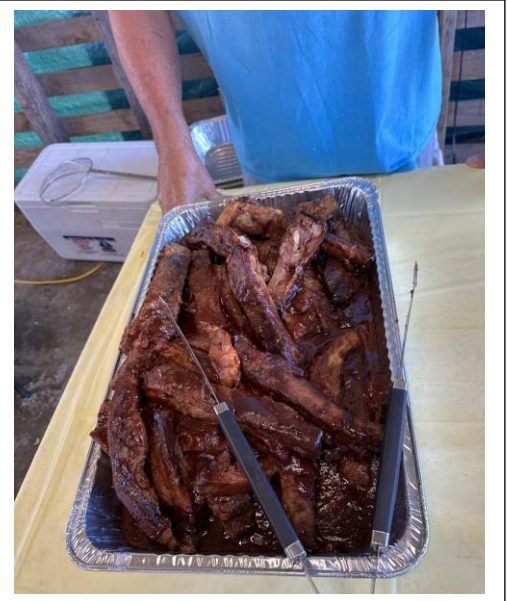
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VBAC Retreat at Frisco Woods



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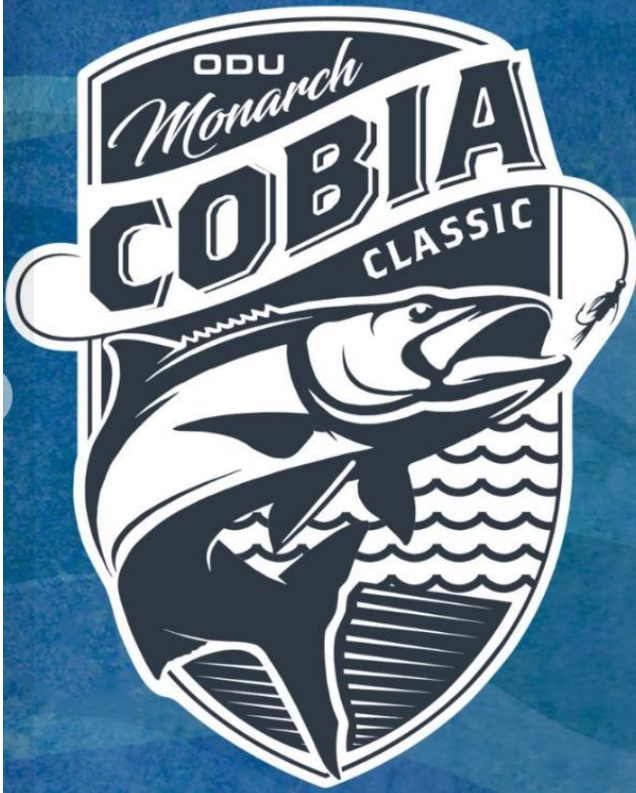


Oceans East & Penn Event

Our club is fortunate to have all the people and organizations that contribute to our events and projects supporting us in so many ways. Oceans East and Penn are two of the contributors I wanted to acknowledge this month. This past June, Oceans East held their annual Penn Event with sales, product presentations, and free merchandise with some purchases. In case you missed it, PLEASE consider attending this next June. It means a lot when these people see their investment in our club being returned by our loyalty and patronage. The event is always well advertised and attended with good deals to be had.

Preston





JULY 11-13, 2024

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6 Weigh masters are needed to man 2 separate sites for this event. Our club president is working on this event to benefit the ODU alumni association. It is a two day, Friday and Saturday event. Those that volunteer will be needed from 10AM until 4PM and will have no heavy lifting. Anglers will place their fish on the scale and the weigh master will record it.

Please contact Mark Lozier at 757-754-0062.

Salt Water News

June 19th Team O'Relax gave the cobia a break and headed to the Light Tower for some spade fishing. The trip was delightful, as the winds eased up for the day.

Upon arrival, the tower was surrounded by the early risers who were picking off the spades at will. We had no problem spying the fish, but water and wind combined to keep our baits out of the zone. However with the bite being so good, it didn't take long for a spot to open. Once repositioned, the spades freely hit our baits.

We caught about 30 fish, keeping a few under our limit due to our pickyness on size.

Each angler had at least one spade of 5 or 6 pounds, with some of us having multiple big ones.

