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Coming Events

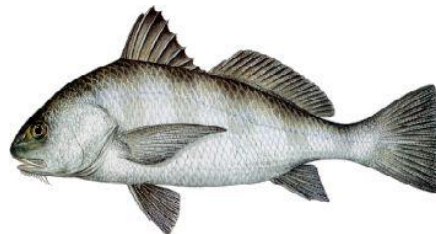
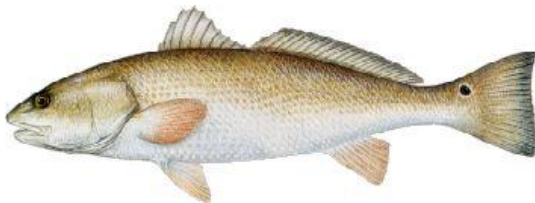
Next Meeting: Mon., Apr. 9th, 7 pm, All Meetings are Open to the Public

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 Speaker: Al Bunnell, Red & Black Drum Fishing



Tournament Trails: None at this time

NAC Officers

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A Message from the Editor

Norfolk, VA – Elections will be held at the April Meeting, if you would like to cast your vote, you must be a paid member in good standing before the April meeting.

April is here and striper season will be closed, but flounder fishing is now open. As the water temps improve good catches of Tog, Sea Bass, Flounder, Drum & More should be showing up. Offshore the Gulf Stream has been dipping in here and there and there should be nice Bluefin Tunas, Yellowfin Tunas, etc. Deep dropping boats have brought in nice catches of Tilefish, Seabass, Grouper and more. Hopefully the Weather Gods will allow for safe conditions to get out and enjoy nature's bounty.

If you haven't joined the NAC you can do so by contacting Darryl Schmitt (Treasurer) and let him know your intentions, he can be contacted at ds422@aol.com or by calling him direct at 620-4339. Costs are as follows: \$30 for an individual membership or \$35 for a family membership. If you have already joined, 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>

FLOUNDER REGULATIONS

18 1/2" MINIMUM WITH A 5 FISH LIMIT
WITH A CLOSED SEASON (July 23rd-28th) & (Jan 1st, 2008 – March 31st, 2008).

Harrison's Fishing Pier

By: Lucian Montagna

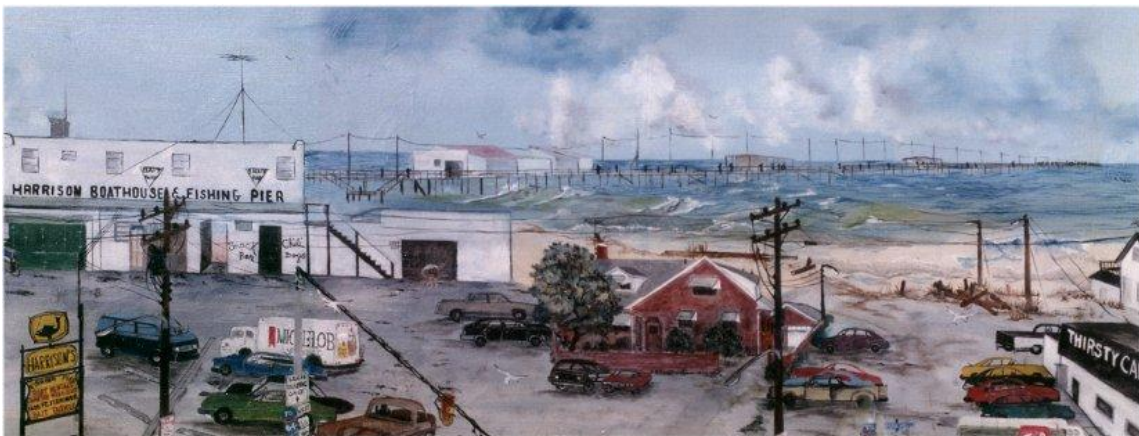
When I was young, I remember heading to Harrison's Fishing Pier with my family, we would do the usual, crab, fish, goof off, etc. I learned how to maximize my catch by wandering all over the pier, watching and asking questions, it was a great time.

As a child I caught my first crab, spot, croaker, flounder, bluefish, shark as well as many other species from the pier. As I grew, I would regularly ride my bike across Norfolk with rod and tackle in tow, ending up at my favorite childhood location.

When Hurricane Isabel took out the pier in 2003, I wondered if the Boone's would rebuild or use the space for condos, they chose to give back to the locals and rebuilt, I applaud their efforts.

It's a great place once again, with people coming from all over the area. My wife and I sat outside the pier in the parking last fall, watching the people come and go. Some had their children who had that special excited look in their eye, hoping to catch a big fish. Others were young couples, fishing and cuddling on the pier, oh to be young again. We laughed as we saw a couple of true Dihards who had a special custom made cart, holding the longest rods I have ever seen with a custom flag, and matching custom shirts and hats. Just sitting there watching the people brought back fond memories.

If you are out and looking for a place to go, I suggest heading to the pier, enjoy a breath taking Sunset, watch the people and the water, wet a line, RELAX & ENJOY YOURSELVES.



