



# WIRELINE

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## **Norfolk Anglers Club**

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## **Coming Events**

**Next Meeting:** Mon., August 13th, 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: Captain Jim Brincefield – Deep Dropping/ Wreck Fishing**



**Tournament Trails: St. Jude Flounder Tournament** – The NAC is partnering with the Hampton Roads Regatta and putting on the St. Judes Flounder Tournament “Fishing For A Cure” on August 4<sup>th</sup>. Come fish this event and help the kids at St. Jude Children’s Research Hospital, information below.

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## A Message from the Editor

Norfolk, VA – Time is near for the “Fishing For A Cure” Flounder Tournament to be held on Friday, Aug. 4th. As you should know the proceeds are going to help the Kids at Saint Jude Children’s Research Hospital. This tournament is a joint venture between the Norfolk Anglers Club and the Hampton Roads Regatta.

It has been my pleasure to be able to represent the NAC as Fishing Tournament Chair for this awesome event. I am offering my gratitude in advance to those who have helped me get the word out as well as to those who will be running the weigh-ins and helping out at the Captains Meeting and Awards Event.

I am asking you to continue getting out the word, call friends, hand out extra entry forms at the marinas, tackle shops, boat ramps, etc. Entry Forms are available to print at [www.hamptonroadsregatta.org](http://www.hamptonroadsregatta.org).

As you probably know by now the **Awards Banquet** will be at **Ocean View Beach Park** and will **feature live entertainment** with **Bill Deal’s Rhondells**, Food and of course Drink (Beer & Wine will be available at a nominal fee). Bring your family and friends to the event, admission tickets will be available at the gate for guests at a mere cost of \$10 per person. Food and Drink Tickets will also be available to purchase for a nominal fee.

We’ve had the full moon in July and the offshore bite on billfish has been nothing short of INCREDIBLE. Blue & White Marlin are taking the stage front and center with boats reporting nice catch and releases on quality fish.

At the last meeting Capt. Kevin Bremmer shared his passion for catching billfish. His presentation has been an inspiration to many of those who attended. I have enclosed a couple of pictures below for your enjoyment.



If you haven't joined the NAC, you can do so by contacting Darryl Schmitt (Treasurer), he can be contacted at [ds422@aol.com](mailto: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, 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>



## Annual Flounder Tournament

August 4, 2007

"Fishing for a Cure!" "Ya Gotta Regatta"

1<sup>st</sup> Place: \$1,000

2<sup>nd</sup> Place: \$600

3<sup>rd</sup> Place: \$400

**Special Awards To:**

\*\*\* Fishing Club with the Largest Flounder \*\*\*

\*\*\* Junior Anglers Award to Ages 15 & Under \*\*\*

**Captain's Meeting Social:** Friday, Aug. 3<sup>rd</sup>, 6:30 pm at:  
East Beach Bay Front Club

4550 East Beach Dr., Norfolk

**Weigh Stations:** August 4<sup>th</sup> from 3-4:30 pm at:  
Dolphin Marine Store @ Taylor's Landing Marina,  
Long Bay Point Marina @ Lynnhaven Inlet  
Old Point Comfort Marina @ Fort Monroe

**Sat. Night Celebration:** Sat., Aug. 4<sup>th</sup>, After Weigh In at:  
Ocean View Beach Park, Awards will start around 6pm  
Live Entertainment: by Bill Deals Rondells at 7pm  
Go to [www.hamptonroadsregatta.org](http://www.hamptonroadsregatta.org) for more details

**Registration Fee per Boat: \$75.00**

(Includes (4) T-shirts / (4) Sat. night event tickets)

Additional Information and Forms Available at [www.hamptonroadsregatta.org](http://www.hamptonroadsregatta.org)  
Any Questions, Contact the Tournament Committee Chairman, Lucian Montagna at  
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## What's Catchin

**Inshore** – Spadefish, Taug, Flounder, Bluefish, Croakers, Spot, Grey Trout, Speckled Trout, Puppy Drum, Red Drum, Black Drum, Sheepshead, Cobia, King Mackerel, Spanish Mackerel, Tarpon and more.

**Offshore Va.** – Blue Marlin, White Marlin, Sailfish, Bluefin Tuna, Yellowfin Tuna, Bigeye Tuna, Wahoo, Mahi, King Mackerel, Bluefish and more.