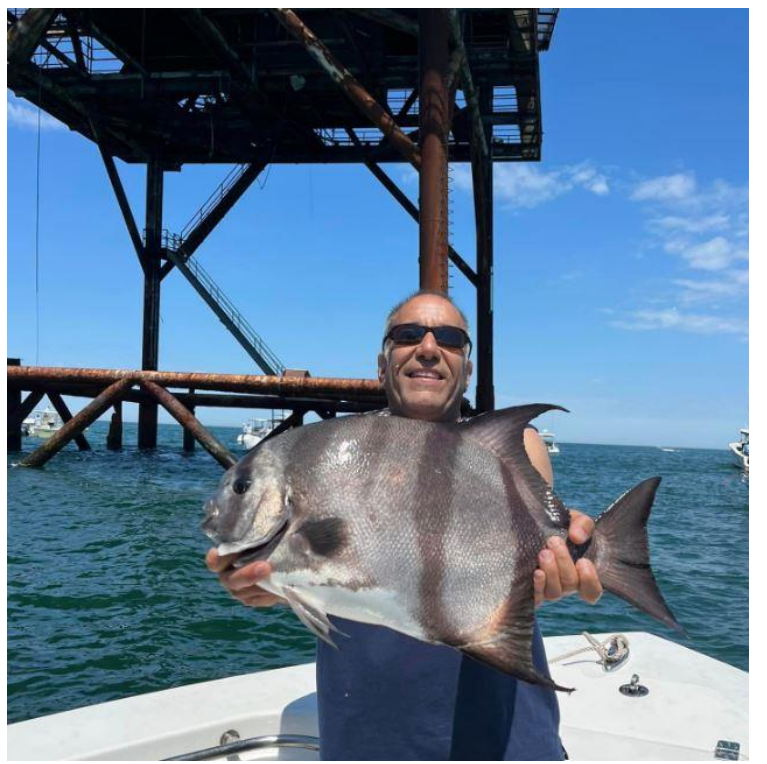
Overall a great day on the water, with a tasty result.



Salt Water News

On Friday June 7th Lou, Mike, and Zac heading to the tower to catch some Spade fish. After a slow start, we moved closer to the structure and the bite was on. Ended up with 7 large Spade fish including an 8lb situation caught by Lou. Fun day of catching!

