

The heaviest dolphin caught in Ocean City so far this year was landed by Jim Hughes of Ocean City, MD while fishing on the "Nontypical" with Jimmy Fields of Jupiter, FL and Capt. Terry Layton of Ocean City, MD. Jim hooked into the 49 lb. mahi-mahi while trolling a naked ballyhoo in 60 fathoms, north of the Poor Man's Canyon. Weighed at Capt. Mac's High Performance Tackle in Fenwick Island, DE.

Double Lines

by Dale Timmons



Last week fellow CF columnist Sue Foster wrote about hooking something big while surf fishing with a Magnum Kingfish Rig. The fish ran off and ended up straightening her 1/0 hook and getting away. When she told me the story, Sue also said the fish had come up and thrashed the surface, and she thought maybe it was a spinner shark. That's a possibility, sure, but I told her that I had also seen large red drum do that many timesmake a long run, stop, then come to the surface and raise a ruckus. It doesn't really matter what it was, however-it will always be Sue's "mystery fish," or one of them at least. If you fish long enough, you will have your own mystery fish, for sure. I have several,

including one that dumped almost 500 yards of 25 lb. test from an Ambassadeur 10000C and left me with a burnt thumb while I was fishing one of the Virginia barrier islands many years ago. When the fish finally stopped, I couldn't move it and eventually broke it off. It most likely was a big shark or a giant ray, but with mystery fish your mind would like it to be a big tarpon (a friend of mine caught one once on the same beach), a cobia or even the mother of all red drum. I had a similar mystery fish while fishing for puppy drum on a sandbar in waist deep water at Cape Point in Buxton, NC many years ago. This fish ran several hundred yards of line off and finally stopped, then wouldn't budge. The tide was coming in and we

had to wade through a chest deep slough to get back to the beach, plus it was getting dark, so I broke it off. A week later, the world record 94 lb. red drum was caught just a few miles up the beach, so who knows? I once had another mystery fish grab a lead head with a plastic twister while I was speckled trout fishing. I was using something like 8 lb. test, and this fish just started burning me up. Before we could pull the anchor and chase it, the hook pulled. It was probably a big striper, but who knows? A friend of mine was longlining many years ago, I think in the Washington Canyon, when something huge pulled his mainline straight down. He and the crew even attached a large ball and watched poly helplessly as it was pulled under as well. He said they tried to move this fish every way they could think of, with no success, before finally cutting it off. Was it a giant bluefin? A huge swordfish? A grander blue marlin? A 2,000pound great white shark? The possibilities were abundant, and it has bothered him all these years. I think that's the thing about mystery fish. They never leave you alone. In your mind, you will always wonder what that fish was. In some ways, that makes a mystery fish even more impressive than the ones we actually catch...



the orange new chartreuse? I don't know if it will ever reach that lofty status, but in the last couple of years the color orange has shown up more and more on artificial lures, rigs and even "fake baits" such as the Gulp! ghost shrimp. A few years ago, one of the lures I carried to Louisiana was an orange Rapala Skitter Walk. At the time, it was new to me, and probably the only orange lure in my bag, but it worked very well on speckled trout, and I usually have it with me all the time nowadays. Several years ago a friend and I were

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The East Channel is once again producing the majority of keeper flounder being caught in Ocean City this year, and David Wells from Ocean Pines, MD and Dan Mergott from Berlin, MD were there to take advantage of it. Fishing early in the morning, the duo boated 3 keeper flounder, measuring 20, 22 and 23-inches, all on live spot during the incoming tide. The 2 largest weighed 4 lbs. 4 oz. and 4 lbs. Pictured with trusty sidekick, Copper, at Sunset Provisions.

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Bill Fintel hooked this 21.1 lb. dolphin while trolling a spoon behind a planer at the East Lump. Weighed at Lewes Harbour Marina.





It was slow pickins on Friday for yellowfin tuna, but the crew on "That's Right" returned with 5 in the box and a couple of white marlin releases after fishing in 60-100 fathoms between the Baltimore and Poor Man's Canyons. Fishing with Capt. John Oughton and Mate Jason Genthner were Mark Rogers and Vic Quintiliana from Norwood, PA, Eric Laird from Ridley, PA, Sean Crossin from Glenolden, PA, Joe Laird from Garnet Valley, PA and Michael Cavacini from Glen Mills, PA. Pictured at Fisherman's Marina.

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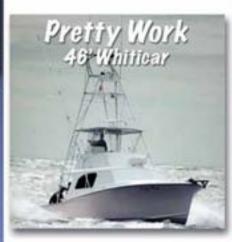
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flounder fishing in Big Ebb Drain down in Oyster, VA. He had picked up a rig in one of the local tackle stores that had some kind of small orange plastic thing just above the hook, and he was burning my butt with that thing. I never forgot it, and lately I have been tying some of my Deadly Double flounder rigs with bright orange blades and pearl and orange beads. I've only had time to fish the orange blades one day, but I caught half a dozen flounder on it, and other anglers have reported doing very well with the orange, including several "keepers." Orange lures are not completely new, of course. Back when bluefish was king for spring and early summer fishing on charter boats, one of the most popular "hoochy" colors was a bright orange, and orange "sea witches" over a ballyhoo are sometimes used as an offshore combination. Why would a fish eat an orange lure or bait? The same question could be asked of

chartreuse, I guess. No one really knows how fish see colors, but I am convinced they do, because as we all know on certain days certain colors will out fish all the others. Just as a shrimp's tail naturally shows up as chartreuse, there are definitely oranges apparent in natural prey. Crabs and shrimp both have orange, for example, as does a sea robin, one of the flounder's favorite natural foods. The eggs of a sand flea, or mole crab, are bright orange, and I'm sure there are other natural fish foods containing orange. The real answer to why a color such as chartreuse or orange works, however, may lie just in their brightness, their flash, and not in any particular natural food resemblance. All I know is that on some days, at least, orange triggers a natural feeding response. In other words, orange works, so don't knock it until you've tried it...



Had a note from my friend Charles Kratz last week.

Charlie wanted me to let you know that the Ocean City Marlin Club recently donated \$3,000 to the Catherine and Charles Kratz Memorial Foundation to help bury three homeless U.S. veterans. Charlie is a World War II veteran himself, a member of the 101st Airborne Division. With a million dollars of his own money and over \$100,000 in donations, Charlie built a Memorial Park at Druid Ridge Cemetery in Baltimore to honor veterans and provide burial space for homeless veterans and to aid needy veterans with the cost of a dignified final resting place. Charlie is getting up in years now, and he told me that his friend Pat Svehla, a former president of the Marlin Club, along with the 101st Airborne Division Association, would carry on his legacy in the future. If you are interested in helping, tax-deductible donations may be sent to: Catherine and Charles Kratz Memorial Foundation and

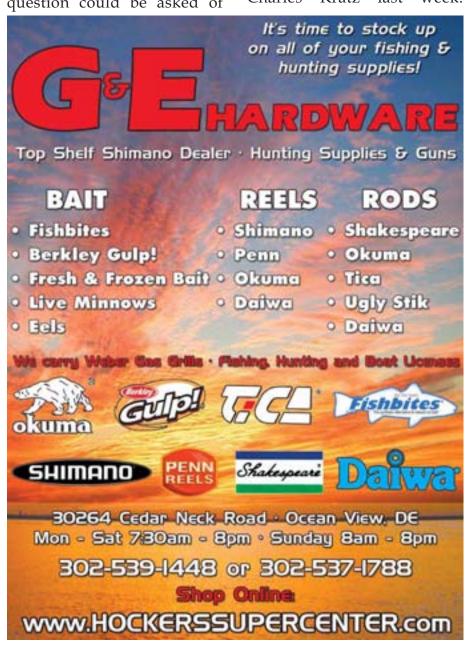
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It's hard to believe, but next week is White Marlin Open week. Many of you look forward to fishing tournament all year, and have done so for many years. I even heard one fellow describe it recently as "Holy Week." Anyway, as is our custom, we'd like to wish all participants, both locals and visitors alike, good luck and fair seas. We hope you get "the big one," or at least have a shot. Even though there is a lot of money on the remember it's that supposed to be fun, so don't let the competition get in the way. I'll be at the weigh station all week, and I hope to see you there, especially if you have a fish to weigh...stay safe...



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Erich Schultz from Ottawa, Canada (right) landed a 7 lb. 2 oz. tautog and a 4 lb. 13 oz. sea bass and Paul Till from Bishopville, MD caught a 4 lb. 4 oz. sea bass, both while fishing at a natural reef aboard the "Angler" with Capt. Chris Mizurak and Mates Dean Lo and Matt Temple. All of the fish were caught on strips of squid. Pictured at Capt. Bill Bunting's Angler Dock.



On Thursday, Christopher Garner from Wake Forest, NC released 2 white marlin and caught this wahoo while fishing on the "Second Chance" with Marston Jones of Ocean City, MD, who also released a white marlin, Capt. Joe Herring and Mate Bob Ahearn. The fish were caught in 60 fathoms in the Washington Canyon (850 line) on trolled ballyhoo.

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Ocean City Fishing Report

by Larry Jock

It was an interesting week of fishing in Ocean City. Anglers braving rough offshore conditions were rewarded with good catches of yellowfins, dolphin and white marlin. Inshore, anglers were able to land some nice flounder in the normal spots.

A horrible weekend weather forecast forced organizers of last weekends 2nd Annual Branch Kreppel Blue Marlin Tournament to reschedule the event to September 10th-12th (fishing days). The benefit auction was rescheduled for August 2nd and be held at Sunset will Marina/Teasers. The time of the event has not been finalized, but I would imagine it would start somewhere between 6:00 pm and 7:00 pm. Stay tuned to our website for updated information or call Sunset Marina for details.

Billfish

Just in time for the White Marlin Open, local boats really got on to the white marlin this past week. On Wednesday, a few boats ventured down to the Washington Canyon, where the "Pumpin' Hard 58" recorded 3 white marlin releases and the "Legasea" and "Marli" each released a whitey.

On Thursday, the action heated up with several boats releasing multiple white marlin in the Washington Canyon. Action centered in 60 to 100 fathoms around the 850 line. "Reel Chaos" released 4 whites, while the "Second Chance" recorded 3 releases.



