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Coming Events

Next Meeting: Mon., November 10th, 7 pm, All Meetings are Open to the Public, you do not have to be a member to come.

Location: Martins Restaurant, 331 E. Bayview Blvd., near Tidewater Dr. in Norfolk

Map:

<http://maps.google.com/maps?f=l&hl=en&q=Martins+Restaurant&near=norfolk,Va.23503&btnG=Search&ll=36.933102,-76.256211&spn=0.012006,0.019956>

Guest Speakers: Ken Wente, President American Striper Association. The talk would be centered around tournament fishing, what is the ASA and how people can get involved in the Virginia Beach National Striper Tournament on December 13th. He will also feature a new striper tube they are encouraging people to use if they would like to do catch and release at tournaments. You will also have a **FREE chance to win \$26,000 in fuel** through an insured prize program.



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A Message from the Editor

Norfolk, VA – The new striped bass regulations have been set by the VMRC. The **Ocean regulations** remain the same at 2 fish per person with a minimum of 28". The **Bay regulations** through December 20th allow either two striped bass per person with a minimum length of 18" and maximum length of 28", or one fish 18"-28" and one over 34". No fish may be kept between 28" – 34". That changes on **December 21**. From then until the Bay season ends December 31, anglers can keep only one fish per person. It can be on either side of the 28" to 34" no-take slot limit. This 11 day one-fish restriction period is shorter than last year, when the December one-fish restriction was in effect for 22 days

The fishing is heating up and a VARIETY of species are now available. **Inshore** there's Stripers, Speckled Trout, Spot, Flounder, Sea Bass, Taugs and more. **Offshore** Sea Bass, Big Bluefish, Bluefin Tuna, Grouper, Tilefish, Taugs and a lot more. Find a nice day, get out and enjoy a great fishery.

If you haven't joined the NAC, you can do so by contacting John Brown (Treasurer), he can be contacted at, nactreasurer@gmail.com. Membership Costs are as follows: \$30 for an individual membership or \$35 for a family membership, you can also join at the meetings. If you have already signed up, we thank you.

Remember we have our own forum on Tidalfish, it can be found by looking at the message boards link then look under Clubs & Associations or you can click here <http://www.tidalfish.com/forums/forumdisplay.php?f=33>

Virginia Angler Registration Alert

A national registry of salt water anglers has been mandated. Anglers can either register with the federal government, which will be free in 2009 and 2010, but cost \$15-25 per year beginning in 2011; or Virginia can collect the data needed by the feds through state licensing and/or registration programs and "exempt" Virginia anglers from direct federal registration and the associated federal fee.

The new federal rule specifically excludes blanket **boat licenses** unless the State provides for individual registration. It also prohibits exemptions for blanket licenses on public piers and exemptions for fishing from private lands, which we have here in Virginia. These requirements leave Virginia three basic options:

Option 1

Do nothing at the state level and let their anglers comply with the federal rule by registering directly with the feds.

CCA Virginia Analysis for Option 1:

Option 2

Modify the existing state saltwater fishing licensing program to meet the federal registration standards. This basically means licensing every angler from age 16 to 59 and somehow reporting name and contact information for those over 59 within 2 years of starting the registration program.

Option 2A

This option is much the same as option 2 with an adjustment to the individual license price that makes the change "revenue neutral" or at least less expensive. The "weekend pass" could be combined with this option to make cost for infrequent guests even lower.

Option 3

This option would create a hybrid system using individual licenses, boat licenses, and a free or low cost individual registration system at the state level (Fishing Information Program—FIP; similar to the hunting HIP now required for all hunters in VA) . For Virginia, this would mean we could leave the existing licensing system unchanged and require licensed anglers and guests fishing on private boats to register and carry their annual registration number with them when they fish. Registration can be accomplished with a simple telephone call.

The private [boat license](#) program has been popular with anglers because of the convenience of "automatically" licensing guests and because law enforcement does not have to board to check individual licenses. Individual anglers will have to be licensed and registered, and the presence of a boat license will not satisfy registration any anglers aboard. All Anglers aboard will have to register (once annually) before fishing by making a telephone call and receiving a number and law enforcement officers will have to check individuals for a boat license and proof of individual angler registration.