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

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

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## Recent Catches

### White Marlin Release

This fish was caught aboard the Norfolk Blue near the Norfolk Canyon with John Hamilton, Chris Martin and Crew (I do not have the crew's names). This is a **STUD WHITE**, caught in some pretty snotty seas.

BTW: Chris just got Married to Ashley couple of weeks ago, congrats on the nuptials my friend.



### Variety at the Norfolk Canyon Report By: Lucian Montagna

**Boat:** Fishin Fool  
31' Contender FA

**Crew:** Lucian (Fishin Fool), Chris, Bill (Usual Suspects), Jim

The plan was to go wreck hopping inshore for Donkeys (Amberjacks). I woke up in the morning and it was too pretty for that, so I grabbed some balleyhook out of the deep freeze as well as some squid and headed to the boat. Upon arrival, I told my crew there was a change of plan and was it ok with them. They said yes and at 0630 we headed EAST.

We ran to some designated wrecks on the far side and started checking numbers, looking for groupers, we found our spot and dropped.

We caught MOACE (Mother Of All Conger Eels), several and then some more. Bill finally broke the streak and put a very nice Wreck Fish in the boat. We continued and caught Blueline Tiles, Another Wreck Fish, More Eels, Tinker Mackerel, More Eels, Small Sharks looked kind of yellow and had a design on their backs and a Red Hake (So I was told at the dock).

We finally decided to head over to a popular tile hole, finding a small crowd, caught a few nice tiles and some small sea bass & had a very nice 12'+ Manta Ray swim right under the boat before heading off.

We were not looking for the mother load, only a few of this and a few of that.

I decided it was time to go catch a couple of YFT and possibly a Marlin, so we cranked up the spread and headed southeast. As we neared the designated spot, we saw tunas busting the surface and dropped the lines. We never got out very many lines as we kept getting covered up. First YFT around 35 lbs, in the box out of 3.

Next came another multiple knockdown, one came tight and a White One comes skying out of the water, a 4 minute battle and he shook the hook.

We regroup and the lines go down again and these are BOSCO'S, VERY NICE YFT. We went 1 for 5 with one breaking the spreader bar and another STUD (70+ lbs.) Bill had on for what seemed like an eternity before it broke off beside the boat. We did manage to get Chris's fish we estimated it to be 50-60 lbs.

Total Time Trolling 30 Minutes.....NICE...

**Final Talley:**

- Many Conger Eels - All Released
- Sea Bass - Mostly Small
- Blueline Tiles - A couple pushing paper
- Hake - Kept
- Tinker Mackerel - Dozen or so
- Wreck Fish - Couple - NICE
- YFT - Couple ot of MANY
- White Marlin - Threw the hook after 4 Minutes of Fun
- Little Yellow Sharks with designs on their backs



**Black Drum**

**Report By: Warren Worth**

Fishing on Saturday the 21st, off the first island, 48 1/2 long, 74lbs caught aboard the reel knotty. Yours truly hooked it up, and gave it to my cousin Kenny MaGee for the release citation.



## **Norfolk Canyon**

### **Report By: Dr. Ike Eisenhower**

We Fished the Norfolk Canyon with Mike & Laney Avery, on their boat Sea Duction with their son Mikey, Greg Allen and Naved. The plan was an overnight drift for swordfish after a sunset troll for tuna, then troll again in the morning and deep drop later.

The troll was a skunk but the over night was amazing. Drifting Asian squids lighted with chemical lights attached to the leaders and a swordfish light hanging under the boat resulted in one swordfish release paper for Mike and a 10' Hammerhead shark release paper for Greg. I released a paper 12 ft. shark that was either a dusky or blue shark.

The morning troll produced nothing but the deep drop at 50 fathoms produced an 11.3 lb Blueline Tilefish paper. The largest Tile went 15 lbs. caught with an electric reel by Mike.

Black Bellied Rosefish were also caught in 150 fathoms (900').



## **Long Weekend**

### **Report By: Bill Burfield**

Hauled the the boat for a long weekend at Kiptopeake along with buddy boat Croaker Smoker with families in tow. My son and I arrived a few hours earlier than the rest (7/14), so off for quality time. Hit my "go to" piling for spades around 1400 and lines in, took about 10 minutes to get them motivated, then it was fish on. Caught about 20 over the next hour and most were

in the 5-8 lb range. Released most, kept a couple for dinner. The caravan was beeping from above, so back to the ramp.