Zach, Sue and John Morton of Dagsboro, DE along with Bill Morton of Selbyville, DE muscled in a 38 lb. cobia and a 49 lb. bluefin tuna while trolling between the Twin Wrecks and Fingers aboard "Something Fishy". The "man in the brown suit" measured 48-inches and was caught on a bally with a blue and white Ilander, while the bluefin hit a bally dressed up with a green and black Ilander. Pictured at the Ocean City Fishing Center.

On Friday, in addition to several white marlin being hooked, a couple of blue marlin were also released. "Pumpin Hard 58" and the "Billfisher" each released blue marlin around the 800 Square

Over the weekend, the seas were too rough to head offshore, so the billfish bite will have to wait until mid-week.

Yellowfin Tuna I would have to say that most

everyone is happy with the yellowfin tuna bite we have been experiencing this year. The fish started at a nice size and, on the whole, have increased in weight over the last couple of weeks. We started off with yellowfins in the 40-45 lb. range and are now seeing catches where the average fish is in the 50-60 lb. range.

The nicest catch of yellowfins we saw this week came in on Wednesday, when the "Skirt Chaser" arrived at the Ocean City Fishing Center with 12 caught in 80-100 fathoms

between the Poor Man's and Baltimore Canyons. This has been the "hot" location over the last couple of weeks, although it looks like the fish may be pushing in closer to shore. The "Marli" did venture down to the Washington Canyon where they boxed 4 yellowfins and recorded a white marlin release.

Thursday was a busy day with a lot of boats fishing. Some went to the Washington Canyon while others stuck with the Poor Man's/Baltimore Canyon spot. "That's Right" boated 6 yellowfins in 60 fathoms between the Poor Man's and Baltimore Canyons where the "Reel Naughty" and "Marlin Magic" each ended their day with 3 in the box.

Of those boats that took the trip south to the Washington Canyon/Rockpile area, the "Reel Chaos" ended up high-hook, catching 4 yellowfins.

On Friday, "That's Right" had another good day, finishing with 5 yellowfins in the same location as Thursday's catch.

Like the billfish bite, the weekend weather prevented boats from reaching the tuna grounds.

Wahoo

A couple of wahoo were boated last week. On Tuesday, the "Playmate" caught one in 150 fathoms in the Poor Man's Canyon and on Thursday, "Second Chance" returned with a speedster caught in 60 fathoms inside the Washington Canyon.

Bluefin Tuna

The bluefin tuna bite has been scarce but we did see a couple hit the scales last week. On Wednesday, "Something Fishy" caught a 49 pounder between the Twin Wrecks and the Fingers. On Saturday, "Pursuit of Happiness" trolled between the Jack Spot and the Fingers and ended up with 2 bluefins



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measuring 35 and 53-inches.

Dolphin

Like last year, dolphin continue to be caught in good numbers by anglers targeting yellowfins and white marlin in the Washington Canyon and between the Poor Man's and Baltimore Canyons.

The largest dolphin we have seen so far this year was caught on Wednesday by Jim Hughes on the "Nontypical". The 49 lb. mahi-mahi was hooked on a naked ballyhoo in 60 fathoms north of the Poor Man's Canyon.

Cobia

A couple of cobia were caught this past week. On Wednesday, "Something Fishy" threw a 38 pounder on the scale at the Ocean City Fishing Center. The "man in the brown suit" was hooked between the Twin Wrecks and the Fingers. Then, on Saturday, Hugh Cropper ventured down to Winter Quarter Shoal and hooked into a 35 pounder while live lining eels.

Striped Bass

Keeper-size stripers are being pulled out of the Rt. 50 Bridge

pilings by anglers fishing with spot at dusk. Most of the stripers are on the small side, but keepers are definitely there to be caught. Kevin "The King" Weber found success there all week, ending his days with 2 keepers in the box. Glad to see Kevin back in action!

Flounder

A good number of flounder continue to be caught although anglers need to show a lot of patience since the throwback ratio is still very high. Anglers drifting minnows and squid and shiner combinations are doing well, but those fishing with Gulp! Swimming Mullets are really hooking into flatties. Chartreuse had been the most productive color, but it looks like white is the way to go now. You would think that "a curly tail is a curly tail" but Capt. Nick on the "Get Sum" told me that they experimented one day and put a regular curly tail on one jighead and a Gulp! Swimming Mullet, which looks like a curly tail, on another jighead. Capt. Nick reported that Gulp! definitely outperformed the non-Gulp! curly tail. Kind of interesting. Must be the "gravy" that the

Gulp! bait sits in.

Location-wise, it looks like "Hoffman's Hole" in the West Channel may be picked over. Most of the flounder we are seeing are coming from the East Channel near the Cement Plant, the island behind Bahia Marina and in the bay surrounding Harbour Island. Flatties are also being caught on the flats in the Thorofare where anglers find success trolling along the edges of the channel.

In the Surf

Sue Foster at Oyster Bay Tackle reports, "Everyone is talking about catching sharks on the beach at night or early in the morning. Some anglers are getting break offs, and never get to see the catch. Others are getting them in and releasing them. Big rays too! Sandbar, dusky, and black tips are mostly being caught with a couple spinner sharks thrown in. The big ones take big baits such as chunks of bunker, mackerel, or whole kingfish or spot heads. Kingfish, spot, and croaker are all biting. Croaker in Ocean City have been mostly at night. Look around, and find yourself a hole

July 28, 2010 Coastal Fisherman Page 9 on the beach. Flat beaches don't produce."

Upcoming Tournaments

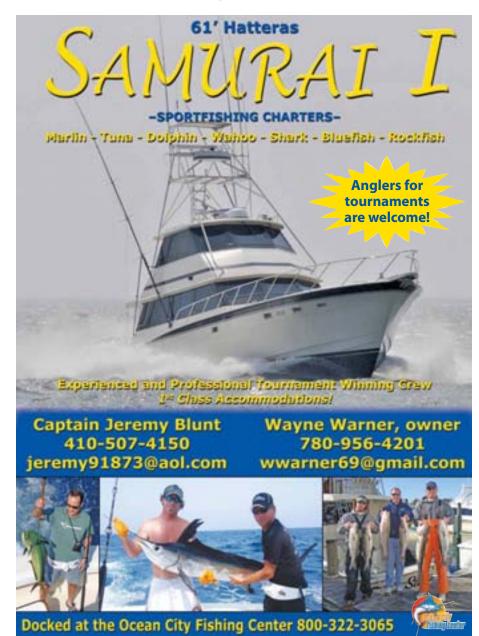
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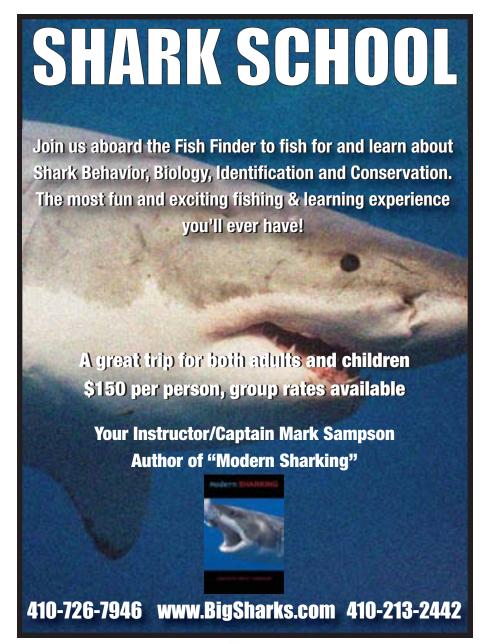
On Friday and Saturday, the 2nd Annual Marlin Club Ladies Tournament will be held at Sunset Marina. You do not have to be a member of the Marlin Club to participate in this tournament. Registration is on Thursday night and lady anglers are allowed to fish 1 of 2 days. Weigh-ins are from 3:30 to 7:00 pm on both days.

On Saturday, the Ocean Pines Chamber of Commerce will hold their 3rd Annual Flounder Tournament. Weigh- ins are from 2:00 pm to 4:30 pm at the Ocean Pines Marina & Yacht Club.

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When most boats headed to the Washington Canyon on Wednesday, the "Skirt Chaser" decided to troll between the Poor Man's and Baltimore Canyons, and their decision paid off. The crew returned with 12 yellowfin and a dolphin, all caught on ballyhoo and spreader bars in 80 to 100 fathoms. Fishing with Capt. B.W. James and Mate Kevin Kurtz were Francis, Gus, Paul and Jay Mizia and Ben Ashton, all from Bentleyville, PA. Pictured at the Ocean City Fishing Center.



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Malachi Rider from Stewartstown, PA captured this 21.25-inch flounder while drifting a live minnow in the Ocean City Inlet.

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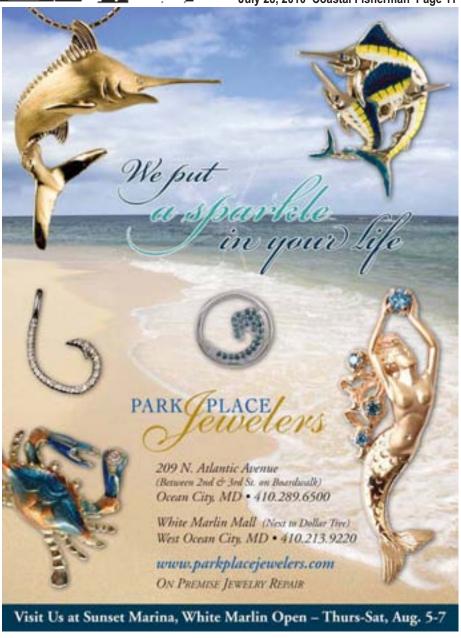
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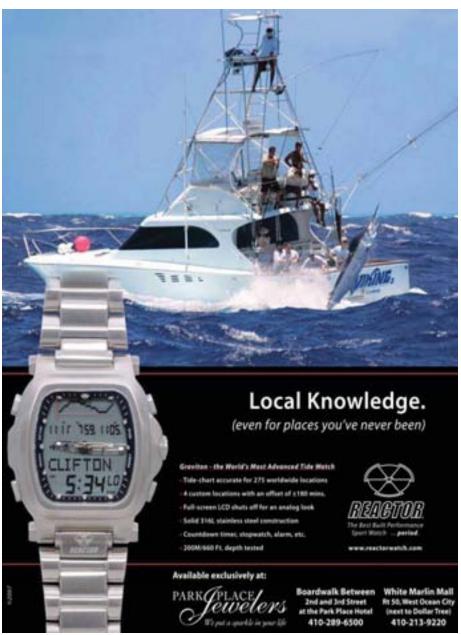




A familiar face to readers of the Coastal Fisherman, Herbie Shorthose of Lewes, DE wrestled this 12 lb. 15 oz. sheepshead from the Ice Breakers while using box crabs for bait. Weighed at Lewes Harbour Marina.