There are some significant opportunities for Creating a central angler registry that will be electronic and therefore legible, portable, and accessible and will finally provide Virginia with the data needed to lobby effectively for angler issues.

The Federal telephone registry will finally provide fisheries managers with tools necessary to assure more rational and accurate assessments of angler effort and catch. This will hopefully create a better sense of fair treatment in the angling community.

Send your comments by letter, fax, or email to:

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Newport News, Virginia 23607

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What's Catchin

Inshore – Striped Bass, Flounder, Tautog, Bluefish, Speckled Trout, Puppy Drum, Sea Bass, Spot, Croaker, and more.

Offshore Va. – Swordfish, Bluefish, Mako Shark, Bluefin Tuna, and more.

Offshore NC - Blue Marlin, Yellowfin Tuna, Bluefin Tuna, Blackfin Tuna, Big Eye Tuna, Bluefish, King Mackerel, Mahi, Wahoo & more

Deep Dropping – Sea Bass, Tilefish, Tautog, Wreckfish, Grouper, and more.

Recent Catches

Lynnhaven Speckled Trout Report

Report By: John Brown

Some fantastic Spec fishing has occurred in the last couple weeks inside Lynnhaven Inlet. Some days you have to move around a little to find'em, other days they are thick in one area. But regardless, a nice mess of fish can be taken almost every day.

Fish in the 17 to 22 inch range dominate the catch, but numerous citation fish (5+ LBS or 24"+ release) have been caught. Last weeks blow and cold weather really got the Specs moving and those willing to brave the elements were generally well rewarded. The Lynnhaven bite should continue for the next several weeks as long as we have no extended severe cold snaps.

Fish are being taken on all the standard Spec baits, grubs, shad baits, and mirror lures. Seems like in most cases, if they are there, they are eating about anything thrown their way. No one lure or color is dominant. I have seen some nice fish taken on some of the ugliest, least "marine like" looking baits imaginable. Guess the fish are just plain hungry.

Good luck if you go. Now is the time and some quality fish are lurking inside Lynnhaven.





Togging

Report By: Chuck Kahlert & Dr. Ike

Chuck Kahlert & Dr. Ike went out fishing Friday, 10/31 before daybreak to try and catch some stripers on surface lures around the CBBT islands. We tried all the islands and only landed one 19". Totally flat seas with a light west wind.

Plan B was the real focus of the day so we headed to the Hi-Rise columns to tog. We had 8 dozen fiddlers and started working the pilings in a flood tide that had just turned over. After 6 or 7 sets of pilings we got nothing and started to doubt that there were any around.

I call Mike Delbridge to see if he was out here. He was and he encouraged us to persevere and head to shallower water (we were fishing 50-60 feet), he was doing well on the keepers and looking for paper togs in 30', so we did what he said, found pilings in shallower water and got two fish, a 20" and 19" right off.

We moved to several more times until we found a particular pile. By now it was about two hours before the turn of the current and suddenly the fish turned on. We began two hours of catching one after another. As soon as we put the fiddler down they hit. We kept only those over 20" and had our limit X 5 at least.

The biggest was Chuck's that was 21 1/2", 7lb 2oz. My biggest was 21" 6lb 15oz. I've never caught so many in one day and they were all at one piling! We ran out of fiddlers right about the time the current change over and were worn out! I was ready to stop much earlier but we kept holding open one place in our limit for a paper that never showed.

It was a fabulous day. Thanks to Mike Delbridge for the advice and encouragement to hang in and keep looking. That's the secret, and being there two hours before the change of tide.



Spot

Picture By: Erik Moore



Croaker on the Spec Rig

Report By: Lucian

I jumped onboard the Hooked Up with Louis Glaser and headed out for a little floundering, but we couldn't find the fish. We decided to cast to some speckled trout at the mouth of Little Creek Inlet. Louis started catching right away, landing throwbacks one after another until I found my rhythm and I started landing a few.

I made a particular cast right over a rock and into a nice little hole when my line doubled over, we were using ultra lights. Louis asked if I had a puppy drum on and I said jokingly it was a big croaker. After a brief battle the fish came along side and into the boat. It was indeed a croaker. It measures just over 17" and we decided to put it in the live well. Pictures at the dock and I released the fish unharmed.