Submitted by Lou Corrigliano

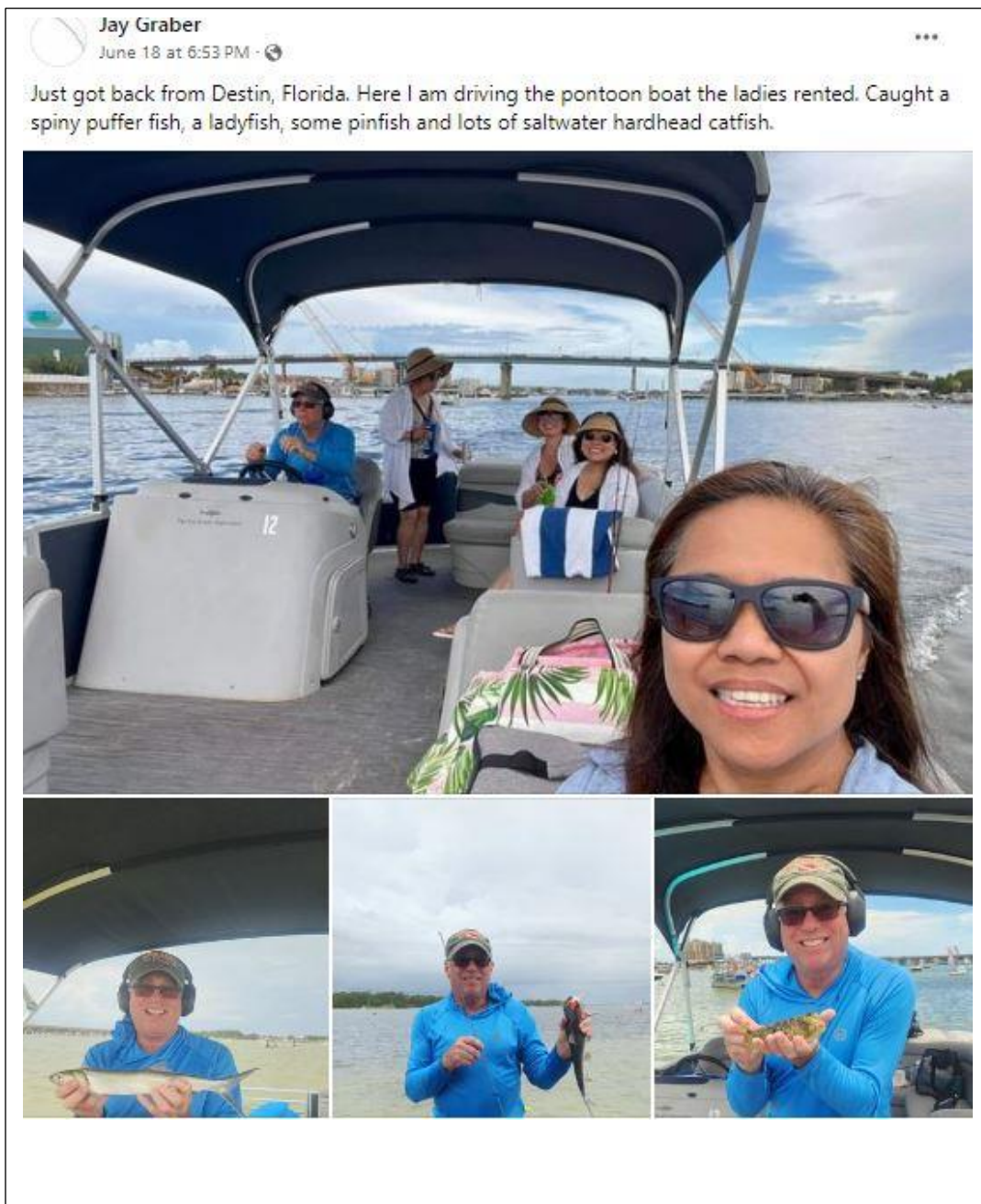


Salt Water News

Jay Graber

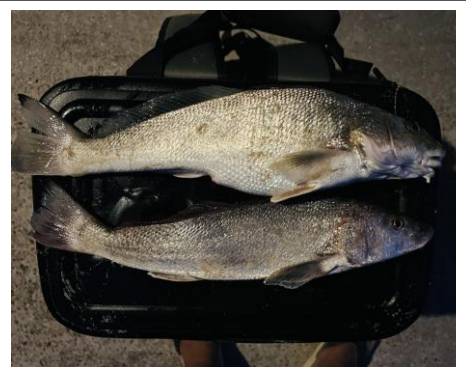
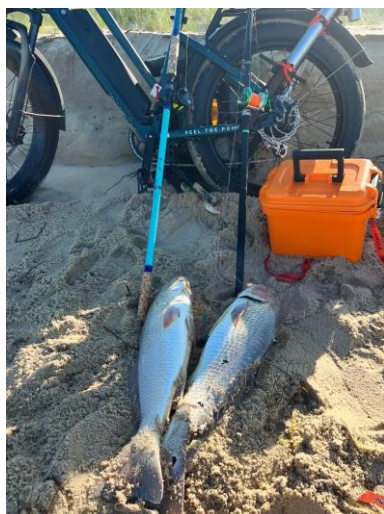
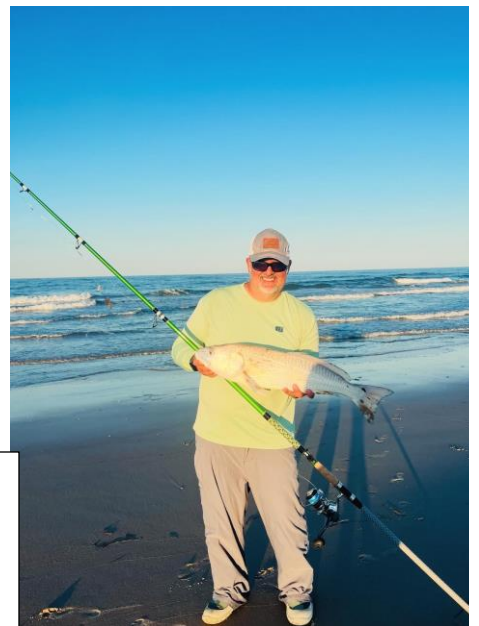
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Just got back from Destin, Florida. Here I am driving the pontoon boat the ladies rented. Caught a spiny puffer fish, a ladyfish, some pinfish and lots of saltwater hardhead catfish.