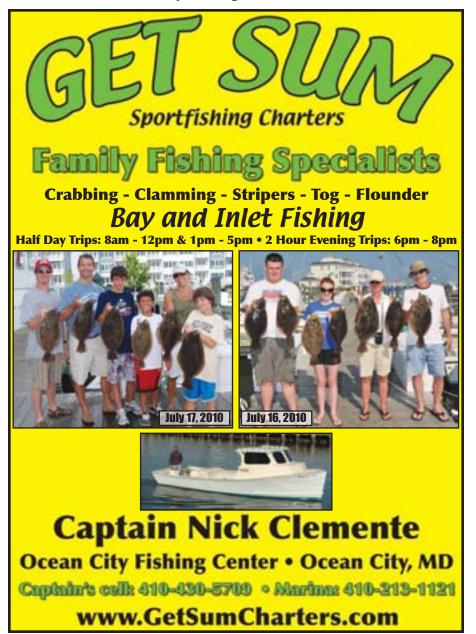








Anthony, Michael and A.J. DiOrio from Harrisonburg, VA joined up with John DiOrio from Philadelphia, PA for a trip aboard the "Get Sum" with Capt. Nick Clemente and Tyler Hasenei and returned with 3 flounder in the box. The fish, measuring between 19 and 20.25-inches, were caught on white Gulp! Swimming Mullets in the West Channel from Gudelsky Park to Hooper's Crab House. Pictured at the Ocean City Fishing Center.





Will Dengler, Zack Dengler, Mike Preskar and Richard Fehl, from Pittsburgh, PA and Will Dengler, III and Bekah Stuard from Sacramento, CA teamed up to land 4 yellowfin tuna and a 115 lb. mako shark while fishing on the "Salty Sons" with Capt. Mel McGinnis, Jr. and Mate Jimmy Ruppert. The mako came up and ate the back end off a hooked tuna and then ate a trolled ballyhoo that was rigged with wire for a wahoo. The fish were caught in the Poor Man's Canyon and weighed at Bahia Marina.



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Think about what happens on the flood high tide when no one is clamming. As the tide comes in, the clams drop to their particular locations. The smaller, lighter clams generally get further up on the bar than the larger chowder clams. So, if you finding only chowder clams in 12-24 inches of water, go to shallower water or just the wet sand and you may find some smaller ones. Where you find one or two smaller, tasty "steamer clams", you may find more!



Of course, you'll catch more clams with a rake, but if you're out there without one, it shouldn't stop you from catching a few clams. Have a keen eye; watch out for foreign objects in the sand and water. Avoid jellyfish (that's why I like to clam in shallow water or no water!) Hint: I also use bug spray on my legs and feet as sometimes there are mites in the water that can itch later, sorta like chiggers. The bug spray will pretty much eliminate that problem. A thick lather of suntan lotion also helps. Jump in the shower when you get home.

Have fun, and good clamming!

Sue Foster is an outdoor writer and co-owner of Oyster Bay Tackle in Ocean City, MD and Fenwick Tackle in Fenwick, DE.

Driftin' Easy

by Sue Foster

If you drive across the Route 50 Bridge at low tide, you can see boats pulled up to the sand bars. People are walking around on the bars, looking for sea creatures, shells, and clams. A clam rake will get you plenty of clams, but if you find yourself on a sand bar without a rake, don't despair. You can still get yourself some clams!



"Really, that's hard to believe!", you may say.

It's called "signing" for clams. The first time I saw it being done was when I was just a little girl out with my Dad, and we anchored over by Bird Island, that big island just north of the Route 50 Bridge. We stopped at the far northwest corner, where the "bird sanctuary" signs are now. There are plenty of clams there still; you just can't walk past the bird sanctuary signs. Anyway, I saw this other little girl and a boy with a whole

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bucket of clams. They were walking along, would stop to dig, and would pull out a clam. So I figured they were "blind digging" which I tried and I think I found 3 clams. They kept walking along, stopping and digging up clams. Well, I just never figured it out that day!

Later, when I became a teenager, a friend of mine, whose father knew the art of "signing", stopped our little boat on a sand bar and showed me. I've been a pretty dang good "clam signer" ever since!

What you do is walk the sandbar on the dry, semi-wet area, or anywhere in water where you can see the bottom. If you are walking in water, walk against the tide, so your footsteps do not cloud the water. Water clarity and being able to see the bottom is the key to "signing for clams." I use a pair of "not too dark" polarized sunglasses to protect my eyes and I can still see the bottom clearly. Personally, I like the vermillion color of lenses.

What you want to look for is a hole in the sand that looks like a key hole, just like the one in your front door. Sometimes these key holes are more elongated. Sometimes they are half covered up by sand and you can barely see them. At times, especially in dry sand, the holes may only look like a tiny hole. Occasionally, actually more than occasionally, the holes look like little dents in the A keen eye differentiate between a worm hole and a clam hole. It takes practice and some scratching around at "false" holes till you get the "knack." One thing is for certain, it's like fishing - if there's one clam around, there's usually more. Once you find a couple clams, really look that area over carefully for the rest. If they are really thick, you can even go back to blind

I have found in all my years of signing clams that on certain tides the clam signs look different. They are definitely more prevalent as the tide comes in. You can walk all over a sandbar on the outgoing tide and see practically nothing, then suddenly, when the tide starts coming in, you see clams everywhere. This is because the signs are actually caused by the siphoning of the water through the clam, and as the tide comes in, the clams start to feed.

digging!

One other little trick I learned is the "black spot." I have found clams on the outgoing tide, by seeing where the clams had once siphoned sand on the incoming. The dark muddy sand below was sitting on top of the lighter sand above. No keyholes were to be found, just black spots. Dig those black spots on the outgoing tide and see if you find some clams! The bigger the sign, the bigger the clam, so if you are looking for smaller clams, you REALLY have to have a keen eye.

Just like fishing, changes of depth can be where the clams are. On any little drop off, edge of a sandbar, ridge of sand, you can find clams. Clams also spit up sand when you step close to a clam hole on the incoming tide. Look in the water, and see if you can actually see the clams filtering water and clouding the water as you step. It looks like they are spitting at you under water!

Of course you can scrape with a big clam rake, but if you learn to sign clams, you can dig with something smaller like a little garden trowel, stick, or your index finger! I have caught many a clam with nothing but my toes and fingers as clams are not down very deep. If you dig down deeper than 3 inches, you may be chasing a razor clam. Especially on the incoming tide, clams are usually just under the surface. I have also clammed with a dull fillet knife. When you see a hole, slide the knife into the sand next to the potential clam hole and see if you hear a "clink."



Paige Jones from Hellertown, PA caught these 15inch bluefish while fishing from the Rt. 50 Bridge.



Kaitlyn Thompson from Westminster, MD caught this 19-inch flounder while fishing with a live minnow in the bay off 28th Street. This was Kaitlyn's first keeper flounder.

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David Konick from Fenwick Island, DE caught this 12 lb. dolphin 4 miles south of the African Queen and this Spanish mackerel at the Jack Spot, both while trolling spoons and artificial lures. Weighed at the Ocean City Fishing Center.



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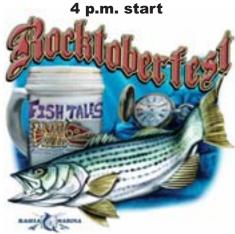


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The Galley

by Mama Jock



Clams Steamed in Wine

24 littleneck clams, in shell 1 cup white wine 1/2 stick butter 4 tsp. chopped garlic 2 TBSP. olive oil 1 TBSP. Italian seasoning Salt and pepper

In a stock pot over medium heat, cook the garlic in the oil until soft but do not brown.

Arrange clams on bottom of pot.

Add wine and butter; cover.

When liquid begins to boil, reduce heat and simmer for 4-5 minutes, or until shells are open.

Discard any clams that did not open.

Sprinkle Italian seasoning over contents in pot.

Salt and pepper to taste but may not be necessary.

Divide clams and broth into individual bowls and serve with crusty bread.

Serves 3 to 4.

Skillet Flounder with Feta, Green Onion and **Basil Salad**

4 large Roma tomatoes Kosher salt Ground pepper Bread crumbs 1 TBSP. olive oil 2 flounder fillets 6 oz. feta cheese Basil leaves, sliced thin 4 green onions, white part 1 handful salad greens 1/4 cup extra virgin olive

oil

Cut the tomatoes in half lengthwise and remove seeds.

Season with the Kosher salt and cover with a little bit of bread crumbs.

Drizzle with 1 TBSP. of olive oil and place in the oven at 475 degrees for 20 to 25 minutes.

Season the flounder on both sides with salt and pepper and set aside.

Slice the basil leaves in thin pieces and toss with the salad greens.

Add the sliced green onion and the feta.

Mix all in a bowl with 1/4cup of extra virgin olive oil and set aside.

Place the fish in a saute pan coated with olive oil.

Cook the fish on both sides until crisp and golden brown.

Set the roasted tomatoes on the bottom of the serving plates.

Set the fish on top and cover with some salad greens.

Drizzle the plate with extra virgin olive oil.

Serves 2.

Crab and Asparagus Soup

1 cup butter 1 medium chopped onion 2 stalks diced celery

1 lb. diced potatoes

1 lb. asparagus, cut in 1inch pieces

1/2 cup white wine

4 TBSP. clam juice

1/2 tsp. pepper

1 tsp. celery salt

11/2 tsp. onion salt

2 cups milk, divided

1/2 cup flour

2 cups half and half

1/2 cup scallions, thinly sliced

11/2 TBSP. dried basil or 1/3 cup fresh basil

1 lb. crabmeat

Melt butter; saute onion and celery 10 minutes.

Add potatoes, asparagus, wine, clam juice, pepper, celery and onion salt.

Bring to a boil and simmer until vegetables are tender.

In a small bowl, combine 1

cup of milk with the flour.

Wisk until smooth; add to the soup until well combined.

Reduce to a gentle simmer. Add 1 cup of milk, 2 cups half and half, scallions, basil, and crabmeat.

Simmer until hot. Do not boil.

Serves 8.