7/15 jumped on Miss Ashley for spade/flounder and the flounder were chomping. Very short drifts working the pilings and 2-3 fish per drift was the order. The down side was most fish were 18-18 1/4 inches. We put some good fish in the box up to 24 1/2 inches, with Mrs. Croaker Smoker pulling the big one. Current started running hard and bite died, so we worked the pilings for spades, put a few in the box to 7 lb. then back to the barn for a fish fry.

7/16 I talk Croaker into running his boat out to some wrecks (since it gets 3x the gas mileage as mine) Start running east, get about 10 miles away and run into an 11 degree temp drop. Managed 4 short flounder the first stop and 2 small sea bass the second. The water was cloudy and the bite was terrible. We run back to the bridge to save face and manage a few small flounder at first. Start working the spades and they save the day. We caught some nice fish to 9 lbs. with a slower bite.



## **Norfolk Canyon**

**Report By: Brian Hodson**

C-Time left Little Creek at 0340, headed for the tip of the Norfolk Canyon. Crew was Cathy, Chuck, Mark, Jeff (a newbie), and myself. We put the spread out at 0620, short of the tip on the 30-fathom curve. We started with a couple of small spreader bars on the flats, the usual WWB, seawitches on the shorts and Islander Pros with horses on the longs.

First knockdown comes tight, Jeff is in the chair, and he has his first YFT. Not a big one, but big enough for the gaff and the fish box, one small chicken dolphin later, then nothing.

We worked the area around the tip, the south wall, the north wall, then south again, then finally trolled to our deep drop point and switched over.

We managed over 20 nice fish, with some doubles of tiles or tile and sea bass.

Highlight of the deep dropping was Chuck (ex-Flounderman 2001, now Tileman 2007), who worked hard to crank up what he thought was a double tile hookup. But it was just a single - an 18 lb 2 oz Blueline Tile!

After we'd had enough deep work, we ran SE to join Lucian on Fishin Fool, to see if we could

hook up on the troll again. We had a nice knockdown and short run, but then nothing. Lucian hooked up three and boated two big YFT before he headed home. We worked that area until 3:30, then started pulling up and headed for Little Creek.



**Tom Kidwell's Report**  
**Submitted By: Chuck Kahlert**

We fished out of Rudee with Greg, Chuck, and Mike. Put the spread out 10 miles before we reached our intended target because of all the strong marks we were passing at about the 185 line in 50 fathoms.

We pounded some good marks from 10 to 30 fathoms, but the only fish that we caught were all flapper-sized mahi.

Managed to get some pictures and make a clean release on a good sized white marlin that I brought in on a Torsa reel (my first fish on that reel), what a rush. We missed a hook-up on another white, two or three hits on the planer that didn't come tight. Great crew, outstanding weather, and a white, I can't complain



## **The Man In The Blue Suit**

Report By: Lou Rajnys

James (jmet), Eric (sawdust), Patrick (Midwest transplant) and I decided to venture out to the Norfolk Canyon to see what was happening after a week long blow. Left Rudee at 0445 and went directly to the 30 ftm hump.

We trolled to a buddy who was hooked up with a marlin to hopefully see their fish and we see the angler in the rear corner of the boat with the line straight down and all of a sudden he stands up and they lost the fish.

We continue trolling east when the long pops but does not come tight, I jig it and feel the fish pick it up but once the fish felt tension it would drop it, I dropped the bait back, jugged it and again it picked it up but dropped it when it felt tension. This scenario repeated at least 10 times before the fish lost interest and left us all puzzled.

We started trolling west and when we were precisely on top of the hump. I see the short shotgun rod bend and pop back up. I tell Eric to jig the rod and again the fish picks it up but drops it, drop back... picks it up and drops it, this time it repeats only four times before the fish loses interest but this time she gains interest on the long BIG TIME, she grabs it and TAKES OFF! James looks aft and screams MARLIN! I look up to see her grey hounding from right to left four times coming completely out of the water each time. That image will be forever burned into my mind. The fish was out there a ways but still close enough to make a positive ID and we are hooked up to a Blue Marlin.