Thanks Again Louis for a FUN DAY, I needed the stress release of an easy day of fishing.



Share your reports Email them to Lucian Montagna @ lmontagnaj@aol.com

The "Gourmet Angler"

STUFFED ROCKFISH

4 Rockfish fillets (about 2 lbs.)
1 lb. crab meat
1 egg, slightly beaten
2 tsp. chopped parsley
1/4 c. mayonnaise
1 tsp. dry mustard
Dash liquid hot pepper sauce
1 tbsp. melted butter or oil
Paprika

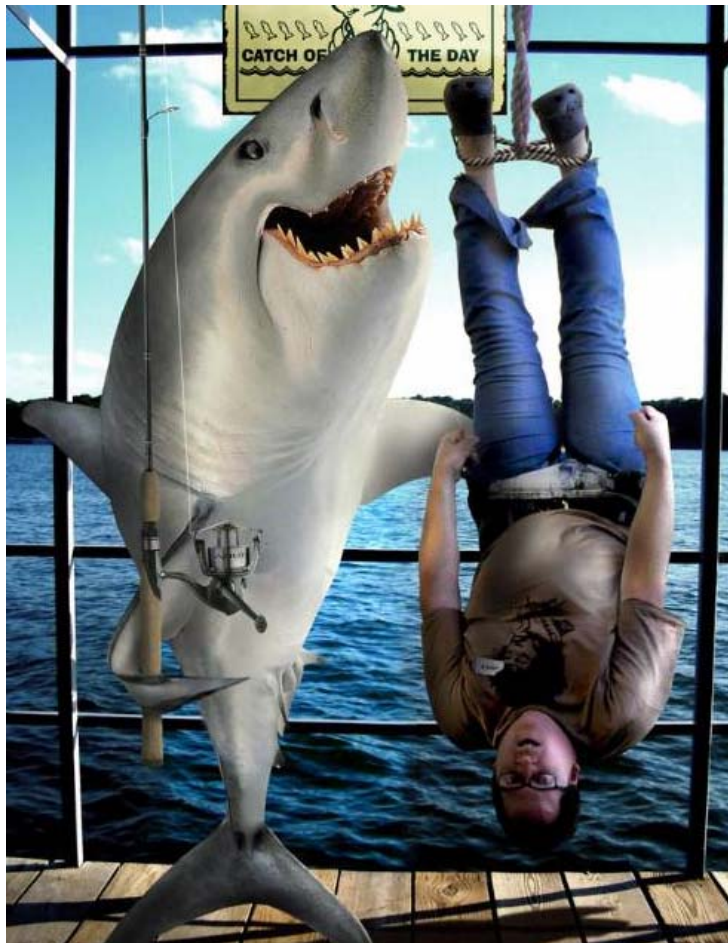
Remove cartilage from crab meat. In medium bowl, add egg, parsley, mayonnaise, dry mustard and liquid hot pepper sauce. Mix all ingredients well. Gently mix in crab meat.

Rinse and pat dry fish. Place 2 fillets in single layer, skin side down, in foil lined baking pan. Spoon crab mixture on each, cover with remaining fillets. Brush top with melted butter or oil. Sprinkle with paprika.

Bake in 450 degree oven 20 minutes or until fish flakes easily when tested with fork. Makes 4 servings

We need recipes every month, if you have a recipe you really like, please feel free to share, Email to Lucian Montagna at lmontagnaj@aol.com

Picture of the Month



Cool Links

Norfolk Anglers Club - <http://www.norfolkanglersclub.com/>

Norfolk Anglers Club "Prize Fish Entry Form" - http://www.norfolkanglersclub.com/tournaments/prize_fish_entry_form.pdf

Norfolk Anglers Club Message Board on Tidalfish - <http://www.tidalfish.com/forums/forumdisplay.php?f=33>

NAC Bylaws - <http://www.norfolkanglersclub.com/bylaws/Norfolk%20Anglers%20Club%20ByLaws.pdf>