Mahi-Mahi with Mango Relish

1 ripe mango, peeled, pitted and diced medium

1 small cucumber, peeled, seeded and diced medium

1/4 cup fresh basil leaves, coarsley chopped

Juice from 1 lime

2 TBSP. extra-virgin olive

Salt and pepper to taste 4 mahi-mahi fillets, skin removed

In a medium bowl, toss together mango, cucumber, basil, lime juice and olive oil.

Season with salt and pepper.

Heat a cast-iron skillet or grill pan over medium-high

Using a paper towel, blot fish dry.

Season both sides with salt and pepper.

When pan is hot, add vegetable oil, then gently add fish, working in batches if necessary, (do not overcrowd pan).

Cook fish undisturbed until fillets release easily from pan, about 6 minutes.

Flip and cook until opaque throughout, 4 to 6 minutes. Serve fish with relish.

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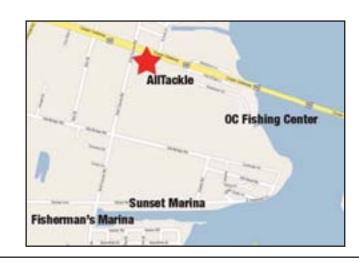


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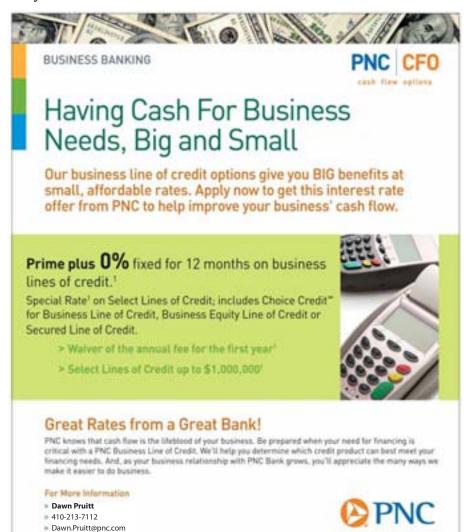


Hugh Cropper of West Ocean City, MD was live lining eels at Winter Quarter Shoal when he hooked into this 35 lb. cobia. Hugh was fishing on the "Myra HT" with Jay Phillips, also from West Ocean City, and weighed his catch at Ake Marine.





Ted and Bret Jackson from Newtown, PA each released a white marlin while fishing on the "Reel Naughty" with Ed Francis of Newtown, PA, E.J. Francis from Titusville, NJ, Capt. Steve Moore and Mate Dave Walker. The group also boated 3 yellowfin tuna, totaling 182 lbs., and 2 dolphin during the trip. The fish were caught on trolled ballyhoo in 80 fathoms between the Poor Man's and Baltimore Canyons. Pictured at Sunset Marina.

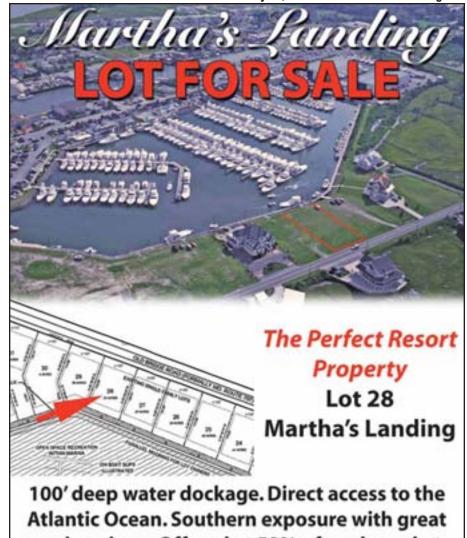




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Gil Saunders from Brooklyn Park, MD boated this 16 lb. dolphin while fishing on the "Hot Pursuit" with Richard Rebstock, Todd Petraitis, Rusty Rinehart, Brian Clark, Donnie Clark and Capt. Mark Sewell. The dolphin hit a trolled purple and black bullet head at the Hambone and was weighed at the Ocean City Fishing Center.



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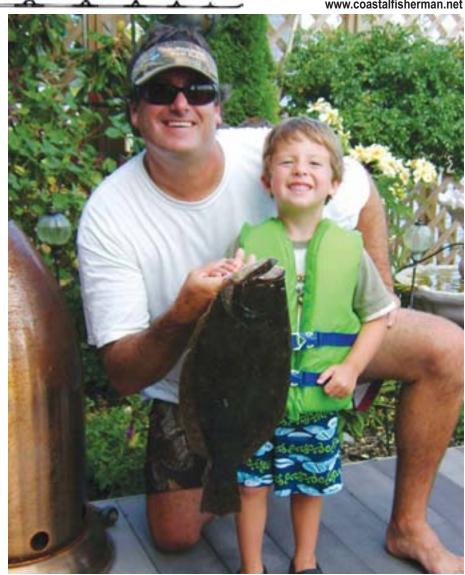
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Ray McBride from Myerstown, PA, Tyler and John Dolmetsch from Dallastown, PA and Tim Strathmeyer from York, PA returned to the dock at the Ocean City Fishing Center after fishing on the charter boat "Pursuit of Happiness" with Capt. Matt King. The fish measured 35-inches and 53-inches and were hooked on skirted ballyhoo and a spreader bar at the Fingers.



Camden DuBuque from Salisbury, MD landed his first keeper flounder while fishing with a live minnow in the 28th Street Channel on "Popsy's Pontoon" with Corey Kennington of Allen,





Eight-year-old Zachary Crim from Rockville, MD muscled in this 22-inch flounder while fishing at the mouth of the Sinepuxent Bay with his dad, Steve Crim.



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Darrell Smith from Centerville, MD (center) caught and released this 65-inch white marlin while fishing on the "ACT II" with Jim Burns (pictured), John Bourbon, Eric Miller, Capt. Mike Orndorff and Mate Johnny Crites (pictured). The white was hooked on a green machine at the Fingers.



On Friday, John Diehl from York, PA landed 2 flounder measuring 22 and 24.25-inches and Rodney Landis, also from York, PA caught a 22-incher, all while drifting live spot near the Rt. 90 Bridge. The heaviest flounder tipped the scales at 5 lbs. 8 oz. at Ake Marine.





Josh, Austin, Madalyn and Andy Nelson from Manheim, PA ended their day with 3 flounder in the box after fishing on the "Get Sum" with Capt. Nick Clemente and Mate Tyler Hasenei. All three of the flatties were caught on white Gulp! Swimming Mullets with 2 of the fish being caught along the wall on the north side of the Inlet. The third flounder was caught in the East Channel. Pictured at the Ocean City Fishing Center.

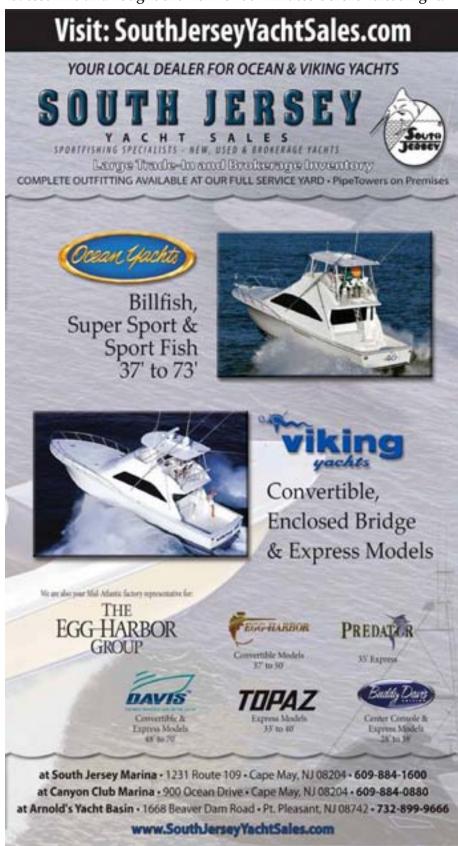


Todd Hampton, Kevin Macho, Miquel Sanchez and Joe Valentine all took the trip down from Vineland, NJ to fish with Capt. Willie Zimmerman and Mate Chris Hornung on the "Playmate" and ended the day with 2 yellowfin, 2 dolphin and a wahoo in the box. The fish were caught on ballyhoo and spreader bars in 150 fathoms in the Poor Man's Canyon. Pictured at the Ocean City Fishing Center.





Wayne Marston from Middletown, DE was fishing with bunker off the beach on the south end of Cape Henlopen when he caught and released this 7-foot long sandtiger shark. Wayne was using 30 lb. test line and fought the fish for 30 minutes before releasing it.





John Berry from West Ocean City, MD, Chris Arthur from Phoenix, MD and Brian Bunk from Columbia, MD caught some snapper bluefish and 2 flounder, measuring 20.25 and 21.25-inches, while fishing on the "Get Sum" with Capt. Nick Clemente and Mate Tyler Hasenei. The flounder were caught in front of Marsh Harbor while the bluefish were hooked near the Rt. 50 Bridge. All of the fish were caught on Gulp! artificial baits. Pictured at the Ocean City Fishing Center.





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Casey Martin of Lititz, PA caught a 17 lb. dolphin, while Zach Martin, also from Lititz, PA landed himself a 10 pounder, both while fishing on the "Reel Escape" with Landon and Brad Moyer of Manheim, PA and Devon Martin from Lititz, PA. The fish were caught on skirted ballyhoo at the Chicken Bone.



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Delaware Fishing Report

by Rick Willman



Hi folks. Croaker action in the back bays continues to heat up and, as we all know, that sure does provide for a boatload of fun. The size of most of the croakers remains on the small side but that should start to change. Bloodworms, FishBites bloodworm, squid, and Gulp! are all great baits to use when catching hardheads.

Flounder are still very active, although you will have to catch a bunch of shorties to get that keeper. Top flattie baits include squid and minnow smelt, spot, cut spot, cut mullet, shiners, or a bucktail tipped with a worm. The key is to use just enough weight to get to the bay floor but still bounce off the bottom easily. A moving bait will excite more fish.





Back in early July, Thomas Paine Miles from Chadds Ford, PA landed this 58-inch bluefin tuna at the Southeast Grounds, 12 miles east of the Indian River Inlet. Thomas was fishing on the "Boy's Toy" with Tommy and Frank Gessler. The fish weighed 109 lbs. on the scale at Hook'em & Cook'em.