Surf Fishing

Members Shannon Ferguson and Gaven Butler on a 24 trip into False Cape. All 29" to 33" All released. Gaven got the biggest at 33" on an 8ft battalion penn rod on 10lb mono.



Surf Fishing

Shannon & Gavin - Continued



Fresh Water News

Maddox and Charlee Johnson make a great brother and sister fishing team.

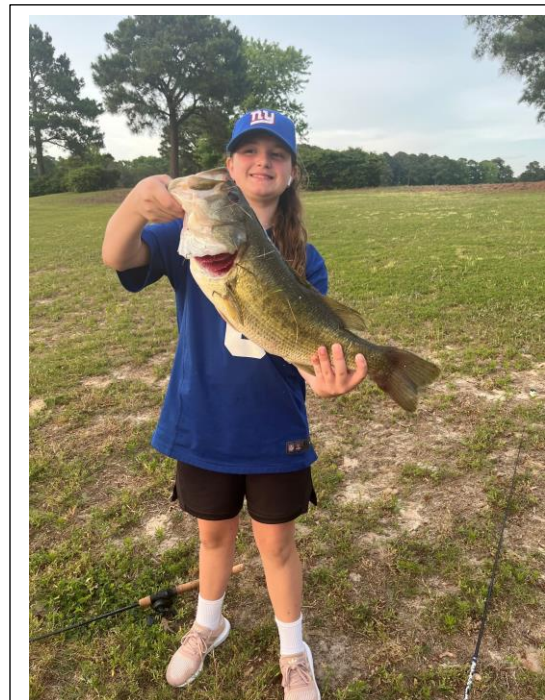
They both prefer fishing in ponds targeting small and largemouth bass and crappies.

This first week in June they fished in Cape Charles in several ponds, and they caught and released a few fish each.

Maddox landed a 4-pound largemouth on chatter bait and Charlee a big fat 5 pounder using a Texas rig.

Submitted by: Bob Simeone

Maddox

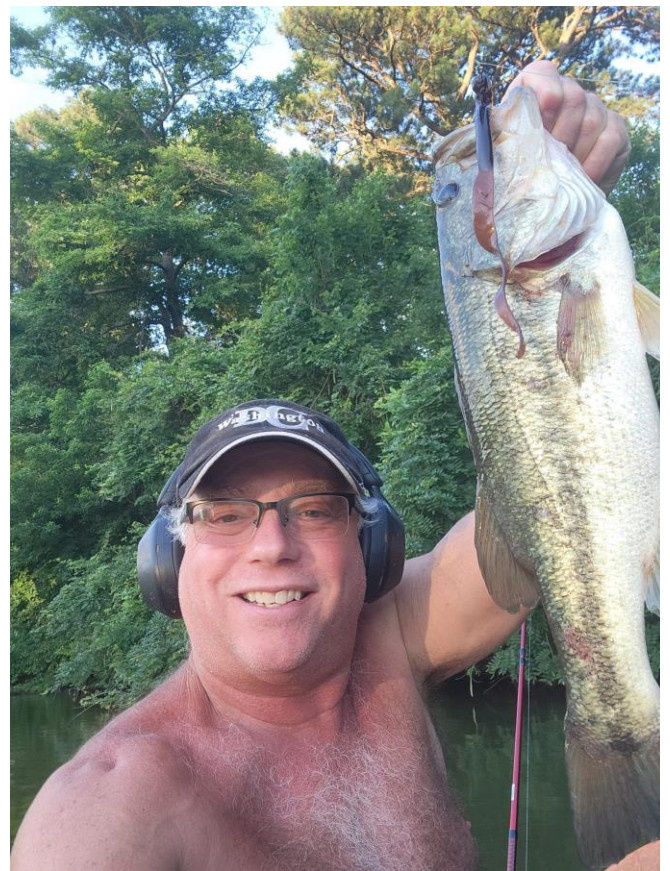


Charlee

Great Fish!