CCA Virginia - <http://www.ccavirginia.org/>

100 Fathom Fishing Club - <http://100ffc.com/forum/index.php>

Bloodydecks.com - <http://www.bloodydecks.com/>

Tidalfish.com - <http://www.tidalfish.com>

Hot Spots Water Temp Charts - <http://sstcharts.com/>

NOAA Marine Forecast - <http://www.erh.noaa.gov/er/akq/>

Weather Underground - <http://www.weatherunderground.com/>

How To Sharpen Hooks - http://sites.state.pa.us/PA_Exec/Fish_Boat/education/catalog/hooksharpening.pdf

Rutgers Sea Surface Temps - http://marine.rutgers.edu/mrs/sat_data/?product=sst¬humbs=0

Tidal Charts - <http://tbone.biol.sc.edu/tide/tideshow.cgi?site=Chesapeake+Bay+Entrance%2C+Virginia+Current+%282%29>

Fuel Tax Refund Forms - <http://www.dmv.state.va.us/webdoc/pdf/fms216.pdf>

Fishing Knots - <http://www.thejump.net/fishing-knots/fishing-knots.htm>

Fishing Knots - <http://www.animatedknots.com/>

Coast Guard Auxiliary - <http://nws.cgaux.org/index.html>

Search Fish Base - <http://www.fishbase.org/search.php?lang=English>

Cheapest Gas & Diesel Prices - <http://www.virginiabeachgasprices.com/index.aspx>

N. Carolina Fishing License - <http://www.ncfisheries.net/recreational/NCCRFL.htm>

Virginia Coastal Access Now - <http://www.vcanaccess.com>

World Wide Charter Guide Directory - <http://www.charter-guide.info/index.php>

Prayers Needed

Billy Rellos is recovering well and is now driving around and doing some fishing, please keep him in your prayers.

Billy's Fishin Bud, John who fell and broke both wrists is also still recovering; please keep him in your prayers as well.

Special Intentions, I won't name names due to privacy, but there is a person with cancer who is dear to the NAC and in need of our prayers.

Prayers for our Armed Forces in Harms Way, may they have safe passage.

If you know of any members who are in need of prayers, please send their names to lmontagnaj@aol.com and I will add them to the list.

NAC Apparel



T-Shirts, Hooded Sweatshirts, Visors, Hats & Bumper Stickers Can be purchased by contacting John Brown nactreasurer@gmail.com, a supply will be available at the meetings.

NAC PRIZE FISH CONTEST RULES

Rules regarding our annual PRIZE FISH CONTEST and are posted on the NAC website.

In a nutshell, our rules will closely parallel the Virginia Saltwater Fishing Tournament for saltwater fish and the Virginia Department of Game and Inland Fisheries for freshwater. However, there are a few small differences so please visit the NAC PRIZE FISH CONTEST page on the NAC website.

Most important, we need for everyone to PARTICIPATE in the contest. If you catch (or have caught) a fish in calendar year 2008 meeting citation criteria, simply make a copy of your citation application or fill out the NAC PRIZE FISH ENTRY FORM and provide that to our Awards Director (John Brown) at our next meeting, it's that easy.

At year's end, we will recognize those anglers that catch the "prize" fish in each category plus recognize some overall "Anglers of the Year". Again, please visit the website to learn the details of the contest rules. Let's make our contest fun and competitive, Please Participate.

NAC Prize Fish Entry Form

Please fill out the following information. All weights must be on certified scales, witnessed & caught on hook & line in accordance with the Virginia Saltwater Fishing Tournament.

Date: ____/____/____

Species: _____ Place Caught: _____

Lure or Bait: _____

Weight ____ lbs ____ oz. Length ____ Feet ____ Inches

The fish was released The fish was tagged

Jr. Angler Adult Angler

Angler's Name _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Phone Number _____

Boat name _____

I Certify that all the above information is correct:

Angler's Signature _____

Witness Signature _____

Witness Name (printed) _____

Please submit your awards to the new awards director who will be available at the meetings. You must be an NAC Member in good standing to qualify.

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If anyone wants, or knows of anyone to help support the NAC and have their name or business name listed above, please contact Lucian Montagna at lmontagnaj@aol.com or one of the club's officers listed above.