We clear every rod, get Patrick in the harness and start the fight. 35 min. later we have her along side she got tail wrapped at the very end of the fight. It took about 30 min to revive her and we let her go to fight another day! We believe the fish was between 8.5 and 10 feet long.

VIDEO LINK: <http://www.chumlordfishing.com/movies/Bluefinalweb.mov>



## Shorebound Report from the Rappahannock River Report Br: Steve Walker

It's been a year and a half since I last took a vacation, so needless to say I was looking forward to a little R&R. The trip down to the Rappahannock took a bit longer than expected.

About 5pm I am able to get the rods in the water baited with some green shrimp Fish bites and Bloodworm Fish bites (BWFB). Fished for about an hour and managed a few bites with a small spot to show.

A few small croaker at first, then my light rod starts to scream some drag. I grab it and in came a nice croaker at about 16+ inches. As I am getting him off the hook, my middle rod starts singing, so I drop the horse croaker into the cooler, grab the rod, but the fish is gone. As I am putting that rod back in the rod holder, my third rod goes wild, I am going crazy.

The wife and I ended up with a dozen small to medium sized croaker and one more spot which we saved for crab bait and cut bait. Also managed to pick up two more horse croaker up to 17 1/2" long.

Very peaceful few days, with no cell phones, no house phones, no noise at all for the most part! Just what the doctor ordered!



## Drummin With The Mrs. Fishin fool Style Report By: Lucian Montagna

I took my long time bride Sandy out for her first ever Black Drum and also in search of her first ever Citation Paper.

Louis Glaser came along and ran the pit while I drove the boat and video taped and of course snapped a few pics. Thanks for the help my friend.

What a girl I married, she cast to the islands and caught a very nice 48" Black Drum which we released healthy to fight again another day. Yes She Got Her Paper!!!

Here is the video:

[http://www.norfolkanglersclub.com/movies/Drummin%20With%20Sandy\\_0001.wmv](http://www.norfolkanglersclub.com/movies/Drummin%20With%20Sandy_0001.wmv)

Here are a couple of pics:



### **Drummin With Louis & Chris on the Hooked Up Report By: Lucian Montagna**

I had the pleasure of Black Drum fishing with Louis on Friday on his boat Hooked Up.

We casted on light tackle along the CBBT and I caught the first fish a very nice stout 54" Black Drum.

Chris hooked up next with an even bigger fish 56" and FAT. He fought it for almost an hour on 20 lb test. We started on the west side of the island, but the fish decided he liked the East side better. Louis did an outstanding job maneuvering the boat between the rocks and the pilings following the fish where it wanted to go. Pretty Work Fellas.

Louis hooked and boated a very respectable 48" release after a 30 minute fight.

Here are a couple of pics from the tape. As you can tell we goofed off the whole time.



Share your reports Email them to Lucian Montagna @ [lmontagnaj@aol.com](mailto:lmontagnaj@aol.com)

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## The "Gourmet Angler"

### **Smutter**

*Recipe By: Darren Foster*

#### **Ingredients:**

2 Vidalia Onions  
4 Cloves Garlic  
Sweet Basil  
2 Cans of Basil/Oregano Chopped Tomatoes  
½ Lb. Chopped Crabmeat  
Honey to Taste (1/8 cup or less)  
½ Tsp Cayenne Pepper  
Olive Oil

#### **Preparation:**

Chop onions and garlic, sautee in olive oil.  
Combine rest of ingredients and simmer ½ to 1 hour.  
Season 4 Fillets with lemon pepper and Old Bay seasoning and pan sear.  
Place fillets in a baking dish and cover with sauce.  
Bake at 350 F for 25 minutes.  
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*We will need recipes every month, if you have a recipe you really like, please feel free to share, by Emailing Lucian Montagna at [lmontagnaj@aol.com](mailto:lmontagnaj@aol.com)*

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## NAC Apparel



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

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## Picture of the Month



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## 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](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/>

**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](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&nothumbs=0](http://marine.rutgers.edu/mrs/sat_data/?product=sst&nothumbs=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>

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## Prayers Needed

Some of our very own members are in Iraq, we pray for their safe return as well as for all our armed forces in harms way.

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

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## 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 a NAC Member in good standing to qualify.

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