Inshore fishing is slowly improving with catches of sea bass and flounder coming from "DB" Buoy. The Old Grounds and the wrecks are also starting to hold more hungry fish. Inshore catches have Lou Soutori fishing the ocean to score doormat flounder weighing in at 8 lbs. 2 oz. and 7 lbs. 2 oz.

Back bay catches have Jim Alexander scoring a 6.5 lb. flattie near Buoy #20 on cut spot. Deb and I had our son Clint and fiancée, Erin, along with great friends, Butch and Deb Stock, from Coopersburg, PA, to the #20 area for a great day of fun fishing. I think we could have sunk that old pontoon boat with croakers. The 2 Debs battled for high hook.

Offshore action is hit or miss when fishing for tuna. Lots of dolphin are being caught and there have been good numbers of white marlin released along with a few blue marlin as well.

At Rattle & Reel Sporting Center on Long Neck Road, Ron tells us that there are plenty of flounder in the Rehoboth and Indian River Bays. The tough part is getting a keeper. Something new to try for flounder is a black worm fished on a white bucktail. Spot and croaker can be found near #21 and #22 buoy. FishBites bloodworm is working well. Stripers are falling for live spot near the Coast Guard Station and at the South Jetty in the Indian River Inlet.

From Bill's Sport Shop on RT#1 in Lewes, we received the

Jim Jones fished at Massey's Canyon and caught a 33 inch bluefin tuna along with an 18pound gaffer dolphin and peanut dolphin. Al Boyd fished the Indian River Inlet and scored 2 keeper flounder while using squid and minnows. Bull minnows were the bait of choice for John Focht who managed 2 flounder to 21 inches while drifting his boat "Sea Legs" at Massey's Ditch. Dave Major, Skip Moseij, Joe Botman, and. Capt. Kenny G. on the "Just Right 4" caught 6 dolphin tipping the scales at 12 to 17 pounds while trolling naked ballyhoo at the Elephant Trunk. Bob Adams of Bill's Sport Shop and Jim Schafer on the "Abigale" caught dolphin, including a 19.8-pound citation, while trolling cedar plugs at the Tea Cup. Tom Moran fished on the "Reel Life" with Joe and trolled the Tea Cup with ballyhoo picking up a 29.5 pound dolphin and 2 smaller dolphin.

At Henlopen Bait & Tackle on Savannah Rd. in Lewes, Rick reports spot and croakers are being caught at the Henlopen Pier and kingfish are being landed in the surf on bloodworms, shrimp and squid.

Deanna at Hook'em & Cook'em Bait & Tackle reported flounder being caught in the Indian River Inlet and in the ocean around "DB" Buoy. Lance Marquess caught a 4.6 lb. flounder and Brian Sheets took a 5.9 lb. flounder. Small blues and a few stripers are also in the Inlet.

Offshore action centered mostly around dolphin and tuna, but a few wahoo are showing up at the scales. Megan Chambers caught a 79.9 pound bluefin at Massey's Canyon and Mike Santoro, aboard the "Bill Collector," boated a 44.7-pound wahoo.

Joe Morris at Lewes Harbour Marina said flounder action improved during the week. Strong running currents leading up to the full moon still

made for tough drifting in the bay, but when conditions were right, fluke anglers did alright. Joe Walker and crew captured 10 keepers at Reef Site #5 in the Broadkill Slough Wednesday. Brent and Bill Wiest worked the rubble of Site #6 at Brown Shoal on Saturday for 6 keepers, including Bill's 7.45-pound citation flatfish. Mike Vespa caught a 5.21pound flounder near the Cape Henlopen Pier on Saturday.

Reports of flatties also came from Reef #8, the Star Site. When the wind and current were pushing boats too fast for effective fluking, savvy anglers anchored on reef structure and cast bucktails tipped with strip baits and Gulp! artificial baits. Walking bottom rigs back in the current from a stationary boat also worked when the drift was too fast to allow vessels to remain on productive structure.

Ocean bottom fishermen didn't have as much current to deal with, and some decent flounder catches came from the rough bottom along the edges of the shipping lane. Wes Olson checked in with his limit of quality fluke from the Old Grounds on Tuesday. The two heaviest weighed 6.4 and 5.37 pounds. Those flatties fell for a Gulp! and shiner combo. Captain Pete on the "Top Fin" drifted Reef Site #10 on Saturday for 5 nice keepers, including a fine 6.9 pounder for Dan Leitzel.

The croaker bite continued in the Bay. Hardheads were available on the Star Site Reef in recent days, but it seemed catching was better during afternoon tides. Anglers had to deal with numerous cownose rays, skates and oyster toads in the mornings. Fishermen also found kingfish, spot and blowfish mixed with croakers, they responded bloodworms, clams and Fishbites. Good numbers of panfish were located on Site #5 as well. Eating-size spot were plentiful in the Lewes Canal. Bits of bloodworm or Fishbites on small hooks or sabiki rigs

resulted in good catches, especially during the last two hours of incoming tide.

Slot striped bass also came from the Canal. Boaters using clams on the bottom near the drawbridge told of success with stripers. Guys fishing from the town dock also hooked rockfish. The rockpiles at the mouth of the Bay held linesiders too, and those fish could be taken by casting Rat-L-Traps and Storm Shads during evening tides.

The Outer Wall and Ice Breakers also attracted tautog and triggerfish, although, it seemed the tog bite cooled off with persistent hot weather. Blackfish and triggers could be tempted with sand fleas, crab and shrimp.

Some big sheepshead were pulled from the Ice Breakers. Rockpile specialist Herbie Shorthose landed a whopping 12.9 pounder using box crabs at the Haystacks on Thursday.

The good tuna fishing enjoyed by offshore trollers between the Baltimore and Poor Man's Canyons slowed in the past week. A few yellowfins still came from the 150-line area, but tuna were definitely not as thick as they previously had been. Vince Scheivert, on the "Black Bart", boated a 70-pound class yellowfin there on Saturday, and told of pulling off two other big tuna. White marlin were mixed in.

Dolphin have gathered on lobster gear buoys and most other floating stuff in hot offshore water. Ed Sigda and the boys on the "Snow Goose" returned from the Baltimore with a nice catch of mahi on Thursday. Mahi-mahi have migrated inshore with high water temperatures. Bill Fintel boated a 21.1-pound bull while trolling a spoon behind a planer at the East Lump Thursday.

Until next week, have fun and be safe!

Rick and his wife Deb are owners of Rick's Bait & Tackle in Long Neck, DE.





MARYLAND REGULATIONS

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BLACK DRUM
16" minimum 1 per angler/day



BLACK SEA BASS 12 1/2" minimum 25 per angler/day 5/22 to 10/11 and 11/01 to 12/31



BLUEFISH 8" minimum 10 per angler/day



CROAKER
9" minimum 25 per angler/day



TAUTOG
14" minimum 2 per angler/day
May 16th to October 31st



WEAKFISH
13" minimum 1 per angler/day



BLUE CRAB 5" minimum 1 bushel/person no more than 2 bushels per boat



SUMMER FLOUNDER
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Wes Olson caught a pair of nice flatties while fishing at the Old Grounds. The flounder, weighing 5 lbs. 6 oz. and 6 lbs. 6 oz., were hooked on a Gulp! and shiner combination and weighed at Lewes Harbour Marina.

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Species	Ocean City	Delaware	Species	Ocean City	Delaware
Sea Bass	May 31, 2010 Nate Leader Artificial Reef 6 lbs.	June 1, 2010 Jolly Paily Site #11 3 lbs. 12 oz.	Mako Shark	June 17, 2010 Paul Seaberger "All In" 471 lbs.	June 7, 2010 Bob Wiles Hot Dog 229 lbs.
Tautog	February 2, 2010 Frank Graziano "Morning Star" 19 lbs. 10 oz.	April 27, 2010 Brian Osborne "Karen Sue" 10 lbs. 2 oz.	Thresher Shark	June 4, 2010 Kevin Taylor Hot Dog 627.6 lbs.	June 11, 2010 Jay Richwine "Saltwater Cowboy" 560 lbs.
Striped Bass	April 23, 2010 Tom Walker Assateague Surf 45 lbs. 4 oz.	May 7, 2010 Bill Winkler Indian River Inlet 42 lbs. 15 oz.	Cobia	June 24, 2010 Juan Franzetti African Queen 61 lbs.	No Weights Reported
Weakfish	No Weights Reported	June 6, 2010 Domenic Caputo Roosevelt Inlet 7 lbs. 2 oz.	Bluefin Tuna	July 7, 2010 George Poveromo "That's Right" 126 lbs.	July 3, 2010 Thomas Miles Southeast Grounds 109 lbs.
Speckled Trout	No Weights Reported	No Weights Reported	Yellowfin Tuna	July 11, 2010 Glenn Steele Wilmington Canyon 79 lbs.	July 16, 2010 Johnny Horning "Fish Whistle" 74.9 lbs.
Flounder	June 13, 2010 Hunter Dortenzo East Channel 9 lbs. 11 oz.	April 15, 2010 Brian Wirts VFW Slough 11 lbs. 5 oz.	Longfin Tuna	No Weights Reported	July 16, 2010 Jimmy Saunders Spencer Canyon 47.3 lbs.
Bluefish	June 5, 2010 Jeremiah Leader Inside Rockpile 14 lbs. 5 oz.	June 12, 2010 Kyle Falgowski Hot Dog 12 lbs. 6 oz.	Bigeye Tuna	June 13, 2010 Ron Los, Jr. "Marli" 211 lbs.	June 26, 2010 Tony Burr Lindenkohl Canyon 170 lbs.
Sheepshead	May 23, 2010 Dave Pasun Inshore Wreck 7 lbs. 8 oz.	July 23, 2010 Herbie Shorthose Ice Breakers 12 lbs. 15 oz.	Dolphin	July 21, 2010 Jim Hughes Poor Man's Canyon 49 lbs.	July 8, 2010 Jere Bryant "Wave Dancer" 37.8 lbs.
Black Drum	May 28, 2010 Maggie Magee Assateague Surf 22 lbs. 8 oz.	May 2, 2010 Lucas May Coral Beds 85 lbs. 8 oz.	Wahoo	July 11, 2010 Gary Tanner "Bill\$ 4 Bills" 75 lbs.	July 14, 2010 Brian Perry Baltimore Canyon 45.8 lbs.