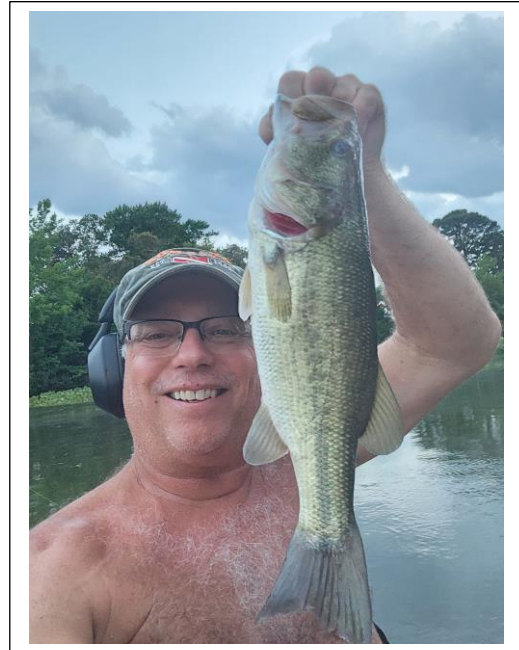
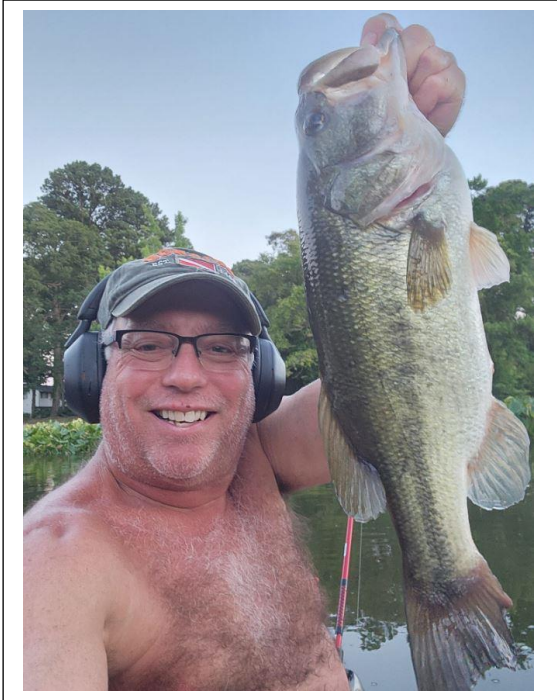
Fresh Water News

Took the kayak out at 7PM, back by 8:30PM. It was beautiful on the lake! These are the two largest I caught. Everyday you're not here, you're missing it. All my friends are invited to use the canoe, or borrow a kayak. Jay Graber



Fresh Water News

Jay Graber continues to turn in pictures of his catches almost every day. Shown below are a couple more shots of some of his June catches and some friends in “the secret spot”.



Committees

2024 Virginia Beach Anglers Club Committees:

<u>Boat Show:</u>	<u>Chair - Russell Willoughby</u>
<u>Calendar:</u>	<u>Chair – Butch Eason</u>
	<u>Co-Chair – Ronnie Nixon</u>
<u>Crab Creek Clean-Up:</u>	<u>Chair – Ronnie Nixon</u>
<u>Great Bridge Flea Market:</u>	<u>Chair – Preston Mangum</u>
<u>Banquet/Oyster Roast:</u>	<u>Chair – Patty Searby</u>
<u>Seton Youth:</u>	<u>Chair – Pending</u>
<u>Raffle:</u>	<u>Chair – Preston Mangum</u>
<u>Audit Committee:</u>	<u>Chair – Mike Anderson</u>
<u>Surf Tournaments:</u>	<u>Chair – Kelly Hoggard</u>
<u>Club Tournaments:</u>	<u>Chair – Bob Burstein</u>
<u>Prize Fish:</u>	<u>Chair – Ike Eisenhower</u>
<u>Nomination Committee:</u>	<u>Chair – Butch Eason</u>
	<u>Co-Chair – Ronnie Nixon</u>
<u>Conservation and Regulations:</u>	<u>Chair – Butch Eason</u>
	<u>Co-Chair – Kelly Hoggard</u>
<u>T-Shirt Committee:</u>	<u>Chair – Patty Searby</u>



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Business Card size ad: \$10.00 per month, Yearly cost \$120.00 with 13th month free.

¼ Page ad: \$15.00 per month, Yearly cost \$180.00 with 13th month free.