What's Catchin

Inshore – Taug, Flounder, Bluefish, Croakers, Grey Trout, Speckled Trout, Puppy Drum and more.

Offshore Va. - Bluefin Tuna, Yellowfin Tuna, Bluefish and more.

Offshore NC - Yellowfin Tuna, Bluefin Tuna, Big Eye Tuna, Bluefish, King Mackerel, Mahi & more

Deep Dropping – Sea Bass, Tilefish, Taugs, Triggerfish, Grouper and more.

Recent Catches

Due to many windy days in March there have been fewer reports than usual. Warmer April days should get more people on the water.

Tog

By: Chuck Kahlert

On 3-24-07 while Fishing with Skipper Darek, his lady Katie & Bob Cherry I caught this nice above keeper size Tog on a wreck near the CLT.



Opening Day FLounder
Report By: Louis Glaser

Left Taylors 9:00 am with Josh and Finbob and went to the curve before the 3rd island. Started drifting and caught 11 keepers and about 20 throwbacks. The largest was 26" weighing 7 lbs 3 oz. and we had another just under 6lbs. The bait we were using was flounder strips. Hard throwing back 18" flounder.

Tog & Sea Bass
Report By: Lucian Montagna

Fished on my boat "Fishin Fool" on Sat. 3/31, crew Myself (Lucian), Bill Burfield & Danny Dale. We decided to run to a couple of near shore wrecks in calm seas. As we left the bay the temps dropped a few degrees. We found our spot, anchored up and started catching togs, almost all were undersized and we had to work for our catch. Danny finally boated a keeper while we continued our C&R. Finally I hooked a keeper, about a pound under paper, but still a nice fish. The bite slowed so we headed off to other numbers where we caught small sea bass and dogfish. Final Talley 2 Togs & 1 Seabass . All I can say it was a beautiful day to be on the water.

Floundering Fishing Fool Style
Report By: Lucian Montagna

I was heading home after work when I decided to give Louis a call and see what he was up to. He proceeds to inform me they were BURNING UP the FLOUNDER. Hmmmmm, what should I do, it's late in the day.....

I call Chris Martin and my Wife and say LET'S GO!!! I get an ok, call to have the boat dipped. Tied some rigs before we left the dock, thawed some flounder strips left over from last year and we're cruising 45 mph, WALKING THE DOG in CALM SEAS.

We get to the designated spot, Louis gives us some intel (THANKS LOUIS) and we're dropping our lines. FISH ON, one after another, RELEASING a BUNCH.

My wife SANDY has now earned her a new nick name, "MRS. FISHING FOOL", she was cranking them faster then Chris & I combined, what a Woman.

Chris was jigging and managed a very nice flattie 27", 6 lbs. 13 oz. Way To Go Chris!!!

Final Talley
15 Keeper Limit of Very Nice Fish
We Released A Bunch

What more could I ask for, a great day on the water with my Bride of 25 years

and a good friend, who happens to be related to my wife.



Hatteras Fishing
Report By: Dr. Ike Eisenhower

3/24/07, went down to Hatteras Village and met Tom Kidwell and Greg Allen for my first offshore trip from Hatteras.

The plan was to deep drop for tiles, seabass, grouper and if the wind died down go for late tuna bite. Winds were SW 10-15 to start. Past the Diamond Shoals tower out to 30+ fathoms we dropped and I immediately hook up with my first small Amberjack. Each drop (32ozs of lead) produced one or two tilefish and seabass. My first tile is in the pictures. Fished for about 3 hours then the wind picked up to 20+ mph and we had to head in. Real dangerous, could only make 10 knots heading into the wind with Tom on the wheel and Greg on the throttle. Standing was out of the question for me so I laid down and even in the rough pounding we took I managed to fall asleep on way back. 34 mile trip back took 3 hours. The Hatteras fleet came in right behind us with not much to report except a few big bluefins that day.



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

Recipes

FILLET MARINADE

Recipe By: Tom

- 4 ozs. Dark Rum
- 1 onion sliced into chunks
- 1/4 teaspoon chopped garlic
- 1 teaspoon seasoned pepper

2 tbl. spoons worchester sauce
1 cup extra virgin olive oil
1 teaspoon salt
1 teaspoon parsley flakes

Chunk it all in a blender and run on high for a minute and it's ready to use.

STRIPER CHOWDER

Recipe By: Striper101 on SFC

5 slices of bacon, chopped
1 large onion, chopped
4 medium potatoes, diced
2 carrots, diced
2 celery stalks, diced
3 cups canned chicken stock
1 can corn
1 tsp. salt
1/2 tsp. pepper
3 tbsp. butter
3 tbsp. flour
3 cups whole milk(or light cream)
2 tbsp. fresh parsley, minced
Paprika
2 Bay Leaves
Onion and Garlic Salt

About 24 ounces of striper(about 1 side of a slot fish) cut into 1/2 inch cubes

Directions:

Fry bacon pieces in a large saucepan until crisp. Remove them with a slotted spoon and reserve. Add onion to saucepan and cook in the bacon fat until softened. Add the carrots and celery. Cook until semi-firm. Add some olive oil if needed. Add potatoes, chicken stock, striper pieces, bacon, corn, salt, pepper, bay leaves, and a couple of dashes of both garlic and onion powder. Cook for 15 minutes or until potatoes are done.