For a copy of this page or to report your catch, call the Coastal Fisherman at 410-213-2200



Todd McKew from Bel Air, MD, Dan Mattio from Kingsville, MD and Mike McKew from Perry Hall, MD caught 3 flounder within minutes while fishing with live spot at Harbor Isle. The fish measured 19.5, 21.5 and 22.5-inches. Photo courtesy of Oyster Bay Tackle.



Julie Nelson was trolling a green machine spreader bar at the Chicken Bone when she hooked into this 55.8 lb. bluefin tuna. Julie was fishing on the "Spoiled III" with Capt. Angelo Delapo and weighed her catch at Lewes Harbour Marina.



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BLACK DRUM 16" 3 per person/day



BLUEFISH No minimum size 10 per person/day



RED DRUM 20" - 27" 5 per person/day



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Matthew and Harold Missimer from Pottstown, PA and Edward Missimer from Long Neck, DE boated 3 yellowfin tuna during a trip aboard the "American Ambition" with Capt. Vernon Lee. The fish were caught on trolled ballyhoo in the Spencer Canyon with the heaviest fish weighing 60.8 lbs. on the scale at Hook'em & Cook'em.



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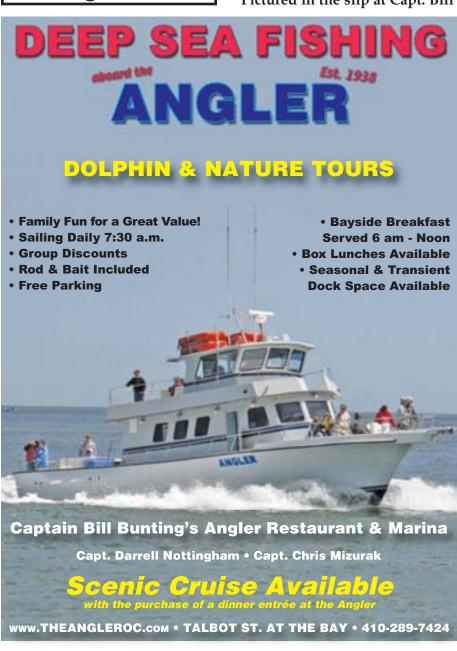
With warm water pushing closer to shore, headboats on their way to the sea bass grounds have been picking up a few dolphin. Here, George Fitel from Gaithersburg, MD caught this 11 pounder, 6 miles south of the Great Eastern Reef, while fishing on the "Angler" with Capt. Chris Mizurak and Mates Matt Temple and Dean Lo. Pictured in the slip at Capt. Bill Bunting's Angler Dock.

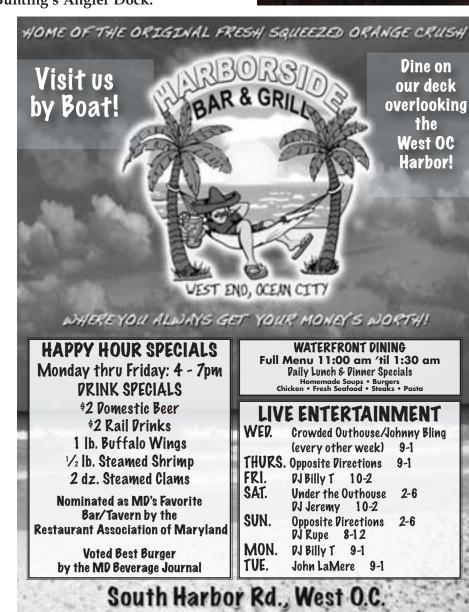


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Michael Wright of Ocean City, MD was an "Iron Man" when he caught this 21-inch flounder in the bay off 28th Street while using shiners for bait. Photo courtesy of Oyster Bay Tackle.



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Chum Lines

by Capt. Mark Sampson



While coming in the inlet last week I noticed three young anglers on a small boat who were also returning from their own day of offshore fishing. They first peaked my attention by the way they zoomed up in their 22-foot outboard, jumped our wake, shot past us, cut our bow, and went flying up the bay to a destination, I guess, known only to them. I didn't know where in the heck they were going - didn't really care either. As far as I was concerned, they were just "another" group of guys in shorts, t-shirts, sunglasses, and a boat heading in from their day on the water. Of course, for them it was a different story as they had just returned from a successful day on the ocean, they had caught and they wanted everyone within eyeshot to know it!

This was obvious by the three yellow flags flying from a fishing rod which indicated they had landed (at least) three dolphin. Seeing their little flags flapping as they passed under the Rt. 50 Bridge, I couldn't help but

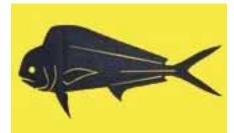
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wonder why they went through all the trouble of rigging the flags on the rod when, after all, who in the heck cares if those guys caught dolphin or not? Do they really think that people on other boats or the shoreline are at all interested that three



"Goobers" in a center console caught dolphin that day? Or for that matter, does anyone really care about any boat that comes in with "bragging rags" flapping from their riggers? For a while I was a little irked at once again seeing anglers so prominently display their egos, "Ooh look-at-me-lookat-me. I caught a fish!!" and I wondered why fishermen can't just go out and a have a fun day of fishing without worrying about racing home to alert the rest of the world that they accomplished what they set out to do that day? Imagine if every time someone went shopping they'd fly flags from the antenna of their car indicating what they bought. Yea, like the neighbors really care that you worked your way out to the dairy isle and nabbed a whole gallon of milk, and on the way back trolled



down the bread racks and bailed some biscuits and whole wheat! It's kind of silly when you think about it.

Of course, as I pondered all this, I remembered a day in my own dumb youth when a friend and I ran my 19-foot boat out to the Jack Spot for bluefish and were happily surprised to catch a couple dolphin of our own. This was before flag companies started putting little pictures on their flags so everything was color coded and very simple; white flags for blue marlin, blue flags for white marlin, red flags for billfish release and yellow flags for dolphin. That was it. If you caught anything besides the aforementioned species you simply had to wait until you got back to the dock to alert the rest of the world what a grand fisherman you were because there wasn't a flag to do it for you.



Anyway, that day on the Jack Spot I was in a bit of a pickle because I caught the fish but didn't have the flags to prove it, and I just "knew" that everyone in Ocean City would be anxiously waiting at the Inlet that evening to see what we caught and I couldn't disappoint so many fans by not having any flags to fly. I needed yellow flags! What I did have was a cheap yellow raincoat aboard which I promptly cut two rectangles from the back, taped them to my CB antenna, and thought to myself, "now we can ride home in style." Talk about being a "Goober!"

Fish flags obviously have different levels of importance to different anglers. I know one captain who spent all afternoon on the radio trying to locate someone offshore who could lend him a sailfish flag. He then ran about five miles out of his way to rendezvous with the other

boat to pick it up just so he would be able to run through the Inlet flying the thing. It was THAT important to him, although I've got a feeling most of the folks near the inlet were probably more interested in watching what the skimpy bathing suits weren't covering than paying attention to the little upside down sailfish printed on the white flag he'd worked so hard to procure, but that's just my opinion.



The irony of flags is that while many anglers display them for the purpose of signaling to others their success as fishermen, if they fail to follow a certain level of flag etiquette, what they actually end demonstrating is how much they "don't" know about fishing. For instance, if flag fliers wish to come through the Inlet with any dignity at all it would probably be best to stick to the traditional billfish, tuna, dolphin, wahoo, and shark flags. If, however, someone really wants to be labeled as a Goober they should go ahead and fly a bluefish, flounder, skunk, Jolly Roger, or cocktail flag.

The number of flags flown can also be an indication of Gooberness. It's appropriate to fly a flag for every billfish caught and up to six flags for tuna, but besides that, regardless of how many fish were caught, only one flag should be flown. Last year there was a small boat at our marina that every weekend would be flying 10-15 dolphin flags from two riggers. Curious about the fellow's success, I wandered past his during the great "unloading of the catch" one Saturday afternoon noticed that the dozen or so dolphin he'd brought home that day were all about the

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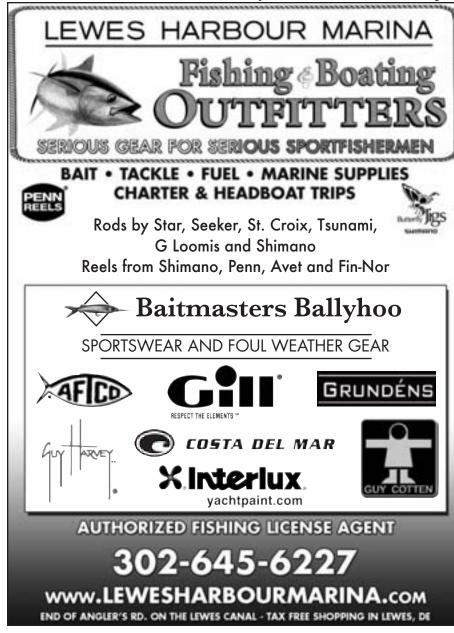
same size as the dozen or so flags hanging from his riggers. I had to bite my lip not to suggest that he could have saved money if instead of buying the flags he just flew the dolphin from the riggers. One flag for dolphin PLEASE!

I think that perhaps the best known fish flag rule is that all flags must be taken down before twelve noon the following day. After that they are subject to being literally "nailed" to the dock behind the boat. I used to work at a marina whose personnel absolutely lived for the opportunity to nail someone's flag to the dock. Anytime a flag was still flying by midmorning they'd start to hover around the boat like buzzards eyeing up a road-kill possum. At one second after noon they'd pounce, and the flag would be permanently affixed to the dock with a few dozen roofing nails. Then again, the ritual can work both ways. I know a captain who was so

proud of the fact that he caught a blue marlin that he purposely left his flag up in hopes that someone would nail it down as permanent testimony to his catch.

Another way to look at it is, "to heck with what anyone else thinks, if you want to fly a flag for every dolphin, bluefish, oyster toad, or sea robin you catch, then go ahead. Some folks might think you're a Goober, but if it doesn't hurt anything or anyone - then why not? As for me, I like to keep things simple and work on the premise that my clients and I know what we caught. If anyone else wishes to know they can ask. That way I don't have to worry about being called a Goober, or cutting up any more raincoats!

Captain Mark Sampson is an outdoor writer and captain of the charter boat "Fish Finder", docked at the Ocean City Fishing Center.









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Now that cartography chart plotters have become almost a standard item and just about everybody has access to a computer these days, it is not surprising that more and more manufacturers designed software have programs to enable users to plan trips and waypoints on their computer and then download them to their GPS chartplotter. These programs vary in price and features from free to the very deluxe and rather expensive.