½ Page ad: \$20.00 per month, Yearly cost \$240.00 with 13th month free.

Full Page ad: \$25.00 per month, Yearly cost \$300.00 with 13th month free.

You must provide the artwork to be used. A business card can suffice.

Your remittance to the club can be in the form of cash, check, or by donation of goods or services in the amount of your advertising cost.

VBAC Advertising Form

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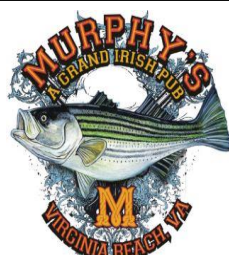
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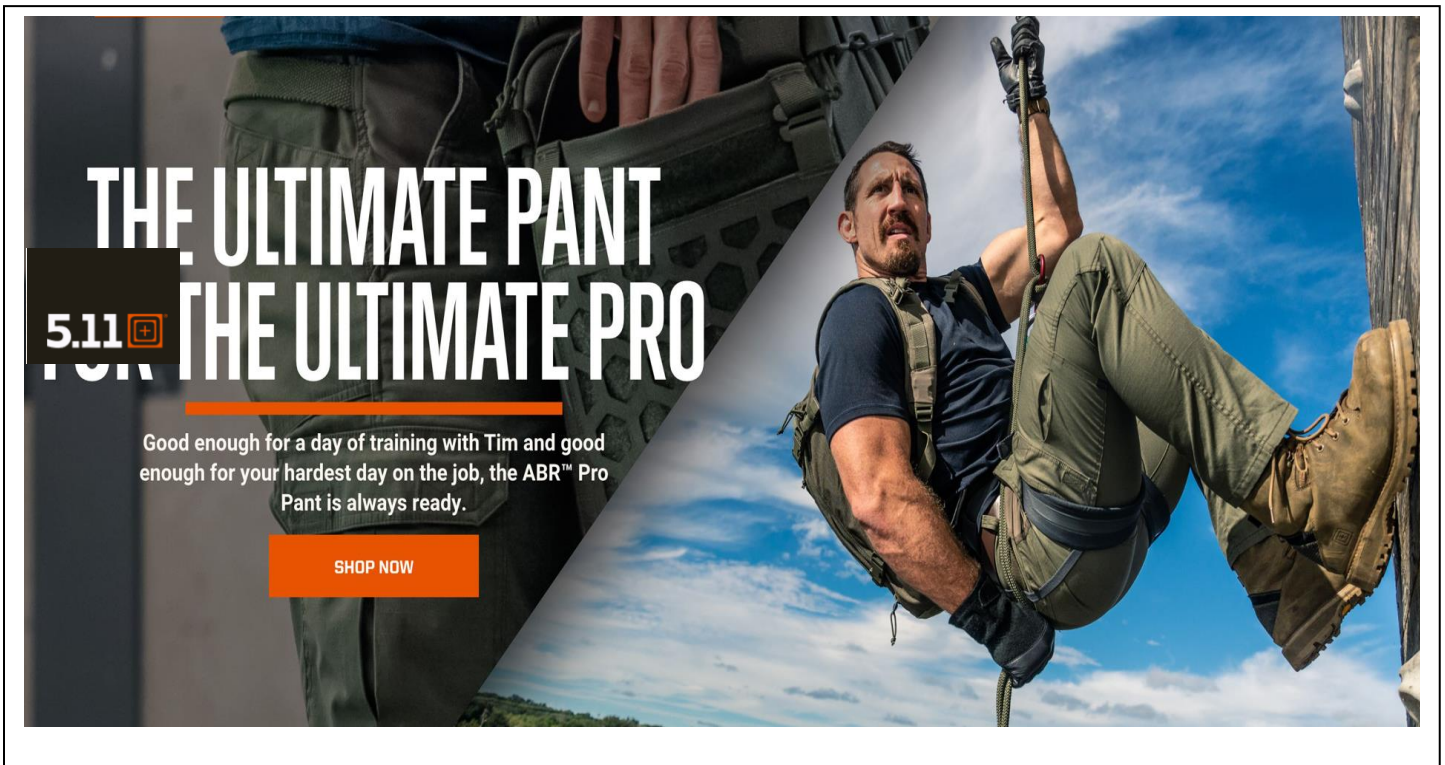
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Our Objectives:

- ❖ 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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