In a second saucepan, melt butter, then add flour, stirring to make a roux. Cook for 1 minute. Add cream or milk and stir until thicken over low heat. Add milk mixture to vegetables and heat over low heat for another 10 minutes. Garnish each bowl with fresh minced parley and a touch of paprika. Enjoy!

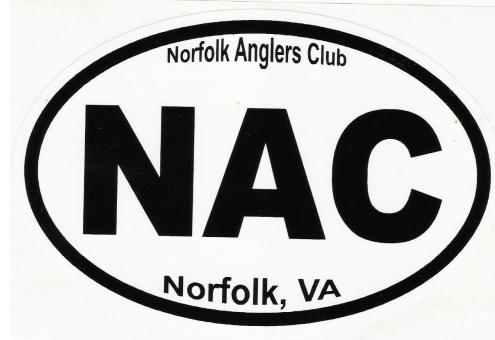
We will need recipes every month, if you have a recipe you really like, please feel free and share, by Emailing Lucian Montagna at lmontagnaj@aol.com

NAC Apparel



T-Shirts, Hooded Sweatshirts, Visors & Hats
Can be purchased by contacting Darryl Schmitt, a supply will be available at
the meetings.

NAC Bumperstickers will be available at the meetings.

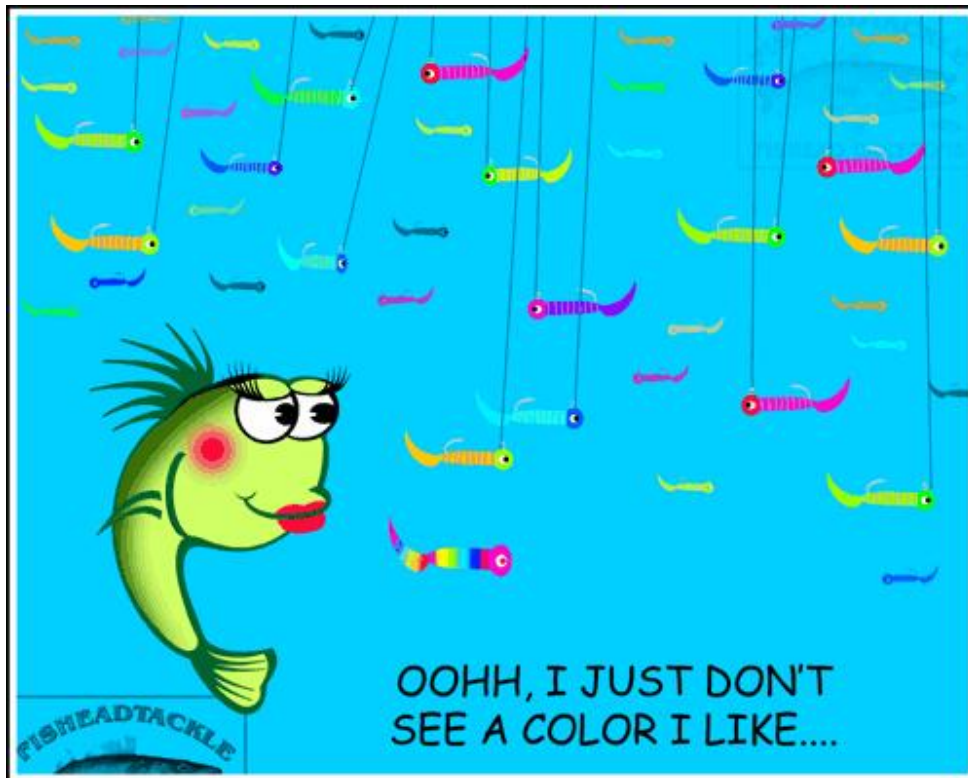


NAC Apparel Sale

Item	Regular Price	Sale Price
Short Sleeve T-Shirts	\$15	\$10
Long Sleeve T-Shirts	\$18	\$12
Sweatshirts	\$25	\$15
Hats & Visors	\$15	\$14

All Sale Items will be available at the Meetings

Picture of the Month



Cool Links

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

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

CCA Virginia - <http://www.cca virginia.org/>

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.viriniabeachgasprices.com/index.aspx>

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

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

Prayers Needed

Please pray for Kathy Eisenhower's continued improvement.

Also, we ask for Special Prayers for Sandy Cole, Scott's wife, please pray for her continued improvement, she has finished treatments and pray her disease is eradicated.

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 Prize Fish Recognition Form

Please fill out the following information. All weights must be on certified scales, witnessed & caught on hook & line.

Date: _____/_____/_____

Species: _____

Place Caught: _____

Lure or Bait: _____

Weight _____ lbs _____ oz. Length _____ inches

Jr. Angler Adult Angler

Please Check if the fish was released.

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 a NAC Member in good standing to qualify.