There are quite a few of these on the market but I'll take just three to give you an idea of what's out there. In the deluxe range are the MaxSea products marketed by Furuno. Their MSRP ranges from \$450 to \$2,000. The basic \$450 model includes the following features:

- •Connect your GPS and autopilot, download/overlay weather, and perform advanced planning.
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chart.

Clearly this is more than just downloading waypoints and may be more than you want to do.

Jeppeson also makes a program with similar features called C-Map PC Planner that says it can turn your computer into a virtual plotter. Using the same charts as your GPS, you can view actual chart data, create and change routes, accurately measure distances, and add and edit waypoints and marks. You can easily transfer your trip plans to a C-Map Memory Card, plug it into your chart plotter, and load your routes on the spot. One disadvantage to this program that I see is that everything is viewed as a route. You can individual waypoints but you need to "trick' the software into doing it. Nevertheless, being able to sit in the comfort of your home and plan a fishing trip, then save it on an SD memory chip and load it into your boat's plotter is a big convenience. This program is available for around \$130.00.

Then there are a large number of free, or almost free programs for download over the Internet. One such program can be found at: http://www.gpsu.co.uk/gpsr ecs.html. This is a basic utility program for transferring data to/from your GPS receiver. A version of it is free and can store and/or manage 100 waypoints, 500 trackpoints and 5 routes. Another version can be downloaded for \$60 that gives you a larger amount

of data. This downloadable program is similar in features to the free software programs and updates that are offered by a number of manufacturers of GPS units such as Garmin and Magellan. It has a couple of special suggested uses such as:

- •Editing, sorting, filtering your GPS data. For example, select all waypoints within a particular distance from a route. Easy editing of your GPS data, reverse routes and save your data in ASCII text files for easy editing with a text editor.
- •Exchanging data with GPS information other sources. Useful if you wish to obtain waypoints, routes and tracks from other applications and transfer them to your GPS or export your data for use in other programs, for example, making your own maps.

This article is being offered to let you know some of what is out there but is not intended to suggest any one of these products over the other. Whether or not a program is the best one for you is a matter of which unit you have and whether the software is compatible with it, what you want to do with the program, how much you want to spend, and whether or not you have the necessary cables and ports to connect your PC.

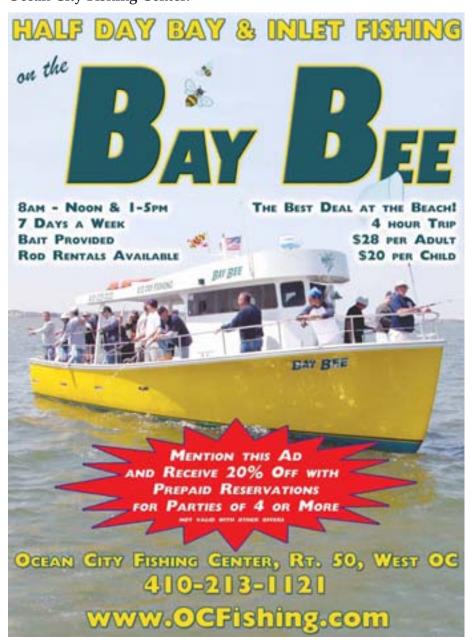
Pat and her husband, Larry are owners of L&L Marine Electronics in West Ocean City, MD.







Christopher Clasing from Essex, MD was drifting a Gulp! Swimming Mullet in the Ocean City Inlet when he hooked this 19.5-inch flounder. Christopher was fishing on the "Bay Bee" with Capt. Bob Gowar (pictured) and Mate Spencer Cropper. Pictured at the Ocean City Fishing Center.



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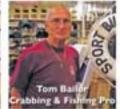
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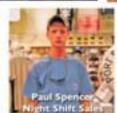




















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Nicholas Bowersox from McVeytown, PA was fishing with his dad, Chris, off the Oceanic Pier when he hooked into this 22-inch, 3 lb. 3 oz. flounder while using a minnow for bait. Pictured at the Oceanic Pier in downtown Ocean City.

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Wachapreague

Staff at the Wachapreague Marina report that 20 dolphin, a few bluefin tuna, and the occasional yellowfin tuna were caught last week. Inshore, the flounder bite has slowed, but there are still keepers being caught.

At Captain Zed's, local anglers caught flounder last week. One citation was reported (7 pounds, 6 ounces) around Drawing Channel. Croaker were also in the area, and most were

caught around Cedar Island Cove (north and east of the inlet). A few have also been found in the Green Channel (near the north end of the island).

Cape Charles

Chris' Bait and Tackle reports that croaker fishing was doing well near Oyster and around the Concrete Ships at Kiptopeke this week. Sea mullet were found around Buoy 13 and Oyster with a few croaker mixed in. Flounder were hooked around Buoy 42, the High Rise, and the Chesapeake Bay Bridge Tunnel. Good catches of cobia were reported at Buoy 16, and spadefish were hooked around the 3rd and 4th islands.

Lower Bay/Bridge Tunnel

Staff at the Sunset Boating Center reported nice catches of flounder in the area. Headboats did really well last week with small croaker.

No citations were reported from Salt Ponds Marina last However, everyone seemed to find keepers at last weekend's flounder tournament, even if there weren't any whoppers. The tournament winning fish was 6 pounds, 5

Kathy, at Wallace's Marina, saw a few more cobia come in last week. She also reported keeper flounder at Chesapeake Bay Bridge Tunnel, along with nice-sized spot and croaker catches. Spadefish were trickling in from the Chesapeake Bay Bridge Tunnel, and speckled trout were reported from the river.

At the York River Fishing Center, staff reported that the croaker began getting bigger last week in the York River. As the temperatures heated up, so did the flounder fishing, especially around the York Spit Reef. Cobia were also caught last week around York Spit.

Virginia Beach

Dr. Julie Ball, **IGFA** International Representative for Virginia Beach, contributed the following:

It's hot! But the summer

fishing trend along the mid-Atlantic is going strong. Luck paired with good weather could mean a promising weekend for anglers, with the main interest still centered on flounder and cobia.

Cobia action picked up a little last week. Both Latimer Shoals and the Nine Foot Shoals were producing for those anchored and chumming, while the Baltimore Channel area and the pilings of the Chesapeake Bay Bridge Tunnel were producing for top water casters. Some sightcasters were hooking up to a dozen fish in an outing. Many of these fish were beginning to group into pods as they collected at the mouth of the Bay.

With the water in the Bay clearing last week, the flounder action is picking up. Many folks reported modest catches but quality fish. Many flatfish ranging from 3 to 7 pounds were caught, with the best results coming from offering live bait along the bridge pilings of the Chesapeake Bay Bridge Tunnel, especially north of the 4th Island and along the High Rise area. The Cell also turned on last week, with anglers reporting limits of nice keepers. Both peanut bunker and small spot or croaker are good choices for bait. Rudee and Lynnhaven Inlets had plenty of shorts to pick through, with a smattering of keepers

Drum are still on the loose in the lower Bay, with red drum enthusiasts chasing large schools swimming on the surface along the Eastern Shore shoals lately. Pods of black drum are roaming the islands of the Chesapeake Bay Bridge Tunnel, but the dirty water made it difficult to find the fish last week.

Spanish mackerel are still dominating the trolling scene along the oceanfront. The best catches are coming in 40 to 45 feet of water, about two to three miles off of Rudee Inlet. Quickly trolled small spoons on small planers will do the trick. Most of the fish are ranging from 16 to 21 inches, with a surplus of tailor bluefish in the mix. Puppy drum (juvenile

red drum) measuring up to 23 inches were beginning to respond within Lynnhaven this Croaker are everywhere from

the Hampton Roads Bridge Tunnel to the Chesapeake Bay Bridge Tunnel. The area off Kiptopeke State Park is also a favorite location lately, where nice sized sea mullet are also mixed in. Good catches of small hardheads are also coming from the Small Boat Channel near the 1st Island. Anglers heading to Oyster are finding good croaker action, with most fish in the medium size range, and a few larger fish are also starting to show. Spot are also biting along the oceanfront and the southern shores of the lower Bay, as well as near the Bay Bridge Tunnel. A few keeper-sized spot are also hitting within Lynnhaven Inlet.

Spadefish are still available at the Chesapeake Light Tower, the Tower Reef, nearshore and inshore wrecks, the Chesapeake Bay Bridge Tunnel, the Cell, and Plantation Light. The fish are biting well near the High Rise area, but most fish are still ranging around 3 pounds.

Some large sheepshead are taking bait around the Bay Bridge Tunnel structure this week. Both clam and fiddlers, dangled in range of these feisty fighters, are working well. Plenty of triggerfish are also biting at the Chesapeake Bay Bridge Tunnel, as well as on several inshore wrecks

The folks at Chris' Bait and Tackle reported a few tarpon hook-ups and jump-offs on the Eastern Shore last week. A nice 51-inch silver king gave one angler a run for his money recently. The mighty fish was released after the angler skillfully subdued the fish on a fly rod. Deep-dropping is still a good choice, with decent blueline tilefish, golden tilefish, blackbelly rosefish, and nice grouper on the menu. Black sea bass are also available on many inshore wrecks and deepwater structures. Amberjack are still taking most any live bait offered on several offshore wrecks and at the South Tower. Take plenty of bait, and plan for a hot day.

Offshore, the billfish bite is still scattered. A few white marlin and a smattering of blues and sailfish are making things interesting near the Cigar recently. Some big dolphin are



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showing here and there, with surprise mako sharks still a possibility. School-sized bluefin tuna are still available on the inshore lumps, with king mackerel a possibility in these same areas.

Outer Banks, NC

Offshore fishing out of Nags Head continued to produce limits of dolphin. Tuna have been continuing their good show with yellowfin, blackfin, and skipjack tuna. Wahoo and king mackerel were around but not in very good numbers. Billfishermen saw most of their catches comprised of blue marlin with a few white marlin and sailfish in the mix.

Bottom-droppers caught blueline tilefish, grouper (snowy, gag, and yellowedge), vermillion snapper, red snapper, sea bass, and triggerfish. Eight to ten miles offshore, anglers hooked striped bass, red drum, and cobia.

Near shore, surf and pier fishermen had good luck with Spanish mackerel and bluefish, but the runs could be brief.

Bottom fishermen in the nearshore zone were catching spot, croaker, pompano, puffers, sea mullet, and rays. In the sounds and inlet, numerous flounder were being caught, but a large number of them were throwbacks. Speckled trout could be caught around the Washington Baum Bridge and Melvin Daniels Bridge but only in the early morning and late evening. Sheepshead, spadefish, and black drum were around the Oregon Inlet Bridge.

South of Oregon Inlet, the surf fishing has been good with spot, croaker, and sea mullet being caught in copious quantities. Ramps 43 and 44 were hotspots for the sea mullet, but better have fresh bloodworms on your hooks. Avon had bluefish and sea mullet in the area. The National Park Service has opened up a corridor on the beach, east of Ramp 44, to ORV traffic for people to access the Point. People making that trek found bluefish and puppy drum (juvenile red drum).

For those offshore fishing out of Hatteras Inlet, dolphin were being caught along with blackfin tuna, a few wahoo, amberjack, and a lone sailfish. Inside the inlet, speckled trout, grey trout, bluefish, and Spanish mackerel were caught.



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Marty Groff (right) caught this 19.3 lb. dolphin while fishing on the "Mega-Bite" with Capt. Tom Murphy and Mate Kevin Compton. The dolphin was caught on a trolled ballyhoo in the Spencer Canyon where the crew also caught 2 yellowfin, 2 other dolphin and recorded a white marlin release.

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Brian Everett of Windsor, PA caught this 6 lb. 8 oz. tautog on a chunk of clam while fishing on the "Morning Star" with Capt. Monty Hawkins and Mate Mike Kinder. The fish was caught on an artificial reef where the anglers on the trip had a nice catch of sea bass and a couple of flounder. Pictured at the Ocean City Fishing Center.



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On the first day of the tournament, Capt. Rob Skillman and the crew on "Moore Bills" weighed a 69 lb. yellowfin that held on to tie for first place in the Heaviest Tuna Division and in the Heaviest Yellowfin Division. The "Sea Mistress" also boated a 69 lb. yellowfin on opening day to tie the "Moore Bills". For their first place tie, the "Moore Bills" won \$33,515 in award money.

On the final day of the tournament, the "Playmate", with Capt. Willie Zimmerman at the helm, threw a 67 lb.

bluefin tuna on the scale to edge out "All Geared Up" and win top honors in the Heaviest Bluefin Division. The bluefin also gave the "Playmate" crew a stringer weight (top 3 fish during 2 days of fishing) of 191 lbs. to win the Heaviest Stringer Division by a single pound. For their win in the two divisions, the "Playmate" took home a check in the amount of \$49,329.

Second place in the Heaviest Stringer Division was Capt. John Oughton's "That's Right", another Ocean City boat, with 190 lbs. recorded for their three heaviest yellowfin tuna caught on day 1 and day 3 of the tournament. The crew on "That's Right" won \$14,285 for their 2nd place finish.

The tournament changed

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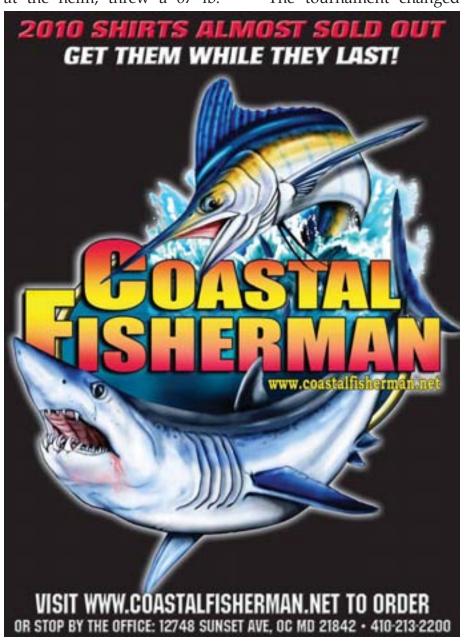
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to an all-trolling format this year and tournament organizers were happy with 34 boats registering and the outcome of the tournament. At the awards ceremony, Tournament director Bob Glover jokingly apologized for the lack of fish, and

thanked everyone for participating. "Since we changed the format this year, this is essentially a new event and everyone's been telling us how much they liked it and to stick with it for 2011 and more boats will come." Glover said. "I think we'll do just that!





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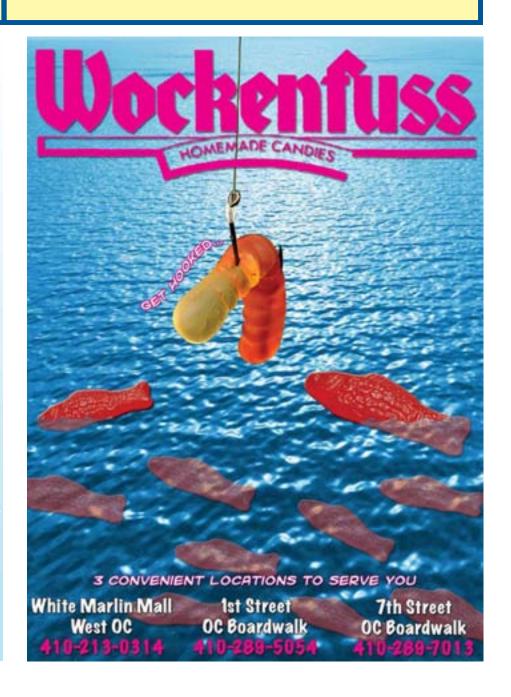
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Robert Remo, Jr. from Laurel, DE and Tom Esham from Hebron, MD ventured out to a wreck off Ocean City and caught triggerfish and spadefish while Robert Remo, III of Laurel, DE spearfished the wreck and snagged himself 6 spadefish, 10 triggerfish and some bluefish. One spadefish tipped the scales at 5 lbs. 8 oz. and all of the triggerfsh measured over 20-inches.



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Aaron Stoner from Hagerstown, MD reeled in this 3 lb. 4 oz. sea bass during a trip aboard the "Morning Star" with Capt. Monty Hawkins and Mates Rich Silvani and Mike Kinder. The *centropristis striata* was hooked on a chunk of clam at an artificial reef. Pictured at the Ocean City Fishing Center.



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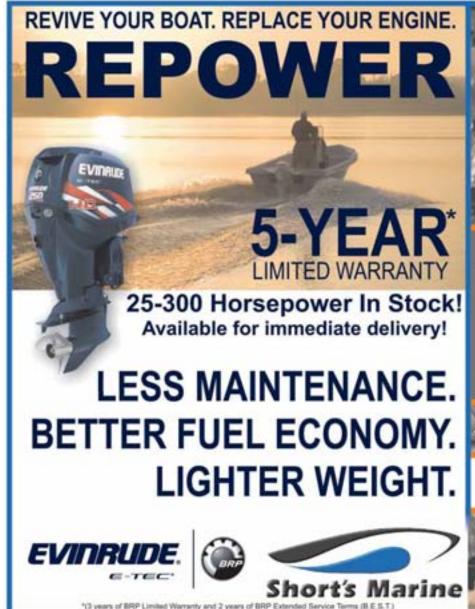
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Mike Vespa from Lewes, DE used green crabs to trick this 7 lb. 8 oz. tautog while fishing at the Ice Breakers in the Delaware Bay. Weighed at Lewes Harbour Marina, home of the "Lewes Harbour Stretch".

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Tim Keener, Jim Weller and Dave Weller from Ocean City, MD, Martin Chaveca from Montreal, Canada and Bill and Jim Scheivert from Hanover, PA were fishing on the "Turn Me Loose" and the "Reel Rhythm" at the Jack Spot and ended the day with 2 bluefin tuna, each weighing around 50 lbs.



Spencer Cropper, mate on the "Bay Bee" and Tyler Hasenei, mate on the "Get Sum" landed these stripers, measuring 29 and 31-inches, while fishing around the Rt. 50 Bridge, using live spot for bait.

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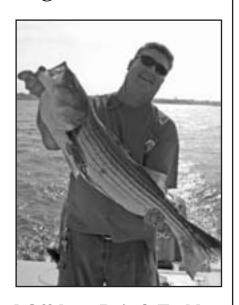
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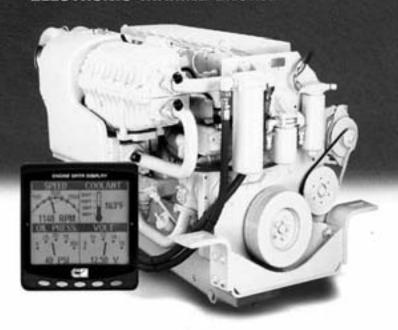
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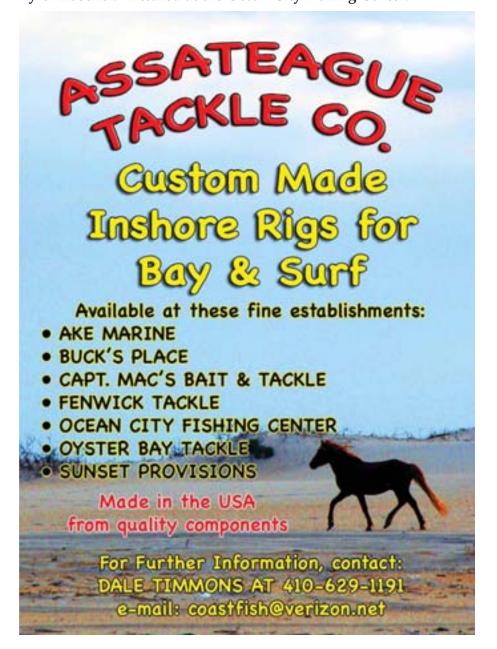
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Tony Maddox, Cody Maddox and Bob Bolties from Seven Valleys, PA caught 4 flounder, ranging from 19 to 21-inches, while drifting Gulp! Swimming Mullets in the West Channel. The anglers were fishing on the "Get Sum" with Capt. Nick Clemente and Mate Tyler Hasenei. Pictured at the Ocean City Fishing Center.



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Sat. July 31	Low 05:37 am Low 06:04 pm	High High 12:03 pm
Sun. August 1	Low 06:15 am Low 06:56 pm	High 12:12 am High 12:46 pm
Mon. August 2	Low 06:57 am Low 07:51 pm	High 12:51 am High 01:36 pm
Tues. August 3 Last Quarter	Low 07:45 am Low 08:50 pm	High 01:37 am High 02:37 pm
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